

EVENTS

Detailed calendars are located at the Connection Center in the Narthex.

2018 Holiday Bazaar

We need you and we need your “stuff” to help us make and recycle slightly used items, especially those holiday items you want to pass on to a good home. Pick up a flier at the Connection Center that lists items specifically needed and where to put them. If you craft, can cut out wood pieces, sew, paint, organize, can do PR, we need you! Please contact Carol Morris at 239-595-6714 or e-mail jtcamorris@att.net for more information and to get involved.



Wednesday Night Suppers are starting this week! Dinner starts at 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall and Bible Study begins right after dinner in the Bethany Room. We will be studying “Make a Difference” by James A. Harnish! Please remember to bring your \$7 for dinner and to RSVP on your connection card today or by calling the church office at 352-372-8523! We hope to see you there.



Morning Edition - New Study Group for Women!

Morning Edition will meet each Thursday from 9:00 to 10:15 a.m. in the conference room in Epworth Hall starting Jan. 25th. The group will be studying the book, “Just Like Jesus” by Max Lucado. If able, please bring \$10 to the first meeting to cover the book cost. Carol Morris will be facilitating. You can sign-up by calling the church office (352-372-8523) or call/text Carol at 239-595-6714!

OUR MISSION

Florida Advocacy Days

Join us in praying for Annette and others from around the conference as they travel to Tallahassee for this year’s Florida Advocacy Days. Annette will be joining her voice with other brothers and sisters in Christ as the Florida Conference of the UMC and the African Methodist Episcopal Church gather in Tallahassee during Annual Children’s Week. Together our churches will learn about critical justice issues affecting children in all of our communities throughout Florida.

At the conclusion of the week the UM and the AME Church will come together for a day of prayer as we prepare to march to the capitol to meet with our legislators and advocate on behalf of “those who cannot speak for themselves.”

This year’s legislation includes:

- Child nutrition, specifically a Department of Children & Families regulation that states to serve food to children, the site must be a regulated child care facility. This limits and restricts some churches, and other organizations who want to just provide food for children but not go through the licensing procedure to become a child care facility.
- Restoration of voting rights for felons who have completed their sentence and any court ordered follow up. This would need to be addressed by the Florida Constitutional Revision Commission 2017-2018. Information on the Revision process and to read the proposals, go to <https://www.flcra.gov/Proposals>.
- Civil citation bill which addresses a youth’s behavior at his or her first encounter with the juvenile justice system and provides an alternative to arrest for that child.



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