



**The Vision of
Temecula UMC
Community**

Temecula UMC is a caring community dedicated to God's work. We welcome all by creating an atmosphere rooted 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 by following Christ.

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Easter Worship

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday - March 29th

- 9:00 a.m. Celebrate with Palms
Sunday School K-12th / Toddler & Childcare 1-4 yrs.
- 10:30 a.m. Celebrate with Palms

Pancake Breakfast by TUMC Youth
Between services and after second service
Adults - \$7 / Child - \$5 / Family \$20

- 6:00 p.m. Celebration of Hymns at Grace Presbyterian Church
Presented by TUMC & Grace Presbyterian Church
Contact Earl Fields

Maundy Thursday - April 2nd

- 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper & Communion
We will strip the church for Good Friday

Good Friday - April 3rd

- 8:00 a.m. Open Sanctuary for Personal Prayer
Sanctuary will be open 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
for Individual Prayer, Meditation and Reflection
- 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
Held in the Worship Center

Easter Sunday - April 5th

- 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Worship
Dress warmly-held outside
- 9:00 a.m. Easter Worship
Sunday School K-12th / Toddler & Childcare 1-4 yrs.
- 10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt
Between Services on the front lawn
For all children from 0-12
- 10:30 a.m. Easter Worship

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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)
Teens (6th—12th)

10:30 A.M. WORSHIP

Childcare: Toddlers—Younger Elementary
Toys and books available for children.

Please contact Pastor Rick
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UMYF

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*Rick's Ramblings***A New Covenant**

"The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah. ...But this is the covenant that I will make with the House of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people...for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more." *Jeremiah 31:31, 33-34*

This may not seem like an Easter Scripture to you. But in reality that is what Jesus' death on the cross and resurrection and life eternal for us truly is. God poured out God's love through the Son Jesus the Christ that we might begin anew, have the continued opportunity to turn back to being attracted by God's love.

Jesus is our new beginning. In our liturgy for Holy Communion, it is at the point when Jesus takes the cup of wine and says to his disciples: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins." God is not waiting for us to ask for and seek forgiveness. Through Jesus, God is initiating forgiveness. How many of us who have been wronged by a friend or loved one do exactly that? We go to the person that has wronged us and try to begin reconciliation. Instead, what happens is the person who has hurt us doesn't come to what we feel is a reasonable frame of mind. Then we begin to stew about what has occurred. We fester and our anger rises. Our resentment toward the other person grows to the point that, even if the other comes to us, we are slow to forgive, if at all. The result is a severed relationship that may take months, years, if ever, to be healed.

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In the parable of the Prodigal Son in *Luke 15*, when the son finally comes to his senses and heads home to throw himself at the mercy of his father, he expects at most to be accepted back as a servant. Where is the father? He is not waiting on the porch, or in the house for his son to knock, or in the back 40 tending his vineyard. Is he waiting for his son to come to him? No! The father spots the son way off in the distance and goes running toward him and embraces him. The son hasn't even asked for forgiveness yet.

This is what God does for us as we experience Christ's death and resurrection. God is chasing after us, embracing us before we have even asked for forgiveness. After being embraced we are engulfed by God's love and stirred by that love to respond by asking for forgiveness and then we are freed up to live out a new relationship with God in Christ. We are freed from our grudges, judgments, resentments and anger to love others. We are freed to go to those that we need to forgive and to those who need to forgive us and to embrace and offer the love of Christ.

If we do this, will we always be reconciled and the relationship healed? To be honest, no. But we will be overcome with forgiveness ourselves and be with God. We will be made whole and ready to move on in our walk with Christ, able to rediscover the joy for our lives. We will be able to love and live the New Covenant made with us by God in Christ. Try it, it will make a difference in your life.

Christ is Risen Indeed!

Happy Easter

Pastor Rick



TREASURE SALE (AKA)



Be sure to begin saving clean items for the all church yard sale **June 13th**!

We will be accepting furniture, knick/knacks, old TVs, electronics, and other household items including, lamps, china, etc. As in past years, we will not be accepting clothes.

Kindly save your items until the week before June 13th when we will open the Worship Center Monday through Friday, June 8th to 12th for drop-off. Small items may be brought with you to worship Sunday, June 7th. The sale is being co-chaired by Bill Steele and Doris Elder.

To volunteer to help, please sign up in the breezeway.

Needed:

Plastic eggs and wrapped Easter candy for the April 5th Egg Hunt may be dropped off in the church office or Sunday morning to the Children's Ministry office.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday

Adult Bible Study with Joe Hughes at 9 a.m. in Room 6. *1000 Gifts* by Ann Voskamp. There are still copies available at the Riverside County Library. Currently Chapter 4 is being discussed. Join us Sunday mornings.

12 Keys Kick-off April 12th from 4:00–5:00 p.m. in the Worship Center.

12 Keys Study April 19th, 26th and May 3rd from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Adult Tagalog Bible Study meets in the Youth Room at 9 a.m. Mission: Grow in Christian faith and watch over one another in love by studying and living the words from the Bible. Contact Boni Gulla.

- April 5 Resurrection Guaranteed 1 *Corinthians* 15:1-22
- April 12 Love One Another 1 *John* 3:11-24
- April 19 Believe God's Love 1 *John* 4-5
- April 26 Watch Out For Deceivers! 1 *John* 5: 6-12, 18-20; 2 *John*

Sunday School meets EVERY SUNDAY

Toddler Room/Childcare (Ages 1–4 yrs.)

Younger Elementary Class (K-3rd)

Older Elementary Class (4th–5th)

Teens (6th–12th)

10:30 a.m. childcare is offered for toddlers through younger elementary. Contact Diana Walker Sunday mornings.

Financial Peace University last class will be Sunday, April 12th at 3 p.m. in Room 6. Contact Chris Riche or Adam Hathorn.

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Study at 9:30 a.m. in the Youth Room. *Revival* by Adam Hamilton continues through April 7th.

Book Discussion Group On April 7th *The Girl Who Came Home: A Novel of the Titanic* by Hazel Gaynor will be reviewed at the home of Monica McCullough.

Wednesday

Bible Study with Pastor Rick — 10 a.m. in the Music Room .

12 Keys Study from 5:30–7:30 p.m. in Room 1.– April 8th, 15th & 29th. Bring your dinner if you wish. Childcare available.

Chancel Choir rehearses weekly at 7:15 p.m. in the Worship Center. Contact Rob Hodo, Director of Music Wednesday evening or Sunday morning.

Thursday

Out to Lunch Bunch meets at 12 noon, Thursday, April 2nd, at RJ's Sizzlin Steer, 41401 Kalmia, Murrieta. ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US! Contact Sally Messersmith.

MONKS—Men of Nurturing Knightly Spirit

Saturday, April 11, 2015 at 8:00 am, MONKS' Monthly Breakfast Meeting

Dr. Jerry Hizon, executive board member at Temecula Valley Hospital, will be discussing "Men's Health"



SAVE THE DATE!

A Celebration of Hymns

Featuring The Inner City Youth Orchestra
of Los Angeles (ICYOLA)
and a chorus of voices
from Los Angeles and Temecula Valley

Directed by Charles Dickerson

Special Guest Appearance by Temecula Jazz Artist
Sherry Williams

March 29, 2015 at 6 pm
Grace Presbyterian Church
31143 Nicolas Rd., Temecula, CA

Free Admission Goodwill offering

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Temecula United Methodist Church
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Grace Presbyterian Church
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Offering to benefit ICYOLA and music programs in our local area

You, your family, friends, and neighbors are invited to a special night of music sponsored by Temecula United Methodist and Grace Presbyterian Churches. This glorious evening of music will be presented by the Los Angeles Inner City Youth Orchestra and the voices of Temecula UMC, Murrieta UMC, Grace Presbyterian Choirs and many other voices of the Temecula Valley. This choir of many voices will be singing traditional and familiar hymns.

Jazz Vocalist Sherry Williams will be guest performer. She has appeared many times at the Merc Theater in Old Town Temecula and is known nationally.

FROM THE BREEZEWAY

April Worship Theme and Scriptures

- 5th Theme: *A Peeps Message*
 Scripture: *Mark 16:1-6, Acts 10:34-43*
- 12th Bill Steele Preaching
- 19th Theme: *Translation*
 Scripture: *John 20:19-31*
- 26th Theme: *Sacrifice: To be Fashionable Again?*
 Scripture: *John 10:11-18*

TWELVE KEYS VISION/ MISSION STUDY

Be a part of setting the course for Mission and Ministry for the Temecula United Methodist Church Family. God guides us as we shall be reading and studying *Twelve Keys to an Effective Church: Strong, Healthy Congregations Living in the Grace of God*. This book will help us discover where we as a congregation find our strengths and set our priorities for goals in mission and ministry. The plan for this journey is:

1. **Get the book to read. The books are available right now.** Come into the church office to pick up a copy. You can purchase it for \$15 or borrow and return it when done.
2. **Sign up for a Study:** There are two options.
 - a. Wednesdays April 8, 15, & 29:
5:30 – 7:30 PM. (bring your supper if you like) Childcare available.
 - b. Sundays April 19, 26, & May 3:
3:00 – 5:00 PM
3. **Join Us for a Twelve Keys Kick-Off Sunday April 12— 4:00 – 5:00 PM.**
4. **Be a part of the Mission/Vision Planning Retreat, Saturday, May 9, 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM (location tba).**
 Sign up in the breezeway or by calling the church office at 676-1800, x3. If you need childcare, please contact Pastor Rick as soon as possible so he can make the arrangements.

“Write the vision; make it plain on tablets...for there is still a vision for the appointed time...wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.” *Habakkuk 2*. It will take a church family to discover and live out God’s plan for us. Join us!

PALM SUNDAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Come feast at a delicious Palm Sunday breakfast on March 29, between and after the 9 and 10:30 a.m.. worship service. The cost is Adults \$7, children \$5, and family of four or more \$20. Proceeds to support and benefit the Youth Ministries and Sierra Service Project Team.

HOLY WEEK— Don’t forget to sign up for the Maundy Thursday Soup Supper at 6 p.m. followed by Communion.

EASTER MORNING FRESH FLOWERS

Our congregation has a tradition of bringing a few cut flowers from their garden to put on a cross. This is displayed on the altar. Roses, geraniums, irises, daisies, etc.

SUMMER CAMPS

One of the greatest experiences for many children and youth is to go to a summer camp. This summer why not have your child go to one of the beautiful United Methodist Camps? There are a number of options, from a week long traditional camp to one of the specialty camps such as Film Camp where campers learn how to make a movie short.

Check out the website calpaccamps.org or talk to Pastor Rick. Camp scholarships are available.

JOIN THE MONKS FOR A TRIP TO MARCH AIR MUSEUM

You are invited to join the Methodist men on Saturday, May 2, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. for a March Field Air Museum Tour. Traveling via tram to several exhibits at the former March Air Force Base, the tour will last around 90 minutes; cost will be \$18 per person. Although many of the MONKS members are attending, the event is open to all church members. Meet at TUMC around 9:00 a.m. and caravan to the museum. We look forward to learning about humanity’s reach for the skies and March Field’s pivotal role in the development of flight.





The **UMW Spring Tea** is an annual fundraiser for global and local mission projects. It features beautiful tables set with fine china, scones, sandwiches, sweets and, of course, tea. The event includes a silent auction and entertainment. Invite your friends and family for a great time of fellowship and delicacies.

One More Hostess is needed for the tables and donated auction items such as: artwork, jewelry, gift baskets of food, wine, beauty products, garden or stationery items and services such as yoga, vision, dental, beauty or day spa certificates.

Tickets are on sale Sunday, March 29th, April 12th and 19th following worship,
Adults \$15—Children \$5

Alan Sheaffer and daughter, Hannah, will sing a medley of songs, sure to please all.

April 9th—UMW Executive Board meets at 11:30 a.m. in Room 6

April 16th—UMW General Meeting/Luncheon at 10:00 a.m. in the Hillside Room.



FOOD PANTRY

Thank you to everyone who donated canned food during March. Let's keep it going! Wouldn't it be wonderful to see 180 cans of food (average church attendance) each week in our bins? Please remember those in need.

SCRIP UPDATE

We are so pleased that you continue to embrace this easy-to-use option for your groceries, gasoline, gift buying, etc. and in return, our General Fund is increased—without any extra \$\$ out of your pocket.

Quick reminder: yes, Easter is here...we have the perfect gift ideas for those loved ones: movie tickets, favorite restaurants, favorite stores, and we can pre-order See's candy certificates! Please stop and say "hi" to us at the Scrip table; we don't either pressure sell or strong arm, we just try to be helpful shopping assistants.

Also: renew your frequent buyer cards with Ralph's and Food 4 Less. Using your computer, register or renew online at www.ralphs.com or www.food4less.com TUMC'S participation number is 80434.

Thanks for a great year....new goal: \$5,000 gift to General Fund in 2015! With your continued shopping with Scrip, we can do it!

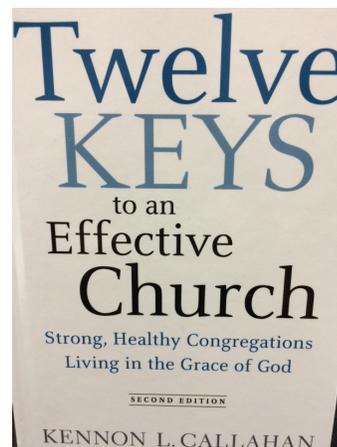
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

- 4/1 10:00 a.m. Bible Study
12:00 p.m. Stephen Minister Training
6:15 p.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick
6:30 p.m. Trustee Meeting
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 4/2 12:00 p.m. Out to Lunch Bunch
6:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Soup Supper
7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Communion
- 4/3 GOOD FRIDAY—CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED
8:00 a.m.—1p.m. Sanctuary open for Individual prayer, Meditation and Reflection.
7 P.M. Stations of the Cross
- 4/5 7:00 a.m.. EASTER SUNRISE WORSHIP
9:00 a.m. EASTER WORSHIP
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Class
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Egg Hunt on lawn
10:30 a.m. EASTER WORSHIP
- 4/7 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
6:30 p.m. MONKS Planning Meeting
7:00 p.m. Book Group
- 4/8 10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick
12:00 p.m. Stephen Minister Training
5:30 p.m. Twelve Keys Study w/Pastor Rick
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 4/9 10:30 a.m. UMW Executive Board
- 4/11 8:00 a.m. MONKS Monthly Meeting
- 4/12 Bill Steele preaching
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
3:00 p.m. Financial Peace University
4:00 p.m.—5:00 P.M. 12 Keys Kick-off
- 4/14 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
- 4/15 10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick
12:00 p.m. Stephen Minister Training
5:30 p.m. Twelve Keys Study w/Pastor Rick
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
7:15 p.m. Staff Parish Relations

- 4/16 10:00 a.m. UMW General Meeting
7:00 p.m. Finance Committee
- 4/19 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Class
11:45 a.m. Stephen Ministers meet
3:00 p.m. Twelve Keys Study w/Pastor Rick
- 4/20 9:00 a.m. Pastor Rick at Leadership Conference through 4/24
- 4/21 9:00 a.m. Pastor at Leadership Conference
9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 4/22 9:00 a.m. Pastor at Leadership Conference
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 4/23 9:00 a.m. Pastor at Leadership Conference
5:00 p.m. UMW Tea N Roses table setup
6:30 p.m. Church Council
- 4/24 9:00 a.m. Pastor at Leadership Conference
9:00 a.m. UMW Tea setup
- 4/25 11:00 a.m. UMW Tea N Roses
- 4/26 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Class
3:00 p.m. Twelve Keys Study w/Pastor Rick
- 4/28 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
- 4/29 10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick
12:00 p.m. Stephen Minister Training
5:30 p.m. Twelve Keys Study w/Pastor Rick
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal



Kindly sign up for the Twelve Keys to an Effective Church Study led by Pastor Rick in the church breezeway or talk to Pastor Rick.

	April 5	April 12	April 19	April 26	
USHERS 9:00 a.m.	Judy Dermody Larry Messersmith Bert Bjorklund Erik Toberman	MONKS	Youth	Oscar Loud Thelma Loud Sam Hill Pat Hill	
USHERS 10:30 a.m.	Janet Galbraith Dick Mohammed Dan Gutierrez Lovely Villanueva Dan Henley Dan Little	MONKS	Youth	Dan Little Raul Denisac Gloria Galvez Steve Jones	
LITURGISTS 7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Dan Henley Adam Hathorn Hazel Hailstone	MONKS MONKS	Youth Youth	Tba Aimee Jones	
GREETERS 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Darcy Thielmann Zoila Hillier	MONKS MONKS	Youth Youth	tba Pat O'Brien	
SOUND TECH 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Mark McCullough Raymond Landry	Mark McCullough Ken Boyle	Youth Youth	Robert Edmonds Jeanette Holt	
Visitor Table 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Pauline Fields Dorothy Smith	Anita Accordino Jean Williams	Sue Bradshaw Gloria Galvez	Anita Accordino Dorothy Smith	

If you cannot serve as assigned, please call Erik Toberman for 9 a.m. and Dan Henley for 10:30 a.m. ushers and Lorna Henley for liturgists & greeters.



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*I am a
 rose of
 Sharon, a lily of
 the valleys*



Song of Solomon 2:1

See you in church!



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