

# The Sunday Courier

## SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 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*

**Gianni Lodi & Len Beckett**

*In Loving Memory of*



**Gianni's Mom  
Acacia Lodi**

**No Fellowship this Week!**

Looking Forward to  
Seeing You Next Week



**FYI: Next week is**

**POTLUCK**



**Our Sanctuary Is a Safe Place**

for All People to Worship

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



**MONDAY, APRIL 29**

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

**PAINTING - CRAFTERS**  
9:00am to Noon

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

**TUESDAY, APRIL 30**

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

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 1**

**Knitting**                              **10:00am**

**Choir**                                      **6:00 pm**  
*Sponsler Hall*

**Ensemble**                              **7:00pm**  
*Sanctuary*

**THURSDAY, MAY 2**

**Banned Book Club**                      **1:30pm**  
*Sponsler Hall*

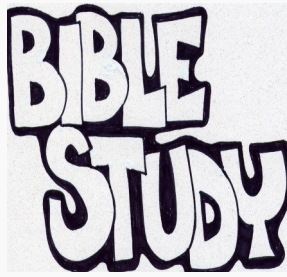
**THRIFT SHOP OPEN**  
10:00am – 2:00pm

**FRIDAY, MAY 3**

**THRIFT SHOP OPEN**  
10:00am – 2:00pm

**SATURDAY, MAY 4**

**Banned Book Library Open**  
12:00pm—2:00pm



**Tuesdays @ 1:00pm**

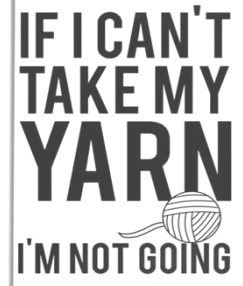
We resume our Study of Genesis  
**"Beginnings- Highlights  
from the Book of Genesis".**

*Facilitator: Rev. Rick Oppelt*

**KNITTING**

**Wednesdays at 10:00am**  
*In the Banned Book Library*

**No Experience Necessary**  
See Susie Fast



**BANNED BOOK CLUB**

**"The Color Purple"**  
*by Alice Walker*

**Discussion ~ Thursday, May 2**  
**1:30pm - 2:30pm**

**CBCC THURSDAY POOL BREAK**

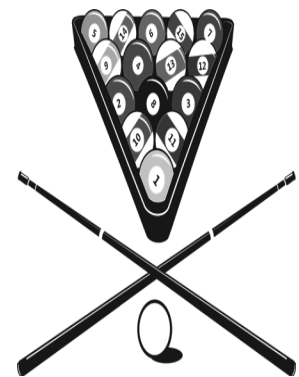
You're invited to join us!

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**



**Big Brothers  
Big Sisters**  
OF AMERICA

## BACKPACK GIVEAWAY

The **CBCC Missions & Outreach Committee** is excited to share a new project you can all get involved with.

**CBCC is partnering with Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS)** to provide 30 backpacks filled with school supplies for Brevard County youth enrolled in BBBS.



The giveaway will take place during a Summer Bash event to be held at Sponsler Hall in July but we need your help now filling these backpacks.

You can either purchase school supplies using the list below or donate money using the special envelopes found in the church pews and your committee members will purchase the needed supplies. We have set up a sample bookbag with supplies in Sponsler Hall so you can see the items that will go into backpacks. There are also copies of the school supplies lists so you can take one and go shopping! **We will have a special guest from BBBS attending our worship on Sunday, May 5.** We hope all be able to be in attendance!



- 2 wide rule notebook paper • 3 highlighters • 1 Binder
- Folders • Pack of Pencils Pack of pens • Composition Book
- Pack of Markers • Pair of Safety Scissors • Glue sticks
- Crayons • Pencil case • Ruler • Eraser • Pencil Sharpener
- Jump Drive (memory stick) • Dividers • Post its

**Questions?** Contact any of the Missions & Outreach committee members. We thank you in advance for helping out with this new and exciting project to support our local youth and a noteworthy organization! - **Marsha, Anne, and Dr. Brian**

### BANNED BOOK

#### LIBRARY

On the first Saturday  
and third Sunday  
of each month  
**12:00 PM to 2:00 PM**



Mark these dates—  
the literary revolution awaits!

Open

**This Saturday, May 4  
And Sunday, May 19**

### WE COLLECT FOOD EVERY WEEK!

CBCC supports food ministries in  
Cocoa Beach and the Space Coast.

**Food can be dropped off on Sundays**  
Or anytime during the week.

Ready-to-eat lunch bags are  
available at the Thrift Shop  
and the church office  
for friends who stop by.

**Lunch bags are also  
delivered to other agencies  
who distribute them  
to those in need!**



**FEED THE  
HUNGRY**



## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

APRIL 26, 2024

WELCOME ~ GREETING VISTORS

GATHERING MUSIC

Sally Hart

~ CENTERING ~

“God Is So Good”

### CALL TO WORSHIP

God is love. **Those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.** We love because God first loved us. **Those who abide in love, abide in God, and God abides in them** *(pcwoodbury.com)*

### \*HYMN

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You”

NCH 4

**V1.** Joyful, joyful, we adore you, God of glory, God of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before you, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the storms of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

**V2.** All your works with joy surround you, earth and heaven reflect your rays,  
Stars and angels sing around you, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain teach us what our praise should be.

**V3.** You are giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed,  
Well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!  
Loving Spirit, Father, Mother, all who love belong to you;  
Teach us how to love each other, by that love our joy renew.

**V4.** Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began;  
Boundless love is reigning o’er us, reconciling race and clan.  
Ever singing, move we forward, faithful in the midst of strife,  
Joyful music leads us onward in the triumph song of life.

### OPENING PRAYER

**God of love, plant us in the soil of your grace. Nurture us with the strength of Christ, the vine of everlasting life. Enlighten us with the wisdom of your Spirit, which flows through us today and all days. Abide in us, that we may abide in you and live in your love. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.**

*(Re: Worship)*



**THE WORD IN SONG**  
"The Strife is O'er"

CBCS Choir

**THE WRITTEN WORD**  
Linda Griffin

John 15: 1-8

**THE SPOKEN WORD**

"Abide in Me"

Rev. Geoffrey Gross

**\*HYMN**

**"There Is a Name I Love to Hear"**

**NCH 52**

**V1.** There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;  
it sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth.

**Refrain**

O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!

**V2.** It tells my Savior's love for all, Christ died to set us free;  
Whatever problems may befall, We'll live in dignity. **[Refrain]**

**V3.** It bids me serve amid the wrath God's people face each day,  
And sheds along life's troubled path, bright sunshine on my way. **[Refrain]**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~ CHRIST MODEL PRAYER ~**

**CALL TO OFFERING ~ OFFERING**

**Duet: Karen and Rob Monks**

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

*Chris Tomlin*

**\*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)**

**\*HYMN****“The Church’s One Foundation ”****NCH 386**

**V1.** The church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ our Lord;  
we are Christ's new creation by water and the word;  
From heaven Christ came and sought us in love to set us free;  
with precious blood Christ bought us for all eternity.

**V2.** Elect from every nation, yet one o’er all the earth,  
one charter of salvation, one God, one faith, one birth,  
One name together blessing, one holy food we share,  
to one hope we are pressing, at one in work and prayer.

**V3.** 'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of our war,  
we wait the consummation of peace forevermore,  
Till with the vision glorious, our longing eyes are blessed,  
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

**V4** Yet we on earth have union with God, the Three-in-One,  
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy! God, give us grace that we,  
like them, the meek and lowly, may live eternally.

**\*COMMISSIONING ~ BENEDICTION****Rev. Geoffrey Gross*****\*Stand in Body or in Spirit as able***

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**PARTICIPANTS:**

~ Rev. Geoffrey Gross ~ CBCC Choir; Jan Johns: Director ~ Dave Wrable : Keyboards  
Coleman Todd: Guitar, Vocals ~ Rick Oppelt: Strings, Vocals ~ Dennis Thompson : Percussion  
Karen and Rob Monks and Lydia Goff: Vocals ~ Linda Griffin: Liturgist

**USHERS:** Bob and Jo Ann Kolterman**AUDIO/VIDEO:** Evan Thomas ~ Michele Thomas ~ Coleman Todd



**IF YOU ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US FOR THE FIRST TIME  
WELCOME !!**

**We want to keep in touch with you.**

Please fill out the information card attached to your gift bag and place them in offering plate. **Thank You.**

**SING IN THE CHOIR!**

**WEDNESDAYS**

**6:00PM**

**Sunday Mornings**

**9:30AM**

*in Sponsler Hall*

**Contact: Jan Johns**



**If you have prayer requests**

you would like to include in Sunday's worship please fill out the green cards in your pew.



**BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Patricia Boyer
- 3 Cleo Hanson
- 4 Jennifer Dowd-Hunter  
Donna Bowers
- 9 Mary Ann Ketchum  
Paul Ulrich
- 10 Ron Philips  
Dennis Thompson
- 11 Martha Baird
- 13 Brad Bosley
- 15 Robin Parsons
- 17 Salley Iseman



**ANNIVERSARIES**

May 8 1993

**Bob & Robin Parsons**

31 years

May 16, 1982

**Tom & Karen Stoner**

42 years

**GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY**

May 5, 1967

**Mel & Linda Gordy**

57 years

May 28, 1965

**Vern & Pam Clobes**

59 years

**BIRTHDAYS**

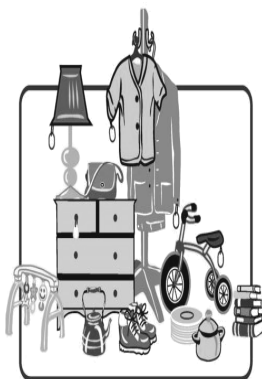
- 20 Doloris Bowling
- 23 Adrian Gilmore  
Art Sanders
- 25 Michele Thomas
- 26 Bernie (Bernadine) Foltz
- 28 Shirle Myers  
John Rusten
- 29 Bob Stuckey
- 31 Joan Smith  
Donna Vietri  
Wilbur Blackey  
Jane Blackey





# Cocoa Beach Community Church Thrift Shop

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



## JOIN THE THRIFT SHOP TEAM!

Call the Shop

*During store hours*

321.799.4355

or the church office.

**Together**  
**we**  
**make the**  
**difference**

## Come Share Your Talents!

Enjoy the fellowship of others  
while doing great work!

**AND... It is FUN!**



**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.



## BE AN USHER

Ushers are often the first face folks see on Sundays!!

### Come be that friendly face!

Let's provide a welcoming and helpful environment to all who enter!

Contact Coleman Todd (321-427-3436)  
or Jo Ann Kolterman (321-446-7452)

IT IS GREAT

TO BE ALIVE IN . . .



## 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.*

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