



Serving God, Sharing Love

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Advent Peace

Rev. John van de Laar

It is extremely sad that the Christian view of Christ's coming has come to be seen as something that is filled with terror, destruction and a God who uses the violent and dominating methods of human dictators to accomplish God's ends. While popular publications and movies may glorify this way of seeing God's reign, it is certainly not what Christ had in mind, and it doesn't help us to experience or reflect God's grace in our communities either. This year Advent calls us to think differently about the coming of Christ – as a gracious, restorative event that is always happening, and which gives us a cause for hope, not fear. Yes, there is the need for us to change – to repent – but all growth and healing requires this.

The joyous challenge for our daily living in our neighborhoods, families and churches, is to use the gifts God has given us to help others to see Christ as coming to them to restore and heal, and to be willing to watch for the signs of God's coming in our own lives and in our communities, in order to co-operate with what God is doing. This challenge is the opposite of waiting passively for a conquering God to come and sweep us off to a different world somewhere. It is an active participation in God's saving, peace-making, restoring work. It's about staying alert to the signs of God's presence everywhere, and jumping in, eagerly and graciously, to share in it. It is about believing that a new world is possible, and holding on the hope that God is at work to bring this new world into being. And, it is about being prepared to examine our own hearts and make changes where we find things that oppose God's reign. Perhaps if our Advent hope led us into this kind of just and gracious awareness and action, others would be more able to see the signs of Christ's coming in and through us.

(adapted from <http://sacredise.com/lectionary-resources/advent-sunday-b/>)



December Worship

ADVENT
FOLLOWING THE PRINCE OF PEACE

DECEMBER 2:

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 A.M.

Preacher: Rev. Peter Cottrell
Scripture: Hebrews 12:14-15
Sermon: *Seeking Peace*
Communion

DECEMBER 9:

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 A.M.

Preacher: Rev. Peter Cottrell
Scripture: James 3:17-18
Sermon: *Finding Peace*

December 16:

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 A.M.

Preacher: Rev. Peter Cottrell
Scripture: Matthew 5:9,
Isaiah 2:1-5
Sermon: *Making Peace*

DECEMBER 23:

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT -

10:00 A.M.

Preacher: Rev. Peter Cottrell
Scripture: Romans 12:18
Sermon: *Being Peace*

DECEMBER 30:

**1ST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
DAY**

10:00 A.M.

Preacher: Rev. Laura Berg
Scripture: Luke 7:36-50,
2 Corinthians 5:11-21,
Luke 14:12-24
Sermon: *A Heart of Peace*



Christmas
at
Coronado

Sing Noel

Christmas Concert with Chancel Choir & Orchestra
December 9, 7 p.m. Sanctuary

The Longest Night

a winter service of hope and healing

December 21, 6 p.m., Sanctuary

Christmas Eve Services

4 p.m. Family Oriented Candlelight Service
6 p.m. Candlelight Service
11 p.m. Candlelight Service with Communion

Message from Peter

Rev. Peter Cottrell, Senior Pastor

Looking back at 2018 and ahead to 2019

2018 has been a year with lots of change. For our family, it has included the loss of a spouse and stepfather. Many of you have experienced loss this year as well, some expected and some very unexpected. You continue to be in my prayers.

We have also seen some changes in our lifestyle. After our doctor recommended the book *Eat to Live*, we changed our eating habits. I have recently finished *Younger Every Year* and have some new exercising goals to work on as well. We have been more intentional about gardening so that we eat fresh and get the natural taste of fresh vegetables. That has been very exciting.

2019 will bring some changes as well. Some we know are coming and some will be a surprise.

Carla and I are visiting the mission field in January with other members of the Florida Annual Conference specifically to learn more about ZOE. (wearezoe.com)

A special General Conference will meet in February to discuss the United Methodist Church's stance on issues of Human Sexuality. All United Methodist Churches have been and will experience a certain level of stress since we do not all agree many of the issues related to LGBTQ issues. We will continue to have Point of View (POV) conversations to help live out the Gospel of Jesus Christ even in the midst of disagreement. We will continue to be one Coronado family with a range of opinions. We strive not to hurt others, not to be the stumbling block which gets in the way of another's faith journey and also be light in the world.

My sense is that there will be faithful Christ following United Methodists, individuals and churches, which will not agree with the decision of the General Conference. Some churches and some individuals have already chosen to leave. While I would prefer we all stay together, I know enough about human history, church history and human psychology to know that is not likely. Go or stay, Jesus calls us to love one another; so let us keep our eyes on the ball. My sense is that Coronado will still be Coronado. Our heart for missions and justice and desire to build the Kingdom of God will remain the same. We will continue to feed people in need throughout the year, care for the homeless on cold nights, value education and offer mentoring and scholarship support, engage local and global missions, pray for our sister churches in Cuba and offer support in many ways. We are called to keep our eyes on the mission of the Kingdom of God.

I pray that 2019 will bring you closer to God and closer to each other.

This year we are using the book *The Anatomy of Peace* as our Advent study and as foundation for the sermon series. This week we are beginning the journey to Peace. We are setting out with a known destination realizing that the journey is not easy and will have some ups and downs. As we seek peace, we must be on the lookout for, and aware of, those placing in our lives which have conflict. All conflict gives us a chance to see if our heart is at peace or at war. Each week will build on the prior week's sermon and study. This Advent, join us on the journey to Peace.

The book is one of the best I have read in a while, and I hope that you can find the time to read it. If I had the resources in the Pastor's Discretionary Fund I would buy a copy and give it to everyone who attends on Christmas Eve. I continue to see growth in my 57 year old self as I work to grow a Heart of Peace.



\$20 per poinsettia

Order by December 16

Church Ministries Office or 386-428-6252

Advent Study: *The Anatomy of Peace*

During the season of Advent 2012, Rev. Peter Cottrell will present his sermon series using excerpts from The Arbinger Institute's *The Anatomy of Peace: Resolving the Heart of Conflict*. You are invited to participate in our 3-week open discussion and reflection sessions based on lessons from the reading and Pastor Peter's Sunday Advent messages. These Advent sessions will be held **on Tuesdays, December 4 (Part I), December 11 (Part II), and December 18 (Parts III & IV) at 6 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Desserts and drinks provided. Books are available for purchase (\$10) from our Church Ministries Office or online (paperback or Ebook) through Cokesbury or Amazon. We also have copies of the book and copies on two Kindles which you may borrow for a week from the Church Ministries Office.

ABOUT THE BOOK:

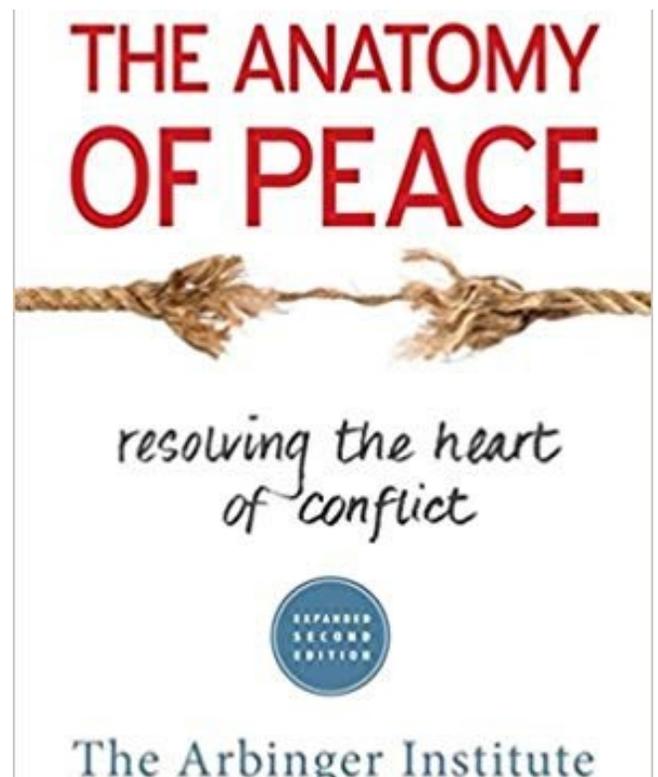
What if conflicts at home, conflicts at work, and conflicts in the world stem from the same root cause? What if we systematically misunderstand that cause? And what if, as a result, we systematically perpetuate the very problems we think we are trying to solve? Every day.

From the authors of *Leadership & Self-Deception* comes the expanded second edition of an international bestseller that instills hope and inspires reconciliation.

Through a moving story of parents who are struggling with their own children and with problems that have come to consume their lives, we learn from once-bitter enemies the way to transform personal, professional, and global conflicts, even when war is upon us.

This book was recommended by the Commission on A Way Forward and the Council of Bishops of the United Methodist Church as a tool to help people know each other at a deeper level so that they might discover a way to live together peacefully, despite deep difference. As a church, we are seeking a unity that is deeper than our differences. The season of Advent is a most appropriate time to reflect upon God's greatest gift to humanity, the Prince of Peace, whose birth narrative, life, ministry, teachings, suffering, death, and resurrection demonstrate the heart at peace and hope for oneness.

**Join us as we prepare
for Christmas
by participating in our
Advent study,
The Anatomy of Peace
Tuesdays, December 4, 11 and 18
6 p.m.
Fellowship Hall
Register in the
Church Ministries Office**



Merry Christmas!

Join us for these opportunities to worship during this season.

Coping with the Holidays

Chancel Choir sings Christmas carols

December 3, 2018

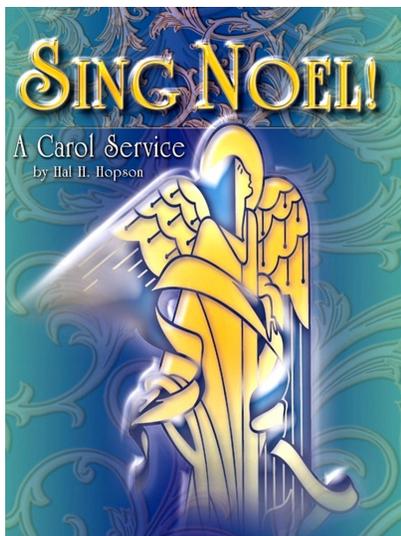
5:30-6 p.m.

Settle-Wilder Funeral Home

Service to follow at 6 p.m.



The Chancel Choir will present our Christmas Cantata, *Sing Noel!*, on December 9, at 7 p.m. This is a candlelight service of lessons and carols by Hal H. Hopson, accompanied by organ and string orchestra. The music incorporates a creative blend of both familiar and unfamiliar carols. The lessons are taken from hymn texts as well as readings drawn from many centuries of sacred English poetry, representing some of the most beautiful literary gems of all time.



Sing Noel!

A Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols
by Hal H. Hopson

presented by the Chancel Choir
with
Organ
and
String Orchestra
December 9, 2018
7 p.m.

Sanctuary
Good Will Offering will be taken

Christmas Eve Services

December 24, 2018

- 4 p.m.** with Sunshine Kids' Choir
- 6 p.m.** with Chancel Choir
- 11 p.m.** with Solos



The Longest Night



Christmas time is not always full of good cheer.

It is not always holly and jolly.

It is not always the happiest time of the year.

The Christ-child was born into a world of real sorrow and suffering;
a world that ached for redemption and salvation;
a world that desperately needed Christmas.

Join us for a worship service on the longest night of the year that
acknowledges the heartbreak of the past year
and offers hope in the midst of it all.

Friday, December 21

6 p.m.

Christmas Bags for HUM

Every year we partner with Halifax Urban Ministries to provide Christmas meals to senior citizens in our area through the New Smyrna Beach Housing Authority. Bags will be available in the Courtyard on Sunday, December 2 and December 9.

**Please Bring These Items (in one large paper bag)
to the Church on December 16, 2018**

Please include \$10 (either cash or a check written to CCUMC with HUM on the memo line) in the attached envelope.

This money will be used to purchase gift cards for the turkey.
PLEASE BRING ONLY THESE ITEMS



Chicken Broth - 1 can
Corn - 1 can
Cranberry Sauce - 1 can
Cream of Mushroom Soup - 1 can
Green Beans, Canned - 2 cans
Instant Potatoes - 1 box or 1 bag (large)

Stuffing - 1 box or 1 bag
Sweet Potatoes, Canned - 1 medium can or 2 small cans
Non-perishable Dessert (such as cookies or brownie mix)

VERY IMPORTANT: Do not bring the giant, economy size cans (Sam's, etc.). Everything must fit in the one paper bag.

Please bring EXACTLY what is on the list - We need each bag to have the same items

PLEASE DO NOT BRING BAGS EARLIER - WE HAVE DIFFICULTY STORING THEM

If you can think of a project you have at home (i.e., mowing the yard, painting, pulling weeds, babysitting, cleaning, etc.), then you can hire out one of Coronado's finest and very hard working teens. All you have to do is fill out **ALL** the information on a "Description Form" found in the church office and turn it into Emily Edwards. A teen will contact you to set up a time that works best to come out and complete your project.

When the work has been completed, you will give the teen a check made out to CCUMC with their name written in the memo line for a donation you deem appropriate for their work.

100% of this donation will go directly to the youth mission and camp scholarships.

**Note: You must provide all supplies for the requested project.*



**Requests Accepted
January through April, 2019**

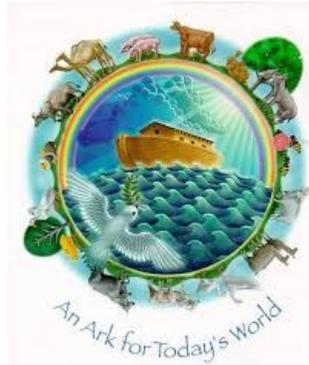
Alternative Christmas at Coronado

When the holidays pressure you to spend excessively, consider starting a new family tradition by *giving* memorable and meaningful *alternative* gifts. Each year the Missions Committee offers you a way to do this through contributions to various missions sponsored by/connected to Coronado. **You can visit the Alternative Christmas tables in the Courtyard on Sundays during Advent and in the Church Ministries Office during the week.** Choose a project; write a check to CCUMC with the name of the project on the memo line; place the check in the appropriate envelope and receive a gift card/s which you can share with a loved one. Many families make this a tradition with their children as well as the adults. Often those children then continue it with their own families as adults.

“Serve God and Share Love” by giving a gift which truly shows God’s love to others

Heifer International

In 2006, Coronado first set a goal of launching a **Heifer International Ark** - and we sent two. Each year since then the Missions Committee sponsors an Ark for Christmas. Join us as we once again send the Coronado Ark on its way to carry animals around the world. A gift of a goat, a cow, a pig, or a flock of chicks can be life-changing for a family. An Ark is \$5000 worth of animals - 2 cows, 2 sheep, 2 camels, 2 oxen, 2 water buffalo, 2 pigs, 2 beehives, 2 goats, 2 donkeys, 2 trios of ducks, 2 trios of rabbits, 2 trios of guinea pigs, 2 flocks of geese, 2 flocks of chicks, 2 llamas. It is amazing what a gift of animals does for a family and a community. ***What would you like to add to the Ark?***



God’s Bathhouse

God’s Bathhouse, which began through the vision and effort of Elgia Glass (former head custodian at Coronado) is now serving the homeless of Volusia County in New Smyrna Beach (3 days per week), Daytona Beach (1 day per week), and DeLand (twice a month). At each stop they are serving many clients a day. It costs approximately \$600 per month to keep the mobile unit in operation. ***Help someone take a hot shower and regain dignity this Christmas with your gift.***



Cuba - Water Purification Systems

Last year at Christmas, we began a campaign to provide each of our eight sister churches in *Las Tunas* province, Cuba, with water purification system specifically designed for Cuba by a firm here in FL. This system is capable of purifying the water inexpensively. It is not a filtration system, but a purification system. All of our churches are house churches; the pastor and his/her family live in the home but also use it for church services. This is typical of most Methodist churches. Water in this part of eastern Cuba is very difficult to obtain. Much of the water in Cuba is contaminated by a failing infrastructure (like Flint, MI) so bottled water must be purchased for drinking. Thanks to your tremendous display of generosity, each of our churches and two affiliated churches have received their systems! Our goal is to continue this project and provide other churches in *Las Tunas* with these systems so entire communities can have access to good water. ***Wouldn't you like to give Cubans good water to drink this year?***



Alternative Christmas at Coronado

Pura Vida Mission in Costa Rica



Our youth group has served this mission for many years. Many of our mission team members sponsor a child through this mission, and our hearts are connected to these families through the love of Jesus. *Pura Vida* Missions strives to meet the material and spiritual needs of all families who come seeking help by sharing the gospel of Christ, by giving incentives for families to keep children in school, by providing funding for school supplies (uniforms, shoes, books, & backpacks), by training parents in financial management and parenting, and by connecting families to small group Bible studies. ***Wouldn't you like to help children in Costa Rica?***

Alliance for International Reforestation

AIR has been implementing educational programs and agro-forestry methods in Guatemala in order to protect water sources, prevent mudslides, reduce erosion, prevent lung disease and provide more nutritious crops, while protecting the Earth for over 26 years. They grow and plant trees and build fuel efficient stoves which improve the health of the owners because they are no longer cooking over an open, smoking fire. We sent mission teams to plant trees and build stoves each year. ***How many trees or stoves would you like to give at Christmas?***



Project Salud Y Paz Guatemala

Project *Salud y Paz* has been a long term partner with Coronado in service to the indigenous Mayans of the Guatemalan highlands. Mission teams, both medical and construction, have served there annually for many years. *Salud y Paz* maintains a medical/dental clinic and also operates the Susannah Wesley School which is modeled on our own CorMeth Day School. ***Gifts to Salud y Paz bring an improved life to the people it serves.***

Safe Seniors

Safe Seniors provides home repair help for fixed and moderate income Volusia County seniors in order to help them remain safe and independent in their own homes. All of this done with free volunteer skilled labor. The owner is billed at cost for materials. ***You can help someone remain in his/her home this Christmas?***



Derbyshire Place

This UMC Community Center in Holly Hill is operated under the auspices of First UMC-Port Orange, and which we support along with other area UMC churches. A lively place, in a depressed neighborhood, they provide program ranging from activities for children and teens to a community garden and health programs for all ages. ***Gifts to Derbyshire Place will help local families have improved lives.***

ZOE

ZOE empowers orphans in Africa to become entrepreneurs who are socially, economically, and spiritually strong and transforms entire communities in the process. This is a 3 year program leading to self-reliance. ***You can change a child's life with a gift to ZOE.***



The Season for *Parking Pretty*

As our friends return to New Smyrna Beach for the season, we want to remind everyone to "park pretty," please. We will have parking attendants in our lots to assist everyone in parking as well as exiting. We know the many special services during the height of the season always bring the biggest parking challenges.

Please be respectful to our parking attendants and to each other. Remember there are reasons why you may be directed in a different traffic pattern than the one we use the rest of the year. The attendants are here to help. Please do not engage in name calling or road rage in the form of threats to the parking attendants. We are at church to *Serve God and Share Love*.



- * In order to maximize the spaces available, park within one parking space and close to the vehicle next to you. Please be careful of the other person's vehicle.
- * If you know the other properties Coronado owns and can park there, please do.
- * Remember, on Sundays, all of the concrete spaces near the Courtyard are meant specifically for those with disabled parking permits or special health issues.

End of Year Giving

This is your end of the year reminder about charitable giving and taxes. There are some givers who make donations straight from retirement accounts to make sure that they take out the required minimum and don't have the same tax liability. If this sounds like something that you might want to do, please check with your financial professional.

If you make a donation from a retirement account or brokerage account or trust account, make sure to let us know enough to ensure it gets posted to your contributions statement. Sometimes the account name is not a person's name, and we have to investigate to see it is posted to the right account for tax purposes.

We have a "Retirement Distribution" check for which we cannot identify who the donor. Please check your giving. We will be sending out 2018 giving statements at the end of January 2019.

The last deposit of the year will be made on December 31. Please make sure that any donations you wish to be on your 2018 taxes are in the office by Friday, December 28, or in the offering plate on December 30.



Middle School Youth Group (6-8th grade) meets weekly on Thursdays after school until 5:30 p.m. in the Tree House. Please have youth fill out medical release form for 2017-2018 school year. Parents should contact Emily Edwards in the Church Ministries Office (386-428-6252) before the first time their child plans to attend to add youth to bus list. **Middle School Youth Group Christmas Party on Thursday, December 20, from 4-5:30 p.m.** at the Tree House. Bring a \$5 wrapped present for the gift exchange and wear tacky Christmas attire. **This is our last youth group until January 10, 2019.**

High School Youth Group (9-12th grade) meets weekly on Sundays from 5-7 p.m. in the Tree House. We will meet at the Tree House on **December 16 for our Christmas Party.** Bring a \$5 wrapped present for the gift exchange, a treat or drink to share, and wear tacky Christmas attire to our Christmas Party. **This is our last youth group until January 6, 2019.**

2018 Youth Mission Project

Let Emily know if you are interested in a 2019 mission project.

We do have a few required fundraisers for which you need to save the date.

If you plan to participate in our 2019 Summer Mission Project, please email Emily Edwards, Youth Director, at emily.edwards@coronadoumc.org.



Confirmation

If any youth are interested in being confirmed in the spring of 2019, email Emily Edwards at emily.edwards@coronadoumc.org with your child's name before January 1, 2019. Confirmation is a time where youth in middle school and high school learn about the Christian faith and Methodist tradition and actually confirm their commitment to their faith and become members of the church. We will be attending one of the confirmation retreats held by Warren W. Willis UM Camp. You can check out their program at www.warrenwilliscamp.org.

College Connection Retreat: A weekend retreat at camp devoted to connecting high school juniors and seniors to college ministries. College ministries from around the state of Florida will be represented by volunteers, workshop leaders, worship bands, and speakers. Students would attend January 25-27, 2019.

Email Emily at emily.edwards@coronadoumc.org if you are interested.

Remind 101

Youth Group and Event reminders will be sent out via text. Please subscribe to our texting group to get all current information and updates on youth activities:

If your child is in middle school text:

@msygccumc to 81010

If your child is in high school text:

@hsygccumc to 81010

Save These Dates!

- * Light Up Flagler Parking: Friday, December 7, 4-8 p.m.
- * Sunday Morning Fellowship Hour: Third Sunday of every month. 2 youth from 9-11 a.m. and 1 youth/parent combo to clean up at 11 a.m.
- * McKenna's Fundraiser & Bake Sale: Monday, January 14 and Monday, April 29 from 4-8 p.m.
- * Youth & Parent Youth Mission Meeting: Sunday, January 13, 2019 4-5 p.m. \$100 deposit due this day to register your spot.

New Members Class: a guide for Disciples in the Wesleyan Tradition

A Disciple's Path:

Deepening Your Relationship with Christ and the Church

Sunday mornings, 11 a.m.– 12 p.m. (6 sessions)

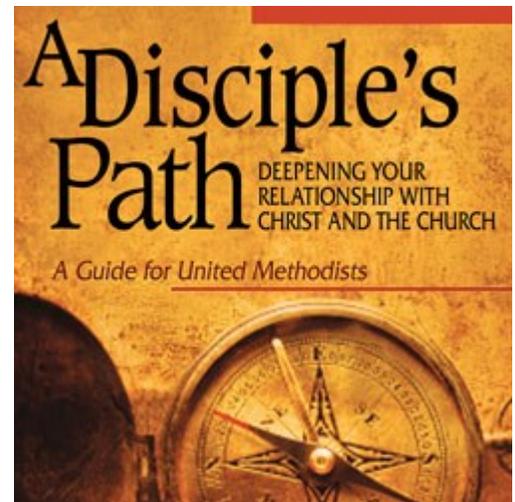
February 3, 10, 17, 24; March 3, 10

Room 109

This study combines a Wesleyan understanding of our growth in God's love and grace with the time-tested practices of spiritual discipline expressed in the membership vows to uphold the church with our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. Participants will develop spiritual practices, discover their unique gifts, and become engaged in ministry that brings transformation in their own lives, the loves of others, and the world.

Pick up your folder with a daily workbook and companion reader (\$15) by January 20th in the Church Ministries Office and complete the *Introduction* and *What Does It Mean to Be a United Methodist?* before class begins.

Register in the Church Ministries Office or online at www.coronadoumc.org.



Children's Ministry

Hands-On Worship for children pre-k through 5th grade during the 11 a.m. Worship Service on Sundays in the Chapel. Parent should drop their children off in the sanctuary in the front pew with the Children's Ministry Leader at 11 a.m. and pick up their children after worship in the Chapel. Children will participate in praise music in the service, Bible lesson, activity and craft all related to the sermon series topic that parents will hear at church. Nursery care is available at the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m., Worship Services for infants through 4 years old.

Sonshine Kid's Choir meets on Monday evenings from 6:30-7 p.m. in the Music-Lecture Suite. Tosha Williams directs the choir. All children through 6th grade are encouraged to participate..

Need to wrap gifts or finish up some holiday shopping?

Drop your children off at the CorMeth Day School for the morning with our wonderful teachers for a morning of fun. Children will be fed lunch, play and do a holiday activity/craft (depending on age).

You must sign up in advance in the Day School or Church Ministries Office with names and ages of children that will attend.



**Parents' Morning Out
Saturday, December 15**

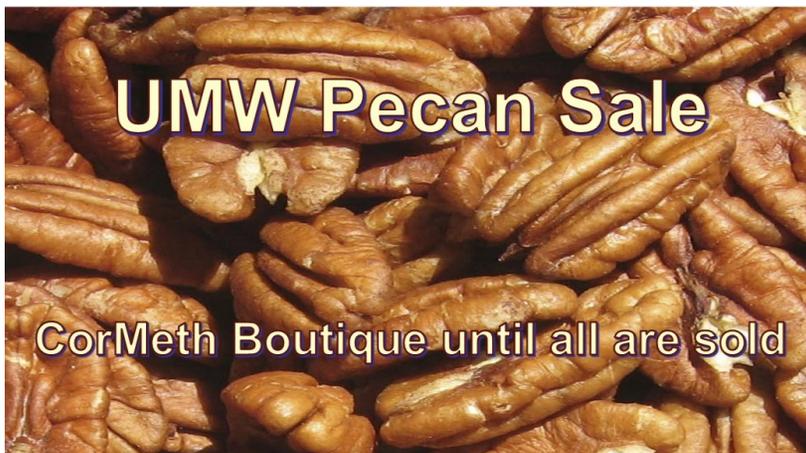
**9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
CorMeth Day School**

**Sign up in
Church
Ministries Office
or
CorMeth Day
School**

2018 Bazaar a Huge Success

Thank you to everyone who shopped at our UMW Bazaar on Saturday, November 3. It was a beautiful day to do some Christmas shopping, enjoy lunch in the Courtyard, and reconnect with friends. A special thank you to our crafters, who worked all year to provide wonderful handmade home décor, baked goodies, hand-crafted jewelry, silent auction baskets, and much more. Because of all your hard work, we met our monetary goal which will allow us to generously support local missions such as the Community Hot Meal program, Day School Scholarships, Gifts of Love, and the Florida Methodist Children's Home.

Then at the end of it all, some crafters donated many more hand-made items to our local Ocean View Nursing Home. These treasures will be used at their upcoming "Black Friday" Holiday Event so residents can purchase gifts for family and friends. Thank you, you helped make the holidays brighter for those in care – in so many ways! .



Saturday, January 19
8 a.m.-2 p.m.



Sign Up in Church Ministries Office



Dr. Ann Mayo
Tuesday, January 9
6:30-8:30 pm Music-Lecture Suite

2019 Scientific Update on Alzheimer's Disease and the Related Dementias

Dr. Mayo, RN; DNSC; FAAN, Professor, Hahn School of Nursing and Health Science and Beyster Institute for Nursing Research at University of San Diego, will be our speaker. This is our yearly presentation by Dr. Mayo; and it is always so interesting, informative, fascinating and just plain wonderful!



ONGOING EVENTS:

- ◆ **Blood Pressure Screening:** 3rd Sunday each month between services, Room 123
- ◆ **Creating Cards with Fellowship:** 3rd Wednesday each month, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Bring lunch and a drink and enjoy some fellowship in addition to using your creativity to make encouragement cards. All supplies provided, no experience needed! Cards are distributed to CCUMC, Oceanview Nursing and Rehab Center, and Florida Hospital New Smyrna. **There is no December meeting, but the group will resume in January.**
- ◆ **Chair Yoga:** every Wednesday, 2-3 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$5 per session with part of this going to CCUMC missions. Good exercise, fun, and fellowship.
- ◆ **Grief Support Group:** 2nd and 4th Wednesday monthly, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Room 109
- ◆ **Caregiver Support Group:** 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 11 am-12 noon, room 116. **In December, the only meeting will be December 13; and in January, the only meeting will be January 17.** All caregivers are welcome to come for sharing, support, and encouragement.

HEALTH TOPIC OF THE MONTH: BALANCE PROBLEMS AND DISORDERS

Balance problems are among the most common reasons that older adults seek help from a doctor. There are numerous possible causes for balance issues including inner ear disorders, some diseases of the circulatory system such as stroke; low blood pressure, especially when changing position from sitting/lying to standing; head injury, and effects from medications.

Questions to ask yourself to identify a balance problem include:

- ◆ Do I feel unsteady?
- ◆ Do I feel as if the room is spinning, even if only for a brief moment?
- ◆ Do I feel as if I'm moving when I know I'm standing or sitting still?
- ◆ Do I lose my balance and fall?
- ◆ Do I feel as if I'm falling?
- ◆ Do I feel lightheaded, or as if I might faint?
- ◆ Does my vision become blurred?
- ◆ Do I ever feel disoriented, losing my sense of time, or identity?

If you answer yes to any of these questions, talk to your doctor. It's important to have an evaluation to try to determine a cause and possible treatment such as change in medication, treating an inner ear infection or low blood pressure, referring to other specialists or ordering physical therapy.

For more information on fall prevention , go to www.nia.nih.gov

Point of View and A Way Forward

Peter Cottrell, Senior Pastor

The Bishop of the Florida Annual Conference, Ken Carter, has asked every congregation, including Coronado, to have healthy and honest conversations among its members about the various perspectives that we have on the LGBTQ topic and to use a standard curriculum that has been developed for every church in the state. It is called Point of View or POV, and we are inviting you to be a part of it. It is designed to give those of us with differing opinions on this and other subjects a chance to come together and talk.

I want to stress what POV is not about.

- ♦ It is NOT about your trying to convince another person to agree with your perspective.
- ♦ It is NOT about all of us coming to the same conclusion at the end.
- ♦ It is most certainly NOT about this church putting this topic up for a vote at the end of this experience.

But it is about doing the much harder work of listening to each other's perspectives and pains in a conversation that fosters empathy and understanding and healthy dialogue. Bishop Carter said "We are trying to create an alternative to the divisive spirit in our culture."

Please mark your calendar and try to be present for this one day event, January 26 (see invitation below). We will also schedule more sessions in February. In preparation for the discussions, I suggest you might want to read *Anatomy of Peace* (our Advent study). We have copies available for borrowing or purchase (\$10) in the Church Ministries Office; it is also available as an eBook at Amazon.

Here are links to two videos you might want to watch also:

A Way Forward Testimony - a dialogue between two of the FL delegates on the A Way Forward Commission
<https://www.flumc.org/ac18-videodetail/alice-williams-jorge-acevedo-a-conversation-11474447>

Commission on A Way Forward with Rev. Tom Berlin - an excellent discussion of the goal and work of the Commission
<https://vimeo.com/276162495>

**Saturday
January 26**

9 a.m. - p.m.
Fellowship Hall

**Sign up in Church
Ministries Office or
call 386-428-6252**

You Are Invited
*...to A One Day Session
with Free
Light Breakfast & Lunch*

**Let's have a conversation with
empathy and a posture of listening
to Scripture and each other.**
*Invite others, too!
Child care available.*

**JOIN THE
CONVERSATION**

Save the Date



Bob Milne
Ragtime Pianist
Concert
January 13, 2019
3:30 p.m.
Sanctuary

Good Will Offering taken for the benefit of the musician and ministries of CCUMC



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Pastors of our Sister Churches
Las Tunas, Cuba

Christmas Eve

Celebrating
 THE BIRTH OF
Christ

4 p.m. Family Oriented Service
 6 p.m. Traditional Candlelight Service
 11 p.m. Traditional Candlelight Service with Communion



Coronado Women's Book Club

All women of the church & friends are invited
Room 116
December 10:
A Spool of Blue Thread
 by Anne Tyler
January 14:
The Pecan Man
 by Cassie Dandridge Selleck

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Our Mission: Serving God, Sharing Love.

Our Vision: We are Christian believers committed to reaching out and welcoming all people, helping our diverse community grow in faith and in action through worship,, prayer, service, leadership and the sharing of our gifts.