

**We have many upcoming events.  
Mark Your Calendars!**



Youth Mission Trip to Golden Isles, GA	July 24-31
Charge Conference	July 25
CEC Staff Retreat & Training	Aug. 19
CEC Teacher Work Week	Aug. 22-26
Leadership Team Meeting	Aug. 29
CEC First Day of School (for 4-5 day students)	Aug. 29
CEC First Day of School (All Students) Parents' Boo-Hoo Breakfast	Aug. 30

<u>Stewardship Corner</u> from your Finance Team For the week of Sunday, July 17, 2016	
Contributions & gifts for ministry and property	\$11,763.00
Average weekly receipts needed for ministry and property	\$9,660.00
Surplus or (Deficit)	\$2,103.00
<i>"Our 'thanks' to all who continue to support the church with time, talent, and resource! We are excited to be moving forward together!"</i>	

**HAUPERT-JOHNSON APPOINTED  
BISHOP OF NORTH GEORGIA  
CONFERENCE**



The Rev. Sue Hauptert-Johnson, a district superintendent of the Florida Annual Conference, has been elected as a United Methodist bishop by delegates at the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference. She will serve as bishop of the North Georgia

Conference for the next quadrennium. Hauptert-Johnson, 54, was elected Wednesday, July 13, at the jurisdiction's quadrennial meeting at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina. On the tenth ballot, she received 230 of 375 votes cast.

I hope you will go and spread a table "with a sumptuous gospel feast," she bid the delegates. In her introduction address on Tuesday, Hauptert-Johnson stressed the need for the church to have room for everyone at God's table.

Hauptert-Johnson was the fifth bishop elected by the 376 delegates, an equal number of United Methodist clergy and laity, from the nine states that form the Southeastern Jurisdiction (SEJ). The assignments of bishops in the SEJ for the next four years will be announced later in the week. Her four-year term of service begins September 1.

Hauptert-Johnson, nominated by the Florida Conference, is the current district superintendent of Florida's Gulf Central District. She served as North Central District superintendent since July 2013, overseeing a church landscape of large and small congregations in a mix of urban, suburban and rural communities. The district's demographics are diverse as well, including African-American, Haitian, Hispanic and Native American worshipers. Before that, she served as pastor of churches in Tampa, Cape Coral and Ocala, and was an

associate pastor at First UMC, Lakeland. She holds a law degree from the University of Florida and was a litigator with a Tampa law firm before answering the call to ministry and graduating summa cum laude from Emory University's Candler School of Theology. She was ordained a deacon in 1996 and an elder in 1998.

Hauptert-Johnson has had numerous leadership roles in the Florida Conference and has represented the Florida UMC twice at General Conference – serving as Judicial Administration Legislative Committee chairperson in 2012 – and three times at jurisdictional conference.

A consecration service for the five new bishops will be held at 10:00 a.m. EDT Friday, July 15, at Lake Junaluska. The ceremony can be watched live at the Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center's website.

Within the United States, local United Methodist churches are organized into increasingly larger groups: numerous districts, dozens of annual conferences and five jurisdictions (regions). Thirteen active bishops now lead the 15 annual conferences that form the South Eastern Jurisdiction.

A United Methodist bishop is elected for life. Typically, a bishop will serve in a specific annual conference for eight years. The United Methodist Book of Discipline, the denomination's law book, directs each bishop to "guard the faith, order, liturgy, doctrine, and discipline of the Church" and to "lead all persons entrusted to their oversight in worship, in the celebration of the sacraments, and in their mission of witness and service in the world." Bishops also are to be "prophetic voices and courageous leaders in the cause of justice for all people." The states represented in this jurisdiction are: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

~By Conference Staff | FLUMC

# WEEKLY MESSENGER

Find out what's going on at FUMC!

Worship Services 9 & 10:30

July 24, 2016



*The preschool is undergoing some major renovations to our classrooms in the Fellowship Hall. Demolition and installation will take place the last week of July and into August. Following our new cabinetry install, we will begin freshening up our classrooms for the start of school with touch-up painting and stripping and waxing of all our floors. We hope you'll pardon our dust while we make these major improvements to our church/classrooms. We invite you to join us in prayer for smooth transitions and details to fall into place, and we certainly hope you'll check out the improvements once completed in August. We thank you for your support of CEC and our ministry here at FUMC.*

*CEC Director,  
Julie Wright*

## MEET OUR NEW PASTOR REVEREND SUSAN GRAY



Rev. Susan Gray grew up in the small community of Rush County, IN. Her early faith was nurtured by her mother who worked as a community health nurse to support the family after the death of her husband. Susan and her three brothers learned much about God's love, overcoming life's challenges, and focusing on faith rather than fear from their mother.

Susan and her husband, Mike, met in typical Indiana "Hoosier" fashion - at a basketball game! They married in 1980 and soon thereafter moved to Teaneck, NJ. Susan returned to college, completing a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education at Fairleigh Dickinson University.

The young couple next moved to Florida in the mid-1980s where Susan began her training as an orator...She taught first grade at Military Trail Elementary School. Her husband, Mike, advanced as a country club golf professional, and, over the next ten-plus years, his career took them back to New Jersey and to Scottsdale, Arizona. In 2000, they moved back to Indiana, where they worked together running the Logansport Golf Course.

Throughout these moves, Susan accumulated 20 years of active laity service in a variety of offices, assignments, and committee positions. She responded to God's call to ordained ministry that He had placed in her heart so many years earlier. Susan entered Asbury Theological Seminary in 2004, and her first appointment was as Associate Pastor of Galveston UMC in Galveston, IN.

The Gray's moved to Tequesta, Florida in 2006, where Susan served our church as Assistant to the Pastor. She graduated from seminary in May 2012 and two months later was commissioned a Provisional Elder of The Florida Annual Conference. She was appointed to St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Ocala, FL. At the district level, Rev. Susan served on the Leadership Council, the Superintendent Supervisory Committee, the Board of Directors for the Interfaith Emergency Service Foundation, and 2015 Acting Interim Director for the Board of Open Arms Village. At a conference level, Rev. Susan has served on the Commission on the Status and Role of Women and the Commission of Equitable Compensation. Most recently, Rev. Susan has been invited by Bishop Ken Carter to serve on the Board of Ordained Ministry for the next quadrennium, and she will be participating in the Marcy Preaching Fellowship for 2016-2017.

Rev. Susan now, with great joy, moves to First United Methodist Church of Jupiter-Tequesta as our lead pastor. Rev. Susan, Mike, and their three adult children—Kinsey, Courtney, and Brad—love Florida! Their children have moved across the United States in advancing their educations and careers and remain very close with their parents and each other. Rev. Susan's interests include time with family and friends, being on any beach, exploring new places, and reading, reading, reading!

Rev. Susan is energized by working with church and community members, as this inspires her joy, growth, and gratitude for God's many blessings.