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Temecula UMC
Community

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

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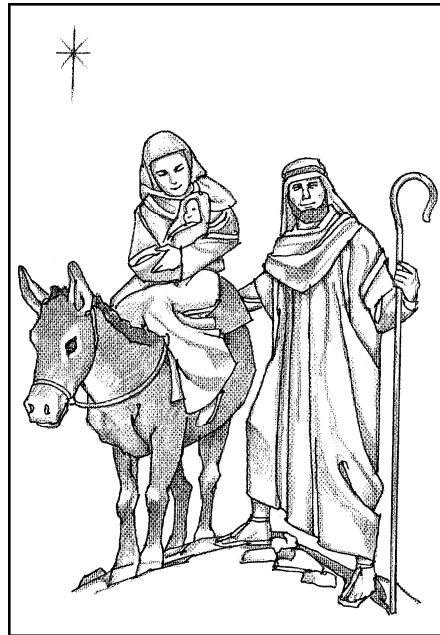
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Sunday, December 3, 2006

All Church Musical Christmas Party
4:30 p.m.—Get-together
5:00 p.m. Dinner served
Christmas Carols
Menu—Catered by Angela Stevanus
Cost: \$12.50 adults
\$6.00 children

Saturday, December 9, 2006

“Glory of Christmas”
at Crystal Cathedral
Depart 3:30 p.m.
5:30 p.m. performance
7:00 p.m. Hometown Buffet
(Preregistration required)

Sunday, December 10, 2006

Chancel Choir will sing four special Christmas Anthems

Sunday, December 17, 2006

Sunday School children singing

Christmas Worship *December 24, 2006*

10:30 a.m. Only!

Flute solo— Sarah Hillier
Chancel Choir Voices
Pastor Randy Preaching

6:30 p.m.

Family Worship with Children’s Sermon
Cello — Ben Brostrom
Tenor—Alan Sheaffer

8 :00 p.m.

Traditional Candlelight Worship with Communion
Cello — Ben Brostrom
Tenor—Allan Sheaffer

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**Sunday Schedule
Worship 9:00 a.m.**

*Nursery Care
Sunday School - two classes
ages 3rd through 5th grade.*

Worship 10:30 a.m.

*Nursery Care
Sunday School 6th through 12th grades
Combined Jr. & Sr. UMYF 6:00-8:00 p.m.*

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Pastor Randy's <—>Reflections

No doubt you have noticed how Christmas decorations are now showing up in stores as early as August. I must confess to saying to myself, "Wait a minute! I need to celebrate fall harvest and Thanksgiving first!" Yet, for some reason this year I am feeling a restless urging for Advent and Christmas that I don't understand. Do we ever?



***Silent Night,
Holy Night***

I'm convinced that we need Christmas. We need a season that wrests us from business as usual routine. We need to be shaken up a bit and inspired to dream by the innocence and purity of a birth that changes everything. I'm restless for it. How about you? Ann Weems says it for me so well:

*Is it all sewn up—my life?
Is it at this point so predictable?
So orderly,
so near,
so arranged,
so right,
that I don't have time or space
for listening for the rustle of angel's wings
or running to stables to see a baby?
Could this be what he meant when he said,
Listen, those who have ears to hear...
Look, those who have eyes to see?
O God, give me the humbleness of those shepherds
who saw
in the cold December darkness
the coming of Light
the Advent of Love.*

May we be awakened and blessed this Christmas season.

Pastor Randy



THANK YOU REVEREND DAVE BROSTROM

Joyce Little, Chairman, Staff Parish Relations Committee

Peace and Blessing of the Season to all of you! By now, most of you know that our loved and revered Coordinator of Music, Rev. David Brostrom will be retiring on December 31, 2006. David has lovingly and cheerfully served TUMC for the past 12 years. Truly, "a good and faithful servant". Under his leadership we have sung many beautiful hymns, enjoyed wonderful anthems and cantatas, and benefited from his talent and service. Having never missed a scheduled day in 12 years is quite an accomplishment too!

Coordinator David has graciously agreed to continue serving as choir leader until we can find a replacement, or at the very latest August 31, 2007. This may be a short or long process.

Because of David's many years of experience in many capacities at many churches, the Staff Parish Relations Committee, Pastor Randy and the Lay Leader have begun preliminary discussion of possible positions he could fill at TUMC. Perhaps to start, TUMC Chaplain, as an aide to Pastor Randy, membership drives, children's education, etc. Our church has needs in several areas that match his background, experience and education. If agreement is reached with David on these or other areas, we will keep our congregation informed.

Our primary wish is for David and Eileen to continue to worship with us and to continue their participation in the choir, either together or separately as they wish. As SPRC said to David, we might replace him as coordinator, but we can never replace his love and faithfulness to the choir and the congregation. Thank you David! May our Lord continue to bless you.

Youth News

Wow, it's December already. December is a busy month for all. We will be having youth group on Sunday December 10th and the 17th as usual at the church from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. On Tuesday, the 19th, the youth group will be assisting with a dinner for Habitat for Humanity by hosting the meal. On Saturday, December 23rd, we will be having a youth group Christmas party from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00p.m. Everyone should bring a dish to share and a wrapped gift (no more than \$10.00).

We have started our preparation for next year's mission trip and at this time we are awaiting news where we are going. We have six youth and two adults' spots paid for and we are tentatively set for July 14th through the 21st.

I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a most Joyous New Year.

Yours in Christ , Mark

Have You Saved the Date? February 10, 2007

By now you should have received your Save the Date card. Don't know what to get your special someone for Valentine's Day? Come to the Gala auction and enjoy a great dinner with good friends while you find that perfect gift (with their help of course). All the while you will be helping support the general missions of Habitat for Humanity and TUMC with your attendance and purchases.

Get your tickets before they are all gone. Tickets will go on sale the first of December. Look for the Valentine Box in the breezeway, where you will find order forms. Place your order along with a check in the box and get ready for a great time. Table seating will be assigned so get your friends and family together and purchase an entire table for 10.

Please contact Carlyn Buehler with any questions. Remember to mark your calendar for a fun filled evening!

Operation Christmas Child

Jan Kerr, Social Action Chair

On behalf of millions of children around the world, a special "thank you" is due for your help in making their Christmas this year a little brighter through your generous giving. Can you believe that we delivered 99 filled and wrapped shoe boxes to our drop off point?? To Mark, Monica and all the youth who had to wrap those 99 shoe boxes, thank you!! I have had such a positive response from the church that the UM Women plan on participating in this ministry again next year. So to Mark, Monica and the youth I say, same place, same time next year. I'll bring the wrapping paper and tape.

God Bless you and yours this holiday season.

A very big THANK YOU goes to:

Jan Kerr, Social Action Chair

Jodi Dubots, Barbara Conner, Becca Nakaya, Diane Martinez, Cherri Steele, Pauline Fields and Kathy Shappeck for their help in cooking and/or serving dinner to a record 70 SMURF families in October. A special "thank you" is due to Kathy for overseeing this dinner in my absence. It could not have happened without your help.



Habitat for Humanity and Temecula United Methodist Church
present

**Building Homes,
Building Faith,
Building Lives***
Dinner, Entertainment, Silent & Live Auction

February 10th, 2007
5:00 p.m. - Temeku Hills Country Club

Proceeds from this Gala event will benefit the General Missions of



Inland Valley Habitat for Humanity
27475 Ynez Road, PMB 390
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Temecula United Methodist Church
42690 Margarita Road
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*ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT HABITAT FOR HUMANITY AND TUMC

**GOING TO THE
ROSE PARADE ?**



Holliston United Methodist Church is offering parking space and breakfast for visitors to the Rose Parade on January 1 in Pasadena. Prices vary depending on parking needs. Registration forms are available in the Church office or call the Holliston congregation.

Temecula Valley Master Chorale

'TIS THE SEASON

John Byun, Conductor
Dr. Corry Bell, Accompanist

Saturday, December 9, 7:30 p.m.
Salvation Army Chapel
40875 Los Alamos Road, Murrieta

Sunday, December 10, 2:30 p.m.
St. Catherine's Catholic Church
41875 C Street, Temecula

Tickets on website:
www.temeculavalleymasterchorale.org

Or 951-032-1652
\$15 general
\$12 seniors/students

**RIVERSIDE DISTRICT
WINTER CAMPS**

January 13-15, 2007

Elementary Winter Camp: Grades
2-5
"Survivor Bible Style"

Jr. & Sr. High School: Grades 6-12
"God's Amazing Treasure"

Cost: \$100. Register by January 3.
Tracey Brown or Linda Ewan
909-797-1143



Dates to Remember

December 2006						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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- 12/3 900 a.m. Joe Hughes Adult Class
4:30 p.m. All Church Christmas Party
- 12/4 9:30 a.m. Food Pantry open
- 12/5 9:00 a.m. Tues. Ladies' Bible Study
9:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Randy
11:00 a.m. Living the Question Adult Class
- 12/6 9:30 a.m. Tole Painting w/Jessie Boyle
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 12/7 10:30 a.m. Yoga Class w. Deb Potts
6:30 p.m. Men's Class /K.McClellan
- 12/9 8:00 a.m. Monks of TUMC Breakfast
3:30 p.m. "Glory of Christmas" departure
- 12/10 900 a.m. Joe Hughes Adult Class
6:00 p.m. Youth Group
- 12/11 9:30 a.m. Food Pantry open
7:00 p.m. Gala Committee
- 12/12 9:00 a.m. Tues. Ladies' Bible Study
9:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Randy
11:00 a.m. Living the Question Adult Class
- 12/13 9:30 a.m. Tole Painting w/Jessie Boyle
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 12/14 10:30 a.m. Yoga Class w. Deb Potts
6:30 p.m. Men's Class /K.McClellan
7:00 p.m. Book Discussion Group
- 12/17 9:00 a.m. Joe Hughes Adult Class
6:00 p.m. Youth Group
- 12/18 9:30 a.m. Food Pantry open
7:00 p.m. Finance Committee
- 12/19 9:00 a.m. Tues. Ladies' Bible Study
9:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Randy
11:00 a.m. Living the Question Adult Class
- 12/20 9:30 a.m. Tole Painting w/Jessie Boyle
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 12/21 6:30 p.m. Men's Class /K.McClellan
- 12/23 6:00 p.m. Youth Group Christmas Party
- 12/24 10:30 a.m. Christmas Morning Worship
6:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Worship
- 12/25 Christmas Day (Church Offices closed)
- 12/26 (Church Offices closed through Jan. 1)
- 12/27 1:00 p.m. UMW Executive Board
- 12/28 10:30 a.m. Yoga Class w. Deb Potts
6:30 p.m. Men's Class /K.McClellan
- 12/31 Happy New Year




Join Us For A Children's Christmas Sing-a-long

Children's Ministries is trying something new...singing. With your help, we want to get your kids ready to sing for you this Christmas. Experience our Sunday school children and youth in a Christmas presentation on December 17th. We can do it with all your help... that means folks for the audience, proud parents taking pictures of their kids in church and, of course, THE CHILDREN THEMSELVES.

Thanks to Meghann McCullough and Sarah Hillier, we will be having singing in Sunday school each week until Christmas. Any child that wants to participate should be present during the last 15 minutes of first service. If you attend second service but would still like your children to participate, please come a few minutes early and have your child join us in Room 1 at 9:45 a.m.

Also, please be patient with us should our singing spill over into the break between worship services. We want to provide you with the best Christmas presentation we can and that means...practice, practice, practice.

	<u>Dec 3</u>	<u>Dec 10</u>	<u>Dec 17</u>	<u>Dec 24</u>	<u>Dec 31</u>
USHERS 9:00 a.m.	Jessie Martinez John Weaver Ethel Takeguchi Milton Takeguchi	Monks	Youth	10:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m. Sign up	No 9:00 a.m. Worship
USHERS 10:30 a.m.	Cliff Elder Richard Sharpe Dan Guitierrez Ashley Lewis	Monks	Youth		<u>10:30 am. Worship</u> John Dubots Bret Argenbright Steve Minder John Weaver
LITURGISTS 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Michael Ropacki Bryan Glenn	Monks Monks	Youth Youth	10:30 Claire Chapman- Wright 6:30 p.m. C. Brewer 8 p.m. C. Brewer	Jan Kerr
GREETERS 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Lloyd & Sue Bradshaw Jean Williams	Monks Monks	Youth Youth	10:30 a.m. Rea Douglas 6:30 & 8 p.m. tba	tba
<i>If you cannot serve as assigned, please call John Cloutier for ushers and Jan Martinez for liturgists & greeters .</i>					



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