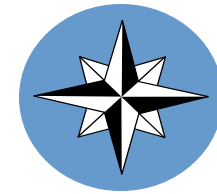




# TIDINGS



## Free Gifts! Come to the Fair

If someone you love who also loves you, wanted to freely give you a gift, would you graciously accept it with gratitude? What if God gave you gifts? Would it surprise you to know that everyone has been blessed with Spiritual Gifts? These are abilities that the Holy Spirit empowers people to use for the greater good of all of God's Creation. 1 Peter 4:10 says that "each of us should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace."

So how do you know what your Spiritual Gifts are? Sometimes gifts are often identified by what others affirm in you or perhaps you feel an urge to get involved with certain people or activities but can't explain why. Many people however, may feel lost in knowing where God is leading them and what gifts He wants them to use.

An easy Spiritual Gifts Guide will soon be available that not only helps you identify some of your Spiritual Gifts, but will help you see where your strengths can

be **Plugged-Into** activities here at Oceanview and out in the greater community. In addition, Oceanview will be hosting its 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual **Ministry Fair** on **Sunday, February 13, 2011** following each service.

Never become complacent in seeking how God has blessed you to be a blessing to others. Faith in action means accepting God's gifts graciously and using them to affirm your love for him as He loves you. Look for the Spiritual Gifts Guide and see you at the Fair!

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## UMW Sunday Celebrated

Oceanview celebrated United Methodist Women's Sunday, Jan. 16. The Rev. Pam Cahoon, left, executive director of Christians Reaching Out to Society, received a gift of money for C.R.O.S. ministries from UMW president, Beverly J. Chain.

Every woman in the congregation is automatically a member of UMW. The group meets the third Tuesday of each month for fellowship and to learn about the work of the women



of the United Methodist Church around the globe. We look forward to welcoming you at our next meeting and to a special Bible Study event on Feb. 19 when Rev. Brette will lead us in a study of the writings of John. Watch the bulletin for more information.

## Blessing in the New Year

*“Please bless me! Jacob answered.” Genesis 27:19*



*You may remember the story starting in Genesis 27 of how Jacob competed with his twin brother Esau for his father’s inheritance blessing. There is just something about us that yearns for a father’s blessing, whether it be from our earthly fathers or from our heavenly one. It is something that defined Jacob - the desire to have what he felt he had never received. And until he could receive it he never felt at peace, because he always felt there was something missing. There is a very moving scene in chapter 27 of Jacob wrestling with an angel at night and in the midst of that wrestling crying out, “Please bless me!”*



*We are now on the cusp of a new year and many of us hope and pray that the struggles that defined 2010 both nationally and personally will give way to new hope and better days in 2011. When Jacob received God’s blessing a burden fell from his shoulders and a new chapter began. The essence of his blessing was a promise that because he had wrestled with God he now had the confidence that the Lord’s love and presence would be with him wherever he went. And with that, he felt he could go forward to confront whatever awaited him with confidence.*

*Do you bring struggles into a new year, too? Are you looking for the Lord’s blessing? It is no coincidence that before Jesus ascended into heaven, his last words to his disciples in Matthew 28:20 were, “I will be with you always.” It’s the same blessing Jacob received. There is continuity between the Old and New Testaments. There is also similarity between what Jacob yearned for and what we desire, too. It is the blessing that comes to us when we receive the assurance of the Lord’s presence in our lives as we enter a new year. Now, that’s a blessing! Receive it and enter 2011 with the confidence of Christ!*

*Rev. Brette Sanford*

## ADULT CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES

**Detective Stories from the Bible** In his book J. Ellsworth Kalas shows us that the Bible contains different kinds of detective stories. The last discussion on February 6 in room 49 will be "Behold, The Lamb." If a lamb is part of a mystery, you can be sure that the lamb is the victim and not the perpetrator. The next discussion will be on the following book:

**Who Let the Pigs Out???**  
STARTS FEBRUARY 13.

Just like pigs that come and go through the gates, demons can only enter and influence our lives if we open the gate to them. Discover the strongholds that need to be eradicated from your life

and learn to stand against demonic powers. This book by author Don Dickerman explores the reality of demonic activity in the lives of believers and is the basis for discussion in the group led by Ann Johnson in room 49 on Sundays 10:00 to 10:45AM.

WATCH FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ADDITIONAL CLASSES



## WORSHIP

**February 6, 2011 Theme "He Did Not Quit!"**

Bible Focus - "I have run the full distance. I have kept the faith." (2 Timothy 4:7); Paul had every reason to quit but he didn't. Why? Is there a lesson there for us? Challenge - Do we have faith for the long haul?; *Communion*

**February 13, 2011 Theme - "When Love Gets Tired"**

Bible Focus - "Love...endures all things." (1 Corinthians 13:7c); Paul examines the nature of Christian love and how it is different from romantic love. How is Christian love different? Does it ever experience fatigue? What do we do when our love gets tired? Challenge - Does your love ever weary?

**February 20, 2011 Theme "Always in Debt"**

Bible Focus - "For I have an obligation to all..." (Romans 1:14); Paul writes in his later years that he feels a sense of indebtedness to many he has met on the way. Do you feel that way, too? In what sense do we owe others for our lives? Challenge - Do you feel connected like this?

**February 27, 2011 Theme "Herod Undone"**

(to be delivered upon start of Family Promise) Bible Focus - "Herod...was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem..." (Matthew 2:16); Does Herod still live today as long as children are used

## Plummer Scholarship Applications For 2011-2012 study At Church Office

If you are planning on higher education in the coming year stop by the church office and pick up an application for one of the Don Plummer Scholarships. May 1 is the deadline to return your application to the Scholarship Committee.



and abused? What are we called to

do about it? Challenge - How do we respond to Herod's threat to children?

[www.oceanviewumc.net](http://www.oceanviewumc.net)

- find back issues of Tidings, a VBS and Music Camp video there!

### Medicare Fraud Class to be Led by David Blount

The cost of fraud on taxpayers is \$3-4 billion annually in the state of Florida. David Blount, a member of Oceanview, is a volunteer with the Senior Medicare Patrol whose goal is to educate volunteers on how to protect themselves and reduce this dreadful, unneeded cost. All seniors can help protect themselves. You are invited to join David in an interactive discussion on this Medicare problem and learn simple, practical ways that you can help protect, detect and report Medicare fraud. Come Tuesday evening, February 8 at 7 pm in room 49 downstairs.

## Youth News

### Youth Activities

#### Youth Sponsor Souper Bowl of Caring 2/6

Since 1990, on Super Bowl Sunday, ordinary young people have generated an extraordinary \$71 million for soup kitchens, food banks and other charities in communities across the country. In addition, hundreds of thousands of youth have experienced for themselves the joy and satisfaction of giving and serving, inspiring people of all ages to follow their generous example.

Oceanview has participated in the Souper Bowl of Caring 9 years and contributed \$4,534.00. All of the money raised by Oceanview youth has been contributed



to C.R.O.S. Ministries for their food pantries.

This year is no exception. You will see youth holding soup kettles outside the sanctuary in the breezeway on Sunday, February 6, collecting your donation to the Souper Bowl of Caring. This year we are shooting for \$1000.00 as the need is

great. Help us meet our goal by contributing to the soup kettles. All proceeds go to the C.R.O.S. Food Pantries.

#### Youth Super Bowl Party

The youth will have their annual Super Bowl Party at the Jones's (176 N. River Dr. East, Jupiter) Sunday, February 6, from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. for a Super Bowl Party. All youth are invited to join us. Bring a snack food to share. We will watch the game, fellowship and eat of course. See you there. For more information contact Rev. Betty at 626-2500.



### Valentine Party for Children and Their Families

February 13 from 3-5 p.m. in Fellowship Hall there will be a Valentine Party for children and their families. Come for a time of fellowship and celebration of the love God has for us and the love we have for each other as we participate in Valentine related crafts, activities, games, and food.

### Join the Youth at the Florida United Methodist Children's Home

The youth will take their annual trip to the Florida United Methodist Children's Home in Enterprise, February 18-20. We will leave from the church at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 18. This trip is for youth, their families, and anyone in our church family interested in mission work at the Children's Home. We will stay at the Children's Home and do a fix-up, clean-up project on Saturday. We will be cooking our own meals and will have a time for games and fellowship on Saturday evening. We will spend Saturday night at the Children's Home, worship with them on Sunday morning and return home following lunch. If you wish to attend call the church office at 626-2500. For more information call Pam Sayer or Rev. Betty.

## Kid's Free Church & Center Activity

In February, the theme for Kid's Church at 10:00 a.m. will be "Fruits of the Spirit" focusing on kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Their time together includes singing, a Call to Worship, sharing of prayer requests, birthday celebrations, a memory verse and corresponding Bible story.

The children will learn how it is God's Holy Spirit that gives us the power to show kindness, be generous, faithful and gentle and helps us make good choices in both large group and small age appropriate groups.

Kid's Church Free Centers following the Children's Message at both services will have adult directed center activities also based on the "Fruits of the Spirit." Children will have the opportunity to express themselves in drama, crafts, games, stories, and other centers related to the theme.



## An Afternoon of Jazz



Irwin Solomon & friends

**Sunday, February 27  
4:00 p.m.**

### Jazz Trio

Irwin Solomon, Piano  
Jason Miller, Drums  
Dave Tomasello, Bass

### *Oceanview*

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Church*



### Your Help is Needed!

In order to continue a quality Kid's Church at 10:00 and Kid's Church Free Center we need many adults willing to give an hour a month or one month out of the year to provide leadership. Resources, curriculum, training, help, everything you need will be provided.

If you can help or have questions contact Rev. Betty at 626-2500 or Bonnie Hammond at 626-6043 or sign up on the board in the Sanctuary entryway.

**Mark Your Calendar  
June 27- July 1 from  
9:00 am to 12:30 pm.**

**VBS 2011**

**Shake It Up**

**Where Kids Carry Out  
God's Recipes.**

**If you would like  
to volunteer to help  
please contact**

**Rev. Betty.**



## Music Notes

### Praise Team and Praise Band

Rehearsals Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The Praise Team leads worship at the 8:30 a.m. service and meets on Sunday mornings at 7:30 a.m. for rehearsal. Please call Linda Jordan if you are interested in joining the Praise Team or Praise Band.

### Celebration Choir

Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 7:15-9:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. The Celebration Choir rehearses at 10:30 a.m. prior to singing at the 2nd Service on Sunday mornings.

### Come out and ring bells!

A newly formed adult handbell choir rings on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Come ring with us as a beginner, intermediate or advanced handbell ringer.

Sonburst Children's Choir meets every Sunday 4:00-5:00 p.m. in the Music Room. (ages 4 thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade)

Beginning Handbells rehearses after Choir at 5:15-6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Participants are 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders thru adult.

Oceanview Fine Arts School - Private lessons in piano, voice, drums and visual art are available by appointment. Teachers are Linda Jordan, Jason Miller and Bill Lewis. Just call Linda Jordan for more information and to schedule lessons.

**If you are interested in participating in any of Oceanview's Music Ministry, please contact Linda Jordan at 626-2500 for more information.**

## On Going Oceanview Events

Mon.	9:00 am Tai Chi. FH 6:30 pm Prayer Group, 56	Fri.	12:00 Al-Anon, 56
Tues.	10:00 am Handbells 2d Tues, OMT, 49 3rd Tues. at 2:00 pm	Sat.	9-10 am AA, Upper Room 11-1:00 pm. Serve at St. George's Soup Kitchen
Wed.	6:00 pm Praise Band 7:15 pm Choir rehearsal 7:00 pm Women's AA, 49	Sun.	4:00 pm Sonburst Choir 5:15 pm Children's Handbells 5:30 pm Youth Group, FH 7:00 pm AA, FH 7-8:00 pm Teen Al-Anon, 56
Thurs.	7:00 pm Men's AA Group, Room 49 3rd Thurs. Operations, 56		



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### Bible Study on John's Letters Sat. Feb 19

Rev. Brette Sanford will lead a Bible study on the letters of John Saturday morning from 9am to 1pm. The study is sponsored by United Methodist Women from Oceanview and Trinity UMC. All are welcome to participate in a variety of activities as we seek to understand "love and obedience," "sin and confession" as developed in the Epistles of John. The study is based on the book "For the Love of God" by Justo L. and Catherine Gunsalus Gonzalez.

#### Counseling

If you would like confidential, professional and caring counseling Barbara Kiner, a licensed clinical social worker, is available by appointment on Thursdays at Oceanview. Fees are based on your income.

#### 2010 Finance

##### Report:

In the black \$45,000!

### Happy February Birthday



3	Wanda Gail Lowry Kellen Sanford Amanda Satriani	25	Vincent Borello Del Coyle Julie Earles
4	Derrick Hackle	26	Steven Kniss
5	Marcus Dingers Doris Haigh Tory Joeckel	28	Karl Coe
6	Steve Haigh	28	Ethan Ritter, Jr.
8	Patricia Sheffield		
9	Tyler Pahl		
14	Kathryn Hammond		
15	Scott Logan		
16	David Blount Eleanor Girard Scott Thompson		
17	Doogie Kershaw		
20	Justin Torres		
22	Beth Winkelspecht		
23	Marcus Dingers		

#### Ladies Stitching Group

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.  
in Room 49. Bring your  
own project and join the  
fellowship.

### Happy Anniversary

3	Bert & Sara Clausen
13	Dennis & Karin Kloeckener
14	Guy & Jackie Bensinger
23	Thomas & Gail Virden
24	Richard & Sarah Clee John & Dora Marsh
26	Donald & Janet Neuman
27	Jesse & Joan Bidanset



## Spiritual Gifts and God's Will

Each of us has been given gifts by the Holy Spirit. We can use these gifts to live in peace with God's purpose for our lives. We can employ God's gifts to take our place and be an active part in God's plan for reconciling and reuniting the world. When we work toward that cause, we are God's people.

Each of us has unique gifts. Thus our gifts influence the specific ways in which we respond to God's call. Our gifts shape the way we live our lives.

As you use and live within the gifts of God, you have a sense of doing what you were created to do and of being who you were created to be. You affirm your best self, as God planned for you to be. You find satisfaction and happiness, as you do particular things well. You act on your values and beliefs. You see your deepest longings and hopes fulfilled as you use your gifts effectively to achieve realistic goals.

God may ask you to stretch your potential, but God will not ask you to do things that are not true to who you are. Remember that each one of the gifts can be lived out in a number of ways. As you use your gifts, you begin to understand that reaching your potential is more important than reaching the goal or goals you have set.

If you are successful by the world's standards but are unfaithful to what is true and right and of God, then you fail in your efforts as a disciple. As you discover and use your gifts, you enter an exciting experience of self discovery. You find new opportunities to use the full potential of your life. It is exciting to know that you can be a part of God's plan to renew the world!



*Rev. Betty Kniss*

## Family Promise Day Center Almost Secured

We hope our new Day Center site will have been announced by the time you read this. Praise God!

More good news! Family Promise will be the recipient of funds through a grant awarded to Our Savior Lutheran Church. This is a matching grant of up to \$10,000 matched dollar for dollar. It is imperative that we raise enough money to meet this challenge. We need your help!

If you are able to make a donation, please

make your check payable to Oceanview UMC. In the memo write: Family Promise.

The day center needs the following supplies in good condition:

- 3 desktop computers
- 2 lap top computers
- 2 printers
- 1 copier/fax/scanner
- TV/VCR/DVD
- Answering machine
- 3 cordless phones
- Sofa and side chairs
- 2 desks, 2 office chairs
- Bookcases & books
- 3 file cabinets,
- Small refrigerator

- Washer/dryer
- Coffee maker
- Supply cabinet
- Toy box
- 5 lockers that lock!
- 3 infant porta-a-cribs new or pristine.
- 14 passenger van
- Small trailer to pull behind the van
- Washer/dryer (stack unit)

Thank You  
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## Welcome Gene



Gene Wilkes joins us by transfer from UMC of the Palm Beaches. He originally moved here in 2008 from Pennsylvania. Gene has been a highway patrolman, TV producer, ski instructor, business manager and is now the interpreter at the Turtle Marinelife Center. He is very active: sails and bicycles. He is a cancer survivor.

## Oceanview Youth Urge Purchase of Bricks to Fund Director

On Sunday Oceanview's youth along with Rev. Betty invited everyone to join together to raise funds to employ a part-time youth director.

Over the past year as staff and volunteers evaluated the youth ministry it became clear that Oceanview needs a part-time youth director to work with the adult leaders to help our youth ministry grow.

The person selected would plan, organize and attend youth activities as well as become involved with youth in the community so that we might expand our youth ministry.

Your purchase of a brick for the Prayer Garden in honor of someone or an important event will enhance your life and Oceanview in



Above: Rev. Betty Kniss with Sarah Flowers and Dominique Petrarca and other youth request our congregation's help.

three ways. You create a perpetual reminder of persons and events important to you, you add to the beauty of Oceanview and you help pay the salary of a new youth director!

You can also make a donation to the salary of the Youth Director.



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