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July 2009

"The kingdom of God is like a net that was cast into the sea" ~ Matthew 13:47
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GEAR UP FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Who: Your whole family! (Moms, Dads, Grandparents, Kids...teens too!)

What: **Camp EDGE**
 Experience and Discover God Everywhere!
 Join us for a week of adventures as we trek through the Bible and discover new things with science, creative crafts, music and movement.

When: **July 6th – 10th, 2009 - Cost is \$10 per child**
 Bring the entire family and join us for a kid friendly dinner each night at 5:30 PM (donations accepted) Children and families will begin the journey at 6 PM.
This event is for the whole family!

Where: **First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande**
 275 North Halcyon Road
 Arroyo Grande, CA 93420
 (in our church fellowship hall—Criswell Hall)

VOLUNTEERS OF ALL AGES NEEDED

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Pastor David has asked Rev. J. Harold Headrick, Minister of Visitation to reflect on his call and 50 years of ministry.

When I was a senior in college I felt God's call to be a minister. My major was in accounting and I graduated with a BS degree in the subject in 1957. After enrolling in Candler School of Theology, I did my graduate work at Emory University in Atlanta GA (*Clydean worked at Emory University Hospital*) while I kept a part time job as Youth Director at a nearby church. I was ordained on June 12, 1959 as a Deacon in the Mississippi Conference. Thus began my 50 years in the United Methodist Church.

My years at Candler were very rewarding. I graduated with a Masters in Theology in 1960, was ordained as an Elder in 1961 and accepted into full connection of the church. After serving four years in Mississippi, I transferred in 1964 to the Southern California-Arizona Conference. My first appointment as Associate Pastor was at the Christ church in Tucson, AZ where I spent three years and moved in 1967 to California, serving as minister of the First UMC of Ontario. My next journey as pastor brought me to Colton UMC where I spent the next six wonderful years before moving on to the First UMC of Upland for another seven and a half years. Then to West Anaheim UMC for six and one half years before I was appointed to the First UMC in Covina. In 1990 I transferred back to the Mississippi Conference where I was associate pastor of Parkway Heights UMC in Hattiesburg MS, from which I retired after serving for 38 years.

Upon retirement, I was hired as Minister of Visitation back at Parkway Heights for a short while. In December of 2002 we moved to Arroyo Grande CA to be near to our son and his family. It was not long after that we attended the First UMC of AG and met Pastor Bob Underwood. I was hired as the Minister of Visitation in 2003 which enabled me to get to know the people of the church. I have enjoyed participating in the worship services and calling on new comers to be a part of this church. That brings us to the present, when on June 12, 2009 I celebrated 50 years of ministry in the UMC.

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ATTENDANCE

(as of 6/21)

7th	186
14th	197
21st	147

Sunday Average = 177

FINANCES

(as of 6/21)

Monthly Goal	\$ 22,220
Received to date	\$ 19,782
Difference	\$ 2,438

Figures rounded to the nearest dollar

JULY

Kristen Davis	7/1
R. N. Gilliland	7/2
Gladys Paulsen	7/2
Jim Orrell	7/2
Sherilynn Palladino	7/3
Shirley Cross	7/4
Bud Johnson	7/6
Mary Oates	7/6
Mike Rohla	7/9
Madge Harvey	7/10
Bernard Hawkins	7/11
Dick Melsheimer	7/14
Sarah Barber	7/14
Lillian Duffin	7/15
Vicky Curtis	7/18
Serafina Regusci	7/19
Joel Anderson	7/19
Betty Lorenz	7/20
Stephanie Capp	7/23
Pam Awalt	7/21
Lew Hammond	7/22
Samantha Awalt	7/24
Montana Dobbs	7/29
Morrie Gregory	7/29
Cassie Williams	7/29
Donna Truman	7/30
Zac Spalding	7/31



Did we miss your birthday? Would you like to have you or a family member recognized?



Sermon Themes for July 2009

Date	Scripture	Theme
July 5th	Mark 6: 1 -13	"On The Move"
July 12th	Mark 6: 14-29	"Truth"
July 19th	Mark 6: 30-34	"Silence"
July 26th	John 6: 1-13	"Provision"

★ F R E E D O M ★



Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your cards and prayers—they are greatly appreciated. I believe the hard part – the surgeries – are over. Chemo and radiation treatments are just a part of the healing process, and soon I will be back full-strength, and ready to embrace the next challenge life gives me!

Sincerely,
Lynn Foster

Thanks



Summer Flute & Toot
at UMC of AG
July 12th at 3 PM

This **Music for A Sunday Afternoon** program will feature a combination of brass and flutes led by musically gifted members of our congregation. Don Gugeler and the "Sax On The Beach" brass quartet will perform, followed by Polly Monson and her flute friends for a great dual performance featuring a variety of pop, contemporary, light classical and some oldies, too.

Spearheaded by Don Gugeler for the past 10 years, the **Music For A Sunday Afternoon** program has brought to **our sanctuary** full orchestras, quartets and musical groups of all kinds. The programs usually last about an hour and a half, with an opportunity to meet the performers during a brief intermission. All performances are open to the public, as well as our church family. No tickets are needed and there is no charge for these events; a free will offering is taken at the door.

We hope to see you there!

The Lord's Crew is a praise band of worship leaders who lead our congregation during the Contemporary Worship Service at 8:30 AM every Sunday morning under the direction of Susan Coho

JULY DATES

(REHEARSALS BEGIN AT 6:30PM AND SET-UP AT 5:30 PM)

1ST REHEARSAL
18TH REHEARSAL



A Homecoming Letter from a VERY Greedy Pig

Good Day! Buenos Dias! Bon Jour! Buon Giorno! I have been on vacation since April 26th, and boy am I ready to see my dear friends at UMC of AG. I will be there on August 9th. "There is no place like home" they say. I am sure looking forward to being with you again in Criswell Hall and feeding on good old American coin and currency. I know I will be ready for all of the massive amounts that you will be feeding me. I love these Feed The Pig Sundays! Be ready for me!!

Yours truly,

Miss Peggy Banks



SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION

Caring, Sharing, Loving & Giving

"Wow! Look at this great box with all of these school supplies! They're from the caring people at the United Methodist Church in Arroyo Grande".

YOU can bring smiles to many faces by attending our sixth annual school supplies fundraiser on Sunday, **August 9 from 9 AM to 12:30 PM**. Our fundraiser will include delicious baked goods, NEW Bath & Body products—great gifts, vegetables, fruits, nuts, plants and white elephants — all donated by **YOU**. We appreciate your continued support for this project is sponsored by the Green Umbrella.



United Methodist Women

"The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church."



14 November

Seasonal and general craft and gift items will be sold at this special event. We need your help to create the numerous items needed to make this boutique a success. If you would like to contribute the fruits of your labor... **start creating now!**

We trust that many of you will participate and donate their time and energy to the many aspects of this event. Please contact Virginia Mothes with your creative ideas.

Join us in the McMillen Room as we make various projects and crafts to sell at auction in the boutique. You can get dates and details for the creative dates from one of our Ladies Circle chairs (Esther, Joy and Mary-Martha).



Happy summer to one and all. Our Circles will be on holiday schedule during July and August. We wish you all a joyous and fruitful time this summer. We will continue with our regular circle meetings in September.

Even without our regular Circle meetings this summer, we will still be busy. The UMW will continue to meet in the **McMillen Room most Tuesdays at 10 AM** to prepare for our **November Arts and Crafts Boutique** (see box at left for more info.) We would love to see you there!

We would also like to call attention to some unsung heroes here at our church. Many are members of the UMW and UMM, but some of the others are just hardworking members of our church. These special behind the scenes men and women are the volunteer workers who help out at our local **People's Kitchen**.

The People's Kitchen serves the Five Cities area 365 days a year—rain or shine. A hot healthy meal is served every day which includes salad, bread and a dessert with drinks — milk and juice are also available.

Families, couples, singles and children are welcome for this free meal. The average number of people fed is usually between 60—90 people and they set up the meals in the parking lot at the Shouts of Grace Church on the corner of 7th and Grand in Grover Beach. All are welcome.

Our church provides a meal on the first Thursday of each month. Other churches in our community along with private community groups provide these meals during the rest of the month.

Patti Melsheimer heads up our church's group. This on-going project receives help from Jo Underwood, Wendell Curry, Michael Thurman, Larry Wiemers, Anita and Joe Biggs, Geoff and Louise Halpin, Guy Oates, Pastor David and various others, including the many who prepare the casseroles.

It's a lot of work but it is rewarding. We are always happy for more helping hands in preparing these meals. We need 5-6 hearty-healthy casseroles each month. Come and help-the rewards are numerous. You will feel really good doing this for others.

Respectfully submitted by Ann Williamson, *UMW Publicity*



125th Anniversary Cantata Uplifting and Reflective

The Chancel Choir ended their 2008-09 season on June 7th by sharing a 125th Anniversary Cantata that focused on the history and the hymns of our church over the last 125 years.

In the first hymn of the cantata, "**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**", we heard the phrases: "And though this world with devils filled", and "Prince of Darkness grim", and "still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe". Our bulwark, in the first line of the hymn. Our first line of defense, just as it was in 1884 as a small congregation in Arroyo Grande took on the trials of the day, our God - truly a mighty fortress.

The next hymn was "**O God, Our Help in Ages Past**". The brevity of God's time that separates us from the beginning of our 125-year history is but an instant in His eyes. God is a strength to both individuals and organizations across the changing and ever-passing years, who one day will welcome us, as he has already welcomed those of our past, to our eternal home.

"**O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing**" was written by Charles Wesley (brother of John who visited with us at the Tabernacle Service on May 31) about 145 years before the founding of our church. Over the 125 year history of this church alone, many thousands of tongues have sung God's praise.

"**Now Thank We All Our God**" was sung after the offering. Whether in everyday life, over the course of the past 125 years, or during the ups and downs of life, one is well advised to remember the line "**and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed.**" Over these 125 years, we've no doubt benefited from "countless gifts of love", and God "still is ours today."

The hymn, "**When We Are Living**", represents the Spanish influence in the history of our area. Whether we suffer or rejoice, whether we speak in English or Spanish, whether now, in the past, or in the future, we are to be Christ-like. Because we belong to God, we transcend the circumstances and rejoice in the serving.

And last, but far from least, we joined in a rousing rendition of "**Lord of the Dance**". At the time it was considered a rather audacious hymn, and not so coincidentally, was written when our church was audacious enough to physically move from its spot in the Village to our present location on Halcyon Road.

Thank you to these special people for their work on the presentation of this event:

UMC of AG Chancel Choir
Julie Walters, *Director*
Don McGuire, *Organist*
Bruce Knowlton, *Trumpet*
Lyle Stubson, *Trumpet*
Jim Johnson, *Trombone*
Rebecca Avila, *Handbells*
Judy Zaretska, *Handbells*
Barbara Reineke, *Soloist*
Kent Unsworth, *Soloist*
Jamie Foster, *Writer*
Pastor David Burgeson, *Reader*
Patti Dolengewicz, *Choir Assist.*



The Chancel Choir will now be on hiatus until late August.

The choir will return to the loft on September 13th. Look for the upcoming Evensong at the old church in the Village. On the 20th of September, join us as we take part in the Charter Sunday program. Mark your calendars now! You won't want to miss these special events so be sure to watch for more details.

Do you have musical talent? Know someone who does? We'd love to have you share it with us. Soloists, duets or small ensembles are all welcome to be a part of our **summer special music**. * Please contact Julie Walters for open dates and times.*



By Patti Melsheimer

Wellness In Our Church

Then Jesus called the twelve together and gave them power and authority over all demons and to cure diseases, and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal.

"One-third of the New Testament deals with healing the sick", Dr. Scott Morris, a physician, United Methodist pastor and executive director of the [Church Health Center](#) in Memphis, Tenn. pointed out in a recent article in [Interpreter on Line](#). "John Wesley, Methodist's founder, believed that every Methodist society should be involved in direct health care. But over the years, care for the body, the mind and the spirit has become separated for many people. The Bible repeatedly puts them together in accounts of Christ's ministry and in other places throughout both the Old and New Testaments."

"But often it's difficult for Christians to see the importance of integrating body, mind and spirit", Morris said. "We have come to believe that the way we relate to God is from the neck up. That isn't right. God breathes into this body and creates a human being where body and spirit are one and inseparable. We're supposed to care for it and honor it. If we don't, we're ignoring what a third of the gospel says."

Our church has the beginnings of a ministry which provides care for the body as well as the mind and spirit. You may not have put all the pieces together but we have several of the components of what many would consider the beginning of a "wellness program". Some of these are provided by our church and some are provided in cooperation with other groups in the community.

We have an exercise program that meets every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 8:30 a.m. in Criswell Hall. The Community Action Partnership (formerly EOC) provides health screening services including blood pressure, pulse and weight monitoring; screening for anemia, diabetes, high cholesterol and colon-rectal cancer. Nutrition counseling and referrals are provided as needed. The R.N., Heather Murray, is here the first Wednesday of every month from 9:00 a.m. until noon. We have several support groups that meet at our church which includes the Alzheimer's Care Giver's Support Group which meets the second Wednesday of each month, Alcoholics Anonymous which meets each Monday at 7:30 p.m. and an Ala-teen Support Group which meets at the same time as the AA meeting. We also have the our own Intercessory Prayer Group which meets each Thursday morning to pray for all who are sick or needing prayer for other issues in their lives.

This is a very good beginning but we can do much more. I would be interested in learning what other programs you would be interested in. Perhaps we can start a walking group or a yoga group. We could have a series of speakers regarding various health conditions or recent developments in medications. How about a support group for those who are trying to lose weight? Is there an interest in talking about the various health insurance programs now being offered? Please contact me with ideas and suggestions you might have to help us develop a congregation healthy in spirit, mind and body.





The Church: Beyond Red, Blue
—A Post Election Healer?

compiled by Jerry Smith

The First United Methodist Church believes that God made all creation and saw that it was good. As a diverse people of God who bring special gifts and evidences of God's grace to the unity of the Church and to society, we are called to be faithful to the example of Jesus' ministry to all persons.

An inclusive society is one in which all persons are open, welcoming, fully accepting, and supporting of all other persons, enabling them to participate fully in the life of the church, the community, and the world. The Golden Rule... "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." (Luke 6:31, NIV)

However, every four years we're exposed to competing ideologies, the partisan viewpoints of national candidates, as profoundly different versions of governing emerge as they fiercely debate their party platforms. Yes, two political camps caricaturizing and often demonizing each other.-each labeling the other party as either "right wing" or "cultural elite." The result is a cultural divide far beyond ethnic, geographic or economic differences etc. These are long-standing philosophical divisions over sensitive and divisive social issues, etc.

"Whenever Christianity gets involved with partisan politics, it's like mixing ice cream with horse manure," says Tony Campolo, author, commentator and professor emeritus of sociology at Eastern University in Pennsylvania. "It's not going to hurt the horse manure, but it's going to do havoc to the ice cream."

Michael S. Horton, author of Beyond Culture Wars: Is America a Mission Field or a Battlefield, agrees the church involvement in 2004 political strategy was unprecedented. "On the left and the right, there seems to be this push to use Christian faith and churches as a bulwark for a particu-

lar cultural agenda," says Horton, a professor at Westminster Seminar California.

As a result, he says, "God is reduced to a mascot," and the church is distracted from its primary missions of proclaiming Christ in word and sacraments, making disciples and serving as an agent of love, peace and forgiveness.

"Once you have created churches that are predominantly Republican or Democrat, you really cannot be a source for reconciliation," Horton says. "You have already taken sides."

"These political fights and battles are not what the church exists to fight," Haynes says. "The church exists to reconcile people to a higher truth and a higher reality. ... The church has a voice that speaks for justice and for peace ... for forgiveness and for repentance."

That doesn't prevent Christians from taking part in the political process individually by speaking out on policy issues and even joining political action groups, Horton says. The church is different, though. "We don't look to Caesar to legitimize anything the church does," he says. "... The kingdom of Christ just isn't headquartered in Washington D.C."

Horton warns against relying on government and political solutions to excuse Christian inaction as peacemakers and healers. "Sometimes it's easier to speak out about high prescription drug costs for the elderly than to care for our own parents when they get old," he says. "The realm of politics is impersonal. You don't really heal, restore or reconcile until human beings actually face each other."

"We have to show love, we have to show grace." Campolo says. "And it's about time that (the church is) more known by our grace and our love than by our rules and our judgments of one another. ... And that is our common ground."



Do you have a prayer request? A grateful praise? Bring it to our Prayer Chain by contacting the church office.

REQUESTS CAN REMAIN ANONYMOUS.

We are grateful to Mrs. Betty Ann Quintana for filling this role so diligently for the past several years. Pauline Castillo has graciously agreed to be our Prayer Chain Coordinator.

Every **Thursday at 10AM** a group of dedicated prayer warriors, Our Intercessory Prayer Group, meets in the Library to pray for members of our church family, and other requests mentioned on the prayer request cards, those mentioned in services each week, those written in the prayer book and called in via prayer chain. We invite any who would like to join and lift up these requests to the Lord. Contact the church office for more information.



The **Women of Prayer** is a non-denominational women's group that meet **at 7 PM on Mondays** in the UMC of AG sanctuary to pray for this church and others in the community; asking God to pour out His Spirit of redemption, deliverance, healing and salvation. Please contact *Susan Coho*.



- Trustees are paying their bills and are still below budget. Through the approval of the Finance Committee and the Church Council, \$3,000 was transferred from the Pacific Homes account to the Trustees account.
- We still have only one driver for the new church bus (donated by the Weimers) and are still hoping for other volunteers.
- We have signed a contract with the Hydrex Company to spray for ants every other month for the rest of the year. In December we will discuss what is the next step.
- In the near future we will be dedicating the re-designed sign on Halcyon in appreciation of the Oates, Walters and Wiemers families. When we find some family members of the Martins, we will dedicate the converted BBQ pit.
- Steve Shrefler has mounted the new basketball hoop. Many thanks to the Methodist Men for making this possible.
- We need to have a lighting expert come in to make some suggestions as to how to light up the choir loft area.
- The gas stove in the kitchen has been getting some reviews, and none of them are good. We will either get a bid to clean it up or get 5 or 6 Methodist Men and have a work party.
- Mike Herber will look into the cost of renting a lift to assist in cleaning the walls in Criswell Hall.
- Mike Herber is also looking into which material to use in fixing the gates from the parking lot to the patio area.
- Don McGuire would like to purchase an adjustable height bench for the organ.
- The door from Criswell Hall has been fixed. Yeah!



Welcome back Tom!
Glad to see that your 'old' arm healing well.
It is good to see you are back in full force!

TRUSTEES REPORT
June 2009
From Tom Egan, *Trustee Chair*





• S U M M E R •
TRAVEL BINGO

Summer travel is fun, but sometimes getting to the destination can take a long time. Try this homemade bingo game to entertain you and your family while you vacation this summer.

What you need:

- Sheets of 8 1/2" x 11" paper (one for each player)
- Stickers (16 for each player)
- Pencil, pen, marker or crayon

What you do:

1. Before your trip, list different things you might see as you travel.
2. Take each 8 1/2" x 11" sheet of paper and fold it in half, from top to bottom. Fold it in half again from top to bottom. Then fold it in half from side to side and then again. Unfold the paper and you should have 16 equal-sized squares, four across horizontally and four down vertically.
3. Family members write one thing from the list in each of the 16 squares. They can place them in any order. For non-readers, someone can draw pictures in each square.
4. Put the sheets and stickers in the car in an easy-to-reach place.
5. While traveling, when you see an object that's on your card, say it out loud. Put a sticker in that square.
6. The first person to get four in a row wins the first round. The first person to fill two rows wins the second round. The first person to fill the entire sheet wins the game.



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God has blessed me in so many ways in these 50 years. I cannot begin to name them. The one thing that does stand out is the relationship I had with the people and the opportunity of sharing with them the message of Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. God Bless you all!! ~ Pastor Harold

65th Anniversary D-Day of Commemorated

Remembrance from Bob Lowry

To commemorate D-Day, and the invasion of Normandy, France, Bob and Vel Lowry made their fourth trip to honor the event. They related that this was the most organized and well guarded time they have had thus far. US President Barak Obama, French President Nicolas Sarkozy, Britain's Prime Minister Gordon Brown and Canada's Prime Minister Stephen Harper were all in attendance and made memorable tributes to the veterans.

Bob and Vel flew out of LAX on Tuesday, May 26th and first went to Belgium to visit friends. After a few days, they left for Paris by TVG train, a high speed train traveling 200 mph, which took them 2 hours. They then took a bus to Saint Lo to stay with a host family. This family also has traveled to the states to stay with the Lowry's.

They took the trip to Normandy by bus at 5 AM and although most days had rain, the day of the 65th Anniversary had a clear day. They enjoyed an air-conditioned tent that featured various selections of food and drink. Bob was with the 29th Division of the US Army of which there are only 7 remaining. He was also interviewed by the #2 rated French television station and his comments were well-regarded.

Equally rewarding on these trips are the reaction in the local villages all around the area. You didn't need a uniform— just a hat with military symbols—identifies a man as a veteran and villagers all welcome you with smiles, hugs and of course a kiss on both cheeks. All in all a most rewarding reunion.



This Train is Bound for Glory

On Saturday, June 6, 2009, a couple dozen Methodist folks came together at the headquarters of the Santa Maria Valley Railroad (SMVRR) to learn about, and experience firsthand, the history of chapel cars in the United States.

Chapel railcars, 13 of them in the U.S., were mobile churches of the 1890s through 1920s, built by the Baptists, Episcopalians, and Catholics, and sent out over the railroads of the day to minister and evangelize to the untamed west.

The group met at 9:00am at the headquarters of the SMVRR (the site of the old sugar mill in Betteravia) for a continental breakfast and slide show presentation by Jamie Foster and Barry Hague. Barry is a local guy who happens to own one of the few remaining chapel cars, *Good Will*. Jamie focused on the history of the chapel cars, and Barry talked about where they are today.

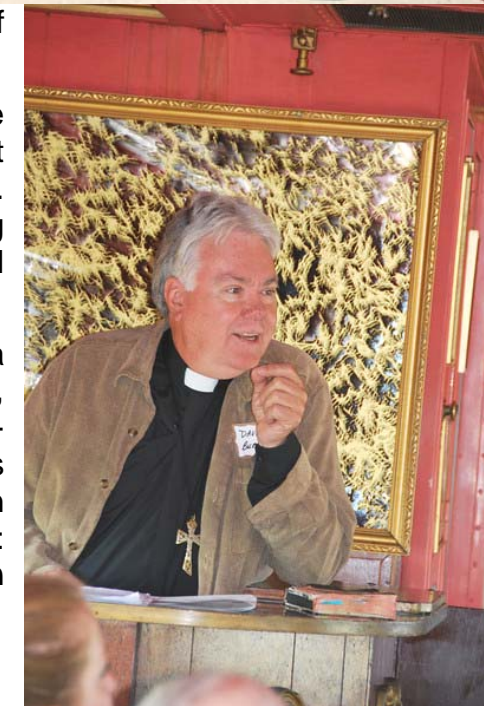
Following the presentation, the group boarded the *La Condesa*, a 1926 Pullman observation car, for a train ride along the SMVRR, including an en-route worship and Communion service led by Pastor David Burgeson (pictured at right) and Rev. Bill Foster (Jamie's Dad). Rev. Foster (pictured preaching at bottom right) spoke on "Tourist Train or First Class" (Matthew 26: 69-73, and John 21: 15-17) and Pastor David asked "Who Do You Run To?" (Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30).

Our order of worship included reading two hymns written for chapel cars at their dedications. Here's one of them:

Hymn for Chapel Car Evangel

*Roll on thou bright "Evangel". Be thine the glorious aim
To spread abroad the story. The joyous news proclaim;
Tell of our Lord's great mercy, Tell how he longs to bring
The lost from sin's dark thralldom, To own him Lord and King.
Roll on thou bright "Evangel". Go like the flying wind
Til all shall know of Jesus, The Savior of mankind.
Across the great wide prairie, By mountains sloping height
Sing songs of our Redeemer The darkened worlds great light.
Seek out the weak, the erring. Seek with an earnest hand
Guiding unto the glory. Of our Immanuel's land.
And thou, O great Jehovah, Our own true leader be
Thou who hast led and leadest to all eternity.*

It was the rousing chorus of "This Train Is Bound for Glory" that really got things rolling!





UNITED METHODIST MEN'S



NEWS

Are you a member?

It's not complicated! Begin by joining us for our monthly breakfast meetings at the Mission Inn of Pismo Beach at 8:30 AM.

Food Fellowship

Our next meeting will be on **September 19th, 2009.**



THANKS to the **UNITED METHODIST MEN** for their generosity in footing the bill for the newly installed basketball hoop in the church parking lot. Steve Shrefler purchased and installed the new equipment. Now our youth, Pastor David and others so inclined to shoot hoops can enjoy this activity. No parking space was lost and the court can be found in the southwest corner of the parking lot.

Happy 125th!

Looking Back – a Recap of 2009

- **Carl Kliesch Memorial Golf Tournament** in May 2009 was a great success. Our men netted over \$1000 for the YM Youth to attend Camp Colby this summer. *Have fun you crazy kids!!*
- All meetings went well during the 2008/09 year.
- Our **Sweetheart Breakfast** was at maximum capacity this year.
- **The Annual UMM Year-End BBQ** was a marvelous event as always. Many thanks to Dick and Patti Melsheimer for hosting our *shenanigans* once again. *See pictures on the previous page.*

Current News

- July and August our United Methodist Men will not meet due to summer vacation. *Be sure to join us in the fall!*

Looking Ahead

- The program for the first meeting (September 19) for the 2009/10 year will be **“Sailing the Hawaiian Islands”** presented by Del and Hilde Hollinger. **See You Then!**

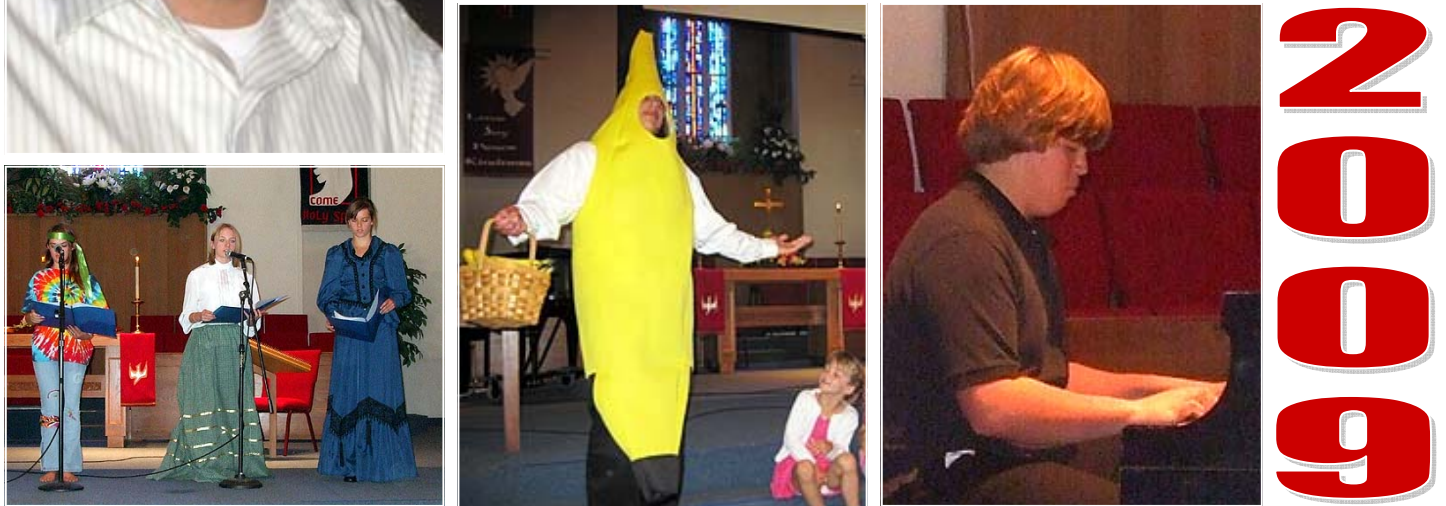
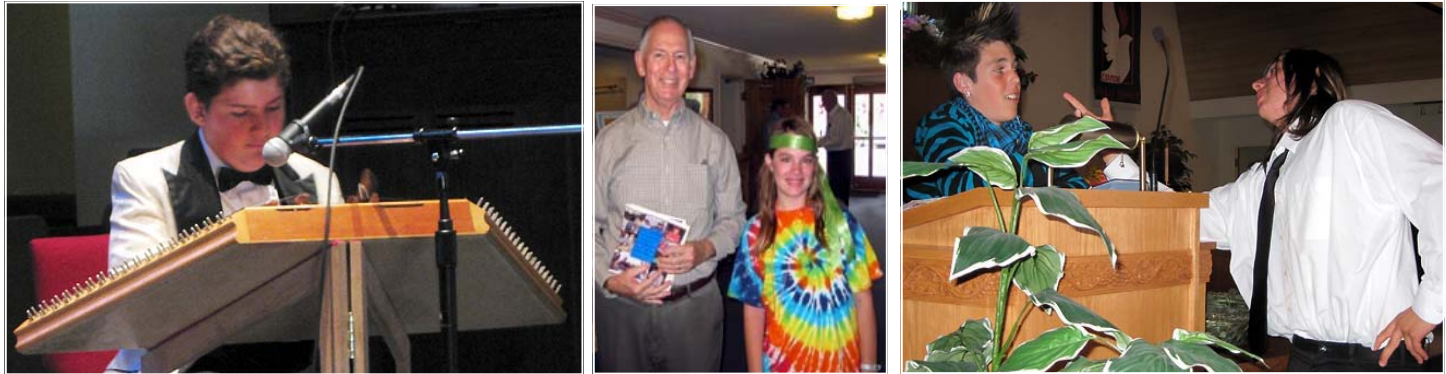
We welcome in the elected officers for 2009/10:

- **Tom Egan, President**
- **Bill Weitkamp, President-In-Charge of Programming**
- **Wayne Huggins, Treasurer**
- **Val McClure, UMM Publicity**

Thanks for all of your support this past year!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 8:30 AM Senior Exercise Group 9 AM EOC Senior Health Screening 2 PM "Traveling Light" Bible study (MMR) 6 PM "Traveling Light" Bible study (MMR) 6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal (5:30 PM s/u) (S) 7 PM UM Youth Group (215)	2 8:30 AM Senior Exercise Group 10 AM Intercessory Prayer Group 11:45 AM People's Kitchen	3 8:30 AM Bible Study (L) 4 PM AG UM Children's Center Staff Development	4
5 Coffee Hour - Board of Trustees 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service 9:45 AM Women's Bible Study (215) 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service 11:45 AM Green Umbrella Meeting (MMR)	6 10 AM UMW Workshop 5:30 PM Vacation Bible School Dinner 6PM VBS Camp EDGE (CH) 7 PM Men's Bible Study (215) 7 PM Women of Prayer (S) 7:30 PM AlaTeen (211)	7 8:30 AM Senior Exercise Group 9 AM Sew 'n' Sews (MMR) 10 AM Care-Ring Ministry (L) 10 AM UMW Workshop (MMR) 12:30 PM Chess Camp-Adventures of Dr. Chess(211) 5:30 PM Vacation Bible School Dinner (CH) 6PM VBS Camp EDGE (CH) 7 PM Trustees - move date TBD	8 8:30 AM Senior Exercise Group 5:30 PM Vacation Bible School Dinner (CH) 6PM VBS Camp EDGE (CH) 7PM UM Youth Group (215)	9 5:30 PM Vacation Bible School Dinner (CH) 6PM VBS Camp EDGE (CH) 8:30 AM Senior Exercise Group 10 AM Intercessory Prayer Group 10 AM UMW Santa Barbara District Meeting for Paso Robles UMC (MMR)	10 5:30 PM Vacation Bible School Dinner (CH) 6PM VBS Camp EDGE (CH) 8:30 AM Bible Study (L)	11
12 Coffee Hour - JOY Circle UM Youth - Junior High at Camp Colby 8:30 AM Contemporary Service 9:45 AM Women's Bible Study (215) 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service 3 PM Music for a Sunday Afternoon - 'Sax On The Beach' followed by 'Flute Quartet'	13 Junior High at Camp Colby 10AM UMW Steering (MMR) 7 PM Men's Bible Study (215) 7 PM Women of Prayer (S) 7:30 PM AlaTeen (211)	14 Junior High at Camp Colby 8:30 AM Senior Exercise Group 9 AM Sew 'n' Sews (MMR) 10 AM UMW Boutique Workshop (MMR) 10:30 AM Communications (L) 12:30 PM Chess Camp-Adventures of Dr. Chess(211)	15 Junior High at Camp Colby 8:30 AM Senior Exercise Group 2 PM "Traveling Light" Bible study (MMR) 6 PM "Traveling Light" Bible study (MMR) 7:00 PM UM Youth Group (215)	16 Junior High at Camp Colby 8:30 AM Senior Exercise Group 10 AM Intercessory Prayer Group 4 PM Preschool Board (MMR) 7 PM Finance Committee (MMR)	17 Junior High at Camp Colby 8:30 AM Bible Study (L)	18 Junior High at Camp Colby 10AM UMW Workshop (MMR) 6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal (5:30 PM s/u) (S)
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