

Upcoming Events

- **February 19** - Blood Drive
 - Preschool Pointers
 - District Training
- **February 22** - Habitat for Humanity Mtg.
- **February 25** - Youth Car Wash
- **February 26** - Elementary Advice
- **February 27** - 50+ Dinner Out
- **February 28** - Mardi Gras
- **March 1** - ASH WEDNESDAY
 - Weekly Dinner



This March our Wednesday dinner will reflect the sacrificial nature of Lent as we humble ourselves to the sacrifice of Jesus for our sins. On **March 1st** our dinner will be a minimalist dinner of chili/rice and bread as we remember how blessed we are daily. Everyone is invited to join us for dinner at 6:00pm and then stay for worship at 6:45pm. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Dunedin Cares Food Pantry

The children and teens were the winners over the adults in our Souper Bowl Challenge, 134 cans to their 57 cans, but the real winners are the folks that are helped by the Dunedin Cares Food Pantry. Don't forget to support our local food pantry Dunedin Cares by your regular donations to our food baskets outside of the worship centers. Needed donations – canned meats, stew, vegetables, fruit, spaghetti sauce and noodles, cereal, dried milk, toilet paper. Thank you for caring!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Mondays

Men's Breakfast Group
Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays

6:00pm Weekly Dinner
6:30pm Youth Activities
6:30pm KidzCLUB

Thursdays

Choir and Praise Band Practice

Saturdays

7:15pm Micronesian Worship
Micronesian Youth Activities
KidzREACH

Sundays

9:30am Traditional Service
KidzGROUPS
10:30am Thee Mariner's Class
MainStreet Café
11:00am Modern Service
KidzWORSHIP
Youth Bible Study
6:00pm Amp'd Youth Gathering

Open Hearts. Open Minds.

OPEN DOORS

February 19 - March 4, 2017

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Mardi Gras is Coming!



Tuesday, February 28th, downtown Dunedin will be filled with many people celebrating Mardi Gras. Our church will be a part of the celebration by providing bathrooms to the public and selling Strawberry Shortcake at our booth on Main Street. YOUR help is needed to take a shift to sell strawberry shortcake during the day or evening. To sign up for a time contact Mary Downing at 612-867-1067 or sign up on the bulletin board after worship. There will also be a team preparing the food on Monday morning. If you can help contact Cyndi Blevins at 256-490-9454. Bathroom attendants are also needed.

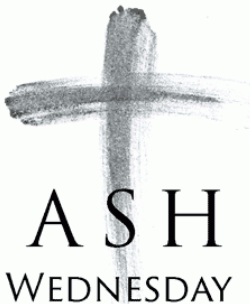
Remember - Mardi Gras is a great time to share our church and witness of faith with others!!

Ash Wednesday Ashes and Worship

March 1st begins the time of preparing our hearts to the new hope and resurrection of Easter. On Ash Wednesday we remember our flawed human nature and the need to repent symbolized by receiving the sign of the cross on our forehead or hand in Ashes. There will be two opportunities to receive prayer and ashes that day.

Pastor Linda will be in front of the church on Main St. from 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. for anyone who would like to stop.

A special Ash Wednesday service will be that evening from 6:45 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Everyone is invited to this special time of reflection and prayer as we begin the Lent Season.



Dunedin
First United Methodist Church

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

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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MAIN STREET

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

There are only 2 weeks left until we finish our Sunday morning unit about **The Colorful Life of King David**. The color on February 19th is **GOLD**, and David finally becomes the king over Israel. The bottom line for us is that we can stay faithful to God, because He always remains faithful to us.

BLUE is the color for February 26th. David was blue when he learned that his friend Jonathan was dead, but he became happy again when he was able to show kindness to Jonathan's crippled son, Mephibosheth. For more information about children's ministries, contact Carol at carolytaylor@gmail.com or 727-515-5557.

VBS is Coming

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

ASH Wednesday

5th graders and younger are invited to a special Kid-Style Ash Wednesday Celebration on **Wednesday, March 1st**, from 6:30 - 7:45pm upstairs on MainStreet. We will begin with a Mardi Gras Parade and end with a meaningful time of worship prepared just for kids.

Preschool Pointers for Parents

Sunday, February 19th (TODAY)

9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

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."

EXPERT ELEMENTARY ADVICE



Do you feel like you're "losing your marbles?" We have a JARFUL with your name on it! Parents, grandparents, teachers, & volunteers are invited to join Carol Taylor 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. Time to connect with other parents, details about new Spiritual Goals and Guidelines for kids, and even some "marbled" snacks!

CAR WASH & BAKE SALE

Come get your car washed, help send kids to camp and grab a sweet treat while you are there. Saturday morning, **February 25th** from 9:00am to 1:00pm at the church parking lot. Please enter off Douglas and exit off Wood Street. The teenagers will greet you and assist you when you arrive. We have 30 students going to camp and really appreciate your support in raising the funds needed. Donations Accepted!! All funds go directly to camp registration and fees.

LENT STUDY GROUPS

During March and April Lent groups will be meeting to study the video and book The Wesleyan Way – A Faith That Matters by Scott Jones. This study helps us understand that life in Christ is an exciting walk of salvation carrying us into deeper levels of faith working through a special kind of love. Groups currently available are: Women's study group – Monday afternoon at 3:00 at home of Mary Downing ; Sunday morning following the 9:30 service in Friendship Hall room 109; Wednesday at 6:30pm in Friendship Hall, room 108; Thursday evening at Pastor

Linda's home at 7:00pm. Sign up on bulletin board or by emailing Pastor Linda at linda.tice@flumc.org. Books are \$11.



Habitat for Humanity

Have you always wanted to own a home but it just hasn't seemed possible? Or maybe you know someone who wants to be a home owner. Join us Wednesday evening Feb 22nd at 6:45-7:30pm to learn more about the Habitat for Humanity Program, a local non-profit who assists individuals in making their dream of home ownership a reality. Dave Gerald, Habitat Community Representative, will be sharing about the program and the steps toward home ownership. If possible, RSVP to Laura Ice at laura.ice@flumc.org.



50+ Dinner Out

Everyone is invited to the next dinner out at Rusty Bellies

Restaurant in Tarpon Springs on **Monday, February 27**, at 6:30pm.

This is a great time of getting to know people better in the church and having a fun night out. For more information or to save a place at the table contact Jane Pendley at 303-921-7476.



Congratulations Pastor Rachel!



Congratulations Pastor Rachel Hughes! If you haven't been in church lately you may wonder where is Pastor Rachel? On Friday Jan. 20th the Bishop approved a request by the District Superintendent to have Rachel appointed as the part time interim pastor of Curlew UMC whose pastor had to be changed suddenly. Her last

Sunday here was Jan. 29th and a celebration of Rachel was held during the February Wednesday night dinner to send her off with our prayers and blessings. This was an unusual midyear appointment due to special circumstances. We are excited for this opportunity in ministry for Rachel!

NOTE: The healing service will continue each month on the last Tuesday. February's healing service will be combined with the Ash Wednesday service **March 1st** as a special time for healing prayer will be available during this powerful service.