

# THE CONNECTION

CHURCH ON THE DRIVE NEWS

March, 2018

# WE SERVE

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another." 1 Peter 4:10

Saturday, March 3

8:00 am: Free Breakfast

9:00 am - 12:00 pm: Work at various locations

Join us as we serve those in need in our community.

This is a wonderful event for your family and friends!

[Click here to register.](#)

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## COTD 90th Anniversary

March 4th is an important date  
in the life of this wonderful  
church!

We will celebrate COTD's  
90th Anniversary with a special  
worship service.

After worship, we will enjoy a dinner  
on the grounds (in the Fellowship  
Hall) and time of fellowship. The  
church will be providing fried  
chicken and we invite you to  
bring a large dish to share.





## PRAYER Breakfast

Saturday, March 10  
9:00 - 10:30 am  
Fellowship Hall

### March 25

Palm Sunday Musical presented  
during Morning Worship

### March 28

No Wednesday Evening Activities,  
Rehearsals, or Meetings

### March 29

Maundy Thursday Seder , 6:30 p.m.,  
Fellowship Hall  
(Kids will experience their own Seder  
in the Community Room.)

### March 30

Good Friday

### April 1

Easter Sunday  
(No Evening Activities, Rehearsals, or  
Meetings)

### April 2

Church Office closed

We will have a guest speaker at this Prayer Breakfast. She is a friend of Sandy Mercer. After she gives her testimony about coming to faith, we will use the remainder of the time praying for our outreach to our community as we get ready for Easter. The opportunity of praying with our guest speaker will be uplifting for all who come. Toni and Sandy met her a year ago and Sandy has met with her several times since then to pray. Every time, they come away encouraged to pray more boldly for the things that are aligned with God's heart - that all people come to know Him in a personal way.

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## Depth Classes Continue!

Sundays through March 25  
at 6:00 pm

### Classes Offered:

Analysis of Biblical Inerrancy  
Matthew (2 part series)  
Galatians

Mom to Mom  
Cheers  
Adult Bible Study  
Prayer Breakfasts

[Click here for more info on classes](#)



## Sonshine Kids



**COTD Children's Ministry  
Fundraiser at Blaze Pizza**  
Tuesday, March 13  
Blaze Pizza (501 N. Orlando  
Ave, Winter Park)

Pick up a flyer in the office and bring it with you. Show it before paying. Blaze Pizza will donate 20% of the proceeds back to the Children's Ministry. Contact Crystal Holic (crystalnholic@gmail.com) for more information.



**Tuesday, March 20**  
Mini golf at Pirate's Cove  
(8501 International Drive)  
Meet at 10:30 am. We'll divide into teams and get a little competitive!  
(Cost is \$9 per person, children under 3 are free)

**Wednesday, March 21**  
No daytime or evening activities

**Thursday, March 22**  
Sun Rail & Lunch - Meet at Winter Park Sun Rail station at 10 am. We'll take the 10:36 am train to Sand Lake; then take the 11:15 train back to Winter Park by 11:41. Bring your lunch or grab something in Winter Park. Kids 6 & under are free; Kids ages 7-18 are \$1.75 round trip; and Adults are \$3.75.

**Friday, March 23**  
Regularly scheduled Family Story Time at 10:30 am in the Library.

All the spring break activities require an RSVP to Amy Byrd ([amymeredithbyrd@gmail.com](mailto:amymeredithbyrd@gmail.com)) by Wednesday, March 14.





Sonshine Kids Wednesday  
Evening Schedule:  
Faith Foundations, (For Kids  
PreK4-5th Grade; Childcare  
Provided for Kids 3 & under)

6:15 -7:15 p.m., Community  
Room



Every Friday, 10:30 a.m.,  
in the Church Library

## Student Ministry

Contact: Josh Plant - [jplant@churchonthedrive.org](mailto:jplant@churchonthedrive.org)

## Journey Sunday Night Schedule

Worship, Fellowship, Gym Time, and  
more, on Sundays, 5:30 – 7:30  
p.m. All students in grades 6 – 12 are  
welcome!



## Senior Adult Ministry

Contact: Debbie Hairel - [dhairer@churchonthedrive.org](mailto:dhairer@churchonthedrive.org)



## Young at Heart Lunch Out

Thursday, March 8,  
Meet at COTD at 10:30 a.m.

## Trip to See the Florida Passion Play

*The Story of Jesus*  
Saturday, March 24  
Meet at COTD at 3:00 pm



## Women's Ministry

Contact: Debbie Hairel - [dhair@churchonthedrive.org](mailto:dhair@churchonthedrive.org)



## Mom to Mom

Mom to Mom meets on the 1st,  
3rd & 5th Wednesdays of each  
month at 6:15 p.m., in Room 205.

## Missions/Outreach

Contact: Debbie Hairel - [dhair@churchonthedrive.org](mailto:dhair@churchonthedrive.org)



Welcome Back - Central  
Florida Vocal Arts Camp!  
March 20-22



ESOL Classes  
Every Wednesday  
6:00-8:00 pm  
Room 302

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings  
are held every Monday from  
7:00-8:00 pm, in room 302.



## Life of the Church

Contact: Church Office - [btstern@churchonthedrive.org](mailto:btstern@churchonthedrive.org)

### COTD Stories

#### *Do You Have a Story to Share?*

Jesus' favorite way of teaching was storytelling. We want to capture your story of how Church on the Drive has enriched your life over the years! As a part of our 90th Anniversary Celebration — starting in March, 2018, we will share some of these stories via video in worship services as well as in social media.



[Click here to sign up!](#)



... is a way you can pray for Church on the Drive. The goal is to have someone praying for our church every day of the year. Haven't signed up yet? Contact Toni Carter ([tcarter@churchonthedrive.org](mailto:tcarter@churchonthedrive.org)) or go to the prayer banner in the Sanctuary after worship and a member of the prayer team will help



#### Welcome Ann Stuart!

We are excited to welcome Ann Stuart to our Ministry Team as the new Financial Specialist!

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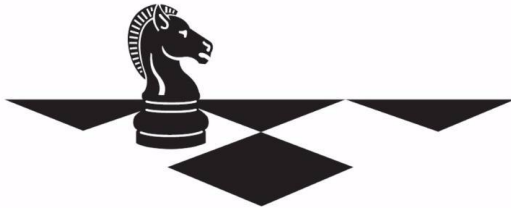


Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays,  
6:30 p.m., each month.

Dive into topics that impact  
our faith!

April

The deadline for the *April Connection* is Thursday, March 15.



Chess for all Ages  
Sundays, 4:00–5:00 p.m., Room  
205

Regardless of your age or  
knowledge of chess, you will enjoy  
learning the history of chess and  
basic and advanced  
strategies. Beginners are  
welcome! Kids will quickly learn how  
to beat their parents. The class  
meets Sunday evenings, except on  
holiday weekends.



Monday Evenings, 6:15 – 7:15  
p.m., Fellowship Hall

Edith Marlo Wright is teaching  
Zumba here at COTD!

It's only \$5.00 per class!

Contact her for more information  
([emwright@churchonthedrive.org](mailto:emwright@churchonthedrive.org)).





Sunday, March 25 at 5:00 pm  
in the Fellowship Hall



Sunday, March 11  
12:00-5:00 pm @ Dartmouth  
Park

Bring a change of clothes and  
your COTD t-shirt and join us for a  
fun afternoon at the park right  
after worship!

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### From the Pages of the Library



#### The Journey by Billy Graham

In memory of Billy Graham, who passed away on February 21, 2018, we have one of his great books for this month. We all know his journey, but this book is about how to live by faith in an uncertain world. The good news is you are not alone. Jesus is with you.

#### Ginger Pye by Eleanor Estes

Jerry Pye, bought Ginger Pye, the "intellectual dog" for a hard-earned dollar. He knows tons of tricks, is loyal, and smart. He steals your heart until someone steals him!

#### Teddy's Birthday Bugle by Jan Mogensen

Teddy and the kitten devise a clever escape from the dog's clutches, using his new bugle. He arrives home to a surprise birthday party for him!

March is a windy month, so blow on into the library to check out a book.

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### February Menus

March 7  
Hot Dog Bar



Baked Beans  
Assorted Salads  
Brownies

**March 14**

Spaghetti w/ Meatballs  
Salad Bar  
Garlic Bread Sticks  
Texas Chocolate Cake



**March 21**

Chicken Pot Pie  
Cinnamon Apples  
Salad Bar  
Biscuits  
Hornets Nest Cake

**March 28**

No Dinner

**March 29**

Seder Dinner  
Please RSVP

Coming Soon...

**VBS**

VBS is right around the corner! Registration opens online on April 1. Volunteers will be needed! If you're interested, contact Crystal Holic ([crystalnholic@gmail.com](mailto:crystalnholic@gmail.com)).

**Church Office Closure**

Monday, April 2