

TUMC is an Inclusive, Reconciling and Affirming Congregation. All who seek God are welcome. Join our TUMC family to participate in worship, education, fellowship, ministry and mission, regardless of race, color or ethnicity, age, marital status, gender, sexual identity, expression, physical or mental ability...*anyone who comes to me, I will never drive away.* John 6:37

This is a place where you will find welcome, support, comfort, and strength for your life.

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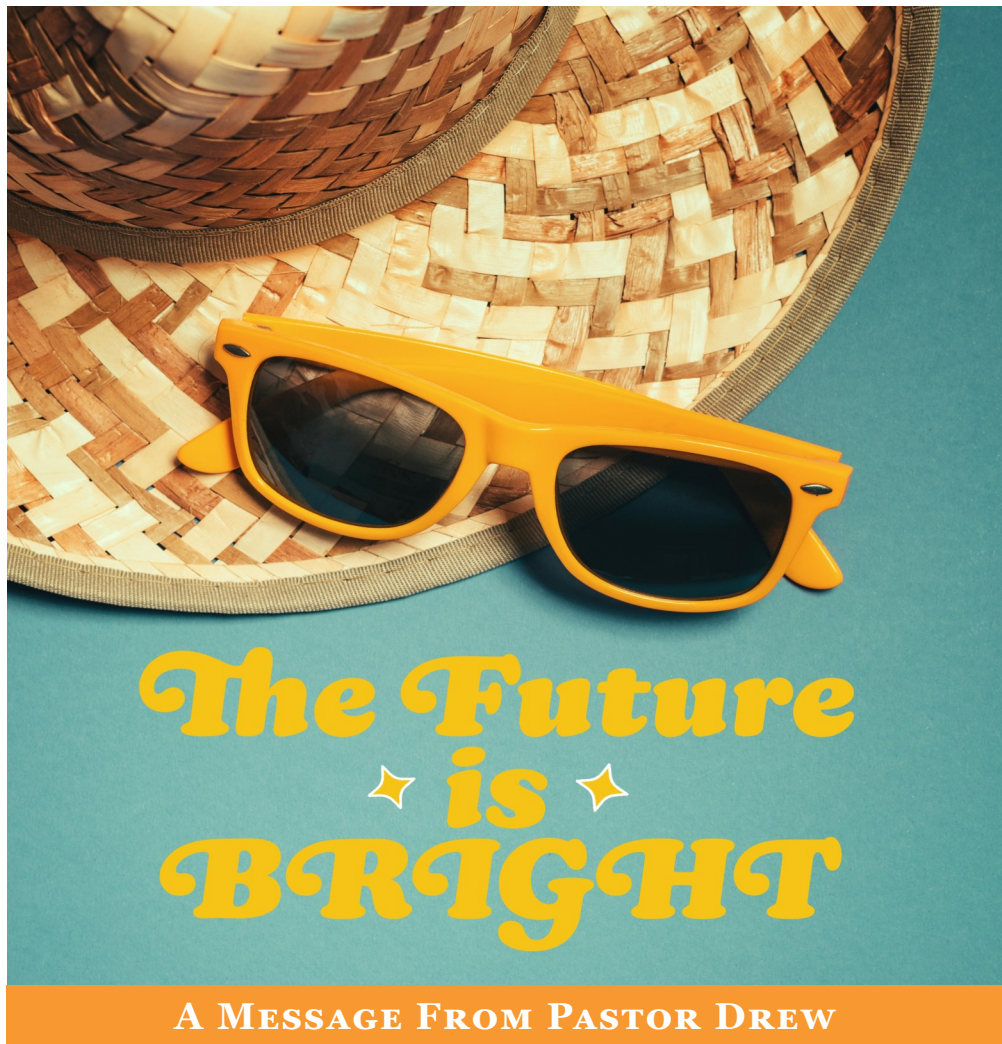
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Temecula United Methodist Church THE MESSENGER

June 2025



As we move into June, we enter our summer months filled with many exciting opportunities for us to be together—to serve together and to fellowship together.

I would like everyone to know that through the hard work of Lois Foster, our sixth work project will be taking place. So far this year, we have completed projects addressing food insecurities, housing insecurities, activism outreach, community interaction, and creation care. Now, for our sixth project, we will be working with Habitat for Humanity on a gardening project for their care. More information about this will follow, and this event will take place on Saturday, June 21, from 8 AM to noon.

Another exciting outing that we will be part of is our Amplify community booth at Pride by the Beach in Oceanside, California. In May, we gathered in Riverside and had the opportunity to meet many friends and create new connections and outreach. We hope to have a similar experience at this event as we continue to show the love of Jesus Christ to all communities.

There will also be a very special moment in June for my family and many other families. We have been collecting names of graduates and will

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celebrate these wonderful milestones with a special presentation during worship. As we celebrate our daughter's graduation from the University of Santa Cruz, we also want to recognize the high school and college graduations, as well as school promotions, of many others. Throughout these friends' educational journeys, we have all supported them through our prayers and presence, and we want to give a rousing round of applause for these special accomplishments.

Additionally, beginning on June 25, we will launch a summer book series during our 10 AM Wednesday Bible study, as well as a special Wednesday night Zoom gathering at 6:30 PM. We will be exploring the book *"Wrestling with Doubt"* by Dr. Adam Hamilton. Many issues of pastoral care, doubt, and uncertainty will be our focus, and it is my prayer that this book will spark insights and conversations to help us support each other with these needs.

As we move into this summer, let us embrace these opportunities to work together and grow together. May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

God is love,
Pastor Drew

FATHER'S DAY "SPECIAL GUEST"



Join us on Sunday, June 15th for a truly special service as we welcome guest speaker Pastor Kathy Askins!

Pastor Kathy Askins serves as the Youth and Family Pastor at St. Mark's UMC in San Diego. She has been happily married to her husband for twenty-five years and is a proud

mother of two young adult children who bring her immense joy.

Kathy began her ministry journey as a Children's and Music Assistant at Hope UMC. In 2020, she became the Youth Director there, and two years later, she felt called to pastoral ministry and was given the opportunity to reimagine and lead the Saturday casual service. In May 2024, she was certified as a candidate for ministry on the Local Pastor track and completed Licensing School in June of the same year. This fall, she will begin her studies at Claremont School of Theology and looks forward to discovering the new ways that God can use her in ministry.

WORSHIP SCRIPTURES AND THEMES

June

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| 1 | Scripture: John 14: 23-29
Theme: When Jesus Steps Aside

Liturgist: Jordan Tyre
Welcome Table: Maureen McKown |
| 8 | Scripture: Acts 2:1-21
Theme: It's Not Even 9:30 in the Morning

Liturgist: Dr. Marlene Oaks
Welcome Table: <i>Sign up today</i> |
| 15 | Guest Speaker: Pastor Kathy Askins
Scripture: Romans 5:1-5
Theme: Easy As 1, 2, 3

Liturgist: Judson McDowell
Welcome Table: <i>Sign up today</i> |
| 22 | Scripture: Luke 8:26-39
Theme: What Is Your Name?

Liturgist: <i>Sign up today</i>
Welcome Table: Sue Bradshaw |
| 29 | Scripture: Psalm 16
Theme: The Protective Shepherd

Liturgist: Shirley Armistead
Welcome Table: Anita Accordino |



VOLUNTEERS WANTED

LITURGIST, USHERS AND WELCOME TABLE

We are currently seeking additional Ushers, Liturgists and assistance at the Welcome Table. For more details email Pastor Davis at pastordrewdavis@gmail.com or Anita Accordino at araccordino12@verizon.net. Sign up sheet is located at the sign up table.



NOT ANOTHER CHURCH COMMITTEE

Are you the party planner at your job or in your family? Do you love to host people and make sure everyone has a good time? Well now is the chance to take that talent and use it at Church! We are putting together an Event Committee. A group who wants to help create fun community building events and fundraisers here at TUMC. If you have ideas and want to help bring them to life please reach out to Meghann Adesso at bigstar951@gmail.com or 951-526-7730.



STEPHEN MINISTRY



TUMC's Stephen Ministers are volunteers trained to walk beside people experiencing difficult times. It's confidential and free, and available to anyone regardless of their affiliation with TUMC.

The TUMC Stephen Ministry chapter provides opportunities to talk openly and confidentially to a compassionate, non-judgmental listener. If you'd like to know more information, please contact Pastor Drew for a referral at pastordrewdavis@gmail.com.

Our volunteer care givers are ready to meet with you free of charge!

**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES
IS JUNE 15TH**

JUNE

Happy Anniversary

Garland & Dorothy Smith..06/12
Kyle & Maria Longley..06/13
Connie & Rev David French..06/15
Ken & Susan McClellan..06/18
Danilo & Nila Gutierrez..06/20
Gideon & Eva N Tony..06/22
Mark & Monica McCullough..06/24
Art & Lana Salyer..06/26

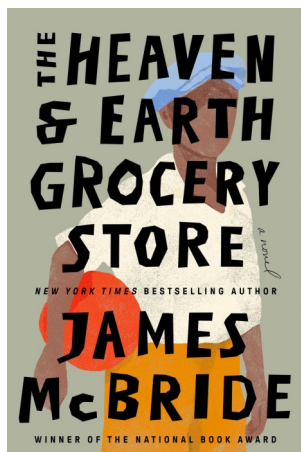
Happy Birthday

Steve Galbraith.....06/04
Joan Biddle.....06/08
Marcia Inlow.....06/08
Milton Takeguchi.....06/08
Anne DiPardo.....06/14
Gerry Nicholas.....06/14
Cathy Palmer.....06/15
Pauline Fields.....06/17
Earl Fields.....06/18
Joan Thompson.....06/19
Hunter De Wall.....06/23
Rev Randy Johnson.....06/23
Matthew Gutierrez.....06/24
John Cloutier.....06/27
Hazel Hailstone.....06/27

BOOK BUDDIES

End of Season

On Tuesday June 3 at 6:00 p.m. at Suzanne Calcagni's home, the Book Buddies will celebrate their annual potluck and official unveiling and scheduling of their book selections for 2025/2026. They will also discuss their book of the month, *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store*, by James McBride.



On September 2, following a summer break, they will meet to discuss the first book of the new season.

Those interested in attending or seeking more information about the book group should contact Ethel Takeguchi at emtakeguchi@gmail.com and Sue Bradshaw at sueb50@roadrunner.com. Participation is open to anyone who shares our interest and love of books. We meet monthly except January, July and August. The full schedule and list of books will be available in the church breezeway this summer. Come join us.

PRAYERS AND SQUARES



Prayers and Squares

Offers you the opportunity to have your very own MEMORY PILLOW, With your special photo printed on fabric and made into a quilted 18" pillow- and support Prayers & Squares at the same time. Pick up your form in your Sunday bulletin or on the table in the hallway, and turn it in.

Email your photo in jpg format and in a couple of weeks take your very own Memory Pillow home with you.

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

Thank You All For making our Annual Tea a success. The proceeds from our Annual Tea will go to charities that benefit women and children, thanks to everyone who worked, attended, purchased tickets, or participated. You make a difference!
Dr. Marlene Oaks, UWF President



United
Women
in Faith

Invite you

Thursday, June 19

from 10:30-noon at TUMC

**To learn about the
Mary Phillips Senior Center**



Yvette Martinez, their Community Services Manager, will be our speaker.

She will be discussing exciting Programs and Activities available at the Mary Phillips Senior Center

Congratulations to Leslie Hamilton for winning the Opportunity Quilt at our Annual UWF Tea



LGBTQIA+ MINISTRY



In conversation with Art Salyer, our church's LGBTQ+ care coordinator, and through personal experience in my own conversations, I would like to take a moment to say thank you.

Last Sunday during our time for announcements and in a moment during my sermon, I shared with the community that Temecula United Methodist Church would be a host site for an upcoming LGBTQIA+ prom.

LGBTQIA+ Ministry continued

I am deeply moved by the response Art and I have received. People have come forward with excitement, wanting to know more about what the event will provide. Many friends are asking for ways to support and ways to be physically active in providing care for the event. Your immediate response to this activity has touched my heart deeply.

All of these young friends are looking for a place of safety and care. Your response to these announcements is a bright example of why TUMC is that place.

You never know the positive effect just a question can make. You never know the extent of positive care our open doors can provide. Thank you for being willing to provide an opportunity for both. Many children are about to be blessed.

God Is Love,
Pastor Drew
(he/him/his)

WRITERS CIRCLE



Come join the Writers' Circle no matter whether you are an experienced, amateur, or wannabe writer. We will share our thoughts, ideas, and writing with fellow scribes while we support each other in order

to motivate and inspire new pieces. Meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 10:30AM in the Meditation Garden. To participate contact Lois Foster at (815) 519-1838 and/or loisf21@gmail.com.



GOLDEN BASKETS FOR THIS MONTH

June

- 01 Prayers and Squares
- 08 LGBTQIA+ Outreach and Care
- 15 Pastor's Ministries & Outreach
- 22 Missionary Joel Hortiales
- 29 Neighborhood House Calexico

Pastor's Ministries & Outreach

This fund helps members of the church and the community with emergency needs, such as rent, gas, and food.



Our Missionary Rev. Joel Hortiales



Joel works closely with the conference executive director of connectional ministries in coordination of Hispanic/Latino ministries, including border ministries in the San Diego and Imperial County areas.

Neighborhood House of Calexico, Inc. serves the

Imperial Valley region, with a specific focus on the needs of low-income women and children.

Thanks to the generous support of the community, Calexico Neighborhood House is able to provide direct services to much of the community. We offer specific thanks to individuals, organizations, and collaborative partners who continue to help make our services available to the community through participatory or monetary support.



TUMC FOOD
PANTRY
DONATIONS TO
BRING THIS
MONTH

CANNED
TUNA



THE HANDBELL CHOIR

RING-A-DING-DING!

Come ring a handbell just for fun right after church, on Sunday, July 13, 11:15am - Noon.

At this mini-workshop, we will explore some unique ways to ring the handbells, we'll learn how to mark music, and play some songs... just for fun. No performance, no pressure, just for handbell ringing time together. Are you brave enough to try?

Please mark your calendar to stay after church on Sunday, July 13th, thanks.

Debbie Barba, Handbell Choir Director



TUMC SCRIP

What is Script? Purchasing Scrip cards is a simple way of raising money for the church budget. Simply purchase gift cards at face value and the



church receives a percentage of the sales. The Scrip box has a variety of cards including gas, stores and restaurants. You may also go to [RaiseRight.com](https://www.raise-right.com) to see a full list of vendors. Cards may be preordered when orders are placed.

Cards can be purchased on Sunday mornings after service using cash or check. Scrip cards are also available to purchase throughout the week during church office hours.

If you have any questions or would like to place an order contact Janet Galbraith at 951-764-3938 and ingalbraih5@yahoo.com.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SCRIP

PAINT N' SIP



JUST FOR FUN!

Do you like this painting? Have you ever taken a "paint 'n sip" class? Well, Janet and I have and it's super fun—and it's only \$39pp. YOU ARE INVITED to join us on Sunday, June 8, 2pm-4:15pm.

Just go to Pinot's Palette Temecula's website and pay online; it's just that easy. www.pinotpalette.com/temecula/event/836729. It's located by Costco so it's convenient too. Come paint with us, have fun, and even maybe discover your inner artist. See you there! Debbie Barba & Janet Delaney

VOLUNTEERS & CARE

If you are looking for a way to be more involved in our family or seeking care in a specific area, one of these leaders might be able to assist you. If you are searching for something that is not listed, please reach out to Pastor Drew. You may be the leader he is looking for.

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Congratulations Class of 2025

Temecula United Methodist Church congratulates all graduates. Job well done!

College Graduates

Lexi Bice: Graduating from Weber State University in Ogden Utah with a BA Degree and is considering being a social worker. Great Granddaughter of Diane Martinez.

Emily Culberston: Graduating from California State University San Marcos with a BA Degree in Kinesiology, she will continue on to pursue her doctorate in Physical Therapy at the University of St. Augustine in San Marcos, California. Granddaughter of Janet Delaney.

Annie Davis: Graduating from the University of California, Santa Cruz with a BA Degree in History. Daughter of Pastor Drew and Gretchen Davis.

Sophia Kottman: Graduating from the University of Chicago with a BA Degree in Classics. Granddaughter of Karl and Mary Kottman.

Alexyss McClellan: Graduating from the University of California, Santa Cruz with a Doctorate in History. Daughter of Ken and Susan McClellan.

Ethan Salyer: Graduating from Mt. San Jacinto College with an AA in Kinesiology. Grandson of Art and Lana Salyer.

Shelby Salyer: Graduating from CUNY Law School in Queens and will be studying for the Bar. Granddaughter of Art and Lana Salyer.

High School Graduates

Daniel Hargett: Graduating from Susan H Nelson High School. Son of Jessica Repollo.

Brianna Ropacki: Graduating from Great Oak High School and will be attending the University of California, Davis with a major in Human Development. Daughter of Michael and Susan Ropacki.

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Congratulations Class of 2025

Christopher Stackpole: Graduating from Manteca High School and will be attending Modesto Jr. College. Grandson of Karl and Mary Kottman.

Katie Turner: Graduating from Temecula Valley High School and intends to take a gap year to work and save money.

Vincent Valdez: Graduating from Florence High School and will be attending the University of Arizona. Nephew of Adam and Nellie Hathorn.

Ace (John) Wagner: Graduating from Merit Academy in El Cajon, CA and will be going into welding. Grandson of Penny Wagner.

Middle School Promotions

Isabella Cervantes: 8th Grade Promotion from Shivela Middle School. Daughter of Mercedes Cervantes.

Sydney Kasitz: 8th Grade Promotion from Middle School. Will be attending Chaparral High School. Granddaughter of Kathy Kasitz.

Jordan Tyre: 8th Grade Promotion from Middle School. Will be attending High School. Son of Raychel Tyre.

Elementary School Promotions

Dylan Cordova: 6th Grade Promotion from Temescal Valley Elementary School. Grandson of Dan and Lorna Henley.

Ariel Reynoso: 5th Grade Promotion from Freedom Crest Elementary. Will be attending Hans Christianson Middle School. Granddaughter of Yvonne Reynoso.

Ellen Wuertz: 5th Grade Promotion from Abby Reinke. Granddaughter of George Wuertz.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11