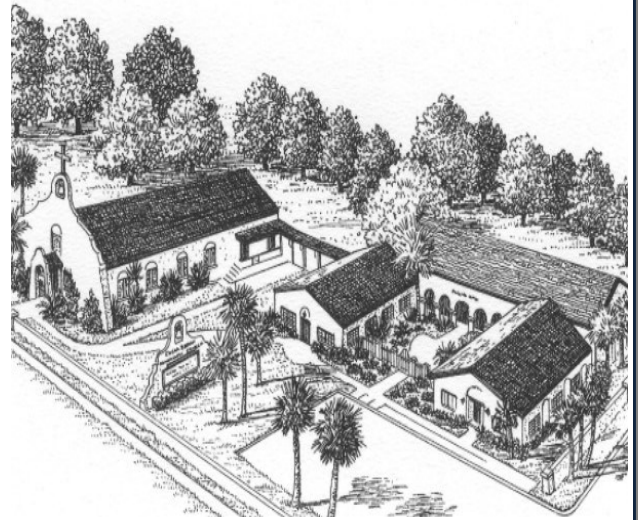


The Sunday Courier

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

COCOA BEACH COMMUNITY CHURCH



UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST
God is still speaking,

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.



10:00 AM

Rev. Geoffrey Gross

ALTAR FLOWERS

Provided by

Pastor Geoff

In Honor of his father,
Richard Gross Birthday

April 16

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Jenise Grames

In Honor of
My son Andy's
58th Birthday

**YOU'RE INVITED
AFTER WORSHIP**



Hosted by:

Bob and JoAnn Kolterman

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Please consider signing up to host our fellowship.

Just one time makes a difference!



Our Sanctuary Is a Safe Place
for All People to Worship

Regardless of Race, Creed, Gender,
Cultural Background or Sexual Orientation



MONDAY, APRIL 15

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

PAINTING - CRAFTERS
9:00am to Noon

THRIFT SHOP OPEN
10:00am-2:00pm

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

Women's Fellowship **10:00am**
Sponsler Hall

Bible Study **1:00 Bible Study**
Sponsler Hall

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

Knitting **10:00am**

Book Club **2:00pm**
Banned Book Room

Choir **6:00 pm**
Sponsler Hall

Ensemble **7:00pm**
Sanctuary

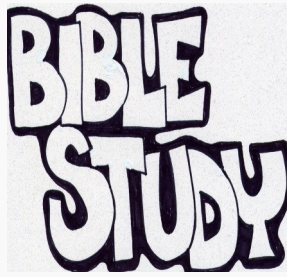
THURSDAY, APRIL 18

CSE **10:30am**
Sponsler Hall

THRIFT SHOP OPEN
10:00am – 2:00pm

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

THRIFT SHOP OPEN
10:00am – 2:00pm



Tuesdays @ 1:00pm

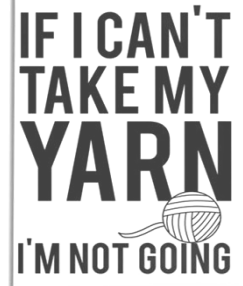
We resume our Study of Genesis
**"Beginnings- Highlights
from the Book of Genesis".**

Facilitator: Rev. Rick Oppelt

KNITTING

Wednesdays at 10:00am
In the Banned Book Library

No Experience Necessary
See Susie Fast



**CENTER FOR
SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT**

Thursdays, April 4 - 25

10:30am-12:30pm in Sponsler Hall

"UNDERSTANDING THE NEW TESTAMENT"

A Great Course Lecture Series ~ Our final Four Weeks

CBCC THURSDAY POOL BREAK

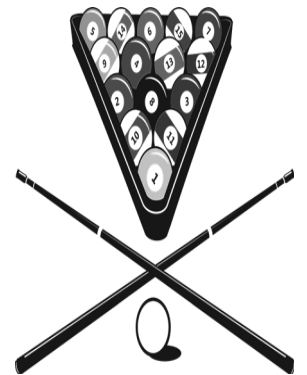
You're invited to join us!

Just \$5.00 to play .

Thursdays
4:00pm to 6:00pm.

**We meet at
Island Breakers**

All skill levels are invited.



Island Breakers Billiards
950 N Courtenay Pkwy #4,
Merritt Island

CONTACT: Rich Myers
@ 321-806-9537

Get on our text chain for
your weekly reminder!

**KEEP
CALM
AND
ENJOY
BILLIARDS**





TUESDAY, APRIL 16
10:00am
in Sponsler Hall

Our speaker is our own Len Beckett!

Len will show us how to make Japanese flower arrangements.

There are 30 spots available-
 Please sign up in Sponsler Hall

Our hostesses are:

Karen Monks and Sue Myers

2024 Florida UCC Women Annual Conference

Friday, April 26 ~ Sunday, April 28

Warren Willis Camp and Conference Center

Fruitland Park, FL 34731



Florida United Church of Christ Women (FL UCCW) is part of the Florida Conference of the United Church of Christ. It encourages cooperation with local and national Christian Women's organizations.

The purpose of FL UCCW is to help women cultivate the spirit of Christ and to promote sisterhood and cooperation among women of the Florida Conference of the United Church of Christ.

THANK YOU RICH MYERS

Do you know how high a stack of twenty dollar bills reaches to add up to \$6600???

Ask Rich Myers. That's the amount we received from the proceeds of the last two weeks of beach parking.

Rich, our favorite parking lot guru, strategizes how to increase business thru advertising and also with some clever persuasion when the potential customer stops after noticing that white towel Rich twirls in the air.

So far this year the parking lot donation has resulted in \$15,930 for the church's operating revenue. If you see Rich be sure to thank him for 12 years of dedicated service and his generosity that provides such amazing financial support to CBCC.

THANK YOU Rich Myers



INCOME ~ EXPENSE

March income was \$24,000. Expenses were \$37,700 mainly due to an \$11,000 insurance payment.

Income held in savings was used to cover the deficit.

QUARTERLY GIVING STATEMENTS AVAILABLE NOW!

Giving statements are in sealed envelopes in Sponsler Hall arranged in alphabetical order.

BUILDING & GROUNDS UPDATE

We have a beautiful church campus and we rely on many volunteers for their time, energy and resources to maintain and improve our facilities. However there are times we have to outsource and rely on contractors. Our committee needs to be kept informed about issues that need to be addressed, big and/or small.



We need that clear communication.

Please contact Michelle in the office or me, directly at 802-673-0530 or kkasperone@hotmail.com with any issues concerning buildings or the grounds.

Thank you to all, Karl Krantz; Chairperson
CBCC Finance & Administration Committee



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

APRIL 14, 2024

GATHERING MUSIC

Dave Wrable

WELCOME ~ GREETING VISITORS

CENTERING TIME ~ "God Is So Good"

CALL TO WORSHIP

We are called to be God's children. **God's love has been poured on us through Jesus Christ!** Fear and doubt are gone! **Joy and Celebration ring in our hearts!** Come, let us raise our voices in song! **Let us offer our hearts and souls to God in prayer and praise. AMEN.** *(Ministry Matters)*

*HYMN

Reach Out and Touch the Lord

Bill Harmon

V1. On one dark and stormy night, on the Sea of Galilee.
The disciples were so fearful of the fury of the sea.
When upon the raging waters walked the blessed lord of life.
He calmed the troubled waters as he passed by.

Chorus: Reach out and touch the Lord as he walks by.
You'll find he's not too busy to hear you when you cry.
He's passing by this moment all your needs he will supply.
Reach out and touch the Lord as he walks by.

V2. Matthew sat in worldly honor taking tax from all who came.
Then the Savior walked before him and called him by his name.
Come and follow me he whispered, do not wait to question why.
So he rose and followed Jesus as he passed by. **(Chorus)**

V3. As he walked the dusty wayside, on his way to raise the dead.
Mighty were the throngs that pressed him, hungry for the living bread.
I must touch him cried a woman, I must touch him or I'll die.
She reached out and touched his garment as he walked by. **(Chorus)**

V4. If your heart is sad and lonely, There's no peace anywhere.
There's no one left to comfort, no one left who seems to care.
Oh just cast your cares on Jesus, On his strong arms just rely.
Just reach out and touch the Lord as he passes by. **(Chorus)**

V5. On the hill of Calvary, the disciples watched him die.
To a tomb he was taken, his friends they cried, and they would hide.
But death it soon was beaten and Jesus he did rise.
Reach out the touch the Lord he is right by your side. **(Chorus)**

OPENING PRAYER

Astonishing God, come to us now, even as your Son came to those first disciples. Touch us with your Holy Spirit. Reveal your word, that we may hear your message this day, and live as your disciples. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

(Re: worship)



THE WRITTEN WORD

Brian Hodges

THE WORD IN SONG

"I Will Rejoice"

CBCC Choir

Luke 24: 36-48

THE SPOKEN WORD

"Do You (We) Still See the Risen Christ?"

Rev. Geoffrey Gross

*HYMN

We Live by Faith and Not by Sight

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V1. We live by faith and not by sight; no gracious words we hear,
From Christ who spoke as none e'er spoke, who still we know is near.

V2. We may not touch Christ's hands and side, nor follow where Christ trod;
but in confessing we rejoice: our Savior and our God!

V3. Help then, O Christ, our unbelief; and may our faith abound,
To call on you when you are near and seek where you are found:

V4. That, when our life of faith is done, in realms of clearer light,
We may behold you as you are, with full and endless sight.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~ CHRIST MODEL PRAYER ~

~ CALL TO OFFERING ~ OFFERING ~

*DOXOLOGY

(Tune: Jamaica Farewell)

Praise God from whom all blessing flow, Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above you heavenly host, Creator Christ and Holy Ghost. **(Repeat)**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Geoffrey Gross

*HYMN

“Because He Lives”

Bill and Gloria Gaither

Chorus: Because he lives, I can face tomorrow, Because he lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know he holds the future, And life is worth the living, just because he lives!

V1. God sent a son, they called him, Jesus; he came to love, heal and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon, An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives!

V2. And then one day, I'll cross the river, I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then, as death gives way to vict'ry, I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know he lives (**Chorus 2x**)

*COMMISSIONING ~ BENEDICTION

Rev. Geoffrey Gross

**Stand in Body or in Spirit as able*

PARTICIPANTS:

~ Rev. Geoffrey Gross ~ CBCC Choir; Jan Johns: Director ~ Dave Wrable : Keyboards
Coleman Todd: Guitar, Vocals ~ Rick Oppelt: Strings, Vocals ~ Rick Baird: Bass
Karen and Rob Monks: Vocals ~ Brian Hodges: Liturgist , Percussion

USHERS: Sally Hart and Betsy Bray

AUDIO/VIDEO: Evan Thomas ~ Michele Thomas ~ Coleman Todd



If you have prayer requests
you would like to include in Sunday's worship
please fill out the green cards in your pew
and place them in the offering plate.





Holy Week

“A special thank you goes out to all those who took part in our Holy Week and Easter celebrations.

Whether you read passages from scripture, took part in our reenactments, processed in with us on Palm Sunday waving your palm branches, helped serve communion, graced us with musical offerings, or participated in the Ensemble at Easter in the Grove worship I am truly grateful for your participation and commitment. **Love Pastor G”**

Alleluia

Nehemiah Action Assembly (BRIGHT)

Monday, April 15th at 7:00p.m.

Suntree United Methodist Church
7400 N Wickham Rd, Melbourne, FL 32940

Our friends from Christ King Church and Rev. Oliver Wells have invited any of us from CBCC who would like to attend this action assembly regarding affordable housing.

BRIGHT is a 501(c)3 community organization made up of seven member congregations across Brevard County. While our congregations differ in terms of theology, race, socio-economic status, and location, we are united in our Biblical call to do justice.

Unlike direct service agencies or mercy ministries, BRIGHT does not work to address the immediate needs of individuals.

Instead, BRIGHT is a direct action organization made up of justice ministries that work together to address the root cause of community problems by using the power of organized people to hold public leaders accountable for fair and just policy.

BANNED BOOK LIBRARY

On the first Saturday and third Sunday of each month, from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM, our library doors swing wide open.

Mark these dates—the literary revolution awaits!

Open Next Sunday, April 21

Saturday, May 4 ~ Sunday May, 19



BANNED BOOK CLUB

“The Color Purple”
by Alice Walker

~ Discussion ~

Thursday, May 2
1:30pm - 2:30pm



UCC READING FOR RENEWAL

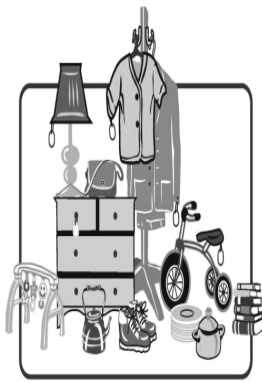
We had a great time reading!
We will get back together in the fall

Unplug, Read and Fill your Soul.



Cocoa Beach Community Church Thrift Shop

Monday, Thursday & Friday
10:00a.m - 2:00p.m.



JOIN THE THRIFT SHOP TEAM!

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During store hours
321.799.4355
or the church office.

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we
make
the
difference

Come Share Your Talents!

Enjoy the fellowship of others
while doing great work!,
AND... It is FUN!



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cbccoffice@cbcc-ucc.org

www.cbcc-ucc.org

OFFICE HOURS
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
9:00—2:00pm

Wednesday:
By appt only
*Please call the office if you
would like to make an appt.*

126 S. Atlantic Ave.
P.O. Box 320009
Cocoa Beach, FL 32932



CBCC has two AED units. One is located in the church entry area. The other unit is located in Sponsler Hall by the double doors.



An AED, or **automated external defibrillator**, is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. It's a sophisticated, yet easy-to-use, medical device that can analyze the heart's rhythm and, if necessary, deliver an electrical shock, or defibrillation, to help the heart re-establish an effective rhythm.



"We respectfully request that no food or drinks other than water be brought into the sanctuary."

Thank You!

**IT IS GREAT
TO BE ALIVE IN . . .**



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