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The Courage of Nehemiah

Nehemiah was a leader who faced opposition and difficulty from every side, yet he stood against the enemy and trusted God. We can learn from Nehemiah's courage and faith as we seek to know and follow God's will. Message series resumes **July 14**.

Vacation Bible School, July 15 - July 19



We're bringing a global fair to the kids at our Vacation Bible School... Everywhere Fun Fair – Where God's World Comes Together! We will "travel" around the world exploring God's welcoming love and learning about our neighbors in countries near and far. Children will become loving neighbors at Everywhere Fun Fair so step right up and join us July 15 - July 19 from 9am - noon. For ages 4 through completed 5th grade. Register online at www.pv-umc.org!

OUR MISSION:

Making fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.



PONTE VEDRA
United Methodist Church

July's Big Events

- Praying for middle school mission team to Topsail, NC (July 14)
- Praying for VBS leaders (July 14)
- Honoring DISCIPLE I graduates (July 21)
- Praying for Costa Rica mission team (July 28)
- Praying for VBS - Lincolnville leaders (July 28)

Upcoming Messages

- June 30 **LEAD Like Jesus** (Luke 5:1-11, 1 Peter 5:3, Matthew 19:4, Proverbs 15:22)
- July 7 **How to Forgive** (Romans 12:19, Luke 6:27-28, Matthew 18:21)
- Resume the message series *The Courage of Nehemiah*
- July 14 **Time-Out for Justice** (Nehemiah 5)
- July 21 **Revival** (Nehemiah 8)
- July 28 **Renewing the Covenant** (Nehemiah 9)

Missions Corner

Change for Cuba



A forty pound duffel bag was successfully delivered to our sister church in La Sierra on June 13th. The package included clothes, diapers, balloons, candy, hygiene supplies and a roll of window screen. The ***“Change for Cuba”*** totaled **\$455.13** for the last 4 months. \$300 was sent to purchase new fans for the church and \$100 for pastor salary supplement. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

Honduras Medical Mission Trip Information



Interested in serving in Honduras? **Lauren Senecal** is organizing a team to serve in the clinic and mountainous villages around Rio Viejo to offer medical, dental and hygiene education/care and share the love of Christ. The Mission Trip is scheduled for Saturday, February 15th through Saturday, February 22nd, 2014. Visit www.junglehospital.com to learn more about the Jungle Hospital, and contact Lauren at acrosstheglobeinfo@gmail.com for additional information on this mission opportunity! To see Lauren’s video of the 2013 medical mission, visit <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6zw0eu3e9R4>.



The church office will be closed Thursday, July 4 in honor of Independence Day!

Happy 4th of July!

A Word from John Wesley, founder of Methodism

Leisure and I have taken leave of one another. I propose to be busy as long as I live, if my health is so long indulged to me. In health and sickness I hope I shall ever continue, with the same sincerity.

– Jackson XII, 20.

United Methodist Women

The next **UMW meeting** is **Saturday, July 13** at 10:00am. We will discuss plans for our future events including topics for programs. We are exploring the possibility of forming an online UMW to allow those who are unable to attend meetings to participate and enjoy the many activities the UMW offers. Another item up for discussion is the formation of telephone partners to provide a daily check on those who live alone. Our second annual tea scheduled for November 9 will also be discussed. These are exciting and important events and we want your input and ideas. All women of Ponte Vedra UMC are welcome to attend and share our faith and fellowship.

Sunday Morning Snacks



There are many dates available to provide **Sunday morning snacks**. The snacks are on the table in the foyer from 10:30 until 11:00am. **Please sign up** on the snack calendar on the wall by the nursery. Thanks to all who have provided snacks.

Join us For a Study of "Philippians"

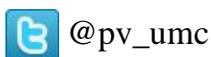
On **Sunday, July 7** Pastor Jimmy, along with two other church leaders, begin an intensive nine week study on the **New Testament book of Philippians**. How can you have joy in any circumstance of life? How can you overcome life's challenges and soar? Philippians has the answers! Join us for this special nine week summer study at **10:45am** through Sunday, September 1 in room 207. Please call Pastor Jimmy at 280-5141 or email him at jimmy.jones@pv-umc.org to reserve a book for this study. See you there!

Have to Miss Church? You Don't Have to Miss the Message



If you're away a Sunday, listen to the weekly message you've missed online at our website, www.pv-umc.org. The messages are also available as a podcast, giving you the option to select a message or automatically have messages downloaded to your iPod or other mp3 player. (Instructions may be found at www.pv-umc.org.) It's the

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Financial Status

General Fund Recap May 2013

Tithes & Offerings	\$ 56,954
Less Expenses	\$ 70,303
May Income/(Deficit)	\$ (13,349)
YTD Income/(Deficit)	\$ 2,254

June 2013 Giving & Attendance

Date	9:30 Attendance	11:00 Attendance	General Fund Giving	Missions Giving	Designated Giving
6/2	143	140	\$16,412	\$1,102	\$235
6/9	110	127	\$13,466	\$679	\$210
6/16	125	127	\$10,091	\$45	\$123
6/23	134	145	\$9,044	\$554	\$15

Designated Totals

Mission Funds	\$14,985
Enhancement Fund	\$1,673
Memorials	\$3,972
Building Fund	\$278,566
General Fund	
Needed Weekly 2013	\$ 14,160

Owed on Church Facility: \$2,151,113

Owed on Parsonage: \$107,664

Money Matters

Paul writes in 1 Timothy 6:9 that

those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.

Sounds like a trap, doesn't it. And those who get rich find that having riches does not lead to more freedom. Comments of some of the wealthiest people of their day:

“The care of \$200 million is enough to kill anyone. There is no pleasure in it.”

W. H. Vanderbilt

“I am the most miserable man on earth.”

J. J. Astor

“I have made millions, but they have brought me no happiness.”

John D. Rockefeller

“Millionaires seldom smile.”

Andrew Carnegie

“I was happier when doing a mechanic's job.”

Henry Ford

Qualities We Look for in Our Leaders

The Nominating Committee recently created *Requirements for Leadership* reproduced below. The Church Council approved the document on May 23. It's a good read and worth asking yourself, Would I qualify?

Ponte Vedra United Methodist Church Requirements for Leadership

PVUMC leaders will be committed to following Christ. Attention to individuals' skills and abilities for a particular area of ministry will be secondary to spiritual maturity and integrity. It is critically important that leaders be able to discern God's will in church matters; this requires a vital connection to God through the Holy Spirit.

The expectations of leaders align closely to the promises made upon joining the church:

- praying for the church, the community and the world
- participating regularly and frequently in worship
- participating in a small group
- giving generously to God, in proportion to one's income
- serving in the life of the local church and beyond the local church

The lives of leaders are to demonstrate the fruit of the Spirit as enumerated in Galatians 5:22-23: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Leaders shall support the doctrine (what we believe) and polity (how we are organized) of The United Methodist Church, The Book of Discipline, 2012.





On A Musical Note

Praise Choir

Tuesdays 6:30-7:30pm

Traditional Choir

Thursdays 7:00-8:30pm

Children's Corner

Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.

Proverbs 22:6 NIV

Kingdom Kids

Now is the time to make the decision to **volunteer in Kingdom Kids this fall!** We are in need of teachers for the 9:30 and 11:00 Kingdom Kids classes. You can teach one or more Sundays a month and not only will you make a difference in the life of a child, but you will grow in your faith. Make a commitment to give back this fall by serving. Contact **Jenn Smith** at jenn.smith@pv-umc.org. I look forward to hearing from you!



Way to go Kingdom Kids! Your offerings are adding up. We just raised enough money to purchase a **flock of chickens** for a family through Heifer International. Kingdom Kid offering envelopes are available in Kingdom Kids. Let's see how much we can raise this summer!



Register by July 7th for Vacation Bible School July 15 – 19!



Calling all 4 year old through rising 5th graders for VBS 2013!

We're bringing a global fair to the kids at our Vacation Bible School, **EVERYWHERE FUN FAIR: WHERE GOD'S WORLD COMES TOGETHER!** Your children will become loving neighbors at **EVERYWHERE FUN FAIR!** So step right up! Join us at Ponte Vedra United Methodist Church July 15 -19 from 9am to 12pm. Registration forms available at PVUMC or register on-line at www.pv-umc.org.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO MAKE VBS A SUCCESS!

Volunteers are still needed for PVUMC VBS on July 15-19 & Lincolnville VBS from July 30- August 1. Contact **Jenn Smith** at jenn.smith@pv-umc.org.



Round of Applause

- 👍 For our 17 attendees of our Senior High Mission Trip!
- 👍 To Graham Hancock and his leadership at the church during the mission trips
- 👍 To all of our church family who supported our students and their fundraising efforts

Upcoming Events



SIGN UP TO PROVIDE DINNERS We need families and church members who are able to help out our youth ministry by providing our weekly dinners. Right now we have many dates in July and August! More details are available from Kelly. Thanks in advance for your help!

Beach days and Movie nights are back! We are having our weekly summer beach days and movie nights. From noon to 4:00 at Micklers Beach, our group gathers at the beach for fun in the sun! Bring a lunch with you, and don't forget your sunscreen. It's easy to find us, just go up the walkway and look to your left. We will be there by the lifeguard stand, gathered around our red and pink blanket. Don't forget to come back to the church that evening at 8pm for movie night! We will watch a movie in the sanctuary, and we finish by 10:30.



Middle School Mission Trip July 21-27 We will be traveling back to Topsail Beach in NC. The group of 18 will be participating in home repair ministries and spending time in worship together.



IN TOWN MISSION WEEK July 8-12. We will hold in town mission opportunities for a few hours each day during this week in the summer. Sign up for as few or as many service opportunities as you want! The week will end in participation with "Home again St Johns," a food sharing ministry in St Augustine. Watch for more details, coming soon!

A Note From Pastor Jeff.

My eight-year old son Spencer and I recently shared a great day at a *Feel the Wheels* event where you get close to and even sit inside race cars, fire trucks, construction equipment, all kinds of vehicles. On the way home we stopped at a McDonald's for a rare and unscheduled treat: ice cream. I ordered an ice cream cone (chocolate dipped!) for Spencer and as we sat down I asked him if I could have a bite. (I'd gotten myself a spoon, just in case.) He turned me down, stone cold!

Wow. You know, I bought Spencer that ice cream cone. And I provide him a home, clothing, food, transportation, all that he needs and much more, including a ticket to *Feel the Wheels*. As a father who loves his children, I do it gladly. All I asked for was a bite of ice cream. Immediately I thought, *This is just how God feels when we fail to give back*. God has given me everything I have, even my next breath. And he doesn't need what's in my possession. (I didn't need a bite of my son's ice cream; I have money enough to buy anything I want from McDonald's.) But whether or not I give freely to God of my time, abilities and money speaks volumes about our relationship, doesn't it.

May you and I and Spencer know the blessing of generosity toward the Father who loves us,

Pastor Jeff



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