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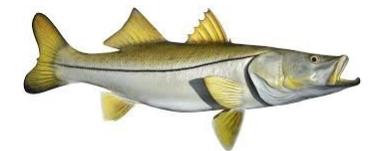
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The purpose of Beach United Methodist Church is to praise and worship God as a family, while nurturing and serving others throughout the community and world; making disciples for Jesus Christ.



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And He said to them, "Come and follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." *Matthew 4:19*

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# Pastor Ivan's Column



*Greetings from the Beach!*

*Those are words I've never been able to write in my 32 plus years of ministry here in the Florida Annual Conference. While Debbie and I have lived on two other islands (Key West and Merritt Island) during those years, we had never had the privilege of serving a specifically beach location or community. I have to admit we are quickly falling in love with our new assignment and location, despite the red tide, algae bloom and the Estero Boulevard construction. The people of Beach United Methodist Church are wonderful and we're enjoying getting to know those of you who are here this summer. We also look forward very*

*much to getting to know the rest of you as you return to the island this fall and winter.*

*We are also enjoying getting to know the other residents of Fort Myers Beach, exploring places like the Shell Mound House, Koreshan State Park and other Lee and Collier County sites. Getting to walk a few blocks in the evenings in order to stroll on the beach, take pictures and look for shells is an especially nice treat. This is the Florida I remember visiting when I was a child and we would vacation here every couple of years from North Carolina and Michigan.*

*While I was born in Fremont, Michigan (Dad worked for Gerber Baby Foods), we lived in North Carolina, and Michigan again, Arkansas and Colorado before finally moving to Zephyrhills, Florida in the late fall of 1975. Aside from my two years of college in southwest Georgia, two in Kentucky and three years of seminary in north Georgia, I have called Florida "home" ever since 1975.*

*And now we call Fort Myers Beach "home." As we get to know you, the church and community, we look forward to seeing what God has in store for us as a congregation moving into our next phase of ministry. Debbie and I want to say a special word of appreciation to Pastor Jeanne and Allen for their 22 plus years of ministry here and we are amazed at what God has done through you all over those years. We pray God's special blessings on them both as they enter this new phase of their lives and ministries.*

## **Our mailable offering envelopes**



Our mailable offering envelopes are available through the church office. They are conveniently addressed to the church and ready for mailing; however they can also be used just like the box envelopes and placed in the offering plate. There are no dates so they may be used anytime any year. If you would like to have these envelopes for your offering, please note your request on the attendance sheet, call or email the office and we will send or give you new envelopes.

*Our focus for special giving includes apportionments and operating expenses especially during our summer season. Please help us to be good stewards with these expenses. We appreciate all the sacrificial giving last year and our beautiful building shows our commitment to letting this community and all who enter know how much we honor God.*

*Please fill out the bottom and send it with your check. On the memo line write in your choice by marking the appropriate box below. Thank you and may God bless you as you continue to serve Christ's church.*

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**Beach United Methodist Church**

Please note my gift to Beach United Methodist Church in the amount of

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Apportionments:

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*Thank you for your gift of love*

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*Welcome to our new maintenance man  
Kevin Arnold-Crescent Beach Building Company*



*Working hard  
removing the old  
unused septic tank  
that caved in.*



*Thanks Kevin for  
a job well done!*

*All filled in...just watching the grass grow!*

# Pastor Ivan's Column Continued

*For those who are already here, we look forward to continuing to get to know you. We would love to have the opportunity to visit you either in your homes or in your residential communities. For those who will be coming down, we'd like to extend the same invitation to come meet with you all where you are. For those on the island, we'd also like to host "get to know you" gatherings.*

*You can contact me several ways: cell phone: 407-401-2388; parsonage phone: 239-463-9043; e-mail: [ivangcorbin@gmail.com](mailto:ivangcorbin@gmail.com). Feel free to contact me anytime!*

*Again, we look forward to meeting all of you eventually and being in ministry together here at the Beach and beyond!*

*In Christ's Service,*

*Ivan*

*Ivan G. Corbin, Pastor*



## From the Spouse's Desk...



*Moving is an adventure; an opportunity to meet and engage with new people, experiences and places. I have moved many times throughout my life so this is not a foreign or unusual activity for me. I am a PK and an MK (the common abbreviation for Preacher's Kid and Missionary Kid) and my adult self is greatly enriched by the experiences I have had in those roles. Add to that seminary graduate and pastor's spouse, and you can see that my life has been steeped in and formed greatly by the church. One might wonder if there is something genetic about it as I come from a line of ministers and seminary graduates; a great -grandfather on my dad's side, a grandfather on my mom's side, both parents with divinity degrees, and now two children who have pursued and achieved various levels of theological study. I bet you are wondering what our family dinner discussions are like! They can definitely be very thought provoking, with some eye rolling thrown in.*

*So what does all this mean for me and Beach UMC? A short answer is that I am a partner in ministry with Ivan and have always considered us to be in team ministry whether I have been on staff at the church or not. In some cases the church benefits from a "2 for the price of 1" deal. However, the deeper answer is that my involvement in the ministry and life of the church is not primarily because I am a pastor's spouse but because I am a member of the United Methodist Church, (and soon this local United Methodist Church). I seek to be in ministry in ways that best use my spiritual gifts, talents, resources, interests, personality and experiences to live out my membership vow of supporting the Church with my prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. I look forward to ways that I can join with others in the congregation in ministry to the community of Fort Myers Beach as a witness to God's work in the world and be the physical hands and feet of Christ.*

*I have heard that there have been some questions regarding the landscape around the church and inquiries about ways to maintain it. I know that we have someone who mows and we have a tree service that trims the large trees but it seems there may be opportunity for anyone interested in gardening and landscape design to*

# Bear Ministry



*Our bear ministry has traveled throughout the world...bringing comfort and love to people. We have sent out over 10,000 bears in ministry.*

*Thank you to all who have hugged a bear, brought bears to be deployed, taken a bear to someone, and also to those who have started bear ministries after attending Beach UMC. We have posted a few testimonies and always welcome additional input. Our bear ministry is always willing to receive bears to be prepared for service.*

These little bears in a basket represent churches that have started their own bear ministry after someone from their church attended our service and fell in love with our bear ministry.

It is such a blessing to know that our bear ministry is expanding and growing through other churches as well as our own.



Thank you  
Dave & Mary Phillip  
for the bears!

## ***Inside Scoop From Your Editor....***

*The summer began with hugs and tears as Pastor Jeanne retired. I realized I was being selfish wanting her to stay when she more than deserves this time to rest, relax and do all the things she has not had the time to do. Her sacrificial giving of herself to the ministry at Beach was above and beyond and I will cherish all the times we have had working and playing together and pray her retirement years will be full of joy and fulfillment.*

*As you know, the summer at Beach is a time of quiet service. I acknowledged my place as a liaison from pastor to pastor and welcomed Rev. Ivan & Debbie. I looked up the word liaison to be sure I was doing all I was supposed to do (you know how I am) and found the definition to be as follows:*

li·ai·son                    'lēə,zän,lē'āzän/

*noun*

1. communication or cooperation that facilitates a close working relationship between people or organizations.
2. the binding or thickening agent of a sauce, often based on egg yolks.

*So hopefully, I am rather offering a close, cooperating working relationship with Pastor Ivan and Debbie and not being an egg yolk or a thickening agent..*

*Since I have gotten to know them both pretty well these last two months, I am noticing many wonderful little affirmations for me that God knows what He is doing. For example, new people with children have started coming to services, Debbie has been hired at the elementary school across from the church...it fell so quickly into place I knew it was a God thing-she really wasn't looking. Also, I think Pastor Ivan is related to or knows everyone on this planet. It's amazing! People come into the church and there is always a common denominator of conversation. The fact that both Pastor Jeanne and Pastor Ivan and Debbie went to the same seminary at the same time is very cool to me.*

*The major difference between Rev. Ivan & Rev. Jeanne is that he doesn't preach barefoot. However, being a knowledgeable historian, his sermons always make me learn something I didn't know. Pastor Ivan is very down to earth, personable and humble yet I know he would never brag on himself even though his achievements could allow him to do so.*

*It is my desire to always see God's will in all things and that all things truly will work together for good as we embrace our new pastor and wife and support them in every way.*

*Your servant, Sharyn*

## ***From the Spouse's Desk Cont...***

*join forces with others to help keep our grounds beautified. I mention this because I have previously been involved in a church group of enthusiastic gardeners (with a wide variety of abilities and garden know-how) who believed that as members of God's family we are called to take care of the earth and what better place to start than the little bit of earth where we are. Since the very first impression visitors and seekers have of Beach UMC may be the grounds and the building, we want them to see that we care about God's world and who we are as a faith community and that they are welcome here. I have known "God's Gardeners" and the "Green Thumbs" in other places. I would enjoy joining with others who are equally enthusiastic about taking care of this little bit of God's earth.*

*This is an adventure for all of us as we get to know each other, discern where God is leading us in the months and years ahead, and figure out what each of our roles are going to be in making this adventure a meaningful one.*

*Debbie*



# Birthdays & Anniversaries

## September Birthdays

- 2 Janice Arndt  
Wilda Gastelu
- 4 Noble Zimmerman
- 5 Carol Eder
- 8 Carrol Woods
- 11 Rod Fike  
Mike Leep
- 13 Allen Heape
- 17 Don Hamilton  
Karlynn Armstrong-Hall
- 23 Ora Cook
- 24 Lois Smith
- 26 Ruth Lasher  
Michele McNeill  
Mary Ann Meyers
- 27 Oran Cromwell  
Terry Howarter  
Barbara Likins  
Cooper Petel

## September Anniversaries

- 4 Dale & Susie Bloom
- 6 Noble & Nancy Zimmerman  
Bill & Joanne Harding
- 13 Darwyn & Shirley Mueller
- 22 ack & Carrol Woods
- 26 Dave & Mary Philip



## October Birthdays

- 1 Carol Sweem  
Julie Wenger
- 2 Larry Spriggs
- 4 Rex Douglass
- 6 Diane Thomas
- 9 Christopher Corbin
- 11 Fran Fancher
- 12 Makiah Kelley
- 16 Audrey Brown
- 17 Dede Jacoby
- 19 Jim McBeath
- 20 Guy Carlson
- 21 John Chappelle  
Dan Riddle
- 25 Connie Davis  
Wilma Schultz
- 30 Dave Philip

## October Anniversaries

- 4 Jim & Linda Bastin
- 13 Jim & Sharyn McNeill
- 15 Bob & Pat Simon
- 20 Dick & Ruth Miller
- 22 Billy & Audrey Brown
- 24 Kevin & Kathy Arnold

# Sonshine List

Roger Beery  
2602 Norman Hill Road  
Frankfort, OH 45628

*We express Christian sympathy to the families and friends of:*



Duane Hakarine (Connie's husband); Jerry Strine (Stan Eeten's boss in Ft. Myers); Glenn (Jane Riddle's best friend Kathy's husband); Joan wife of Wallace Howarter (Mildred's nephew); Sandra Zarley (Paula Naffziger's sister); Agosto family on the death of their 37 year-old son; Elaine Keltner long-time member; Pat Baker on the death of her grandson Joshua and her sister;

DeWayne Marion; Knochel family on the death of their 50 year-old daughter in an auto accident; Jon Adams (Debbie Corbin's brother); death of Marie Frame Pastor Jeanne's aunt; Paul Jasionowski (Gail's husband)

*We appreciate your contributions to the Tyde and your help in keeping your information current. If you have changed your address, email, phone, or any other information please let us know.*

*If you do not receive birthday or anniversary cards from us, it is because we do not have your information in our records. Please contact us by phone, mail, e-mail, or drop a note in the black metal office mailbox (that is attached to the office door across from the elevator) so we can send love to you on those special days. Thank you.*





*There will be a draft of our directory available. Please check to see if your information is correct. If we missed your name please just write your information in where it belongs alphabetically in the directory. Thank you.*

*We thank those of you that have sent in your pictures.*



*We would like you to be a part of our Beach United Methodist Church Cookbook*

*IT IS NOT TOO LATE!!  
WE ARE EXTENDING OUR TIME FOR  
YOU TO SEND OR EMAIL RECIPES TO  
THE CHURCH*

*Please print your name on each recipe*  
We need more beverages, vegetables and side dishes, breads, muffins, and especially breakfast recipes, as well as unique dishes that fall into their own category, such as sugar-free, gluten-free, pet foods, etc.

*Thanks to Debbie Corbin for helping to type your recipes!*

## Submit Your Recipes



## Shawl Ministry

Our prayer shawls have been stitched by loving hands of talented people at Beach United Methodist Church. Every stitch has been prayed over with the recipient in mind. As this shawl is wrapped around someone, it is our prayer that he or she will feel the warmth and comfort of God's love. If you know of someone who would be blessed to receive a prayer shawl, please let the office know. If you need a pattern you can go to [www.shawlministry.com](http://www.shawlministry.com). If you need help in making a

prayer shawl please call Lynn Mitchell at 513-532-0997

If you would like to make a prayer shawl please go to the internet address below for the directions on how to knit or crochet the shawl or you can use your own pattern. When finished, please contact the office and we will tag the shawl and send it out. Thank you for your part in being a blessing to this ministry. <http://www.shawlministry.com>

Update from Rev. Jeanne

I am so glad Sharyn asked me to give you an update in the Tyde. We are doing fine. Last week I was actually able to unpack about a dozen boxes. Allen has completed half of the kitchen & the next step is demolition to build more cabinets. Our shed is in place and inspected...a new garage door is installed and inspected...and four trees have been removed and inspected! We had an unexpected trip to NC-my aunt died and I did her service. It was great to be with cousins. When we get back we will be continuing to work on the house and our future giant yard sale!!!

Thank you all for the many ways you extended love to us-"I wouldn't take nothing for the journey!" and I thank God for the special place you each hold in my heart. Don't forget you are BUMC-love her well and continue the great support you have blessed God with over the years and continue now through the leadership of Pastor Ivan & Debbie.

We love you,  
Rev. Jeanne & Allen

# Summer Renovations



*Kitchen ready for new floor & paint*



*Kitchen new floor & newly painted walls*



*Men's Room new floor*



*Putting everything back in the kitchen*



*Ladies Room new floor*



*Putting everything back in the kitchen*

*Welcome  
Rev. Ivan and  
Debbie Corbin as  
our new  
pastor & wife on  
Sunday  
July 1, 2018*

*Thank you everyone who helped put the kitchen and Fellowship Hall back in order!*