



FUMCHS News

April 2024

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Greetings to the Faithful in Christ, from Rev. Dr. Doug McClain

It was nearly irresistible when our sons were growing up, April 1, better known as April Fools Day. Every year we would try to fool one another. As our children grew the fooling pranks became more and more elaborate. There was always great anticipation days and weeks before April 1. Our boys plotted ways to fool us, and we plotted ways to fool our children. As they grew there was an awareness that most anything out of the ordinary was part of the prank.

On March 31 we celebrated the remembrance of Jesus' resurrection. To some, this was an elaborate prank, to many others, this was the single greatest event in human history. I have known people who seriously doubted that this event ever happened. But I have known many more who praise God for the forgiveness of their sins and the salvation of their souls. Personally, I am sure you won't be shocked, I fall into the second category. We have once again witnessed the passion of Jesus Christ through the eyes and collective stories of many witnesses. If this had been a hoax, why would anybody put their own life at risk retelling the narrative?

I whole heartedly believe the testimony of witnesses that have

Covered Dish Lunch
 Sunday, 11:30am
 Sunday, April 14, 11:30am

First United Methodist Church of Hobe Sound

B I N G O

every **3RD THURSDAY**
5:30PM \$10

10100 SE FEDERAL HWY, HOBE SOUND, FL 33455

Family Movie Night on Sat. April 20th at 7:00pm.

Family Movie Night



Light for the Way Sunday School
Sundays at 9am in Youth Worship Rm
Don Brown browndonray@fumchs.org

**Bible Studies
Sunday to
Wednesday**

Spirit Rising Topical Study Group
Mondays at 7pm in Room 10
Don Brown, dbrown@fumchs.org





Pastor's Bible Study
Tuesdays at 10am & 7pm in Room 10
Doug McClain, D.Div., pastor@fumchs.org



**Shoppers
Paradise Thrift**
First United Methodist Church
10100 SE Federal Hwy, Hobe Sound, FL 33455
**Open Tuesday to Saturday
From 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

Come join the team! Have fun while being the hands and feet for Jesus! Linda Pisano at 772-546-3303.

Coffee with God Devotions
Wednesdays 8:30am
Fellowship Room 10

Youth Bible Study
Wednesdays at 6:30pm in Youth Bldg.
Workson Louis-Jeune, 772-215-5632



**Neighborhood
Buddies**

Outreach by Marilyn Patterson

A big Thank You to the volunteers who made many phone calls in the month of February to church members and friends of the church. We shared information about upcoming Easter events, as well as addressing anything that was a concern for our members and friends. But most important, we wanted to let you know we care about you.

We informed everyone about the Stephen's ministry and what services they offer. We have quite a few Stephens Ministers available and ready to be a listening ear, or help

someone walk through difficult times. Contact Karen Hayes at 772-214-9778, or call the office at 772-546-3303.

If you're interested in Neighborhood Buddies for their next round of calls, contact Marilyn Patterson at 772-932-4340. She also leads the Backpack Food Program for Hobe Sound and Seawind Elementary children in our local schools.

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been retold and memorialized in the Gospels. The passion of Christ was out of the ordinary. We recall that both Pilate and Herod found nothing in Jesus, worthy of a death sentence. Yet, the religious elites, fearing a loss of their own power and prestige, agitated the crowds in Jerusalem who were there for the Passover Festival, to shouts of “crucify Him”. This was no April fool’s prank. Willingly, Jesus faced his accusers and became the final sin sacrifice, once and for all! My friends, that is no joke, it is the greatest event in all human history.

My prayer for you is the same prayer that I prayed on Ash Wednesday, that you will repent of your sin and believe in the Gospels.

May the God of peace sanctify you entirely and may you be without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He who has called you. Pray for me and I will pray for you, that the blessings of grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you and with all those who love God.

Pastor Doug



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submit a
Prayer
Request

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To
Give



Spring Luncheon & Fashion Show

First United Methodist Church

10100 SE Federal Hwy, Hobe Sound, FL 33455

772-546-3303



\$10 Adults
\$5 Children



cash &
credit
card

Sunday, April 7th
Doors open at 11:30am.
Luncheon served at noon.

Limited tickets available at Shoppers Paradise Thrift Shop.

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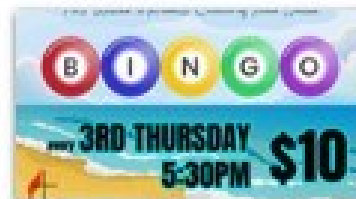
Stewardship Committee
Monday, April 1, 10am
Workroom

Spring Luncheon & Fashion Show
Sunday, April 7, 11:30am
Fellowship Hall



Parents Night Out
Friday, April 12, 5-8pm
RSVP Kathy kgordon@fumchs.org

Covered Dish Lunch
Sunday, April 14, 11:30am
Fellowship Hall



BINGO Night
Thursday, April 18, 5-30pm
Fellowship Hall

RTD Food Pantry
Friday, April 19, 7-30am
By the Youth Building



Trustees
Saturday, April 20, 8:00am
Fellowship Hall



Family Movie Night
Saturday, April 20, 7:00pm
Marie campuscare@fumchs.org

Scuba VBS Leader Lunch
Sunday, April 21, 11:30am
Fellowship Hall



Shoppers Paradise Luncheon
Monday, April 22, 12:00pm
RSVP Linda Pisano 772-546-3303

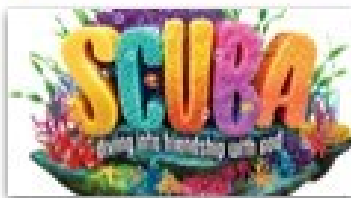
Church Workday
Saturday, April 27, 8am-12pm
Marie campuscare@fumchs.org



**SINGLES
NIGHT
OUT**

Singles Night Out – Outback
Saturday, April 27, 4:00pm
RSVP Linda Evans 772-546-0107

Graduation Sunday
Saturday, May 26, 10pm
Workson Louis Jeune 772-215-5632



Save the dates: Scuba VBS
Monday, June 3 to Friday, June 7
9am-12pm

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- Loyal R.
- Carol M.
- Cindy L.
- Devon C.
- Larry M.
- Dan D.
- Savannah L.
- Joy H.
- Khloe P.
- Steven F.
- Richard S.
- Sofia C.
- Hart I.
- Conner L.
- Linda J.
- Max H.
- Marjorie M.
- Harper Z.
- Juliana V.
- Tamara H.
- Gary G.
- Norm G.
- Dorothy B.
- Ethan B.
- Cindy J.
- Connie H.
- Patricia S.
- Landon W.
- James B.
- Wendi S.
- Decker B.
- Emma W.
- Mark J.



FAMILY
Easter **FUN**
Sat., March 23, 9:00am



Scuba VBS will be June 3 to June 7, 2024, from 9:00am to 12:00pm for \$25. Doors open at 8:30am.

Children from 3 to 11 years old, dive into friendship with God, with awesome Bible-learning experiences, hands-on science experiments, team-building games, unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats.

Want to sponsor a child? Drop \$25 into the offering plate, labeled "Children's Ministry VBS," or bring it to the office. You can also donate online to Children's Programs at <https://fumchs.churchcenter.com/giving>.



The children say, "Thank you!" to over 20 Easter Family Fun helpers that made what might have been a stormy morning, turn out to be an excellent celebration of spring by sharing their love and joy for Jesus. HE LIVES!



Scan to register a child, or to volunteer for Scuba VBS, or contact Kathy Gordon kgordon@fumchs.org



Planning for Scuba VBS by Kathy Gordon

Children will dive into friendship with God, with Bible-learning experiences, science experiments, games, songs, and tasty treats for \$25 from June 3 to June 7, 9am-12pm. Our first LEADERS' meeting will be **LUNCH on Sunday, April 21, at 11:30am** to show the Scuba program to you. The week of **May 28 to May 31 from 10am to 2pm will be VBS decorating**, and last minute planning. To be a Children's Leader, you must be a

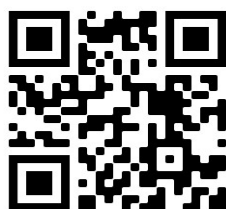
church member, have a background check, and a training by Kathy Gordon. This summer, **at least 24 volunteers** are needed for **60 children** to attend, with a maximum of 82 children.

VBS adult shirts and children's shirts need to be ordered by April 22, so don't wait. Let Kathy know now, kgordon@fumchs.org.

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Rev. Dr. Doug McClain's Sermon Plans

Easter People Get Off Your Donkey

April 7 (Acts 4:32-35) **A New Perspective.** *The resurrection of Jesus reverberates throughout the world the gospel message.*

April 14 (John 20:19-31) **When We Get Behind Closed Doors.** *Jesus comes and goes revealing himself in surprising ways.*

April 21 (Psalm 4) **Passionate Prayer.** *We endure trouble with great faith and a deep sense of hope.*

April 28 (Acts 4:5-12) **Imprisoned by the Gospel.** *Peter and John testify to the resurrected Christ only to be imprisoned by the Sadducees.*

May 5 (Acts 8:26-40) **The Suffering Servant.** *The death of Jesus was consistent with God's will and was anticipated by prophets many years before.*

May 12 (Acts 10:44-48) **Life Giving Power.** *The Holy Spirit determines the consequences of Peter's preaching.*