Port Charlotte United Methodist Church
KNOW Christ. GROW to love Christ. GO to serve Christ.

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PCUMC MINISTRY DIRECTORY

Acts of Faith (flags, puppets, dance)
Meet every other week at 11:15 to practice Flags and Puppets to perform for events. Contact: Barbara Hald, (941) 625-4356, children@pcumc.info.

Audio/Visual Team
Contact: Pastor Craig, 941-625-4356

Bell Choir – Wesley Ringers
PCUMC is privileged to have several octaves of Schulmerich handbells and willing hands to ring them. The Wesley Ringers meet weekly on Wednesday mornings for practice and play one Sunday per month, generally October through May, under the direction of Fred Wagner and the organizational skills of Barbara Deaton. New ringers are always welcome. Experience with handbells is not required; some ability to read music is a great asset. Contact: Fred Wagner (941) 347-7191

Bulletin Team
Many hands make light work! Join us on Friday mornings as we assemble our Sunday worship bulletins, monthly newsletters and enjoy fellowship with one another. Every Friday beginning at 8:30am in the Conference Room. Contact: Katherine in the Church Office 625-4356, katherinelwarden@gmail.com.

Board of Trustees
Manage, protect and repair the property of the church. We meet the second Monday of the month unless the first Monday is a holiday, then everyone is moved up a week.

Bread Pick-up Ministry
A simple way to help others is to pick up bread and pastries from Publix grocery and deliver these to the Homeless Coalition or to Trinity UMC for their lunch program. We need drivers for five days per week (Monday —Friday) to drive to the Publix on State Road 776 before 7:00 A.M. and deliver the goods to the Homeless Coalition or to Trinity UMC. Contact Chris Burr to join this ministry 941-764-1866.

Chancel Choir
Choral music has been a staple of the worship life of the Christian church for centuries and PCUMC is proud to continue in this strong tradition. Our Chancel Choir meets weekly on Wednesday evenings and sings for services every Sunday throughout the choral season (September through Trinity Sunday, generally late May or early June). New members are always welcome; the ability to read music is a great help, but not a requirement; being able to sing on pitch is essential. Please contact our director of music, David deSilva, for more information (ddesilva@ashland.edu; 941-764-6047).
**Children’s Ministry**
Oversees all activities for 5th grade and under. Teaching a biblical way of life while following our to Know Grow and Go. Our goal is to do this in a safe but fun way. Contact: Barbara Hald, (941) 625-4356, pcyouth@pcumc.info.

**Children’s Summer Lunch Program**
The Children’s Summer Lunch Program provides lunches during school summer vacation to children staying at the Homeless Coalition, Boys and Girls Club summer school program, Trinity assistance, and in schools holding summer school. This program does not have a specific dollar amount in the Salty Service budget. We are fortunate to have Wendy’s as a donor as well as other area churches and our congregation members. The Wendy’s coupons will be available at the Welcome Center throughout the year. Our church receives 15% of each sale for the “Children’s Summer Lunch Program.” Volunteers are needed for using the coupons at Wendy’s, letter writing to help raise funds as well as preparing the lunches and then delivering them. Contact: Linda Bailey (941) 629-3524.

**Children’s Sunday School**
Sundays from 9:30 to 10:30, two separate classes teach K-2nd grade and 3rd thru 5th grades. Children learn to use Bibles, memorize scripture and enjoy the word of God together. Contact: Barbara Hald, Director of Student Ministries, (941) 625-4356, pcyouth@pcumc.info.

**Children’s Weekday Ministries**
We are blessed to be called to this ministry and involved in the lives of the families that enter our doors. We offer preschool classes: 2 day (TTH) from 9-12, 3 day (MWF) from 9-12 and VPK classes: M-F from 9-12 and MWF from 9-2. We also have an after-school program. Our buses pick up children at area elementary schools and bring them here for activities and supervision until 6 pm. Contact: Paula Mann, Director (941) 625-4356, pcumcschool@gmail.com.

**Church Council**
Meets: 3rd Monday at 5:30pm Contact: Pastor Craig (941) 625-4356

**Clap, Tap & Jingle (CTJ)**
Our CTJ meets on Mondays & Tuesdays (during the weeks that Charlotte County is in school) from 9:30-10. This is a great time for parents, grandparents, and baby sitters to bring their child for a free time of music & movement. We love to sing & dance. After CTJ there is a snack time and an opportunity to visit the playground or stay for story time. Contact: Paula Mann, Director (941) 625-4356, pcumcschool@gmail.com.

**Chapel**
On Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9:30-10am, we bring our preschool students to the sanctuary for chapel. This is a great time to sing praises to Jesus, learn our monthly Bible verse in sign language, and to hear stories about Jesus and how He
wants us to live. Contact: Paula Mann, Director (941) 625-4356, pcumcschool@gmail.com.

**Community Christmas Dinner**  
We have hosted a free, community dinner each year since 1988. Volunteers are needed in all areas to make the dinner a success.  
Contact: Chris Burr (941) 764-1866

**Connection Ministry**  
The goal of The Connection Ministry is to insure that first-time visitors, regular/seasonal visitors and PCUMC members are greeted properly when they attend our worship services. The Connection Ministry will follow up on the information received from the registration pads and the PINK LET'S CONNECT cards found in the pews. The CONNECT CARDS will enable us to encourage visitors to become active in our church ministries and consider making PCUMC their church home. Members may also use the cards to connect with church functions. The Connection Ministry also offers the monthly New Member Class. If you would like to get involved in Connection Ministry as a pre-worship greeter or an usher at one of our worship services, please fill out a CONNECT card and drop it in the offering plate.

**Crocheting Group**  
Contact: "D" Fletcher (941) 623-0642

**Children’s Weekday Ministry Board**  
Meets the 3rd Thurs., 5:30pm in the Conference Room. Contact: Paula Mann

**DISCIPLE Bible Study Classes**  
Offered several times/year. Contact: Marlene Young 941-627-4783

**Emmaus**  
The Walk to Emmaus is available to both men and women who would like to enhance their life with God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. The program is beautifully designed to enrich our lives and help us to help others. It is a great tool to develop us into leaders and, at the same time, show how much we can effectively work in our church. Contact: Paul Smith (941)764-8895

**Emmaus (Men’s) Reunion Group:**  
This is a group of men that have taken the "Walk to Emmaus" and we meet every Wednesday at 8:00am at Chick-Fil-A on Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte. If you have taken the "Walk" and are looking for a reunion group please join us.  
Contact: Paul Smith (941)764-8895

**Emmaus (Women’s) Reunion Group - “Hooked on Jesus”**  
After making the Walk to Emmaus, women share fellowship about how their Christian walk progresses. We share experiences of God’s presence and love, living as disciples, practicing spiritual disciplines, and special prayer concerns. We support continuing Walks with agape gifts and sponsoring pilgrims. All women
who have made the Walk in any place are welcome to join us. We meet weekly on Mondays at 1:00pm at the home of Doris Hixson. Call 941-235-3556 for directions.

**Finance Committee**  
Meets: 2nd Monday, 5:30pm  
Contact: Gary McCullough (931) 446-8487.

**Financial Aid**  
The first Sunday of each month is our Communion Fund offering. The donations allow us to help those in need in our church and community to meet gas and electric bills and other needs. One doesn’t realize how many folks actually sleep in their car, until you hear their stories on Thursday afternoons. A gas voucher given to someone to look for a job could turn him into a contributing member of the community again. Volunteers are needed to administer the program as well as simply talking to the folks who come for help. Contact: Chris Burr (941) 764-1866

**G.E.M.S. Girls' Club (grades 1-6)**  
(Girls everywhere meeting the Savior). Girls pre-k through 8th grade. Meets on Thursdays at 6:15 to 7:30pm. Girls study the scripture through devotions, work to earn different badges based on the scripture, and fellowship with each other. Contact: Barbara Hald, (941) 625-4356, pcyouth@pcumc.info.

**GriefShare (13-week sessions)**  
GriefShare is a grief recovery support group where you can find help and healing for the hurt of losing a loved one. Participants do not need to be part of PCUMC to attend GriefShare. Sessions are 13 weeks in length, and a participant can join at any time. Meeting on Wednesday afternoons from 1-3pm. More information on the GriefShare program can be found at www.griefshare.org. For more information, contact: Doris Hixson (941) 235-3556, orindad@comcast.net

**Health Ministry**  
The United Methodist Church recognizes that the physical health of the individual is linked to their spiritual and mental well being. Thus the health ministry focuses on wellness including healthy lifestyle, education and prevention. A member will not necessarily be someone who practices in the area of health care. Anyone who is passionate about the health of the community can be an effective member of the ministry. The Health Ministry committee meets every two months. Contact: Jane Flanders 941-889-7557.

**Hospitality**  
The purpose of the Hospitality Committee is to take responsibility for a warm and friendly welcome to church visitors as well as our members. We have coffee and cookies between the 8:00 and 9:30 services. This is a good time to have fellowship and greet our new members. We also provide assistance at wedding and funeral receptions. Contact: Deb Valler (941) 391-6588.

**KAIROS**  
Kairos is a men's prison ministry which has been active in this church for many
years. We actually go behind the prison walls and minister to the inmates. Some of the same teachings that we experience in the Emmaus Walk are used in the Kairos movement. As congregation members you help provide lunch for the inmates twice a year during a week-end of evangelism meetings for the inmates. Contact: Chris Burr (941) 764-1866 or Paul Smith (941)764-8895

**Kids’ Worship**
Sundays at 11:15 following Children’s Moment in the 11o’clock service. Fun time of worshipping with themed sermons, music, games and activities. Contact: Barbara Hald, Director of Student Ministries, (941) 625-4356, pcyouth@pcumc.info.

**Landscape Team**
Contact: Church Office (941) 625-4356

**LAY LEADERSHIP**
All Lay Leadership Positions are appointed by the Lay Leadership Committee, and approved by the Church Charge Conference, for a term not to exceed 3 years. Contact: Pastor Craig (941) 625-4356

**Church Council**
Responsibilities include:
1. Plan, implement, and evaluate current and future programs of PCUMC to align with our Mission/Vision/Purpose of KNOW, GROW, and GO.
2. Provide an administrative infrastructure.
3. Function as church’s ongoing administrative agency in issues requiring leadership for the church conference per UMC book of Discipline.

**Lay Leaders/s**
Responsibilities include:
1. Serving in partnership with the pastor and staff to plan, implement, and evaluate current and future programs of PCUMC.
2. Serves as a connection between committees.
3. Serves the congregation, and intercedes on the congregation’s behalf with all the local church’s mission and ministry teams.

**Finance Committee**
Responsibilities include:
1. Provide financial direction
2. Provide the program and operating budget
3. Provide financial communications
4. Provide for financial reports and substantiation

**Board of Trustees**
Oversee, maintain, and supervise all local church property and equipment.

**Staff-Parish Relations Committee**
Responsibilities Include:
1. Explain the nature and function of ministry to the staff and the congregation.
2. Confer with the congregation and the staff/pastor about ministry direction.
3. Assess the ministry of the congregation and the staff/pastor at least annually.

Men’s Ministry Coordinator
1. Invite and initiate spiritual growth opportunities for all men of the church.
2. Assist other ministries of the church with support through labor and assets.
3. Focus is not inward, concentrating only on those who attend a set meeting, but outward to all men, assisting them to engage in the process of spiritual growth.

Nursery and Child Care
Available on Sundays 7:45 to 12:15 and on Wednesdays from 6 to 7:30. We provide a safe and loving environment while reading books and teaching songs to children. Contact: Barbara Hald, Director Student Ministries, (941) 625-4356, pcyouth@pcumc.info.

Pastoral Care Team
The Pastoral Care Team are members of our congregation who devote numerous hours calling on patients in the hospital and in some cases rehab facilities. We work in conjunction with the Pastor. This is a very rewarding experience to visit with people who have been injured, sick or just need a friendly face to speak with. If you are interested, please call. Contact: Terry Hixson 941-235-3556 (home) or 941-661-3103 (Cell)

Prayer Chain  Doris Hixson 941-235-3556 / orindad@comcast.net.

Salty Service (Missions) Team
In our PCUMC there are five Mission Vital sign ministries. Salty Service is one of the five. Salty Service meets on the 3rd Monday of each month. Our work is reported back to the Church Council on the 1st Monday of the month. The name Salty Service comes from Matthew 5:13 where Jesus teaches about salt and light. Meets on the 3rd Monday, 7:00pm. Contact: Chris Burr (941) 764-1866

Secret Sisters
The Secret Sisters are a group of women that anonymously give a card and or gift $5.00 or under to an assigned Sister. The Secret Sisters ministry is open to all women of the church. All we ask is that you honor your Secret Sister on her birthday, and seven holidays that are listed on the application. The bible verse that expresses our mission is Galatians 5:6B “The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.” Contact: Sharon Bencivengo 941-743-5075.

Small Repairs Team  Contact: Church Office (941) 625-4356
**Stephen Ministry**

Stephen Ministers are members of the congregation who listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support to people who are facing a crisis or going through tough times. They have received special training to provide one-on-one Christian care for people in our congregation and community who are experiencing: grief, loneliness, divorce, hospitalization, disability, job loss and many other life difficulties. Active Stephen Ministers meet the first and third Friday of each month at 9:30am in the New Room for continuing education and peer supervision. To learn how to become, or receive care from, a Stephen Minister, contact Pastor Craig 625-4356 or any of the following Stephen Ministry Leaders: Pat and Dean Winston 661-8825, Sue Edmiston 629-4082, or June Richards 255-5273.

**Sunday Hospitality Team**

**Greeters:** Our Greeters are an integral part of a newcomer’s worship experience. From the moment a first-time guest pulls into our parking lot, until they enter the doors of the sanctuary, our Greeters welcome, engage, and inform each and every person. Contact: Deb Valler (941) 391-6588.

**Welcome Center:** Our Welcome Center Ministry Volunteers answer questions, assist with sign-ups, escort people to areas, and show God’s love to all. Contact: Deb Valler (941) 391-6588.

**Ushers:** A church usher is a person who helps ensure a smoothly running church service and who ministers to people in a variety of practical ways.

**Sunshine Ministry**

Visit the homebound or those confined to care facilities once a month using your spiritual gift. Group meets quarterly in the New Room at 9:00AM the second Wednesday of the month. Contact the church office 625-4356 or info@pcumc.info.

**Trinity Methodist Church**

Also known as our sister church. We provide food every-other-week for them for their Wednesday assistance program. There is also a donation cart next to the welcome center to assist with their program. Volunteers are always needed on Wednesday and other times picking up food donations. Contact: Chris Burr (941) 764-1866

**United Methodist Men Pancake Breakfasts**

1st Saturday, 7-10:30am in Fellowship Hall (October - May)
Contact: Sid White (941) 979-0250 or Rick McCullough

**United Methodist Men Board Meetings**

2nd Wed., 3:00pm Contact: Sid White (941) 979-0250 or Rick McCullough

**United Methodist Women**

Meeting the 2nd Thursday at 6:30pm in the New Room. All women over 18 are invited!
**Ushers & Greeters**  
Contact the church office 625-4356

**Wonderful Wednesdays**  
Dinner (5-5:45pm) and Bible Study (5:45-6:15pm) led by Pastor Craig.  
Contact: Chris Burr (941) 764-1866

**Wonderful Wednesdays Children's Class**  
PBNJ's (Port Believers n Jesus) meet in the Port for fun activities.  
Contact: Barbara Hald, (941) 625-4356, pcyouth@pcumc.info.

**Wednesday Night Youth Leader**  
5:30 - 8:30 pm Volunteers can come every week or on a rotation such as every other week or once every three weeks. Contact: Barbara Hald (941) 625-4356

**Women’s Bible Studies**  
Tues., 9:30am, 1:30pm & 6:30pm Meeting various times throughout the year.  
Contact: "D" Fletcher (941) 623-0642

**Women’s Ministry Coordinator**  
Responsibilities Include:  
1. To know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ.  
2. To develop a creative supportive fellowship.  
3. To expand concepts of Salty Service through participation in PCUMC's ongoing mission partnerships.

**Women’s Circles**  
Contact: Church office (941) 625-4356

**WORSHIP**

**Worship Committee**  
The worship committee is made up of clergy and laity, who meet to plan all things pertaining to the worship experience. Oversees many of the details involving our regular worship services, and special events. The ministry is made up of both lay persons and staff, along with short-term volunteers. We work to create a passionate worship experience in glorifying our Lord and Savior in all aspects of our services. We welcome comments and suggestions from our congregation. If you are interested in serving on this committee, or have comments, please contact “D” Fletcher 941-623-0642.

**Worship Team (9:30 Service)**  
Seeks to draw the congregation into God’s the presence through their musical gifts. Individuals with vocal and instrumental skills are invited to sign-up and/or speak with Chris Corridino about a place on the team. Contact: Deno (941) 467-6007.
**Tech Team**

**Audio:** Our sound technicians are responsible for sound assistance. We are charged to make sure that everyone can hear what is being said, sung, or being played in our worship services.

**Video:** Our Video team is responsible for what is seen on the projection screens in services. Our goal is that every word sung, and spoken, reinforces what the congregation hears.

**Lighting:** Lighting operators control the house and stage lighting. They help control the focus of each element during the service, drama, or musical.

**Production:** We are just beginning to use cameras and a system set up for recording services to video and for playback of special video illustrations or presentations to enhance our ministries.

If God moves you in any of these areas, we want you to join our Tech Ministry. We will gladly help train you in whatever area you are interested in.
Contact: Pastor Craig (941) 286-1493

**Youth (6th-12th grades)**

“The Port Youth” is our ministry geared toward middle and high school students. We meet for Youth Group on Wednesday nights from 6:00-8:15 pm in the youth room. We also meet on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 am for Sunday school. The Port Youth is an active ministry dedicated to helping our youth grow closer to Jesus. Our volunteer opportunities include: (all volunteers must apply to work with the youth and complete a background check)
Contact: Barbara Hald (941) 625-4356

**Youth Sunday School Teacher:**

9:15 - 10:30am Sunday mornings (Currently our Sunday school teachers are on a 3 week rotation or teach 1 week and off for 2 weeks)
Other opportunities include: Drivers for special events or snack provider for special events. Contact: Barbara Hald (941) 625-4356
OTHER GROUPS

Alzheimers’ Support Group
3rd Thurs., 3:00pm Contact: Church Office (941) 625-4356

Girl Scouts
Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30pm Contact: Doria Malenzi (941) 626-3745

Boy Scouts
Tuesdays, 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall Contact: Tom Koontz (941) 624-4223

Exercise Class
M-W-F 9:00am in Fellowship Hall Contact: Joanne Salk (941) 624-3965

Alcoholics Anonymous
2 groups: Mondays 5:30pm & 8pm; Thursdays 5:30pm
Join us on Sundays
Traditional Worship at 8 & 11
Contemporary 9:30am

Wednesday Nights
Dinner: 5-6:00pm (Sept - April)
Bible Study during dinner in Fellowship Hall
Children’s Ministry: 6-7:30pm
Youth: 6-8:15pm
Choir 6:15pm

Church Office and Ministry Staff

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