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*We seek to shepherd all
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And grow in faith
Through the Holy Spirit*

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ALL CHURCH

Christmas Party



EVERYONE INVITED

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5th

Celebration Hall TUMC

PARTY 6:00 - 8:00pm / DINNER SERVED - 6:30pm

Desserts by Ashley Lewis & Ham by TUMC groups

Carols • Bingo • Trivia

Sing-along to favorite Christmas carols, win prizes playing Christmas Bingo and answering Trivia questions.

Balloon Characters

We will have our own Christmas Elf making balloon characters for both young and old.

Visit by Santa Claus

This year, Santa will hand out gifts in Celebration Hall to EACH CHILD and then will move to a special location for more personal visits and photos.

BRING A SIDE DISH TO PASS

PLEASE divide your dish into TWO (2) disposable dishes. Do not make double the food just divide it into two dishes so each table has the same items. Please use disposable dishes, if not, please make sure you take your dish home with you that night as we will not be washing dishes.

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)

10:30 a.m. Worship

Childcare: Toddlers-younger elementary.
 Toys and books available for children.

Sunday Evening UMYF

Middle High 5:00 -7:00 p.m.
 Senior High 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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This Year Will Be Different

By Ann Weams

Who among us does not have dreams that this year will be different?

Who among us does not intend to go peacefully, leisurely, carefully toward Bethlehem for whom among us likes to cope with the commercialism of Christmas that lures us to not only tinsel the tree but also our hearts?

Who among us does not yearn for:

- gifts of love?
- shopping in serenity?
- cards and presents sent off early?
- long evenings by the fireside with those we love?
- the aroma of cinnamon and nutmeg mingling with the pine scent of a tree?
- and carols gently playing over our idyllic scene?

Who among us does not yearn for:

- time for our hearts to ponder hearing the Word of God?
- moments of kneeling and bursts of song?
- the peace of quiet calm for our spirit's journey?

This year we intend to follow the Star instead of the crowd. But, of course, we always do intend the best.

This year when we find ourselves off the path again (and we invariably will!), let's not add yet another stress to our Advent days, that of "trying to do Christmas correctly."

Instead, let's approach the birth of our Lord with JOYFUL abandon!

And this year,

- Let's do what Mary did and rejoice in God,
- Let's do what Joseph did and listen to our dreams,
- Let's do what the wise men did and go to worship,
- Let's do what the shepherds did and glorify God for all that we have heard.

As for the Advent frantic pace, we don't have time for that.

We'll be too busy singing! This year will be different! Wishing you and your family all the joys of Christmas!

Mark, Rob, Corry, Deb, Mary & Randy

A Vision of TUMC

Temecula UMC is a caring community dedicated to God's work. We welcome all by creating an atmosphere rooting in the fruits of the spirit. We are a positive, visible presence in our community and a place of comfort and peace. We provide spiritual fulfillment through worship, education, fellowship, missions, and actions. We are people of God that live out our faith every day following Christ.

Four months ago, our Church Council began a process to develop a vision statement of TUMC in the future. A vision statement is something we understand God wants us to become, to achieve; it is a seductive and bold image of what we believe to be God's view of us. While mission statements explain the purpose of an organization and guide the organization in its day-to-day operations, visions provide a sense of direction for the long term – the means to the future. Vision statements of successful organizations are generally short, clear, vivid, and concise.

Organizational vision statements are developed to:

- Inspire
- Provide clear and challenging direction and purpose
- Encourage unique & creative solutions
- Allow continuity and avoid stutter effect of planning fits and starts
- Promote interest and commitment
- Build loyalty through involvement

Church council began by reviewing references on visioning and examining examples of vision statements of different corporations and churches. We shared our personal visions of TUMC, invited and gathered input from church members, then gleaned common themes from all contributions. Armed with this information, Chris Riche accepted the formidable task of crafting a draft vision statement for review by church council. Chris did a masterful job at developing a powerful and compelling draft version, which was unanimously accepted with addition of a few words. Beginning in January 2013, this vision statement, as seen below, will replace the mission statement that is used in church literature, such as the Messenger.





Upcoming Christmas Events

NOW

Order your Christmas Poinsettias

\$9 each

Order forms and envelopes in the breezeway, back of Celebration Hall, or call Mary at 676-1800, ext. 3.

November 30th - Dec. 9th

A Christmas Carol: The Musical

by Temecula Valley Players

Tickets \$20-\$28 and \$10 on Thursdays for seniors, students and active military.

Sunday, Dec. 2nd • 3 p.m.

Masters of Harmony Christmas Concert

"The Most Wonderful Time of the Year" in Riverside at the Fox Theater.

Tickets are Golden Circle - \$35 and Orchestra - \$25. Group discounts apply.

Contact Donnie Weaver.

Sunday, Dec. 2nd • 4 p.m.

Handel's Messiah at TUMC

Rancho Music Association will perform Handel's Messiah in Celebration Hall. Freewill offering.

Wednesday, Dec. 5th • 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

All Church Christmas Party

Celebration Hall

Saturday, Dec. 15th • 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.

Temecula Valley Master Chorale Concert

Holiday Music featuring the Inland Valley Symphony at the Murrieta Mesa High School.

Tickets: \$20/seniors, \$15.00/students 18 & under and \$8.50/12 and under.

Contact Earl and Pauline Fields.

Sunday, Dec. 16th

Children's Choir / Puppet Ministry

9:00 and 10:30 a.m. Worship

Sunday, Dec. 23rd

"Christmas Gathering"

Handbells and singing performed by the Chancel Choir
9:00 and 10:30 a.m. Worship

Monday, Dec. 24th

TUMC CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

6:00 p.m.
Family Candlelight Worship

8:00 p.m.
Candlelight Communion Worship

Children's Christmas Choir

Practice times will be Sunday mornings, December 2nd and 9th at 9 a.m. at the beginning of Sunday School and Saturday, December 15th from 3–4 p.m. again at the Hillier home, will be the final rehearsal before the performance on Sunday, December 16th. Contact Sarah Hillier.



Holiday Scrip Orders

Gift cards are often the preferred gift to give since the recipient can buy exactly what they want and even take advantage of great sales after the holidays. The “scrip on hand” list and order form is included this month so you can order the gift cards you need for the holidays. Please look over the insert in this newsletter and see if you want to give any of our gift cards to family and friends this year. You can also view the complete list of gift cards available to purchase by going to Great Lakes Scrip Center’s website at www.glscrip.com. Gift cards for popular stores all over the country are listed, including gift cards for online stores such as Amazon.com, Shutterfly.com and Overstock.com.

You can order and pre-pay for any scrip you want from the list by filling out the order form completely and noting the exact denomination and quantity you wish to order. Turn in your completed order form to the scrip table any Sunday with a check for the total amount you owe. Of course, you can purchase gift cards at the scrip table as usual, but we might run out of some of the most popular ones if you wait until the last week before Christmas. Pre-ordering helps Shirley know how much scrip she needs to order. The deadline to turn in your scrip order is Sunday December 16th. Please Note: according to state law, gift cards sold in California never expire so we can all feel safe when giving and receiving our gift cards).



Winter

REMINDER

Remember our homebound and old friends during the holidays.
Addresses may be found on the bulletin board in the breezeway.

Did You Know? TUMC’s monthly Messenger is available on line.
www.temeculaumc.com—click on Publications on left column, click on The Messenger, click on the image of the December Messenger to download and enjoy. A PDF copy can also be emailed to you, if you send your current email to Mary at tumc@temeculaumc.com

UM WOMEN CORNER

Submitted by Gloria S. Galvez

The UMW General Meeting and Luncheon will be on December 20th at 10:00 a.m. in the Hillside Room. We will have a festive celebration, carol singing, presentation of Pin of Recognition followed by the Installation of Officers for 2013. All ladies of our church are encouraged to attend and join us in fun and fellowship. See you there.

UMW Local Mission Project

Neighborhood Healthcare is an award-winning organization that is known for excelling at its mission. A private, non-profit 501(C) (3) community health organization, it employs 450 people and provides medical, dental, behavioral health counseling and wellness promotion to 66,500 people a year including 20,600 children who might otherwise go without care. At its ten health centers located throughout San Diego and Riverside counties, Neighborhood Healthcare is regarded as a caring and compassionate place that helps those most in need.

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Monks of TUMC

Men of Nurturing Knighly Spirit

We:

- Listen to joys, concerns and needs of others, and share them with God in prayer.
- Nourish the spiritual growth of men through a variety of programs, ministry opportunities for action, and provide fellowship and fun moments so strong relationships can blossom.
- Seek to enrich and equip men as courageous disciples and servant leaders in church, our families, and at work.
- Commit to work with and support our pastor, church ministries, and members of TUMC.
- Strive to contribute toward the mission of *“shepherding all to worship God, to follow Jesus Christ, and grow in faith through the Holy Spirit.”*

MONKS Monthly Planning Meeting Tuesday, December 4th at Filippi’s Italian Restaurant on Jefferson.

MONKS Monthly Breakfast Meeting Saturday, December 8th in Room 1 at church.
Contact John Cloutier for more information.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday

- 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes meets in Room 6.
 9:00 a.m. Full Sunday School Program. Contact Diana Walker.
 9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study meets in the Youth Room. Contact Dan Gutierrez.
 2:00 p.m. Korean Language Worship. Contact Rev. Dr. Jin Tae Kwon.

Youth News

Youth Group hopes that everybody had a great Thanksgiving and is looking forward to a Merry Christmas Season. We have been having a great time at Youth Group. We have been talking about "Everyone Needs a Savior" and "Gratitude" over the last few weeks and have been having great discussions. Just a reminder - everyone is welcome at Youth Group; we have an open door policy. Middle school starts at 5 p.m. and is from 6th through 8th grade and Senior High (9th through 12th grade) started at 6 p.m. We have games and business from 6 -7 p.m..

SSP 2013 we will be going to the Smith River Reservation in Northern California during the week of July 14th through July 20th this summer. Our adult team includes Mark and Monica McCullough, JP Edwards and Meghann McCullough. The youth team includes Audrey Argenbright, Katie Dreher, Jacob Edwards, Grace Lloyd, Matt McCullough, Dean Minder and Hannah Sheaffer. We are very excited to be taking four brand new SSPers this year. As always, the cost for SSP is pretty steep, but this church has always come through for us. Our first fundraiser will be a SSP 2013 Kick Off Dinner on Saturday, January 12th. SAVE THE DATE! We will be serving a fabulous dinner, have speakers and a multi-media show. More details to come!

December 16th is the McCullough Family Open House from 5:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m. at 31629 Promenade Bordeaux, Temecula. Everybody is welcome. Please bring something to share. Yours in Christ. Mark

Monday — January 28th—2013

6:00—7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer will meet quarterly starting in the New Year. The next Centering Prayer will be Monday, January 28th in Celebration Hall. TUMC is fortunate to have a trained Centering Prayer leader, Deb Potts who helps us receive the gift of contemplative prayer.

Tuesday

- 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study meets in Room 1 December 4th, 11th and 18th (includes potluck).
 6:30 p.m. MONKS Planning Committee meets December 4th at Filippi's Italian Restaurant.
 6:30 p.m. Dec. 4th—Book Discussion Group meets at the home of Ethel Takeguchi to discuss *The Old Man and the Sea* by Ernest Hemingway.
 7:15 p.m. Dec. 4th Choir rehearsal—note change of date for this week only.

Wednesday

- 10:00 a.m. Scripture Study with Pastor Randy in the Music Room. Cancelled Dec. 19th & 26th.
 5:45 p.m. Adult Study & Discussion Group cancelled December 5th, 19th and 26th. Class will be held on December 12th.
 7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal in Celebration Hall. *Make A Joyful Noise Unto the Lord!* New members are always welcome. Please contact Rob Hodo on Sunday. No rehearsal Dec. 26th.

Thursday

- 10:00 a.m. Yoga with Deb Potts will meet December 6th and December 13th in Celebration Hall.
 Contact Deb at yogaforlife06@verizon.net
 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study meets in the Youth Room. Contact Milton Takeguchi.

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- 12/1 8 a.m. MONKS Retreat
3–4 p.m. Children's Choir at Hillier's home
- 12/2 9 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
9 a.m. Children's Choir
9 a.m. Sunday School
11:45 a.m. Youth Group sets up for Messiah
2 p.m. Korean Language Worship—Room 1
4 p.m. Messiah Performance
5 p.m. Youth movie & pizza in Youth Room
- 12/3 4 p.m. Christmas Party setup
6 p.m. Stewardship Leadership Meeting
7 p.m. Trustees
- 12/4 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
6:30 p.m. MONKS Planning Meeting
6:30 p.m. Book Discussion Group
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 12/5 10 a.m. Scripture Study w/Pastor
6 p.m. Church Christmas Party
- 12/6 10 a.m. Yoga w/Deb Potts
7 p.m. Mens Bible Study
- 12/8 8 a.m. MONKS Monthly Breakfast
- 12/9 9 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
9 a.m. Children's Choir
9 a.m. Sunday School
2 p.m. Korean Language Worship
5 p.m. Jr. Youth Group
6 p.m. Sr. Youth Group
- 12/11 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
- 12/12 10 a.m. Scripture Study w/Pastor
5:45 p.m. Adult Study & Discussion Group
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
7:15 p.m. Staff Parish Relations Committee
- 12/13 10 a.m. Yoga w/Deb Potts
1 p.m. UM Women Executive Board
6:30 p.m. Finance Committee
7 p.m. Mens Bible Study

- 12/15 3-4 p.m. Children's Choir at Hillier's home
- 12/16 Worship at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Puppet Ministry & Children's Choir
9 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
9 a.m. Sunday School
2 p.m. Korean Language Worship
5:30–8:30 p.m. Annual McCullough
Christmas Open House
- 12/18 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
Followed by Christmas Potluck
6:30 p.m. Church Council
- 12/19 7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 12/20 7 p.m. Mens Bible Study
- 12/23 Worship at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
9 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
9 a.m. Sunday School
2 p.m. Korean Language Worship
5 p.m. Jr. Youth Group
6 p.m. Sr. Youth Group
- 12/24 Church Offices open until noon
6 p.m.. Christmas Family Candlelight
8 p.m. Candlelight Communion Worship
- 12/25 Christmas Day—church office closed
Through January 1, 2013.
- 12/30 9 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
9 a.m. Sunday School
2 p.m. Korean Language Worship



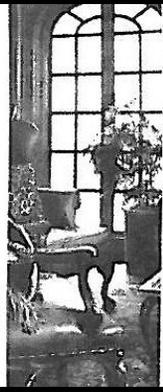
“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” Matthew 6:21

	December 2	December 9	December 16	December 23	December 30
USHERS 9:00 a.m.	Jesse Martinez Milton Takeguchi Ethel Takeguchi Erik Toberman	MONKS	Youth	Sam Hill Pat Hill Oscar Loud Thelma Loud	Philippians
USHERS 10:30 a.m.	Janet Galbraith Dick Mohammed Dan Gutierrez Boni Gulla	MONKS	Youth	Cliff Elder Bea Waite Raul Denisac Marilyn Barger	Philippians
LITURGISTS 9:00 a.m.	Bill Steele	MONKS	Youth	Steve Minder	Philippians
10:30 a.m.	Joyce Little	MONKS	Youth	Claire Chapman- Wright	
GREETERS 9:00 a.m.	Jan Clark-George	MONKS	Youth	Doris Elder	Philippians
10:30 a.m.	Stella Mohammed	MONKS	Youth	Stella Mohammed	Philippians
SOUND TECH 9:00 a.m.	Mark McCullough	Brian Severns	Youth	Jeanette Edmonds Robert Edmonds	Brian Severns
10:30 a.m.	G.&M. Lloyd	Ken Boyle	Youth	Ken Boyle	Ken Boyle
VISITOR TABLE 9:00 a.m.	Pauline Fields	A. Accordino	Sue Bradshaw	Pauline Fields	Sue Bradshaw
10:30 a.m.	Dorothy Smith	Vinya Gulla	Jean Williams	Gloria Galvez	Vinya Gulla

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