

Lenten Soup Series
Soup Supper 6:00-6:30 PM
Study Series 6:30-8:00 PM
Music that Touches the Soul

Wednesday, February 24
Servers: Agape Group
Lent Program: Tustin Transfer
from Aldersgate UMC in Tustin

Wednesday, March 3
Servers: OFF Group
Lent Program: Guitarist Jimmy Patton

Wednesday, March 10
Servers: Builders
Lent Program: Pianist Marc Longlois

Wednesday, March 17
Servers: UMW
Lent Program:
Asbury Octet, Redlands UMC

Wednesday, March 24
Servers: UMM
Lent Program:
*Alice Wymer, Laurie Williams,
Mike Atienza*



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Faith Works

I hope we see some of the following announcements on our FUMCOR website: ("Young Adults" in this case means college age through 20s)

Young Adult Catalina Island Retreat
College and Young Adult Work Team
Builds House in Mexico

College and University Study Hall Open
All Night

New Worship Service
led by Young Adults

College/Young Adult Bible Study

Young Adult Video Team
Transforms Worship!

Job Fair at 1st United Methodist Church
of Riverside.

United Methodist Church
finally figures out how to do
Young Adult Ministries!

Keep Praying. Every Day. Ask Jesus to guide us all.

Young Adults—if you happen to read this printed page, e-mail me at revbkent@sbcglobal.net and tell me which headlines you want to see.

Pastor Brian

Builders

The Friday, March 12, program *Interesting Pieces of Riverside History* will be presented by Hal Durian, Riverside Press-Enterprise columnist. The program is open to all church members and friends.

The meeting will begin at 6:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Dinner will be catered by McGrath's for \$10.50 per person.

Please make reservations with Bob Nelson (683-3496) or Lorene Haines (684-3059).



In the office staff meeting today, Tuesday, Barbara Bush reminded me that I had to write an article for the *Messenger*—and my response was “Again!”

It seems like I just did that the other day, so I was not too excited about it. That is because I have never felt comfortable writing these articles, although they usually end up being much longer than I anticipate. Funny how that happens!

This month is busy with Lent, the Lenten suppers and activities to prepare for Easter.

Lenten Suppers start this Wednesday, and as I stated last month, I am so excited about our program *Music that Touches the Soul*. I hope you will plan to be here. Each program will be exceptional and your heart will be filled with joy. And the soups are always so good; so I will see you here.

Check the Web page to see what the various programs will be (www.fumcor.com).

This year our children and youth will help me make the cinnamon rolls for the Hot Cross Buns on the evening of March 14. Children 1st grade through youth 12th grade are invited to come, eat pizza at 5:00 PM and begin making the rolls at 5:30 PM. It will be fun!!!!



Enjoy a delicious brunch
after worship March 7

Pancakes
Scrambled eggs
Sausage
Hash browns.

Donations will support the
Youth Campership Fund,
which provides camperships for
children and youth to attend
summer camps.

All the wonderful Hot Cross buns will be served after worship on March 28, Palm Sunday. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for all the children that day.

On Palm Sunday, children will process with palms, so parents please have children here by 9:45 AM so they can be part of the Palms Parade.

So as you can see, it is a busy month and we look forward to seeing you each Sunday.

Pastor Sheila

PS The Sisters Retreat was as wonderful as I stated it would be!

In Our Prayers

In hospital, Eli Sturman

In convalescent care, Leonard Shaw, Howard Nolan, Marion Holsteen, Natta Lea McCormack, Norma Montigel, Betty Byrnes, Eleanor Rayner, Adrianna Paine, Judy Ziegler.

For health and support, O.L. Brawner, Nancy McCormick, Martha Devine, Myra Williams, Micheline Scoggins, Ruby Gregory, Lorraine Armata, Warren Garnett, Larry McCormick, Frances Longbotham, Debbie Boone, Susan Shuckett, Christopher Nauss, Nina Freeman, and Becky Konegen's father.

Mission Moments from UMW

My ministry at Union Theological continues with teaching as the main work. Most of my students are in their senior year, reflecting and studying with me about issues in pastoral ministry, church administration and policy, and two courses in Wesleyan studies. There are approximately 350 pastors who graduated since 2001. The Rev. David P. Pascua, missionary, Philippine Christian University, Cavite, Philippines. *Submitted by Peggy Ramsay, Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation.*

Riverside CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday, March 14

Temple Beth El, 2675 Central Avenue

Registration at 12:30 PM

Walk begins at 1:00 PM



Our church will again be taking part in the Riverside CROP Hunger Walk. CROP stands for Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty.

Twenty-five percent of the funds raised during this event will go to local hunger relief agencies such as Second Harvest Food Bank, Project Food, and Arlington Temporary Assistance. The remaining funds are used nationally and internationally by organizations such as Church World Service, CARE, Catholic Relief Services, World Relief and others.

Last year walkers and sponsors from FUMCOR contributed \$2,000 of the \$10,000 raised at the local walk. If you can help as either a walker or sponsor, please visit the table on the patio after the worship service, or look for those wearing the red CROP "stop signs". You may also donate online at <http://www.churchworldservice.org/goto/FUMCOR>. Thank you for your continued support!

When is goodbye not goodbye?

Maybe when you move on without going away.

That's what I'm doing: Tuesday, March 2, will be my last day as front-desk receptionist in the church office. I've had the job for almost four years, and it's been lots of fun. I've enjoyed the close-up view of FUMCOR's weekday work, and gotten a big kick from extra interaction with my church pals. Our pastors and staff are wonderful co-workers, as you might expect.

While I've worked here, I've also been a student in the paralegal certificate program at UC Riverside Extension. This quarter I'm taking my last class: Torts. In mid-March I'll have my certificate and begin getting some hands-on volunteer experience on weekday mornings. (I'll keep doing freelance writing and copy editing, too, until I find full-time work as a paralegal.)

I'll still be at church on Sundays, singing in the choir—the only difference will be that I won't have keys.

So...goodbye, all! Until Sunday, anyway.

Much love,

Laurie Williams

PS: Do you know what a tort is? Do you want to know? A tort is a civil wrong for which the remedy—usually—is money damages. There. Now you know.

UMM March 14

The speaker for our next meeting will be our own Andy Plumley. Andy came to UCR in 1977 as an undergraduate and never left. He has worked in housing almost his entire time at UCR, from a student Resident Advisor to his current position as Assistant Vice Chancellor of Housing, Dining & Residential Services, a position he has held since Fall 2007. He is responsible for all aspects of housing, dining, residence life, and child care.

Andy will discuss his interesting and challenging job, as well as reflect on the budget crisis being faced at all UC campuses and, in particular, what the impact has been at UCR.

This will be a program that you will not want to miss. Remember to set your clock forward and join us for a delicious 7:00 AM breakfast.

Our sincere thanks to Jerry Corrales who last month provided interesting information on "Caregiver Choices".

Please Note: Artisans who plan to help out with their items in the annual UMM Silent Auction, held throughout the month of May, should now be preparing their projects. Money collected is designated entirely for scholarships for our own FUMCOR youth.

Items will be displayed in the hallway display case in the Education Building. Your help is appreciated.



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| Kay Otto | 1 |
| Shara Andrade..... | 2 |
| Randy Murray | 2 |
| James Sizer | 3 |
| Lisa Laird..... | 5 |
| Marilyn Peebles..... | 6 |
| Vir Jean Halbrooks..... | 9 |
| Robert Carrington..... | 10 |
| Christina Wymer..... | 12 |
| Randy Peebles..... | 14 |
| Kim Oster | 16 |
| Lisa Thomas..... | 16 |
| Helen Dennington..... | 20 |
| Jami Plumley..... | 20 |
| Marge Wolter | 20 |
| Ruby Gregory | 21 |
| William Waite..... | 21 |
| Doris Wright | 21 |
| Lillian Zeeb | 21 |
| Renee Renfro..... | 23 |
| Kyle Grimes | 24 |
| Gail Murray..... | 24 |
| Sean Clark | 25 |
| Kalvin Narayan..... | 28 |
| Marjorie Weeks..... | 29 |
| Richard Whitmark | 29 |
| Barbara Jo Wilson..... | 29 |
| Richard Rajaratnam | 30 |

United Methodist Women

Handcrafters meet March 3, 10, 24, 31 9:30 AM in Asbury.

Mar. 2: UMW Citrus Branch, 7:00 PM, Adult Lounge

Mar. 5: Church Women United World Day of Prayer, Salvation Army Alban Hall; Coffee at 10:30 AM, program begins at 11:00 AM followed by lunch.

Mar. 10: UMW Executive Committee, 9:30 AM, Mary's Kitchen.

Mar. 13: Riverside District Spring Meeting, Sun City UMC.

Mar. 17: Lenten Soup Supper, UMW to serve (no unit meeting today); bring recipes for Faith & Fellowship cookbook.

Mar. 23: UMW Citrus Branch, 7:00 PM, Adult Lounge.

UMW Needs

Knitters for slippers for UMW Bazaar—we provide pattern and yarn.

Caps off liter soda bottles

Flower pots: any sort of decorative 4"-6" flower pots.

Please call Gretel Noble.

The ministers of this church are its members. Assisting them are Bishop Mary Ann Swenson, District Superintendent Bau Dang, and the church staff: Sr. Pastor, Brian C. Kent; Assoc. Pastor, Sheila M. Kane; Youth Director, Val Weise; Aldersgate Director, Alice Wymer; Organist, Marc Longlois; Bell Choirs Director, Gayla Lonsbery; Office Manager, Barbara Lee Bush; Receptionist, Laurie Williams; Sunday School Superintendent, Barbara Jo Wilson; Preschool Director, Lee Ann Salmon.

Articles for the next
Messenger
 (issue date Easter Sunday
 April 4, 2010)
 must be in the church
 office no later
 than March 24. Thank you!

SUNDAY

| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|--|---|---|--|----------------------------------|---|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| | 6:30 pm Disciple Bible Study —Koinonia 7:00 pm Trustees—Mary's Kitchen 7:00 pm Worship Committee —Adult Lounge | 8:30 am <i>Messenger</i> Volunteers 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR 7:00 pm Allegro Ringers —Mary's Kitchen 7:00 p UMW Citrus Branch —Adult Lounge | 9:30 am Handcrafters Workshop —Asbury 6:00 pm Sit n Sew Quilters —Adult Lounge 6:00 pm Lenten Soup Series Servers: OFF Group 6:30 pm Lenten Program Guitarist Jimmy Patton | 6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast —Mary's Kitchen 7:00 pm Aldersgate Choir—MR | | |
| Third Sunday in Lent | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 8:45 am Sunday School/All Ages 10:00 am Worship & Communion 11:00 am Pancake Brunch 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Grp—AL 6:00 pm UMYF—YC | 12:00 pm Almond/Wesleyan Potluck —Mary's Kitchen 6:30 pm Disciple Bible Study —Koinonia | 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR 6:00 pm Faith & Fellowship —Pastor Sheila's 7:00 pm SPRC—CR 7:00 pm Allegro Ringers —Mary's Kitchen | 9:30 am UMW Executive Committee —Mary's Kitchen 9:30 am Handcrafters Workshop —Asbury 6:00 pm Lenten Soup Series Servers: Builders 6:30 pm Lenten Program Marc Longlois on the piano | 6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast —Mary's Kitchen 7:00 pm Aldersgate Choir—MR | 6:30 pm Builders—Fellowship Hall | Daylight Savings time begins tomorrow at 2:00 am. Set your clocks forward tonight so you aren't late for church! |
| Fourth Sunday in Lent | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 7:00 am UMM—Fellowship Hall 8:45 am Sunday School/All Ages 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Evangelism—Adult Lounge 11:15 am Potato Bar—Fellowship Hall 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Grp—AL 5:00 pm Special Activity Time—FH 6:00 pm UMYF—YC | 6:30 pm Disciple Bible Study —Koinonia 7:00 pm Christian Education —Mary's Kitchen | 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR 5:00 pm Finance Committee—CR 7:00 pm Allegro Ringers —Mary's Kitchen | 6:00 pm Lenten Soup Series Servers: UMW 6:30 pm Lenten Program Asbury Octet/Redlands UMC | 6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast —Mary's Kitchen 7:00 pm Aldersgate Choir—MR | | |
| Fifth Sunday in Lent | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 8:45 am Sunday School/All Ages 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Church&Society—AL 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Grp—AL 6:00 pm UMYF—YC | 6:30 pm Disciple Bible Study —Koinonia 7:00 pm Church Council —Adult Lounge | 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR 7:00 pm Allegro Ringers —Mary's Kitchen 7:00 pm UMW Citrus Branch —Adult Lounge | 9:30 am Handcrafters Workshop —Asbury 6:00 pm Lenten Soup Series Servers: UMM 6:30 pm Lenten Program Alice Wymer, Laurie Williams & Mike Atienza Deadline for <i>Messenger</i> Articles | 6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast —Mary's Kitchen 7:00 pm Aldersgate Choir—MR | | Hunger Ministry 9:30 am Faith & Fellowship —Fellowship Hall |
| Palm Sunday | 29 | 30 | 31 | Maundy Thursday April 1 Worship at 7:00 pm Good Friday April 2 Worship at 7:00 pm Easter April 4 Sunrise at Mt Rubidoux at 6:00 am Worship at FUMCOR at 10:00 am Easter Fellowship Butterfly Release | | |
| 8:45 am Sunday School/All Ages 10:00 am Family Worship 11:00 am Easter Egg Hunt—Lawn 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Grp—AL 6:00 pm UMYF | 6:30 pm Disciple Bible Study —Koinonia | 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR 7:00 pm Allegro Ringers —Mary's Kitchen | 9:30 am Handcrafters Workshop —Asbury | | | |

