



Friends,

Rev. Gene Strange led you through the power of prayer as we learned through the prophet Elijah. I heard the Spirit was mighty and great, and His presence was heard and felt throughout the morning worship. Thank you God for sharing your Word with our hearts last weekend. I pray that you will take what God gave you through Gene and use it to grow closer in your relationship with Christ.

WEEKEND WORSHIP

This weekend we will finish our series on The Elijah Chronicles. Elijah was a man of God, yet he struggled with the same issues we all struggle with in our lives. The difference is that Elijah stood on God's Word as a guide for his life. He did not waver between a "True" God and a "False" god. And ultimately, Elijah knew the power of prayer, but it did not come easily.

In the end, Elijah fell into a time of depression and fear, and he wanted to die. Have you ever felt like that? I cannot say I wanted to die, but I certainly wanted to run and hide and not come back. We all have experienced depression; it is a difficult thing to deal with. For some, depression can stem from deeper emotional, physical, and chemical problems, and those are serious issues that need to be addressed through a physician and/or counselors. But for many of us, depression originates out of a place of fear or a loss of "Hope." Elijah had lost all hope and he felt alone, and so, when his life was threatened by Jezebel, he ran and hid.

This weekend we are going to see how God helped Elijah through his depression and how we too can learn from Elijah in dealing with our own fears and depression. I hope you will join me as we work through this lesson and gain some insight for our lives.

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THIS AND THAT

Please resist that donut at home and instead, bring your appetite to the church this Sunday. We will be holding our Second Sunday breakfast this weekend in support of all our children and youth ministries. This Sunday the funds will go to Bright Beginnings for playground equipment. Thank you for your support and love for our faith community.

Ash Wednesday Service will be held on Wednesday, February 14, at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Please make every effort to be a part of this service as we begin the season of Lent leading us to Easter and the resurrection of our Lord and Savior. This is a time of reflection and reconciliation as we begin this journey over the next 40 days.

Thank you again for all your prayers, cards, notes, and words of encouragement. The funeral went well and my mother was well honored by her family and friends as a life well lived. We celebrate that her pain and confusion have been healed, and we take great comfort that she is in God's eternal kingdom with all those who have gone before her. Thank you for walking with me and Michele and our family on this journey.

Have a great weekend, and continue to make God the center of your life, so God and all your friends and family can say when your time has come; "Well done, my good and faithful servant."

Blessings,

Rev. David and Michele



Remember to stop by and sign the prayer cards on Sunday morning. Then if you would, take the time and write a personal note of encouragement to these persons as well. The Care Notes are available at the table on Sundays. Thanks for serving and caring together as the CRUMC family of faith.

Kathy Butler
Bill Farrell
Alan Jefferson



9:00 A.M.
Traditional Service

10:30 A.M.
Contemporary Service

2018 FEBRUARY						
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**ALL MEETINGS ARE PUBLIC
WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SPRC**

FRIDAY- February 9, 2018
Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
4:00 p.m. Finance Meeting (RM 16)
6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery (S)

SATURDAY- February 10, 2018
Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
11:00 a.m. UMW Valentine Lunch (S)

SUNDAY - February 11, 2018
9:00 a.m. Traditional Service (S)
9:15 a.m. Upper Room (M 8)
10:30 a.m. Contemporary (S)
10:30 a.m. Kennedy Disc. (RM 8)
6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 415 (T)

MONDAY - February 12, 2018
7:00 p.m. Bell Choir (S)

TUESDAY - February 13, 2018
9:00 a.m. Worship Design (RM 13)
6:00 p.m. Praise Team (S)
6:30 p.m. Cubs Pack 415 (T)

WEDNESDAY- February 14, 2018
Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
6:00 p.m. Youth Group (RM 20)
7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday (S)

THURSDAY - February 15, 2018
Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
9:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels (K)
6:00 p.m. Choir Practice (C)
6:00 p.m. Mini Farms

FRIDAY- February 16, 2018
Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store



Don't forget....
 This Sunday is our
 Second Sunday Breakfast
 from 8 AM - 10:30 AM.
 All proceeds this Sunday will
 benefit Bright Beginnings
 Preschool for
 Playground Equipment

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
 6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery (S)

SATURDAY- February 17, 2018
 Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store
 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

if you have a change or
 cancellation of a regularly
 scheduled meeting/Bible Study,
 please be sure to call the
 front office with your
 information so that our
 calendars remain current.
 Thank You!

Sanctuary- (S)
 Bethel Chapel- (BC)
 Choir Room- (C)
 Tabernacle- (T)
 Kitchen- (K)

Church
Office Hours

Mon. 9am - 3pm
 Tues. 9am - 3pm
 Wed. 9am - 12pm
 Thurs. 9am - 3pm
 Fri. 9am - 12pm



February 10



A S H
WEDNESDAY
SERVICE
FEBRUARY 14TH
@ 7:00 P.M.

Theodore Burridge
Debra Cleary

February 12
Jaidyn S. Nilson

February 15
Alva Young

February 16
James Copeland
Bob Kegan
JoAnn McDaniel
Jim Shiver

If we have missed your
Birthday, please contact the
Care Team at

careteam@crumc.com



Our Nomads returned on January
29th for three weeks.

If you would like to show your
appreciation for all that they do....

There are two days left next week A
sign up sheet for lunches is at the
connection point.

Thank you for all you do to support
our Nomads!!!



February 6

Patricia & Gerry
Schabbruch

February 10

Ron & Jenny Bass

February 14

Judy & Terry Leavitt

February 18

Justine & Jerry Carufel



**North Central District
Lay Servants Training Event
February 24th, 2018**

**Location:
FUMC of Spring Hill
9344 Spring Hill Drive
Spring Hill, FL 34608**

**Applications can be obtained
in the front office.**

If we have missed your anniversary, please contact the Care Team at

careteam@crumc.com



Stephen Ministry is an ongoing ministry to meet the needs of persons going through a crisis or in need of care.

Stephen Ministers provide one-on-one confidential Christian Care giving to those in need. To refer yourself or someone else, call Judy Leavitt @ 352-746-7716.

Stephen Ministers meet every fourth Thursday of each month for continuing education and supervision.



Hello Church Family,

Well, it's official! March 16 & 17 are the dates for "Steeple to Street Neighborhood Market and Fair". Those dates had already been set for the flea market when the church found out that the District Churches are all asked to participate in a new program called Steeple to Street. It is hoped that district churches will make an effort to connect with those out on the streets who are not churched, who are actively searching for God, those needing a home church, etc. which



***Do you love discussing
Scripture
and offering your
thoughts on it?***

Then we have the perfect class for you!

9:15 a.m.-Upper Room Jesus Fellowship (Room 8)

10:30 a.m.- Kennedy Discussion Class (Room 8)

We can't wait to see you there!

includes most all of us at one time or another. That date is to be March 17 so we felt that a market plus rides and games for families and sharing a meal could be just the ticket to show our extreme hospitality to all we meet. Mark the dates, gather your stuff to sell or donate for the thrift store to sell, and tell your friends and neighbors about the fun event. (Most importantly, pray for good weather!) Proceeds from booth rental and store booth that day will be used for better signage for the store. " After our tithe, that is."

Some of the activities include:
flea market
farmer's market
carnival games and activities
silent auction
food, food and food

More details will come later from a meeting on Tuesday, Feb 13 (YES!!! THAT IS NEXT WEEK) at 6:30 in the educational wing. Please know that the more good ideas and offers of help we have, the better face of God we can be to our neighbors in this venture so Come One and All with your suggestions.

And "hop" on in to the store where Easter has exploded. Lots of things are on sale and wonderful items come to us daily. The friendly smiling faces will be glad to see you, and you will be amazed at all the bargains.

Blessings to all,
Your Thrift Store Board

<https://www.facebook.com/Divinelyuniquehriftstore>



The Annual Bell Ringer appreciation breakfast will be February 16th @ 8AM at the Homosassa United Methodist Church



Our Congregational Care Team helps to connect people in the congregation through visitation, phone calls, emails, & correspondence.

If you have a need, please call the office @ 352-795-3148 or email careteam@crumc.com



Bright Beginnings Preschool

Infants through VPK
Hours are
6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Enrolling for VPK

Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Call 352-795-1240
Lic# C05C10049

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Join us every Friday night for Celebrate Recovery.

LIFEgroups

Please Contact The Church Office
for a Listing at 795-3148



Apply for the
UMW
Scholarship

CRUMW SCHOLARSHIP TIME

Members of the Crystal River Unit of United Methodist Women are so thankful to a faithful family for their generous gift to the scholarship fund in memory of Dana Froe, long time member and leader in our church. When we add this gift to the \$1200 we budgeted for scholarships in 2018, we will be better able to give more scholarships and/or increase the amount of each one.

We encourage our graduating seniors to apply for one of these scholarships by picking up an application in the church office, filling it out and returning it to the church office by April 2, 2018.

Any questions please phone Jill Jackson
563-1066 or cell **220-1765**

MORE UMW NEWS

CRUMW Unit met Tuesday, February 6th for

Dinner begins at 6 p.m.

Worship follows shortly
after at 7 p.m.
following with small
groups

All are welcome to
attend.

*Free child care is available -
please call the church office
to make arrangements!*

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Bright Beginnings
Learning Academy
is Accepting
Applications
for Kindergarten
and First Grade.
See Frank Pifer to
apply
or call 352/795-
1240

WE WILL NEVER
CHANGE THE WORLD
BY GOING TO CHURCH.
WE WILL ONLY
CHANGE THE WORLD
BY BEING THE CHURCH.

a luncheon/business meeting and program featuring Nature Coast Ministries' representatives presenting information about their free dental clinic for eligible patients, and about its new location.

They also asked us to consider making a contribution to their ministries. Anyone interested in donating should phone them at [352-563-1860](tel:352-563-1860); or to make an appointment phone [352-422-4327](tel:352-422-4327)

Any questions please phone Jill Jackson [563-1066](tel:563-1066) or cell [220-1765](tel:220-1765)

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