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#### **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

#### 9:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Sunday School Classes (EVERY SUNDAY)
Toddler Room/Childcare (Birth –4 yrs.)
Younger Elementary Class (K—2nd)
Older Elementary Class (3rd—5th)
Teens (6th—12th) will not meet during July

#### **10:30 A.M. WORSHIP**

Childcare: Toddlers—Younger Elementary Toys and books available for children.

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## RICK'S RAMBLINGS

## Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the End of My Renewal

Many of you know the 1966 movie based on the stage musical "Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum". Zero Mostel plays the main character, a slave, seeking to get his freedom by conniving his way out with schemes. The fun is all the mishaps, setbacks, and hilarious misadventures that befall Mostel's character during the moving. Well, during my Spiritual Renewal these last two months the journey was full of adventure, insight, fun, and some minor setbacks that are expected in any journey covering over 3,000 miles with a couple short stops back home. But the funny thing (said facetiously) happened as I was planning to finally do some relaxing and put together my reflections of my time away, I had a heart attack.

Obviously, this is not what I expected or wanted to have happen. The experience was as you are told happens and yet in my episode not quite what I expected. The "not quite" is what I give God thanks for in allowing me to get to the hospital a day after the attack. Healing began the moment I walked into the ER with my first encounter with the medical staff of Temecula Valley Hospital. They, like me, did not delay in getting me the treatment and test I needed to begin the next steps of tests and procedures needed to continue my healing and regaining of strength.

My stay in the hospital was longer than most. When I was admitted, there was the timing of my first procedure, the need to have rest before the second, and then add a weekend thrown in which truly messes up scheduling, I had lots of time to pray, reflect, and grow in my faith and Spiritual Renewal. There are many Scriptures in the Bible that speak to illness and healing. The one I gravitated to was *Jeremiah* 17:14, "Heal me Lord, and I will be healed; save me and I will be saved, for you are the one I praise." Here's what I learned from this experience and reflecting on this Scripture passage.

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## Rick's Ramblings continued

I believe God was never away from me. God surrounded me and held me during my tightness and pain, as during my time of anxiety in the hospital. With God's Spirit, I felt calmness and a great deal of hope. I had no fear of the future but rather the reality of my faith in the love and support that surrounded me. I believe God gave to me angels to care for me, first with Sally whose love helps sustain me, every nurse and nurse assistant that tended to my care with smiles and skills, and all the doctors from the ER to my cardiologist, who diagnosed my problem and with their knowledge and skill repaired my heart.

God is never away from me as I begin a new phase of my life and faith journey. I will ever praise God for being my creator and in being my creator is my healer and sustainer. I believe in our strength and in our weakness, God does offer us strength, yes physical but most importantly spiritually. God reveals a hope for the present and for the future that brings wholeness and peace.

I am thankful for God surrounding me and bringing me back to you all. We have much to look forward to, serving, caring, loving, healing, and most importantly loving. You will be seeing me in the coming weeks. I may be taking half days off to not push myself in my return to serving you. But one more thing I have learned in my renewal leave is that God has surrounded me with all of you and those who have said yes to offering leadership, caring, outreach, and love to one another and to our community. I want to thank Art, Earl, Adam, Tri, Ron, Toby, Lloyd, Mark, Dan, Jeanette, Marlene, Gen, Rob, especially Mary, and all the Lay Leadership. We are the body of Christ. I give God thanks for all of you.

Peace & Grace

Pastor Rick

## Submitted by Rev. Marlene Oaks

Thank you for choosing me to be a delegate to the Cal-Pac Conference of 2019. I am honored by your trust in me. It was extremely challenging and also historic. The theme was "I See A New Church."

Last year our theme and discussion were focused on "The Way Forward". It seemed to be assumed that a moderate plan from the four choices offered regarding homosexuality and the church would be adopted in St. Louis. However, the plan called "The Traditional Plan" received the majority vote. Basically, it changed the *Book of Discipline* to read that no homosexual could be ordained, practicing or not, and any clergy performing a same sex wedding could lose their credentials.

So, this year the focus was on what to do about the St. Louis decision. The bishop shared how disappointing and heart breaking the decision was to him. He strongly desires inclusiveness. He assured the Conference that he would not enforce the St. Louis decision. Legal issues have been worked out for an individual church to disaffiliate, and they are working on plans for Cal-Pac and/or The Western Jurisdiction to pull out, depending on what happens at General Conference next year. Also plans are being made for Conferences or individual churches to align with us if their area goes for the Traditional Plan and they want to be inclusive.

A straw poll showed that 17% of our Conference are behind the Traditional Plan, and about 72% are strongly for inclusion and against the Traditional Plan. The rest want more information.

Each morning we had a marvelous worship service. The last day it was led by the youth and was extremely inspirational. We had the ordination of clergy, deacons and elders, followed by communion with the Tonga people singing during communion. It gave me Godbumps! Bishop Hardy from Louisiana gave the ordination sermon. She inspired me a lot, and I was so happy to hear a female bishop. We had small group discussions, fabulous meals and for once great weather. Most years it's in the 100's but never got higher than 83 degrees this year. Yea! We elected delegates and alternates to the General Conference and the Jurisdictional Conference next year. We pretty much went from 7 in the morning till 9 at night.

Please pray for our church, for Cal-Pac, for the Western Jurisdiction and for the entire church that Guidance is heard and followed for the highest and best for the United Methodist Church.

Blessings, Rev. Marlene Oaks

Lay Delegate to Cal-Pac Annual Conference

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND FELLOWSHIP

#### **Sunday**

9 a.m. Adult Sunday School Class with Joe Hughes - Meets in Room 6 weekly. All are welcome.

**9 a.m. Adult Tagalog Bible Study** meets in Room 8 weekly. Mission: We grow in Christian faith and watch over one another in love by studying and living the words from the Bible. Contact is Boni Gulla.

**9 a.m. Sunday School** meets EVERY SUNDAY—Teen Sunday school will not meet during the month of July. 10:30 a.m. childcare is offered for toddlers through younger elementary.

Youth Group meets July 7th and 14th in the Youth Room. Contact Gian Adesso.

#### **Tuesday**

**9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study**— Meets weekly at the home of Karen Benvenuto from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. *First Corinthians—Living Love When We Disagree* by Melissa Spoelstra. All ladies of the church are welcome. Contact Karen Benvenuto.

**7 p.m. Book Buddies** – This group meets in the participants' homes at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month through June, skipping July and January. August 6th meet at the home of Diane Martinez . Diane will review the book "Here on Earth" by Alice Hoffman.

#### **Friday**

10:30 a.m. Book Discussion w/Rev. Marlene Oaks meets Friday, July 5th and 19th in Room 6. Group will not meet during August.

10:00 a.m. Prayers and Squares Ministry — Prayers and Squares Ministry meets July 12th and 26th, and August 9th and 23rd in Room 1. Email <a href="mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:ma



## Children's Ministry Corner July/August 2019



Club 3:16

We will be taking July - August off. We will resume in September.

Please join us for Sunday School from 9:00 A.M. through 10:00 A.M. Kindergarten - 5<sup>th</sup> Graders will meet in Room 3
Birth - 4 year olds meet in the nursery, Room 2.

God bless, Children's Ministry Team

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## From Lorilyn Teasdale

Subject: California Pacific Annual conference

I asked to be nominated for South District Lay Representative to Annual Conference. In the buildup to 2016's General Conference, I had learned that the UMC voiced positions on national and international topics that were not discussed at the congregational level. I wanted to know how policies were formed regarding Palestine, immigration, racism, poverty, and other social and political issues beyond church doors. This year, however, the much greater issue, the "elephant in the room", is inside those doors. Will Methodists follow John 6:37 and the "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors" promise, or be torn apart by it? Is the "LGBTQIA+" community as welcome in our Church as all others who seek a relationship with God?

I did not expect to find that this issue will likely split the UMC, as a minority of congregations are adamant that they will not accept "LGBTQIA+" members or pastors, or even allow other UMC congregations to do so. I was equally surprised, however - and excited- to witness the emergence of a vibrant new church in the passion, intelligence, and activism of the (usually young) pastors and delegates that I met. I did indeed "see a new church" and am pleased at the possibilities.

Lorilyn Collins Teasdale Lay Delegate to Cal-Pac Annual Conference



Join us Friday night, July 19th when Temecula UMC will join other churches for Lake Elsinore Storm Baseball Faith Night. Tickets cost \$12 per person (\$3 Goes to Pastor's Discretionary Fund) and will be available from Scott Parker. Contact Scott ASAP.

## From the Breezeway

SUNDAY, JULY 7th —COMMUNION SUNDAY Pastor Rick Malec—10 A.M. ONLY

Theme: "What I Did and Learned on

My Renewal Leave"

Scripture: Genesis 1:1-5, 24-27, 31

#### KITCHEN RENOVATION

Work crew will be here Monday, July 8th early to start removing cupboards and appliances for our kitchen remodel.

All groups responsible for items in the kitchen should have items packed and moved by Sunday afternoon, July 7th.

**Questions?** Contact Mark McCullough.

### From Meghann Adesso

Thank you everyone for letting me be one of this year's representatives to the Cal-Pac Annual Conference. Being my first year I learned so much more about the Church and how it all runs. This year's Annual Conference really circled around the issues of the new rules in the Book of Discipline about LGBTQIA+ members and their roles in the Church, It was decided that our Cal Pac Conference will not be enforcing these new rules. There is a very long and bumpy road ahead, but through God all things are possible. The Annual Conference will begin holding "Listening Sessions" on this topic and I cannot begin to stress just how important attending these will be. It is so important for the growth of the Church as well as personally to listen actively and hear both sides of this issue. Please feel free to reach out to me, if you have any questions or concerns. I'm always here to listen.

Meghann Adesso Lay Delegate to Cal-Pac Annual Conference





ALL CHURCH GATHERING, 4 P.M. SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th (MEAL INCLUDED) IN WORSHIP CENTER. ONE SERVICE ONLY ON SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29th WITH **REV. COBURN PREACHING** 

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## 22nd ANNUAL CRAFT FAIRE

## 9:00 A.M.—2:00 P.M. 22nd Annual Craft Faire

HIGH QUALITY HANDCRAFTED ITEMS

**USED BOOKS AND BAKED GOODS** 

LIGHT BREAKFAST AND LUNCH AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE OR FROM JEANETTE FRISBEY at Jeanette.frisbey@yahoo.com

## 2019 SSP TSALIE, ARIZONA

The youth will be going to Tsalie, Arizona this year leaving Temecula United Methodist Church the morning of July 20th and returning the afternoon of July 28th.

## LAY SERVANT MINISTRY ADVANCED COURSE JULY 2019

## Planning Worship by Pam Churness, Instructor

Friday July 19, 2019 from 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM (Session 1) AND Saturday July 20, 2019 from 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM (Sessions 2 - 5) 2873 Willow Oak Dr, Ramona CA 92065

Cost & Deadline: \$35 through July 8, 2019.

No late registrations. Does not include additional helpful resources. Fee includes participant's book, instruction, and lunch on Saturday.

The participant book is:

The Worship Workshop by Marcia McFee

Complete information and registration: <a href="http://www.calpacumc.org/lsmplanworship719">http://www.calpacumc.org/lsmplanworship719</a>

#### Youth:

Constance Beltramo Maya Cruz Savannah Hammett Ethan Hathorn Mandela Langhum Indira Langhum Safve Morrison Hayes Riche Olivia Sheaffer Anna Turner Jamie Turner Vince Valdez John Wagner

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## TUMC EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

### \*\* PART-TIME DIRECTOR OF MUSIC\*\*

The Temecula United Methodist Church Staff Parish Relations Committee announces an opening for the employment position of DIRECTOR OF MUSIC. Interested candidates are asked to submit a resume and cover letter to the church office. Candidates can either drop off or mail these two requests to the church office at the address indicated below. Please indicate on the envelope, ATN: DIRECTOR OF MUSIC POSITION. You may also wish to email these documents to: ronmoreland007@yahoo.com

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Office hours: M-TH, 9:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M. & FRI, 9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M. **DEADLINE:** Submit a resume and cover letter by Friday, July 12, 2019.

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7/2 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Church Offices Closed 7/4 5:00 p.m. 4th of July All Church Party 7/7 10:00 a.m. One Worship Service **COMMUNION SUNDAY** 11:00 a.m. Fellowship Time in Room 1 DEADLINE FOR GROUPS TO CLEAR THE KITCHEN OF ALL ITEMS. 6:00 p.m. Youth Group meets 7/8 7 a.m. Work Crew here to renovate kitchen 6:30 p.m. Temecula Valley Master Chorale 7/9 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study 7/10 6:30 p.m. Staff Parish Relations Committee 7/11 10:30 a.m. Welcome & Outreach Committee 1:00 p.m. Card Game Meetup 6:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting 7/12 10:00 a.m. Prayers & Squares 7/13 9:00 a.m. MONKS Monthly Meeting 7/14 9:00 a.m. Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School w/Hughes 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time in Room 1 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time in Room 1 6:00 p.m. Youth Group meets 7/16 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study 7/19 10:30 a.m. Book Discussion w/Rev. Oaks 7/21 9:00 a.m. Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School w/Hughes 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time in Room 1 10:30 a.m. Worship 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time in Room 1 7/23 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study 7/25 10:00 a.m. Prayers and Squares 7/28 9:00 a.m. Worship—Guest Pianist 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School w/Hughes 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time in Room 1 10:30 a.m. Worship

11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time in Room 1

## A day away in a quiet place

Maya Angelou said, "Each person deserves a day away in which no problems are confronted, no solutions searched for. Each of us needs to withdraw from the cares which will not withdraw from us." Similarly, when Jesus' disciples were consumed with ministry, he urged tem, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." (Mark 6:31, NIV).

The early days of summer might be just the time to seek "a day away" not only from problems but even from ministry. While serving God and others can be energizing, we must balance work with rest. God set that example, resting after creating the world; Jesus set that example, calling his disciples away—not just alone, but with him—to be refreshed.

Spend a relaxing day at a lake. Go on a scrapbooking retreat or a leisurely hike with a friend. Find a monastery that welcomes guests, and experience 48 hours of prayer and silence there. Invite Jesus into that time and space. And remember another message he shared: "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (*Matthew* 11:28, NIV).



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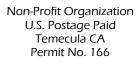
	July 7	July 14	<u>July 21</u>	July 28	
USHERS 9:00 a.m.	10 a.m. only See below	Youth	MONKS	Bert Bjorklund Erik Toberman Mark Bowers George Wuertz	
USHERS 10:30 a.m.	10 am. only Janet Galbraith Gilbert Oaks Dan Henley Larry Natwick	Youth	MONKS	Dan Henley Tri Tricoche Ting Tricoche Jan Tramontano	
LITURGISTS 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	10 a.m. only Jan Clark-George	Youth	MONKS	Earl Fields Peggy Cowherd	
GREETERS 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	10 a.m. only Barbara Lamb	Youth	MONKS	Jeather Bjorklund Bonnie Diangelo	
SOUND TECH 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	10 a.m. only Mark McCullough	Meghann & Gian Adesso	Mark McCullough Matt McCullough	Grace & Ernie Lloyd Grace & Ernie Lloyd	
VISITOR TABLE 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	10 a.m. only Sue Bradshaw	Anita Accordino Jean Williams	Barbara Lamb Gloria Galvez	Jean Hawkins Diane Martinez	

If you cannot serve as assigned, please call Erik Toberman for 9 a.m. and Dan Henley for 10:30 a.m. ushers and Hazel Hailstone for liturgists & greeters . Thank you.



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