

Keystone United Methodist Church

MINISTRIES AT KEYSTONE

Come and find a place to serve!



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MUSIC MINISTRY

The Music Ministry for the traditional service is made up of 3 sections:

Special Music | “Bells of Joy” | Chancel Choir

Special Music – This is a solo, duet, or a group of people who perform music to enhance the message of the sermon.

“Bells of Joy” – This is a handbell choir who performs music using English handbells and/or chimes. The bells consist of 2 – 3 octaves that are tuned like the piano by half-steps.

Chancel Choir – This group is responsible for providing music for the traditional service and for the Easter and Christmas Cantatas.

We do not require an audition to be a part of any of these groups. No experience is necessary. We have an amazing time of fun and fellowship. Everyone is welcome and we hope you will join us.

Bell Choir: Monday nights at 7:30

Chancel Choir: Wednesday nights at 7:30

For more information contact Phil Hankins after either service or call 813.690.4008.

PRAISE BAND

Do you like to worship God through song? Do you sing or play an instrument? Our Contemporary Praise Band is always looking for more folks to join our team. Please contact Cap Rocap for more information at: capster1976@yahoo.com.



FIRST IMPRESSIONS

FIFTEEN MINUTES! That's typically all the time we have to make a lasting first impression on a visitor. And we may not have a second chance. Long before the pastor ever steps behind the pulpit, some people have already decided if they'll be back.

What if we could make an excellent first impression that set us up for success ... online, in the parking lot, from our greeters and ushers, with our interior presence, and more?

Think about how you can be involved.
(Hint: You already ARE ...)

The First Impressions Ministry needs YOU!

You can get more involved. Ushers, greeters and lay readers can use YOU on their team!

Can you give one Sunday a month? More? Less? We can use you!

For more information contact Nancy Burden at 727.580.3022



NURTURE

Our Nurture Team cares for and encourages others through many means: We prepare gift bags each month and while visiting the shut-ins, we deliver the special bags of love that include prayer cards, trinkets, homemade cookies and other goodies and a letter from the pastor.

Card senders is a small group who sends a card each month to members of our church (or their families) who are either shut in, suffering from an illness or injury (whether temporary or permanent), or just need encouragement. Each month a card is also sent to celebrate a birthday or anniversary. We let these people know we are thinking of them and lifting them up in prayers.

The pastoral care team makes phone calls and does spiritual visits.

The prayer chain prays for specific prayer needs.

Each of these teams would welcome new members and assistance for any of these mission teams.

Contact Linda Beaulieu at 407.416.1237 to find out how you can help.



CEMETERY COMMITTEE

The Cemetery Committee takes care of the operation and care of our cemetery, establishes procedures and practices for the sale and recording of lots, funding for perpetual care and grave markers. They ensure state guidelines and laws are followed. They also establish a budget and monitor financial controls.

For more information contact Geri Ingalls at 813.334.4571

BEREAVEMENT TEAM

The Bereavement Team is responsible for organizing and preparing the reception luncheon that often accompanies celebration of life services. This includes set up in the Fellowship Hall to reflect the family's requests for certain colors, decoration and memorabilia. Church members provide side dishes, salads and desserts for the reception. The team is responsible for set up, decoration and clean up for the luncheon while offering love and comfort to the family members.

For more information contact Linda Beaulieu at 407.416.1237



ADULT BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

New Beginnings Sunday School Class | Sundays from 8:30-9:30am in Room 14.

Our New Beginnings group is open to all adults. Both young and old attend this class. It is centered around topical studies and deals with real-life issues faced by most adults in today's society. You are invited to join in our discussions and discover the timeless principles of God's Word as they relate to today's fast-paced and often hectic demands. For more information contact Dianne Dlouhy at: diannedlouhy@gmail.com.

Wesley Fellowship Sunday School Class | Sundays from 8:30-9:30am in the Prayer Room.

This adult Bible Study series uses the Sunday School material from Cokesbury, set in a lecture and discussion format, is both challenging and interesting. It will take you on a spiritual adventure into the Scriptures, with a chance for interactive participation and wonderful fellowship. For more information contact Cathy Gurr at: fern_lake@verizon.net.

Adult Bible Study Class | Sundays from 9:45-10:45am in the Parlor

This group meets during the traditional service hour, studying a variety of books of the Bible, Christian books and topical studies that are relevant to every day life. Childcare is provided by contacting our children's ministry director. For more information contact Ron Carel at: jazzcrusaders@yahoo.com

Adult Bible Study Class | Tuesdays from 11:30am-12:30pm in the Parlor

This group meets on Tuesday mornings in a very casual setting, also studying a variety of Books of the Bible, Christian books and topical studies relevant to every day life. For more information contact Pastor Kathi at: kathi.sheehan3@gmail.com.



CRAFTY LADIES

Members of this group enjoy fellowship while they work on craft projects all year round. They sponsor a Craft Fair on the second Saturday of October each year, as well as a spring craft fair prior to Easter. Proceeds generously go to support various missions.

The Crafty Ladies meet on Wednesday mornings at 9:30am in Fellowship Hall. For more information contact Rita Barnett at: 813.335.4877.

SECRET SISTERS

This group, which holds select scheduled events after the 11:00 a.m. service, gives an opportunity for women to grow in faith and service as well as get to know many other wonderful women.

For more information contact Toni Gary at: 813.744.5929 or Maureen Hames at: 813.786.9988

LADIES NIGHT OUT

The Ladies Night Out group meets at different restaurants on the 2nd Tuesday of each month for an evening of food and fellowship.

For more information contact Cathy Carter at: 813.220.8055



COMMUNITY DINNER'S

The Community Dinner Committee's mission is to nourish the body and soul through food and fellowship. We host dinner events throughout the year, such as shrimp boils, Cinco de Mayo taco dinners, and Fourth of July BBQs. Additionally, some of our dinner events help provide monetary support to other ministries within our church, such as Vacation Bible School and the Food Pantry. Our team has fun planning these dinner events, as well as "Cooking with Christ" and each other as we prepare meals with loving hands to nourish the needs of our parishioners, church and community.

If you are interested in offering your time and joining our committee, please contact Kellie Dodd, 813-453-6879.

YOGA

Saturday mornings at 10:00am. in the Music Room. Come join in a meditation of spirit, mind, and body with the most loving group of people you will ever meet. No experience necessary. \$10 per person.

Contact Rebecca Doyle at rdoyle17@yahoo.com for more information.

METHODIST MEN

Providing a group experience that we become closer to our God.
Provide a fellowship time that motivates through the week.

Who we are - The 2016 *United Methodist Book of Discipline* charges the General Commission on United Methodist Men with the “primary oversight for the coordination and resourcing of men’s ministry with The United Methodist Church.” (paragraph 2302)

Brief history - By a margin of 80% to 20%, the General Conference of 1996 approved the creation of the General Commission on United Methodist Men (GCUMM), effective January 1, 1997. The GCUMM assumed the responsibilities of the former Division of United Methodist Men of the General Board of Discipleship. A Board of Directors was established by General Conference to oversee the work of the Commission.

Mission - To help Men Grow in Christ, So Others May Know Christ.

Board of Directors - The GCUMM board of Directors is responsible for communicating through its staff to its affiliates and partners, and the UMC, the mission and vision of the GCUMM to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

The Methodist Men meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 8:00am in the Parlor. For more information contact Don Shepherd at 813.545.1938 or donshepherd1@verizon.net.



CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY

Keystone Kid's Church is a place where children aged 4 through 5th grade can go and have fun at church. Children will hear and learn the same message as the grown-ups, but on their level and have fun doing it. In Kid's Church we have fun growing spiritually learning about God's word and how we can live it out at home, play and school.

We use a large group-small group format starting with large group where we have praise and worship time. After large group we break into small groups where we learn more about the message thru crafts, games, and activities. Kid's Church is available during both services.

Our nursery is available for children birth through 3 years old. In the nursery the children will hear God's word through play and Storytime. Nursery is available at both services.

Our youth, 6th through 12th grade, meet for Bible Study where they will hear the same message as their family in the Sanctuary. During Bible Study we are digging deep into the message learning how to use our Bible and how to use God's word in our life at home and school. Youth Bible Study is available in room 12 behind the Sanctuary at the 9:45am service.



CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY

At the 9:45am service, children will be dropped off and signed in for Kid's Church in room 12 behind the Sanctuary before service and picked up there after church. During the 11:00am service, children will begin the service with their family in the Fellowship Hall where they will sign-in and stay for the first half of Praise time. Afterwards the children will leave together with our awesome children's ministry team and go to the Preschool building for Kid's Church. Parents will pick up their littlest ones (birth through age 3) in room 1 and children 4 and up in room 4 after the service.

Check the website frequently for added fun with your friends at church.

Our volunteers are all background checked and attend child protection classes and training.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer you can contact Vickie Partridge at vickie@keystoneumc.com or leave a message at 813-493-0884.



KEYSTONE CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

MISSION STATEMENT

Keystone Christian Preschool (KCP) will provide superior preschool and child care programs for children ages 2 years to 5 years of age, teaching them of God's love in a safe, nurturing environment. Children are encouraged to build on their prior knowledge through exploration and play in a stimulating atmosphere created by well-trained and nurturing teachers, thus cultivating a lifelong love of learning.

EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

KCP follows the early childhood educational philosophy that our children learn through experiential activities. Young children acquire knowledge by doing, and experiences should be full of movement, imagination, and self-directed play. Children also require a safe, loving, stress-free environment in which to learn and grow. We will provide that security together with an enriched atmosphere that encourages children in making discoveries that build on their prior knowledge. Children will learn of God's love through Bible stories, weekly Chapel time with our Pastor, songs and games.

STANDARDS

Keystone Christian Preschool is licensed by Hillsborough County Child Care Licensing and visited by a representative of that office quarterly. Our license is renewed annually. In addition, we have an annual inspection by the Fire Marshall's Office. Keystone Christian Preschool is also an approved Voluntary Pre-kindergarten (VPK) provider for the State of FL. A VPK Specialist visits KCP yearly to ensure that we are in full compliance with the requirements for this state-funded pre-kindergarten program for eligible four-year olds. With the direct support of our dedicated staff, we meet and continually exceed all requirements set forth by these agencies.

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The Missions Team explores options for programs for Keystone United Methodist Church to support in the community and internationally based on suggestions and input from Pastor Kathi, the ministry team and others at KUMC. We summarize each program to educate the congregation so they can individually determine which programs they would like to personally support.

Some of community and international missions supported by KUMC are listed below.

- KUMC Food Bank
- Trinity Shepherd Center - Provided clothing, household items, toys & other.
- MADD - Mother's Against Drunk and Distracted Driving
- Oasis Opportunities - provided hygiene items for students in the summer programs. Delivered 24 Summer Hygiene Bags & financial support
- AMOS - a Christian nonprofit organization that exists to reduce health inequities in Nicaragua.
- Trinity Café in Tampa
- Hope Children's Home in Tampa
- Zoe Empowers - provides support & training to youth who are orphaned & from vulnerable families in Rwanda.

We will continue our support for several of these missions but also utilize the Missions Team to help support other ministries at Keystone so we can have a greater impact with these existing programs.

Carol Knop, Mandy Burdette, Rozie Gillette
& YOU (we invite you to join us.)



BUTTERFLY STITCHES

Butterfly Stitches is a sewing ministry dedicated to carrying the Light of Christ to families experiencing pain and grief from the death of their preemie or infant child. We make and provide Blessing Gown Sets to the hospital as a way of validating the importance of every life, no matter how tiny or brief. These gifts are given as an act of Christian love and compassion and to point the way to Christ as the one to be trusted to hold their precious child in HIS gentle arms.

For some of the babies, the blessing garments may be the only ones they receive and wear. They are kept by the parents as keepsakes. Others may be used as christening gowns for preemies too small to be dressed in traditional gowns. Both are a blessing to the parents.

The need for these special garments is ongoing. We currently deliver 24 (three-piece sets) every 8 weeks to St. Joseph's Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

Contact Ginny Deep at 813.746.8042 to find out how you can help.

ON-CAMPUS CLOTHING SHED

St. Pauly Textile Inc. has provided a shed for KUMC to receive usable clothing, shoes, belts, purses, linens and blankets to distribute to people and organizations in the US and in developing countries. This shed is a way for us and for our community to join together in the mission of loving and serving people in need.



FOOD PANTRY

One of the missions sponsored by KUMC is our church food pantry. Bonnie Culbertson opened the Keystone food pantry in the fall of 2008 and has been an integral part of Keystone United Methodist Church outreach. We have provided food assistance to individuals and families in need in our community for 17 years. Food insecurity is a major issue in our area as well as throughout the United States.

The Keystone UMC food pantry provides food items and personal items, which include household items, two days a week, Monday and Thursday, from 1:00-3:00pm in the afternoon. Clients can visit the food pantry every two weeks for food and monthly for personal items. All dates and times are documented for tracking. Getting involved in your local food pantry shows that you are willing to give back to the community and those in need. By volunteering you are helping during all kinds of emergency situations.

We operate by donations and volunteers only; volunteers are always welcome. We consider even a small donation weekly or monthly or a once-a-year monetary donation a blessing. It keeps our shelves stocked and available to provide food for those in need. If you would like to get involved with KUMC church food pantry it is quite easy to do! Contact our church office at 813-920-5153 or Sherrie Zahn at 727-277-0270. We look forward to hearing from you!

SERVE

SATURDAY SERVE

Ministry that provides opportunities for various ages to serve the outside community on Saturdays and weekends. Recent events include road cleanup and blood donation via the bloodmobile.

Contact Ron Carel at: jazzcrusaders@yahoo.com for more information.

KEYSTONE KARES

This team is ready to assist our congregation and our community with work needed at home that they cannot do due to physical or financial challenges. We provide services such as indoor and first floor outdoor painting, minor repairs, pressure washing, ground floor window washing, lawn clean-up and other gardening assistance.

Contact Brent Lacy at 321-230-0515 to find out how you can help.





COMMUNITY GARDEN

KUMC has a strong program for helping those less fortunate in our community by providing a well stocked food pantry and also collecting clothing and personal items for their needs.

In support of the food pantry, we have a small vegetable garden where we grow organic produce to supplement the dry goods and meat products offered in the pantry.

If you have an hour each week that you could help plant, maintain or harvest in the garden, we would welcome your assistance.

Green Thumb not required.

Contact Brent Lacy at 321-230-0515 to find out how you can help.





LEADERSHIP BOARD & NOMINATIONS TEAM

Here at KUMC, our administrative board functions under a 9-person single board leadership model. It is a governance structure that combines multiple administrative teams into one streamlined board. The combined board makes all the Trustees, Finance and HR decisions together. This reduces bureaucracy and speeds up responses to new opportunities. It promotes efficient use of human and financial resources, encourages collaboration between different aspects of church life, and allows for diversity in leadership. Each member serves a 3-year term. There will always be room for new members on the team!

NOMINATIONS & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TEAM

The task of this team is to identify, develop, deploy, evaluate, and monitor Christian spiritual leadership for the local congregation. They work with the pastor and lay leader to recommend people to serve as officers and leaders of designated ministries of the church for the work of the church. Team members also serve a 3 year term.

PRESCHOOL BOARD

The preschool board is a group of volunteers who help govern and support our preschool program. They are responsible for setting policies, managing the budget, and ensuring the program meets community needs. Members serve a three year term, so there is always room for new people.



GET IN TOUCH

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