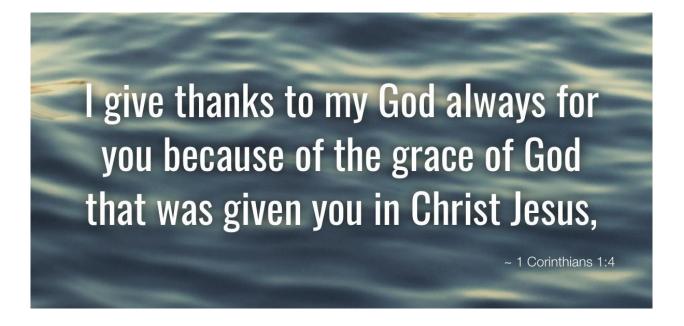


## Faith, Hope and Love, and the Greatest of These is Love

A Mini-Newsletter From Your Family at Oakhurst United Methodist Church



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Our Mission is to make disciples, who make disciples, who transform the World.

FIRST TIME GUESTS: Text Hello to 727-732-3550 to receive info from Oakhurst UMC.

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#### THE PRIDE OF FLORIDA

#### **Journey to National Statuary Hall**

The Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune marble statue heads to the U.S. Capital in 2022.

Mary McLeod Bethune, founder of Bethune College (1904), now Bethune-Cookman University was an esteemed educator, spiritual leader and prominent policy maker in the F.D.R. Roosevelt Cabinet. Along with Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, she advocated for human and civil rights.

The National Statuary Hall Collection in the U.S. Capital is composed of statues donated by individual states to honor persons notable in their history. Dr. Bethune will represent the State of Florida in the National Statuary Hall, along with Dr. John Gorrie, credited with being the father of refrigeration and air-conditioning.

Oakhurst UMC supports Bethune-Cookman University through our Connectional Giving.

For more information about Dr. Bethune, the awesome statute, the renown sculptor—Nilda Comas. Go To: www.mmbstatue.org

Provided By: Lorraine Mayfield-Brown





# **First Steps**

In March of 2016, Gov. Rick Scott signed a law to replace the statue of Confederate Gen. Edmund Kirby Smith, which had been donated to the U.S. Capitol for display in Statuary Hall in 1922, with a new "Great Floridian."

The search for a new sculpture was conducted by the Florida Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs, which reviewed 3,587 submissions. The list was narrowed to 130 eligible names, including Mary McLeod Bethune, who received 1,233 votes, easily outpacing the second-place subject which received 447 votes.

# 2021 CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE

Once again this holiday season we will be blessing children from Walsingham Elementary School and our own LIFT Academy with items from their 'WISH LIST'. If you would like to sponsor a child and help fulfill their list, please go to our Sign-Up Genius link at <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040E4EAAAB28A20-angel1">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040E4EAAAB28A20-angel1</a>
Here you will claim a child's 'tag' number. WRAPPED gifts must be delivered to the church Narthex no later than Sunday, December 12. Please put all separate gifts into one large box or bag. Packages must be marked with the 'Tag No'. Gift packages will be distributed to the schools on Monday, December 13.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!



### Oakhurst UMC Mission Spotlight

#### **Mission Food Drive:**

Every third Saturday of the month, Oakhurst Missions collects non-perishable food items for those in need. The items are collected by us and provided to local food pantries to be distributed to the community.

Saturday, November 20th is our scheduled Food Drive. We will be on hand to collect the food items between 9:00—12:00 p.m. under the Portico outside the Sanctuary. Thank you for your continued support.

Helping Hands and Smiling Faces Needed.

The Oakhurst UMC Thrift Store is looking to open its doors again in December.

Billie Lee could use some assistance. Give her a call at 727-743-4166 if you can help.

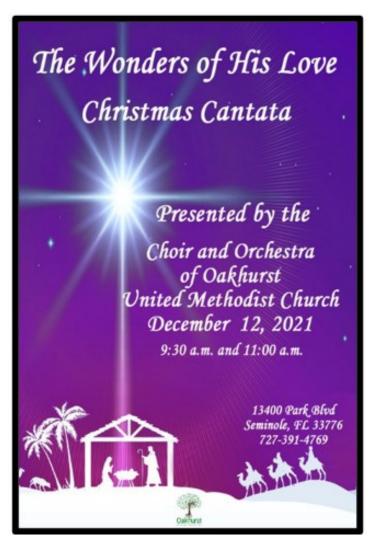
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Needed for Christmas Worship: small battery operated voltive candles



Please leave in donation box by the church office



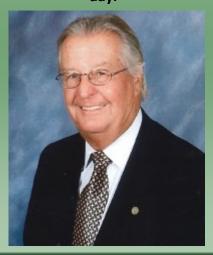


So excited to invite Pastor Frank back to Oakhurst UMC!

Sunday, November 28, 2021

8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Pastor Frank will be leading us in Service on this day.





### Breakfast with Santa: December 4 from 9 to 11:15 AM.

Once again this year, we invite children and families to visit with Santa and enjoy breakfast, games, and crafts here at OUMC!

We need a group to help on December 3 at 4:30. These people will set up the Foundry, including setting the tables, placing the centerpieces, and decorating the stage for Santa.

On Saturday morning, we need cooks, servers, game table attendants, craft table attendants, and a clean up crew.

Contact Stephanie Fergenbaum if you would like to help. Thank You!





Garden Angels (both permanent & temporary) are very much needed. We are down one Angel who is recuperating from surgery and she needs at least some temporary back up to keep the gardens alive and well.

Please consider some therapeutic weed pulling, deadheading, and digging in the dirt for any amount of time you can spare. You pick the day and time that suits you. We will show you where.

Many thanks to all the Garden Angels! Just wait until you see the Poinsettias soon to be making an appearance! Contact Emma Dobies for more info: 727-742-4652.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who work tirelessly to help in every aspect of our church. Volunteers help in more ways than you can imagine and are always needed. It is a great way to meet your church family.

Don't be shy! Just ask Stephanie, Lety, or Emma if you would like to volunteer for something you enjoy any amount of time at all when it is convenient to you! Trust me, there is something everyone can do and enjoy doing!

#### An Invitation From UMW

All are invited to wear your ugly Christmas sweater Date: Wednesday, December 1, 2021

and join us for some Holiday Fun! Time: 10:30 am—12 noon

⇒ Cooking in Kenya with Deb Ralph Location: The Fellowship Hall

⇒ Homemade Soup Bar with Chapati (Naan Bread)
Details and RSVP to Follow!

⇒ Cookie Exchange

## **WEEKLY PUZZLE**

# **Thanksgiving**

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**BLACK FRIDAY** FAMILY TURKEY **GRAVY** STUFFING HARVEST CELEBRATE PUMPKIN PIE **PILGRIMS** MASHED POTATOES NOVEMBER **FEAST** CORN **GREEN PEAS** THANKSGIVING FALL AUTUMN **PLYMOUTH** 

Play this puzzle online at : https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/193/

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#### What's Happening at Oakhurst UMC/Community:

- Nov 14—Start of Angel Tree Event
- \* Nov 20—Third Saturday Food Drive
- Nov 25 and 26—Thanksgiving Holiday—Church Office Closed
- Nov 28—Pastor Frank Leeds Preaching Sunday Service
- Dec 1—UMW Holiday Event

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