



**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 fruit 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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PLEASE JOIN US AT
TEMECULA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FOR A CELEBRATION TO COMMEMORATE
PAYING OFF OUR LAST MORTGAGE

May 21, 2017 ~ 3:00 p.m.

WE WILL BE SERVING LIGHT APPETIZERS & DESSERTS
FROM ROCKAFELLA'S RESTAURANT

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.

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Rick's Ramblings

The Gift of Hope

I am sitting in my room at the annual National Leadership Conference led by Dr. Kennon Callahan. I am reflecting on the Scripture passage with which he began his first session. "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." We are still reveling in the Easter season. So I am mindful that God in Christ came to a desperate troubling time for humanity to offer and give hope, not to scold, punish, or destroy. Hope can instill strength to persevere, overcome and, as Paul writes, then fill us with joy and peace.

As we look at the world around us, maybe no further than just down the street, we see troubling and desperate times. We witness the agony of people suffering in our midst, people being pushed to the fringes of our society. Our hearts ache for the struggles of our children, the struggles we all have as we transition to the next phase of our lives. But, friends, God gives us a wonderful gift that is a gift of hope! That hope is the resurrected Son Jesus Christ who is our light that overcomes darkness within our lives. This hope leads us to new possibilities for our lives that will fill us with joy and bring us peace.

This great hope is a gift for us as individuals of faith as well as for us as a family of faith. I want to touch on a couple of ways God's hope in Christ will lead us to discover the joy and peace for our church family. It stirs us to be the Easter People in offering that same gift of hope for others.

For the last 20 years this congregation in Temecula has constructed a building, a church in three phases. This is to be a home, a place of help and hope for hundreds of people of all ages. It is a place of worship, of Christian Education and growth, a place to bring groups of support together, a place to come for comfort, to prepare to go out in ministry. After many years of faithfully paying the mortgage, we have now completed that obligation. I want to thank all who have seen the hope that could be lived out through this church, the lives that have been changed through your generous giving.

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Rick's Ramblings *continued*

We look forward to continuing to be a place where people can feel welcomed and find hope, care, and help. With the leadership of the trustees, we now turn our attention to some needed renovations and updates. If you have made a pledge toward paying the mortgage this year, we invite you to complete that pledge so these funds may be used to improve the building you care so much about. We invite others to join us in sharing your gifts toward this effort as well. You will hear more about what is to be done and how you can support it.

Also, look for the Trustee invitation on page 5 for a Mortgage Burning Celebration May 21st, at 3:00 p.m.

A second gift of hope that we can offer to our community is the three main focuses of our ministry/program. These have come as a result of the Mission/Ministry Vision Day and the survey in which many of you participated. There were six possibilities: 1) Strengthen church communications, 2) Develop a weeknight fellowship time, 3) Develop a children's choir, instrumental music group, and form a hand bell program for all ages, 4) Create a small, intimate chapel space, 5) Create a mentoring program, and 6) an outreach program to military families and individuals in our community. The three of the six that Church Council will guide us to develop and help us to invite persons with passions to take leadership are 2) Develop a weeknight fellowship time, 3) Develop Children's Choir, Instrumental music group, and form handbell group, and 6) Outreach program to military families and individuals in our community. We will have the opportunity to explore the weeknight fellowship time this summer with a four-week event program for the whole community beginning with the Fourth of July Party. There will be a night with a Christian magician, and two movie nights under the stars. Watch for ways you can help in planning these events and invite your friends and neighbors to come and enjoy great nights of fun and fellowship.

These are just some ways we can receive and share the gift of God's hope and be filled with joy and peace.

Peace & Grace

Camp & Retreat Ministries

Registration is now open online.

Full information is available at

<http://www.calpacumc.org/summercamp>

Leo Carrillo State Beach hosted by Colby Ranch

Surf Camp June 25—29

Photography Camp June 25—29

Lazy W Ranch

Canyon Camp June 18—23

Little Canyoneers June 25—28

Adventure Camp June 25—30

Elementary Camp July 9—14

Jr. High Camp July 16—21

Sr. High Camp July 23—29

Camp Cedar Glen

Younger Elementary June 25—28

Elementary Camp June 25—July 1

Jr. High Camp July 9—15

Sr. High Camp July 23—29

Camp Wrightwood

Elementary Camp July 2—8

Jr. High Camp July 9—15

Sr. High Camp July 16—22

Register for Cal-Pac South District Lay Servant Ministry Course May 13th

A Lay Servant is one who is eager to serve through the church by being committed to witnessing through church and community leadership, caregiving ministries, spoken communication, and is willing to improve skills for service. Lay Servant Ministries offers training opportunities for laity who want to use their witness, leadership, and service to inspire others to a deeper commitment to Christ and more effective discipleship. Please pick up a brochure from the breezeway table.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday

Adult Bible Study with Joe Hughes - The Sunday morning 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study class meets weekly to study a topic of current Christian interest. Everyone is welcome to attend. Contact Joe Hughes on Sunday.

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

Sunday School meets EVERY SUNDAY at 9 a.m.

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

Older Elementary Class (4th—5th)

Younger Elementary Class (K-3rd)

Teens (6th—12th)

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

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Study—Women of study and encouragement meet weekly at 9:30 a.m. in the Youth Room. Contact Karen Benvenuto.

Book Discussion Group - This group meets in the participants' homes at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month through June, skipping January and July. **May 2nd**, they will meet at the home of Sue Bradshaw to review and discuss the book, *The Big Sleep* by Raymond Chandler. A potluck is planned for June 6th.

Wednesday

Morning Bible Study with Pastor Rick at 10 a.m. in the Music Room. Pastor Rick reads, reviews and answers your questions regarding Sunday's lectionary. **Class resumes May 10th.** Contact Pastor Rick.

Chancel Choir—Choir meets weekly on Wednesday evenings at 7:15 p.m. for rehearsals. If you would like to add to the harmony or play a musical instrument, contact Rob Hodo, Director of Music, at rhodo70@gmail.com.

Thank you to the Choir for the beautiful music on Sunday mornings, for their dedication in attending rehearsals, and for inspiring us to lift our hearts, minds and voices in singing praises to our Lord.

Thursday

Welcoming & Outreach Committee meets every other month. The next meeting will be **Thursday, May 4th, at 10:30 a.m.** in Room 6. Contact Sue Bradshaw.

Out to Lunch Bunch meets the first Thursday of each month at a different restaurant for fun, food and fellowship. The group will meet **May 4th** at Richie's Diner, 32150 Temecula Parkway (Highway 79S) at 12 noon. Kindly sign up in the church breezeway or RSVP to Sally Messersmith.

Evening Bible Study with Pastor Rick in the Music Room from 6:30—7:30 p.m. - Pastor Rick will begin a new study **starting June 1st.**

Friday

Prayers and Squares Ministry — Prayers and Squares Ministry meets every other Friday at 10 a.m. (May 12th and 26th). You are invited to participate. There are many ways to help. See Marlene Oaks after church on Sundays, or email marleneoaks56@gmail.com. Note: The Scrip table sells Jo-Ann Fabric gift cards, if you wish to donate to this ministry. Fabric pieces are also accepted.

***Liberating the Gospels* by John Shelby Spong, a program for Friday's Book Discussion Group, meets at 10:30 a.m. in Room 6 starting May 5th** with Rev. Marlene Oaks. This class alternates bi-monthly with Prayers & Squares.

From the Breezeway with Pastor Rick

May Worship Themes and Scriptures

7th Theme: *When Does Abundant Life Kick In?*

Scripture: *John 10:1-10*

14th Theme: *Specs of a Mother*

Scripture: *Luke 1:26-31*

21st Theme: *Big House with Lots of Room*

Scripture: *John 14:1-14*

28th Theme: *Agape*

Scripture: *John 14:15-21*

June:

4th Theme: *Connected*

Scripture: *John 17:1-11*

Mortgage Burning Celebration

Mortgage Burning Celebration - Don't miss celebrating TUMC last mortgage payment! Join us on Sunday, May 21st starting at 3 p.m. We will be serving light appetizers and desserts catered by Rockafella's on the back patio and in the Hillside Room. We will then move into Celebration Hall for a short Ceremony and the mortgage burning. This will be a great opportunity to see old friends and make new ones. We hope to see you there!

New Jersey Sandy Recovery Mission Team 2017

For United Methodists and friends called into mission to a devastated community. A time to grow spiritually, a time to grow as a community and a time to serve those in need.

Forked River, New Jersey—Sept. 23—30, 2017

Cost: \$375 airfare

\$150 ground transportation

\$200 lodging - all tax deductible

Contact Pastor Rick. Brochures available in church office and on breezeway tables.

The Language of Love Couples Retreat



There is still time to join the many couples already set to take a day away and grow stronger in their relationship in marriage. It doesn't matter if you have been married for a year or less or fifty plus years, this retreat will offer time to grow closer as a couple plus build relationships with other couples with the same goal as you, to grow the relationship stronger.

The retreat will take place at Camp Cedar Glen, a retreat camp nestled in the mountains outside of Julian. **The date will be May 6th.** We will gather at the church no later than 7:30 a.m. for the drive to Julian. Upon arrival, we will have a simple continental breakfast. We will be led in the morning session by Rev. Cindy Arnston, Pastor of the Community United Methodist Church in Julian. She has lead other couples and relationship workshops and classes. She will be using material from **The Languages of Love**. In the afternoon Dan Henley will share with the group **"How to Share Hearts and Build a Better Bond through God's Plan for Your Marriage."** We will close the day with worship and dinner.

The cost is \$60 per couple which includes three meals. Sign up in the breezeway and pick up a flyer. Contact Dan & Lorna Henley for more information.

Take the time and give the gift of love to each other. Though there will be no massages you will feel just as relaxed and your marriage will be better for the time away.

Temecula Tuesdays

Come and join the family for four Tuesday nights this summer for fun, fellowship, food, and connection. Bring your neighbors and family! The four Tuesdays planned are the Fourth of July Party, an evening with



dinner and entertainment from a Christian Illusionist, and the youth will be planning two Movie Nights on the Lawn with all invited to bring picnic dinners. If you would like to help in making one of these

Tuesdays happen, contact Pastor Rick. The objective is to reach families in our community and invite them to participate in these fun and inspiring programs.

PROJECT TOOL BOX Household & Outside Maintenance

This program mobilizes families and youth to accomplish home maintenance and chore services.

The goal of the program is to provide services to those living independently and those who need a little help with difficult chores or tasks.

Handyman Tasks

- Change light bulbs
- Minor Plumbing
- Check smoke detectors
- Change air filters

Outdoor

- Lawn mowing
- Seasonal yard work
- Window washing

Housekeeping

- Dusting / Sweep & Mop Floors / Clean Kitchen

How do I request Help? Leave your name and phone number on the clip board in the church breezeway.

Contact Toby Hammett or leave a message with Mary at 676-1800x3

Community Sewing Camp

Yes you can learn to sew!

You are invited to

Sewing Camp Presented by
The Temecula United Methodist Church

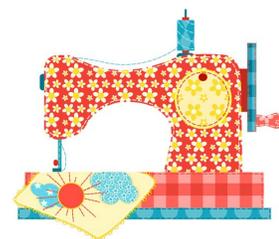
No previous experience required—just a desire to learn to sew
All welcome (children do need to be over 7 and must come with a parent)

Sewing machines generously donated by
George Moore of Moore's Sewing Machine & Vacuum

Fabric kindly donated by
Primitive Gatherings Quilt Shop

Week 1 JUNE 19-23, 2017, 6:30—8:30 P.M.
Beginning Sewing and Refresher:

Learn about the sewing machine and sewing basics. Make a simple sewing project or two, starting with a pin cushion and a tote bag. Begin to fall in love with the creativity and freedom sewing gives.



Week 2 JULY 24-28, 2017, 6:30—8:30 P.M.
For Beginners Plus +

Make a simple garment or a simple quilt. Supply list will be given to those who register for week 2.

There will be a basket for a freewill offering for the Prayer Quilt Ministry, if you so choose.

Registration Required: Forms are attached in the May Electronic Messenger and also are available on the table in the church breezeway.



Are you or someone you know graduating this spring? Please tell us about it?

This includes all graduates from high school, college or any higher education. We would like to include information about all our graduates in the June Messenger.

Also on [Sunday, June 4th](#), we will be honoring all graduates as part of our worship service with a special blessing. Please plan to attend this special service. [Kindly have all information into the church office by May 15th](#) for inclusion in the newsletter and bulletin. Please include name of graduate, school graduating from and future plans.

MONKS of TUMC

Men of Nurturing Knighly Spirit

Monthly Breakfast Meeting

Date: Saturday, May 13th
Time: 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
Location: TUMC Hillside Room
Topic: Paramedic demonstration by Orange County Fire Captain Brad Hirst

UM WOMEN

[May 11th UMW Executive Meeting at 10 a.m.](#) in Room 6.

[May 14th UMW General Meeting/Luncheon at 10 a.m.](#) in the Hillside Room.

Topic: Disaster Preparedness. Pastor Rick is on the Cal-Pac Disaster Response Team and has volunteered on several disaster rebuilds and Early Response Teams to disasters in different parts of the country.

BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD

Presented by United Methodist Women

and

Rev. Dr. Marlene Oaks

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

9 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.

at Temecula United Methodist Church

\$25 for food and materials—RSVP needed

Listen for God's Voice in everything you do, everywhere you go. Proverbs 2:6

Prayer is when you talk to God.
Meditation is when God talks to you.

Ask yourself:

Do I seek a more personal relationship with God?

Do I want to hear the Still Small Voice more clearly?

Would I like to learn more techniques for prayer and meditation?

Would a quiet day soothe and feed my soul?
Is spirituality my highest priority?

If you answer "yes," please sign up in the church breezeway. And, invite a friend.

Prayers & Squares

Our Prayers and Squares group began in April 2016, so we are now one year old. In that time we have made and given out close to 70 quilts. They have gone all over the United States and to four other nations. There is never a charge for the quilts, for this is a ministry. We are supported by donations and our annual boutique sale. Our motto is: *"It's not about the quilt; it's all about the prayers."*
[Contact Rev. Marlene Oaks to volunteer.](#)

May 2017						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

- 5/1 TVHS AP Testing at TUMC
- 5/2 TVHS AP Testing at TUMC
9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Book Discussion Group off campus
- 5/3 TVHS AP Testing at TUMC
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 5/4 TVHS AP Testing at TUMC
10:30 a.m. Welcoming & Outreach
12:00 Out to Lunch Bunch
- 5/5 TVHS AP Testing at TUMC
10:30 a.m. Book Discussion w/Marlene Oaks
- 5/6 8:00 a.m. Couples Retreat in Julian CA
8:30 a.m. District Conference @ Escondido First
- 5/7 4th Sunday of Easter —African Team
Ministry Sale
9:00 a.m. Worship
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Adult Class w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time
10:30 a.m. Worship
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
2:00 p.m. Cub Den Meeting
- 5/8 TVHS AP Testing at TUMC
- 5/9 TVHS AP Testing at TUMC
9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
6:30 p.m. MONKS Planning Meeting
- 5/10 TVHS AP Testing at TUMC
10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick—Rm. 6
6:30 p.m. Trustees
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 5/11 TVHS AP Testing at TUMC
10:00 a.m. UMW Executive Meeting
- 5/12 TVHS AP Testing at TUMC
10:00 a.m. Prayers & Squares Ministry
- 5/13 8:00 a.m. MONKS Monthly Meeting
- 5/14 5th Sunday of Easter
9:00 a.m. Worship
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Adult Class w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study

5/14 *continued*

- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 2:00 p.m. Cub Den Meeting
- 5/15 Inspire Charter School Testing all day
- 5/16 Inspire Charter School Testing all day
9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
- 5/17 Inspire Charter School Testing all day
10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 5/18 Inspire Charter School Testing all day
10:00 UM Women Meeting/Luncheon
- 5/19 10:30 a.m. Book Discussion w/Marlene Oaks
- 5/20 TVMTA Piano Recital
- 5/21 6th Sunday of Easter
9:00 a.m. Worship
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Adult Class w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time
10:30 a.m. Worship
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
2:00 p.m. Cub Den Meeting
- 5/23 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study
- 5/24 10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick
6:30 p.m. Finance Committee
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
- 5/25 6:30 p.m. Church Council
7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 337
- 5/26 10:00 a.m. Prayers and Squares Ministry
- 5/28 7th Sunday of Easter
9:00 a.m. Worship
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Adult Class w/Joe Hughes
9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time
10:30 a.m. Worship
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
2:00 p.m. Cub Den Meeting
- 5/29 Memorial Day —Church Offices Closed
- 5/30 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study

Trustee News

Church Clean Up Day - Come help clean up our church in preparation for summer and our Mortgage Burning Celebration. We will be working on Saturday, May 20th from 8:00 am until noon. We will be doing some light painting and general clean up. We will have jobs for all ages and abilities.

	<u>May 7</u>	<u>May 14</u>	<u>May 21</u>	<u>May 28</u>	
USHERS 9:00 a.m.	Bert Bjorklund Larry Messersmith George Wuertz Erik Toberman	UMW	Youth	Sam & Pat Hill Mark Bowers Bert Bjorklund	
USHERS 10:30 a.m.		UMW	Youth		
LITURGISTS 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Jenny Moreland Sue Bradshaw	UMW	Youth	George Wuertz Marlene Oaks	
GREETERS 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Anita Accordino Robert & Sharon McCarthy	UMW	Youth	Heather Bjorklund Bonnie DiAngelo	
SOUND TECH 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	tba Raymond Landry	tba Ken Boyle	Gian & Meghann Gian & Meghann	Jeanette Holt Jeanette Holt	
VISITOR TABLE 9 :00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Pauline Fields Dorothy Smith	Anita Accordino Jean Williams	Jean Hawkins Gloria Galvez	Sue Bradshaw Marilyn Landry	

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



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