



Friends,

In the interest of full disclosure, let me bring you up to date as to where we are in discerning our two ministry plans.

**1) The Bright Beginnings Learning Academy Ministry:** We are adding First grade for the school year 2018-2019. We have an enrollment of 15 between the two classes. You are invited to an Open House on Thursday, August 9, from 4:00 until 6:00 pm. Both the Preschool and the Learning Academy will be open for parents to meet the teachers, and to become more familiar with the school and staff. The Trustees are forming a team to design a new master plan that will consider where a new building might be located for the Learning Academy when that time comes. In addition, this master plan will locate a modular building for the youth and the church offices to relocate in July of 2019. This will allow us to add the Second grade in the existing building for the school year 2019-2020. Then for the school year 2020-2021, we will add Third grade in the existing building. Over the next three years we will be planning and preparing for a permanent building for the school, church, youth, and office space. All of this is dependent on the success of the school through increasing enrollment, and securing a good reputation that parents can trust with educating their children. If we are not ready for a permanent building, then we will need to bring on campus another modular building in the summer of 2021 for adding Fourth and Fifth grade. This will then allow us additional time for the development of the Learning Academy, and for additional time before we would begin construction on a new building. The new building has to be able to be constructed and paid for by the Learning Academy. This ministry has to be able to sustain itself without the church footing the expense. The modular buildings will be paid for by the school as an example of how we will move forward with the planned timeline. We need two things: 1) Prayer, without prayer and God's will and your help, we will go nowhere. 2) Help on the master planning team. Call the front office and let us know if you can help.

**2) The RV Park Ministry:** The RV Feasibility Team has hired a consultant with the gift money that was given for this purpose. No funds have come out of the operating budget of the church; we do not have the money, as you are very well aware. This study, when finished, will give us a feasibility evaluation, a business plan as to how we would proceed if feasible, and a master site plan. If the

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**9:00 A.M.**  
**Traditional Service**

**10:30 A.M.**  
**Contemporary Service**

church approves the ministry plan, the next step would be to set up a separate 501C corporation, establish a leadership team, seek funding, secure approval from the county, and then build the project. This is a 2-3 year process in making all this happen. When we get the study back, and after the team has digested the results, we will have a Town Hall gathering to present the study to you. Again we need two things: 1) Prayer for this vision and for the possibilities this ministry could bring to CRUMC. 2) We need your help. If you have an interest in being on this team, please call the front office.

If you have further questions, see me and or ask one of our Trustees, and we will be happy to answer your questions. I would again emphasize to the CRUMC family that both of these ministry plans are both being designed to be self-sustaining, and to be able to offer resources that can help the long term health of CRUMC as a faith community. All of this has to be covered in prayer and a step of faith. If not, we are wasting our time.

### WEEKEND WORSHIP

Last weekend we touched on the third part of our series, "Miracles Happen When Pigs Fly." We looked at the Miracle of Protection. I hope you came away knowing **1) That before you face a problem, God already has a plan to oversee your life.** What we need to remember is that God goes before us, and that through prayer, God has already been where we are going, and he already has a plan to watch over us. **2) Sometimes God's eternal purpose does not line up with our temporary plans.** You see, God's plan may not include keeping us on this side of eternity, yet we know when that time comes, we are still protected by God's eternal salvation as we enter into his heavenly kingdom. So in essence, God's protection extends over us whether we are here on earth or in heaven. Life is temporary and God's miracle of protection is seen in all of our lives every day. God invites us to ask for his miracle of protection every day, because nothing begins to happen until we begin to pray. God wants you to participate with Him in seeking the miracle of protection for your life and for the life of others, because God is a God of Protection, both now and forever.

This weekend we will conclude with "**The Miracle of Provision.**" God provides for our needs and not our wants, and too often our wants overcome our needs, and then we blame God when we don't get what we want. What I want us to see this weekend is that, in every story of need, there is a Miracle of Provision. When God guides, he will provide and when he provides, God will multiply the gifts that are given. This means you and I again are called to participate with God in this Miracle of Provision. Hope you will join me on this 5th Sunday of July as we conclude this sermon series.

Next Weekend we will begin a new five-part sermon series entitled, "**The Courage To Stand.**" We will look at the life of Daniel and see how he stood before the king and how he kept his faith and principles to follow God first and foremost. An appropriate topic considering the pull we all experience today as to where we place God in our lives. Invite your friends and family to join you on this new journey. Here is the link to the promo video. [crumc.com](http://crumc.com) Share it on your social network. Look forward to seeing you this weekend.

Keep all of the above in prayer as we seek God's will, asking that our desires align with His will. Have a great weekend and be safe as you seek God's Protection.

Blessings,

Pastor David

## JULY 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat

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

### FRIDAY- July 27, 2018

Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store  
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery (S)

### SATURDAY- July 28, 2018

Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store  
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

### SUNDAY - July 29, 2018

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service (S)  
9:15 a.m. Upper Room (RM 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 - July 30, 2018

### TUESDAY - July 31, 2018

9:30 a.m. Worship Design (C)  
4:00 p.m. Finance Meeting (RM 16)  
6:00 p.m. Praise Team (S)

### WEDNESDAY- August 1, 2018

Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store  
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
10:00 a.m. Bereavement Class (S)  
6:00 p.m. Youth Group (RM 20)

### THURSDAY - August 2, 2018

Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store  
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
9:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels (K)

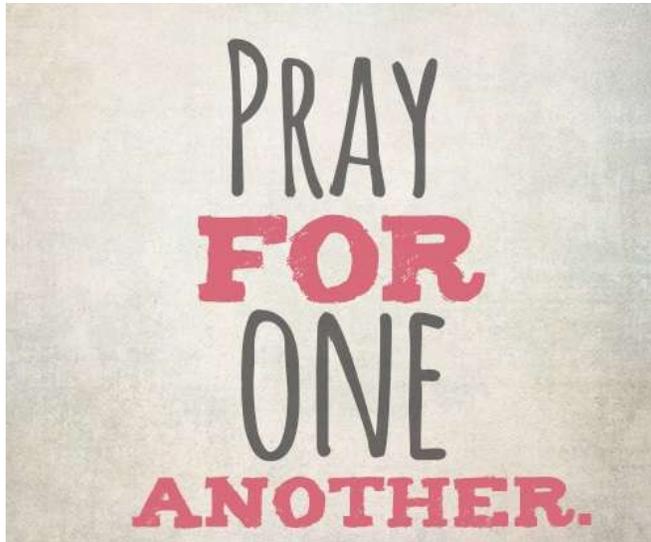
### FRIDAY- August 3, 2018

Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store  
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
6:00 p.m. Celebrate Recovery (S)

### SATURDAY- August 4, 2018

Divinely Unique Thrift & Gift Store  
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
9:00 a.m. Our Father's Table  
(St. Anne's)

**if you have a change or  
cancellation of a regularly  
scheduled meeting/Bible Study,  
please be sure to call the**



Remember to stop by and sign the prayer cards on Sunday morning. Then if you would, take the time to 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.

Robert Pellin

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)



MON - THURS  
9 A.M. - 12 P.M.  
Closed Fridays



Bereavement Classes on how to deal with grief will be held on Wednesdays from 10 - 11:30 A.M. in the Sanctuary  
Sponsored by Hospice



July 28

Pat DeVane

July 30

Sara Winston



Bright Beginnings Learning Academy  
is Accepting Applications  
for Kindergarten and First Grade.  
To apply call 352/795-1240



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

Now enrolling for VPK 2018/2019 School Year  
VPK Hours

Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
with wrap care available

Call 352-795-1240  
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**July 31**

Kourtney Camp

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

[careteam@crumc.com](mailto:careteam@crumc.com)



**July 1**

Jerry & Barbara Miller

**July 2**

Richard & Susan Yerton

**July 6**

Chuck & Karen Thomas

**July 8**

Richard & Janet Yant

**July 11**

Ronnie & Paula Schmitt

**July 13**

Russ & Jo Steele

**July 16**

Ed & Marno Fagala

**July 24**

Mike & Donnie Brown

**July 28**

# Divinely Unique Thrift Store



5015 N. Citrus Ave • Crystal River, FL 34428

(352) 436-2221

Wed thru Fri 9 - 4

Saturday 9 - 2

Answering God's call  
to serve others

*A Ministry of Crystal River United Methodist Church*

Dear Church Family,

As promised, I have some numbers for you this week. First, there were 99 volunteer hours given to the thrift store last week and 15 paid hours. That was a very typical week. It truly does take a village to make this operation happen. I cherish the folks whom we have met and with whom we work, watching them use their gifts for God in this way.

AND,,, there were 51 volunteer hours and 6 paid hours (to a younger, taller, stronger fellow) at work day last Monday. We cleaned up and down, moved things to squeeze a little more space into the store, we sorted and bagged and made great strides in organization. AND, we did the normal processing of goods that goes on nearly every Monday. What a team!!! Our thanks to all who came in extra hours to help get the never-ending cleaning done. And here is another of our very valuable persons who cares about what we do.

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Hi. My name is Gayle Vascukynas. I moved to Crystal River in October of 2015 with my husband Michael from the Adirondack Mountains in upstate New York.

I'm originally from the Rochester, NY area, where I worked at Xerox Corp for 15 1/2 years. I met Mike in 1981 and we got married August 3, 1985. We decided to move to the Adirondack Mountains to open a photography business, which was a very successful business selling cameras and processing film until the digital age came along, so we retired in 2009 after 24 years in business.

Charlie & Jill Jackson

July 29

James & Crystal Jefferson  
Jr.

July 31

Robert & Tonya Briggs

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

[careteam@crumc.com](mailto:careteam@crumc.com)



LIFEGROUPS

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



Join us every Friday night  
for Celebrate Recovery.

Dinner begins at 6 p.m.

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

After retiring, I volunteered at our hospital's gift shop in Saranac Lake for 2 years, then worked at a convenience store for 3 1/2 years. I just love to keep busy.

Mike asked me one evening in the winter of 2015 what I thought about moving to Florida to live. The winters in NY were getting a little hard to deal with. It was a little hard at first to think about moving again after being in the Adirondack Mountains for 30 years, but we sold our home in NY and moved to Crystal River. So here we are 2 1/2 years later and couldn't be happier. We love the area and making new friends. We still hear from our friends and family we left behind, but now they come here to see us in Florida.

One Saturday in March, 2017, I stopped into the thrift store to look around and asked the ladies at the counter if they ever needed help there, that I would like to volunteer one or two days a week or fill in for someone else. (She has done all of the above for us) It has been a year and a half now since I started. I really enjoy working with all the volunteers, and being able to help Crystal River United Methodist Church and all that they do to help people and their missions.

I enjoy travelling, mostly cruising the Caribbean Islands, gardening, cooking and keeping busy.

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We have loved getting to know Gayle. She steps up every time she is able when called on in any pinch of manpower and is a bright shining face, usually at the register. She is a lead and can and does do all asked of her. I'd say to come in and meet her, but you never know when she'll be there! She is a lead on Wednesday afternoons and lots of other random times. Please introduce yourself and thank her and all the other folks there for such a fine job. It is truly a very Divinely Unique store.

Don't forget to take a sticky off the wall at the Giving Tree in the sanctuary to help clothe the little ones for school. New socks and underwear still please me and I remember how special it felt as a child. Thank you to all you who have filled 2 tubs already and for those still working on their donations.

So, once again, it's our wish that you all be blessed this week, that we see you all in worship, that you might consider helping out at the store or any number of other ministries here, that you spread the word about how great it is to be part of the ministries of CRUMC.

In God's service,  
Pattie and the servant-leaders of Divinely Unique

**"Stuff the Bucket"**

To honor our teachers this year CRUMC is  
"Stuffing The Bucket"

Each week through August 5th we will be collecting

All are welcome to attend.

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

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**CONGREGATIONAL  
CARE**

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](mailto:careteam@crumc.com)



**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

specific supplies to stuff a bucket for approximately  
90 Crystal River Primary School Teachers  
then on August 5th bring a dessert and Join us for a  
"Stuff the Bucket" Dessert Social  
@ 4 P.M. in the Sanctuary

7/15 Kleenex... Kleenex and more Kleenex

7/22 8 Pack of Crayola Markers and 1 package of Colored  
Pencils

7/29 Package of Glue Sticks, 2 - 4oz Bottles of Glue and  
a pack of #2 Pencils

8/05 4 Pack of Black, Low Odor, Expo Dry Erase Markers  
and a 24 Pack of Crayola Crayons

August 5th Stuff the Bucket Dessert Social  
@ 4:00 in the Sanctuary

"Stuff the Bucket"



July 29th

Package of Glue Sticks,  
2 - 4oz Bottles of Glue  
and a pack of #2 Pencils

Discussion Class (Room 8)

*We can't wait to see you  
there!*



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.

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

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