

ST. JOHN'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

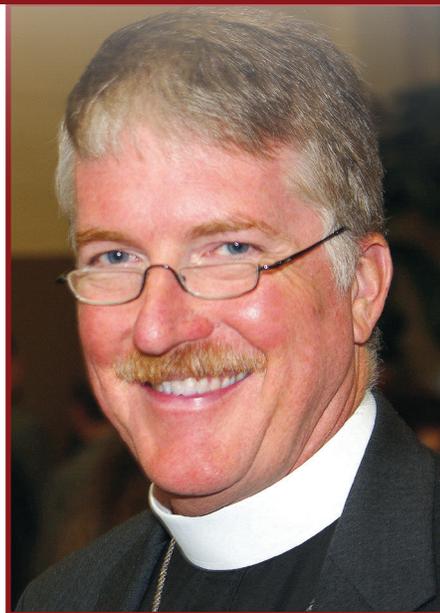
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THE GOOD NEWS

A WORD FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

As I write this, it is been only a couple of days since Apple CEO Tim Cook took the stage to introduce the iPhone X. It has only been 10 years since the introduction of the iPhone. It is stunning to think how this little device has wormed its way into our lives, our relationships and nearly everything we do.



Facebook first launched in 2004, only available to college students. It became available to the rest of us in 2006. Again, consider for a moment the degree to which this bit of software has wormed its way into the fabric of our lives. These two innovations, along with the various copies and clones, have gotten to the point that it is almost impossible to imagine our lives and relationships without them.

On our honeymoon in 1984, the reading material I took along was Alvin Toffler's 1970 book "Future Shock." The theme of the book was the rapidly increasing pace of change in modern life and the ways in which technology would become woven into the fabric of our lives. This is undeniably true and I believe that this pace of change is contributed greatly to the general level of anxiety in our culture and even to the level of divisiveness and vitriol in our common life. In fact, a popular phrase at the time was "high tech/high touch" reminding us that as our lives are more enveloped in technology the more we will need real, human touch.

What are we to do? Dump our smartphones? Go off the grid? I think we all know that's not going to happen except for a small number of folks on the extreme fringes. For most, going backward is inconceivable. The question is how do we live as healthy Christians in this world?

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

7:45 a.m. — Holy Eucharist, Rite I
9:00 a.m. — Adult Christian Education
9:00 a.m. — King's Kids
10:00 a.m. — Holy Eucharist, Rite II*
(Nursery is available)*

MONDAY

2:00 p.m. — Bible Study (location varies
See Hope Johnson)
7:00-8:00 p.m. — A.A. (Big Book Study)

TUESDAY

5:30-7:00 p.m. — Bible Study Fr. Eric's Office
7:00 p.m. — Bible Study, Fr. Eric's home
7:00-8:00 p.m. — Bible Study Fr. Eric's Office

WEDNESDAY

10:00 a.m. — Holy Communion, Victoria Landing
(second week of each month)
7:00 p.m. — Choir practice in the Sanctuary

FRIDAY

8:00 - 9:15 a.m. — TGIF Men's Breakfast
and Bible Study at Memaw's
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. — A.A. Beginner, Open Meeting
7:30 - 8:30 p.m. — A.A. Open Meeting

SATURDAY

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. — Mary's Circle Women's Bible
Study (1st Saturday each month)

I believe that what is needed is relationships. No, I don't mean more Facebook "friends" nor more Instagram followers. I mean time spent with people, face to face. Talking, thinking, praying, doing nothing, whatever. This cannot be accomplished in electronic microbursts of a few characters or sentences.

I am not talking about what we used to call "quality time." There is no "quality time" without "quantity time." Our time together doesn't need to always be "quality time," tearful or magic or perfect or easy. It just needs to be time together. That takes discipline and work. It is so much easier to spend our free time staring at the TV, or scanning Facebook, rather than actually being with one another.

I'm not here to say that there is never a time for TV, or that we need to dump Facebook. But that we need to work at actual, human relationships. Hopefully, that begins in the family and spreads from there. I think this is especially important for retired people who live alone. It takes work and effort to make and maintain relationships, even more so when family is gone and we are out of the workplace.

God made us to be social beings. "It is not good that the man should be alone" (Genesis 2:18) was God's assessment of that first step of creation, so a partner was made for him so that he would not be alone. When Jesus came, He did not work alone but gathered a group to be in relationship. When Jesus ascended, He did not leave us "comfortless" but sent the Holy Spirit, and further He left us as a church, not a bunch of individuals.

If we are to grow as Christians and if we are to accomplish the work of God in the world, we do so in relationship. That doesn't just mean that we are side by side as we take on tasks, although that is a helpful and necessary. It means that we have built relationships by investing time in one another.

This fall, I encourage you to make time for relationships. Family, church, Bible studies, etc. If you are not in one of our studies, find one or talk to me. If you are inclined, invite someone to dinner, and don't let it end there. Invite them again. Make it a relationship. It will only happen if you make it happen. And we can only be the people of God if we do it!

In Christ,
Fr. Eric Turner • Rector

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"Good News" Schedule



Since we are now having an outside editor put the "Good News" together, we will need to move the deadline for submissions up and we will also need to be much stricter than we have been about those deadlines.

Our goal will be to publish the newsletter just before the last Sunday of each month, for the following month.

Therefore, the deadline for the November issue will be **October 12**. Please email (preferred) your submissions to **Katie Wilson at KCodlinWilson@cfl.rr.com** or get them to the church office by **Oct. 12**.



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KEEPING UP WITH ST. JOHNS ONLINE

ST. JOHNS WEB

StJohnsMLB.org

You will find a wide variety of information there including schedules, the church calendar, archives of the "Good News", Sunday Ministry schedules, the latest eNews and much more. Poke around!

FACEBOOK

You can also search "St. John's Episcopal Church" and like the page. Then you will get updates in your newsfeed, which you can respond to, or share with your friends.

ST. JOHNS CHAT

Is an email "list" that allows you to keep up with the latest news at St. John's, prayer list updates, etc. You can also share things with others at St. John's. To subscribe, please just send your email address to Fr. Eric at Eric@stjohnsmlb.org.

WEEKLY ENEWS

St. John's Weekly eNews is a weekly (clever, huh?) email newsletter giving information on upcoming activities, what will be happening on Sunday, and other things. It includes some reflections from Fr. Eric on the lessons for the coming Sunday along with links and other information. This comes out every Thursday afternoon at 4 p.m. To subscribe, please send your email address to Fr. Eric at Eric@stjohnsmlb.org.



Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour is a part of the Sunday morning experience that's enjoyed by many, but it takes volunteers to make it happen. Please take a turn by signing up in the parish hall for a Sunday. And remember – you do not need to provide a full feast!

Just put on the coffee, mix up the cold drinks, put out whatever food people bring in, and take care of the clean-up.

If you enjoy coffee hour, sign up to help!

St. John's Book Club

will continue in the fall



We are looking for suggestions for what you might like to discuss.

Please pass on any suggestions to Fr. Eric.



St. John's now has two Daily Bread teams! We provide food serving teams for the fourth Thursday (as we always have) and the third Sunday (new).

Your help is greatly appreciated!

FOURTH THURSDAY

10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. • Contact Ian Johnson
321.674.0932 • Johnsoni051075@gmail.com

**Duty Day for October:
Thursday, Oct. 22**

THIRD SUNDAY

10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. • Contact Doug Ludwig
321.243.3686 • Ludwig.Murray@att.net

**Duty Day for October:
Sunday, Oct. 15**



Converge: Our Joint Youth Ministry

Three Episcopal Churches in the area have teamed up to launch an exciting ministry for middle and high school churches: St. John's, along with Holy Apostles, Satellite Beach and St. David's, Cocoa Beach. The group is called "Converge".

**Meets every Sunday at 5:30 pm (new time)
at the Schechter Community Center
1089 S. Patrick Dr., Satellite Beach
(corner of S. Patrick and Jackson)**

Converge begins again for the fall on **Sunday, September 24.**

For more information, visit cbey.weebly.com or



"Converge Brevard Episcopal Youth"



Young Life:

One of the ministries we support at St. John's is Young Life, a non-denominational ministry to middle and high school students here in Melbourne.

Our support has primarily been the provision of free office space (the office at the southwest corner of the office wing).

A new Area Director began work in August, Andy Ward. We will look for an opportunity to introduce Andy to the parish family early this fall.

Please pray for this ministry and for Andy as they make this transition.



Victoria Landing

The service will be on the **second Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m. in the Queen Palms Room** (ask at the front desk). This is targeted primarily for the residents of Victoria Landing, but all are welcome!

New Habitat Project

We are going to begin some work with Habitat for Humanity of Brevard County on a cul de sac of homes they are building just north of St. John's, near the Booker T. Washington neighborhood. Most are familiar with the work of Habitat, but you can learn more by visiting BrevardHabitat.com.

There will be roles for lots of folks, not just those with carpentry skills, so sign up in the Parish Hall or call the church office if you'd like to help up.

Dates and details are yet to be determined.



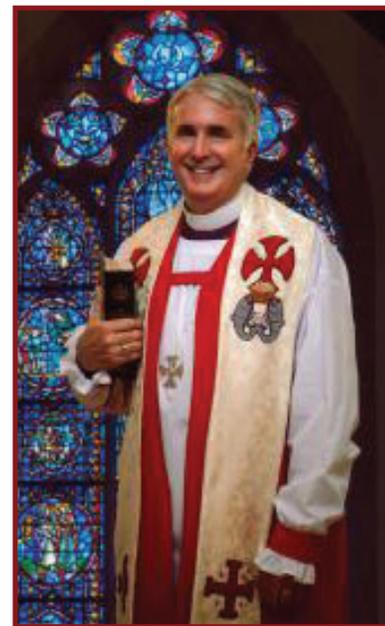
Seaside Stickers

Meets at **St. John's Church** and members are welcome to join! The schedule varies, so please contact **Shirley Muzzy** (321.254.2206 or ShirleyMuzzy@aol.com).



St. John's Parish Retreat with Bishop Brewer!

St. John's will be holding an "in-house" retreat **April 13-15, 2018!** The Rt. Rev. Gregory O. Brewer, Bishop of Central Florida, will be with us for the weekend and serve as our keynote speaker.



The weekend will culminate in our Bishop's visit and Confirmation celebration on Sunday. The weekend will include fun, games, worship, teaching, great food and more!

Mark your calendars now! Please speak with Fr. Eric if you would like to be part of the planning team for this event!



Hurricane Irma

St. John's weathered the storm with no structural damage, however there was a lot of damage to St. John's Park, losing at least five large trees. We will be removing some additional trees that need to come out as well. We are hiring a professional crew to do this heavy work, but we will also have some work days to do the rest of the clean up.



Watch the Sunday bulletins and St. Johns Chat for more details.



Outreach Focus

The Children's Hunger Project, provides pre-packaged meals that require no cooking and are distributed directly into qualifying elementary aged children's backpacks on Friday afternoons.

Qualification is determined solely at the discretion of the teacher and requires no parental involvement. The meals are designed to meet minimum nutritional requirements for the weekend and require no parental supervision or assistance.

Every \$150 raised provides weekend food to one child for the entire school year.

To learn more about this work, visit their website at TheChildrensHungerProject.org.

All offerings in the special lavender envelopes in the pews, or specifically marked "outreach" will go to The Children's Hunger Project.

Thank you!



Sunday, November 5 10:00 a.m. Service

On **Sunday, November 5**, we will hold our 10 a.m. worship service at our altar in the park, followed by a parish picnic.

This year, we are scheduling it a little later in the fall so that the weather may be a little better (i.e. less sweaty!)

Mark your calendars and don't miss it!

Worship in the Park & Picnic

St. John's Comes Together Hosts Family Promise Despite Irma

Our congregation came together in magnificent fashion twice after Hurricane Irma. Saturday, preceding the Sunday hosting on September 17th, together with Cub Scout pack 726, volunteers cleaned up major debris complements of Irma. Large tree limbs were chain sawed and removed and rakes and blowers were busy for several hours. When the dust cleared, the church looked great and was ready for services Sunday and our Family Promise hosting September 17th through the 24th. We hosted two delightful families; Family #84, a recently married couple with a three year old boy and two year old girl, and Family #85, a single mom with four children ages 14, 13, 11, and eight.

Family #84 was housed in St. James House and Family #85 in the nursery. That the rooms were ready for them was a result of the dedicated work of Katie Wilson who cleaned, furnished and prepared the rooms for our guests. The entire Set Up and Tear Down team did a terrific job preparing and cleaning up. There were many volunteers too numerous to name who went above and beyond that expected, but worthy of special note were three of our Captains. Linda Fletcher, Set Up and Tear Down Captain, didn't let a hematoma on her shin (a souvenir of Irma) stop her; Fred Schuenemann, Overnight Host Captain, worked through a very sore shoulder; and Hope Johnson, Food Captain, worked tirelessly planning the evening meals despite preparing for a once in a lifetime vacation which began Tuesday of the host week (Linda Olson pinch hit for her admirably Tuesday through Sunday).

The hosting was another wonderful success as we help families find housing, and employment if needed, while maintaining their family unit. The entire congregation can be proud of the way our Family Promise Team rallied for a wonderful cause, not letting our individual problems prevent accomplishing a worthy goal.

Sincerely,

Lee Steininger

Family Promise Coordinator



FPOB Golf Tournament



6th Annual Golf Scramble & Ball Drop • Saturday, November 4 •

On **November 4** FPOB will hold the 6th Annual Golf Scramble and Ball Drop. To learn more about this, visit the website: FamilyPromiseOfBrevard.org and scroll down for more details and to sign up.

Casey Singer Update



Thank you so much to all of the people who helped make my study abroad trip to Austria possible. Also a big thank you for all of your prayers.

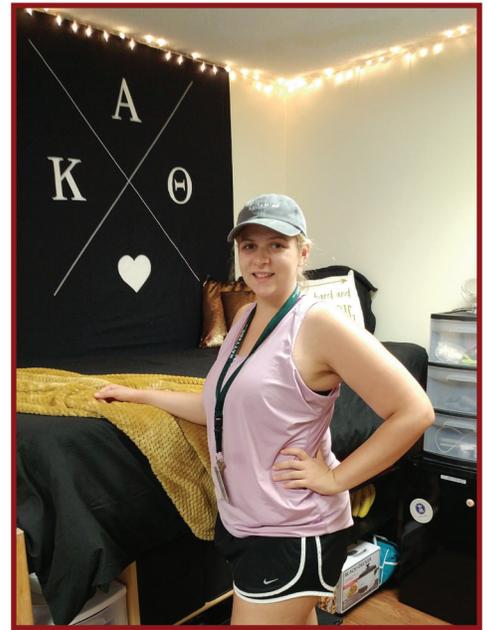
During my 6-week trip, I was able to learn so much academically as well as culturally. I explored all of Innsbruck, Austria and then got to go on weekend trips to Venice, Italy; Paris, France; and St. Gallen, Switzerland as well as day trips to Salzburg, Austria and Munich, Germany.

My favorite part of the trip was definitely being in Venice during their biggest festival of the year, the Redeemer Festival, and getting to see a huge firework show over the Grand Canal from the pavilion of St. Mark's Basilica.

While doing all this travelling I also kept up with my class work and earned A's in both of the courses I was taking. Now I am back and heading into my senior year at Stetson, for which I have four classes left to take in fall and four in spring.



I am thrilled to be graduating a year early in May 2018 with a degree in Marketing. I am living in my Kappa Alpha Theta sorority house this year and have plans to be more involved with my community service through them. It is so nice to be living in my sorority house, so I can connect more with my sorority sisters and continue to grow with these amazing friends by my side.



I continue to work two work-study jobs on campus, one is in the library and the other is in the registrar's office. These two jobs help cover my monthly expenses.

Moving forward, I hope to find an internship or job off campus related to my business field that can help to advance my work experience.

Thank you! Casey Singer



From Deacon Elizabeth:

As Casey is entering her senior year at Stetson, it is becoming critical that she find a means of transportation in order to find an internship and then after the New Year she will need to seek out interviews for jobs when she graduates.

She is currently saving every month in order to purchase a car. The best option obviously would be if Casey could find a used car in good condition.

Please keep your eyes and ears open for someone who may be down-sizing to one car, or simply upgrading to a newer car.

Please give me a call if you know of something.

Deacon Elizabeth
321.777.0168

Blessing of the Ministries

Over the month of October, we will be highlighting and blessing the leaders of many of our Sunday ministries.

(Please make every effort to be present on the Sundays when anything you are involved in is up!)

October 1

Choir, Organist, Altar Guild, Acolytes

October 8

Teachers, Nursery Volunteers, Fellowship, Counters, Sound

October 15

Lectors, LEMs

October 22

Greeters, Ushers

Vestry Notes

Due to the printing schedule for this "Good News," we are not able to include notes from the September Vestry meeting. We are, however, able to provide some of the financial information which the treasurer, Steve Bradley, has completed. We had projected a deficit in August of \$571 (August is normally a lean month for income), but we actually ended the month with a surplus of \$1,285. Income for August was \$16,533 (budget was \$14,900). Expenses were \$15,248 against a budget of \$15,471. Year to date, we have a surplus of \$4,487. We expect September to be the worst month of the year, financially, as we have both snowbirds still away and some large quarterly expenses.

October Birthdays:

Beverly Hester
345 Grant Avenue
Satellite Beach, FL 32937
10/01

Richard Huffman
1763 Elmwood Drive
Melbourne, FL 32935
10/10

Vicki Crane
594 Comanche Ave.
Melbourne, FL 32935
10/22/1900

Natalie Chartier
3210 N. Harbor City Blvd
#321
Melbourne, FL 32935
10/26

Grace Heusinkveld
1584 Gardner Drive
Melbourne, FL 32935
10/06

Catherine Saylor
1910 Glenwood Drive
Melbourne, FL 32935
10/14

Joan Roddan
875 Greenwood Manor
Circle
West Melbourne, FL 32904
10/24

Rudy Tuten
3099 Fontainebleau Ave. SE
Palm Bay, FL 32909
10/28

Cindy Marshall
857 Oakwood Dr.
Melbourne, FL 32940
10/06

Wally Burlison
2815 Golfview Dr.
Melbourne, FL 32901
10/19/1954

Yvonne Hayes
1949 Harrison Avenue
Melbourne, FL 32935
10/26

Raina King
512 Linda Ln.
Melbourne, FL 32935
10/30/1997

Susan Badgio
310 Cynthia Lane
Indian Harbour Beach, FL
32937
10/06

Jim Williams
512 Linda Ln.
Melbourne, FL 32935
10/19/1943

Jim Hester
345 Grant Avenue
Satellite Beach, FL 32937
10/26

Jim Windt
594 Dijon Drive
Melbourne, FL 32935
10/31

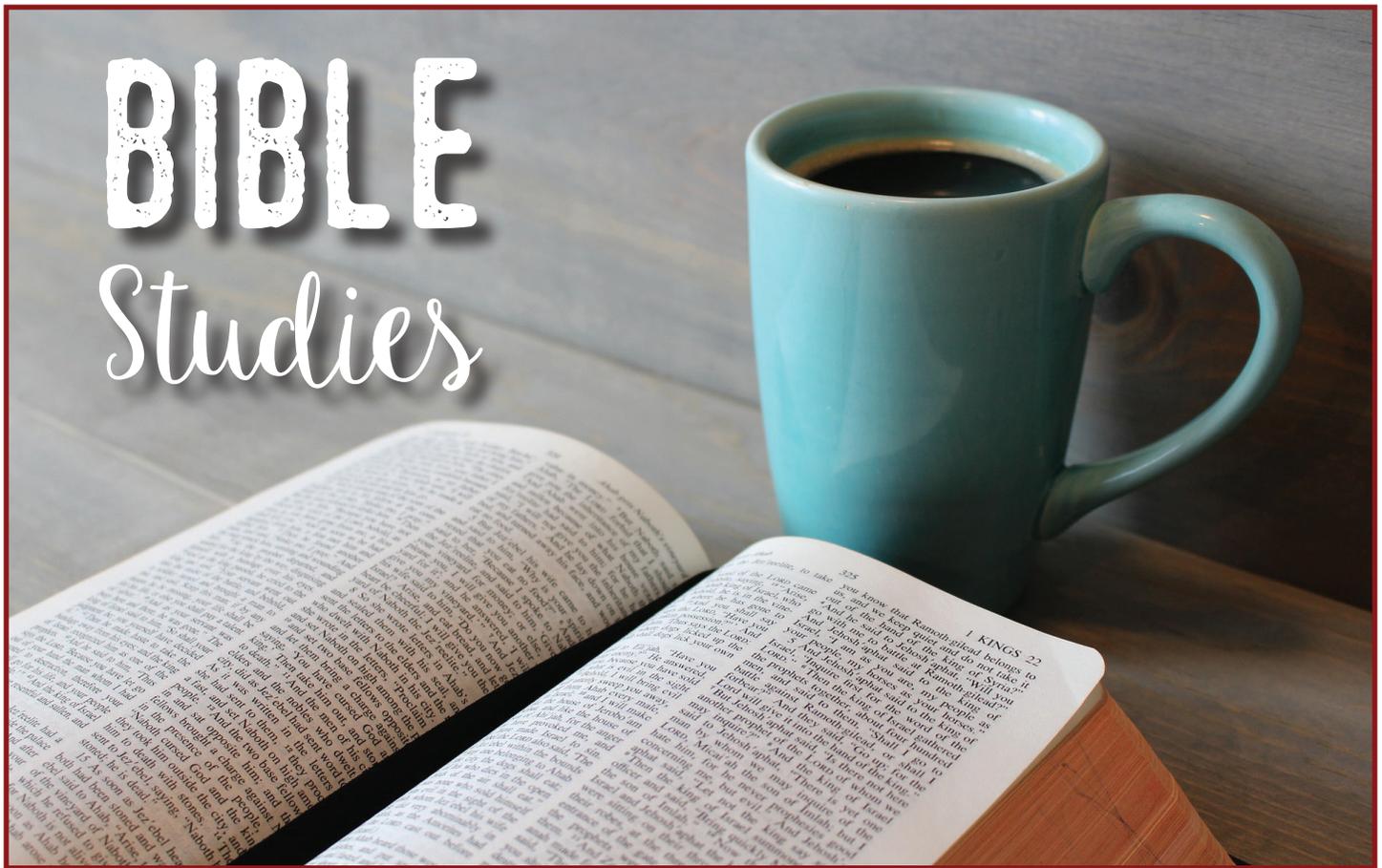
Patty Stitzel
3179 Arden Circle
Melbourne, FL 32934
10/06/1900

Justin Archey
676 Teak Drive
Melbourne, FL 32935
10/22

Lacey Brotherton
8000 Pine Needle Lane
West Melbourne, FL 32904
10/27

Stephen Johnson
1825 Brookside Street NE
Palm Bay FL 32907
10/05

BIBLE Studies



We hope that you are able to find one that meets with your regular schedule!

MONDAY AFTERNOON, 2 P.M. led by Hope Johnson.

This study will start back up for the fall on **Monday, October 2**. Location varies, please contact Hope Johnson at 321.431.1048 for more information.

TUESDAY EVENING, 7 P.M. in Fr. Eric's office, led by Deacon Elizabeth.

Contact Dcn. Elizabeth at 321.777.0168 for more information.

TUESDAY EVENING, 5:30 P.M. in Fr. Eric's office there is a Bible study lead Anneke Bertsch.

All are welcome! Please call Katie at 321.751.3319.

TUESDAY EVENING, 7 P.M. at Fr. Eric's home, 4581 Bellaluna Dr, W. Melbourne.

Currently studying 2 Timothy.

MARY'S CIRCLE, a women's Bible Study, studying the Apostle Paul in the book of Acts, gathers on the first Saturday of the month in the **Parish Hall at 8:30 a.m.** Upcoming gatherings will be **October 7 and November 4**.

Contact Deacon Elizabeth Murray at 321.777.0168 for more information.

FRIDAY MORNING: TGIF: Men's breakfast and Bible study, **Fridays, 8 a.m. at Memaw's, beachside**, 600 E. Eau Gallie Blvd. 321.254.3365. In addition to solving all the world's problems, we are studying the book of Hebrews.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION meets **every Sunday at 9 – 9:45 a.m. in the Parish Hall**. On September 10 we will bring a study of Philippians, a letter of St. Paul to the church at Philippi, a church he had great fondness for. We will find great encouragement there! All are welcome!

Sunday Ministry Schedule-October

Date	Oct 01	Oct 08	Oct 15 (DB)	Oct 22	Oct 29
10:00 A.M. Service					
Greeters	A. Bertsch A. Weeks	I. and M. Johnson	J. Miller A. Weeks	A. Weeks L. Fletcher	L. Janse A. Weeks
Ushers	J. Miller	D. Ludwig	F. & R. Scheunemann	B. Chernault	S. & G. Bradley
Lector	M. Tanner	G. Dunbar	K. Hoffman	A. Weeks	B. Chernault
LEM	C. Marshall	A. Bertsch	H. Johnson	K. Oas	S. Manzer
Acolytes	W. Lester	J. Lester	C. Williams	S. Williams	W. Lester
Nursery	R. Scheunemann K. Huhn	L. Calvert D. Crane	S. Tuten M. Schexnayder	D. Crane C. Marshall	C. Turner D. Crane
King's Kids	E. Murray T. Chernault	E. Murray J. Miller	E. Murray T. Chernault	E. Murray J. Miller	E. Murray T. Chernault
Counter	A. Sykes	K. Wilson	G. Bradley	A. Sykes	K. Wilson
Sound	B. Kendall	K. McPherson	S. Bradley	A. Lester	K. McPherson
V. LEM	H. Johnson	C. Marshall	A. Hoffman S. Manzer	S. Kendall	E. Murray
Prayers	C. Marshall	C. Turner	H. Johnson	A. Bertsch	E. Murray
7:45 A.M. Service					
Greeters	D. Disney	E. Huffman	T. Greene	A. Brown	D. Disney
Ushers	S. Hayes	R. Huffman	B. Baumgardt	S. Hayes	R. Huffman
Lector	H. Martin	L. Miller	P. Perian	C. Smith	P. Jarvela
LEM	A. Hoffman	T. Scarboro	R. Huffman	E. Huffman	A. Hoffman
Please arrange a substitute if you are unable to serve as scheduled. The published schedule will not necessarily reflect those changes.					

Birthday Card Ministry

January — February: Carol Yackulics
 March — April: Roberta Ardinger-Smith
 May — June: Anneke Bertsch
 July — August: Linda Fletcher
 Sept — October: Angie Brown
 November — December: Rosie Scheunemann

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Upcoming Special Events

Saturday, November 4.....Family Promise Golf Outing and Ball Drop.
Visit FamilyPromiseOfBrevard.org for more information
and to register.

Sunday, November 5.....Worship in the Park and Parish Picnic!
10 a.m. service at our outdoor altar and picnic following!

Sunday, November 19.....Family Promise Hosting begins

Thursday, November 23.....Thanksgiving Worship-10:00 a.m.

April 13-15, 2018.....Parish Retreat, featuring Bishop Greg Brewer!



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