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## MESSENGER

### SUNDAY SERVICE

October 29, 2017

10:30 AM

Rev. Dr. Roger Verse

#### Scripture readings:

Deuteronomy 34: 1-12

Psalm 46

Matthew 22: 34-46

**Sermon:** *"Here I Stand. I can Do No Other!"*



This Sunday we will celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation which began when Martin Luther posted the Ninety Five Thesis, a challenge for a theological debate within the Church of his day. That debate led to charges of heresy and Luther was protected by Prince Frederick of Saxony. The seal was designed at the behest of the Prince. Luther saw it as an expression of his theology and faith, the primacy of the Word, Faith, and Grace in salvation.

### MEMORIAL SERVICES

**Murphy Moore**, Scott Moore's father, went to be with our Lord on Thursday, October 5. A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held at the Mariner Sands Chapel on **Saturday, November 4, at 10:00 AM**. Our prayers and condolences are offered to Scott, Trish, Alexis and Luke, and all family and friends

of Murphy.

Our dear friend and member, **Ginny Barton**, passed away on Sunday, October 15. Arrangements are being made by her son, Alan, for a Memorial Service to be held at our Church on **Friday, October 27 at 11 AM**. A reception in the fellowship hall will immediately follow the service.

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### RIDE ACROSS AMERICA

On Sunday, October 22, we welcomed the cyclists who are “riding across America” for charity. They started out in Portland, Maine on September 15th and were headed to Key West. They embarked on this 2,500 mile journey to raise money and awareness for suicide prevention. The charity they are supporting is the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP). see: <https://afsp.org>.



Shown here shortly after arrival are, left to right: Jim Greer, Yuma Arizona; Suzanne Stack, Yuma Arizona; Michael Wieser, Anchorage Alaska; Darren Heiner, New York and Las Vegas; Bonnie Kalish, Traverse City Michigan; Mike Wildemann, Kentucky; Curt Wildemann, Las Vegas; Steve and Sara Dobbs, Houston Texas. Many of them didn't know each other before they embarked on this cycling adventure.

Upon their arrival, around 1:30 PM, they were served a variety of treats and cold beverages, and had a chance to refresh and relax before dinner was served at 6:00 PM. Before dinner began, **Curt Wildemann**, the **Ride Across America** organizer, was presented with monetary donations to the **American Foundation for Suicide Prevention**.



Cindy Fucigna presented a check for \$500 representing donations so generously made by our church members and friends.



On behalf of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Auxillary, Dorothea Wiley presented a donation from that organization.



Several church members who had prepared food and worked with Cindy Fucigna to organize this event joined the cyclists for a dinner of lasagna, ziti, salad, rolls, and a variety of desserts.

The cyclists shared tales of their travel adventures and enjoyed learning about our church and the people who were welcoming them. They were a very outgoing, friendly group, and it was a joy to host them.

After dinner, everyone adjourned to the church sanctuary where Brandon provided some quiet music and Dr. Verse led the group in prayer. During a silent prayer period the attendees were encouraged to share the names of the people in their lives who had ended their lives in suicide. During this time it was very evident why these particular cyclists had joined in this ride down the entire east coast to call attention to the tragedy of suicide and to promote suicide prevention. This was such a very moving few minutes for all who were present.



In the morning, following a healthy breakfast planned especially for providing travel energy, the cyclists headed out for Fort Lauderdale. The trip was originally planned to terminate in Key West, but after the devastation caused by hurricane Irma the group decided to cut the trip short. They did not want to interfere with the clean-up work still ongoing at the locations where they were scheduled to stay. Thus, they will be returning to their individual homes after their stay overnight in Fort

Lauderdale.

They left the following thank you note, signed individually by each member of the group, to share with our generous congregation.

*Dear Pastor Roger, Cindy, Carla and the Members of Hobe Sound Community Presbyterian Church,*

*We can't thank you enough for making us feel so welcome during our stay in Hobe Sound. The showers, snacks, dinner and breakfast were greatly appreciated by our group of tired cyclists. We genuinely feel blessed to be hosted by your church and are thankful for your support of our ride on behalf of Suicide Prevention, and the generous donation as well.*

*Thanks and God Bless.*

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A very special “thank you” to **Cindy Fucigna** who so graciously headed up the planning and organizing of this event. The fun that was had by all who participated is a testament to her excellent planning and hard work. And thank you to Stacey Albrecht for many of the photos in this article.

### **A thank you message from Cindy Fucigna**

*Thank you to everyone who helped make our visit from the Ride Across America bicyclists a success. Eight riders and one support crew member bunked overnight in the manse, and joined us for dinner and breakfast in the social hall. It was a pleasure to meet them and share stories from their trek. Your contributions of food, goods, fellowship, service and monetary donations were appreciated by all.*

*Curt Wildemann, the event organizer, told us that, although they had enjoyed 39 nights of wonderful hospitality from churches and other facilities along their journey, we were the first group to make a donation. Our congregation provided a check to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) in the amount of \$510! The VFW Auxiliary also donated \$100 to the AFSP. Thank you for your generosity, enthusiasm and kindness.*

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### **OTHER MISSION DONATION OPPORTUNITIES**

With so many people severely impacted by recent disasters, the need for donations has never been much greater. If you wish to make a donation to any of these through our Presbytery, you can make a check payable to HSCPC, and designate it as “disaster relief. These donations will be sent to the Presbytery Office.

Or you can make your check payable to the Presbytery of Tropical Florida, Memo: Disaster Relief, and mail it to 1919 SE 5th Street, Boca Raton, FL

And, remember that we collect donated food for the **HOUSE OF HOPE** on an ongoing basis. You can leave your donations at the church door and they will be taken to the House of Hope regularly.

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## NEW BIBLE STUDY: CHRISTIANITY 101

What is involved being a Christian?

Ask someone “on the street” and they might say “being a good person,” or someone who follows the “golden rule,” or the person who does “the Christian thing,” or one who “follows Jesus teachings.”

Pastor Roger will be leading a Bible Study for six weeks, **beginning Wednesday, November 15, 10 AM, and into the weeks of Advent**, designed to answer that question. We might just find that the “person on the street” has no idea what it is to be a Christian. And you might be a little surprised yourself!

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### FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

**IMPORTANT \*\*\*\*\* COMING THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 4:00 PM.**

The **South Fork High School Choir** will be presenting a concert in our church Sanctuary.



This concert is free of charge and open to the public as well as church members and friends.

These talented youth have been honored with an invitation to perform at a festival in London, England at the end of December. A free will offering will be taken at the end of the concert. These donations will help defray the participants' expenses for this exciting and well-deserved opportunity.

And **PLAN AHEAD** for **A Christmas Concert** featuring soprano **Lorrianna Colozzo**, accompanied by Brandon Glick. This concert, scheduled for **Tuesday, December 12, 7:00 PM**, is also offered free of charge, with a free will offering taken at the end of the concert.

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### BRANDON'S CONCERT SERIES

This fall Brandon has his own concert series, **GREAT PIANO CLASSICS**, at the

**Peter and Julie Cummings Library, 2551 S.W. Matheson Ave. Palm City, FL .**  
sponsored by the Friends of the Martin County Library System, Inc.

Besides performing, he will offer commentary on the music. The concerts will be held at 2:00 PM on the first Saturday of October, November and December, and will last approximately one hour.

His first concert, on October 7, was very well attended, and many HSCPC members and friends were among the very appreciative audience members. The next two concerts are on:

**Saturday, November 4, at 2:00 PM.**  
**Classics at the Movies, with violinist Daniel Lu**  
Joplin to Beethoven to Schindler's List

**Saturday, December 2 at 2:00 PM**  
**Classics from France, with guitarist Rowdy Carlton**  
Couperin to Debussy, Ravel to jazz.

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**CHOIR TIME: Choir rehearsals have begun.** The choir rehearses on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m., and sometimes on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the choir room prior to the worship service. If you like to sing, and would like to join our choir, please talk with Brandon, or Becky Boynton. We have a lot of fun while practicing and performing special music for our Sunday Worship services.

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### **IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO START PLANNING FOR THANKSGIVING**

Last year, **Deacon Carly Tinsley** hosted a Thanksgiving dinner in the Fellowship Hall for church members and friends who might otherwise be spending the holiday alone. It was a great success and a wonderful day of feasting and sharing.

Carla is planning on repeating this Thanksgiving dinner this year. If you wish to attend you will be asked to make a reservation and plan on bringing a dish to pass. This will be an opportunity to share your favorite Thanksgiving dish and memory. Carla will supply and prepare the turkey and trimmings.

Stay tuned for further information, and **mark your calendar for November 23.**

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**LADIES LUNCHEON:** The next ladies' luncheon will be on

**Friday, November 3, 12:30 PM at**  
**Angelo's Too Restaurant and Pizza**  
**8815 S.E. Bridge Road, Hobe Sound (Winn Dixie shopping center)**

All female members and friends of our Church are welcome. We always have a wonderful time with good food and Christian fellowship.

If you plan to attend it is important that you make your reservation with **Dorothea Wiley, 772 546-2719.**

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**CLASS FOR NEW MEMBERS**

Dr. Verse is preparing a series of classes for people interested in joining our Church. If you are considering becoming a member of HSCPC please contact Dr. Verse for further details. A time will be determined that is convenient for all.

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**DR. VERSE'S OFFICE HOURS:** Dr. Verse's office hours are **Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 9AM until Noon**. He would love to have you drop in for a visit if you are in the area. However, if you have a special need to speak with him it would be best to call ahead to see if he is available; often meetings or pastoral visits will necessitate his being out of the office at times during his scheduled hours.

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### SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

If you would like to volunteer to teach Sunday School, please contact Karen Kienzle, (561) 379-7900, or [karenkienzle@hotmail.com](mailto:karenkienzle@hotmail.com), or personally at church on Sunday.

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### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTOR PART-TIME JOB OPENING

HSCPC is looking for a Part-time Christian Education Director. Are you looking for a fulfilling opportunity to work with the children of our church? or, do you know someone who might be interested and qualified to fill this part-time position? This position would be perfect for a person with a CE or educational background who wants to stay active in CE work but is unable to commit to a full-time position.

Please see the link below for Job Posting, and/or send your resume to [karenkienzle@hotmail.com](mailto:karenkienzle@hotmail.com).

<http://www.tfpby.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/2017-Director-of-Christian-Education-2.pdf>

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### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

**November 2** - Dorothea Wiley  
**November 2** - Mary Wiggin  
**November 5** - Johan Greene  
**November 6** - Deb Hobson  
**November 9** - Aislyn Rausch  
**November 13** - Pat Kavanaugh  
**November 24** - Diane Atkisson  
**November 25** - Everett Rausch

### NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

**November 11** - Stan and Clair Ball

*(If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please let us know so you can be included here for the rest of the month.)*

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Jim White
- Alex Lopez - Estrada
- Josephine Scricca
- George Mulleneix
- The family of Brian Tobin
- Cimy Bitzer
- Jay Morrison
- George Roberts
- Shanon Killey
- Judy McCloy
- Scott Moore and family
- Terry McCloy
- Deborah Hobson and family
- Bill Carlson
- Annette O'Shea
- The family of Jean Albrecht
- Owen Lovejoy
- Heather Forster
- Joyce Spengler
- Renee Sinksen
- The family of Virginia Barton

Names will be removed from this list after three weeks unless a request is made to keep them on. This request can be made to Karen Metzger.

**WHEN YOU WANT TO MAKE A PRAYER REQUEST:** To request prayers through the Prayer Circle, for yourself or someone else, contact Jan Norrish, 772-486-5514, [jannorrish@hotmail.com](mailto:jannorrish@hotmail.com), To have a prayer request included in the Church Sunday bulletin, fill out the prayer request card found in the Church pews or contact Karen Metzger, 772 220-4678, or [kmmetz@bellsouth.net](mailto:kmmetz@bellsouth.net).

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