

Prayer List

In hospital: Bob Schiffer

In convalescent care, Leonard Shaw, Ruby Gregory, Natta Lea McCormack, Howard Nolan, Adrianna Paine, Dellours Hocking, Nancy Lasater, Jackie Watters

For health and support, David McGarry, Barry Arnold, Frank Ferré, Allean Blose, Carol Boothby, Manette Tomlinson, Emily Shaw, Myra Williams, Lisa Thomas, Sarah Six, Vijay Roberts, Justin Garnett, Shannon Barranco, Bob Shuler, Cathy Grimes (mother of Steve Grimes), Jim Thomas (brother of Barbara Jo Wilson), David Nelson (son of Bob Nelson), Michael Scholl (brother of Nancy McCormick), Eli Sturman (nephew of Duffy & Susan Exon), Debbie Boone (cousin of Connie Taylor)



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From Pastor John

In Bishop Schnase's book *Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations*, he points out growing congregations practice intentional "Radical Hospitality." I want to encourage all FUMCOR members to consider what it means to practice Radical Hospitality in the coming months at our church. Please allow me to make a few suggestions.

Make a commitment personally to welcome a stranger or visitor on Sunday mornings. How do you know if someone is new or visiting the church? Well, if you don't know them, they're a stranger to you, and you to them. If you are not sure if someone is new to the church, say "I don't think we've met before,

have we? Let me introduce myself..." If someone makes a new friend on a Sunday morning, that's a good sign that we're doing the work of Jesus Christ.

Personally inviting at least one person/family to Sunday worship or a church event during 2011 would be another way. Easter, which is coming soon, and Christmas are wonderful opportunities; concerts, special services, Lenten and Advent programs, and small groups also seem to be excellent ways and less threatening for new visitors.

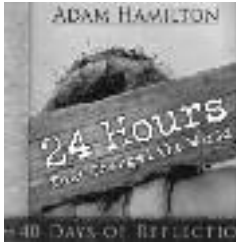
Remember there are people looking for direction, guidance, and support, or simply looking for a place to belong. Where can they go?

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Lenten Soup Study

Our fourth and fifth Lenten Soup Studies are Wednesday, April 6 and April 13. Soup servers will be Builders and the OFF Group, respectively. The fourth study topic is *The Torture and Humiliation of the King* and our last topic for the study series is *Crucifixion and Christ the Victor*.

There will be a children's area set up at the back of Fellowship Hall for the little ones to do quiet activities while the program is going on. Please feel free to have them use the area.



From Pastor John (cont. from Page 1)

At the same time, we need to care for the people who are already here. If you notice that someone is not present in worship on Sunday morning, call them to let them know they were missed; if they are in need, care for them in whatever way is appropriate, or call the church office to let us know of their needs.

In the coming months, I would like us to be mindful of practicing "Radical Hospitality" at FUMCOR. I'd also love to hear from you about how this practice is making a difference and how we can improve and together do more.

*See you at church,
Pastor John*

Sunday Worship on CD

The Sunday Worship service is now available on CD. Contact Bill Kerrick for more information.

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, John Yoon; Youth Director, Val Weise; Director of Childrens/Womens Ministry, Barbara Jo Wilson; Aldersgate Director, Alice Wymer; Organist, Marc Longlois; Bell Choir Director, Gayla Lonsbery; Office Manager, Barbara Lee Bush; Secretary/Receptionist, Ginger Mullen; Preschool Director, Lee Ann Salmon.



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New Address

Helen Richardson has moved to Arizona and wants to stay in touch with her FUMCOR family. She is living with her daughter and son-in-law, Gayle and Fred Williams. Her address is:
13621 W. Glendale Apt # 1112
Glendale, AZ 85307-2038

2011 Talent Show Dust off your tap shoes, tune up your harmonica...the Talent Show is coming and we need Talent. The Annual Youth Talent Show will be held Sunday, May 22, after worship. This year's Talent Show is so special we're keeping the theme a secret. Don't worry, we'll share that theme soon. Start planning your act; sign-ups will begin in April.

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Youth News

Camp Extravaganza **Sunday, May 1, 2:00 PM,** **Camp Wrightwood**

All children and youth are invited to a visit day at Camp Wrightwood. There will be games and activities; and camp staff will explain the Riverside District Summer Camp program. Meet in the church parking lot at 1:00 for carpooling and caravanning. Cost is \$5 per person and includes dinner and a raffle ticket. If you have any questions, please contact Val Weise. Summer camp dates are:

Elementary Camp (entering grades 3-6): July 10-16

Jr./Sr. High Camp (entering grades 7-12): July 17-23

Mexico Mission Trip

The FUMCOR Mission Team has begun planning for their summer trip, July 24-30. This mission trip is open to all youth, young adults and adults. Work includes roofing, painting, carpentry, plumbing, electrical and other home repairs. Participants stay at a local church and enjoy

homemade meals by church members. The first planning meeting will be April 17, a lunch meeting during the Pancake Brunch. See David or Val Weise for more details.

Pancake Brunch

The next Pancake Brunch will be held April 17, Palm Sunday, after worship. Delicious pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage and hash browns. All donations support Summer Camp and the Mexico Mission Trip.

Confirmation Class

Confirmation is the continuation of one's faith journey and the beginning of one's covenant relationship with the church. Our spring confirmation class has begun and the following youth are participating: J.P. McDonald, Skylar McDonald, Emma Speir and Sarah Weise. Please keep these youth in your prayers during this important time in their lives. Confirmation Sunday will be celebrated June 12.

Children's Ministry

Palm Sunday Children's Skit

The children are working hard on their Palm Sunday Skit. We have a very excited group of boys and girls who are working hard during their church school time to make this a wonderful performance. Please continue to work with them on their lines and/or songs. We will have a dress rehearsal on Saturday, April 16 from 10:00 to 11:00 AM in the Sanctuary. Please make sure that they can attend. This is the only time they will do a full dress rehearsal.

Pizza and Pretzels

On April 3, from 5:00 to 7:30 PM, the children and youth will enjoy a pizza dinner and then make pretzels in the Fellowship Hall.

Parents: plan on picking them up by 7:30 from the Fellowship Hall.

Children's Family Gathering

Watch the April bulletins for the next Children's Family event.

Women's Ministry

Women's Sunday Worship

On April 10, at 4:00 PM, all women who have ever participated in any of our retreats are invited to come to the Sanctuary to help with our Women's Sunday Worship program scheduled for May 15. Please come and join us make this another special service for our congregation.

Women's Bible Study

The next Women's Bible Study will begin May 25. We will study *Walking by Faith: Lessons Learned in the Dark* by Jennifer Rothschild. Jennifer, who is blind, is an author, speaker, and recording artist. *Walking by Faith: Lessons Learned in the Dark* contrasts the evidences of walking by faith and walking by sight. She encourages us to take risks, give God control, persevere through hardship, receive God's gifts, and be guided by truth rather than feelings, and seek God. Registration forms and cost of the book will be printed in the May bulletin.

United Methodist Women

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Handcrafters Workshop meets Wednesdays at 9:30 AM in Asbury. April 6, 13, 27.

April 4-May 9 (Mondays only)—**Tea Planners Committee**, 1:30 PM, Mary's Kitchen

April 11—Almond/Wesleyan Potluck, 12:00 PM Mary's Kitchen

April 13—Executive Committee, 9:30 AM Mary's Kitchen

April 18—Citrus Branch, 7:00 PM Adult Lounge

April 20—Unit Meeting, 10:00 AM Koinonia; Program: Forgiveness and Reconciliation

All women of the church are invited to attend these meetings. Please contact Lynn Ashworth (684-4457) for further information.

Church Women United (CWU)

Friendship Day is May 6, starting at 9:30 AM, at the First Christian Church located on the corner of Brockton and Jurupa. Morning coffee will be served and there will be a potluck luncheon. Please bring a

dish for the potluck and your Fellowship of the Least Coin offering.

Friendship Day is meant especially to express our concern for those with emergency needs in our own community. The four groups listed to the right are supported by UMW through CWU, and the tear out list will help you with your shopping. Your donations may be delivered to the narthex on Sundays or to the church office any day. Please deliver them by May 4.



July 25 - July 29

**Interested in being a VBS Volunteer?
Contact Lee Ann Salmon or Barbara Jo Wilson.**

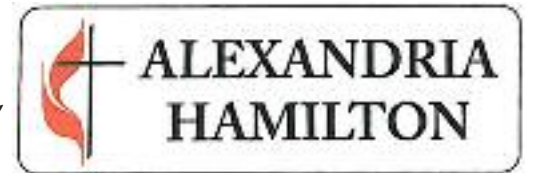
Mission Moments

from UMW

All Christians should respond to the clarion call to be environmental stewards. After Jesus fed the multitude with five loaves and two fish, he instructed his disciples to gather the pieces that were left over. "Let nothing be wasted." (*John 6:12b*) Jesus demonstrated that it was the duty of all Christians to be stewards of God's creation. *Jeff Murrell, home missionary, program manager for environmental stewardship, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Huntsville, Ala. Submitted by Peggy Ramsay, Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation.*

Name Tags Are Back

If you have never received your Methodist Church badge (sample shown), or you need a new one, you may order your name tag by **PRINTING** your name as you want it, and **CIRCLING** either pin closure (P) or magnet closure (M) on the form below. Also, list any family members who are members of the church who may also wish a name tag.



Place your order in the offering plate or send it to the church office. After two weeks, pick up your tag(s) in the Narthex before the Sunday service.

Tags are free, courtesy of the Evangelism/Discipleship Committee.

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Name Tags

Faith and Fellowship

On March 20, we hosted our first Appetizer Brunch following worship. I want to take a few minutes to say a “Big Thanks” to the following people who made this such a wonderful success: Marcia Bales, Jon Bales, Pat Beals, Judy Bello, Randy Peebles, Jennifer Walker, Ruth Walker, Kelly Weakly, Kelsey Weakly, Mina Yoon. They are truly servants of our Savior who give so much of their time and support. Also, “thanks to all of you” who participated in something new and different. May His love, peace, joy and grace fill all of your hearts.

Barbara Jo Wilson

Easter Egg Hunt

Faith and Fellowship will have their Easter Candy Box on the patio this Sunday and Sunday, April 10 to collect candy for stuffing the eggs. Please keep in mind that we can only put small wrapped candy in the eggs, and we cannot put in any soft chocolate items because they melt (small tootsie rolls are okay). Thanks in advance for your support and help.

Cookbooks

We still have some cookbooks available. They would make a perfect gift for an Easter Basket to Mom, sister, aunt or anyone who loves to cook. The cost is \$12.00. You may purchase one at anytime by contacting any member of the Faith and Fellowship Committee. (Marcia Bales, Pat Beals, Judy Bello, Scott Kirkwood, Marilyn and Randy Peebles, Ruth Walker, Kelly Weakly, or Barbara Jo Wilson).

Memory Verses for Children

Each child has received a copy of the children’s verses they are going to recite April 10 during our Children’s Moments. This is a wonderful opportunity to share a special Lenten experience with them.

Pastor John will host a fun meal for each child following worship. We will be going to the Arlington Avenue McDonald’s (close to Sears), so the children can enjoy the playground. More details about travel arrangements will follow. Please see Barbara Jo Wilson if you have any questions or concerns.

Donation List for Church Women United May Friendship Day

I CARE SHELTER (families)

Household cleaners: Pine-Sol, Comet, all-purpose cleaners, laundry soap, dishwashing liquid, toilet paper, Kleenex, paper towels
Personal care items: body soap, deodorant, bath towels, shampoo, men’s and women’s socks

OPERATION SAFE HOUSE (teens)

Cleaning supplies: paper towels, paper napkins, all-purpose cleaners, vinegar, Dawn dishwashing soap, Cascade dishwasher detergent, Softsoap for hands
Sports equipment: soccer balls, volley balls, footballs, tennis balls and rackets, baseballs and bats, golf balls and clubs
Arts and crafts items: construction paper, scissors, glue, markers, paints, etc.
Clothing: navy, gray or black T-shirts (various adult sizes)

BORN FREE (mothers and babies)

Babies: diapers (infant sizes), baby lotion, baby shampoo, baby wipes, baby wash, bassinets
Mothers: shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, combs, brushes, hair accessories, hand and body lotion

CASA DE PAZ (mothers and babies)

Personal care items: deodorant, shampoo combs and brushes, hair accessories for mothers and children, books for children, toothpaste and brushes, hand and body lotion

All agencies can use gift cards from Wal-Mart, K-Mart or Target. Please check expiration dates.



1st United Methodist Church

Is hosting a donation drive in your area.

1st United Methodist Church has partnered with Goodwill of Southern California to raise money to help their ministry outreach programs, as well as help Goodwill continue their many programs that enhance the quality of life for people with disabilities or other disadvantages by providing education, training and job opportunities. Come out and donate your gently used items to help clear out space in your home as well as help your community.

Bring your donations

**Saturday
May 21**

**8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
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Riverside**



**For Pick up call:
951-683-7831 or
951-683-4500**

We take e-waste

We are in greater need for clothing, pants, beds, hats, overcoats, dresses, coats and small appliances, radios, stoves, small appliances, televisions, VCR, DVD, CD and DVD players, Audio devices, guitars, hand tools, lamps, mirrors, toys, books, antennas, area rugs, bed frames, bookshelves and furniture, artwork, gift items, jewelry, sporting goods, sleeping bags, fur coats, and glassware.

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Unfortunately Goodwill cannot accept mattresses, major household appliances, exercise equipment, weapons, hazardous waste, broken items nor furniture with holes, rips or stains.

Proceeds from donations will go to support our scholarship programs this year

UMM

Join us April 10 as we learn about the history of Riverside citrus production. Larry Topham is a third-generation grower and marketer of citrus in the Riverside area. Enjoy an excellent breakfast as Larry shares the history of orange production as experienced by the Topham family.

Our thanks to Richard Whitmark for presenting an interesting program about Hot Wheels at our March meeting.

UMM Silent Auction

The annual UMM Silent Auction starts soon and continues throughout the month of May.

We anticipate many wonderful handcrafted items made or provided by members of the congregation in support of our scholarship fund raiser. Items will be exhibited in the display case in the Education building for the whole month as silent bids are received.

Last year UMM provided \$1500 in scholarships. If you have something you would like to offer for the auction, please talk with Bill McInroe. We will set up the display on April 28. Thanks for your support.

BUILDERS

Builders is coming up Friday, April 8. The speaker this month is Bob Hartnett, Public Affairs Representative with Inland Empire Social Security. Bob is an articulate speaker with some 38+ years with Social Security and is very knowledgeable about their programs. This is a unique opportunity to talk directly with a Social Security representative. Join us for a delicious catered dinner at 6:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$10.50. **Reservations made are reservations paid.**

Our thanks to Lewis and Elizabeth Hall (and, yes, "Gibbs" too) for their wonderful presentation at our last meeting on Guide Dogs for the Blind.

April

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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