

First United Methodist Church

275 NORTH HALCYON ROAD IN ARROYO GRANDE, CA 93420
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8:30 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

6 SEPTEMBER 2009 — WELCOME TO RALLY SUNDAY!!

We encourage you to join us in our worship as a people who love the Lord. Please ask an usher about the hearing devices.

PASTOR DAVID M. BURGESON

WORSHIP IS LED BY *THE LORD'S CREW*

CALL TO WORSHIP

"Holy Place"

WELCOME - ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTOR DAVID

OPENING PRAISE

"Rise and Be Healed"

SCRIPTURE READING

ISAIAH 58: 5 – 10

PASTOR DAVID

OPENING PRAYER

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PRAISE

"I Will Sing of My Redeemer"

"He Touched Me"

"O Lord, You're Beautiful"

WE WORSHIP IN GIVING

OFFERTORY

"Malachi 4:2"

PRAYER OF ADORATION

SUSAN COHO

SHARING GOD'S PEACE (GREETING ONE ANOTHER)

JOYS & CONCERNS — PASTORAL PRAYER

PASTOR DAVID

SCRIPTURE READING

MARK 7:24-37

MIKE HERBER

SERMON

"God's Interest in Healing"

PASTOR DAVID M. BURGESON

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE

I CORINTHIANS 11:23-26

PASTOR DAVID

IN UNISON

COMMUNION SONG

"This Is Love"

CLOSING PRAISE

"I Love You, Lord"

BENEDICTION

PASTOR DAVID

RECESSIONAL

"Trading My Sorrows"



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✠ *This symbol denotes standing if you are able.*

Welcome to worship! We have hearing devices and large print bulletins available for your convenience.

Please ask an usher for assistance. Nursery care is available for those under the age of 2.

WELCOME WITH NEWS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE FROM THE OLD HYMNAL:
"Ring The Bells of Heaven" G. ROOT

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

LITURGIST: Come, people of God. Come all of you, rich and poor, young and old.

PEOPLE: **God is the Creator of all.**

LITURGIST: Come now and worship our generous and faithful God.

PEOPLE: **God calls us to life and to share in all of God's abundance.**

LITURGIST: Come and worship and let us sing songs of joy and thanks.

PEOPLE: **We worship with our lives, with our hearts and our voices and our actions.**

✠ HYMN NO. 57 "O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, who loves us when we are at our worst -- when we have broken the rules of life; when we have injured our health, when we have mistreated our friends and families, when we have hated ourselves and complained about you -- teach us how to love with your love. Let us begin by caring for ourselves -- for our health, for our spirits, for our welfare and our joy. Then, out of the fullness of the self, let us reach out to others, caring for their health and spirits and welfare and joy. Show us how the death and resurrection of Christ are related to all of this -- to forgiveness of our sins and fullness of life and the desire to follow him by

giving ourselves for others. And grant, O God, that, leaving behind the old self and all its negativism, we may rise to newness of life in you, so that we see and feel and taste and hear the wonders of our existence in the world, and live in excitement and gratitude and humility. Be with us now as we silently lift before you our personal and private confessions to you....

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PARDON

SPECIAL MUSIC JANICE MOORE

JOY AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY FROM THE OLD HYMNAL:
"O That Will Be Glory" C. GABRIEL

✠ DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING MARK 7: 24 - 37

LITURGIST: This is the word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "God's Interest in Healing" PASTOR DAVID

COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (SEE INSERT CONTINUED ON PAGE 14 IN HYMNAL)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

✠ HYMN NO. 130 "God Will Take Care of You"

✠ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "FROM THE OLD HYMNAL:
"More Like The Master" C. GABRIEL



Bring a friend!

Junior High & High School meet **Wednesdays** at **7 PM** in our youth lounge led by Mike & Linda Herber.

Men's Bible Study

Meet with us **Mondays** at **7 PM** in room 215 - "Learn The Bible in 24 Hours" by Chuck Missler.

Morning Bible Study

Meets **Fridays** at **8:30 AM** in the Library. All are welcome!

Women's Bible Study

Sunday morning at **9:30 AM** in 215.

Intercessory Prayer

Thursday mornings at **10 AM** in the library.

Women of Prayer

This non-denominational group of dedicated women meet at **7 PM** on **Mondays** in the Sanctuary.

Outside Support Groups

Debtor's Anonymous

Mondays at **6 PM**- MMR

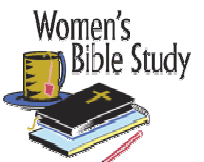
Al-Anon & Ala-Teen

Mondays at **7:30 PM** - MMR and 211.

Alzheimer's Care-Giver

2nd Wednesday and **3rd Friday** of each month at **1PM** - MMR.

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BULLETIN BOARD

*UNDERLINED DENOTES CHILDCARE IS AVAILABLE

SUNDAY—9/6

Coffee Hour

ELT SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE & UMW SALAD LUNCHEON

8:30 AM Contemporary Worship

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study (215)

10:30 AM Traditional Worship

MONDAY — 9/7

LABOR DAY - OFFICE CLOSED

7:00 PM Men's Bible Study (215)

Women of Prayer (S)

TUESDAY —9/8

8:30 AM Senior Exercise (CH)

9:00 AM Sew 'n' Sews (MMR)

10:30 AM Communications (L)

2 PM & 6 PM (MMR)

Pastor's Study on John Wesley

5:30 PM Grande Ringers (115)

6:30 PM AG Chorus (S)

WEDNESDAY — 9/9

8:30 AM Senior Exercise (CH)

11:00 AM Blue Umbrella (MMR)

7:00 PM Chancel Choir (S)

UM Youth Group (215)

THURSDAY - 9/10

8:30 AM Senior Exercise (CH)

10:00 AM Intercessory Prayer (L)

12:00 PM Esther Circle (MMR)

5:30 PM Grande Ringers (115)

6 PM

AGUMCC Welcome Night

7:00 PM Finance (MMR)

FRIDAY —9/11

Patriot Day – Remembering 9/11

8:30 AM Bible Study (L)

SATURDAY — 9/12

10:00 AM New Member's Class (L)

12:00 PM RUMP



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Make Sure That Your Information Is Correct As you all know, a Pictorial Directory is in the mix for our 125th Anniversary Year. Double check **ALL** of your information with the directory posted at the 125th table set-up in Criswell Hall and fill out the **“update forms” TODAY!**



New Members Class will be held at **10 AM** on **Saturday, September 12th** with *Pastor Harold Headrick* in the **Library** for any who have a desire to become a member can join us as we learn what it is to be a part of United Methodist Church in fellowship with Christ and our church family.

A Benevolence Fund Offering is taken during Holy Communion for our Benevolence Fund. Plates are provided at the altar for you to contribute. This fund is set up to assist those in need who come to the church seeking help. Thank you for your generosity.

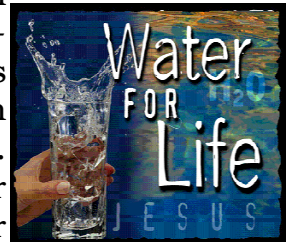


UMC of AG is currently seeking spirit led people to fill the following positions:

- **Choral Pianist**
- **Children's Education Director**
- **Adult Education Director**
- **AG UM Children's Center Pre-school Teacher**

If you or someone you know is interested, job descriptions and applications for all listings will be available in the church office and on our website (worshipweekly.com).

“Living Water” at the AG Harvest Festival Join with UM Youth and help give out water bottles with an invitation to our church. You can help by donating cases of water. When at the market, keep this ministry in mind and consider purchasing a case (or two or five). **Bring water anytime beginning this week.** Our youth group can help you carry your donated water should you need it. **Thanks!**



125th Celebration Special Report



Anniversary Dinner Sign-Ups CLOSED!

Stop by Criswell Hall and check our reservation list for the **125th Anniversary Dinner on September 19th**. Be sure that your name is spelled correctly and list a phone number. **PLEASE cross off your name if you WILL NOT BE ATTENDING (with initials).** *Thank you!*

We Need Your Help! Volunteer TODAY!

If you would like to volunteer for the 125th Anniversary Dinner, we still need help with set-up, serving dinner, baking cakes, clean-up, you name it we can use you! If this is you, see the sign-up sheet at the 125th table **TODAY** in Criswell Hall.



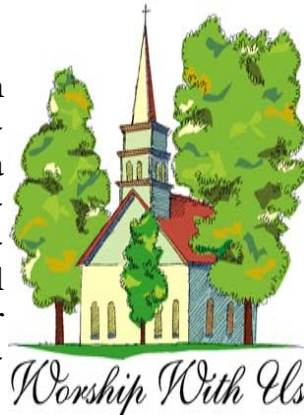
Evensong Service at the "Old Church"

Reminisce together as a church family within the walls of UMC of AG's first church back in 1884. We will celebrate in song together during a special worship service at **3 PM** filled with music, prayer meditation and reflection on **Sunday, September 13th** in a service known as *evensong*.



Charter Sunday-ONE Combined Service

Charter Sunday, **September 20th**, will combine both services meeting at **10:30 AM** in our church Sanctuary. The Bishop Mary Ann Swensen will deliver a special message that morning with District Superintendent, Reverend Catie Coats and Covenant Missionary Judy Atwood also to speak. The service will be followed by a historic bell ringing – 125 times for each in honor of each year. Please join for refreshments after the service.



STAFF AND WORSHIP LEADERS 6 SEPTEMBER 2009

WELCOME TO RALLY SUNDAY

SENIOR PASTOR: REVEREND DAVID M. BURGESON

MINISTER OF VISITATION: Reverend J. Harold Headrick

CHANCEL CHOIR DIRECTOR: Julie Walters

THE LORD'S CREW - PRAISE TEAM DIRECTOR: Susan Coho

'GRANDE RINGERS' - BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR: Leonard Lutz

YOUTH MINISTRY DIRECTOR: Mike & Linda Herber

AG UM CHILDREN'S CENTER DIRECTOR: Maddy Quaglino

LAY LEADER: Marj Cawelti

CHURCH OFFICE STAFF:

ADMINISTRATOR/NEWSLETTER:

Sarah Gandy-Barber

BOOKKEEPER: Victoria Gandy

ORGANIST: Don McGuire

PUPPET DIRECTORS:

Willy Ford & Mike Herber

LECTOR CHAIRS:

Rebeca Avila & Toni Harvey

LITURGIST (S): Patti Melsheimer

ACOLYTE MOMS: Nikki Raetz & Lorie Ford

BIBLE BEARER: Our church youth

OUR ACOLYTE (S):

Galina Smith & Anna Prestemon

HOSTS & GREETER CHAIR: Del Hollinger

HOSTS & GREETERS: Our church family

USHER CHAIRS: Morrie Gregory & Dick Melsheimer

IN SERVICE: ALL OF OUR MEMBERS

COVENANT MISSIONARY:

Judy Atwood in Kansas

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE – WORSHIPWEEKLY.COM



PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVING

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- † God grant our country's leaders and its people wisdom and discernment.
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Remember in prayer: Our missionaries serving God around the world; the leaders of our country; leaders and the people of North Korea, Africa and in the Middle East. Continue to lift up those serving in the military and their families.

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