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and ask yourself who you do not see?" Not just people or regular attendees, but cultures, ages, disabilities, and varying identities. When do we look at our community and ask the question, "Who do I NOT see?"

Our community that day spent some extra time speaking through all of their previous answers with the compelling prayer, "Who are we not reaching?" When we actively live Christ's words in Matthew 28, what nations have we not reached yet? These answers became the mission field we need to address.

I would like for you to take a moment, a week, even a month to look at your everyday life. We connect more with the individuals we spend time with, and we are transformed by the stories we experience in our daily lives. I would like for us all to take a time of extended prayer and ask the question, "Who am I missing?" This answer becomes our mission fields.

On that same day, we had the opportunity to celebrate a first. We spent time in multiple age groupings, multiple areas of faith growth, and relaxed with music, crafts, and community for 2GETHER. It was my blessing to have the opportunity to play my guitar and participate in the conversation of the evening. I will include pictures below for all to see the excitement of the weekend.



God is Love,
Pastor Drew (He/Him/His)

WORSHIP SCRIPTURES AND THEMES



October

- 6** **Scripture:** Isaiah 25:6-9
 Theme: There is a Place at the Table
 Liturgist: TBD
- 13** **Scripture:** Hebrews 4:12-16
 Theme: It is Harder than it Sounds
 Liturgist: Dr. Marlene Oaks
- 20** **Scripture:** Mark 10:35-45
 Theme: Strong Enough to Share
 Liturgist: TBD
- 27** **Scripture:** 2 Corinthians 8:7-15
 Theme: Run Through the Base
 Liturgist: TBD

STEPHEN MINISTERS



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 our Stephen Leader, Dr. Anne DiPardo at 319-331-1515

Our volunteer care givers are ready to meet with you free of charge! Just contact Pastor Drew for a referral at pastordrewdavis@gmail.com or 951-676-1800 x2

*****MARK YOUR CALENDARS*****

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
MONDAY, OCTOBER 14TH
IN OBSERVANCE OF COLUMBUS DAY**

**Newsletter Articles
Deadline is October 15th**

We are currently in need of more ushers, assistance with hospitality and liturgists. Soon, the pastor will be hosting a training session for ushers, and we will have a new signup list in our welcome area for liturgical and hospitality care opportunities. If you are interested, please email pastordrewdavis@gmail.com.

ALTAR FLOWERS

SIGN UP to bring Altar Flowers in honor, celebration, or memory of a special date for you. Flowers may be brought to the church on the Sunday you signed up for by 9:00 AM and can be placed on the altar.

You can pick up your flowers after the worship service. For more information please contact Anita Accordino at 714-655-0330 and araccordino12@verizon.net



SCRIP

WHAT IS SCRIP?

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 to see a full list of vendors.



Cards can be purchased on Sunday mornings after service using cash, check or a credit card. Credit cards will have 4% service fee. 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. 951-764-3938 and jngalbraih5@yahoo.com.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SCRIP!

OCTOBER

Happy Annivarsary

Dwight and Charlie Weaver
10/24
Sally and Rev Rick Malec
10/27

Happy Birthday

Kenneth Gorman 10/01
Naila Tayrien 10/01
Jose Manacop 10/02
Lynn Ferguson 10/03
Evelyn Sayne 10/03
Zana Easley 10/05
Cheri Toberman 10/10
Kekeli N Tony 10/11
Julia Monson 10/13
Anita Accordino 10/14
Dan Henley 10/14
Maxine Heiller 10/16
Katie Turner 10/16
Patricia Hill 10/18
JoAnn McDowell 10/18
Adam Hathorn 10/20
Charlotte Saeger 10/20
Shirley Banquer 10/22
Mike Becker 10/24
Susan McClellan 10/26
Frances Sandipher 10/26
Cole Anderson Dubots
10/27

Frank Gruber 10/27
Sandy Dodson 10/28
Channing Manacop 10/29



United
Women
in Faith

Meet the visionary Founder and
Director of

Project Touch Anne Unmacht



Thursday, Oct. 17, 10:30 to noon
EVERYONE INVITED

The local, faith-based program for the homeless, offering 265 beds every day as well as a wide array of supports AND her new vision and project.

Meet and hear her story

She is a true visionary and Christ-led woman. You really will be amazed.

This is an important event. We hope you will put it on your calendar today!

Sponsored by UWF
For more information contact
Dr. Marlene Oaks at
marleneoaks56@gmail.com or
951.240.2416



The Miracle of Friendship

Let me tell you a story of the trail of a miracle that just came to our wonderful Prayers and Squares group.

Over 40 years ago, Pat Proud and I became friends. We did many things together. We led workshops and retreats together. She sang in my church and went twice to Russia with me. We supported each other through death and divorce. When her daughter, Kathy, got married, I got to officiate.

A couple of years ago, Kathy was in a small group at her church with Nancy. Nancy said her mom lived with her and needed quilting buddies. Kathy mentioned "Marlene," and Nancy phoned me. I went to their house to meet Nancy and her mother Dorothy. Nancy and Dorothy had a computerized long arm quilting machine set up in the garage. They told me to come anytime to use it. Well, Dorothy's health got to a point that she could no longer use the quilting machine. Nancy asked me if we could use it at church, as they were looking for a place to donate it!



Because of health challenges with Gilbert, I was overwhelmed at that time and needed help making arrangements for the machine. Rand helped with clearing the excess chairs out of room 10. Debbie Barba stepped up and took over the project of getting it transported to church, and Ken provided his truck.

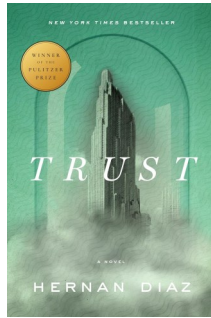
On Friday, September 13, a technician came to church to set it up and gave us a lesson on how to use it. Now Dorothy is coming to church. We named the quilting machine Dorothy. By the way, it is worth over \$25,000.

So that is our miracle. God is good!
Shared by Dr. Marlene Oaks

BOOK BUDDIES

Trust

Diane Martinez will host the next Book Buddies gathering at her home at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, October 1. The book is *Trust*, by Herman Diaz. We continue our 2024/25 season with this New York Times bestseller and winner of the Kirkus Prize and the Pulitzer Prize.



"A rip-roaring, razor-sharp dissection of capitalism, class, greed, and the meaning of money itself that also manages to be a dazzling feat of storytelling on its own terms." -Vogue (Best Books of the Year)"

For more information about our book group contact Ethel Takeguchi or Sue Bradshaw . We greatly enjoy reading, discussing, and socializing with others who share our interest and love of books. Zoom access is available. Come join us.

ESPERANZA CLINICAL

FREE COGNITIVE SCREENING

Esperanza Clinical specializes in bringing new therapeutic treatment options to older adults with memory loss or other cognitive difficulties and is offering a complimentary cognitive screening for anyone 55-years-old and older with self-reported memory problems. No referral is needed, and no insurance is required.

Esperanza Clinical was founded by Dr. Susan Ropacki and Dr. Michael Ropacki who are international experts in dementia prevention and Alzheimer's disease. They have spent over 20 years conducting clinical research and are passionate about finding innovative treatments to slow cognitive decline and a cure for Alzheimer's disease.

For more information please visit www.esperanzaclinical.com.

Call Esperanza Clinical at 951-417-4466, or send an email to hello@esperanzaclinical.com



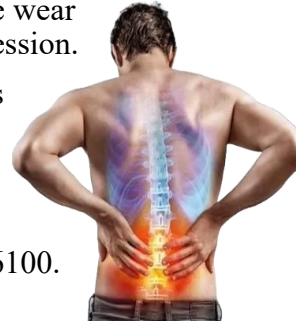
Esperanza Clinical



MYOSKELETAL MESSAGES

As part of *Feeding Physical and Spiritual Hunger*, members are invited to receive myoskeletal massages at our church. This type of massage involves lots of stretching and will increase range of motion to help manage chronic pain areas. Please wear shorts and a tank top during the session.

There will be no fee and members are encouraged to make donations to the church for this service. Weekly appointments will take place on Mondays. To schedule a session call 951-694-6100. Thanks - Lesley Gregory



LGBTQIA+ MINISTRY



The LGBTQIA+ Ministry continues to be active during the month. The Amplify Group continues to meet weekly on Thursday night at 6:30 PM. We continue to encourage members of our church family to attend these meetings when they can. The meetings consist of Christian and Bible studies pertaining to the LGBTQIA+ community, as well as community support.

We recently hosted, during our Amplify gathering, a viewing of the film "For The Bible Tells Me So." This film was produced in the early 2000s and follows the lives of different families weighing their faith against the care of family members who identify as LGBTQ. This film also explores the career of Gene Robinson, who was the first LGBTQ Episcopal Bishop.

Beginning in October, the Amplify group will start an Affirming Theology series that will look at our church's affirming journey in contrast with the scriptures that have been used and presented in a more restrictive role.

Work has begun with Dr. Denyse Barns of the California Pacific Annual Conference to host a presentation in 2025 on "What An Affirming Church Looks Like." We ask that you be in prayer as these conversations continue to take place and as the work being done to construct this program progresses. It is our hope to have this gathering open to other community churches and our annual conference.

Please feel free to reach out to me at lgbtqministry.tumc@gmail.com, and I can tell you more about these wonderful community events.

Arthur Salyer
Preferred pronouns: He Him His
[why pronouns matter](#)

GOLDEN BASKETS FOR THIS MONTH

October

- 06 World Communion Sunday
- 13 Missionary Support - Joel Hortiales
- 20 Pastor's Discretionary Fund
- 27 Neighborhood House, Calexico



World Communion Sunday

Your donations support racial and ethnic students in achieving their educational goals and transforming communities. Your generosity continues to provide

scholarships, grants, mentoring and training for leadership development.

- Fifty percent of the offering provides scholarships for graduate students from the U.S. and other countries.
- Thirty-five percent supports racial and ethnic scholarships for students pursuing ordained ministry (deacon or elder) and includes a mentoring program.
- Fifteen percent funds Ethnic-In-Service Training Grant for leadership development, recruitment, training, and retention of ethnic United Methodist persons in leadership positions in every level of the church and its ministry.



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.

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

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

The Giving Tree



Take a Tag
Buy the Scrip
Help Those
in Need
Supporting
the Pastor's
Discretionary
Fund



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

CNH has been operating continuously as a community center and social services agency since 1938 and was initially established as a settlement house to assist and work with residents of the border community.

A product of the Global Ministries of the United Methodist Women, Calexico Neighborhood House provides a comprehensive array of direct services in the areas of childcare for working parents, case management, parent education, shelter for homeless women and children, emergency food and utility assistance, micro business support and community advocacy.



**THIS MONTH'S FOOD
PANTRY ITEMS :
Hot Cereal and
Pancake Mix**

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.

LGTBQIA+ MINISTRY
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TEMECULA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5 2024

CARD GAMES - BOARD GAMES - FOLLOWED BY 2GETHER

THE EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL AGES

FEEL FREE TO JOIN ALONE OR BRING ALONG YOUR FRIENDS

3 TO 5: GAMES 5PM: 2GETHER

**PLEASE BRING A DISH AND A STORY ABOUT
YOUR DISH FOR OUR SERMON MEAL**