# THE WAVE



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#### **MAY 2008**

# Block Party Saturday, May 3



We're hosting a block party in Sawmill Lakes on Saturday, May 3, from 4 to 6pm. We'll enjoy food and fun, including the bounce house and Kitty the Clown. Let's meet the neighbors and share ourselves with them! Have someone you'd like to introduce to your church? Bring 'em along!

Sawmill Lakes lies off Palm Valley Road, just south of Mickler. Turn west onto Sawmill Lakes Blvd, take the second right (onto N. Mill View Way). The clubhouse is on your left.







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#### OUR MISSION:

- to know Jesus
- to grow disciples
- to show love
- to go and make disciples of Jesus Christ



### PONTE VEDRA

United Methodist Church

Because thy lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee.

Psalm 63:3

### Upcoming Messages

- May 4 "Pitch a Little Woo" (Acts 1:6-14)
- May 11 "Driven by the Wind" (Acts 2:1-21)
- May 18 Youth Sunday!

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# Spotlight on Volunteers

Cooper and Joyce Agent are a great team to add to our list of volunteers. If you haven't already gotten to know them, they are both easy to talk to and very approachable. They have a serious side, but both love to laugh and hear a good joke! Cooper is in his second year of being our Lay Leader. He is also on the Council of Ministries, Staff Parish and the building design team. He and Joyce have taught adult Sunday School in the past. Joyce has taught children's Sunday School and Kingdom Kids. For the past 3 years she has helped on the Hospitality Committee and helps organize meals delivered to church members who are ill. In between church duties we might find Cooper at the YMCA swimming, on the golf course, working on a yard project or on the computer. Joyce spends time walking on her treadmill, reading, and enjoys cooking. They have two little lap dogs: Scamper and Snassy (hope it's spelled correctly!) who get a lot of the Agents' attention. The loves of their lives are Cooper and Joyce's four grandkids. The two younger ones are local, so they "get" to grandchild-sit as much as they can get away with! The older two recently moved to Colorado so a trip in the near future is planned to visit them. With Cooper's boundless" energy and Joyce's laidback personality, we are blessed to have them among us as part of PVUMC!

# Thank You from Ruth Dingle

Thanks to PVUMC for visits, calls, cards, flowers, cookies & candy—those lifesavers were a blessing; even doctors came for seconds and more! God bless this church, one and all.

Much love, Ruth Dingle

### Blood Drive

BLOOD DRIVE. It's that time again. Please join us on Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Contact Don Carson at (904) 280-2893 to make an appointment. Don will also be available, starting May 18<sup>th</sup>, after both services outside the cafetorium main doors to sign up donors. Walk-ins are also gladly accepted. Anyone who is in good health, at least 17 years old and weighs at least 110 pounds may donate blood every 56 days. We are currently in the 56 day window for the PVUMC blood drive on June 15<sup>th</sup>, so please don't give blood between now and our drive. There is no upper age limit to donate, as long as your doctor says it is okay. Please help. Remember, one donation can save up to three lives. Please bring a photo ID.

# A Word from Wesley

Although no man on earth can explain the particular manner wherein the Spirit of God works on the soul, yet whosoever has these fruits cannot but know and feel that God has wrought them in his heart.

## "Building on Faith" Campaign Followup

### **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN STATUS**

Phase I project need: \$ 2.7 to 3 million

Building on Faith Goal: \$ 1.3 million

Amount pledged: \$ 1,534,434

Received on pledges to date: \$ 364,987

Building fund total balance: \$ 366,747

Indebtedness: \$ -0-

Our *Building on Faith* capital campaign is underway! May God bless us to fulfill the commitments we've made and those we are making, that our new church facility may become a reality.

- Your Followup Director Team: Jim Wynn, Jon & Sherri Hatfield

## Load 'em up!

Can you help pack our PODS after church some Sundays? Please contact Dave Branham (273-2964, dave.branham@pv-umc.org) who is coordinating this activity.

### United Methodist Women

The next general meeting of the UMW will be Saturday, June 21 at the 76 S. Roscoe Blvd. ministry house at 10:00am. Please join us for fellowship, interesting and timely programs and refreshments as we update and report on ongoing projects. Hope to see you there!

### April 2008 Giving & Attendance



Date	Contemp.	Trad.	General	Capital	
4/6	115	76	\$ 10,615	\$ 17,600	
4/13	115	86	\$ 11,200	\$ 62,980	
4/20	83	78	\$ 6,344	\$ 835	
4/27	76	81	\$ 13,134	\$ 2,280	

Needed Weekly 2008 \$ 10,100 Designated Totals
Building Fund
\$ 366,747

Enhancement Fund
\$ 966

Memorials

\$ 5,678

**★The church office is open Tuesdays—Fridays from 10am—2pm.★** 



### Round of Applause for:

- Everyone who supported the youth mission trips by attending or performing in our Annual Talent Show! With your help we raised a bit over \$800! Thank you!!!
- Dave and Carolyn Schussler for stepping in and teaching youth Sunday school! You did a great job!
- Steve Boehner, for driving our students around during the Photo Scavenger Hunt. We could not have done it without you! (BTW, if you want to see the presentations from the scavenger hunt, go to <a href="https://www.pvumcstudents.org">www.pvumcstudents.org</a> and click on events, then Scavenger hunt)

### **Upcoming Events:**

**Middle School Game Night:** Friday, May 9, 7-9pm... If you are in grades 5-8, you are welcome to join the middle school for a game night! This will be the first event for our newest youth group members! Everyone is encouraged to bring friends and their favorite game!

**Youth Sunday:** Sunday, May 18 (both services)...YCAM, H2O, and our Sunday School groups will come together to lead worship on May 18.

**Destination Unknown:** Friday, May 23, 10am...Come out and see what surprises are in store! For a list of what to bring, visit the youth group's website, www.pvumcstudents.org. Bring your friends and be prepared to be surprised!

**Lock-in:** Friday, June 13 - Saturday, June 14... This lock-in is for all grades!!! Our middle school and high school will compete against one another. The age level group that brings the most friends to our lock-in will win a party at Pump it Up in Jacksonville! Go to our website to download flyers and pass them out to your friends!

### **Service Opportunities:**

In our ministry, we recognize the importance of doing outreach work. This summer, we are implementing service opportunities. Come to one, a few, or all of them! Be on the lookout for more opportunities!

- Dignity-U-Wear, June 17. Dignity-U-Wear is an organization that gets clothing from retailers and distributed them to 300 low cost retailers and ministries across 30 states. From 12:30-4pm we will be helping to sort, pack, and ship clothing.
- Vacation Bible School, July 13-17. PVUMC's annual VBS week is a ton of fun! Sign up with Lynn for an activity, a classroom, or just to be a general helper for the week!
- Wii Party at the Senior Center, July 24. We will bring the Wii, and the Senior Center is bringing the party! 10am-12pm!



# Pastor Jeff Bobbleheads!

We are currently taking pre orders for our Pastor Jeff Bobbleheads! This is not a joke, we really have ordered bobble heads of our fantastic pastor (he is being a very good sport!). They will be \$15 each if you preorder, or \$20 each if you wait until the shipment. All proceeds go to the summer mission trips!



On A Musical Note
The Children's and Youth
Creative Arts Ministry

### **C.I.A. Children In Action**

Kindergarten through 5th Grade Wednesdays 3:30-5:00pm

#### **YCAM**

Grades 6-12

Wednesdays 6:00-8:00pm

#### **Praise Choir**

Tuesdays 6:30-7:30pm

#### **Traditional Choir**

Thursdays 7:00-8:00pm



### Vacation Bible School

**SAVE THE DATE!** 

JULY 13 - 17 9:00AM - NOON

## Seeking Vacation Bible School Volunteers!

Vacation Bible School is just around the corner and volunteers are needed. Can I count on you to help make this VBS a wonderful week for the children in our church and community? Please e-mail the Children's Ministry Coordinator, Lynn Straughan at lynn.straughan@pv-umc.org to volunteer.

# A Note From Pastor Jeff:

The book of Acts has the risen Christ appearing to the disciples over a 40 day period. He orders them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there; they will by baptized with the Holy Spirit. The disciples then see Jesus ascend; a cloud takes him out of their sight.

I've been wondering what it would have felt like to be a disciple during those days. Were they apprehensive? My family and I returned home from vacation in time to attend another local church. The big question for Jill and me: how would our kids do in a new place. We were a bit apprehensive. Were the disciples excited? Some of my pastor friends are moving to new appointments; they are excited by new possibilities for ministry. Our own church is in one of these in-between seasons: everything from holding VBS in the school, to moving the office/ministry house functions away from 76 S Roscoe, to breaking ground for our new building. I'm excited and apprehensive, all at the same time. Perhaps that's how the first disciples felt.

The 40<sup>th</sup> day of Easter is Ascension Day. It falls on Thursday, May 1 this year. Ten days later (May 11) we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. May this in-between season remind us to faithfully wait on God during the in-between seasons of our lives, confident that God's best is yet to come. It won't be long now...

Pastor Jeff



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