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Vic's Views....
2018
Baccalaureate Message

EUMC has been blessed to host the Baccalaureate Service of Lemon Bay High School for over 40 years. We did that again last month. And for many years we hosted the graduation of Lemon Bay High School in our sanctuary because it was the largest venue in town. Now they celebrate graduation in the gymnasium. It has been my pleasure to bring the message for Lemon Bay High School graduates at Baccalaureate for six of the eight years I've been Sr. Pastor at EUMC. I count this a great opportunity to share the amazing grace of God with folks that may not ever come to our church otherwise. I include in this month's Vic's Views the message I delivered to the Lemon Bay Senior Class of 2018 on May 16, 2018.

To emphasize the change that these young people will encounter over the years, I began the message by showing a series of slides of their faculty members—of how they appear now, and how they looked when they were Seniors in High School. We had fun with those pictures at the expense of some of the administration and staff of Lemon Bay, but they are always good sports about it all. After showing the contrast of these “before and after” images, I continued:

So, there you have it! Things change a lot after high school! And thank God those changes don't happen overnight! No, it happens gradually, so much so you don't even notice a change is taking place.

So, if you would, for just a minute, think about what life is going to look like for you in ten years. Project yourself to the year 2028—I know that seems like a long way off, but believe me, it will be here before you know it.

For many of you, in 2028 you will have already completed your bachelor's degree in college and maybe even your master's degree. Maybe even a few of you will have earned a doctorate by 2028.

*Some of you will have been working for ten years, maybe having advanced in the company you started out with right out of high school, and maybe even **in charge** of that company, or started **your own** company by then.*

In ten years some of you will be doing what you always wanted to do with your life, and others will feel like you are stuck in a rut already at the ripe old age of 28. But there's always time to get unstuck!

Some of you guys will be getting bald, a few will begin to see a few grey hairs emerge. Miraculously, the ladies among us don't see that happening as fast as guys—it's either a miracle or....a secret. In 2028 there's gonna be a battle with weight that some of you will begin to fight and wrinkles will begin to show themselves around the eyes and at the corners of your lips.

Some of you will be married with kids already—I had three kids by the time I was 28 (think of the changes that will involve!). And some of you will be doing all the above—the schooling, the parenting, the working, the aging. And that's just in 10 years from now!

*So what does that look like for you in ten short years from now. **Take ten seconds each and turn to your neighbor and tell them one thing you hope to have accomplished ten years from now. Real quick...ten seconds each...GO!***

So my point with all this is...you're going to go through many changes in your life. Not just in your appearance, but in your experience and knowledge and abilities and

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relationships. In the **midst of so much change**, it's important to have something to hold onto that **doesn't change**—something that provides **stability to keep life in perspective and healthy**. It's important to find something that **holds strong when things change really quickly**, because sometimes they do.

You will all experience quick changes that make your head spin—some for good—like an unexpected promotion, or a move to a far-away place...and some not so good. That's just the way life is! So it's real important to have **an anchor**—something solid to hold onto as you navigate all the changes—the quick changes and the slower ones.

Here's what I have used as a **tried and true anchor**—**The Bible**. And it's not just for people who go to church—this is for everyone. The words in the Bible are meant to help stabilize your life in the middle of so many changes. I want to share just a few verses of these words with you tonight—one from the Book of Proverbs 3:5-6. It says, **Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge Him and he will direct your paths.**

With all the changes that will happen, one anchor that will hold is a relationship with God. One of the changes that I hope happens for you, is that you learn to trust the One who put you here. You are in this world for a reason. The One who created you put you here on purpose. God's got specific work for you to do. But it takes **trust** for you to find that purpose and do that work.

My adult children bought me the 23 and Me DNA test for my birthday a year ago. One thing it told me was that my 6th great grandfather was most likely from a small town in Northern Ireland. That kind of specificity also reminds me that if he hadn't been paying attention the day my 6th Great Grandmother went walking by in that little Irish town, I wouldn't be here. Our existence seems that fragile! Basic biology tells us you are only one of literally billions of possibilities that could be graduating from Lemon Bay High School in your place this year.

When you think of the billions of other people that could be here today instead of you, it's **obvious that you are not here by accident!** God put you on earth at this time for a reason. What science calls **random chance**, I call **divine providence**. And as you trust God, as **Proverbs 3:5-6** says, God will help you find out what your purpose is. So I hope you will learn to **trust him with your whole heart**. That will mean you'll have to trust God more than you trust **what you know or have learned**. I know that sounds crazy, but I assure you it's not.

When the changes in life flip you upside down in an instant, you will need to know **who you can go to, who you can really trust** with your life, **who you can lean on** instead of what your senses tell you, because when your world is upside down, your senses usually don't give good advice.

So don't put all your trust in **knowledge**, as great as knowledge is—it's not the "end all." Don't put all your trust in **making money**, as nice as money might seem, it represents success and security and status...don't trust it to give you what you most need in life. Don't even put all your trust in **another person**, as great as other people are—and as wonderful as finding that best friend or that partner for life is—trust is part of those relationships, but know the only One worth trusting with your **whole heart** is God—other people will let you down, but God never will.

Another anchor that I've held onto over all the changes in life, is a Scripture that says, **And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him. (Romans 8:28)** This passage says God loves us...God wants the best for us. In fact God is working all things together for our good. And in order to realize God is working for our good, all we've got to do is **Love God**. So the key here is to **learn to love God**.

It's just like any other relationship. The more time you spend with that other person, the more love you have for them. They become a part of your life. You start thinking like them. You start acting like them. It's the same in our relationship with God. He wants you to love him, and we can do that because **He has already loved us**.

He loved us so much He actually came to us in the form of a man. In Jesus, God showed us his love—by the way he lived—by the way he died—and the fact that he came back to life means He's now available to help you through all the changes—the good ones and the bad ones. And that's the **BEST GOOD NEWS** I have to tell you.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart ... do not lean on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge Him and he will direct your paths, because we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him.

Congratulations, Lemon Bay High School Graduating Class of 2018, and God Bless You!

You are LOVED!

Pastor Vic Willis

Pastor Perri's Notes..... Playing for Keeps!



Three years ago, Englewood UMC made some pretty big changes in the way we approach Family Ministries. First, Patty Tuff moved over to the preschool to begin her vocation of Preschool Director. She loves kid's and is continually creating an environment for our church community to reach young families who need quality preschool care for their children, while they are at work.

We hired Suzie Asa as our church's FIRST Full-time Director of Children's Ministry. Suzie has a mission focus for this community and is constantly seeing how we can reach into the community to meet new families and how to be intentional in the discipleship of the kids we currently have in our church. (This year we hired Casey Church as Suzie's part-time right hand, because there is so much to do!)

In July and August of 2015 Gil and I were brought on to the staff. Pastor Vic and SPRC knew that I had a passion for Family Ministry and reaching and discipling young families in this stage of faith walk. Pastor Vic knew this was the next step for this church and you welcomed our family into this community with open arms. Gil came with 10 years of youth ministry experience, and jumped right in growing our Youth Ministry in depth and numbers. So much has taken place in the last 3 years!

God has done so much that we give Him all the glory and honor! God is continuing to be up to so much good for the families in Englewood! Our staff team is excited for the next steps in this journey and how EUMC members can partner with us to make the future happen!

I want to share a little more with you about how we ALL have a role to play in children's lives. "You may not even be aware why the ordinary things you do every week will matter one day. It's really simple. We are expected to take care of our young. It's a part of our commitment to them at their baptism.

Expected to:

- ◆ to **give** them a shoulder
- ◆ to **protect** them while they are helpless
- ◆ to **rescue** them when they are in trouble
- ◆ to **nurture** them while they are growing
- ◆ to **inspire** their faith

And not just those of us who are parents, but all of us who are old enough to make a difference. We are called to be PRESENT IN THE LIVES of the next generations." (*Playing for Keeps* by Reggie Joiner and Kristen Ivy, pg. 9)

We have people in our church who are very committed to our children's, youth and preschool ministries. But reality is there is so much growth and opportunities for growth, our team doesn't have enough hands to juggle all their ministry tasks and put out all calls every week to ask for more help. We need you. The kids and teens need you.

If you are honest, sometimes you wonder if any of this really matters. "You think in your real, bland, mundane world, these tasks seem rather unremarkable, ordinary and routine. But reality is the secret is in the rhythm of your regimen. The gift of your time is much more remarkable than it seems. That's why what you do this week, and every week, matters. Over time, you are making a permanent imprint on the soul of a child. You are leaving a legacy. You are playing for keeps." (pgs. 10-11)

I invite you to prayerfully consider what your role is in being PRESENT with the EUMC Family Ministry team for the children, youth of our church and preschool. How can one hour of your time a week give, protect, rescue, nurture and inspire the soul of a child in our community to know and love Jesus more?

Reality is, if you invest in a kid or teen every week, you are making history and you usually don't know it. I invite our church to become intentional of not just investing our money into these ministries but our time and talents (simple talents God has blessed you with) to impact the next generations! Join us on this journey! We eagerly desire more laborers in the field with us because the harvest in Englewood is RIFE! Lord, let the laborers be plentiful!

It's an honor serving with you!

Pastor Perri

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY

At Home

Fran Altman
 Jimmy & Rhoda Clovis
 Joe & Ethel Croce
 Dick Davis
 Dorothea "Dodie" Fleming
 Audrey Grant
 Mel Herman
 Howard & Nan Jackson
 Geri Meneely
 Damon & Ruth Runyon
 Bill Schultz
 Adele Stewart
 Justine Stoeffler
 Matt White
 Matt & Helen Williams
 Virginia Wilson

Bay Breeze

Joan Larsen

Brookdale Rotonda

Nancy Hallman

Brookdale Venice

Jim Roch

Discovery Village

Jean Leshner

Family Affair

Alice Buck
 Marjorie Fitzgerald
 Betty Gatewood

Gardens of North Port

Justine Stoeffler

Grand Villa

Margaret Cypher
 Diane Keemon
 Mary Rainey

Heritage Oaks

Bill Anderson
 Peg Grim
 Audrey Lindsay
 Willard & Janet Wilson

Inglenook

Millie Messner
 Jeanne Sawyer

Live Oak Manor
 Shirleen Gallagher

Magnolia Acres
 Gayle Davis

North Port Pines
 Janice Reynolds

Pinebrook

Geri Demmin

Quality Health Care Center

Dorothy Burton

Sunset Lakes Village

Al King
 Vivian Miller



We were glad to share not only God's good news with you but also our very lives because we cared for you so much.

1 Thessalonians 2:8

Life is messy and often painful. None of us can avoid the grief and loss that happens in our lives. What we do to help each other get through difficult times can be complex, yet it can be so simple. As people of faith committed to healing and wholeness, sometimes we can just show up and reach out. Other times, we offer words of comfort or a listening ear. This is what our Congregational Care Ministers do. They help your pastors with visits to homebound, assisted living homes and in the hospital. They are in each of our services identified with a blue badge ready to pray for anyone in need and to offer to you a warm greeting.

If you are gifted in the area of compassion, encouragement and organization please see me and we have a place for you to serve in our Congregational Care Ministry. Consider it a privilege to explore and develop these gifts, for through you God will transform countless lives. If you are in need of a visit please call me at: 941-474-5588 ext. 252

God Bless You!

Pastor Don

Intercessory Prayer

Psalm 66:18-19

.....but God has surely listened and heard my prayer.

Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld His love from me.

As you may or may not know, my daughter Lori has been seriously ill for over a year. Many of you have faithfully prayed for her, and some continue to do so.

As Lori's Mother, I assure you, her illness has not been easy. Sometimes it seems as if each step she takes forward, leads to two steps backward. Her burden is not hers alone.

Her Dad and I suffer right along with her. We are not afflicted with her disease, but with hurting hearts. It is so hard sometimes to think about what could happen if she has a flare, or if the medications will cause the potential side effects. Then there's the realization that without health care many tests are withheld because of cost. Our struggles are real. I realize all this sounds depressing and hopeless, but I want you to see our situation through the eyes of believers.

It is true we almost lost Lori to her illness, but we didn't. She could have been left without any hope, but she isn't, and neither are we. I can tell you God is so good. He has sustained us with His love and His provision, from unexpected places. He has put into the hearts of those who care, prayer on their lips, on our behalf. He has supported Tom and me with the gentlest inquiries from you, not platitudes, but genuine concern. I want you to know how these things have, and continue to bless us, each one. The love you have given to us can not be measured or bought; it comes from a loving God. He has not abandoned us; He has given us hope, strength, and a deepened faith.

Please allow our situation to speak to you, and perhaps help you to see whatever adversity you are facing, through the eyes of hope, and with prayer. This is a hope that comes from Jesus, may you embrace it with us.

Barbara Terardi

Ministry of Music

It's that time of year again when many of our northerners have headed out to their "other" homes in distant states or Canada. The choirs have grown smaller for the summer months. With that in mind, I want to extend an invitation to YOU to join in our Summer Music Ministry. The Sanctuary Choir will go to an every other week schedule of rehearsals (see below) and the handbell choir will continue to meet as a smaller ensemble. Also offered will be sessions in Beginning Handbells and Chimes. If you are interested in these sessions, please reach out to me at the church at 474-5588, ext. 269.

Have a beautiful summer!

Fonda

Sanctuary Choir Summer Schedule

All rehearsals are on Thursday's at 7:00 p.m. in the Music Suite

**June 14 and June 28
July 12 and 26
August 9 and 23**

UMW READING PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS



Reading Program Plan Sheets are Due by June 30, 2018.

- ◆ Please print your name on the sheet.
- ◆ Indicate the Plan that you chose.
- ◆ List the books that you read.
- ◆ No other information is needed.
- ◆ Please put your sheet in an envelope addressed to: Pam Heady and place envelope in the UMW mail box #31 in the EUMC workroom.

Symbiont Service Corp Stump Pass Marina and The Dignam Family

Welcome You to

FOUNDATIONS

Early Childhood Education Center

Annual Golf Tournament

A huge
“thank you” to
everyone who
supported this
event. We
netted over
\$6,000! We’re so
grateful for
your help. It
was a great day!!

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**WOULD LIKE TO THANK THOSE LISTED BELOW
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Ms. Patty's Playroom...

Change is afoot at the Preschool and I wanted to share what we are doing and why. First, because the school is a ministry of this church, we felt we should better align our mission statements. As a result, the school's new mission statement will be: ***"As a ministry of Englewood United Methodist Church it is our mission to make God and His Kingdom more real through our care and education of children. We offer our staff as the hands and feet of Christ, demonstrating unconditional love while helping to build every child's self-esteem, character, confidence and knowledge."***

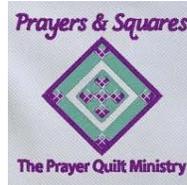
Although the school does a great job serving the children of this community, we feel that our focus has been diffused as we have tried to provide care for such a vast age range. As a result, we have decided to halt infant care at the end of July as well as Before/After care for school age children with the start of the school year. It is also our intention to stop summer camps with the 2019 summer season but we are staying open minded to what God's leading might be, community needs and practical issues like appropriate space for the kids and the current condition of the church's bus.

Because we have chosen to focus on providing a quality program for 1-5 year old children, we also feel accreditation is an important next step. We will be working with the United Methodist Association of Preschools to obtain this and it should take roughly a year. This will mean hard work by our staff to increase their educational experiences and detailed preparation by Administration. The reward will be greater reimbursement for those children who receive subsidized funding, a higher educated staff and a focused program that should increase the quality of services we provide.

Our staff and families have been notified of these changes and we have understandably received mixed reviews but we feel this is the direction we should head for the benefit of all. I ask that you keep the Preschool and all of its changes in your prayers.

Patty Tuff,

Director of Preschool



Prayers & Squares Workshop Day will be Thursday, June 21st in Fellowship Hall 1 & 2. Our group is an "open door ministry" which allows you to arrive, and to leave as your schedule allows between the hours of 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. We'll be blessed with any amount of time you can spend with us.

You do not have to know how to sew in order to help with the many tasks we do. If there is a task you're willing to try, we will help you to learn how to do it. An added blessing is that you may just meet ***at least one*** incredibly special new friend! Also, we have the necessary supplies to assemble some quilt kits. These "kits" consist of the items you need to make a prayer quilt, contained in a large Ziploc bag. Many of our members choose to take a kit home to work on at their leisure. It bears repeating that if you don't feel comfortable trying a new task, you are welcome to come and observe while enjoying wonderful fellowship!

Remember to bring a bagged lunch and beverage if you're staying for the midday meal at 12:30. Please label your lunch with P&S, your name and the date; refrigerators are available. Wearing your church name tag will help those of us who are not so talented in remembering the names that go with beautiful faces. As always, we ask that you leave your ego outside the door and always bring a heart for service. We hope to see **YOU** there.

A final thought to leave you with: Prayers & Squares is a chapter of an interfaith worldwide outreach ministry that combines the gift of prayer with the gift of a hand-tied quilt. Unlike many other groups that make quilts for charitable causes, the purpose of Prayers & Squares is not to make and distribute quilts, but to promote ***prayer*** through the use of quilts. Our motto is: ***"It's not about the quilt; it's all about the prayers."***

In Christian LOVE,

Jane Parker

941-564-6844

**** 90 (or over) Years Young!**

6/07 Adrienne Skoog **

6/11 Sally Rogers

6/19 Margaret Cypher **

6/21 Bob Farley **

6/26 Beverly Rienks

6/29 Evelyn Hire **



June Super Senior Birthdays

Super Senior Birthday Registration

Name _____

Birth Date / /

Month Day Year

Are you a Super Senior of four score years or more? We have the names and birth dates of many of our 80 (or more) years old, but we want to recognize ALL of these honored members. Please register your birthday if you haven't done so already. Just call the church office or send in the registration form.

The Super Senior birthdays are listed each month in the Messenger. Help them celebrate their super birthday by congratulating them on their special day.

Memorial Corner

4/17 Bob Hollenberg

4/25 Dean Beckstead

4/26 Pauline Quimby

5/03 Chelsea Nelson

5/11 Mim Bone

5/12 Cecelia Carvalho

5/15 Andy Grant



*Our thoughts and
prayers are with
their family and
friends.*



Memorial Gifts

Pastor Discretionary

In Memory of: Gene Parvin

Given by: Joe & Lillian Slama

Non-designated Giving

In Memory of: Becky Miller

Given by: Rex Rowley & Family
Kay Ringwalt

In Memory of: Lois Brower

Given by: Christopher Brower

Update Needed!

If you have changed your address, telephone number or email please call the church office with your current information.

Coin Cards, Donations and Missions!



"Every little bit added to what you've got, makes just a little bit more."

I can recall my parents singing this when I was a little girl. Some of our more "seasoned" members may recall it also. To our younger people, it may be unfamiliar, but the chorus remains true all these years later.

The Missions Committee wants to thank those who use the "Coins for Missions" coin cards which are found in the pews. There are yellow, blue, or gray cards, but each, when filled, holds either \$3.00 or \$5.00. There is a space for your name and envelope number. Every six weeks or so we get together to count the coins and the funds are added to other individual donations we receive, making just a little bit more available to be a blessing others.

In April we were able to be a HUGE EUMC blessing to the Guantanamo District of Cuba, still suffering from the hurricanes of the recent years. The district has 17 Methodist churches, however, only 5 have sponsors in the US. This results in these 12 pastors receiving a salary of only \$6.00 per month from the Cuba Methodist Church. Through your donations to the Missions Committee these "little bits" were added to others making it possible to provide a yearly salary of \$25.00 per month for each of these 12 unsponsored pastors. Can you hear the "Hallelujah?"

In addition to coin cards, we also collect coins in plastic water bottles which are available in each narthex. This is usually pennies and dimes, but remember "...every little bit counts." Filled bottles can be returned to the office. The coins collected in this way



are dedicated to Galcom International. We partner with them to provide audio Bibles, in the local language, for missionaries in Ecuador, Cuba and Kenya. Galcom is included in our yearly budget and through your gifts and our dedicated "coin counters" we were able to provide an additional \$1,242 or about 40 more of these much needed portable

missionaries.

Yet another way to donate to missions is through the "Missions Sub-fund" which is part of the EUMC **Permanent Endowment Fund**. This fund was established by Marilyn Steele years ago in memory of her husband, George. You can recognize a birthday, anniversary or send condolences by donating to this fund by check to EUMC with "Missions Sub-fund" noted in the memo line. Distributions on the original donation of \$10,000 can be made by the Missions Committee when needed.

It's a joy to serve,
Nancy Prins
Mission Chairperson

Comparative Financial Operations/Performance		
For the 4 months ending April 30, 2018		
	2018	2017
Tithes & Offerings	\$667,065	\$693,015
Expenditures	\$630,245	\$542,177
Tithes & Offerings Less Expenditures	\$ 36,820	\$150,838



EUMC SCHOLARSHIPS

The Englewood United Methodist Church Men's Fellowship is pleased to announce that a total of \$44,000.00 was awarded to the following students for the 2018-2019 school year.

High School Students—\$2,000 each

<i>Sarah Bedford</i>	<i>Reagan Moody</i>
<i>Bryden Canty</i>	<i>Alexandra Moyer</i>
<i>Cheyenne Farmer</i>	<i>Benjamin Orkins</i>
<i>Justin Hinck</i>	<i>Alexis Riddle</i>
<i>Giani Karr</i>	<i>Samuel Stonehouse</i>

College Students—\$2,000 each

<i>Grant Alexander</i>	<i>Casey Church</i>
<i>Taylor Cannon</i>	<i>Kaitlyn Dailey</i>
<i>Brooke Carlson</i>	<i>Ociellia Flowers</i>
<i>Matthew Cartland</i>	<i>Olivia Hodgson</i>
<i>Alexander Chirillo</i>	<i>Brittany Violka</i>
<i>Alyssa Church</i>	<i>Tracy Weeks</i>

Congratulations to all of these fine and deserving students. Thank you for participating in the pancake breakfasts and rummage sale. This is where our scholarship funds come from to support our program.

Harry Shaffer

Chairperson
Scholarship Committee



Book Buzz

Have you ever been “in over your head” in a situation?

For instance...have you ever seen someone enjoying the beach and ocean waters? They wade out enjoying the cooling waves, step off a sandbar and sink in over their head. Others may find that they are in over their heads financially, and waves of debt come crashing over them. It is so easy to get swamped with credit cards and loans if we are not careful.

The expression “in over our heads” comes from the prophet Ezra, who is speaking to God about sin when he says, “O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to Thee, my God, for our iniquities are increased over our head and our trespass is grown up into the heavens.” (Ezra 9:6) This is the beginning of a great prayer by Ezra. It continues from verse 6—15. Ezra has gone to God with his hands outspread. He is holding nothing at all back from God.

A similar admission of being overwhelmed by personal sin is echoed by King David in Psalm 38:4 when he says, “For mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as a heavy burden they are too heavy for me.” This is a penitential psalm. He is physically ill as a result of sin. He is giving his burden to God in song.

Jesus says to us, “Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.” (Matthew 11:28)

If you are *in over your head*, reach out to Jesus; you will find perfect rest in Him.

The library is air conditioned and a cool place to rest and read!

Pam Heady,

Your church librarian

WHAT MAKES A DAD

God took the strength of a mountain,
The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these qualities,
When there was nothing more to add,
He knew His masterpiece was complete,
And so, He called it ... *Dad*

Author Unknown





Dear Englewood United Methodist Church,

Thank you so very much for your special Easter offering and your generosity to Bridging Freedom! What a blessing you are to us! We have come so far in this journey over the years to bring this campus of restoration to these girls who so desperately need to revive their lives and find peace. We simply would not be where we are today if it wasn't for your support and faith in our mission.

Thank you for partnering with us to bring healing to these precious children! They will come to know they are loved because of your giving! Thank you for all you do and for your prayers.

Bridging Freedom,
Laura Hamilton

(The total giving from EUMC was \$7,840.53!)

NEW tennis shoes (sneakers) are needed for the many needy children in the area. This project helps to ensure that **ALL** school age children



begin the school year with a new pair of tennis shoes. In the last 13 years 67,030 pairs of shoes have been delivered. Many churches and organizations in the area participate in this project.

The shoe drop boxes will be in the main church entries and the office area from June 17 till July 23. If you prefer to make a monetary donation, please make your check payable to: **EUMC** and note in the memo box **"Shoes for Kids."**

REMEMBER...the shoes must be **NEW**. If you have any questions about this project please contact: Jan at EUMC: 941-474-5588, ext. 106.



**Dinner in Fellowship Hall
5:00-6:30 p.m.**

There is a \$6 suggested donation. If you are unable to afford this, please feel free to have the meal on us. Take-out meals are available for \$6 each. As always children eat for free!

Kid's meals are always served.

**Left over food is given to
Englewood Meals on Wheels.**

June 6

Chicken & Dumplings
Green Beans
Tossed Salad
Cake & Ice Cream

June 13

Tacos
Spanish Rice
Black Beans
Fruit Cobbler

June 20

Baked Potato Bar
Tossed Salad
Chocolate Parfait

June 27

Salisbury Steak
Loaded Mashed Potatoes
Green Bean Casserole
Fudge Brownie Sundae





Englewood United Kids Ministry

"They will be called Oaks of righteousness, A planting of the Lord for the display of His splendor."

Isaiah 61:3

Hey Parents, We hope you are enjoying the increased security of our check-in system. Kidcheck is also a great tool to keep attendance and to have contact information readily available. Please keep your address up to date, because the kids like to receive birthday cards and we periodically send out mailings. Thank you for letting us serve your family!



Promotion Sunday and Open house for kid's ministry is scheduled for June 3rd during the 9:15 contemporary service.

As we are nearing the end of the school year, it is time to promote the children to the next grade level.

Parents, guardians and grandparents are also invited to meet the small group leaders who will be leading their children Sunday mornings during the next school year. The leaders will be available in their rooms from around 9:20 to 10:30.



Vacation Bible School is rapidly approaching, July 16th-20th, 9am-12 noon for kids, 3 years through 5th grade

Pre-register your kids online at www.inglewoodumc.net

We are currently recruiting volunteers for Vacation Bible School. Sign-up to help in Fellowship Hall, any Sunday between services.

Volunteers plan to attend one of the mandatory training dates below:

June 24th Sun. 1-2pm, June 25th Tue. 6-7pm, June 26th Wed. 5-6pm,

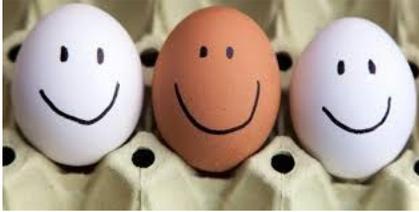
July 1st Sun. 1-2pm, July 7th Sat. 2-3pm, July 10th Tue. 6-7pm

If you would like to help in any other capacity or if we can serve you? Please contact Casey Church or Suzie Asa through the church office, 941-474-5588 or by email suzie@inglewoodumc.net

Volunteers who love Jesus and children are always needed and welcome in our kids ministry!

HEALTH AND WHOLENESS

This series is from the book "Who Knew?"
by Jeanne and Brian Lubin



The incredible edible egg is our topic this month. In the 1880's, when chickens foraged for all of their food, they produced 15-

20 eggs per year. By using a temperature controlled environment, special diet and confined to a small area production is up to 300 -325 eggs per year. The record is 371 per one hen established by University of Missouri College of Agriculture. The larger chicken farms produce 250,000 eggs per day! In 1944, 332 eggs were consumed per person per year. By 2005, that number had dropped to 260 per person due to negative advertising regarding cholesterol.

Now it has been found that it is the saturated fat that raises cholesterol and not the egg cholesterol. The fact is that the egg is still about the best and most complete protein available and very affordable. In 2015, the Dietary Guidelines were changed regarding eggs. Two or even more per day is now okay if you limit the butter and cheese eaten with them. The saturated fat in eggs is very low.

DID YOU KNOW?

1. One large egg (2 ounces) equals 1/4 cup.
2. When baking a cake and you are 1 egg short you may substitute 2 tablespoons of mayonnaise. Don't substitute more than that for the one egg.
3. Substitute 2 egg yolks for 1 egg when making custard, cream pie fillings or salad dressings.
4. Store eggs with the tapered end down, the air pocket in the large end protects the egg yolk from any bacteria that might be in the egg.
5. To keep deviled eggs from sliding on a plain plate cut a small slice from each side of the egg before slicing it in two halves.
6. You can use a funnel to separate the whites from the yolks.

7. When beating the whites of eggs remove any trace of yolk with a Q-Tip or the edge of a paper towel. The slightest trace of yolk will keep the whites from beating properly. Also any trace of fat or oil will do the same.

8. When making an omelet take eggs out of the refrigerator 1/2 hour before using. Cold eggs are too stiff to make a fluffy omelet. Add a bit of water instead of milk to increase the volume of the omelet.

9. Allow 3 eggs per person when scrambled. If you add vegetables or cheese then 2 eggs is sufficient. It takes about 4 hours to digest eggs.

10. The shelf life of an egg is about 5 weeks from purchase. On the end of the egg carton is a use by date. This is always shorter than the shelf life after purchase. So don't discard before their time!

11. When eggs are overheated or over cooked a chemical change occurs that causes the iron in the yolk to combine with the sulfur in the egg to form a green ring around the yolk. To avoid this reaction, cook hard boiled eggs 15 minutes or less. The green ring is edible!

12. Use cold water to clean utensils used in preparing eggs. Hot water tends to cause the protein to bind to the surfaces and harden!

Grace Talada,

Chairman of Health and Wholeness

New Ceiling

The Trustees have scheduled the Fellowship Hall ceiling tile replacement project for the week of July 9. As a result, all activities schedule in Fellowship Hall for July 9-13 will be moved or cancelled.





SKY ZONE JUMP NIGHT!

SKY ZONE SARASOTA

ENGLEWOOD UNITED METHODIST
FAMILY MINISTRY

INVITES YOU TO JOIN US!

SUNDAY, JULY 29TH | 5:30PM CHECK IN
6PM – 7:30PM JUMP TIME

\$15 PER JUMPER | **\$2** SKY SOCKS
YOURS TO KEEP AND REUSE | NON-JUMPERS ARE
WELCOME TO COME OBSERVE AND HAVE
FUN TOO!

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Shall strive to make God
And His Kingdom
More real through our
Caring, worship, study
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Servant Church,
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And our facilities
For the Christian growth
Of all persons.*

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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