



Today's Scripture

Old Testament: Exodus 20:1-17

And God spoke all these words:

“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

“You shall have no other gods before me.

“You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

“You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

“Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

“Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

“You shall not murder.

“You shall not commit adultery.

“You shall not steal.

“You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house. You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

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Arroyo Grande United Methodist Children’s Center

Program tours are given by appointment ONLY on Monday thru Friday between 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM or 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM. We invite you to visit and see if we are a good fit for your family.

Office Hours: M—F from 8 AM—5 PM
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Meet Our CHURCH STAFF

<p>Cal-Pac Conference Bishop: Minerva G. Carcaño</p> <p>North District Superintendent: Rev. Dr. Cedrick Bridgeforth</p> <p>Senior Pastor: Rev. David M. Burgeson</p> <p>Missionary (retired): Judy Atwood</p> <p>Church Office Administrator: Frances Robertson</p> <p>Website Manager: Jamie Foster</p> <p>Choir Director: Julie Burns</p> <p>Praise Team Director: Susan Coho</p>	<p>Organist: Don McGuire</p> <p>Choral Pianist: Dennis Eiler</p> <p>Multi-Media Director: Mike Coho</p> <p>Handbell Choir Director: Leonard Lutz</p> <p>Christian Education Directors: Susan Coho, <i>Adult</i> Open Position, <i>Youth</i> Carolyn Russell, <i>Children</i></p> <p>AG UM Children’s Center Director: Madrigal Quaglino (805) 481-2223</p>
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Welcome to Worship! Please take a minute to fill out the pew pad as it passes. Please silence all cell phones.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 8, 2015 — 10:30 AM Blended Worship Service

† Denotes standing as you are able in body and/or spirit

Pre-Service Music	The Lord’s Crew Boys
Welcome and News of the Church	Rev. David Burgeson
Prelude	Knowing You Dennis Eiler
Opening Prayer	Rev. David Burgeson
Congregational Sing	The Lord’s Crew
	Medley: <i>Amazing Grace</i> and <i>I Just Want To Praise You</i> <i>Shout To The Lord</i> <i>The Old Rugged Cross</i>
Prayer of Adoration	Susan Coho
Children’s Moment	Patti Melsheimer
	<i>*Children are now dismissed to their Sunday school classes.</i>
Joys & Concerns for Prayer & Thanksgiving	Rev. David Burgeson
We Sing The Lord’s Prayer	
Prayer for Giving & Receiving Tithes & Offerings	Rev. David Burgeson
Offertory	Holy, Holy Dennis Eiler
† 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.
Choral Anthem	God Is Good Soloist, Neil Prestemon Chancel Choir

Old Testament Reading	Exodus 20: 1-17	Rev. David Burgeson
New Testament Reading	1 Corinthians 1:18-25	Rev. David Burgeson
Sermon	"THE CROSS HANDLE"	Rev. Ehrhardt Lang
Closing Hymn # 389	Freely, Freely	
Postlude	I'll Fly Away	Dennis Eiler & The Lord's Crew Boys



New Testament: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written:

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate."

Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.



Hosting Coffee Hour

Today is:

All Church Coffee Hour

Next Week's Coffee Hour

Will Be Hosted By:

Mary-Martha Circle

We thank you all for your service to our church!



In Appreciation For the Langs and Their Ministry Among Us

We Welcome Today

Our guest preacher today is Rev. Ehrhardt Lang at our Combined Worship Service. Please also join us for Coffee Hour to welcome Rev. Lang and his wife, Cheryl.

Abbreviation Legend

- (S) Sanctuary (PL) Parking Lot
- (L) Library (CH) Criswell Hall
- (MMR) McMillen Room (K) Kitchen
- (P/S) Pastor's Study



Monday—3/9

- UMC of AG Emergency Food Pantry—1—3 PM (CH)
- Women of Prayer—7 PM (S)

Tuesday—3/10

- Senior Exercise—8:30 AM (CH)
- Sew 'n' Sews—9 AM (MMR)
- Grande Ringers Practice—5 PM (Handbell Room)
- Ladies Christian Counseling Groups—5 PM (L)
- Trustees —7 PM (MMR)

Wednesday—3/11

- Senior Exercise—8:30 AM (CH)
- Church Work Day—9 AM
- UMW Steering—10 AM (L)
- Free Dinner—5 PM (CH)
- Adult Lenten Study—5:45 PM (CH)
- Chancel Choir—7 PM (S)

Thursday—3/12

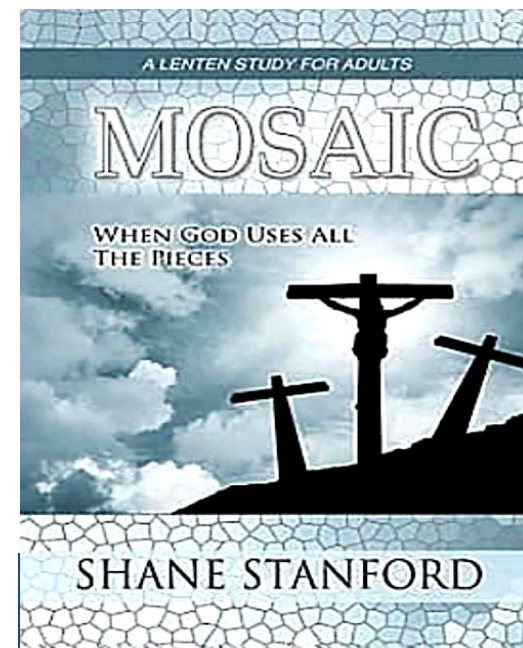
- Senior Exercise—8:30 AM (CH)
- Intercessory Prayer—10 AM (L)
- Esther Circle—12 PM (MMR)
- Grande Ringers Practice—5 PM (Handbell Room)
- Finance Team—7 PM (L)

Friday—3/13

- Bible Study—8:30 AM (L)
- Newsletter Articles Deadline—12 PM

Saturday—3/14

- North District Local Church Lay Leaders' Retreat (Chatsworth West UMC)



Our 2015 Lenten Study
MOSAIC When God Uses All The Pieces
Wednesdays
5:45 PM in Criswell Hall

MOSAIC by Rev. Shane Stanford examines how the God of the universe uses the broken pieces of our lives to reframe our purpose, turning our discarded hopes and dreams into something beautiful and useful—a mosaic in which God uses all of the pieces. The author says, "This journey will take us along the same path Jesus walked in the days surrounding his journey to Jerusalem. We will see the similarities to our own stories as well as the lessons we should pick, like pebbles along the path." This seven-session study provides one lesson for each week in Lent. Each lesson includes a key Scripture reference, a brief reading, questions for reflection or discussion, a brief prayer, and guided helps for daily Scripture reading and additional reflection in the coming week.



We have received a request for transportation to church from a lady residing at Wyndham House. Please contact the church office if you can help.



Mission Team

There will be a team going to UMCOR West in Salt Lake City, UT, April 27 - May 1, 2015. The Team Leader this year is Sandy Simpson. There will be some paperwork to complete before going so if you are interested contact her ASAP.

She says the only requirement is "A Giving Heart and Willing Hands." This is a great opportunity to "give back!"

If you are interested in going, please contact Sandy at (805) 473-5796.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Key Positions of the Church Need To Be Filled

We are currently in need:

Chair—Worship Team
Chair—Christian Ed. Team

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Pastor via the church office.