



MESSENGER

"To know Him and to make Him known"

October 2017

Memorial United Methodist Church
500 Kent Avenue
Lake Placid, FL 33852

"And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days. I will show wonders in the heaven, and on the earth..." Joel 2:28-30

As Hurricane Irma swept away the month of September, God has swept over His people and brought the seedlings of revival and the challenge to live our faith in new and vibrant ways. On Sunday, September 24th I preached a sermon entitled "Fresh Power." I believe we are in a fresh season of anointing and power at Memorial. I remain amazed at how God used the loving people at MUMC during the hurricane recovery efforts. People made meals, delivered groceries, repaired the church and other homes, cleaned the church and other homes, witnessed and counseled the hurting, loved on each other, and formed bonds that only the Holy Spirit can birth. God is truly bringing the fresh power of revival to His people in and around Lake Placid.

I invited the people on Sunday the 24th to pray 3 risky prayers and would like to invite you to do the same. I believe that the spiritual work we do before the throne of God is foundational to any other ministry we do in the church. So let us unite as a body of believers and pray these 3 risky prayers to receive a fresh outpouring of God's power. First, pray that our daughters and sons begin to prophesy under the power and direction of the Holy Spirit, and that when they prophesy we will listen. Second, let us pray that our old men will dream dreams. Ask Jesus to give our men fresh revelations of Himself and seed in them the Father's heart for our community and church. Moreover, let us pray that we will have the humility and obedience to listen to the old men when they share their dreams with us. Finally, pray that our young men and women would see visions and be bathed in the Holy Spirit.

What is our response when life and ministry is interrupted by a natural disaster? Our response should be to see it as an opportunity to receive more of the Holy Spirit and listen for His fresh winds to guide our next steps. The day after the hurricane there was no wind and there were no airplanes. This allowed us to fully hear our world with fresh ears. I stood outside and heard a gopher tortoise chew a leaf, a heron call for her mate, the neighbors baby cry, and the pond ripple and move. I experienced sounds that the noise of life had drowned out. The silence also gave me the space to form deeper relationships with my family and neighbors. I was available to hear new things and make new connections. I believe we are being given that opportunity as well. Let us not waste this gift. Let us choose to continue in a spirit of listening for the fresh sounds of God at work in our midst through committed prayer, obedience, and joyful worship. Will you join me in praying these 3 risky prayers? I cannot wait to hear from our youth, our old men, and our young people. God loves you and so do I!

Pastor Melanie

God is on the Move!



Memorial, you should be proud! The efforts from our church in the aftermath of Hurricane Irma was just simply....God on the Move! From the time the deliveries of supplies began, you stepped into action and made a huge difference in our town. An amazing number of meals were cooked using a lot of creativity (and even more sweat) due to no power. The meals were served, packaged, and delivered night after night. The areas in which many of these meals were delivered exist under tough living conditions during normal times and were found to be in deep hurt after the storm. People were hungry for food and love and they were given both in the name of Jesus. Many of these people would not have been able to eat had it not been for our church in action!

One special moment to me was the day a sweet woman came to our church after hearing that we had food and supplies which she was in need of for her family and young children. After getting her needed supplies, she prayed over us with a big smile that came from her heart. She was so very thankful and said she wanted to come to our church this Sunday and she did! She came with her husband and two sons and they were washed in the Holy Spirit. There is a strong language barrier between this family and mine as they do not speak English. But the language of love permeates all! I have seen people of Memorial in action in amazing ways during this time of great need. God is on the Move!!

Tracee Smoak

Thanks

Thanks to the folks at Memorial. Your prayers, love, and all the help you extended to our family during this hard time! I love the Lord and I love you. Anne would have been so pleased. She loved the Lord and you Folks!

Your friend,

Charles Reynolds

Mary Martha Group

The Mary Martha Group will meet Thursday, October 19 at 1:00 PM in the Men's Bible classroom. We will finish Max Lucado's book 3:16 with:

- Chapter 11—What Makes Heaven Heavenly
- Chapter 12—The Last Word on Life
- Conclusion, The 3:16ed Life. Ruth Shutts

Events To Be Rescheduled:

- **Finance**
- **Trustees**
- **Church Council**
- **Nominations**
- **Missions**
- **Annual Charge Conference**

If you are a member of these groups please watch for an email or postcard for the details. Thanks!



**FAMILY
WORSHIP
NIGHT**

**Fun...Faith...Family
October 4
5:30 PM**

We want to invite you to a night of fun, faith, and discipleship. Join us for a night of family friendly games, dinner, worship, and a little teaching! We have designed a night fit for kids and adults of all ages. RSVP to katieb@memorialumc.com or 863-465-2422.



Church Family Pot Luck

On Sunday, October 15, Memorial's pot luck will be an "Old Fashioned Sunday". The church will provide fried chicken, homemade ice cream, and cobbler. You bring your favorite "Southern side" to share. This would be a great opportunity to bring a friend or friends to church.

Fun, family games, and lots of laughter!

Mark your Calendar for Children's Ministry Events

- **Mason G Smoak Day** on Saturday, October 21st from 8:30am to 12:00pm- Memorial sets up an obstacle course for kids to enjoy and burn some energy.
- **Pumpkin Party** on Saturday, October 28th from 10:00am to noon-Memorial invites the community to come and bring their own pumpkin and we'll have everything needed to make it perfect! There will be plenty of food, games and FUN.
- **Trunk or Treat** on Tuesday, October 31 from 6 to 8 PM- Memorial is signed up to be a part of Lake Placid's Community Trunk or Treat event. We will be responsible for decorating our own trucks and providing candy for over 1000 kids. *Katie Robinson*



Altar Flowers

Wouldn't you love to see real flowers on the altar again? There is a calendar in the back hallway across from the restrooms on the church bulletin board to sign up for a Sunday. You can bring your own flowers or go to a florist and order some. Please write your name on the calendar to sign up to be responsible for providing flowers and then let the office know what message you want printed in the bulletin. You may place them in honor or memory of a loved one or some special occasion. Let's bring some of God's beautiful creations into our Sanctuary for worship!

October Chat 'n Chew

Monday, October 16 at 6:00 PM

Destination TBA

Call Sharon Puckett at 465-1998 to make your reservations before Friday, October 13.

Watch the bulletins for details.

Everyone is welcome to fellowship with your friends and to make some new ones!

PURPOSE OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries.

- As a community we meet on the first Monday of the month October through May.
- We know God through devotion and service.
- Each attendee knows self and grows through Jesus Christ.
- As a unit we support each other and reach out to family, friends, church, community and the world.
- As individuals and a unit we support missions locally and globally.

The next meeting will be October 3rd at 1:00 in Rob Reynolds Hall. We are a small group and hoping to grow in numbers and faith, but we cannot do that without ladies who are willing to give some time, ideas, and support. ALL women of the church can be a part of UMW by just attending. Sharing ideas for interesting programming will make the fellowship more meaningful. Please consider joining over 800,000 United Methodist women world-wide and become a part of the Memorial United Methodist Women unit.

The South West district UMW conference is September 16, 2017 at the Cape Coral First UC. The theme for the day will be "Learning Together...For Transformation". If you would be interested in going with me give me a call at 863-699-2959

Marilyn Cromer

United Methodist Women

UMW reminder: There will be no United Methodist Women meeting in September. Our first official meeting will be Tuesday, October 10th at 1 pm in the Rob Reynolds Hall. Every woman is invited to join us.

**The only thing missing from
__MW is U (you)!**

Barb Packard

Daily Devotionals

Memorial offers 3 different daily devotionals for your use at home. Starting in January, they will not be available unless you order them.

- The Upper Room
- The Daily Bread
- Quiet Hour (This is a devotional that coordinates with the curriculum that Ladies Bible Class and Pathfinders uses.)

Call the church office or sign up at the Welcome Center to order your copy for January.

Wanted New Senior Tennis Players

The Lake Placid senior tennis group meets on the Lake Placid High School tennis courts on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 7 AM.

New senior tennis players are encouraged to come and enjoy the camaraderie and the action on the court.

For more information, please call Karen Patten at 863-465-7334.

Lake Placid Christian School

36th Annual BBQ

Friday, October 20

4:30 TO 6:00 PM

Take Out or Drive Thru

Sliced Pork BBQ Dinner

Corn

Green Beans with Potato

Roll & Apple Crisp

SIO Donation



- 1—Pastor Jerry
- 2—Ernie Bourdeau
- 4—Linda Hartman
- 5—Leander Collette
- 5—Nalani Frazier
- 6—Carole Richie
- 7—Andrew Brown
- 7—Kiki Perez
- 8—John Boak
- 10—Clarrisa Olivares
- 15—T. R. Bittaker
- 15—Betty Cauffield
- 16—Earl Bittaker
- 19—Joyce Novak
- 20—Johnathan Simons
- 21—Jenny Perez
- 22—Jen Maxcy
- 25—Jim Steffen
- 27—Laurie Howerton
- 28—Sharon Mathias

Memorial's Church Library

One of the best kept secrets in our church is our church library; located in the hallway behind the sanctuary.

Over a hundred new and donated books covering a wide range of interests have been added. In addition to books, we have DVD's and audio books in both CD and cassette form. Outside the library, in the hallway, our newest acquisitions are displayed. Beside this display is a rack of free materials you are welcome to take home and keep.

With the exception of the free books, ALL materials should be signed out. You will find a card in each item. Please print your first and last name along with the date you borrowed the item then place the card in the holder on the table in the library. When you return the item, just place it on the library table and we will take care of it for you.

Please check the books and DVD's at your house as we are missing several items. We're glad you are enjoying these items and hope others will also have the chance to enjoy them as well.

Thank you ~ The Library Helpers

October Activities

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Communion 8:30 & 10:45 Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 5 PM Youth	2	3 12 PM Staff Meeting 1 PM UMW Meeting	4 6 AM Prayer Group 5:30 PM Family Worship Night 7 PM Choir	5	6	7
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Weekly Worship Schedule

Worship Services

8:30am and 10:45am

Fellowship

9:15am to 10:40am

Sunday School

9:30am

Church Office Hours

Monday through Thursday

8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Friday

8:30 AM to 1 PM

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Staff

Melanie Fierbaugh	Senior Pastor
Claude Burnett	Pastoral Assistant
Jerry McCauley	Visitation Pastor
Katie Robinson	Children's Director & Receptionist
Jennifer Koukos	Finance Director
Cheryl Mysliwy	Administrative Asst.
Martha Oliveras	Nursery Assistant
Julia Burnett	Accompanist
"Rocky" Leong	Custodian



Are You In Sunday School?

Are You Missing from Sunday School? Come find a great opportunity to study God's Word plus have fellowship and fun!

Sunday School Classes

9:30am

Children & Youth Classes

Nursery and SonShine Clubhouse

Martha Oliveras / Katie Robinson

Birth to 3rd Grade

Lighthouse

Teacher: TBA

Middle / High School

45 Zone—Upper Room

Sally & Scott Durban

4th and 5th Grades

Adult Classes

Ladies Bible Class

Team of Teachers

Discussion & Lecture

Ladies Bible Class

Men's Bible Class

Teacher: John Causey

Discussion Class

Men's Bible Class

PathFinders

Teacher: Melissa Russell

Discussion Class

Upstairs Room 203

Wesley Fellowship

Teacher: Troy White

Lecture Class

Upstairs Room 204

Current Small Groups—Heart Groups

Monday	6 PM	217 N. Main Street	Ladies	Carlene Clark	863-441-0200
Tuesday	7 PM	114 Lakefront Court NE	Adults	George Hill	863-465-2503
Thursday	7 PM	158 Blue Moon Avenue	Adults	Hartmans	863-465-0695
Friday	8 AM	McDonald's	Men	Claude Burnett	863-464-0330