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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF ARROYO GRANDE

WORSHIP CELEBRATION - 6TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Welcome as we celebrate this Lord's day!

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WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTOR DAVID

PRELUDE

- A Hymn of Peace (S. Landon)
- + CALL TO WORSHIP
- ONE: We call upon your name, O Lord.
- MANY: Make your face to shine upon us that we would be whole.
- <u>ONE</u>: Great is our faithfulness to all who call upon your holy name.
- MANY: The heavens proclaim your righteousness.
- ONE: Who will proclaim God's deeds?
- MANY: We bear witness to God's divine works as evidence throughout our daily lives.
- **+ HYMN No. 140** Great Is Thy Faithfulness

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- <u>ONE</u>: If we have been singing with our voices and kept the joy out of our hearts,
- MANY: Lord, have mercy on us.
- <u>ONE</u>: If we have prayed only for what was possible, and hoped only for what we could see,
- $\underline{\text{MANY}}$: Lord, have mercy on us.
- <u>ONE</u>: If we have taken your grace of granted, and expected instant answers to immediate request,
- $\underline{\text{MANY}}$: Lord, have mercy on us.
- <u>ONE</u>: If we have thought of us waiting on you, and never pondered how you wait on us,
- $\underline{\text{MANY}}$: Lord, have mercy on us.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PARDON

<u>ONE</u>: As the dove gently settles on the tree; Receive the gift of peace. As the flame rises free with light and warmth; receive the gift of life. As the wind moves and dances round the earth; receive the gracious gift of the Spirit.

SPECIAL MUSIC		Sadie Barber
JOYS AND CONCERNS WITH PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER		Pastor David
Prayer for the Giving of Tithes & Offerings Offertory		Pastor David
+ DOXOLOGY	Offertoire (G. Richolson)	
SCRIPTURE READINGJohn 6: 44—47LITURGIST:This is the word of the Lord.PEOPLE:Thanks be to God.		
Sermon	<i>Prevenient Grace</i> Pastor David M. Burgeson	
+ HYMN No. 354+ BENEDICTION	I Surrender All - verses 1,3, & 4	Pastor David
Postlude	Recessional March (S. Otis)	



Open Rearts. Open Minds. Open Noors. Prayers and Praise of the UMC of AG - 8 July 2012

In Recent Need of Comfort & Healing:

- Mary Patterson has gone on to be with the Lord, prayers for her family.
- Virgil Houlding has gone on to be with the Lord, prayers for the family.
- Wil Cawelti has gone on to be with the Lord, prayers for his family.
- Marge Stinson and family after the recent graveside service of Darrell.
- Peggy Gainer was in ICU at AG Hospital with pneumonia.
- Don McGuire is battling health issues.
- Patti Melsheimers daughter- in-law Ayleen is awaiting test results.
- Ray & Doris Douglas' son Mike had back surgery. Prayers for comfort.
- Manuel Silvestre had heart surgery on July 5th. Prayer for recovery.
- Sarah Burgeson's brother and family.

Praise Reports-God is Good!

 AG UM Children's Center raised \$246 for the <u>Wendell Curry/Susan Potts Memorial</u> <u>Financial Aid Fund</u>.

UMC of AG's Covenant Missionary:

Frido Kinkolenge (Liberia).

Cal-Pac Missionaries in the Field:

Julie & David Elmore (Alaska); John Elmore (Chile); Muriel & Terry Henderson (Mexico); Lorene & David Persons (Congo).

We Remember To Pray For:

Our pastor and his family; our church family & friends, our church youth & children, our church leaders; those in service to God around the world; the suffering, homeless and hungry; God's peace and justice for the world; our nation's current and future leaders; people suffering after natural disasters; God's peace and salvation through Christ Jesus for the world; our military & their families.

In Continued Need of Prayer & Healing: Wil Ogden, the Gandys, the

Hammonds, the Paulsons, Sean Lehman, Fenton McClure, Kent Brown, the Bucktons, Sheila Owine, Todd Everett, Eleanor Hughes, Ken Coombs, Isabella Sloan, LeAnna & Adam Gainer, Geri Nolte, Ayleen Melsheimer, the Cochrans, Paul Collagan, the Trujillos, Sharon Woodcock, Les Bradley, the Smiths, David Hildebrand, the Alsums.

Those In Care-Facilities:

Bob Atwood, Wayne Frisby, Inez Kenneaster, Vern Wizemann, Bob Serby, Bob Woods.

Our Shut-In Members:

Doris Rice, Ruby Weddell, Jeanne Jenkins, Madge Young, Yvonne Holt, Donna Truman, Elvon Houlding.



This group then, with thoughtful and heart-felt intent, embraces that prayer request. We invite you to take advantage of the <u>Prayer</u> <u>Book</u> in the Narthex and your request will be lifted up during worship today. The *Prayer Request Cards* in the pew in front of you are also available for your use—place it in the offering plate as it passes. **Be sure to indicate if your request is to remain private.**

When a prayer request is submitted to us, it is shared with a small group of church volunteers -- *real people like you and me.*

How to Bring Prayer Into Your Life

The Sabbath, a biblical mandate since Old Testament times. It is simply a call for each of us to find a time of resting with God. The keeping of it has a long history in Jewish and Christian tradition. The Sabbath is a significant practice in Christian spirituality, and today people observe 'the Sabbath' in uniquely personal ways. Some set aside time on a specific day devoting that time to prayer, reading, writing and reflection with God. Some people refer a time each morning for cherishing silence and solitude with God.

Keeping the Sabbath helps returns you to life's rhythms and natural patterns. As one United Methodist man shared, "I turn off any electronics that might distract me. I try to spend time with relationships that give me life."

Starting Sabbath Time Tips

In our overwrought, overworked, socially networked society, we need Sabbath, but many wonder how to start:

- 1. Start small! Choose a specific time to begin (there is no time like the present).
- 2. Find a quiet spot and create a sacred space.
- With humble mindset, start with prayer and meditation in the Word (free Bibles at <u>UMC.org</u>)
- 4. Ask questions of God, seek His strength, send blessing wishes to others, ALWAYS give thanks.
- 5. Incorporate stopping, resting, delighting and reflecting.

Remember these ministries within the global United Methodist Church in your prayers this week.

- July 8 Rural Mission Inc., Johan's Island, SC
- July 9 United Methodist Church: Women's Department, Harare, Zimbabwe
- HAVE YOU TALKED DGGOD July 10 Igreja Metodista: Youth and young adult leadership training programs, Minas Gerais Recife, Brazil

July 11 CIEMAL, La Paz, Bolivia

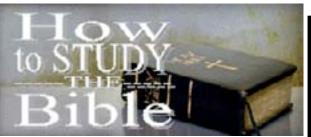
July 12 Liberia Annual Conference United Methodist Women: "Say No to Poverty" skill training for women, Monrovia, Liberia

July 13 Educacion Populiar en Salud, Concepcion, Chili

July 14 Wesley House Community Center, Knoxville, TN



Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors. The people of The United Methodist Church"



Tonight ~ 6 PM UMC of AG Sanctuary

Praise will be led by our own Youth Group Praise Band:

Beyond 490

New Testament study led by: Mike Herber Join Us—Bring a friend!



THE UMC OF AG TEAM NEEDS: Summer help with Serving and Transport.

To help, see the Ashtons or to sign-up at their table in Criswell Hall.

Five Cities Christian Women—July Meeting

Monthly potluck meeting will be held TOMORROW (July 9th) at noon at Calvary Chapel in Arroyo Grande. Our own Retired Missionary in Residence, Judy Atwood will be speaking on Haiti. We hope to see you there! Food donations always welcome please place them in the Narthex.



The <u>Walk to Emmaus</u> is a spiritual renewal program intended to strengthen the local church through the development of Christian disciples and leaders. The program's approach seriously considers the model of Christ's servanthood and encourages Christ's disciples to act in ways appropriate to being "a servant of all."

For information on this Christ-centered weekend, contact with Pastor David & Sarah Burgeson, Tina Moore, Alice Addison, Kent Unsworth, Heidi Carpentier, Bernie & Mary Hawkins, Doug & Kathleen Ballagh—some of whom will be serving on the upcoming walk again in August!

You will be glad you did! Men's Walk—August 2-5 Women's Walk—August 9-12



From the Finance Secretary: If you have a request for a Year-To-Date giving statement (as of 6/30/2012), please contact Virginia Mothes or leave a message with the church office. Have a great summer and remember, Don't take a vacation from God!

