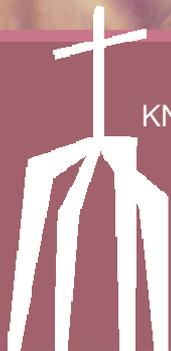


MINISTRY DIRECTORY

KNOW. GROW. GO.



Port Charlotte United Methodist Church
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PCUMC MINISTRY DIRECTORY

Acts of Faith (Puppets, Flags, Children's Choir)

A ministry of movement and fun for children, participating periodically in our worship services and other settings. Contact: Marie Bailey (941) 769-0590

Audio/Visual Team (see under "Worship")

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. New ringers are always welcome. Experience with handbells is not required; some ability to read music is a great asset. Contact: Suzy Scheidecker (suzshy@gmail.com) or Barbara Deaton (941-625-7680).

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 (see under "Lay Leadership")

Bread 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 Monday through 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

We coordinate a variety of activities for children 5th grade and under, teaching a biblical way of life with a view to fulfilling our mission Know, Grow, and Go. Our goal is to do this in a safe but fun way. Contact: Marie Bailey, (941) 625-4356, children@pcumc.info.

Children's Summer Lunch Program

This ministry provides lunches during school summer vacation to children staying at the Homeless Coalition, involved in the Boys and Girls Club summer school program, Trinity assistance, and in schools holding summer school. This program works from contributions over and above the Salty Service budget.

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: Marie Bailey, (941) 625-4356, children@pcumc.info.

Children's Weekday Ministries

We are blessed to be involved in the lives of the families that enter our doors, providing a safe and stimulating environment for pre-school children. We offer a variety of preschool classes: A 2-day (TTH) program from 9-12, a 3-day (MWF) program 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.

On Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9:30-10am, we bring our preschool students to the sanctuary for chapel 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.

Our board meets the 3rd Thurs., 5:30pm in the Conference Room.

Contact: Paula Mann, Director (941) 625-4356, pcumcschool@gmail.com.

Church Council (see under "Lay Leadership")

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.

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.

DISCIPLE Bible Study Classes

The DISCIPLE Bible Study program (DISCIPLE I through DISCIPLE IV, plus "Jesus and the Gospels") developed by the United Methodist Publishing House has been a mainstay of deepening parishioners' engagement with the Scriptures for decades. The various programs are offered several times per year as a critical mass of students emerges. Contact: Marlene Young 941-627-4783.

DOVES Girls' Group (Developing Our Values, Elevating Self-esteem)

All kindergarten through 12th grade girls are invited to join this group that meets Fridays from 6-8pm. Our motto is from Phil 4:18 "Whatsoever is true, honest, just and pure, think on these things." Contact Marie Bailey 769-0590.

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:

"Graduates" of the Walk to Emmaus are welcome to meet with us for continued sharing about, and support along, our journey of discipleship. We gather every Wednesday at 8:00am at Chick-Fil-A on Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte. 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 (see under "Lay Leadership")

Financial Aid

We take a special offering on the first Sunday of each month (our Communion Fund offering) to raise money that allows us to help those in need in our church and community, chiefly supplying assistance with gas vouchers, paying electric bills, and other such needs. One doesn't realize how many folks actually sleep in their car, until you hear their stories on Thursday afternoons. Volunteers are needed to administer the program as well as simply to talk with the folks who come for help. Contact: Chris Burr (941) 764-1866.

Health Ministry

The United Methodist Church recognizes that the physical health of individuals 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 Trammell 941-743-7336.

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.

Kids' Worship

Sundays at 11:15 following Children's Moment in the 11:00 a.m. service. We provide a fun time of worshipping with thematic sermons, music, games and activities. Contact: Marie Bailey, Director of Children's Ministry, (941) 769-0590, children@pcumc.info.

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. If you are interested in serving on, or chairing, any of our committees, please contact: Pastor David (941) 625-4356. A current list of all committee chairs and members, as well as other positions of lay leadership, is available from the church office.

A. 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.

B. 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.

C. Finance Committee

Meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 5:30pm (contact: Gary McCullough, 931-446-8487). The committee's responsibilities include:

1. Provide financial direction
2. Provide the program and operating budget
3. Provide financial communications
4. Provide for financial reports and substantiation

D. Board of Trustees

Manages, protects, and repairs the property of the church. We meet the second Monday of the month quarterly.

E. 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.

F. 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.

G. Women’s Ministry Coordinator

This officer assists in the formation of a community of women whose purposes are:

- 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.

H. Worship Committee (see under “Worship”)

Nursery and Child Care

We provide a safe and loving environment during Sunday morning services and other regular activities of the church throughout the week, reading books and teaching songs to children. Contact: Barbara Hald, Director of Student Ministries, (941) 625-4356, pcyouth@pcumc.info.

Pastoral Care Team

The Pastoral Care Team is made up on members of our congregation who devote numerous hours calling on patients in the hospital and in some cases rehabilitation 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 in joining this essential ministry, please contact: Terry Hixson 941-235-3556 (home) or 941-661-3103 (Cell).

Prayer Chain

Prayer requests shared in our Sunday morning services and added throughout the week are shared with our team of intercessors, who hold these persons and their situations in prayer before the Lord throughout the week. Contact: Doris Hixson 941-235-3556; orindad@comcast.net.

Salty Service (Missions) Team

“Salty Service” is one of the five areas of vital mission for churches identified by the Florida Conference of the UMC. The name recalls Matthew 5:13, where Jesus teaches his disciples to be salt and light to the world. The Salty Service Team coordinates a wide variety of outreach and relief ministries, meeting at 7 p.m. on the 3rd Monday of each month. Our work is reported back to the Church Council. 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 on seven holidays that are listed on the application. The bible verse that expresses our mission is Galatians 5:6: “The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.” Contact: Sharon Bencivengo 941-743-5075.

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 on 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 David 625-4356 or any of the following Stephen Ministry Leaders: Pat and Dean Winston 661-8825, Sue Edmiston 629-4082.

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. Contact: Dwain Yanni (941) 276-6769.

Sunshine Ministry

Members of this ministry visit the homebound or those confined to care facilities once a month to share the love of Christ and support of God's family. The group meets quarterly in the New Room at 9:00 a.m. on the second Wednesday of the month. Contact the church office 625-4356 or info@pcumc.info.

Trinity Methodist Church

We support the outreach ministries of Trinity United Methodist Mission Church in Charlotte Harbor. We provide food every-other-week for them for the 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!

Wednesday Night Together

The church offers a low-cost but delicious dinner (5-5:45pm). This is followed by a short Bible Study (5:45-6:15pm) led by Pastor David. We are always in need of volunteers to help set up, serve, clean, and connect with our guests. Contact: Chris Burr (941) 764-1866.

Wednesday Children's Class

6-8pm; PBnJ's (Port Believers n Jesus) meet in the Port for fun bible lessons, games and crafts. Contact: Marie Bailey, (941) 769-0590, children@pcumc.info.

Wednesday Night Youth Group (see also under "Youth Group" for volunteer information)

We meet Wednesday evenings from 6-8pm to provide a safe environment for the youth of our church and our community to learn about the difference Christ can make in their lives and to enjoy friendship and fun. Contact: Barbara Hald (941) 625-4356.

Women's Bible Studies

We meet on Tuesdays (different groups meet at different times: 9:30am, 1:30pm & 6:30pm) to study Scripture and the Christian Life, particularly with a view to growing in discipleship and service as Christian *women*. The groups run for several weeks at a time with substantial breaks in between book/study groups. Contact: "D" Fletcher (941) 623-0642.

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: Dino (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 you are led to join our Tech Ministry, we will gladly help train you in whatever area you are interested in. Contact: Chris Corridino (941-625-4356)

Youth Group (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. We are always in need of loving, Christ-centered volunteers to help. Volunteers can come every week or on a rotation such as every other week or once every three weeks. To ensure the safety of our youth, all volunteers must apply to work with the youth and complete a background check. Contact: Barbara Hald, Director of Student Ministries (941) 625-4356.

Youth Sunday School Teacher:

9:30 - 10:30am Sunday mornings for 6th - 12th graders

Other opportunities include: Drivers for special events or snack provider for special events. Contact: Barbara Hald (941) 625-4356

Your NEW Ministry

The directory is ever-growing! As you discern a new way to advance our church's mission of knowing Christ more deeply, growing more fully into Christ's likeness, and going out in witness and service, please bring this possibility to the attention of the pastor and/or the lay leadership body to which it seems most closely to relate.

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

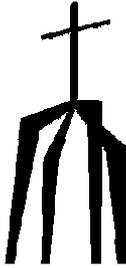
Tuesdays, 7:00 pm, Fellowship Hall. Contact: Tom Koontz (941) 624-4223

Exercise Class

M-W-F 9:00am in the Sanctuary. Contact: Joanne Salk (941) 624-3965.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Two groups meet regularly at PCUMC: 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)
Pastor's Bible Study 5:45pm
Children's Ministry: 6-8:00pm
Youth: 6-8:15pm
Choir 6:25pm

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