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Maundy Thursday, April 1 st - 7:00 p.m.

Murrieta UMC Choir will join TUMC's Chancel Choir in a presentation of "The Seven Last Words" by Dubois. Featured soloists: Alan Sheaffer, tenor, Nick Shelton, bass, and Lori Ebrecht, soprano.

Celebrate the Glory of Easter

Easter Sunday the empty cross will COME ALIVE as the congregation places cut flowers on the wire covered cross at the front of the church! The choir will proceed down the center aisle with fresh cut flowers and place them on the cross. The congregation will follow and place flowers as well. As they are placed, the empty cross begins to bloom with color and come to life, symbolizing the New Life Christ offered to us.

Easter Sunday, remember to bring a cut flower to place on the cross. Geraniums, roses, greenery, daises, etc., are in bloom now.

Easter Sunday, April 4 th

7:30 a.m. INFORMAL SERVICE

(Memorial Courtyard – outdoor worship)

Rev. Dr. Randy Johnson – Easter Message "Raised to Life"

Pianist – Dr. Corry Bell No childcare provided

9:00 a.m. Rev. Dr. Randy Johnson – Easter Message – "Raised to Life"

Chancel Choir presents "What A Morning"

Pianist - Dr. Corry Bell

Toddler to Preschool Childcare (Ages 2-4) Younger Elementary Class (Ages 5—9) Older Elementary Class (Ages 10 &11)

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. EGG HUNT - All Sunday school aged children are

invited to join in the hunt for Easter Eggs.

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Toddler to Preschool Childcare (Ages 2-4) Family Lounge for parents w/infants to age 3

Elementary Class (Ages 5-11)

Sunday Schedule During 9:00 a.m. Worship Children go directly to Sunday School Classes EVERY SUNDAY

Toddlers to Preschool—Childcare (Ages 2-4) Younger Elementary Class (Ages 5-9) Older Elementary Class (Ages 10 & 11) During 10:30 a.m. Worship

Children go into Worship with Parents, then to class after Children's sermon.

Family Lounge for Parents, Infants—Age 3
Toddlers to Preschool—Childcare (Ages 2-4)
Elementary Class (Ages 5-11)
Sunday School grades 6th—12th
Youth go to Class at 10:30 a.m.
(2nd & 4th Sundays only)
Sunday Evening Youth Group (UMYF)
Middle High 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Senior High 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.

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Phone: (951) 676-1800, ext. 10 E-mail: tumc@temeculaumc.com Church office hours: *9—4 Mon.-Fri.* New Study Series Begins Wed. April 14th 6:15 p.m.

Eclipsing Empire: Paul, Rome, and the Kingdom of God

Over the past few months, folks attending Wednesday evenings have discovered the treasure-trove of insights from the Living the Questions series. On April 14th, a new 2007 DVD study series on the life and teachings of Paul will go "on location" in Asia Minor with two great New Testament scholars, Marcus Borg and Dominic Crossan.

Marcus Borg - Hundere Professor of Religion and Culture at Oregon State University. Author of over ten books including *The Heart of Christianity* and *Jesus: Uncovering the Life, Teachings, and Relevance of a Religious Revolutionary.* Dr. Borg lectures extensively throughout North America and overseas. His work has been translated into five languages. For nearly ten years, Borg has led an annual Pauline Pilgrimage together with John Dominic Crossan.

John Dominic Crossan - Professor Emeritus of Biblical Studies at De Paul University. Widely regarded as the premier historical Jesus scholar in the world, Dr. Crossan has authored over 20 books including God and Empire: Jesus Against Rome, Then and Now and In Search of Paul: How Jesus' Apostle Opposed Rome's Empire with God's Kingdom – a ground-breaking study on Paul. Crossan is chair of the Historical Jesus Section of the Society of Biblical Literature.

Topics:

Empire
 Paul's Letters
 Jesus
 Paul's Ethics

Paul's Mission
 Paul's Theology
 Paul's Character
 Paul's Eschatology

5. Paul's Vocation 11. Icons6. Cities 12. Eclipse

The quality of these DVD presentations is very high and I promise you will learn things you never knew and your faith will grow!

The cost is \$25.00 per family and includes weekly hand-outs.

Hope to see you! Pastor Randy

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THE SPRING BUZZ... MYSTERY GUEST, FASHION SHOW, SILENT AUCTION, SAVORIES AND SWEETS IN THE COMPANY OF WONDERFUL WOMEN at the UMW TEA. Tickets will be sold on Sundays until all tables are filled. Call Bea Waite at 308-2302 for further information.

All proceeds from the tea and silent auction will go to support local missions for women and children including St. Catherine's food pantry, SMURF (Single Mothers United for Rewarding & FASHION SHOW Fellowship) and Rancho Damacitas.

April 24, 2010 · 11:30 a.m.

Children \$5

O a.m. Models for Coldwater Creek will be our own UMW ladies. Our models will be giving clues about our mystery guest and those who guess correctly have the chance for a raffle for a mystery guest prize basket. There will be a silent auction table for children under the age of 12.

CONFIRMATION 2010 CLASSES

Each year Pastor Randy offers Confirmation instruction to our youth, ages 12 through 18 years. Classes include:

- •The Body of Christ in Action including the church, being connected, working for justice, serving others, worship and word, including Holy Communion and the Bible
- Our United Methodist Heritage
- United Methodists Beliefs
- Local church—History and Mission

Baptism for those not yet baptized - an explanation of making a public profession of faith, understanding the vows, and making a commitment of faith and practice SIGN UP IN THE BREEZEWAY OR CONTACT PASTOR RANDY at randy@temeculaumc.com

TEMECULA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 2010 STEWARDSHIP REPORT

A Fantastic Place to Worship!

During the month of February 2010, TUMC held a wonderful, spiritually based experience culminating on Commitment Sunday held February 28th. The focus of our experience has been to use our financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in our relationship with God by supporting our church's mission and ministry. I am very happy to report the initial results of our campaign and the outstanding response of our Congregation members and friends so far. The following results are as of March 28, 2010.

A total of 78 families (husbands and wives, single parent families and singles) worshiping at TUMC completed *Estimate of Giving Cards* for the calendar year 2010. As of March 28, 2010, these **78** families have committed a total of \$ 168,048.

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NEW MISSIONARY COVENANT RELATIONSHIP

With the departure of Harris Jones from Red Bird Mission, we have selected Sungchul (Gary) and Haewon (Cindy) Moon for a covenant relationship with TUMC. They were commissioned by the General Board of Global Ministries in October 2009 and assigned to establish and direct a facility for orphaned children in Chonburi Province, Thailand. United Methodist mission work in Thailand is relatively new and is part of the Southeast Asia Mission Initiative. Chonburi Province, south of Bangkok, includes tourist spots, and areas known as havens of the sex trade. There are many HIV/AIDS children in the region lacking homes and proper care. The orphanage should be operational by the spring of 2010; it will start small.

Cindy and Gary Moon are from the California-Pacific Annual Conference and are members of Covenant United Methodist Church, a Korean-American congregation in Pomona. Cindy attended Los Angeles City College. Gary encountered Jesus personally and experienced the Holy Spirit on a retreat in 1998. He is a chiropractor by profession and has been affiliated with a number of medical centers in the Los Angeles area. The Moons are the parents of three grown children: Hanah, Michael and Sarah.

Youth News

Submitted by Mark McCullough

Youth Retreat—Friday, April 9th through Sunday, April 11th. We will be going to Agua Caliente in Anza Borrego County Park. We will be leaving Church at noon on Friday, April 9th and returning to Church on Sunday, April 11th at about 2 p.m.

The cost for this retreat will be \$50 per youth which will include lodging, transportation, chaperones and food. All monies were due by March 28th. If this is an issue, please contact me as scholarship funds are available.

This is a retreat and will include a program and group discussions. Our theme is "Time in the Wilderness". Youth will be sleeping in tents (girls in one campsite, boys in another) and will need to bring camping clothes including warm clothes for evenings, sleeping bag/pillow, separate set of cave clothes (long pants, closed toed shoes)—it is very dusty, bathing suit/towel, shower stuff, flashlight.

BUILDERS FELLOWSHIP HOLDS MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION

All Builders Fellowship groups met in Room 1 on February 21st for a Mardi Gras Potluck celebration. Purple, gold and green table coverings, gold coins, colorful masks, beads and fresh flowers adorned the tables and members wore festive masks and hats creating a carnival mood. Joe Benvenuto was crowned Mardi Gras King and Ashley Lewis was given a scepter as queen, who then directed the tables dismissed to the buffet line. Great food was enjoyed by all. Activities included Trivia questions and

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

<u>Sunday</u>

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes meets in Room 6.

9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study meets in the Youth Room. Contact Dan Gutierrez.

5:00 p.m. Jr. UMYF

6:00 p.m. Sr. UMYF

6:30 p.m. Young Adult Ministry meets the lst & 3rd Sunday evenings at church at 6:30 p.m. and a fellowship night out usually on the 4th Sunday evening.

Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study meets in the Hillside Room. Contact Karen Benvenuto.

6:30 p.m. MONKS Planning Meeting at the church in the Hillside Room.

7:00 p.m. The Year of Fog by Michelle Richmond April 6th at Karen Benvenuto's home. Shirley Jankowski will be doing the review.

7:00 p.m. Shanghai Girls by Lisa See will meet May 4th. Contact Ethel Takeguchi. Potluck at Jodi Dubots on June 1st.

Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Scripture Study w/Pastor Randy meets in the Music Room except for April 7th.

Wednesday Family Night

5:30—7:00 p.m. MONKS serving food (donations accepted) (2nd and 4th Weds. only) 6:00 p.m. Childcare available (2nd and 4th Weds. only)

6:15-7:15 p.m. Pastor's Bible Study —everyone welcome. Weekly except April 7th New Study begins April 14th!

6:15 p.m. Family Activities planned for the 2nd and 4th Weds. only

7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

Thursday

10:00 a.m. Yoga taught by Deb Potts, M.S., R.Y.T. meets in Celebration Hall April 1st, 8th and 22nd. 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study meets in the Youth Room. Contact Milton Takeguchi

Saturday

8:00 a.m. MONKS Monthly Meeting meets Saturday, April 10th in Room 1. Contact Maynard McIntosh

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charades with Mardi Gras themes. Groups shared what they had been doing and a bulletin board displayed pictures of activities from the various groups. The King and Queen ended the Mardi Gras by leading a Conga Line down the hall and back again!! Fun for all!

The Builders program was developed to nurture the building of relationships, faith and community within our church. Groups of 6-8 people meet on a monthly basis from October to May to participate in activities planned by each group. Contact Ethel Takeguchi, Donnie Weaver or Vicki Cloutier for more information.

UMW Corner

Submitted by Gloria Galvez Communications Coordinator

Eighteen attended our United Methodist Women's General Meeting, Thursday, March 18th. Our speaker was Mr. Clifford Nunn, Director of *Thessalonika* Family Services (Rancho Damacitas). His wife is the Program Coordinator. Their goal is to "heal emotional scars and provide hope for a new beginning" for children ages 6 through 18 who were abused and/or abandoned. We learned a lot from him about Rancho Damacitas. Rancho Damacitas has existed since 1983 in the Wine Country east of Temecula. They have 6 buildings and cottages. Thessalonika Family Services has three Projects namely, Rancho Damacitas Children's Homes, Rancho Jireh Foster Homes and Project Independence which supports young adults to bridge the gap between childhood and adulthood.

According to Mr. Clifford, they have 6 married couples, one married couple for each cottage, who live with the children and 62 staff. Children come from County Child Protective Services of Riverside County. Rancho Damacitas works with Murrieta, Temecula and Hemet Schools and has one full time tutor who also has led some field trips, including the Aquarium in Los Angeles and the Museum Ship in San Diego. Volunteers also work with the staff and partner with S.M.U.R.F. (Single Mothers United in Rewarding Fellowship) and other agencies such as Neighborhood Health Care where the youth are seen by their staff.

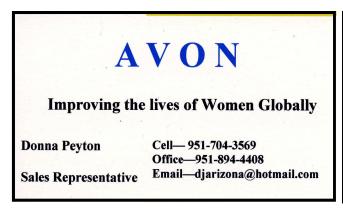
The Salvation Army, and JC Penney provide uniforms/clothes for the children, and other churches also give help to them (as our church does).

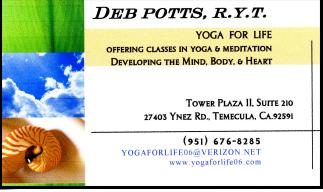
After our meeting we had a nice lunch, soup prepared by Linda Jones, bread, salad and, of course, the cake that was so good prepared by Linda's sister in-law.

Note: Ladies, there will be no UMW Meeting this month as we're having our Annual Spring Tea on April 24th. I encourage you to attend our monthly UMW Meeting on May 20th when we will have the Prayer & Self Denial Program. Please mark your calendar for this upcoming event.

MONKS – Men of Nurturing Knightly Spirit

MONKS Guest Speaker Mayor Jeff Comerchero will address managing our dynamic growth so as not to diminish the quality of life of our current residents. Saturday, April 10th, 8 a.m.





TUMC YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

Open to all Young Single and Young Couples Without Children

We are inviting all Young Adults, ages early 20s to late 30s to come and be a part of our **Young Adult Ministries program**. Our program is open to all, both members and friends from the community interested in being on a **Journey of Faith** together with others their age. This is an opportunity for those young adults looking for opportunities to meet with others their age, share faith, and just enjoy friends to meet and explore their faith together. Our schedule is two discussion sessions per month (first and third Sunday evenings) at 6:30 p.m. at the church and a fellowship night out (usually on the fourth Sunday evening. Times vary based on the evening's activity.

We are currently involved in a new discussion series based on a DVD series about our Faith Journey! Christianity has been expressed in countless ways over the centuries. The 21st century is no different. **DreamThinkBeDo** is not about "what" to believe. It's not about projecting someone else's "truth." It is a springboard for conversation about what's next for those who follow Jesus. "Love God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind," (Luke 10:27) is the best place to start.

Come embrace the heart of what it's all about. Be challenged to Think and Dream!

DreamThinkBeDo

DTBD is a four-volume overview of Christianity for Young Adults featuring the insights of twenty five progressive theologians at the top of their game. Each self-standing module contains five 20 – minute sessions in a flexible, conversation in DVD format. Comprised of twenty sessions, DTBD is what you've been looking for to form a spiritual foundation for Young Christians in today's world. We strongly encourage you and your friends to come and be challenged about what FAITH means to each of us. **Bill Steele and Pastor Randy serve as facilitators for the sessions**.

The leaders for the Young Adult Ministry are Pastor Randy, Bill Steele, Lay Leader, and Nancy Hammett.

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Based on last year's giving records, TUMC can expect to receive an additional \$ 68,695.00 during the coming year from 82 families who have consistent giving patterns during the past year, but have not made estimates as of March 28th. Together these two figures give us an initial commitment of \$236,743.00.

We will continue to ask those who have not made a commitment to please do so by April 11th . Once we have completed our campaign and received all or most of the commitments from the congregation, the Finance Committee and the Church Council will finalize the 2010 budget and present our results to the Congregation.

The Stewardship, Finance Committee and the Church Council know of no other way to express our gratitude to all who support this Church except to say **Thank You and God Bless You** to all who worship and attend Temecula United Methodist Church and for your wonderful commitment to our future. We are not at the top of the mountain yet, but with your prayers and commitment to the Ministry of Jesus Christ through this Church, we will succeed.

Dates to Remember

- 4/1 10:00 a.m. Yoga w/Deb Potts7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
- 4/2 Good Friday Church offices closed
- 4/4 Easter Sunday Worship
 7:30 a.m. Informal outdoors
 9:00 a.m.
 10:30 a.m.
 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
 2:00 p.m. Korean Language Worship
- 4/5 6:30 p.m. Trustee Meeting
- 4/6 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study 6:30 p.m. MONKS Planning Meeting 7:00 p.m. Book Discussion Group
- 4/7 12:00 p.m. Out to Lunch Bunch 7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 4/8 10:00 a.m. Yoga w/Deb Potts 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
- 4/9 12:00 p.m. Youth leave for retreat
- 4/10 8:00 a.m. MONKS Monthly Meeting
- 4/11 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible w/Joe Hughes 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study 2:00 p.m. Korean Language Worship 2:00 p.m. Youth return from retreat
- 4/13 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 4/14 10:00 a.m. Scripture Study w/Pastor 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Family Night 5:30 p.m. MONKS serve hamburgers/ hot dogs
 - 6:15 p.m. Childcare
 - 6:15 p.m. Pastor's NEW Bible Study begins
 - 6:15 p.m. Family Activities
 - 7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 4/15 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
- 4/18 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible w/Joe Hughes 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
 - 2:00 p.m. Korean Language Worship
 - 5:00 p.m. Jr. UMYF
 - 6:00 p.m. Sr. UMYF
 - 6:30 p.m. Young Adult Ministry
- 4/20 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
 - 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee
- 4/21 10:00 a.m. Scripture Study w/Pastor 6:15 p.m. Bible Study w/Pastor 7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 7:15 p.m. Staff Parish Relations 4/22 10:00 a.m. Yoga w/Deb Potts
 - 1:00 p.m. UMW Executive Board
 - 5:00 p.m. MONKS UMW tea setup
 - 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

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- 4/23 All day UMW decorate for tea
- 4/24 11:30 a.m. UMW Tea
- 4/25 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible w/Joe Hughes 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study 11:45 a.m. Stephen Ministry 2:00 p.m. Korean Language Worship 5:00 p.m. Jr. UMYF
 - 6:00 p.m. Sr. UMYF
- 4/27 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 4/28 10:00 a.m. Scripture Study w/ Pastor

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Family Night 5:30 p.m. MONKS serve Hamburgers/ hot dogs

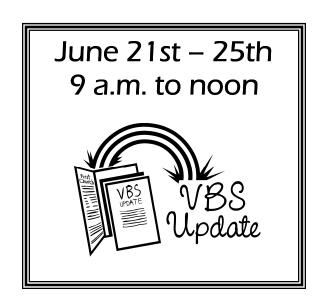
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6:15 p.m. Family Activities

7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal

4/29 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

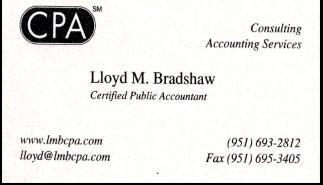


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| USHERS 9:00 a.m. | R. Edmonds B. Argenbright M. Takeguchi E. Takeguchi | Monks | Youth | O. Loud T. Loud S. Hill P. Hill | |
| USHERS 10:30 a.m. | J. Galbraith J. Cloutier D. Gutierrez B. Gulla | Monks | Youth | D. Little J. Little D. Mohammed C. Elder | |
| LITURGISTS 9:00 a.m. | J. Kerr | Monks | Youth | D. Potts | |
| 10:30 a.m. | C. Chapman-Wright | Monks | Youth | D. Martinez | |
| GREETERS 9:00 a.m. | V. Beers | Monks | Youth | B. Murray | |
| 10:30 a.m. | J. Glass | Monks | Youth | O. Bendikson | |
| SOUND TECH 9:00 a.m. | M. McCullough | B. Severns | Youth | M. McCullough | |
| 10:30 a.m. | V. Cloutier | K. Boyle | Youth | F. Benson | |

If you cannot serve as assigned, please call John Weaver or John Cloutier for ushers and Bea Waite for liturgists & greeters .







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