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To worship God  
To follow Jesus Christ  
And grow in faith  
Through the Holy Spirit*

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## TUMC UPCOMING EVENTS

2/8 Youth Pancake Breakfast—after both worship services  
\$5 Adults / \$3 Children

2/11 All Church Swing Dance in Celebration Hall  
Would you like to dance like the stars on  
*Dancing with Stars?*

Free swing dance lessons during the first hour of dancing (5 p.m. to 6 p.m.) offered by Temecula Valley High School Swing Club followed by open floor dance until we drop or 8 p.m. (whichever comes first).

2/14 Valentine Breakfast—8 a.m.  
Served by MONKS for all ladies of the church  
Sign up in breezeway or call Barry Adams

2/15 All Church Bake Sale  
Buy your sweetie a treat!

2/19 UM Women Pampered Chef Party  
10 a.m. in the Hillside Room

2/21 All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner—5—8 p.m.  
\$10 adults / \$5 children  
Open to the Public  
Tickets on sale Sundays or in the church office

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

Preschool Care/infants &  
toddlers to age 4  
Traditional Sunday School  
Ages 4–11

***Worship 10:30 a.m.***

Family Lounge Available  
Enrichment Church ages 4–11  
Sunday School grades 6th–12th

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

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## *The Significance of*



# LENT

Lent is the fourth season of the Christian year. Its length is the 40 days preceding Easter Day, not counting Sundays. This means Lent always begins on a Wednesday, known as Ash Wednesday.

Lent commemorates Jesus' fast and temptation in the wilderness of Judea Province, which, according to the Gospel, lasted 40 days. Just as Jesus confronted his temptations during these 40 days, Lent helps Christians focus on our most basic need as sinners: forgiveness.

The only way our Lord's forgiving power can become effective in our lives is by our taking the initiative to confront our sins, confess them and repent of them. In short, Lent is a season of penitence.

Some Christians fast during Lent. This denial of bodily comforts can help encourage self-reflection about the need for Jesus' forgiveness.

## *CHRISTIAN EDUCATION*

### **Sunday 9 a.m. Adult Bible Study in Room 6—Contact Joe Hughes**

We are continuing in our study of "Resurrection" by N.T. Wright. Last week we finished looking at the various concepts of the afterlife that were common during the time of Jesus.

### **Sunday 9 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study in Room 1—Contact Dan Gutierrez**

#### **Feb 1st - "A Shunammite Woman Helps"**

Purpose: To affirm generous hospitality as an essential expression of commitment to God.

Bible Lesson: 2 Kings 4: 8-17

Key Verse: 2 Kings 4: 9-10

#### **Feb 8th - "Nathan Challenges David"**

Purpose: To acknowledge that words of confrontation can be God's Words.

Bible Lesson: 2 Samuel 12: 1-15

Key Verse: 2 Samuel 11: 27 - 12:1

#### **Feb 15th - "Esther Risks Her Life"**

Purpose: To understand that commitment to God involves overcoming fear and taking risks for the sake of personal and communal integrity.

Bible Lesson: Ester 4: 1-3, 9-17

Key Verse: Esther 4:16

#### **Feb 22nd - "Isaiah Answers God's Call"**

Purpose: To respond to God's awesome presence with new or renewed commitment.

Bible Lesson: Isaiah 6: 1-8

Key Verse: Isaiah 6:8

### **Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study at 9:30 a.m. in Youth Room—Contact Karen Benvenuto**

February 10th to April 14<sup>th</sup> Beth Moore on John The Beloved Disciple—a study of John the disciple.

### **Wednesday Scripture Study with Pastor at 10 a.m. in Music Room**

#### **Wednesday Family Nights are a HIT!**

5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Food Served by MONKS

6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Children's Choir w/Bill & Jayne Waddleton

6:45 – 7:15 p.m. Kids Time (crafts or activities for all kids)

6:15 – 8:30 p.m. Childcare

6:15 – 7:15 p.m. Pastor Randy's Sunday Scripture Study

7:15 – 8:30 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal with Earl Fields

### **Thursday night Men's Bible Study at 7 p.m. in Youth Room—Contact Milton Takeguchi**

Philip Yancey's *The Jesus I Never Knew*, is the study guide.

**February 20-22: California Pacific Annual Conference Chapter of Christian Educators at Mesa Verde UMC, Costa Mesa CA.** "Teaching the Parables" led by Dr. David Otto. Call Rev. Carolyn Breihan at 714-915-7213 or revcarolynb@hotmail.com,

**February 3: TUMC BOOK GROUP** The Friday Night Knitting Club by Kate Jacobs. Host: Gail Skennion.

**March 3: TUMC BOOK GROUP** Devil in the White City by Erik Larsen. Host: Sue Bradshaw.

## Changes to Sunday Morning Activities

TUMC Christian Education Committee would like to announce some exciting new changes to our Sunday morning programs and services effective February 1st.

Children will be asked to sit with their parents in church during the 9:00 a.m. service on the first Sunday of each month. The service will be targeted to families and will therefore include some songs that will appeal to families, a children's sermon (or children's activity), shortened adult sermon and Communion. You, as parents, will be able to take part in your child's introduction to attending church services in a relaxed and family atmosphere. If, however, you feel that you are unable to sit with your child during the service, the Family Lounge will be available to you. Communion will be served in the lounge.

### **SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. SERVICE**

#### **PRE-SCHOOL/NURSERY (ages 0-4)**

Available 2nd—5th Sundays in Room 2

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL (kindergarten—5th grade)**

Available 2nd—5th Sundays in Room 3

#### **FAMILY LOUNGE (all ages)**

Available 1st Sunday in Room 2

#### **JOE HUGHES/TAGALOG CLASS (Adults)**

Available every Sunday in Room 6 and Youth Room



### **SUNDAY 10:30 a.m. SERVICE**

#### **PRE-SCHOOL/NURSERY (ages 0-4)**

No longer available—please use Family Lounge

#### **ENRICHMENT CHURCH (kindergarten—5th grade)**

Available every Sunday—begin Enrichment Church in Service

#### **FAMILY LOUNGE (all ages)**

Available for all ages in Room 2

Our new Family Lounge is available to anyone looking to view the service via television. Coffee, juice and snacks are provided. Sunday School curriculum, craft supplies and Bibles will also be available to anyone using the Family Lounge. On Communion Sunday, ushers will serve you in the Family Lounge.

If you have any questions regarding the changes to our program, please contact: Cris Argenbright (first service director) 676-1800, ext. 14.

## *2008 CRAFT FAIRE REPORT*

The October 10, 2008 annual Craft Faire was well attended and successful. Over 70 vendors participated with an excellent variety of crafts and goods to offer. Many thanks to the Church Council, Trustees and all those who volunteered to help make the Faire a success.

The Craft Faire is held each year to create funds for community mission outreach, including some TUMC programs. After all expenses, this year's proceeds have been distributed as follows:

TUMC General Fund	\$300
TUMC Stephen Ministry	\$100
David Brostrom (Visitation Ministry)	\$200
California Charities Foundation (matched 50%)	\$300
Rancho Damacitas	\$200
Shut-in Poinsettias	\$ 40
SMURF (Single Mothers United in Rewarding Fellowship)	\$100
St. Catherine's Food Pantry	\$300
Temecula Health Clinic	\$100
UMCOR	\$300
Reserve (seed money)	\$500

The date for the 2009 Craft Faire will be Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Persons interested in being part of the Planning Committee should contact Doris Elder or Donnie Weaver. The next Planning Committee meeting is March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1:30 pm.

## *UM WOMEN NEWS*

Approximately 21 attended the January UMW General Meeting and the following officers were installed by our dear Pastor, Randy Johnson.

President - Hallie Sebanc  
 Vice Pres. - Jessie Boyle  
 Secretary - Donnie Weaver  
 Treasurer - Mary Lou Britton  
 Mission Coordinator for:  
 Spiritual Growth - Connie French & Doris Elder  
 Education and Interpretation - Diane Martinez  
 Program Resources - Diane Martinez  
 Social Action - Judy Hernandez  
 Membership - Jean Williams  
 Hospitality - Jessie Boyle  
 Historian & Nominations - Bea Waite  
 Communications - Gloria Galvez  
 Sunshine - Frances Cortese  
 Photography - Marilyn Barger

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### Dates to Remember

- 2/1 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study  
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study  
11:45 a.m. Altar Committee In-Service  
2:00 p.m. Korean Language Worship  
5:00 p.m. Jr. UMYF  
6:00 p.m. Sr. UMYF
- 2/3 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 2/4 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study  
12:00 p.m. Out to Lunch Bunch  
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Family Night  
6:15 p.m. Pastor's Scripture Study  
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 2/5 10:00 a.m. Yoga w/Deb Potts  
7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
- 2/7 3:00 p.m. Nelson Valdez Piano Concert
- 2/8 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study  
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study  
10:00 a.m. SSP Fundraiser Breakfast  
2:00 p.m. Korean Language Worship  
5:00 p.m. Jr. UMYF  
6:00 p.m. Sr. UMYF
- 2/10 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 2/11 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study  
5:00 p.m. Swing Dance  
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Family Night  
6:15 p.m. Pastor's Scripture Study  
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 2/12 10:00 a.m. Yoga w/Deb Potts  
7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
- 2/14 8:00 a.m. MONKS Valentine Breakfast  
3:00 p.m. Bake Sale drop-off
- 2/15 9:00 a.m. All Church Bake Sale  
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study  
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study  
2:00 p.m. Korean Language Worship

- 2/17 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 2/18 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study  
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Family Night  
6:15 p.m. Pastor's Sunday Scripture  
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 2/19 10:00 a.m. UMW Pampered Chef Party  
7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study
- 2/21 5:00 p.m. All Church Spaghetti Dinner
- 2/22 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study  
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
- 2/24 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 2/25 ASH WEDNESDAY  
10:00 a.m. Pastor's Scripture Study  
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Family Night  
6:15 p.m. Pastor's Scripture Study  
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 2/26 10:00 a.m. Yoga w/Deb Potts  
1:00 p.m. UMW Executive Board  
7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study



In the early Christian church, there were three priests named Valentine or Valentinus. Though they didn't live at the same time, each was said to be holy and each had been martyred for his faith. All three priests were designated as saints. Around the year A.D. 498, Pope Gelasius declared February 14 as St. Valentine's Day.

Valentine's Day came to be associated with love, romance and marriage. The day is now so popular that only during the Christmas season do people mail more greeting cards.

No matter how many cards, flowers or sweets you receive this Valentine's Day, be assured that God loves you with an "everlasting love" (Jeremiah 31: 3, NRSV).

	<u>Feb 1</u>	<u>Feb 8</u>	<u>Feb 15</u>	<u>Feb 22</u>
<b>USHERS</b> 9:00 a.m.	Mark Cunningham Bret Argenbright Milton Takeguchi Ethel Takeguchi	Monks	Youth	Oscar Loud Thelma Loud Robert Edmonds Richard Sharpe
<b>USHERS</b> 10:30 a.m.	Janet Galbraith Rchard Sharpe Dan Gutierrez Boni Gulla	Monks	Youth	Pat O'Brien Bea Waite Dick Mohammed Ken Wilson
<b>LITURGISTS</b> 9:00 a.m.	Karen Benvenuto	Monks	Youth	Jan Kerr
10:30 a.m.	Doris Elder	Monks	Youth	Steve Minder
<b>GREETERS</b> 9:00 a.m.	Maxine Heiller	Monks	Youth	Pat & Sam Hill
10:30 a.m.	Opal Bendikson	Monks	Youth	Marilyn Barger
<b>SOUND TECH</b> 9:00 a.m.	Mark McCullough	Brian Severns	Youth	Mark McCullough
10:30 a.m.	Vicki Cloutier	Ken Boyle	Youth	Frank 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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