



THE GOOD NEWS



SACRED JOURNEY

Monday and Tuesday we began a sacred journey of discovery. Matt Rosine from Church Extension shared with members of the congregation the journey ahead. On Tuesday he presented a **draft** of his findings to the leadership of the church including facilities evaluation, the demographics of our community and congregation, a financial review, review and new beginnings options, and possible future scenarios. The final report will be here in two weeks.

In the next two weeks every member of the congregation will be asked to sign up for small group meetings. In these meetings the entire report will be shared with every member. These meetings are designed to engage us in serious conversations that will lead to a decision about the future of Beneva Christian Church. Every effort is being made to include everyone. A VHS of Monday's session is available to view if you were not able to attend. Just call the church office and you can receive a copy. Also we are attempting to put all of this information on our web page as well.

On November 7th, All Saints Sunday, we will have an all church potluck as a kick off for our Sacred Journey together. We hope that everyone can attend. For the next three Sundays I will be preaching a series of sermons on Sacred Journey's in the Bible to prepare us for our journey. May we all be open to **God's Plan of Service (GPS)** for Beneva Christian Church.

Traveling Mercies!
Pastor Bobby

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September Budget Report

		Budget	YTD	Budget
Income	28,222	12,060	149,855	108,541
Expense	11,089	13,747	137,758	154,636
Net Profit/ (Loss)	17,133	1,313	13,834	(19,095)

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

I wanted to take a moment to welcome back the snow birds as you have begun trickling in. It is hard to believe that the year is coming to a close. With Thanksgiving just around the corner, Christmas will be here before we know it!!

Just this past week, we received the final report from New Beginnings after they incorporated all of our edits from the October 19th meeting. If you have not already signed up for a small group, I would like to personally encourage you to do so. Please don't let distance be an obstacle as we are working on providing a means by which you can call into your small groups if you are out of town.

As we move forward, it is imperative that we included as many people as possible throughout this process. We expect the small groups to meet for 6 separate sessions followed by a congregational meeting to discuss the outcome of those meetings. We hope to have 3 sessions completed by Christmas with the last 3 sessions to be completed after the start of the New Year.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to seeing you in Worship!

Jon Hart

Deacon Schedule for November

9:30 A.M. Contemporary Praise Service - Communion will be served up front

November 07		November 14		November 21		November 28	
1	Lisa Morrison	1	Debbie York	1	Kathy Bearden	1	Jeff Morrison
2	Suzie Davis	2	Nila Valvo	2	Joe Bearden	2	Lisa Morrison

Prep for 1st service and assist in prepping for 2nd service

10:45 A.M. Traditional Worship - Communion will be served in the pews rather than up front

November 07		November 14		November 21		November 28	
1	Kathy Bearden	1	Tim Brodkorb	1	Jennifer Fulkert	1	Debbie York
2	Joe Bearden	2	Alicia Brodkorb	2	Suzie Davis	2	Nila Valvo

Elder Serving Schedule for November

Nov 7 Nila Valvo - Call to Worship
Glenn ONeal

Nov 14 Sara Metheny - Call to Worship
Frank Metheny

Nov 21 Greg Fulkert - Call to Worship
Betty Freant

Nov 28 Garland Poquette - Call to Worship
Patti Poquette

Nila will be Elder of the Month



Sunday School Class is available for our youngest youth also at 10:45. Come Join US!!



The **Wired Word** class continues to meet in the CYF room at 10:45 on Sunday mornings. They discuss and study the most current events of the week and discover how our faith and the Bible intertwine. Be sure to give your e-mail address to Sara or Frank Metheny to be included in this exciting class.

Cornerstone: Bible Study class meeting in Fellowship Hall during second service.



Lunch and Learn
Thursdays
12:15—1:00pm
Fellowship Hall

Empowered by the Spirit, We will reach out in Love and Fellowship; Teaching and Making Disciples.



Remember Our Homebound Members

Wilma Kaulfuss
Dortha Rogers
Gail and Berta Boggs
LaVerne Thomas
Ruth Martin

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The Newsletter is now being placed on the church's website. If you know of someone having trouble getting the Good News please notify the church office so we can print them a copy or email it to them,

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Nov 01	Joyce Hoover
Nov 02	Debra Byrd
Nov 03	Autumn Byrd
Nov 04	Donna Scott
Nov 04	Emily Gerkin
Nov 04	Arianna Poquette
Nov 08	Marilyn Gerkin
Nov 10	Leanne Dickerson
Nov 14	Teanna Spencer
Nov 16	Rebecca Platt
Nov 22	Glenn Oneal
Nov 22	Bill Quillin
Nov 24	Joseph Stump
Nov 25	Jonathan Fulkert
Nov 25	Bill Dellert
Nov 25	Tiffany Valvo
Nov 26	Johnny Brodkorb
Nov 30	Ali Valvo



Nov 01	Dale & Brenda Root
Nov 09	Garland & Patricia Poquette
Nov 12	Jerry & Nancy Dennis
Nov 14	Jack & Suzie Davis
Nov 25	Gary & Dottie Weil



IN NEED OF PRAYER

Reuben Bible (Nila Valvo's nephew) - ankle surgery
 Ruby Sievers (Elsie's Aunt) - surgery remover tumor
 Family of Walter Archbold in his passing
 Todd Dellit is his mother passing as well as health issues.

Rolf Theen (Tanya's father) - brain hemmorage
 Robin Ryder (Floyd's sister) - hospitalized due to car accident.

Kathy Bearden - shingles
 Kathryn Zattau (Suzie Davis's Mother) - hospitalized
 Jerry Caress -hospitalized



Remember to drop off donations in the church. If you would like to volunteer please call the church office.

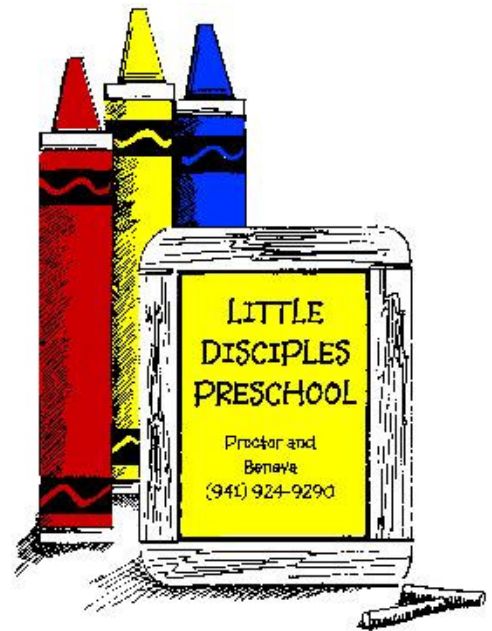


Remember to sign up for New Beginning small groups and Church Pot Luck.

November 14th
 After 2nd service.

Little Disciples Preschool's Newsletter Article for November 2010

Before we begin talking about November, I want to tell you about the wonderful time we are looking forward to at our second Fall Carnival!!!! It has been my pleasure working together with an amazing group of women who scrambled to make this all happen. Donations have come from so many vendors and families. I am grateful to each and everyone for your generosity.



Little Disciples Preschool recognizes and appreciates:

Carnival Committee

Domino's Pizza Debbie LaStella - hot dogs Kami Yaegers
Chick-fil-A Andrea Cox Euromoda
Gecko's Liz Ryan Spa Hollywood LTM
Renee Daluise Sarasota Pure Water RBC Bank
Lori Kruk Publix Rent-a-Center Lisette Grieco
Walgreens Coastal Chemical Caribbean Pie Co.
Yaeger's Financial Services Culligan Belinda Coates
1-in-Faith Broken Egg Face-Paint Artist
Erin Sturm=Popcorn Repassy Family Larry Hazen hay ride conductor
Toale Family Milam Bogart Aesthetics
Sam's Club Bath & Racquet

The list continues to grow as of 10/19/10- the date of this article submission. I will resubmit our donor/sponsor list next month with updates and Carnival statistics. We cannot do this without all the help, donations and time that so many so generously have given of themselves. We're having a Carnival, a party and a Preschool Reunion

all in one great big, beautiful evening. We hope to see a huge community turn-out on October 29th in the courtyard come join us!!!

November is always a terrific month to be at Little Disciples Preschool. Every year we collect canned goods for Sarasota's Food Pantry and this year we want to fill the Food Pantry with holiday blessings for those in need. The collection box will be in the hallway soon! And as everyone heads to the voting polls, we will be busy voting on the important issues like: favorite pets, favorite Disney Characters and favorite fruits!!! The following week we will enjoy Patriotic Center's Day and get ready for our Veteran's Day

Parade. Come join us in the courtyard on Thursday the 11th at 9:25am and be sure to wear red, white and blue!

Each year before Thanksgiving we gather together for our FRIENDSHIP FEAST. Both Monday and Tuesday (11/22 & 11/23) all the children will gather together to enjoy our Friendship Feast. No Extended Care is available on these days. Our preschool will be closed Wednesday, November 24th - Friday, November 26th, in observance of Thanksgiving. We will reopen our doors on Monday, November 29th. Little Disciples Preschool wishes you all a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Teachers Tidbits: Can you guess what we are?? We start each month with curriculum calendars filled with seasonal

projects, age-appropriate lessons, developmental activities and special events. We create snack calendars. We take tons of pictures to capture special moments. We write down the cute comments we hear daily in our Dictation logs. We take attendance. We play on a playground! We help children to learn, laugh and love all that life has to offer every day. Have you guessed what we are yet?

We're PRESCHOOL TEACHERS - and we LOVE spending each day with YOU!



Recycling Fundraiser pays for EVERY item (in the categories listed on our price list) no matter what - regardless of whether or not the item(s) work and regardless of whether or not the item's model number is listed on our price list.

- **Cell Phones** (We pay up to \$300 per used cell phone)
- **Jewelry** (We pay the dollar highest amount for scrap metal jewelry)
- **Ink Jet Printer Cartridges** (Up to \$5 per used ink jet)
- **Laptops & Netbooks** (Up to \$350 per used laptop & netbook)
- **MP3 Players** (Up to \$50 per used MP3 Player)
- **Digital Cameras** (Up to \$10 per used digital camera)
- **Digital Video Cameras** (Up to \$25 per used digital camera)
- **GPS Devices** (Up to \$50 per used GPS device)
- **Radar Detectors** (Up to \$50 per used radar detector)
- **Kindle & Sony Book Readers** (Up to \$25 per used Kindle or Sony book reader)

That is, you earn cash for every cell phone, ink jet cartridge, laptop or netbook computer, MP3 Player (Apple iPod, Microsoft Zune, Creative or Sandisk), digital camera, digital video camera, handheld game system (Sony or Nintendo), GPS device (Garmin, Mio, Magellan or TomTom), radar detector (Escort, Beltronics or Cobra), Kindle or Sony book reader or unwanted piece of jewelry you collect including broken items or items not on our list. Prices on our list reflect working items only. Working electronics are electronics that, when tested by Recycling Fundraiser, power up, possess an undamaged LCD screen, make a test call (if applicable), have working internal components including the charge port and are not cracked or otherwise damaged. Non-Working items that appear on our price list will be credited 20% of the corresponding working price. Newer working and non-working electronics not included on our price list will be credited at competitive prices. There is no price deduction for broken jewelry.



Please continue to bring your Aluminum cans to help support our Health Department Fund used to help people in need with medications costs. Cans can be dropped off behind the garage

Beckham's Fundraiser

Don't forget about a great opportunity that awaits you at BECKHAM'S restaurant, located at 1272 S. Tamiami Trail in Osprey, (South Bay Plaza). They will send Beneva Christian Church a check for 15% of your bill for any Sunday noon meal. Simply enjoy a great lunch at BECKHAM'S after church on any Sunday, give your server the name and address of our church, and they will mail the church a check! Their food is delicious and served in generous portions, and the professional yet comfortable atmosphere of Beckham's will have you rushing back for more. We received a very heartfelt 'Thank You' letter from Beckham's for participating in their Brunch Cash back program, as it has helped them get through the financial slumps. They look forward to welcoming us to brunch throughout 2009, and I hope that everyone makes a trip (or two or three) to Beckham's! Take your friends and family along. Enjoy a great meal, great fellowship, and help support our church!!! ☩

Life Line Screening's Mobile Health Testing Units Are Coming

- 1 Where: Beneva Christian Church
- 2 When: Tuesday, December 7, 2010

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4 Stroke and other serious problems can be avoided and treated before they become life threatening. That's what makes Life Line Screening such a valuable service. Over 5 million Americans have already taken advantage of these important screenings—and with good reason. 80% of strokes are preventable. – *Source: National Stroke Association 2007*

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6 Cardiovascular disease is the #1 killer in the United States and a leading cause of permanent disability. The National Stroke Association states that your risk of stroke doubles each decade after age 55. Unfortunately, many significant vascular problems go undetected until it is too late. Now you have the opportunity to screen for potential strokes, aneurysms and heart disease before they become life-threatening.

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8 **Stroke/Carotid Artery Screening** - Ultrasound evaluation of the carotid arteries that screens for buildup of fatty plaque – leading cause of strokes.

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Heart Rhythm Screening (Atrial Fibrillation) - Painless 6-lead EKG that can detect an irregular heart rhythm. Atrial fibrillation increases the risk of stroke 5 times.

Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening - Ultrasound is used to screen for the presence of an aneurysm in the abdominal aorta that could lead to a ruptured aortic artery.

Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening - Evaluates for peripheral arterial disease (plaque buildup) in the lower extremities. It is 4-5 times more likely you will die from heart disease if you have peripheral arterial disease.

Life Line Screening will complete all 4 vascular screenings for only \$139. Add an osteoporosis screening for only \$10 more. To compliment their ultrasound screenings, Life Line Screening now offers finger-stick blood tests for Cholesterol, Glucose, and Liver Enzymes.

You may think that your physician would order these screenings if they were necessary. However, insurance companies typically will not pay for screenings unless there are symptoms. Unfortunately 4 out of 5 people that suffer a stroke have no apparent symptoms or warnings signs. That is why having a Life Line Screening is so important to keep you and your loved ones healthy and independent.

Life Line Screening now offers **Know Your Number**—a disease risk assessment that predicts your risk in the next 5 years of developing 6 chronic conditions: heart disease, stroke, heart failure, type 2 diabetes and if a smoker...lung cancer and COPD. The test includes finger-stick blood work and simple biometric screenings. Cost is \$79.

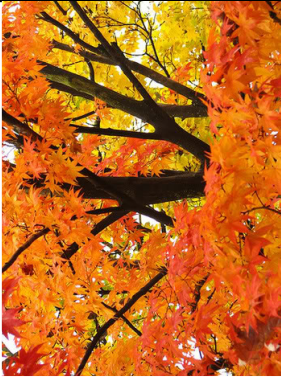
Pre-registration is required. Space is Limited!

Call 1-800-324-1851 to schedule your appointment or

www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners



November 2010



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	
	7 pm Joshua's Men	Election Day 6:30 Worship On Wed.	12:15-1 Lunch & Learn	3-5 Food Pantry		
7	9	10	11	12	13	
9:30 Praise Service 9:30/10:45 Bible Study 10:45 Traditional Service 12:00 Blood Pressure 2:00 Hangerman Church	Board Meeting 7pm 6:30 Worship On Wed.		12:15-1 Lunch & Learn Veterans Day	3-5 Food Pantry		
14	16	17	18	19	20	
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28	30					
First Sunday in Advent 9:30 Praise Service 9:30/10:45 Bible Study 10:45 Traditional Service						

Property Report

The grass is starting into its' slowing growing period!! YEAH!!!

This last week the Little Disciples Preschool had its' carnival and we had a volunteer father show up to help prepare the area. Thanks to Cindy for getting Gary to spend some time to help out. We also wish to thank the LDP for a Ulysses S. Grant (\$50.00 in case you were wondering) to put toward gas. We now have 3 five gallon cans and 2 two gallon mixed gas cans filled. If you did not have a chance to visit the carnival it was great and the best feeling I had was to see a very full parking lot!!!

We removed the blades on the 3 mowers for sharpening and inspection (see picture). They sharpened up okay but the sand down here wears off the curved lift area of the blades no just some COMPLETELY!!! Our mowers, and their drivers, are happy to have sharp blades again even if they don't lift the grass like new blades



would. We have also encountered some battery issues with our now 2 year old Cub Cadet lawn mower, it does not hold a charge. SOOOoooo just in case you find it in your will to help these poor worn blades, and their worn drivers, everyone would appreciate a donation for replacements/partners. The cost of the blades are just under a Benjamin Franklin (that's \$100.00 in case you were wondering) and the cost of a replacement battery for the Cub Cadet is just under a Ulysses S. Grant (see above...). The good ol' John Deere tractor has a bed battery but since there will be no Christmas Tree sales this year ol' John can hang in peace and semi-retirement in the garage.

The property is in pretty good shape as a whole but we should plan a Sat-A-Work day at some point. Unfortunately, I will be out of town most of the month of November so that project would either need to be postponed or someone else can volunteer to get it organized and run with it. Let me know and we can have our wonderful Lisa in the office to get an e-mail notice out.

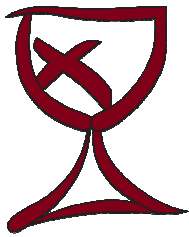
Please note there will be new "Energy Instructions" signs in Fellowship Hall to help conserve our expenses toward Florida Power and Light in that building. Speaking of that building, it is not being used very much so if you have heard of groups needing a meeting place please think of Beneva and the use of Fellowship Hall. It is getting used for voting and this is good exposure for Beneva Christian but it's always nice to have the property utilized a bit more than it has.

We are glad the grass has slowed and mowings only need happen every two or so weeks but our property is ageing and we could always use a helping hand at what-ever you feel at ease doing. Please feel free to contact me if you have a specialty or wish to join us on our "Beneva Green Team".

I look forward to starting the New Beginnings Groups to decide the future of Beneva Christian Church. Please hold BCC in your most heartfelt prayers as we look forward to whatever God has in store for us. Speaking of New Beginnings I just want to let those who were not in attendance know I recorded the Monday General Session meeting in which we had Matt review some very important and sometimes bone chilling statistics, not only about Beneva but the people in our communities and the world. PLEASE ask the office for a copy of the VCR tape to get brought up to speed and get involved in the FUTURE of Beneva Christian Church. If anyone knows of someone who can copy the VCR tape to a DVD please let me know so we can have those available as well.

In His wholly name we pray for Beneva Christian Church and for us to be able to follow your direction in the future and thank Him for all that this earth holds for us to enjoy (ie: slower growing grass)!

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Sunday Schedule

Contemporary Service	9:30am
Adult & Youth Bible Study Class	9:30am
Traditional Worship Service (& Nursery)	10:45am
Adult & Youth Bible Study Class	10:45am

What Do Disciples Believe?

Like most Christians, Disciples affirm:

- ♦ Jesus Christ is the son of the Living God, and offers saving grace to all.
- ♦ All persons are God's children.

Beliefs and practices usually associated with Disciples include:

- ♦ *Open Communion.* The Lord's Supper, or Communion, is celebrated in weekly worship. It is open to all believers.
- ♦ *Diversity of opinion.* Each person is free to determine individual belief guided by the Bible, the Holy Spirit, study and prayer.
- ♦ *Baptism by immersion.* In baptism the old self-centered life is set aside, and a new life of trust in God is made possible. Although Disciples generally practice baptism by immersion, they honor other baptism traditions as well.
- ♦ *Importance of church unity.* All Christians should cooperate in ministry wherever possible, affirming each other as sisters and brothers in Christ.
- ♦ *The ministry of all believers.* Both ministers and lay persons lead worship, direct service opportunities and nurture spiritual growth.
- ♦ *Freedom of belief.* Disciples are called together around one essential of faith: belief in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. †



The chalice symbolizes the central place of communion in worship for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). The X-shaped cross of the disciple Andrew is a reminder of the ministry of each person and the importance of evangelism.

Discover . . . Spiritual growth

Every Disciples congregation meets weekly to worship God. In the warmth of God's presence and with the support of others, we grow in our understanding of God in ways that make a difference in our everyday lives.

Through worship that is both contemporary and traditional, we discover the joy of trusting and following Jesus.

Around the communion table, we acknowledge Christ's presence and remember the meal He shared with His followers. All believers are welcome at the Lord's table.

Whether you are a longtime follower of Jesus Christ, or curious about Christianity, the Christian Church can help you explore Christianity and learn about Christ. †

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