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# The Home Visitor

#### Consider Your Gifts – Rev. Dr. Jeff Beebe

What are the gifts with which you have been equipped and those which you have to offer? A spiritual gift is a special ability, given by the Holy Spirit to every believer, to be used to minister to others and therefore build up the Body of Christ. You are not too old or too young to discover how wonderfully gifted God has equipped you!

God's various gifts are handed out everywhere, but they all originate in God's Spirit. God's various ministries are carried out everywhere, but they all originate in God's Spirit. God's various expressions of power are in action everywhere; but God himself is behind it all. Each person is given something to do that shows who God is: Everyone gets in on it, everyone benefits. All kinds of things are handed out by the Spirit, and to all kinds of people! The variety is wonderful: wise counsel, clear understanding, simple trust, healing the sick, miraculous acts, proclamation, distinguishing between spirits, tongues, interpretation of tongues. All these gifts have a common origin, but are handed out one by one by the one Spirit of God. He decides who gets what, and when. Corinthians 12: 4-11 (MSG)

So what are spiritual gift, who receives them, and why? Simply said, a spiritual gift is a special ability, given by the Holy Spirit to every believer. Scripture above and below reveals to us the answers to these questions.

"As each has received a gifts, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10

"Each has his own gift from God, one of one kind and one of another."

1 Corinthians 7:7b

So, how does one discover their spiritual gift(s)? We come to understand our God-given gifts through personal discernment and corporate affirmation. Our gifts, and the gifts of others, are all given by the same Spirit which means that our gift(s) is/are equally important as the gifts of anyone else. All of us and all our gifts are needed to build the Church. Henri Nowen provides some spiritual direction when he writes,

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#### SPECIAL INTERESTS

JUNE Home Visitor article cut off date is **Friday, May 27**. MEMORIAL DAY— Monday May 29 OFFICE CLOSED "More important than our talents are our gifts. We may have only a few talents, but we have many gifts. Our gifts are the many ways in which we express our humanity. They are part of who we are: friendship, kindness, patience, joy, peace, forgiveness, gentleness, love, hope, trust, and many others. These are the true gifts we have to offer to each other. Somehow, I have known this for a long time, especially through my personal experience of the enormous healing power of these gifts. But since my coming to live in a community with mentally handicapped people, I have rediscovered this simple truth. Few, if any, of those people have talents they can boast of. Few are able to make contributions to our society that allow them to earn money, compete on the open market, or win awards. But how splendid are their gifts!"

"The Christian life is marked by the offering of one's self to God to be shaped, empowered, directed, and changed by God. In worship, God presents us with the costly self-offering of Jesus Christ. We are claimed by Christ and set free. In response to God's love in Jesus Christ, we offer God our lives, our gifts, our abilities, and our material goods, for God's service."

"We all have different gifts, so we all have different ways of saying to the world who we are".

Fred Rogers



# ATTENTION

### TO ALL OBPC MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS

ATLANTIC AVE (A1A) southbound traffic detour through AMSDEN ROAD starting Monday 4/28, for 8 weeks.

On Monday, April 28, the FDOT closed A1A southbound traffic at Amsden Road.

- •Southbound A1A traffic will be routed down Amsden Road to N. Halifax.
- •This detour will last 8 weeks or less.
- •NEW Stop signs are now placed on N. Halifax (North & South), for a 4 way stop at Amsden Rd.
- •The DOT will block all Amsden Road entrances/exits with barrels. The N. Halifax OBPC driveway entrance/exit will remain open.
- •We will remove barrels on Amsden Road OBPC driveway entrance/exits for Sunday service. Please use the N. Halifax driveway entrance/exit during the week.
- •We recommend NO PARKING on the OBPC grass area along Amsden Rd. during this time frame for your own safety.



Women's Gathering will be Saturday, May 3, 2025 with the theme of the Kentucky Derby. Women feel free to dress up and wear beautiful hats...optional of course. We will gather from 10:00 to 11:30 in Room 12. All women are welcome to join us for a delicious brunch, games, raffle prizes, conference and joyous fellowship.

June 7 will be our last Women's Gathering with a Hawaiian theme. There will be not Gathering in the summer months of July and August. We will resume in September.



Women's Bible Study for the month of May will be video conferences by *Beth Moore* on WISDOM. May 7, A Call to Wise Up; May 14, The Heart of Wisdom; May 21, Wisdom with Words; May 28, The Wisdom of Restraint. Bible study is 10:00-11:30 in Room 12. **All women are welcome!** There will be no Bible Study through the summer months. We will resume September 10th with the Study of Ruth. If there are any questions, please contact Mary Kay Wagner at 330-206-4344 or marykaywagner13@gmail.com



Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church is invited to join Lighthouse Christ Presbyterian for Vacation Bible School, June 23-27. We will be using the exciting Group Publishers "True North" curriculum. Teens and adults are welcome to be on the crew leader teams and children rising K-5 are welcome to attend. More details to come. Contact gail@lighthousecp.org.



## Time for scholarship applications!

This generous congregation has been awarding scholarships to students for college since 1984. Our committee, Lynda Bonnick, Jim Adkins, and Elizabeth Strong, select worthy candidates from our church members each year; the scholarship money is then sent to the college for their expenses. Students may re-apply each year for the full four years. Adults interested in furthering their skills to prepare for a different career are also welcome to apply.

Applications may be completed online beginning April 1. Other paperwork is mailed to the church. (Recommendation letters, official transcript) This year, applications must be completed by May 30, 2025-No late applications accepted.

There are two scholarship funds at our church—one is the Dorothy Summers and Bruce Haddad Memorial scholarship, which is funded by a yearly endowment. The OBPC second scholarship is funded by donations from members of the congregation; therefore, we need your help to make this account grow. You can do this any time; just mark on your check to Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church: **scholarship fund.** 

## Music Notes—May 2025



We believe that the holy act of singing together shapes faith, heals brokenness, transforms lives, and renews peace.

The guiding stance of The Center for Congregational Song

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Summer Choir begins on Sunday, May 4 and continues each Sunday through the summer. Everyone in grade 4 and up to age 100+ is welcome to come each Sunday to the choir room at 10:00 to learn the morning's anthem for worship. Singers can come once to sing or every Sunday. Very flexible!! We will not wear robes.

## The Church Year—May 2025

May 4, 2025	Third Sunday of Easter	Color-white
May 11, 2025	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Color-white
May 18, 2025	Fifth Sunday of Easter	Color-white
May 25, 2025	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Color-white

Thank you to all those supporting our youth going to Montreat! Donations to the Montreat Scholarship Fund are still being accepted!





## Tuned for Praise



Thank you to everyone for your support of our 2024-2025 concert series. A special thank you to those who volunteered as ushers and greeters. This was our thirteenth concert season! Plans are already underway for the fourteenth.

Watch for details, plan to attend each of our concerts and always bring a friend!

Congratulations to Chasya English and Karlos Auguste who will be graduating from Bethune-Cookman University on Thursday, May 8 at 10:00AM at the Daytona Beach Ocean Center!! We thank them for their singing and devotion as our 2024-2025 Choral Scholars and wish them well.

Many of you may have heard that I will be having surgery on my right hand on Friday, May 16. This is not something any keyboard musician wants to have to do! I have been enduring cortisone shots for 5 years and they just aren't working anymore. The pain is real! It's affecting everything I do but especially playing the piano and organ. We don't know how long the recovery will be as I have to go through some rehab and extensive PT to get my hand working again. Anita Wimbish and Jo Anderson have accepted the task of subbing for 8 weeks beginning Sunday, May 18. Eight weeks might be enough or it might not! We have to play it by ear (to coin musical terminology!) Anita & Jo will do a great job keeping the music alive at OBPC. I will still be working in the background, preparing each Sunday's bulletin and working on the never-ending planning that is part of the job. The most visible part of my job which takes place on Sunday mornings, will be covered by Anita & Jo until I can drive and until I can play the instruments again. As always, thank you for your love and support!

Peace, Barbara



# Calling all Summer Bakers

The Board of Deacons invites you to bake your favorite summer cookies or cake and bring them to Coffee Hour. Join us for a time of fellowship following worship service and an opportunity to share with others. Contact any Deacon or call the church office (386) 441-0300.



## Hurricane Readiness - Let's Get Prepared

Weather forecasters predict that this year's hurricane season could be busy. So if you live in a hurricane prone area, you should be preparing your home and stocking up on supplies now. You should have an emergency supply kit with water and non-perishable food, as well

as prescription medicines, extra cash, and a plan for your pets.

Local counties provide storm information through their emergency management telephone numbers and applications. Double-check your list to ensure it is accurate. Flagler County's Emergency Management number is (386) 313-4200. Volusia County's number is (386) 258-4088 and their new app with real-time updates that became available last year can be located on the App Store or Google Play. Search for "Volusia Emergency Management."

You should keep your evacuation plan up-to-date and share it with your family and neighbors. Be sure to update your Hurricane Readiness Form. These forms are maintained at Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church and include your plans in the event of an evacuation and your confidential emergency contact information for church records. If you have not completed a form or need to update the one on file, contact any Deacon or the church office (386) 441-0300.

The Youth Choir presented a mini-concert and lunch on Sunday, April 6 after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your support of our Youth and of the music at OBPC!!















#### **MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

In its Stated Meeting on Monday, April 7, 2025

- \* Sundays in May: Infant care items will be collected in the Narthex to be donated to the Pregnancy Crisis Center.
- \* Thursday, May 1: National Day of Prayer observation at 7:00 a.m. in the courtyard with prayers, coffee, and donuts, surrounding community will be invited.
- \* Sunday, May 4 or 11: Minute for Mission highlighting Presbyterian Counseling Center to observe May as Mental Health Awareness Month.
- \* Monday, May 12: Central Presbytery will offer a zoom presentation about Investments at 9:00 a.m.
- \* Saturday, May 17: Presentation in Fellowship Hall about Mental Health presented by Lisa Benitez, 9:00-11:00 am.
- \* June 23 to 27: Vacation Bible School will be offered in collaboration with and at Christ Lighthouse Presbyterian Church.
- \* In September, Central Presbytery will offer a presentation about Legacy Investments.
- \* Friday, November 7: Veteran's Breakfast will take place in Fellowship Hall.
- \* Friday, December 12: Logan Lunch will take place in Fellowship Hall .



# PALM SUNDAY April 13, 2025



Thank you to all that made our

Palm Sunday such a beautiful worship service, starting with making Palm Crosses the Saturday before.

PREGNANCY CRISIS CENTER- Outreach are collecting items to assist mothers who "CHOOSE LIFE" Items may be left in the crib in the Narthex Sunday through the month of May.

Suggested items: Diapers (size 1 used for baby package), baby wipes, bath items (shampoo, baby wash, baby lotion), socks, sleepers, onesies, winter blankets, receiving blankets, baby bottles, new baby clothing up to 12 months, gently used baby clothing up to 12 months, maternity clothing for our moms, cribs, car seats, strollers, pack-n-plays.

## We continue to lift in prayer OBPC Members.

Barbara Bowden Carol Helmendach Susan Parisi Anne Sutton

Charlotte Burge Shirley Hinkle Cynthia Pfleiderer Barbara Van Laningham

Bruce Burge Joana Maciel Ray Piller Cindy Watkins

Ella Mae Chadbourne Sue Mitchell Marilyn Silver Gwen & Earl Williams

Aleta DickBruce MillerJohn SmarkuskyBruce GeelhoodAlma MoreMarilyn SmarkuskyPhyllis HellerJill MoscosoElizabeth Strong



#### We lift in prayer OBPC Families and Friends

Al Vesting-Friend by Lou and Kassie Manza

Audrey Pentz, John Harkrader, and Kevin Flick-Friends by Kirsten and Curtis Finley

Steve Struble-Friend by Bill and Bonnie Thompson

Hiro Hirumi-Father by 2c Hirumi

Betty Colburn-Mother by Sandy Johnson

Ron Rupp-Friend by Diane Wilson

Becky Krenn-Friend by Sue Kim

Michael Prendergast-Brother-in-Law by Mary Kay Wagner

Jerry Bracken-Cousin by Mike Troutman

Scott Winchester-Friend by Lynda Bonnick

Suzie Smith-Sister and Jim Thiede-Nephew by Rosie & David Perry

Sylvia Engelbrecht-Friend by Kassie Manza

Kathy Miller-Sister by Debbie Strickland

Matthew Eaton-Son, Bonnie-Mother, Lynn Baker-Sister, and Ali Owens and Carson-Friends by Heather Eaton

Elizabeth Gainsborough-Sister, Skip Banach-Brother, Sharon Kitts-Friend by Arlene Clark

Mike Luciano-Sherri's Brother, Susan Combs-Sherri's Sister, Michelle Pugh and Seanna Milam-Pastor Nathan's Sisters by Pastor Nathan and Sherri Wheeler

Matt Sweet and Brian Canard-Grandsons by Betty Canard

Brady Barry-Son, Trevin Barry, Henry Threatt-Grandsons by Susan Barry

Carolyn Kuehn and Alva Debiak by Candy Christman

### **Prayers for Our Community and World**

We trust our nation to God's loving care.

#### We have a Church Prayer Chain

Please call or text Candy Christman (386-956-5924) if you have a prayer request to lift up by our Prayer Chain.





## Welcome New Members



**Please welcome Carol and Tim Webster** to the Ormond Beach Presbyterian church family through reaffirmation of faith. They were active members of St. Timothy Lutheran Church in Hendersonville, Tennessee.



Carol and Tim are both retired. They have a wedding anniversary on July 7, celebrating over 30 years of marriage. Tim has been a lifelong resident of the middle of Tennessee before moving to Ormond Beach. Tim enjoys fishing, painting and carving. Carol has also lived in middle Tennessee much of her life, but she also considers herself an "Army brat." Carol loves to read, travel and crochet, and might even give choir a try!.

They have two sons, Brandon and Blake, as well as five wonderful grandchildren, raging in age from five to twenty nine. Their great granddaughter, Layla, will be a big sister in June of the year.

# On Saturday, March 29 we gathered for a church picnic, fellowship, and games at Bicentennial Park!



















**Stations of the Cross** - We gathered at St. Joseph's Carmelite Monastery located at 141 Carmelite Drive, Bunnell, FL on PALM Sunday, April 13 to visit the Stations of the Cross. There are 14 stations that we visited, each one representing the passion of our Lord. We took time to meditate and pray at each station. What a wonderful way to begin to prepare our hearts and minds for Holy Week!















**OBPC is looking for a team of volunteers** to establish and maintain an archive of Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church's history and identity.

Primary responsibilities of this **Church Historian Team** include collecting and organizing church records and ensuring that they are preserved and stored in a safe place.

Communication of the project may include writing accounts of OBPC history, planning events to share the history, and documenting the memories of church leaders. Accounts of church history could be used during milestone celebrations such as the recent 65th Anniversary Celebration of OBPC.



Nick and I want to thank you all for your words of sympathy and cards upon the loss of Nick's brother "Fred". Fred was 80 years young and had fallen down a flight of stairs and succumbed to traumatic brain injury 90 days later.

The Tedescos-Virginia & Nick

### **MAY Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations**

**Following worship service on Sunday, May 4**, please join us in the Haddad Fellowship Center to recognize all who celebrate a birthday or an anniversary during the month of May. Desserts will be served.





# MAY Birthdays

10	Barbara McCurdy	17	Judy Larrabee	21	Cindy Watkins
15	Barbara Bowden	18	Corrin Stoop	24	Izzy Schoffler
15	Paige Sidwell	18	Kim Watson	29	Kassie Manza
15	Barbara Van Laningham	19	Kathleen Davis-Carlton	29	Alec Sidwell



05/04	David & Pamela Morgan	13 years
05/07	Jack & Karen Spottiswood	31 years
05/30	Chris & Corrin Stoop	10 years
05/31	Bruce & Marcia Geelhood	56 years

#### **Every Sunday**

9:00 Adult Sunday School, Library 9:10 Adult Bible Study, room 12 10:00 Summer Choir till 9/1 10:30 WORSHIP 1st Sunday with Communion 11:30 PB & J Sandwich Making, HFC



# Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				7:00 NAT. DAY OF PRAYER, OBPC GARDEN AREA  9:00 PC CENTER, 7 9:00 PLANNING & STAFF, 12 10:30 TAI CHI, 10 6:00 GLORY BELLS REHEARSAL	2 9:00 PC CENTER, 7	3 9:00 PC CENTER, 10:00 WOMENS GATHERING ROOM 12
11:30 Birthdays & Anniv. Celebrations, HFC	5 9:00 PC CENTER, 7	6 9:00 PC CENTER, 7 6:30 DB CHORAL SOCIETY, 10	9:00 PC CENTER, 7 8:00 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, lib 10:00 WOMENS BIBLE STUDY,12	8 9:00 PC CENTER, 7 10:30 TAI CHI, 10 6:00 GLORY BELLS REHEARSAL 7:15 CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL	9 9:00 PC CENTER, 7	9:00 PC CENTER, 7  TEEN NIGHT  5:00 TEEN NIGHT, HFC
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Please note: Since printing of this calendar changes may have been made. We would like you to visit OBPC web site at **ormondbeachpc.org** for the most current calendar and for other announcements.