

March 21, 2023

## IN OUR HOUSE

### **\*Saturday, March 25 – Steeple Coffee House**

The Maria Gillard trio will be performing. Maria is an excellent singer/songwriter and with Perry Cleaveland on Mandolin and great harmonies and Doug Henrie on bass, you can not ask for a better band. They are very entertaining and do mostly original songs and a cover or two. Always a great night with these folks!!!



Admission/Donation is \$15.00/person. Doors will open at 7:00 and the show starts at 7:30. This includes all offered desserts, coffee, tea and other beverages.

Can you bake for this/other coffeehouse events? Contact Kathy Z.

### **\*From the Finance Corner - - As of February 28, 2023**

*Total Pledged: \$19,489.98*  
*Pledges Received: \$14,240*  
*Total Income - \$20,318.00*  
*Total Expenses - \$45,745.37*

Note: This month's expenses include our annual insurance payment of \$9,150

## UCF IN THE WORLD

### **\*Update from Our Ministry Partners in Haiti**

#### 2023 March Mobile Medical Clinic in Haiti - Organized by our FEED Partners!

Thanks to a \$2,000 donation from the Tully High School Spanish Honor Society and \$3,000 from Park Central Church to our Haiti Educational Mission, the annual medical clinic at FEED Headquarters in Paulette Haiti, treated 314 patients from babies to the elderly. Two doctors, two nurses and one technician completed exams, gave needed injections and medications and handed out soap and chlorine. Again, clean drinking water and good hygiene were stressed. (Gloria and Scott M. can provide have additional pics and info on request.)



### \*Food Pantry Contributions

If you have made food contributions to the Pantry as one of your Lenten spiritual disciplines, or if it is a regular practice for you, needed items are: **Cereal, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Fruit, Canned Vegetables**

### \*The Easter Offering

The beneficiaries of the Easter Offering will be refugees and asylum seekers here and abroad. The Presbyterian Church USA and American Baptist Churches USA are active in efforts to help refugees and asylum seekers. Some of the services provided through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance include offering space in their churches, providing meals, activities for children, helping to find clothing for people, and arranging travel from their current locations to their desired locations. (<https://www.pcusa.org/news/2022/10/10/presbyterians-continue-to-look-for-ways-to-support/>). American Baptist Churches are working with International Ministries on Project Migrant Ministry, A Mile in their Shoes. With a focus on Latin America, this project provides shelter, potable water, meals elementary education and human rights orientation for migrants seeking immigration and asylum in distressed areas. (<https://www.internationalministries.org/migrant-ministry-a-mile-in-their-shoes/>) A generous match of \$500 from the Steeple Coffeehouse will be made to the congregation's contribution. As we move through Lent considering the ways we might most faithfully follow Christ, please prayerfully consider your contribution to these efforts.

### COMING UP AT UCF!

- \***10:00AM Sunday, April 2 Palm Sunday** We will share the Lord's Supper and palms will be distributed
- \***7:00PM Thursday, April 6 Maundy Thursday** We will share the Last Supper. This service will be in-person only.
- \***12:00 Noon Friday, April 7 Good Friday** This will be a solemn service of reading and reflection. This service will be streamed only; available on the website from noon on Friday through Saturday.
- \***10:00AM Sunday, April 9 The Festival of the Resurrection! Easter Sunday**
- \***10:00AM Sunday, April 23 Special Earth Day Service**

Ten of us gathered to reflect on scripture's guidance about God's creation, the opportunity to be co-creators with God, how UCF already does and might better witness to and strengthen our response to our faithful obligations for the care of creation. Bob C., Beth K., Sarah G., Jenny J., Steve P., Andrea and Steve L., Betsy N., Janet P. and I shared an awesome potluck lunch (reason enough to participate in future study opportunities.) I am excited that as a result of our fruitful discussions and class members' creativity, thoughtfulness and commitment, these folk will be designing and leading an Earth Day

worship service on Sunday, April 23. Be sure to be with us on this special day.



### \*3:00PM Sunday, April 30 Spring Pops Concert

### THIS WEEK'S THANKS

- \*March 12 Coffee House Bakers: Shirley A., Charlotte A., Linda E., Sandy M., Janet P. and MaryJane W.
- \*The Handbell Choir for their musical offering on Sunday.

### THIS WEEK'S CONCERNS

- \*War in Eastern Europe and the battle for Bakhmut
- \*The people of CA who seem to get no break from catastrophic and disruptive storms