



Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing on behalf of the Student Ministry, a program for students in grades 6-12 at First United Methodist Church of Port Orange (Fla.). On Sunday May 21st, 2023 we will hold our 11th Annual BBQ Cookoff at First United Methodist as a fundraiser for our student programs. In addition to local grill/smoke masters showing off their culinary skills to attendees in a competition, we also will have a silent auction fundraiser.

We are in the process of collecting merchandise for the event, and I am writing to request your assistance making the BBQ Cookoff and Silent Auction a success. By donating an item, you'll be making a tax-deductible contribution that will help the Student Ministry continue to provide positive programs for students in our community.

Additionally, you will benefit from exposure of your company's name to those who attend the event as well as those who see advance promotional materials for the event. Donors will be listed in the BBQ Cookoff and Silent Auction posters, and the merchandise you donate will be on display throughout the event.

The Student Ministry provides positive, structured programs for students throughout the week in a faith-based atmosphere. In addition to our weekly structured programs, we also provide regular social events for students, offering them a fun, safe alternative place for them to spend to time with their friends.

Funds raised by the BBQ Cookoff and Silent Auction help fund individual student's participation in events. Students can earn funds set aside specifically for them by volunteering their time to work at the BBQ Cookoff and Silent Auction. In the past, students have used these funds to help finance their way to assist tornado victims in other states, missions in Appalachia, attend Warren Willis Summer Camp and attend teambuilding and enrichment retreats.

We hope you will consider donating an item to support he continued work of the Student Ministry. You may reach me at 386-767-6161, ext. 105 or tsorrell@firstchurchpo.org.

Sincerely,

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