

Sermon Themes and Scriptures

<p>Date: September 1, 2019 Title: The 7 Deadly Sins Theme: Sloth Purpose: To encourage the congregation to adopt the virtue of diligence to combat sloth. Old Testament: Proverbs 6:6-9; 19:15-16 New Testament: Matthew 25:26-30</p>	<p>Date: September 8, 2019 Title: The 7 Deadly Sins Theme: Anger Purpose: To encourage the congregation to adopt the virtue of patience to combat anger. Old Testament: Proverbs 15:1 & 18 New Testament: Matthew 5:21-24</p>
<p>Date: September 15, 2019 Title: The 7 Deadly Sins Theme: Jealousy/Envy Purpose: To encourage the congregation to adopt the virtue of admiration to combat envy. OT: Genesis 37:3-11 NT: Titus 3:3-5</p>	<p>Date: September 22, 2019 Title: The 7 Deadly Sins Theme: Pride Purpose: To encourage the congregation to adopt the virtue of humility to combat pride. Old Testament: Proverbs 16:18-19 New Testament: 2 Timothy 3:1-9</p>
<p>Date: September 29, 2019 Title: "It's Never My Fault!" Theme: Accountability Purpose: To realize that all are accountable before a sovereign God and will one day will have to bow before Christ. Old Testament: Exodus 32:21-24 New Testament: Romans 14: 9-13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sunday's Service Information</u></p> <p>Traditional Service – For those that love that “Old Time Religion”, we have a traditional worship service that meets every Sunday at 8:30 am.</p> <p>Blended Service – Not too bold, not too mild...just right. Our Blended service combines the best of our traditional and contemporary worship services. The Blended service is every Sunday at 10:30 am. There is also Children's Church available for kids K through 5th grade and a nursery for infants and toddlers.</p>

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Newsletter and Bulletin Deadlines

We have a lot of ministries and events going on at Burton and it is important to get the word out regarding them. So, please remember the *deadline for getting information into the weekly bulletin is on Wednesdays. The deadline for monthly Beacon articles is the 20 of each month.* Please send all information that you want placed in the bulletin or in the Beacon to the office at bae_bmumc@att.net.

DON'T MISS THE DEADLINE!

September Birthdays:

September Anniversaries:

<u>September Birthdays:</u>			<u>September Anniversaries:</u>		
	<u>DAY</u>			<u>DAY</u>	
Jerry Wilkinson	1	Bootsie Wells	17	William & Cindi Miller	3
Tiffany Katz	2	Jacob Kirkman	18	Claude & Betty Bullock	5
Sophia Barry	5	Barbara Koch	19	Barry & Susan Gabler	22
Sharon Albury	11	Shirley Held	21	Dorothy & Larry Jarboe	23
Barry Gabler	14	Jill McCauley	24		
Charles Bigger	15	Carol Johnson	25		
Bill Crofts	15	Victoria Pinson	25		
Lillie Kunkel	15	Deborah Shelley	27		
Mike Donovan	16	Reid Bennett	29		
George Pinson	17	Annie Mulford	30		

The Beacon

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Dear Friends

For the fourth year, The Upper Keys Ministerial Association is inviting all churches, ministries and followers of Jesus to unite in mission, vision and practice for one common Kingdom Purpose - PRAYER!

We all agree that we are called to Pray. We all agree that Jesus said, "My house shall be a house of Prayer." We all agree that prayer changes things. We all agree that prayer, in the name of Jesus, is the way of the believer. We all agree that prayer should be given for all for one great purpose. As Paul writes to Timothy in encouraging and mentoring Timothy's ministry:

"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, 2 for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.³ This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, 4 who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." -1 Timothy 2:1-4

What we are praying for -

MINISTRY

- The revelation of God's heart to people
- The realization of a need for God in redemption
- The strength of love to prevail in and around our churches
- Partnerships with Service Agencies so we can share the load.
[Keys Resource Guide]

GOVERNMENT

- Our city and county officials to steward in righteousness
- Godly people to live out convictions as leaders
- Resources for services in a resource-starved environment
- Public Safety and Service providers [Fire and Sheriff Agencies] for strength, wisdom and protection. That they serve with the power of God.

EDUCATION

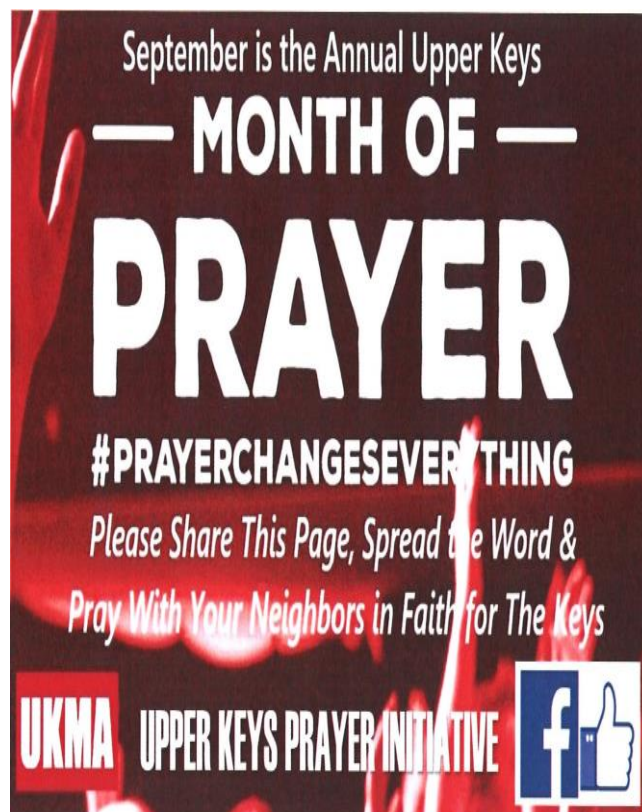
- Peace and Safety in our schools
- Hope for students
- Reconciliation of races
- Godly remnant within the staff for intercession and awareness

ENVIRONMENT

- Safety from storms
- Eradication of disease from our living reef
- Plentiful resources
- Restoration of environment from ignorance and neglect in the past

BUSINESS

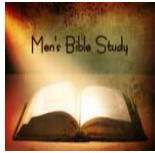
- That the daring and serving risk-taking business providers in the Keys to be met with success and, according to the Word, witty new ideas. (Pro 8.12)
- Seasonal wisdom for stewardship of resources
- Affordable solutions for those around and under sustainable income levels (Please see United Way of Florida Keys ALICE REPORT)
- Opportunity to grow.



Monday Morning Prayer Time

Be still, and know that I am God. The only way you can be silent around God is if you're comfortable in His presence. OR if you want to LEARN to be comfortable in His presence. You see, the way to learn to be truly comfortable around God is to start practicing being quiet in His presence.

We want to invite you to start the practice of being still before God. Every Monday from 8:00 am to 10:00 am we are opening up the sanctuary for a time of prayer and silent meditation. Consider it a way to kick off the work week putting God first and seeking God's direction.



The Men's Bible Study will restart on Wednesday, September 4, at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Center of Burton Memorial UMC. We will meet every Wednesday morning at 8:00 am. The Men's Bible Study is a time of fellowship, study, and **breakfast**. We cover current topics in light of Biblical understanding and truth.

Men's Bible Study

Membership and Information Class

If you would like to discover more about Burton Memorial United Methodist Church and what it means to be a member of the United Methodist Church, ***please contact Pastor Kerry to set up an appointment.*** Call or text him at 305-407-7040 or email him at kmf_bmumc@bellsouth.net.

Choir News

The Chancel Choir has started practicing again. Our performance dates are not set yet. We always welcome new singers and really NEED more singers. If you are willing to help us out, we would really appreciate it. Come and help us get back into the "sing" of things. With the new school year upon us, it is a great time to come out and learn to sing with one voice. We have a wonderful group of singers, who blend well and love to sing praises. We like to sing with heart and soul. ***If you would like to join our choir family, we practice on Wednesdays at 7:15 pm in the sanctuary.*** No experience is necessary, no tryouts, just good fun and good service to the church. If you can help us out, please come at 7:15 pm on Wednesday after the hand bell choir practices.

Carlene Jarboe



Singing is always good for the soul and helps with lung capacity. In other words it is good for the body, mind and spirit. If you need more information, please call me at 301-655-0522 or email me at dcjarboe@gmail.com. Thanks again.

Carlene

Ringin' News



Looking for a few good ringers! The Burton Ringers are looking for new members – short term or weekly. ***Our regular rehearsal is from 5:30 pm to 7:15 pm on Wednesdays in the sanctuary.*** God offers the BEST benefit package around! Come and join the bell choir. See any bell choir member or director RaeLeigh Gonsalves for more information!

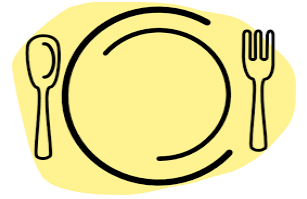
Flower Calendar

The Flower Calendar for 2019 is ready for you! Please consider placing a flower arrangement or orchid on the altar in memory of a loved one, in honor of someone or something (such as a ministry or event) or to the Glory of God. In 2019 we will not have altar flowers on Communion Sundays – the Sacrament will be our focus. There are still many dates open – so sign up! Cost is \$20.00 per arrangement. The calendar is in the Narthex or you can contact the church office. Please, only two arrangements per Sunday.



God's Kitchen

As we all know, the tradition of Thursday night's God's Kitchen meals are an important service to our community that Burton performs. Many thanks to the volunteers over the summer months. *We are still looking for someone to cook on the fourth Thursdays of the month. If you would like to help out, please call Marylou Wilkinson at 305-394-3878 for more information.*



Free Blood Pressure Checks

Every Sunday Monroe County Fire Rescue Department will be providing *free blood pressure checks in the Fellowship Center after the 10:30 am service.*

Health and Wellness

Debbie Premaza, RN, BSN

10 Tips for Reinventing Yourself during September Is Healthy Aging Month:

- 1. Do Not Act Your Age:** What was your best year so far? 28? 40? Now? Picture yourself at that age and be it. Some people may say this is denial, but we say it is positive thinking and goes a long way toward feeling better about yourself. (Tip: Don't keep looking in the mirror, just FEEL IT!)
- 2. Be Positive:** Be positive in your conversations and your actions every day. When you catch yourself complaining, check yourself right there and change the conversation to something positive. (Tip: Stop watching the police reports on the local news.)
- 3. Ditch the Negativity:** Have negative friends who complain all of the time and constantly talk about how awful everything is? As cruel as that may sound, distance yourself from people who do not have a positive outlook on life. They will only depress you and stop you from moving forward. Surround yourself with energetic, happy, positive people of all ages and you will be happier too.
- 4. Walk Tall:** Walk like a vibrant, healthy person. Come on. You can probably do it. Do you walk slowly because you have just become lazy or, perhaps, have a fear of falling? (Tip: Make a conscious effort to take big strides, walk with your heel first, and wear comfortable shoes.)
- 5. Stand Tall:** Stand up straight! You can knock off the appearance of a few extra years with this trick your mother kept trying to tell you. Look at yourself in the mirror. Are you holding your stomach in, have your shoulders back, chin up? Check out how much better your neck looks! Fix your stance and practice it every day, all day until it is natural. You will look great and feel better.
- 6. How Are Your Pearly Whites?** How's your smile? Research shows people who smile more often are happier. Your teeth are just as important to your good health as the rest of your body. Not only is it the first thing people notice, but good oral health is a gateway to your overall well-being.
- 7. Lonely?** Stop brooding and complaining about having no friends or family. Do something about it now. Volunteer your time. Take a class. Invite someone to meet for lunch, brunch, dinner, or coffee. (Tip: Volunteer at the local public school to stay in touch with younger people and to keep current on trends. Take a computer class or a tutorial session at your cell phone store to keep up with technology. Choose a new person every week for your dining out.)
- 8. Walk 10,000 Steps A Day:** Start walking not only for your health but to see the neighbors. Have a dog? You'll be amazed how the dog can be a conversation starter. (Tip: If you don't have time for a dog, go to your local animal shelter and volunteer. You can do it!)
- 9. Get Those Annual Check-Ups:** Set up your annual physical and other health screenings. Go to the appointments and then, hopefully, you can stop worrying about ailments for a while.
- 10. Find your inner artist:** Who says taking music lessons is for young school children? You may have an artist lurking inside you just waiting to be tapped. Have you always wanted to play the piano, violin, or sing?



Burton has so much to offer in most of these areas. It is my hope and prayer that all that read this article will work on a few of these areas to be a healthier YOU!

Join us on Mondays for Fit for Christ in the Fellowship Center from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm. If you have any questions or need a ride, please call me at 305-546-6682. Note: There will be no class on Labor Day Monday.

College Ministry

by Barbara Koch, College Ministry Coordinator

With so many students graduating last year, we have a much smaller ministry for the fall term. To date, we have received no information about any new students entering college this semester. If any member of the congregation knows of a student who might be interested in receiving our monthly communications and prayers, please notify Betsy in the church office or me at b1e1k1@aol.com.

The following students are currently enrolled in Burton's college ministry:

Kyrie Foote – Valencia Community College
James Kirkman – Florida Keys Community College
Brooke Peacock – Florida State University
Kayla Lynn de Vroedt – Miami Dade Community College
Daniel Walker – Florida State University
Makenzie Wright – University of Southern Florida



Green Team Article

A Message from The Green Team

Excerpts and information from flumc.org/creation_care:

Some people, in order to discover God, read books. But there is a great book: the very appearance of created things. Look above you! Look below you! Note it. Read it. God, whom you want to discover, never wrote that book with ink. Instead He set before your eyes the things that He had made. Can you ask for a louder voice than that?

- St. Augustine (354-430)

The UMC Florida Conference formed a Creation Care Task Force in 2009.

As a follow up to the emphasis of the 2009 Florida Annual Conference, *Transforming the World by Cherishing the Creation*, a task team was formed for the conference. This team... developed a program for local churches to become engaged in ecological stewardship.



The recommendation of the Creation Care Task Force is for every church in the Florida Conference to have a "green team."

Form a Green Team. This is a critical first step and working together with a team helps to keep your efforts strong, focused, and continually moving forward. Hold a meeting and share ideas like the ones below to develop a plan to get your ministry started. Stay connected with an email or Facebook group.

The good news is that Burton Memorial United Methodist Church has a Green Team, and you are invited to join. *If you would like to be added to the Green Team email group, please email your contact information to tblic52@aol.com.* This winter we will again be meeting face-to-face, but until then won't you join us electronically? We welcome your thoughts, suggestions, recommendations, and especially your prayers.

***With Faith, Hope and Love in Action,
The Burton Memorial Green Team***



Prayer Bead Ministry
UMWomen handcrafted Prayer Beads are sold throughout the year for \$15.00 each. Place your order for custom beads in your favorite color. Our ministry expands by offering classes on how to string Prayer Beads. Learn more at www.prayerworksstudio.com. Please call, text, or email Kim Youngblood at 443-207-4000, kyoungblood528@yahoo.com.

Pumpkin Patch is Coming

It is just around the corner. We will be hosting a **Church Workday on Sunday, September 29, after the second service.** We will need volunteers in preparing and decorating the church grounds for the pumpkins to arrive. Lunch will be provided.

The pumpkins will arrive on Saturday, **October 5 at 9:00 am.** We will need a lot of volunteers on this day to help unload over 1,000 pumpkins from the back of a semi-trailer and onto the church grounds. Those who help participate in this event will get a free pumpkin to take home to their family.



Status of Offerings

Please remember that the weekly offerings pay the expenses of our worship services, as well as contributing to the various church ministries. Below are the offering and website collections for the past four services.

Last Four Weeks					Year to Date		
Week	Date	Offering	Needed	+ / -	Offering	Needed	+ / -
31	4-Aug	\$2,689	\$2,013	676	\$87,546	\$81,865	5,681
32	11-Aug	\$1,904	\$2,013	-109	\$89,450	\$83,879	5,571
33	18-Aug	\$1,715	\$2,013	-298	\$91,165	\$85,892	5,273
34	25-Aug	\$1,187	\$2,013	-826	\$92,352	\$87,905	4,447



Burton United Methodist Women are pleased to announce...

United Methodist Women Book Discussions

In order to promote the UMW Reading Program, Burton UMW is offering several book discussions in the coming months. The first one will be held on Saturday, November 16 from 9:30 am to 11:00 am at the church. The book, 50 Women Every Christian Should Know: Learning from Heroines of the Faith by Michelle de Rusha, will be discussed in a four-part series. Only the first 12 women in the book will be discussed at the November book discussion. The next 12 women will be discussed in December and so on until the book is completed at the February discussion. Although there is a copy of the book in our UMW library, we are encouraging participants to get their own personal copies of the book. It is a great book to pass on to a friend as it is full of inspirational stories. We are looking forward to lively and informative discussions with Barbara Koch as our moderator. These discussions are open to anyone in the Keys community so feel free to invite all who may be interested. Reading the book before the discussion is not absolutely necessary to benefit from the discussion but it is certainly recommended!

Mark your Fall Calendar:

September 23 – **Burton United Methodist Women's Monthly General Meeting** is Monday evening at 7:00 pm at Edna Waldorf's home in Key Largo.

October 19 – **South East District United Methodist Women's Annual Meeting** is Saturday, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at Cokesbury United Methodist Church in Margate.

November 9 – **Florida Conference United Methodist Women's Annual Meeting** is Saturday, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at First United Methodist Church of Lakeland.

November 16 – **United Methodist Women Book Discussion**, the first in a series, is Saturday from 9:30 am to 11:00 am at Burton Memorial United Methodist Church.

All of women of faith are invited.

For more information or transportation, call 305-363-8392.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The UMW would like to say a very special thank you for all who have contributed to the Prayer Shawl Ministry. This picture shows Bootsie modeling one of her many beautifully made, crocheted shawls.

Join the ladies who create prayer shawls, scarfs and a variety of other blessed handcrafted items on Thursdays from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the Joy Classroom. Come for fun, fellowship, knitting and crocheting. No experience is necessary; we will be happy to teach you.

Hospice has been added to our list of giving to, so if you would like to join or help in any way, please stop by or contact Virginia Spear at 305-852-7757.



dV8 Youth Group

Romans 12:1 Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God – this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed (dV8) by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing, and perfect will.

Our youth group is open to all adolescents in grades 6 through 12. You do not have to be a member of Burton to attend and friends are always welcome. As a matter of fact, we encourage our youth to BARF at every event. (Bring a Real Friend). **Our normal dV8 events are Sundays from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm** (with exceptions for special events which will be advertised in advance) at the house of the pastor Kerry Foote: 123 High Street, Tavernier, FL 33070. Come and enjoy our new and repaired games: **Foosball, Ping Pong, and 5 ft. Jenga Game**. Our new schedule on Sunday is as follows:

5:00 pm to 5:30 pm – Free time- fellowship, music, and games.

5:30 pm to 6:00 pm – Team games and mixers

6:00 pm to 6:15 pm – Large Group meeting

6:15 pm to 6:45 pm – Cell Group meetings

6:45 pm. to 7:00 pm – Dinner

We will be kicking off the 2019 dV8 meeting on the second Sunday in September, starting September 8th and meeting every Sunday in September after that.



Fall Festival

The Fall Festival will be on Sunday, October 27, from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm. There will be inflatable games, a mini conch train, dunk tank, a pumpkin carving contest, a costume contest, a petting zoo, and a free magic show presented by Michael Trixx.



Schedule of Events:

2:00 pm: Inflatables Rides (unlimited rides with \$5.00 wristband).

3:00 pm: Petting Zoo Opens (unlimited with same wrist band).

4:00 pm: Pumpkin Carving Contest (1/2 off pumpkins)

Participants are asked to bring their own carving utensils.

5:00 pm: Costume Contest (Free)

6:00 pm: Michael Trixx Magic Show (Free)

Food and refreshments will be provided at a reasonable price.

Coming Ministries and Events

- November 3rd:** “All Saints Sunday” (8:30 & 10:30) @ B.M.U.C.
November 7th: “Charge Conference” (7:00 pm) @ B.M.U.C.
November 24th: “Decorating for Advent” (3:00 pm) @ B.M.U.C
November 27th: “Thanksgiving Cookies Preparation” (5:00 pm) B.M.U.C
November 27th: “Thanksgiving Meal Preparation” (7:00 pm) @ B.M.U.C
November 28th: “Thanksgiving Cookie Delivery” (10:00 am) @ B.M.U.C
November 28th: “Thanksgiving Meal Preparation” (10:00 am) @ B.M.U.C
November 28th: “Thanksgiving Community Meal” (12:00 pm) @ B.M.U.C
November 28th: Thanksgiving Meal Clean-Up (2:00 pm) @ B.M.U.C.
December 24th: “Set-Up Luminaries” (5:45 pm) @ B.M.U.C.
December 24th: “Christmas Eve Candlelight Service” (7:00 pm) @ B.M.U.C.
December 24th: “Christmas Party” (9:00 pm) @ Pastor’s House
December 24th: “Lighting Luminaries” (10:15 pm) @ B.M.U.C.
December 24th: “Christmas Eve Candlelight / Communion Service” (11:00 pm)
December 25th: “Christmas Meal Preparation” (10:00 am) @ B.M.U.C.
December 25th: “Christmas Community Meal” (12:00 pm) @ B.M.U.C.
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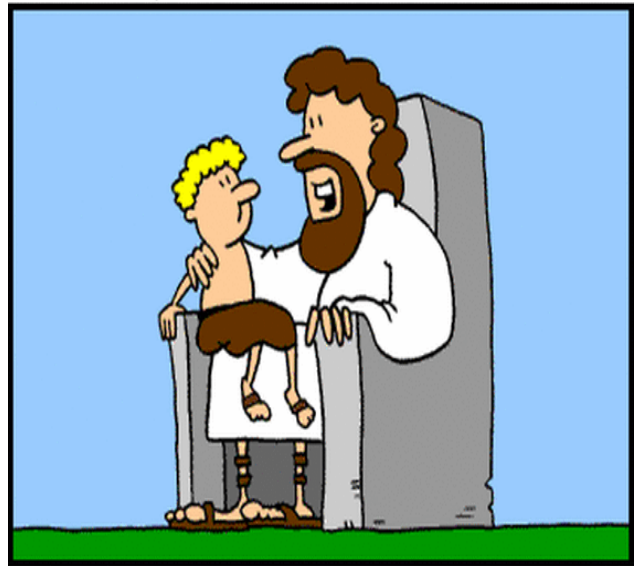


(See John 2:1-11)

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