



The Cottages on Grove



Have you noticed all the building going on at the Forward Path's lot behind the church!??

Each day we are seeing more progress in the building of the Cottages on Grove!

The Cottages on Grove is a micro-community of homes designed to meet the specific needs of our community's at-risk youth. The collection of homes will consist of ten 600 square foot cottages. This community will help The Forward Paths Foundation to further their mission to positively influence at-risk youth and set them on a path to independence.

WHAT WILL THE COTTAGES ON GROVE MEAN FOR OUR COMMUNITY?

The lack of safe and affordable housing continues to create barriers for many communities. Without a place to live, self sufficiency isn't possi-



ble. These cottages will be homes for the young people in our community that have aged out of the foster care system or who are homeless and unaccompanied.



These homes will provide a safe environment for the Forward Path participants and to help them grow and to learn how to live independently.



While all of the floorplans will be similar, each of the cottages will have its own unique style and décor, both interior and exterior. All of the homes will have 600 square feet; 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, full kitchen, front porch and exterior storage space.

If you would like to learn more about The Forward Paths Foundation you are invited to visit the organization's Facebook page at <u>facebook.com/ForwardPathsFoundationInc</u>, or visit their web site at https://forwardpaths.org

The City of Eustis celebrates **George Washington's Birthday** during a weeklong family friendly event taking place in historic downtown Eustis from **February 17-25, 2024**.



Georgefest is the longest running celebration of George Washington's Birthday in the State of Florida, and is now the longest, continuously running celebration in the entire United States. Featuring carnival rides and games, a bass fishing tournament, a dog jog, parade, contests, vendors, and awesome live entertainment!

First Eustis will again be participating in the GeorgeFest annual parade on Saturday, February 24 at 10:00am. If you would like to join in the fun contact Cheryl Files (352-267-5163) for more details. We hope you will come out and join the celebration with us!!



We **invite you to join us** for in-person worship at **10:30am** in Sturm Chapel on Sunday.

We recognize that not everyone is totally comfortable returning to in-person worship so we continue to offer online opportunities to attend worship. We stream the Sunday service on Facebook Live at 10:30am...

 $\underline{https://www.facebook.com/FirstUnitedMethodistChurchEustisFlorida}.$

The worship services are also available for viewing at your convenience on our website and on YouTube.

http://www.fumceustis.org/worshipvideos

We look forward to worshiping with you!

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Janet Mormino
Ruth Christensen
Bill Burkle
Jill McKinley
Joyce S. Stevens
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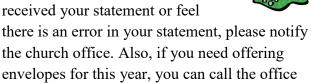
Join us for Ash Wednesday Worship as we begin the season of Lent...

February 14, 2024 6:30pm in Sturm Chapel

following our weekly Wed.
night potluck dinner @ 5:30pm.

MESSAGE FROM FINANCE TEAM

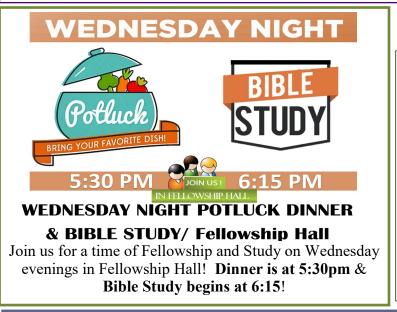
The Contribution Statements for **2023** were mailed out the last week of January 2024. If you have not received your statement or feel



(352-357-5830).or call **Kay Hauserman** (352-455-2680) and we'll see that you get them.

THANK YOU for your support!

ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE ... Did you know that you can donate to First Eustis online through our website and Facebook page? If you are interested in finding out more information about using *Vanco e-Giving* please contact the church office (352-357-5830—*Ext* #100).





Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-4:00pm Friday: 9:00am-12:00noon



NOW OPEN THE 1st SATURDAY AND 2nd & 3rd WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM 11AM-4PM IN THE CHILDREN'S WING OF FUMC EUSTIS AT 600 S. GROVE STREET.

We offer a wide selection of free clothing and accessories from newborn to adult sizes. Donations accepted year round.

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