

Church Women United

Of Tampa

May 2017

May Friendship Day Celebration Friday, May 5 – How much have things changed since Friendship Day has its beginnings in 1933? Obviously the women's fashions and their 1933 model cars would look very different, but what really concerned those women who met for lunch 84 years ago? In the beginning they focused on children's health and the children of migrant families and on May 5 of 2017 our program entitled "Fruits of the Spirit" centers on the role of Christian women in addressing the social needs of children.

On Friday, May 5 it's once again our privilege to meet for May Friendship Day at Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, 709 W. Linebaugh Ave., at 10:30 a.m. for our program and luncheon which follows. Please bring a salad or dessert to share.

In introducing this year's theme "Kindling New Fires of Love" Program Chair Erolyn Rhone will discuss ways we can extend loving hearts and hands to meet the needs of children in our community and in the world beyond. And as is traditional we will celebrate the Fellowship of the Least Coin so please bring your pennies and join with women around the world in this observance.

This year it will be our privilege to honor Jennifer Gregory with the **CWU Valiant Women Award** so join with us in recognizing her significant achievements as chair of the Forest Hills Annual Holiday Bazaar which spreads such joy each fall and funds so many worthwhile activities throughout the year. Jennifer and her many co-workers are inspiring examples of love in action!

Directions: To reach Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, 709 W. Linebaugh Ave., take I-275 north to Busch Blvd., exit right (west) on Busch, go one block to N. Florida Ave., then right (north) on Florida to the second traffic light, turn left (west) on Linebaugh for two blocks.

President's Message

Hi everyone! Hope you all had a very happy and blessed Easter holiday. "Christ has risen indeed!"

I attended our State Assembly in Fruitland Park April 4th to 6th. Six of us from the Clothes Closet attended and all had a wonderful time. The worship and fellowship were amazing. You get to interact with others from various denominations and I must add that the food was delicious.

As you all know, May 5th is Friendship Day which is being hosted by Forest Hills Presbyterian Church. I encourage you to come and celebrate this special event with us.

It is almost time for our summer vacation. I want to say thanks again to all our volunteers for your continued commitment to our clients. You are a very special group. Enjoy your vacation. Have fun but be safe. God Bless!

Elaine Rollock

Clothes Closet Summer Hiatus – Wednesday, May 31 will be the final day of Clothes Closet operation before the start of our summer hiatus. Wednesday, August 2 will be Preparation Day for regular Clothes Closet workers and Wednesday, August 9 will be Opening Day for the new season. Please note we have the whole month of May to do spring cleaning and bring our unneeded items to the Clothes Closet!

Current Clothes Closet Needs – The Men’s Department has an urgent need of large and extra large underwear as well as ankle socks, while the Check-out Department would welcome tooth paste and men’s razors. As always the Miscellaneous Household Goods Department is in need of sheets, towels, pots and pans that have outlived their usefulness in your house as they will fill a great need in someone else’s home.

WORK DAYS

Apr 26 Temple Terrace UMC

May 3 Village Presbyterian

10 Christ Cumberland Presbyteria

Aug 2 Preparation Day

17 Mt. Olive AME

9 HELP NEEDED

24 Bel Mar Presbyterian

16 Allen Temple AME

31 HELP NEEDED

23 Tyer Temple

30 HELP NEEDED