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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 following Christ.

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YOUTH

HAPPENINGS... *Summer Is Sizzlin'*

Summer has really heated up. I hope all are staying cool and having fun this summer. Below you will find two youth activities. There are more to come so stay tuned! I want to pass on my contact information for all youth. I appreciate any information and suggestion to grow our youth group and make it a safe place that is welcoming, inclusive, helpful, uplifting and fun. You can contact me at pastorrick@temeculaumc.com, call or text me 760-415-0602. I also would like to get contact information about our youth and families. Please send to it to me so we can stay connected.

Parents are always welcomed and I invite your help in serving. Contact me any time.

Pastor Rick

MONDAY – FRIDAY August 4th – 8th , 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon: Vacation Bible School. All youth are invited to help serve with our Vacation Bible School. There are many ways you can serve. Contact Pastor Rick, if you would have fun serving in this way.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10th: Fun Game Night, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.: Let's get together to have some fun, fellowship and food. We will play some board games plus come prepared to get wet (it will be hot). Bring a snack to share.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17th: 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.: Youth will be serving as Liturgists, Ushers, and Greeters during the morning worship services. If you are willing to help serve, please contact Pastor Rick. We will need at least two liturgists to lead the Call to Worship and read the Scripture. (Parents are welcomed to serve as well).

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24th: Back to School Bash, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.: We will have some fun, do some brainstorming for upcoming youth gatherings and activities and make some Ice Cream Sundaes. Bring your favorite topping (enough to share). Ice Cream and drinks will be provided.

As we move forward and grow our Youth Ministry, stay tuned for other opportunities for us to serve, events and activities to participate in, and gatherings for us to share fellowship and have fun in Christ.

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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)

10:30 A.M. WORSHIP

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

Sunday Evening UMYF

Please contact Pastor Rick
 for information on
 UMYF

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Rick's Ramblings Compassion

In the *Gospel of Matthew:25*, Jesus tells the parable of the sheep and the goats. The people ask the King "When was it that we saw you hungry, thirsty, sick or in prison?" "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine you did for me.'" Jesus teaches us in this parable that we are to offer compassion and care for all of God's people and we aren't to judge who they are, but are to respond in love and help.

As I'm getting to know the Temecula Family and listen to your stories, I see where you are reaching out to the hurting of this community and beyond. I am learning you are a people who do care for the sick, thirsty, hungry and hurting. I believe the ministries we support and serve are areas we can continue to grow. Plus, we will discover together our vision, passions, strength, new missions and ministries and we will have the fun of growing and offering the love and grace of Christ.

With the leadership of the Mission Outreach Team and the MONKS, you have taught me that helping the hungry of our community is a major priority. With our partnership in ministry with St. Catherine's, we see the hungry and thirsty and offer meals to elevate this serious societal concern. There are two upcoming opportunities so we can continue to support this ministry. One is the *Birdies for Bread* Golf Tournament. The MONKS are leading us in this fun September 19th event. There are many ways you can get involved from playing to donating auction items and more. See Barry Adams to find out how you can serve.

The second way we can participate will be the Walk-A-Thon for the Food Pantry at St. Catherine's. This will take place on Saturday, September 20th. This is an event for the whole family and your friends. You will be able to walk with an entry fee of one bag of groceries. You can get friends, family and co-workers to sponsor you for money or a bag or two of non-perishables. Again, you will be able to serve by walking, handing out water, bringing snacks and more.

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With the golf tournament and walkathon, this will be a whole weekend of feeding the hungry of our community.

I want to share with you two more ways we can offer the compassion of Christ to those who are sick and hurting. Many of you have heard that we are in the midst of a campaign of the United Methodist Church to bring an end to malaria in the countries of Africa. This disease is a leading killer, especially among children and young mothers. There have been a couple of Golden Basket offerings (the second offering basket passed during worship on Sundays) as part of our offering toward the "Imagine No Malaria" campaign. The Mission Outreach Team will be sponsoring at least a couple more Golden Basket Offerings in the coming months. I invite you to consider a generous gift toward this campaign. You don't need to wait for these offerings. Make a gift at any time and mark you gift "Imagine No Malaria."

Finally, I share with you that I am part of a Disaster Rebuild team going to Crisfield, Maryland, to help with the rebuilding of a small, poor community from the Hurricane Sandy disaster. I will be traveling September 20 – 27 as a part of a team of 25 from our Cal-Pac Conference. The cost per team member is \$700. After each member's payment there is still \$8500 left to raise to support the team. I would like to invite you to be a part of this team in two ways. First, if you would like to join me and others to travel to Maryland, there is still room. Let me know as soon as possible, if you would like to go and serve. The second way you can be a part of this team is by sharing a gift to help support the financial needs of the team.

Friends, as we serve together in the coming months and years, we can continue to respond to Jesus' call by saying we saw the sick, hungry, homebound, homeless, and hurting and we offered help and hope.

Peace & Grace
Pastor Rick

Larry Wilder & Nolan Bronson Concert to Benefit Project TOUCH

Sunday, August 10th, after the 10:30 a.m. worship, Project TOUCH will be providing a simple lunch for \$5 and a free Americana Concert performed by Larry Wilder and Nolan Bronson. Their musical journey has taken them to many of the States and seven European countries. They have played hundreds of shows for thousands of people since 2006.

Nolan's poignant vocal interpretations and stellar guitar leaves a personal stamp on every song he undertakes. While his flat-picking is solid and gives us a wonderful rhythmic base to his dad's banjo or guitar, it's his finger-picking that sets him apart with originality and unique flair.

There will be a free will offering taken. This is one of our mission outreaches we support. Come have fun and enjoy lunch and a concert.

More information is available on our website at www.temeculaumc.com. Click on [News & Announcements](#) (Larry Wilder & Nolan Bronson Concert) or the [Calendar](#) (August 10) to read details of the concert and bios of the artists.

**OCTOBER 25th
17th ANNUAL CRAFT FAIRE
9 AM – 3 PM**

Books, puzzles, games, CDs and DVDs are being accepted for the October Craft Faire. You may leave in the bins provided in the church breezeway.

Interested vendors can call Doris Elder or Heather Bjorkland.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday

Adult Bible Study with Joe Hughes at 9 a.m. in Room 6. All are welcome. Our present study is *Jeremiah, The Fire In My Bones* with Rev. Adam Hamilton. This is a sermon series that takes a detailed look at the *Book of Jeremiah* in the Old Testament.

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 Dan Gutierrez.

Sunday School meets during the 9 a.m. service. At 10:30 a.m. childcare is offered for toddlers through younger elementary. Contact Aimee Jones Sunday mornings while Diana Walker is on vacation.

Youth Group

See page one for more information on our youth group.

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Study at 9:30 a.m. in Room 1. All women are invited to join our upcoming study by Max Lucado *You Will Get Through This*. The six week study will begin on September 9th. There is a hardback book (optional) and a study guide (essential). If you've never participated in a Bible Study this would be a great way to start. Contact Karen Benvenuto.

Book Discussion Group meets August 5th at 7:00 p.m. - *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak will be discussed. Host will be Diane Martinez. September 2nd *Still Alice* by Lisa Genova will be reviewed and discussed at the home of Karen Benvenuto.

Wednesday

Chancel Choir is on summer break until September 3rd.

Welcoming and Outreach Committee meets next on Wednesday, September 17th at 1:30 p.m. in Room 6. Contact Sue Bradshaw.

Thursday

Out to Lunch Bunch meets at noon the first Thursday of each month at a different restaurant for friendship and sharing. Thursday, August 7th we will meet at the Soup Plantation..

UM WOMEN CORNER

September 11th - UM Women Board meets at 1 p.m. in Room 6.

September 18th - UMW General Meeting and Luncheon at 10 a.m. in the Hillside Room.

MONKS Men of Nurturing Knighly Spirit

MONKS meet the second Saturday of each month at 8 a.m. for their monthly meeting in the Hillside Room.

September 19th—Eighth Annual "Birdies for Bread" Golf Tournament at Pala Mesa Golf Resort, Fallbrook, CA. Please see information at www.birdiesforbread.com or pick up flyer in the church breezeway.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The Missions Committee is sponsoring a Walkathon for the Food Pantry on September 20th. Let's all pitch in to make this a very successful event for assisting those in our community in need of help feeding their families. Flyers, sponsorship forms and a sign-up sheet are available in the breezeway.

**Andrew Nelson
Birchwood Camp 2014
Chugiak, AK —
United Methodist Church**

This year, I was offered a position as a counselor for an internship at a youth camp in Alaska called Birchwood Camp. This was my first real camp-like experience that I have ever attended (and it was in Alaska!). It was the best summer experience of my life. I will always remember the friends I made and the people I met. I was asked to be a counselor for 6.5 weeks, from the end of May to the beginning of July.

Being in Alaska for the first time was an amazing and fun experience. I really enjoyed seeing glaciers, all the campers and kids at each of the four camps, and going to a church called ACF, which was a church focused on mission work and had an amazing worship band.

I also loved being a counselor. As a counselor, I was in charge of 5-10 kids along with working with another counselor. The kids were awesome, and the games we played were really fun too. We played group games like ultimate Frisbee, capture the flag, zombie tag, and even a game we all called the Crazy Olympics. This was a game consisting of a bunch of fun, and sometimes funny, challenges and activities that were focused on friendship, trust, cooperation, and team building. Every night at each camp, there was worship and devotion time, where all of us would sing gospel and worship songs for 30 minutes, and then for the remainder of the time we would have a special message for the day, like "Jesus is Teacher", or "God loves us". We would then read Scripture and then proceed into Bible study before cabin time.

I also hiked a mountain (which was a blast!) with two other interns that were my age. I was able to go to Seward, Anchorage, the Native Heritage Center, Chugiak, Chugach State Park, and a few other small towns that were around these places. Overall, I have grown closer to God. I was able, throughout the camps, to see God in every person, whether they were an adult or a child. This was due to the relationships that were forged throughout the weeks of camp. I look forward to returning as a counselor next year and continuing this amazingly fun adventure that I had in Alaska at Birchwood Camp.

**From: Conrad Ellefson
To: TUMC
Re: Carol's Memorial**

Please accept my appreciation and gratitude for your presence at Carol's memorial, I sincerely thank all of you for attending. My family and I were thrilled to see so many of you, in addition to several who traveled long distances to be there. Carol would have been overwhelmed with joy to see such a large gathering of friends in her honor.

I would like to express a special thanks to Pastor Randy for having to put together so many loose ends just moments before the service and still develop a superbly beautiful, free flowing program. The program was so good, that many called it one of Randy's "finest hours".

Many, many thanks to Jessie Boyle for organizing the food and, of course, to the many women who made it, and also the folks who donated towards the expense of it, you're all very kind.

We had so many lovely flower arrangements that were arranged so perfectly, it actually enhanced their beauty even more.

A big thank you to Larry Murphy who purchased and picked up the food, etc. that had to be bought.

Both myself and my family were very concerned, and to be quite honest, a little worried about what our responsibilities were and what exactly we should do to help. We were continually told "just relax" it's being taken care of, and it certainly was. The people of our church took care of virtually every detail of the memorial. Undoubtedly, that is why it was so beautiful and successful. How can I ever thank all of you enough. I'll never forget you.

Thank you,

Conrad Ellefson
and family

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LET'S GO TO ISRAEL: A TRIP OF A LIFE TIME

Pastor Rick and Sally in partnership with Pastor Rick Hill invite you to join them for a trip of the Holy Land. Spend 10 days in Israel visiting Jerusalem, the Dead Sea, the Sea of Galilee and so much more.

The date of the trip is November 12 – 21, 2015; the cost is \$3925, which includes round trip air from San Diego, all buffet breakfast and dinners, transfers, deluxe transportation in country, 4 and 5 star hotels and tips. A \$500 deposit is due at time of registration and can be made at any time now. You can guarantee your spot on the trip by registering and making your deposit.

Contact Pastor Rick, 760-415-0602 or by email rick.malec@gmail.com for more information or to arrange an orientation for yourself or a group. You don't want to miss out, register today!

Pastor Johnson's Retirement Party Pictures

Following is the link to the online gallery where people are able to purchase prints that will be sent directly to their home. This online gallery will remain active until August 15th.

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SCRIP NEWS

Our Scrip program has earned \$2,200 in profit for the year. Our sales have picked up recently and that has really helped boost our profit. Thank you to those who use Scrip! Ask for a Scrip On Hand List at the Scrip table and you can plan your purchase for the next week. Every purchase counts! Scrip we need to sell if you can help us out: Bath & Body Works, Exxon/Mobile Gas, Lowes, and Home Depot. Thank you for helping.

- 8/3 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
- 8/4 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School
- 8/5 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School
6:00 p.m. Book Group
6:30 p.m. MONKS Planning Meeting
- 8/6 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School
7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting
- 8/7 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School
12:00 p.m. Out to Lunch Bunch
- 8/8 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School
- 8/9 8:00 a.m. MONKS Monthly Meeting
- 8/10 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
11:30 a.m. Pre-Concert BBO
11:45 a.m. Stephen Ministers Meeting
12:00 p.m. Concert to Benefit Project TOUCH
6:00 p.m. UMYF
- 8/12 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
- 8/16 9:00 a.m. Sound Tech Training in WC
- 8/17 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
- 8/19 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee
- 8/24 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
6:00 p.m. UMYF
- 8/26 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
- 8/28 6:30 p.m. Church Council
- 8/31 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study



	August 3	August 10	August 17	August 24	August 31
USHERS	9:00 a.m.	6:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	
	Dick Mohammed	MONKS	Youth	Sam Hill	Philippians
	Bert Bjorklund			Pat Hill	
	Larry Messersmith			Oscar Loud	
	Lloyd Bradshaw			Thelma Loud	
	10:30 a.m.	8:00 p.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	
	Janet Galbraith	MONKS	Youth	Gloria Galvez	Philippians
	Dan Little Joyce Little Dan Gutierrez			Raul Denisac Dick Mohammed Steve Jones	

LITURGISTS	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	
	Barbara Gaborko	MONKS	Youth	Ethel Takeguchi	Philippians
	10:30 a.m.	10:30 .M.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	
	Hallie Sebanc	MONKS	Youth	Aimee Jones	Philippians

GREETERS	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	
	Sally Messersmith	MONKS	Youth	Lois Gruber	Philippians
	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	
	Stella Mohammed	MONKS	Youth	Jean Williams	Philippians

SOUND TECH	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	
	McCullough Family	Mark McCullough	Youth	Edmonds Family	
	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	
	Lloyd Family	Boyle Family	Youth	Mark McCullough	

SOUND TECH TRAINING AUG. 16TH AT 9 AM IN WORSHIP CENTER

VISITOR TABLE	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	
	Sue Bradshaw	Anita Accordino	Sue Bradshaw	Anita Accordino	SueBradshaw
	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	
	Gloria Galvez	Jean Williams	Dorothy Smith	Hazel Hailstone	Thelma Loud

If you cannot serve as assigned, please call Erik Toberman for 9 a.m. and Marilyn Barger for 10:30 a.m. ushers and Hazel Hailstone for liturgists & greeters .



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