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Children's Home Participates In A Day Of Service

Enterprise, FL – Youth and staff of the Florida United Methodist Children's Home participated in a Day Of Service on October 21. The Day Of Service is a special day when youth (along with staff) go out into the local community and help others with projects. Rev. Madeline Luzinski, Director of Pastoral Care, has set up many of these service days in the past but has had to postpone them recently during the COVID-19 pandemic.

For this Day Of Service, the youth were able to participate while taking the necessary precautions like distancing as well as wearing masks and gloves. Community members who had projects for the youth included:

- All Saints Episcopal Church, Enterprise
- Barnett Memorial United Methodist Church, Enterprise
- Deltona Alliance Church, Deltona
- Enterprise Elementary School, Enterprise
- Enterprise Preservation Society, Enterprise
- First United Methodist Church Sanford, Sanford

Youth were able to perform projects like weeding, landscaping, cleaning, and gardening. They also assisted with unloading donated items from a truck and assembling Halloween treat bags for other children who would attend a Trunk or Treat event. "Events like this empower our youth to see themselves as capable or serving and giving to others. They always come back excited and asking when they can do it again," said Rev. Luzinski.

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For more information about the Florida United Methodist Children's Home, please contact Mark Cobia, Director of Marketing and Communications at 386.668.4774 or mark.cobia@fumch.org.

The Florida United Methodist Children's Home was established in 1908 in Enterprise, Florida on the banks of Lake Monroe. The Madison Youth Ranch, a second residential location, was added in 2014 in North Florida. The Children's Home provides services to families and children from childhood to adulthood, and is accredited by COA (Council on Accreditation), EAGLE (a program of the United Methodist Association of Health and Welfare Ministries), and is a member of the Alliance for Children and Families. Our Residential Care Program provides care and a family style home for school-aged

children who have been victimized by abuse, neglect or family trauma, and provides education, counseling, as well as recreation and ministry opportunities. The Children's Home also provides Foster Care, an Emergency Shelter, an Independent Living Program as well as a Montessori-based early childhood program to the public through In As Much. The Children's Home is supported through the generosity of churches with the United Methodist Florida Conference, individuals and legacy gifts. For more information, visit www.fumch.org.

