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CHURCH OF PORT ST. JOE



Join us for Vacation Bible School
"Knights of North Castle"

June 21 – 25

9:00AM – 12:00PM

Grades K4 – 5th

Register at: 2020.cokesburyvbs.com

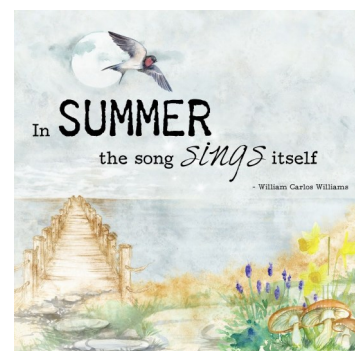
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JUNE 6 10AM
GREAT HALL



FATHER'S DAY
SUNDAY, JUNE 20

Happy
Father's
Day

SUMMER SOLSTICE
SUNDAY, JUNE 20
HAPPY FIRST DAY OF SUMMER!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JUNE 21-25
GREAT HALL



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Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Lentz, Senior Pastor

Dear Friends,



Why do angels fly? The great G.K. Chesterton said that is because they take themselves lightly. He might be right. I think that most of the time we are way too serious, stressed out, and overwhelmed. I am not saying that there aren't times that warrant seriousness, just that most of life is best taken with a bit of joy and whimsy. The past year has been a heavy one and I hope that you will use this summer as an opportunity to lighten up. It is time to get back to doing all the things that we love. You may have to remind yourself what you like to do. Sometimes it takes a reminder to remember who we are.

Summer has long been a time to rest and recuperate, to go down the water or up to the mountains, and to reconnect with family and friends. In short it is a time for joy. The last few Sundays in church have been really joyful! We are planning for a summer full of joy so don't miss a week –or if you are out, join us on-line. Rodney Clapp defines worship in part as "holy play." He says, "In worship, in holy play, we engage in a game with one another and most of all with God. There is no end or purpose to it. It is a glorious waste of time." While worship should be reverent and serious at times, it also is holy play. We are like kids playing grown-ups in toy kitchens or trucks: We act out the drama of the kingdom of God, of holy sharing, and of the marriage supper of the Lamb. Piaget said that "play is the work of children" and "play is how anything new comes about." So let us, in church and in the world, play this summer and see if we remember a little more about who we are and the world God is birthing.

Peace of Christ,



Geoffrey

Special Exhibition at The Joe Center for the Arts

During "A Feast for the Eyes-The Art of the Table, The Joe proudly welcomes a special exhibition of select works from local artist Tim Gagnon. You won't want to miss this opportunity to view breathtaking transformations of angels into our modern pop culture. Tim brings to The Joe -*Angelology*, an artistic and theological study of the doctrine of angels. His 12 artistic panels depict portraits that explain the nature of angels and their purpose in the Kingdom of God as referenced from Judeo-Christian scripture. In his work, Tim pays homage to medieval illuminated sculpture, incorporating text and heraldry with figurative paintings on a gilded surface. Each rendition was exhaustively studied to insure the utmost in biblical accuracy. Tim is best known for creating works of art live on stage while his paint brushes are on fire. As a devout man of faith, Tim intertwines Art and Theology into a single purpose: to "draw" people closer to God. Tim earned a Bachelor's degree in Theology from the Christian Life School of Theology in Columbus, GA and a Master's of Fine Art from the Academy of Art University in San Francisco, CA. The Joe is located at 201 Reid Avenue. Exhibit runs through June 18.

Also on display: SPECIAL EXHIBIT of EASTER EGGS by Gary Carroll

Come visit this amazing and unique exhibit and learn about the engraving technique and symbolism in the eggs. The picture shown, "Three Ears of Wheat," is one of the many intricately decorated eggs on display and for purchase. Yes, it is a real egg! The egg is drained, and the shell will last virtually forever or until broken. The colors and symbols used are similar to those used in East-European Christian art. Symbols are often combined to provide complex meaning. Wheat, for example, is a symbol of Eucharist, and suggests the human nature of Christ.



Liz Lentz, Children's Director



Wacky Wednesdays: Children who have completed kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to join us on Wednesdays in June and July for field trips.

- June 2nd 9:00 Wakulla Springs, \$3. Bring swimsuit, change of clothes, towel, and sack lunch.
- June 9th 9:00, \$9. Gulf Specimen Marine Lab in Panacea. Bring sack lunch.
- June 16th 10:00, \$10 Skaters Choice Rink. Pizza and drink included.
- June 30th 9:00 \$3, Blue Springs. Bring swimsuit, change of clothes, towel, and sack lunch.

Father's Day: Sunday, June 20th, 11:00 service and cake reception

Vacation Bible School: June 21st-25th 9:00-12:00 for children in completed preK4 through 5th grade. Register online at <https://2020.cokesburyvbs.com/portstjoe>. If you'd like to volunteer contact Ms. Liz at liz@psjumc.org.

- Volunteer Meeting on Sunday, June 13th at 11:00.
- Decorating and setting up on Sunday, June 20th at 11:00.



Splashing into summer at the pool party



Nursery is available on Sunday mornings



Little Lambs

Lynn Marshall, Youth Director



Summer Activities for 6th - 12th Grade

Tuesday June 1 Rock'it Lanes Skating and Bowling with pizza and drink
(\$25 per person with skate and bowl, \$18 for bowling or \$17 for skating - ALL include pizza and drink)
Leave FUMC at 11:30 PM and Return Around 6 PM

Tuesday June 8 - No Tuesday Activities (Ms. Lynn on vacation)

Tuesday June 15 - Wakulla Springs
(\$5 per person to pay for entrance and drinks - If they want to ride on boat tour it will be an additional \$8.00 per person)
I must know by Friday June 11th
Leave FUMC at 9 AM and return around 5:30

Tuesday June 22 - Salinas Park games and dinner
(TIME - TBD \$5 for dinner and snacks)

Tuesday June 29 - Blue Parrot and Beach at SGI
(Bring money for lunch and snacks www.blueparrotsgi.com)
Leave FUMC at 10:00 and return Around 4:00

ALL ACTIVITIES ARE BASED ON WEATHER AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE! PLEASE LET LYNN KNOW THE FRIDAY PRIOR TO THE ACTIVITY IF YOU ARE GOING TO ATTEND!

July schedule will be out by June 15

Questions about Youth Group? Call or text Lynn Marshall 850-340-0278 or e-mail lynn@psjumc.org

Paul Brown, Director of Music and Worship Arts

WORSHIPARTS

PAINTING

PHOTOGRAPHY

DANCE

MUSIC

ACTING

JOIN FUMC PSJ for WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday Mornings at 10 a.m. Pre-Service music begins at 9:45

June 6th - June 13th - June 20th - June 27th

Join us for an upbeat, gospel style service as we continue our celebration of Pentecost with a joyful communion service. Let your little light shine as we welcome back Tim Dutrow on percussion! We hope to see you on Sunday, June 6th!

We invite you to a service where we center in on our growth in the Lord. Singing, praising, and worshipping as we grow together as a community. Let us sing to the Lord our God!

June 13th. We celebrate our Fathers, and our Holy Father above with celebratory music performed by the Chancel Chorus and Bell Choir on June 20th! This service will be lead by conductor, Mrs. Dana Langford. Let us worship the Lord our God!

GET UP and join FUMC PSJ for a Sunday of our your favorite hymns and songs of praise! There is Victory in Jesus! Remember that morning fellowship is open and our hospitality station is ready with coffee and donuts every morning at 9:30 a.m. Come and be blessed!

Chancel Choir- Our FUMC PSJ Chancel Choir meets weekly on Thursdays, 6 p.m. at 510 Fourth Street. Sopranos, Altos, Tenors, and Basses, and YOU! We are ALWAYS open to new members and would love for you to join the choir!

Bell Choir- The FUMC PSJ Bell Choir meets weekly on Wednesdays, 1 p.m. at 510 Fourth Street. Contact Paul Brown, director of music, to join the Bell Choir! Let us ring to the Lord our God!

Bay Area Chorus- The Bay Area Chorus is a long standing community choir in partnership with the Isle Newell Foundation for the Arts. Fall rehearsals begin September 21st, Tuesday from 6 - 7:30 p.m. and meet weekly. The choir is led by conductor, Mrs. Dana Langford and is accepting new members! We are delighted to have busing every Tuesday this fall to Trinity Episcopal Church in Apalachicola, where we rehearse. Contact Paul Brown, 850-319-6782 and or Dana Langford, 706-302-4617 to join this fantastic choir for the Fall of 2021!

Private Lessons are available this SUMMER! Band instruments, Voice, and Piano are all areas of instruction.

Contact Paul Brown for registration.

Director of Music and Worship Arts

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Cathy Cox, United Methodist Women



UMW Our United Methodist Women's Unit has been inactive since March of 2020 due to Covid. Normally we do not meet during the summer. In the fall, if we are to become active once again we will need some women to step forward to lead this effort. Several of our Executives Board Members have resigned. I will no longer be able to serve as President due to my responsibilities at the Care Closet. Most of the Board members are still willing to be active members we just need some other women to step forward to

take leadership roles. If this is a mission you have a heart for please give this matter prayerful consideration. If you would like further information please call me at 850-227-6028 (Cathy Cox).

John Wesley's Three Simple Rules:

Do no harm

Do good

Stay in love with God

June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 11:30am Youth to Rock It Lanes 10:30am Staff Meeting 2:00pm Worship Planning	2 9:00am Children to Wakulla Springs 10:00am Prayer Shawl 1:00pm Bell Choir	3 6:00pm Choir	4	5
6 Communion Sunday 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 11:00am Sunday School UMC Annual Conference- Montgomery, AL June 6-9	7 2:00pm Exec. Staff Meeting	8 10:30am Staff Meeting 2:00pm Worship Planning	9 9:00am Children to Marine Lab 12:00pm Long Term Board Mtg (MH) 1:00pm Bell Choir	10 6:00pm Choir	11 6:00pm Angeology Reception at The Joe	12
13 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 11:00am Sunday School 11:00am VBS Volunteer Meeting	14 2:00pm Exec. Staff Meeting	15 9:00am Youth to Wakulla Springs 10:30am Staff Meeting 2:00pm Worship Planning	16 9:00am Children to Skater's Choice 10:00am Prayer Shawl 1:00pm Bell Choir	17 6:00pm Choir	18	19
20 Father's Day Summer Solstice 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 11:00am Sunday School VBS June 21-25 9am-12pm	21 9:00am VBS 2:00pm Exec. Staff Meeting	22 9:00am VBS 2:00pm Worship Planning 5:30pm Youth to Salinas Park	23 9:00am VBS 1:00pm Bell Choir	24 9:00am VBS Wedding-Great Hall 6:00pm Choir	25 9:00am VBS	26 10am-12pm CCA Meeting-Great Hall
27 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 11:00am Sunday School	28 John Wesley's Birthday 2:00pm Exec. Staff Meeting	29 10:00am Youth to St George Island 10:30am Staff Meeting 2:00pm Worship Planning DuPont visit w/ MCM	30 9:00am Children to Blue Springs 1:00pm Bell Choir			

Happy Birthday!

1st Kay Kline
Stephen Lowery
Justin Gerlach
2nd Chelsey Brown
Rebecca Lynn Furr
John Ellis Norton
3rd Judy Thesenga
6th Dru Flowers
7th Colby Gentry
Patrick Mullen
Sean Farnsley
9th Brad Buzzett
Stefani Furstenberg
Bill McGlothlin

10th Reid Kennedy
12th Sharlyn Kerigan
13th Ann Tison
Joe Rish
Wade Guilford
18th Lee Duren
Steve Brightwell
20th Kerry Capps
Elizabeth Roberts
Steve Sherrill
22nd Rocky Salzer
Peter Tanzy
23rd Brenda Miller
Celeste Putnam
24th Ronald Butler
Karol Bentley

27th Chris King
28th Brad Pridgeon
Gena Johnson
Costin Marshall
Jacob Marshall
29th Jimmy Garth
30th Wayne Taunton

Happy Anniversary!

3rd Ronald & Leisa Pickett
6th Jim & Hollie Brown
Andy Durance & Beth Bauer
14th George & Donna Thompson
17th Aaron & Diann Farnsley
20th Jim & Liz Roberts
John & Kathy Arnold
24th Geoffrey and Liz Lentz
29th Bill & Sue Kubitskey

Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year - Ralph Waldo Emerson

Announcements

PSJ FUMC Shirts The Mission Team is again taking orders for the PSJ FUMC custom shirts, both t-shirts and polos. Order forms are located in Great Hall and the Ministry Center. Missions Chair Sue Kubitskey will be in the lobby to take orders and answer questions each Sunday. If you are unable to order in person, contact Sue at Kubitskeysusan@hotmail.com. She can email you a copy of the order form. We won't be shipping shirts, but will hold them for as many weeks as needed. The proceeds will go to updating our Disaster Relief Trailer. Money is due with order. Deadline is July 11, with delivery expected before August 1.

VBS is June 21-25, 9-12. Sign up to volunteer by completing the application at the Ministry Center or contacting Ms. Liz.

Prayer Requests Email info@psjumc.org or contact the church office.

Upper Rooms are located in the Great Hall, Ministry Center, and the outdoor alcove of the church (bulletin board area).

Sunday Church Services 10:00am on campus and on Facebook and our website.

We have nursery for infants through K4. Our nursery is located behind the Great Hall, next to the kitchen.

We're now on Instagram! Follow us at [fumc_psj](https://www.instagram.com/fumc_psj)

Adult Sunday School Classes 9am and 11am at the Monument House, 1107 Monument Avenue.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10:00am at the Monument House. Beginners are welcome to join. For more information, contact Kay Kline beachbabecsb@gmail.com or 502-314-4444.

Altar Flowers-If you would like to place flowers on the altar on a particular Sunday, please sign up on the flower calendar by contacting the church office. Two weeks prior to your flower presentation, please inform the church office of your specific bulletin announcement.

Giving Options You may drop your check in our new drop box, mail your check to the church P. O. box, or give online. For online giving, the church website address <https://psjumc.org/ways-to-give/> will link you to our online giving page, with instructions. You can also call the office 850-227-1720 and Diann can set you up to pay over the phone and/or walk you through how to set up an online account for recurring giving.

Mental Health Life Management Center will now have a licensed adult mental health therapist on-site in Gulf County every Friday at 309 Williams Street. Life Management accepts most insurances including Medicaid health maintenance organizations. There is also a sliding fee scale for persons without insurance. Interested individuals should call 850-522-4485 or 888-785-8750 (toll free) to access. Plans are underway to have a child therapist periodically on-site, as well.

National Suicide Lifeline 1-800-273-8255 Available 24 hours every day.

FUMC PSJ Contact Information

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Mailing Address: P.O. Box 266 Port St Joe, FL 32457

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Methodist Learning Center Director: Courtney Knox (Courtney@psjumc.org)

Financial Secretary: Diann Farnsley (diann@psjumc.org)

Administrative Assistant: Heather Jones (heather@psjumc.org)

Church Administrator: Bill Brown (bill@psjumc.org)

Methodist Learning Center: 218 Long Avenue

Monument House (church annex): 1007 Monument Avenue

Methodist Care Closet: 214 Williams Avenue

Two Fish Food Market: 212 Williams Avenue



Congratulations to Revs. Chelsey and CJ Brown upon the birth of their daughter, Madeline Dorothy, on May 6.

Please welcome our newest members: Jeff & Emily Martin (May 23).

Condolences are extended to Bud Mitchell upon the death of his mother, Ada Reid (5/24/21).

FUMC Pastoral Care Team members are Sue Meyer osuemeyer@gmail.com and Mitzi Bulger mitzi.bulger@gmail.com. Please reach out to these members for any needs you or someone you know may have.

FUMC Pastoral Care College Ministry Chairperson is Carla May 850-227-5512 or carla091962@hotmail.com. FUMC College Ministry is an outreach program of our church Pastoral Care Committee. In this program, each college student is assigned a sponsor/volunteer member of our congregation, who will keep in touch with their assigned college student throughout the school year. These volunteer/sponsors will send greeting cards, church-supplied gift cards, and will be an additional source of encouragement for the college students. If you would like to volunteer, are currently attending college, or will attend college in the fall and would like to participate in FUMC College Ministry, please contact Carla May.

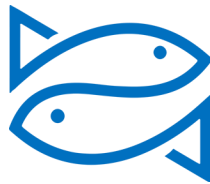
Methodist Care Closet



We have had a very busy month at the Care Closet. Folks are still just realizing that we have moved to our new location so each week our shoppers are increasing. We have some new volunteers that we are very thankful for. With the summer months approaching and Covid restrictions being lifted many of our volunteers are planning to start traveling again which means we need some additional volunteers to help cover the store and the sorting room. This is such a fun ministry to be a part of. If you are new to our church it is a great way to meet people and to get to know our community better. If you are interested in learning more about how you can serve at the Care Closet please contact Cathy Cox at 850-227-6028.

The Care Closet is located at 214 Williams Avenue and is open Thursday-Friday 9am-4pm, Saturday 9am-1pm.

Blessing Bags Ministry and Two Fish Food Market



Two Fish Food Market is so grateful to all the people who have made donations to the Market. We want to keep up our Stock the Shelves Campaign. Items needed include canned meats - tuna, chicken, etc., dry packaged potatoes, cereal, dry milk, vegetables, fruits, pasta, Dry Beans, Peanut Butter. Thank you so much for our assistance and contributions. Donations can be dropped off at Two Fish (Monday/Wednesday 9-4, Saturday 9-1) and the Ministry Center (Monday-Thursday 9-4). **Current needs:** Milk, eggs, cheese, butter, salad dressing, condiments, canned Lima beans, canned corn, canned black-eye peas, fresh produce.

The Blessing Bags Ministry The Blessing Bags Ministry continues to provide weekend meals each week for Port St. Joe Elementary and High School students.

Volunteer Opportunities The Methodist Care Closet and Two Fish Food Market are seeking volunteers to support our Community Missions. There are many opportunities for you to be a part of these ministries. A copy of the Volunteer Application can be found in the church next to the bulletins or at the Church Ministry Center. Thank you for your support of the Methodist Caring Ministries.

Mission Statement

The First United Methodist Church of Port St. Joe is called of God to be a Christian fellowship, affirming our beliefs through worship, witness, and service, glorifying God, adhering faithfully to the scriptures, nurturing spiritual growth, and sharing God's forgiveness to all people through the transforming love of Jesus Christ.



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