

Upcoming Events

- **February 6** - Men's Breakfast Group
 - Women's Bible Study
 - Mission/Outreach
- **February 7** - Church Council Meeting
- **February 8** - Senior Friends
 - Weekly Dinner
 - Children/Youth Activities
 - Women's Study Group
- **February 9** - Choir and Praise Band
- **February 11** - Micronesian Worship
- **February 12** - Eagle Scout Dedication
 - UMW Tea Tasting
 - Thee Mariner's Class
 - Young Adult Gathering
 - Amp'd Youth
- **February 13** - Men's Breakfast Group
 - Women's Bible Study
- **February 14** - HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY
- **February 15** - Weekly Dinner
 - Children/Youth Activities
 - Women's Study Group
- **February 16** - Choir and Praise Band
- **February 18** - "Show Me Your Stuff"
 - Micronesian Worship
- **February 19** - Blood Drive
 - Preschool Pointers
 - Thee Mariner's Class
 - Young Adult Gathering
 - District Training
 - Amp'd Youth
- **February 25** - Youth Car Wash
- **February 26** - Elementary Advice
- **February 28** - Mardi Gras

LENT GROUPS

Lent (the 40 days before Easter) begins on **March 1st** with Ash Wednesday and concludes with Easter on April 16th. During this time everyone is encouraged to participate in a small discussion group based on the book titled *The Wesleyan Way – A Faith That Matters*. If you would like to host a group in your home or the church or another location, please contact Pastor Linda (linda.tice@flumc.org). Sign up sheets are available to order the book for a minimal price. Specific group times will be shared as they are established.

Join us this Lent for "A Walk With Jesus."

Wednesday Dinners

Mark the first Wednesday of each month and plan to join us for a special evening of food and fellowship at 5:45pm in the Friendship Hall. This "First WEDS" meal is traditionally a bit more "elaborate" and is usually followed by a program or activity afterwards. On **March 1st** we will participate in a meaningful Ash Wednesday worship.

On the other Wednesdays a more casual meal is served at 6:00pm before our regular activities for children, youth, and adults begin at 6:30pm. EVERYONE is invited – this is a great chance to catch up with old friends and create some new relationships too. It is very helpful for our cooks if you will sign up on the bulletin board or call the church office; a suggested donation is \$5 per adult is also appreciated.

All financial statements for the 2016 tax year have been mailed. If you have not received your statement, please contact Bill Reed in the church office (727-733-4139).

Want to know more about the church?

Visit : www.dunedinfumc.org and sign up for Pastor Linda's weekly email devotion and announcements

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Church Office Hours:
Monday —Thursday: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

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Eagle Scout Dedication

February 12th

Join us as we dedicate the Eagle Scout project by Steven Spears on the 12th between the two services. We will begin at 10:35am and end at 10:55am. Steven has created a beautiful place of rest and renewal beside our parking lot just east of Friendship Hall. Thank you, Steven!



Sunday Sermons

Join us for worship! Come see how your favorite Super Bowl commercials can actually reflect our faith during the month of February.



Communion Servers Needed



Have you ever wanted to help serve communion but didn't know how? We need volunteers who will help on the first Sunday of each month. A training will be held by Pastor Linda on **Sunday, February 12th**, at two different times for new folks **and** as a refresher for those who have already served. For the traditional service the time will be 9:00am sharp before service and for the Modern Service the training will be immediately after worship. Everyone is welcome!

MAIN STREET

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Amazing learning is happening during every moment of children's ministries. On Wednesdays the theme is *No Mission Possible* and we are learning about the people of Kazakhstan. On Saturday nights we have begun a unit about *How the Bible Came to Us* and are experimenting with writing scriptures on animal skins and papyrus. On Sundays during the first hour kids are learning about the early ministry of Jesus, and during second hour our stories are about *The Colorful Life of King David*. YELLOW, the color of fear, reminds us that we can trust God to see us through every situation that makes us afraid. Saul was "seeing RED" when it came to David. Kids will learn that we should not seek revenge, but trust God to take care of us. For more information about children's ministries, contact Carol Taylor at carolytaylor@gmail.com or 727-515-5557.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE FOR CHILDREN:

Sundays: 9:30am KidzGROUPS
10:30am MainStreet Café
11:00am KidzWORSHIP
Wednesdays: 6:30- 7:45pm KidzCLUB
Saturdays at 7:15-8:30pm KidzREACH

ATTENTION: KID-INFLUENCERS

If you are interested in babies, toddlers, preschoolers, or kindergartners, you will want to attend a special get-together with Carol Taylor on **Sunday, February 19th**, from 9:45-10:45am upstairs on MainStreet. Come hear about new plans in the works and share your ideas about ways to find God in the midst of sleepless nights, whining days, and constant "Whys", "No's" and "I can do it myself."

KIDS MATTER

Every church knows that. A better question is, does our church act like every kid matters at every phase? We will walk about this and more on **Sunday, February 26th**, from 9:45-10:45am upstairs on MainStreet. Come learn how to survive and maybe even enjoy the elementary years of kids you know.

VBS is Coming

June 19-23 9:00-11:30a.m.

Thee Mariner's Class

Thee Mariner's is an adult Sunday School Class which meets following the 9:30 worship service in room 108. Everyone is invited to come join the discussion!

A group of men from the church meet each Monday morning for breakfast at Country Boy Restaurant on 580. Everyone is invited to join them!

Church Family News

Welcome to the world, Charley Wild Pate, who was born on January 30th. Proud parents are Kevin Pate and Lia Wildman, and his family also includes Julian and Summer Pate, and grandparents Steve and Sue Pate. Congratulations to everyone!

Mardi Gras is Coming!

One of the large downtown Dunedin events is Mardi Gras which will be held on **Tuesday, February 28th**. First Church will be a part of this fun event through our bathroom ministry and Strawberry Shortcake Booth. Volunteers are needed in several different ways. On Monday morning, February 27th, a team will be needed to cut and prep the strawberries and make chocolate dipped strawberries. On the day of Mardi Gras a set-up crew is needed for the booth, workers are needed to serve strawberries in the booth, and bathroom hosts are needed. Sign up sheets will be available soon, so check your calendar and let us know how you can help!

Into the Deep!

Everyone is invited to a District Wide Leadership Training Event on **Sunday, February 19th**, from 3:00 - 6:00pm at Palm Harbor United Methodist Church, 1551 Belcher Road. This is for pastors, members, and regular attendees. Our own Chris Wolf will be leading worship. He and Laura Ice will also be leading 2 of the workshops. You can register for the sessions that you want to attend by going to the conference website: www.flumc.org. In the middle of the page you will see a list going across the page that will include districts. Click districts, then Gulf Central district. To the right click on "Into the Deep" to register.

Youth Weekly Schedule:

- * Wednesdays 6:00-7:45pm Union Hall
(supper, fellowship, and relevant small group)
- * Sunday Mornings:
11am-12pm Student Lounge
(breakfast, games, and Bible Study)
- * Sunday Evenings
6:00-8:30pm Union Hall
(supper, games, fellowship, and worship)

Church Council

The first Council Meeting of the year will be held **Tuesday, February 7th**, at 7:00pm in the Friendship Hall. Everyone interested in the state of the church as we move forward is invited! Hear from our leaders, and share your ideas or concerns.

Exotic Tea Tasting

United Methodist Women invite you to an Exotic Tea Tasting event **Sunday, February 12**, 2-4 p.m. in Friendship Hall. This is a good time to meet with other First Dunedin women to explore new women's activities and projects, as well as to learn what we do now in our mission and outreach projects. Come join us!

Show Me Your Stuff!

You are invited to a one-day event on **Saturday, February 18th**, at the Hale Center at 330 Douglas Avenue sponsored by the Dunedin Council of Organizations from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Over 40 organizations including this church and various city departments will have information tables about what services they offer. If you are available to sit at the church table and tell people about our church, let Jane Pendley know you can help!

Next Blood Drive

The next church blood drive will be Sunday, **February 19th** from 9:45am-12:30pm. There is an urgent need to increase the blood supply at this time due to so many people who have the flu reducing the available donors. Look for the Big Red Bus. Thank you for your gift of life!

