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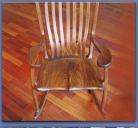
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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Sunday School Classes (EVERY SUNDAY)
Toddler Room/Childcare (Ages 1–4 yrs.)
Younger Elementary Class (K-3rd)
Older Elementary Class (4th-5th)
Teens (6th—12th)

10:30 A.M. WORSHIP

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

Please contact Pastor Rick for information on UMYF

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Rick's Ramblings

WATER WALKERS!

I'm leading a Thursday evening study. We are reading a book by John Ortberg, teaching pastor at Willow Creek Community Church, *If You Want to Walk On Water, You've Got to Get Out of the Boat.* The book leads us through a study based on Peter's experience of getting out of the boat to walk on water to Jesus, who is out on the Sea of Galilee, *Matthew* 14: 25-33. Once Peter is sure that it is Jesus who is walking on the water, he wants to come to Jesus. Peter says, "Lord, if it is you, tell me to come to you on the water." Jesus' response is, "Come".

For Peter to go to Jesus he must be willing to step out onto the lake and put his first foot on the water. Peter must trust that Christ is calling him to come to him and then take the risk to step out. To walk to Jesus, Peter had to be willing to leave what was thought to be a safe place, a place of comfort that was being in the boat. Yes, the wind and waves were battering the boat, and it was dangerous being out on the lake. It seemed better than getting out of the boat.

In reading this story from Peter's perspective, I imagined what it was like for our children when they were toddlers just getting ready to walk. Comfort zones for them, if you will, were crawling and scooting around on their rear ends. They could get from one point to another without the risk of falling, hitting their heads or another part of their body, and getting hurt. But for a child to be able to grow, venture out to explore new parts of their world and eventually move beyond their own space in the home, they take another step and then another until they are venturing out and creating new zones of comfort.

We, too, have what I would call our spiritual/faith comfort zones. We seek boats to get into that are comfortable and have the appearance of being safe. When the sailing is smooth, we are having fun and have no reason to even think about venturing out of the boat. When the storms of life come up, we are afraid because the waves and winds of life might sweep us away if we take the

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risk to get out onto the water. So we just hunker down and pray that God will let this storm pass us by.

I believe that for us to grow in our relationship with God, and experience God's power, we need to be willing to take the first step, at least kick our leg over the side of the boat and get our feet wet. Trust that God will be there to help us. Ortberg asks this powerful question: "What am I doing that I could not do apart from the power of God?" Ortberg goes on to share "If you want to walk on the water, you have to be willing to get your feet wet first. Then you discover it is worth the risk. When I take the risk of giving generously, I discover that I really can trust God to take care of me – but I have to get my feet wet first. When I risk using my spiritual gift, I can know the joy of being used by God – but I have to get my feet wet first.

If I am going to experience a great measure of God's power in my life, it will usually involve the first-step principle. It will usually begin by my acting in faith – trusting God enough to take a step of obedience. Simply acknowledging information about his power is not enough. I have to get my feet wet.

Friends, now is the time to ask this question of ourselves as individuals and as a family of faith. Are you/we willing to get our feet wet; to step out of the boat and take the first step? I believe we are at the cusp of great things happening here at Temecula UMC, in this community and for God's Kingdom. To do this we need to pray and ask God for the strength to step out, step out of the boat, get our feet wet, expand our comfort zones.

This means finding places in the church and community to serve, trusting to give generously, taking the time to pray and study the word to expand your spiritual life and connection with God in Christ, welcoming and teaching our children to walk in faith.

So, we have a choice. We are people of faith. We are part of this Church Family of Christ. Will we be what Ortberg calls "Boat Potatoes" who stay hunkered down in the boat hoping the storm will

Rick's Ramblings continued

pass by while we remain in a comfort zone? Stagnation can set in with the possibility of our boats sinking. Or will we be Water Walkers? Willing to get our feet wet, staying focused on Christ and trusting that in walking to him, we will know and discover the great things, ministries, service, joy and love God has for us. We will continue to expand our comfort zones all the way to Christ.

Grace, Peace & Hope Pastor Rick

Monks of TUMC

Men of Nurturing Knightly Spirit

GREAT DAY OF SERVICE October 10th

Instead of an October MONKS breakfast, members will participate in the October10th Great Day of Service at Wildomar Elementary School, 21575 Palomar St, Wildomar,

Come and join us! The day begins at 7 a.m. with work continuing until 2 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Water will be available throughout the day.

There will be projects anywhere from landscaping to painting and fixing much needed repairs in the bathrooms and on the playground to painting murals created by the students of the school. There is something for the whole family.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday

Adult Bible Study with Joe Hughes meets in Room 6 - The Sunday morning 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study class is studying "In the Footsteps of John Wesley" with Rev. Adam Hamilton through October 18th. Join us and Rev. Hamilton for the journey as he travels to England, following the life of John Wesley and exploring the defining characteristics of what it means to be a Wesleyan Christian. All are welcome to join us.

Adult Tagalog Bible Study meets in the Youth Room at 9 a.m. Mission: Grow in Christian faith and watch over one another in love by studying and living the words from the Bible. Contact Boni Gulla.

Sunday School meets EVERY SUNDAY at 9 a.m.

Toddler Room/Childcare (Ages 1—4 yrs.)

Older Elementary Class (4th—5th)

Younger Elementary Class (K-3rd) Teens (6th—12th)

10:30 a.m. childcare is offered for toddlers through younger elementary. Contact Diana Walker Sunday mornings.

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Study at 9:30 a.m. in the Youth Room. We are on week three of *The Faith of a Mockingbird* by Matt Rawle. Contact Karen Benvenuto.

Book Discussion Group This group meets at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month through June, skipping January and July, in the participants' homes.

November 3, 2015 Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins
December 1, 2015 Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline
February 2, 2016 Outliers by Malcolm Gladwell
March 1, 2016 Chocolat by Joanne Harris
Host: Sue Bradshaw
Host: Carlyn Buehler
Host: Barbara Gaborko
Host: Monica McCullough
Reviewer: Darcy Thielmann

Men's Bible Study will be held every Tuesday evening, beginning on Tuesday, October 6th, 7:00 p.m., in the Youth Room. Our first study will be Making Sense of the Bible: Rediscovering the Power of Scripture Today by Adam Hamilton. All men are invited to participate in this informal discussion on often misunderstood biblical themes to gain a deeper appreciation of the Bible.

Wednesday

Morning Bible Study with Pastor Rick at 10 a.m. in the Music Room. The Wednesday Morning Bible Study continues their study on the *Book of Acts*. All are welcome to join Pastor Rick for this study of the beginning of Christ's Church. Class is currently taking a break and will resume October 21st.

Chancel Choir rehearsal at 7:15 p.m. in the Worship Center. Contact Rob Hodo, Director of Music, at rhodo70@gmail.com, if you would like to join the choir. Add to the harmony and join us.

Thursday

Welcoming & Outreach Committee meets November 5th at 10:30 a.m. in Room 6. Contact Sue Bradshaw.

Out to Lunch Bunch meets Thursday, November 5th, at TGI Friday, 40830 Winchester Rd, Temecula, at noon. Contact Sally Messersmith or sign up in the church breezeway.

NEW! Evening Bible Study with Pastor Rick—The Evening Study will resume on Thursday, October 29th 6:30 p.m. to study John Ortberg's book, *If You Want to Walk on Water, You've Got to Get Out of the Boat.* Class will not meet Thursday, October 22nd due to Church Council.

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FROM THE BREEZEWAY

October Worship Themes and Scriptures

4th Theme: *Laity Sunday* Scripture: *Mark* 7:31-37

11th Theme: *Evolution* Scripture: *Exodus* 10:13

Matthew 16:21-26

18th Theme: *Water Walkers* Scripture: *Matthew* 14:22-33

25th Theme: Faith Born Out of Blindness

Scripture: *Mark* 10: 46-52

YOUTH SPONSORED SENIOR EVENT

On Sunday, November 8th, the youth would like to invite seniors of our church family and community to an afternoon of card-playing, fellowship and refreshments. Time TBA.

YOUTH HAPPENINGS

IT'S FALL, YIKES!

Well school is almost two months in, some of you in High School have already had your Homecoming, and Halloween is on its way. Before you know it we will be talking about Christmas. Oh I think I just did. Well before we get so wrapped up in homework, outside activities, oh too late, OK remember Youth Group is here for you. Well it's about you, it is you. Here is a group that can help you gain perspective on life, help you to calm down, have some fun plus you get the greatest energy surge of all, a walk with Christ!

So watch for your email, text and other social media to stay connected with what Youth Group is doing; you won't want to miss it.

Yes, Youth Group is ramping up and going to get together more often. With the great help of Meghann and Gian leading and serving with me we will be looking to expand our time together to serve, for fellowship, and grow in faith.

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!

Parents are always welcomed to help in serving. Contact Pastor Rick any time.

Youth Happenings continued

SUNDAY OCTOBER 11: YOUTH GROUP 6:00 – 8:00 PM: We will gather for fun, fellowship, and food. Meghann and Gian will be leading the group. We will also take time to work out details for our Senior Card Playing Day outreach.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 18: YOUTH SUNDAY LEADING WORSHIP: This is our Sunday to be a liturgist, to be ushers and to be greeters. Come dressed nice and ready to serve. We need ushers/ greeters and liturgists for both services. Connect with Natasha nataliaturnblad@yahoo.com.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 25: FIELD OF SCREAMS AT LAKE ELSINORE STORM STADIUM 6:00 – 9:00 PM: We will gather at the church to drive up to the Storm Stadium for a frightful night of fun. The cost is \$10, plus there may be cost for some extras including any snacks. If you have not completed a permission/medical release form yet, check with Pastor Rick. If you plan on going, RSVP by Monday, October 19th. so enough tickets and transportation can be arranged.

Any parents who would like to go and help drive, please let Pastor Rick know.

DON'T FORGET!!!

Youth Sunday School every Sunday except the Third Sunday of the Month when Youth lead worship. Sally, Aimee, and Toby look forward to seeing you.

SAVE THE DATES!

Church/Charge Conference Tuesday, November 24th at 6:30 p.m.

Deadline for ALL Committee Chairs to submit their annual reports by email to the church office will be Sunday, November 15th. All of the required forms and instructions will be available at the Cal-Pac website, www.calpacumc.org

Church Christmas Party Saturday, December 5th at 5 p.m. Worship Center

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10/3 Pastor Rick & Sally on mission trip to Crisfield, Maryland 10/10, 10/4 9:00 a.m. World Communion Sunday/Laity Sunday w/Bill Steele, Lay Leader 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Class 10:30 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study 10/6 6:30 p.m. MONKS Planning Meeting 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study 10/7 7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal 10/8 10:30 a.m. UMW Executive Board 10/10 7:00 a.m. Great Day of Service at Wildomar Elementary School 10/11 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Rev. Rob Calderhead 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship w/Rev. Rob Calderhead 6:00 p.m. Youth Group 10/13 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study 10/14 7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal 10/15 10:00 a.m. UM Women Meeting/Luncheon 3:00 p.m. Craft Faire setup 10/16 9:00 a.m. Craft Faire setup 10/17 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Craft Faire Lunch at a nominal cost **UMW** Bake Sale 10/18 Youth Sunday—Youth serve in Worship 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Pastor Rick 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Class 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship 10/19 DEADLINE FOR RSVP for Field of Screams at Lake Elsinore Storm Stadium 11:45 a.m. Stephen Ministers meet 10/20 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Nominating Committee 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study 10/21 10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee

7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal

10/22 6:30 p.m. Church Council
10/24 8:00 a.m. Trustee Workday
10/25 9:00 a.m. Worship w/Pastor Rick
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Class
10:30 a.m. Worship w/Pastor Rick
6:00 p.m. Field of Screams at Lake Elsinore
Storm Stadium
10/27 Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
10/28 10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick
6:30 p.m. Trustee Meeting
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
10/29 6:30 p.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick

CRAFT FAIRE 2015

Submitted by Lorna Henley

10/31 Halloween

Come one! Come all! Please join us at the **TUMC Craft Faire, Saturday, October 17th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m**. This yearly event is fun for the entire family and proceeds benefit local mission outreach programs in our area.

There will be many return vendors selling handmade items such as candles, dolls and doll accessories and holiday décor. Over two dozen new vendors this year will add to the occasion with unique crafts: soaps and lotions, woodcrafts, handpainted ceramics, framed photos, gourd art, stationary/notes and children's hair accessories. There will even be one vendor offering pet items for sale.

Special attractions include the always-popular **Live Alpacas** to pet and feed, and a **Plein Air Artist** creating her art live on our church grounds during the day!

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study will offer food favorites for a nominal fee. **United Methodist Women** will hold a Baked Goods Sale, lots of delicious treats for all. The **Used Books Sale** offers a great variety of used books for adults and children, DVDs, CDs and puzzles.

Invite friends, family and neighbors...do some early holiday shopping...you will be supporting community artists and vital local missions projects!

	<u>Oct. 4</u>	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Oct. 25	
USHERS 9:00 a.m.	Judy Dermody Larry Murphy Larry Messersmith Erik Toberman	MONKS	Youth	Sam Hill Pat Hill Oscar Loud Thelma Loud	
USHERS 10:30 a.m.	Dan Henley Lovely Villanueva Janet Galbraith Dick Mohammed	MONKS	Youth	Raul Denisac Raymond Landry Gloria Galvez Steve Jones	
LITURGISTS 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Jenny Moreland Aimee Jones	MONKS MONKS	Youth Youth	Adam Hathorn Lorna Henley	
GREETERS 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Sue Bradshaw Judy Hernandez	MONKS MONKS	Youth Youth	Sally Messersmith Dan Henley	
SOUND TECH 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Megan & Gian Raymond Landry	M. McCullough Ken Boyle	Meg & Gian Meg & Gian	Robert Edmonds Jeanette Holt	
Visitor Table 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Anita Accordino Dorothy Smith	Pauline Fields Jean Williams	Sue Bradshaw Gloria Galvez	Sue Bradshaw Marilyn Landry	

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





Nellie Hathorn

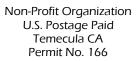
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See you in church!

FOOD PANTRY

The fall season is upon us and the need continues to help those in need. ONE FAMILY — ONE FOOD ITEM! Remember each Sunday!



