# First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande

275 North Halcyon Road Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

# **Contact us with any questions!**

M - F from 9 AM – 1 PM (subject to change) \* Our Senior Pastor is off on Mondays.

**Church Office:** 805.481.2692

On The Web @ worshipweekly.com

Via E-mail: fumcag@sbcglobal.net

#### **AG UM Children's Center**

Program Tours Daily by appointment ONLY on Monday thru Friday 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM or 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM. Come and find out if we are a good fit for you and your child.

**Office Hours:** M—F from 8 AM—5 PM

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Be sure to fill out an information sheet and turn it into the church office so that we can update our database. Copies are available in the Narthex or via the church office. We don't want to miss your birthday, or an opportunity to send you the newsletter, as well as, pastor's weekly e-mail.



#### **Cal-Pac Conference Bishop:**

Minerva G. Carcaño

#### **North District Superintendent:**

Rev. Dr. Cedrick Bridgeforth

#### **Senior Pastor:**

Rev. David M. Burgeson

#### Missionary (retired):

Judy Atwood

#### **Church Office Administrator:**

Sarah Burgeson

Website Manager: Jamie Foster

**Choir Director:** Julie Burns

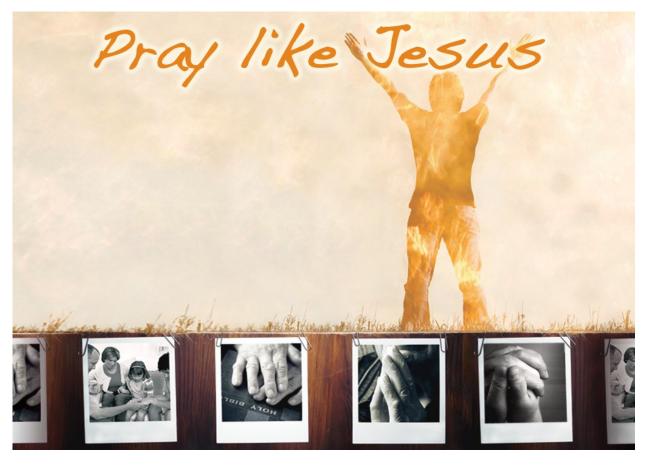
Praise Team Director: Susan Coho

Organist: Don McGuire
Choral Pianist: Dennis Eiler
Multi-Media Director: Mike Coho
Puppet People, Chair: Mike Herber
Handbell Choir Director: Leonard Lutz
Christian Education Directors:

Susan Coho, Adult Mike & Linda Herber, Youth

#### **AG UM Children's Center**

**Director:** Madrigal Quaglino



"And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

"This, then, is how you should pray:

""Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one."

**Matthew 6:5-13** 



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21 September 2014 - Discipleship: Pray

Pre-Service Music by the Lord's Crew

Welcome and News of the Church Pastor David Prayer of Adoration Susan Coho

**Handbell Introit** Earth Has No Sorrow That Heaven Cannot Feel Grande Ringers

(Arr. Karen Thompson)

**Offertory** What A Friend We Have In Jesus

Prayer for the Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Pastor David

**Scripture Reading** Luke 18:1—8 In Unison

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

"For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!"

And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

Handbell Anthem Celebrate With Ringing (Michael Mazzatenta) Grande Ringers

Praise 10,000 Reasons

All The Heavens Jesus Be The Center We Share In God's Peace (Greet the Person Next to You and Share God's Love)

**Joys and Concerns & Pastoral Prayer** 

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:5—13 Mike Herber

One: This is the word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Message <u>Discipleship: Pray</u>

Pastor David M. Burgeson

Holy Communion Liturgy (on screen)

**Communion Song** O The Blood of Jesus

★ Benediction Song The Lord Bless Thee
 Pastor David

**Recessional** Revive Us Again



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**Prelude** Hear My Prayer (F. Mendelssohn)

**Handbell Introit** Earth Has No Sorrow That Heaven Cannot Feel Grande Ringers

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\* Please rise as you are able in body and/or spirit for our Call to Worship:

One: People of God, we are together to worship and pray.

Many: We do not know how to pray.

One: Jesus Christ, our risen Lord and Savior, has taught us how to pray.

Many: But we do not know how to pray as we ought to pray.

One: The Holy Spirit engages with our spirit to pray as we ought.

Many: But how can we have the Holy Spirit?

One: Our heavenly Father gives the Holy Spirit to all who ask.

Many: Then, in the power of the Holy Spirit, we will worship and pray.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

\* Please remain standing for our opening hymn.

**Handbell Introit** Earth Has No Sorrow That Heaven Cannot Feel Grande Ringers

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Children's Moment Leonard Lutz

**Prayer of Confession** Tom Egan

<u>One</u>: Please join me in our Prayer of Confession:

All: Generous God, you are ever more ready to give than we are to receive. You bless us richly with love that knows no bounds, with peace that passes all understanding.

Yet we are often convinced that we may have greater gifts. Failing to trust your goodness, we turn elsewhere for love, seeking solace from our reputations, our

Prayer of Confession - continued

image or our possessions. We hope to find peace behind closed doors, protected by our sense of security. Even in our best efforts, we come up short; forgive us.

Loving Savior, Prince of Peace, teach us once again to follow you. Show us how to drink deeply from God's well of abundance, that we might trust your divine ways. Strengthen us to live joyfully as your disciples of love and peace. Amen

**Choral Anthem** Let All The People Say Amen Chancel Choir

Joys & Concerns with Pastoral Prayers & Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Prayer for Giving & Receiving—Our Tithes & Offerings

**Offertory** But The Lord is Mindful of His Own (F. Mendelssohn)

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Prayer For Illumination

Tom Egan

One: Please join me in our Prayer for Illumination:

ALL: Gracious Savior, you have the words of eternal life. As the Scripture is read and preached in this hour, empower us to hear it with humility and openness, so that hearing it, we may respond with courage and conviction. Amen.

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:5—13 Tom Egan

One: This is the word of the Lord.

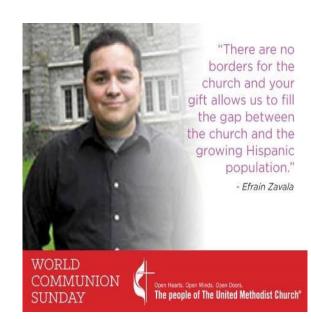
Many: Thanks be to God.

Message <u>Discipleship: Pray</u>

Pastor David M. Burgeson

**†** Benediction and Choral Response

**Postlude** Psalm XIX (B. Marcello)



## World Communion Sunday October 5, 2014

What would it look like if the church today imitated Jesus' affirmation of the full dignity and God-given potential of all women and men—especially those who've historically been assigned to the world's margins?

On **World Communion Sunday** your giving helps to provide scholarships for national and international graduate students whom God has gifted to learn and to serve.



Register Your Attendance!
Registration pads are at the end of each pew. Include mailing address, e-mail and any changes to your info.





Join us in Criswell Hall where
TODAY's Coffee Hour is hosted by:

Staff Parish Relations Team

Next Week's Host:
Communications Team



#### **Altar Flowers**

"In loving memory of my parents, Ida & Worth Grim." - Cyndee Rohla



- ☐ Please bring blankets for Blanket Sunday—more info inside.
- □ **UMM Breakfast**—Saturday at 8:30 AM (CH).
- ☐ **Sunday Night Bible Study**—at 6 PM in the Mc Millen Room.



- □ **UMC of AG Emergency Food Distribution** Monday from 1—3 PM (CH).
- □ **Women of Prayer**—Monday at 7 PM (S).
- ☐ **Men's Bible Study** Monday at 7 PM (215).
- ☐ **Senior Exercise**—T/W/Th. at 8:30 AM (CH).
- ☐ **Sew 'n' Sews** —Tuesday at 9 AM (MMR).
- ☐ **Grande Ringers Handbell Rehearsal**—Tues./ Thurs. at 5 PM (handbell room).
- ☐ **Church Work Day** Wednesday at 9 AM.
- Mary- Martha Circle—Wednesdays at 9:30AM (MMR)
- □ **Free Fellowship Supper**—Wednesday at 5 PM (CH). All are welcome.
- □ **Adult Study**—Wednesday at 5:45 PM (MMR)
- □ **Youth Group** Wednesday at 7 PM (215).
- Mission Team Meeting—Thursday at 11 AM (MMR).
- □ **Church Council**—Thursday at 6:30 PM (MMR)
- □ **UMW Book Club**—Friday at 11 AM (MMR).

Arroyo Grande Harvest Festival September 26—27, 2014

Join us at our refreshment booth.



# This week dinner is:

#### Sarah's Country Chicken Casserole

Please see Sarah Burgeson or Judy Atwood for info on how you can help.

**Adults** Sundays at 10 AM

Wednesdays at 5:45 PM

Fridays at 8:30 AM

**Youth** Wednesdays at 7 PM

Children

Sundays at 10:30 AM



We continue a series on **Discipleship** with Pastor David which will be at both services on Sunday. We will add to it on Wednesdays at 5:45 PM in the McMillen Room. We hope you will join us!

You can read ahead each week the passages below:

Join (Acts 11: 19—26)

Worship (Heb. 10:19-25)

May God bless your reading!

Watch for the new series "Heaven is For Real" beginning Sunday, October 12.



Fall Kick-Off Breakfast and Meeting September 20 at 8:30 AM

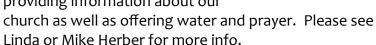
in Criswell Hall. (meal cost is \$9, please RSVP to Val McClure)

Be sure to look for our upcoming Pancake Breakfast on October 12<sup>th</sup> during the Rock the Block Weekend.

# It is time again!!

### AG Harvest Festival - 9/26-27

Volunteers are needed to run the church booths from 4 pm to 9 pm on Friday and 10 am to 6 pm on Saturday. Help is needed in two hour time **slots or more.** The booths help to reach out to the community by providing information about our



LAST CHANCE— DON'T FORGET YOUR WATER! Help us reach our goal of 3,000 bottles. Thanks!



On the 4th Saturday of each month our church hosts a Messy Church as a way of being church for families involving fun; to be a church, not a craft club, that helps people encounter Jesus as Lord and Savior; a part of a community that values being Christcentered. This is a fun time for all ages!!

See you on **September 27 at** 4 PM . Join the fun & bring a friend (or two)!

Please contact Linda Herber or Kathleen Ballagh for more details—and how to help!



#### **October 10-12 SAVE THE DATES!**

Watch your October Newsletter for details.

Check out the website on rocktheblockweekend.org



#### November 23rd **Blanket Sunday**

Pastor David will bless these blankets before they go to the People's Kitchen Annual Christmas Party and by the 5 Cities Christian Women's Food Pantry Christmas Basket distribution. How many

Can we collect between now and November 23<sup>rd</sup>?

Leave them in the Blanket Box in the Narthex. They can be brought any time and we will gather them from there.

# FEED HUNGRY®

# **UMC of AG Emergency Food Pantry**

Food is distributed from our church every MONDAY from 1—3 PM. You can help!

Donations can be made to the FUMCAG-memo UMC of AG Food Pantry.

### **UMC of AG Feed The Hungry Team**

needs help the 1st & 3rd **Wednesdays and Thursdays** of each month to help make casseroles, put together sack lunches and serve meals for our community.

> **Contact the Ashtons in** Criswell Hall to help.

# **Five Cities Christian Women Food Pantry**

Donations of non-perishable food are welcome at any time. A marked basket is in the Narthex for your convenience.

#### Monetary donations pay to: **5CCW Emergency Food**

Ministry

P.O. Box 756, Grover Beach, CA 93483

All important to the work of Jesus Christ and the ministry of His church. Any help is appreciated!

# Joys and Concerns for 14 September 2014

#### Please Pray for...

- Health and healing for those who are battling illness, depression, isolation and the loss of loved ones.
- The People's Kitchen permanent home.
- That we reach out to our community and boldly help people see Christ.
- Ellie Asprion is now at Wyndam Estates.
- Denise Martin, Gladys Paulsen's daughter, who fell and broke her leg.
- Coho's mother, Mary, passed away.
- Carol Smith for life changes.
- Margaret Coombs is having severe back pain and may need surgery.
- Esther Rayborne suffered a 2nd stroke;
   Bob Oldemeyer is battling emphezema.
- Bud & Betty Johnson's daughter will be speaking in Washington, D.C. Speaking on childhood cancer.
- Calvin Thompson's friend, Robin, who has breast cancer.
- Travel mercies for Pauline Castillo's family ly as they travel home to Texas.
- Daniel Sievert will be continuing in mission work as God leads with his dogs.
- The family of Ricky who suddenly passed away.
- Guy Oates for relief from pain.
- Buffy Prestemon's cousin Joey's husband, Phil who underwent surgery for seizures and headaches.
- Nancy St. Laurent had a knee replacement surgery and is recovering.
- The Hawkins's cousin, Junior Mitt, who is in the hospital in Fresno.
- Friend of the Weimer's, Gracie (12) has cancer and will have her leg amputated.

#### **Praise Reports**

- Thanks to the newsletter contributors who got their articles in before the deadline—from the Communications Team.
- Many thanks to the Congregational Care Team for the beautiful recognition luncheon and 103th celebrations.
- Dennis Eiler is home and doing well.
- Helen Moore's grand-daughter is in recovery after recent surgery.
- Bob Atwood turned 95; Kay Walker turned 94. Happy Birthday.
- Gloria and Mike Johnson celebrated 46 years of marriage.
- Nikki Rodriguez who was baptized.

#### **Continue to Pray for...**

Fenton McClure, Ken Coombs, Isabella Sloan, Ayleen Melsheimer, Les Bradley, Mike Douglas, Richard & Adam Gainer, Wil Ogden, the Gandy family, Rick Ventura, the Harveys, Lisa Graham, the Mark Moore Family, Don McGuire, and Cristy Van Hook.

#### Those In Care Facilities/Shut-ins...

Bob Atwood, Bob Serby, Wayne Frisby, Doris Rice, Ruby Weddell, Madge Young, Jeanne Jenkins, Donna Truman, the Bucktons, Sadie Krovious, Jerry Smith, Glen Hughes, Doug Craig, & Doris Leddy.

#### N. District Weekly Covenant Prayer

Glendale: Grace Korean—Chae Hon Nam; N. Hills: Hispanic Mission—Fred Morris

#### **Covenant Missionary**:

Tim & Juji Boyle (Japan)

#### Cal-Pac Missionaries in the Field

Charley Brower (AK), John Elmore (Chile), The Persons (Congo), Carmen Aracelis Meléndez & Alejandro Rodriguez (MX).

#### Remember in Prayer:

Our pastor and his family; church family and friends; those with the unspoken prayer; the ministries of this church; our church leaders; those serving God around the world; the hungry, displaced, sick and/ or impoverished; the many who are suffering after natural or man-made disasters and for the workers who minister to them; for God's peace & justice for the world; our nation; current leaders; salvation for the world through Jesus Christ; the military & their families; the Middle East & Syria; the unrest in the nation.

#### **Global Church Mission Focus:**

- ♣ Sept. 22: Uruguay: Children at Risk: Preventing child abuse
- ☆ Sept. 23: Israel/Palestine: Augmenting Food Production and Income to Times of Siege: Urban gardens
- ☼ Sept. 24: Israel/Palestine: Bethlehem Bible College, Vision 20-20; Training Arab Christian leaders
- ☼ Sept. 25: Israel/Palestine: Homes at Mercy Home for Disabled: Services for children, teens and the elderly
- ☆ Sept. 26: Israel/Palestine: Hope Secondary School: Educating disadvantaged children from the West Bank
- <sup>⊕</sup> Sept. 27: United Community Centers, Fort Worth, TX