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Community

*We seek to shepherd all
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To follow Jesus Christ
And grow in faith
Through the Holy Spirit*

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Bridging the Gap

Members of our Church Council, Finance and Stewardship committees have been hard at work looking at ways to be good stewards of God's gifts by addressing TUMC's financial needs.



After many hours of discussion and planning, we believe the best way to move our church forward would be to retire our smallest loan early. This is the ORIGINAL loan for the church property and the ORIGINAL building construction and is also the smallest loan that is being funded out of the annual budget.

Recent communications you have received have called attention to the challenges in these tough economic times that we are having funding our 2008 budget.

We believe the best way forward, that saves the most money, is to pay off the smallest loan over the next 15 months or by the end of 2009. At the end of December this year, the balance on this 7% loan will be approximately \$62,000.00, including interest. Early pay-off will save approximately \$800.00 per month or about \$9,600.00 annually in interest.

We will be introducing a detailed plan to explain this proposal on a Sunday in September. Until then, please be in prayerful consideration about how you may be able to help us BRIDGE THE GAP to the future.

Yours in Christ,

Randy Johnson, Pastor
Joyce Little, Stewardship Chairman



Sunday Schedule Worship 9:00 a.m.

Nursery Care for infants & toddlers to age 4
Traditional Sunday School
Ages 4—11

Worship 10:30 a.m.

Hillside Room is available w/closed circuit TV
for anyone with restless children.

Combined Jr. & Sr. UMYF 5:00-8:00 p.m.

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What do United Methodist Believe?

That question is the number one question of new persons to the church. I found the following "snapshot" in the latest edition of the United Methodist Worldwide News by Robin Russell.

96% are "absolutely" or "fairly certain" that God exists

42% say they attend church at least once a week; 14% say they seldom or never attend church

59% say they pray at least once a day

15% say their prayers are answered at least once a week.

28% say their prayers are seldom or never answered

25% believe the Bible should be taken "literally"

21% say it's written by men, not God

44% say it's the Word of God but probably shouldn't be taken literally

82% believe there is more than one way to interpret their religious teachings

85% believe many religions can lead to eternal life

51% believe "Homosexuality is a way of life that should be accepted by society". 39% disagree

59% believe abortion should be legal in all or most cases; 29% say it should be illegal in most cases

42% believe the U.S. should be active in world affairs; 50% we should focus more on problems at home

29% say stricter environmental laws would hurt the economy; 63% say it would be worth the cost

47% lean toward or are Republican; 42% lean toward or are Democratic

How did you fare?

See you in worship! (I hope!)—Pastor Randy

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The "Philippians" Tagalog Bible Class for the month of September 2008:

Sept 7th - "A New Community"

Purpose: To identify repentance and forgiveness as key elements of the new community that was announced by John and pioneered by Jesus.

Bible Lesson: Mark 1: 1-8; Matthew 3: 1-3

Key Verse: Matthew 3: 2

Sept 14th - "The Birth of a New Community"

Purpose: To think through how godly communities of faith respond to the humble but wondrous origins of Jesus, the Savior of the world.

Bible Lesson: Matthew 1: 18-25; Matthew 2: 13-15

Key Verse: Matthew 2: 6

Sept 21st - "Core Values of the New Community"

Purpose: To ground Christian community in Jesus' guidelines for blessed faithfulness.

Bible Lesson: Matthew 5: 1-16

Key Verse: Matthew 6: 33

Sept 28th - "Creating a Community of Servants"

Purpose: To recognize that true greatness is manifested through serving others.

Bible Lesson: Matthew 20: 17-28

Key Verse: Matthew 20: 28

Sunday Adult Bible Study with Joe Hughes at 9:00 a.m. – On Sun. Sept. 7th we will begin our new study: "The Life & Times of the Apostle Paul". Joe Hughes

Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study at 9:30 a.m. – September 9th potluck at Christina's – we will celebrate July, August and September birthdays. *What So Amazing about Grace* by Phillip Yancy – a 10 week video based study will start September 16th. Contact Karen Benvenuto to order your book. Cost of the book is \$10.

Wednesday Pastor's Scripture Study at 10:00 a.m. – Will resume for the fall quarter on September 10th in the Music Room.

Wednesday Pastor's Sunday Scripture Study at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Room.

Thursday Men's Bible Study at 7 p.m. – A summer break is in session until Thursday, Sept. 11th, when we resume our Thursday night studies and a topic will be selected.

Evangelism and Membership Committee

"Coffee with the Pastor" – Interested in learning about TUMC? Questions for the Pastor? Join Pastor Randy on October 5th at 10 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. in Room 1. Have some light refreshments and an opportunity to ask questions, take a tour of the church facility and get to know Pastor Randy in a relaxed, informal setting.

New Member Classes - A must for those interested in becoming members.

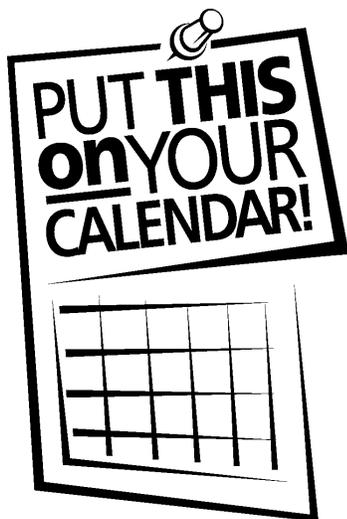
The solution if you have questions that need answering before you consider membership.

A signup sheet is in the breezeway. All are welcome.

September 7th – New Member Class I

September 14th – New Member Class II

September 21st – New Members received and luncheon for new members



Fall Retreat for TUMC Men

Join fellow TUMC men on Saturday, November 1st, for a one day retreat at the Vina de Lestonnac Retreat Center, 39300 De Portola Road, in Temecula. The day will begin with breakfast at 7:30 a.m., followed by ample time for fellowship and sharing stories of personal life journeys. The retreat will end at approximately 5:00 PM. Cost is \$40, includes breakfast and lunch.

See the preliminary program, and sign up in the breezeway at TUMC for an invigorating and inspirational day.

Confirmation classes will resume August 31st, September 7th and 14th at 4 p.m. in Pastor Randy's office. This class will become members on Sunday, September 21st.

Out to Lunch Bunch - Wednesday, September 3rd at noon. Join this group of ladies for their monthly lunch and camaraderie at the Home Town Buffett on Margarita Road near Lowe's. Sign up in the breezeway or call Marilyn Barger or Bea Waite.

Yoga for Life – The first, second and fourth Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. in Room 1. Taught by Deb Potts, R.Y.T. and Certified Yoga Therapist. Benefits include stress reduction, muscle strengthening and improved range of motion, improved flexibility and balance, increased breathing capacity and improved circulation, as well as a heightened sense of well-being.

MONKS Breakfast Meeting - Saturday, September 13th at 8 a.m. Dr. Carol Leighty, Temecula Valley School Superintendent, is the speaker. Everyone is invited to attend.

Dr. Corry Bell & Kirsten Vogelsang Concert – Saturday, September 13th at 7:30 p.m. at TUMC – see below.

His Voice – Christian Men's Chorus – Sunday, September 14th at 3 p.m. at TUMC has been cancelled.

"The Builders" - The Builders kick-off potluck has been moved to Sunday, September 14th at 6 p.m. Plan to be a part of "the Builders" – a group of singles and couples who meet once a month for dinner or an event to build relationships, faith and community. Join in the fun and fellowship. There is still time! Contact Ethel Takeguchi.

Craft Faire - Saturday, October 11th from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. See page 5.

All Church Garage Sale – Saturday, October 25th – Clean out your garage or your home and save those discarded items for our garage sale. Furniture, lamps, electronics, tools, kitchen appliances, dishes, glassware and silverware make great yard sale items. STORAGE AVAILABLE AT CHURCH. Let's all help to make this the biggest yard sale TUMC has ever sponsored!

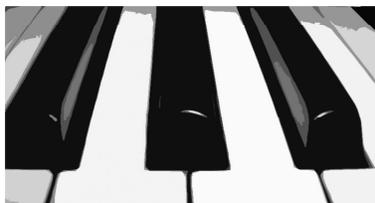
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Dr. Corry Bell

with special guest, cellist



Kirsten Vogelsang

September 13th, 2008 • 7:30pm
Temecula United Methodist Church
Celebration Hall

Contact Mary for tickets: 951-676-1800 x10

CRAFT FAIRE 2008

Craft Faire 2008 is right around the corner. Our 11th annual Faire will be held Saturday October 11th from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We currently have 52 vendors confirmed with 13 applications pending approval. High quality handcrafted items such as woodcrafts, stained glass, sewing arts, jewelry, ceramics, paper crafts, candles, art works, floral items, holiday crafts and more are offered. Now is the time to begin shopping for the holidays or for that special something for you.

A Continental Breakfast and a delicious lunch will be offered at a nominal cost. UMW will host a Bake Sale and Used Book Sale, which includes used music CD's, videos, records and tapes. Look for those items which you no longer need. Bring them to the Leather's Learning Center Breezeway and look for the marked boxes to put them in.

Volunteers are needed to help with set-up, clean-up, check-in, parking control, food service, book and bake sales. Sign-up sheets are in the Hillside Room Breezeway. We can use LOTS of baked goods as they sell out quickly. Proceeds from Vendor space rentals are used for ministry and outreach programs in our church and local community.

Put Saturday October 11th on your calendar!! Plan to bring your friends and neighbors. Don't miss the fun and excitement!



Faith Friends

Did you know that within the 1st year of joining a church, 62% of new members are less active in the church than they were when they first joined, and 25% of new members stop coming altogether? As Faith Friends, we are presented with a wonderful opportunity to reduce those statistics.

A Faith Friend is simply that, a friend in the faith. He/she is someone that walks beside a new member for the first 3 months after joining our church family to help them transition into their new environment. We want to make sure that our newest members are meeting people, getting involved in different ministries in the church, and in general beginning to feel like a part of God's family at Temecula United Methodist Church.

Please, please sign up in the breezeway and help us properly welcome the newest members of our family.. If you have any questions, please call Jan Kerr.

Stephen Ministry Is Your Ministry

You play an important role in our Stephen Ministry. Here's what you can do:

- **Pray** for God to bring hope and healing to hurting people through our Stephen Ministry.
- **Accept care** from a Stephen Minister during your time of need. God doesn't expect you to bear your burdens alone
- **Tell a friend**, neighbor, coworker, or relative who is hurting about our Stephen Ministry.

If you are a good listener and a compassionate person, prayerfully consider becoming a Stephen Minister. If you have any other questions about Stephen Ministry or wish a Stephen Minister for your own personal needs, please call Rev. David French.

WEDNESDAY FAMILY NIGHT
CULTURES OF THE WORLD

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 10TH

We will be having some new activities for kids and adults at Wednesday Family Nights.

Beginning this fall, Wednesday Family Nights will focus attention on cultures from around the world.

Are you proud of your culture, or heritage? Do you have a family custom that you would like to share? We would love to have you participate.

During KIDS TIME, our children will learn and participate in games, arts, stories, movies and meet with people of different cultures or those people luckily enough to have traveled to other countries.

We would also like to have adult activities that could include slide shows, cooking classes, or any other cultural experiences.

So, if you have something to contribute to this cultural experience, or just want to help, please contact:
Deb Severns

We would also like to sample dishes from around the world each Wednesday night. This is not to take away from the MONKS food service, but just a way to have our church family sample a small amount of traditional or authentic food. If you can help, please call to schedule a day to participate.

We need Teachers

If we do not get teachers to sign up to teach, we will have to cancel second service Enrichment Church and Nursery Care. The choice is yours, help once a month or eliminate education for or kids. Contact Children's Ministries to offer your time.

SUPPLIES NEEDED

We need supplies for Wednesday Family Nights. The kids will be doing an extra special fundraiser to help needy children in Mexico.

All money raised will be donated to the



Orphanage.

Please donate new washcloths. The kids will use the washcloths to make Healthy Hares. The Hares will be sold at the Church Craft Faire on October 11th.

If you would like to help with the making of the Healthy Hares, please join us on October 8th at 6:30pm in Room 1.

We will need volunteers on Saturday, November 29th to setup for the Holidays and the All Church Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 3rd. If you can help, please contact Hallie Sabanc

United Methodist Women

What United Methodist Women Means
by Donna Thompson

Becoming aware of the world's needs,
Caring for the world's people,
Giving my share to hungry humanity,

Feeling disturbed because I must dare,
Working to purify God's gift of air,
Studying for mission everywhere,

Being supportive through earnest prayer,
Proving my willingness a cross to bear,
Seeking God's Spirit, my heart to prepare!

Thank God for United Methodist Women – the love I give to and receive from its fellowship.

UMW Dates to Remember:

Sept. 7th

S.M.U.R.F. (Single Mothers United in Rewarding Fellowship). Dinner at Rancho Community Church. Contact Judy Hernandez to volunteer.

Menu: Enchiladas, Refried Beans & Rice, Salad, Popsicles



Sept. 27th—UM Women Retreat at TUMC with Rev. Gwen Ehrenborg

Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Theme: *"His Banner Over Me Is Love"*

Cost: \$30 per person – includes lunch

Bring a friend or relative.

Sign up in the breezeway.

The Bible is full of metaphors and parables that reveal to us what God is like. The best illustration we have of how tenderly Jesus Christ loves you and me is that of a bridegroom's devotion for his beloved bride.



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28	29	30				

Dates to Remember

- 9/1 Labor Day – church offices & food pantry closed
- 9/2 9:30 a.m. Ladies’ Bible Study
- 9/3 12:00 p.m. Out to Lunch Bunch
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Family Night
6:30 p.m. Trustees
7:15 p.m. Finance Sub-Committee
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal resumes
- 9/4 10:00 a.m. Yoga Class w/Deb Potts
- 9/6 8:00 a.m. Men’s Prayer Breakfast
- 9/7 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Class
11:45 a.m. New Member Class
5:00 p.m. Jr. UMYF
6:00 p.m. Sr. UMYF
- 9/8 9:30 a.m. Food Pantry open
- 9/9 9:30 a.m. Ladies’ Bible Study
- 9/10 10:00 a.m. Scripture Study w/Pastor resumes
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Family Night
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 9/11 10:00 a.m. Yoga Class w/Deb Potts
7 p.m. Bible Study resumes
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 9/13 8:00 a.m. MONKS Monthly Meeting
7:30 p.m. Corry Bell Concert
- 9/14 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Class
11:45 a.m. New Member Class
5:00 p.m. Jr. UMYF
6:00 p.m. Sr. UMYF
- 9/15 9:30 a.m. Food Pantry open
- 9/16 9:30 a.m. Ladies’ Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Finance Committee
7:15 p.m. Stephen Ministry
- 9/17 10:00 a.m. Scripture Study w/Pastor Randy
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Family Night
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

- 9/18 7:00 p.m. Bible Study
- 9/20 8:00 a.m. Men’s Prayer Breakfast
- 9/21 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Class
10:30 a.m. New Members received
12:00 p.m. New Member Luncheon
5:00 p.m. Jr. UMYF
6:00 p.m. Sr. UMYF
- 9/22 9:30 a.m. Food Pantry open
6:00 p.m. Staff Relations Committee
- 9/23 9:30 a.m. Ladies’ Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Church Council
- 9/24 10:00 a.m. Scripture Study w/Pastor Randy
1:00 p.m. UMW Exec. Board
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Family Night
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 9/25 10:00 a.m. Yoga Class w/Deb Potts
7:00 p.m. Men’s Bible Study
- 9/27 9:00 a.m. UM Women Retreat
- 9/28 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Adult Tagalog Bible Study
5:00 p.m. Jr. UMYF
6:00 p.m. Sr. UMYF
- 9/29 9:30 a.m. Food Pantry open
- 9/30 9:30 a.m. Ladies’ Bible Study



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	<u>Sept. 7</u>	<u>Sept 14</u>	<u>Sept 21</u>	<u>Sept 28</u>
USHERS 9:00 a.m.	John Weaver Bret Argenbright Milton Takeguchi Ethel Takeguchi	Monks	Youth	Oscar Loud Thelma Loud John Dubots Mark Cunningham
USHERS 10:30 a.m.	Richard Sharpe Dan Guitierrez John Cloutier	Monks	Youth	Shirley Johnson Janet Gailbraith Dick Mohammed Ken Wilson
LITURGISTS 9:00 a.m.	Sue Bradshaw	Monks	Youth	Karen Benvenuto
10:30 a.m.	Doris Elder	Monks	Youth	Diane Martinez
GREETERS 9:00 a.m.	Lois Gruber	Monks	Youth	Aileen Power
10:30 a.m.	Francis Cortese	Monks	Youth	Norma Valle
SOUND TECH 9:00 a.m.	Mark McCullough	Brian Severns	Youth	Mark McCullough
10:30 a.m.	Vicki Cloutier	Ken Boyle	Youth	Frank Benson

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