


*"Know Christ, Grow in Christ, Go—Share Christ."*

# Cast~A~Net

First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande JUNE 2015

**A Message from the Finance Chair**




**Our Stewardship Campaign Will Wrap Up Soon!**

- To those who have responded—**Thank You!**
- To the 45% of you who responded and raised their pledges—**EXTRA BIG THANK YOU!**
- To those who have not yet responded—Please turn in an estimate of giving so we can put together next year's budget.

If you have responded, please consider increasing your giving.

If everyone increases their giving, even a modest amount, we should have what we need to make next year's budget.



*Joel Anderson, Treasurer*

**June Upcoming Events**  
**SUNDAY, JUNE 7, MUSIC SUNDAY**

The choir presents special music prior to their summer break. Communion served this Sunday



**SUNDAY, JUNE 7, TOM EGAN MEMORIAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
 8:30 AM TO 10:30 AM, Criswell Hall  
*See announcement from UMM on page 4*

**SUNDAY, JUNE 14 FAREWELL POTLUCK FOR PASTOR BURGESSON**  
 FOLLOWING SUNDAY SERVICE  
 (One combined Service at 10:30 AM)  
*See More Exciting Details on Back Cover!*

**SUNDAY, JUNE 14 ELT CELEBRATES 25 YEARS**  
 The Everett Lee Taylor Memorial Scholarship Committee will be celebrating its Silver Anniversary! Established in 1990 to help defray the cost of a college education for deserving members of our church, 48 students have received financial assistance, totaling in excess of \$55,000. Please join us June 14 at the worship service as we honor the four 2015-2016 new recipients.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 28 Opportunity Drawing "Birds of America" Quilt**  
 Noon in Criswell Hall.



The quilt is 44 inches by 57 inches and features twelve authentic hand-painted birds, painted by Leona Beerup. The quilt was assembled and hand quilted by the Sew 'n Sews. Tickets are on sale now.

All proceeds go to UMW Women's Ministries.

**GOD LOVES YOU!**   
 FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of ARROYO GRANDE

# Shepherd's Notes

CALIFORNIA-PACIFIC ANNUAL CONFERENCE

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

BISHOP MINERVA G. CARCAÑO

May 17, 2015

Staff-Parish Relations Committee and  
Members of Arroyo Grande United Methodist Church

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I am writing to inform you that after much prayer, it is Bishop Minerva Carcaño's intent to appoint The Reverend Mary Birgelaitis, to serve as your Lead Pastor, effective July 1, 2015.

Pastor Mary will come to you after serving several appointments throughout the California-Pacific Conference. She is current pastor of First United Methodist Church in Ventura, California where she has helped that congregation become a more community-focused ministry, with specific ministries to serve all age levels. Pastor Mary has served in many District and Conference ministries where her zeal and zest for life and ministry has enriched and enlivened the tasks assigned each group. She is a team-player and one who lives her Christian witness by engaging people without judgment or regard for whatever labels the church or the world may place upon them.

As Pastor David, Sarah and their family makes this transition to a blissful life in retirement, and you prepare to welcome Pastor Mary, I will work with you and your Pastors to ensure a smooth and seamless transition that will benefit the fruitful and faithful ministries of Arroyo Grande United Methodist Church.

Grace and peace,

The Rev. Dr. Cedrick Bridgeforth  
North District Superintendent



INTRODUCING  
THE REVEREND  
MARY BIRGELAITIS  
APPOINTED TO SERVE  
FIRST UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH OF ARROYO GRANDE  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015



**Women's Prayer**  
**Mondays at 7 PM**  
 Women come to pray together in the Sanctuary.

**Wednesday Night**  
**Bible Study**  
 See Schedule at Right For Wednesday Times  
**FREE Fellowship Meal at 5 PM**



**Morning Bible Study**  
**Fridays at 8:30 AM**  
 Join us in the Library for Bible Study, discussion, coffee, & friends!

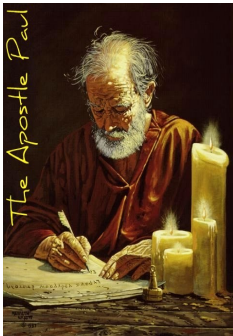


JOIN US FOR A  
**FELLOWSHIP DINNER**  
**FREE!**  
**5 PM Wednesdays in Criswell Hall**

Dates	Topics and Schedule
Wednesday, June 3	• 5:45 PM Adult Bible Study "Good Grief"—A Study on Grief
Sunday, June 7	• 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM Worship Service Sermon Based on Mark 3:20-35
Wednesday, June 10	• 6 PM Adult Bible Study "In the Footsteps of Paul, My Second Pilgrimage" — Dr. Alice Addison
Sunday, June 14	• 10:30 AM Combined Worship Service Sermon by Rev. David Burgeson
Wednesday, June 17	• 6 PM Adult Bible Study "In the Footsteps of Paul, My Second Pilgrimage" — Dr. Alice Addison
Sunday, June 21	• 10:30 AM Combined Worship Service Sermon by Rev. Rex Miller
Wednesday, June 24	• 6 PM Adult Bible Study "In the Footsteps of Paul, My Second Pilgrimage" — Dr. Alice Addison
Sunday, June 28	• 10:30 AM Combined Worship Service Sermon by Judy Atwood "Weaving A Church" based on Acts 16:11-15

**Bible Studies for Wednesdays**  
**June 10th, 17th & 24th**  
**6 PM Criswell Hall**

*Dr. Alice Addison takes us on a visual journey through New Testament Bible passages and photos of her recent pilgrimage to Greece, Aegean Islands, and Ephesus, Turkey.*



*We will see many of the places where the Apostle Paul visited and wrote to early Christian churches on his second missionary journey nearly 2000 years ago.*

**PLEASE JOIN US!**



**WEDNESDAY EVENING MEALS ?**

Is it important for us to continue offering Wednesday night free meals at 5:00 PM for the church and the community?  
 We need to pray about this.

**If so, VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to provide the meals.**

Would you be willing to commit to one Wednesday evening per month, with three others doing the same?  
 The ministry of a free meal to anyone could easily continue.  
 There are funds to reimburse for expenses if you desire.

**Let's plan ahead!**  
 Please contact Judy Atwood, Lay Leader





Helping men grow in Christ;  
so others may know Christ!

David Bauer, publicity



### TOM EGAN MEMORIAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, FROM 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM  
CRISWELL HALL

- Serving PANCAKES! Along with Scrambled Eggs, Link Sausages, Fresh Fruit, Hot Chocolate, Juice, Coffee
- Please see Wayne Huggins to get your tickets
- LET'S HAVE A GREAT TURNOUT TO REMEMBER TOM!



Tickets: \$8 adult  
\$5 youth over age 10  
Children under 10 Free



### Calling All Gardeners !

There will be a garden booth at the United Methodist Women's Holiday Boutique on November 7, 2015.

#### You can help!

Now is the time to start those new plants, whether they are succulents, ivy, geraniums or whatever is growing in your garden that you would like to share. Please let Mary Hawkins know if you will have plants to contribute to the garden booth.

Remember that all proceeds from the UMW holiday boutique go to support mission projects for women and children both at home and abroad.



### Congregational Care Committee

*Patti Melsheimer, Chair*

The Congregational Care Committee held a Friendly Visitor orientation during April for those who have volunteered to visit some of our members who are no longer able to come to church. We are still seeking others who will help us in this effort. If you would like to become a friendly visitor, please contact Patti Melsheimer. We will provide an orientation for you. This is a very rewarding activity for both the person doing the visiting and the person who is visited. You will be assigned a person to go visit on a regular basis. If you know of someone who would appreciate a friendly visit, please let our committee know.

The Caring Committee, in conjunction with the Communications Committee, has been assigned the task of creating a more formal directory, which will include pictures. This is scheduled to be out by August of this year. If you would like to assist in this project please contact Joe Brown, chair of the Communications Committee or Patti Melsheimer, chair of the Congregational Care Committee.

### A Note from Joe Brown, Communications Committee Chair

The Church Council has decided to publish a new directory for the church sometime in the late summer / early fall of 2015.



They are looking for any **volunteers who would like to do the portrait photography of each church member.** If you would be willing to participate in this production, please contact Patti Melsheimer or Joe Brown. We expect this to be a very useful tool for the entire congregation.



**United  
Methodist  
Women**

FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

*“The organized unit of the 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”*

Sally Weitkamp, Publicity

### LADIES MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON A DELIGHTFUL SUCCESS!

What a delightful luncheon and celebration of Mothers' Day we had on Saturday, May 9th! Thank you to our caterers, Gloria Johnson, Tina Moore and Vickie Lockett and to our waiters, Bernie Hawkins, Michael Johnson, Jr., Damien Stednitz, Carter Stednitz, Mike Takenaka, Peter Paredes, Alex Paredes, and Vincent Paredes. Thank you to our charming harpist, Renee David, and to our flower arranger, Crystal Cush Weitkamp. Also a thank you to our dedicated dish washer, Bill Weitkamp. A special thank you to our United Methodist Women for their help in making this a successful event.

*The winners of our Spring Theme Baskets were:*

*Doggie Basket  
Trader Joe Basket  
Children's Fun Basket  
Chocolate Basket  
Kitchen Basket  
Picnic Basket  
Sewing Basket  
Joy Relaxation Basket*

*Judy Atwood  
Rose Ann Steiner  
Shirley Worling  
Pat Weimers  
Aspen Brown  
Margie Cush  
Ayleen Melsheimer  
Judy Atwood*



### UMW LOOKS AHEAD WITH EXCITING FUTURE PLANS FOR EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES!

#### WOMEN'S SPIRITUAL RETREAT

Save the date, **Saturday, August 8th** for this year's women's retreat. It will be held at Dick and Patti Melsheimer's home again. The theme of our retreat will be "Happiness". As the last retreat received raves, this one is shaping up equally as good if not better. Arrangements are still in the making, and I will bring you more specific information in the July Cast~A~Net.

#### PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Another date to mark on your calendar is **Saturday, September 12th**. We will be holding a special event dealing with people who have disabilities and how we can be more welcoming and accommodating to them. Most of us know people with disabilities and many of us have some ourselves. We will have speakers and workshops led by experts in their fields. Look for more information in coming Cast~A~Nets.

#### HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7th

It's almost summer. Now is the time to start your slips for our plant display. Paint pretty pots or make garden art for the garden. Betty Ashton has been busy knitting. Bennie Duffin has been crocheting Christmas ornaments & angels. Get out your sewing machines, your craft materials, your woodworking tools, your paint and brushes, etc.

We have five months to come up with beautiful, unique creations.

And you cooks and bakers harvest those fruits and veggies! Can them or freeze them for later canning or baking.

Teaching workshops to be scheduled!



# Nepal

The United Methodist Church's response to the APRIL 25 EARTHQUAKE



## THE UMC RESPONSE

To date, the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) has approved a grant of \$90,000 for international partner GlobalMedic to bring sorely needed clean water to survivors. UMCOR has also granted \$85,066 to Church Auxiliary for Social Action (CASA), which is working with United Mission to Nepal (UMN) to meet emergency needs of 1,000 earthquake-affected families. The families will receive blankets, sleeping mats, cooking utensils, and hygiene kits, which contain soap, shampoo, towels, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and more.

All five Global Missionaries serving in Nepal have reported that they are safe. Dr. Lester Dornon and his wife Debbie were in the United States on missionary itineration. Dr. Mark Zimmerman, his wife Deidre and their children, and Katherine Parker were all in-country, but unharmed in the event. All are working to respond with their communities.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

- **Pray** for all who have been impacted by this emergency: for the people of Nepal, for Global Ministries and UMCOR partners at work on the ground, and for Global Ministries' five missionaries and their families assigned to serve there
- **Do not self-deploy** to the disaster area.
- **Give to UMCOR International Disaster Response, Advance #982450.** Your gifts to UMCOR International Disaster Response make it possible for UMCOR to respond quickly to emergency situations.
- **Assemble UMCOR health kits** to meet the practical needs of communities impacted by disaster. Your donations will enable UMCOR to support people in times of crisis such as in Nepal.
- **STAY informed.** Visit [www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org) and [www.umcmision.org](http://www.umcmision.org) for updates and developments

## IDEAS FROM THE LIBRARY



I know there is no church money to buy books, but maybe we can get around that if we all pull together!

Bennie and I would like to know what you would like to have added to the church library. Books are not cheap, so think carefully. Hardbacks run about \$25, cheaper at Costco. Perhaps you have some appropriate titles on your shelves at home that you would like to donate.

**My suggestion to the congregation is this—  
How about contributions to our library??**

Let's set the summer as our goal to add a few new titles to the shelves. I will gladly shop at the Christian book store in SLO (The Parable), if anyone wants to donate money.

And please don't be shy about suggestions. Maybe with a little effort we can breathe some life into those old shelves.

I will work with anyone who is willing to step forward with a positive approach. Let's give it a try.



*submitted by Jan Herber*

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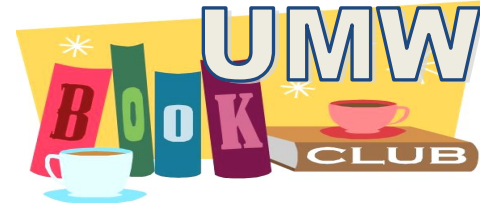
## REPORT OF THE MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

May 12, 2015

### Report to Church Council

*Chair, Paul Holden*

- Buffy Prestemon requested that she and some helpers be allowed to paint the storage cabinets in the northeast corner of Criswell Hall with chalk board paint. The Trustees agreed to allowing them to paint the inside doors of the cabinets with chalk board paint and the rest of the cabinets and other parts of Criswell Hall two shades of light blue.
- The Board agreed to reimburse Maddy \$85 for half the cost of a new hot water heater that Paul had installed in her office.
- We learned that Lorie Ford had contacted the Bishop concerning putting up an American Flag in front of the Church. The Bishop gave her verbal approval. It was agreed that Paul will request the Bishop state her opinion in writing.
- Paul had received okay's from volunteers who are willing to be part of the Church Preparedness and Disaster Plan. Paul contacted the Red Cross concerning the plan and possibility of our Church being a shelter site.
- We developed a plan for moving the finance office to the room off the northwest corner of Criswell Hall.
- Paul stated that he and Wayne Huggins agreed to create a special endowment account to be called the Donald Paul McGuire Trustees Fund. \$48,000 was invested in a Franklin Templeton Balanced Fund for the Trustees' future use.



In April our book club read *Americanah*, a novel by Chimamanda N. Adichie that is a story of “love and race centered around a young man and woman from Nigeria who face difficult choices and challenges in the countries they come to call home.” This book provided much to discuss and helped us see our country through different eyes. The book got very good reviews in both *Time Magazine* and several other periodicals. It is available at our local library if you might be interested in reading it.

For May and June we are reading *No Longer Silent, the Empowerment of Women in the Gospels* by Susan Dehn Matthews.

This book will help you hear the voices of the women in the Gospels, many of whom have been overlooked, ignored, misrepresented, or misunderstood.” Included among these women are Elizabeth, Mary and Martha of Bethany, Mary Magdalene and others that are familiar, but the author also brings to life women we rarely think about—the widow who gave everything, the woman bent double, the mother of James and John, the wife of Pilate. In total there are 34 portraits of these women.

Because this is a rather long book, we are reading the first 17 chapters for our May 22 meeting and the last 17 for our June 26 meeting.

Our group meets the fourth Friday of each month in the McMillan room at 11:30 AM. You are welcome to join us and participate in our lively discussions.

*Patti Melsheimer*

## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Do You Have a  
Church Name Tag???

If you have one, please wear it!

If you need a new one, please contact  
Frances in the church office.

She will be glad to order one for you!

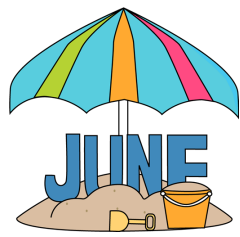
Replacement cost is \$5 for pin design or  
\$7 for magnetic closure.

**NEW ORDER TO BE MADE SOON!**

**Please call the office if you've already told  
Frances so we can confirm your order.**







Hello,

As we approach June, students and parents ready themselves for summer fun! We hope to have a great summer at First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande, as well. June lessons bring us to a study about being caretakers with our verse Psalm 8:6 – “You’ve let them rule over your handiwork, putting everything under their feet.” God created, provided and then gave us human beings the role of caretakers for all God has created. Children will be finding out about how our responsibility and power over all is not a license to exploit, but rather, a great responsibility as we care for God’s creations, our resources (so important in our world today), of ourselves, and also of others. We are partners with God. Environmental protection is more than a law; it is God’s command. As we train our children to follow God’s plan and teach them to be caretakers, we realize that we are training our future adults – our future adult caretakers.

We look forward to June 14<sup>th</sup>, when children will participate in the service. June will be a month of transitions, as we will also be saying goodbye to our pastor. We wish Pastor David and his family the very best as they begin a different path. Our church will also say goodbye to 2014-2015, and hello to our new year and our new pastor.



We look forward to a **Weekend Vacation Bible School “SonSpark Labs”** – a **scientific weekend of fun!** Kids will discover that through Jesus they can be members of God’s family and personally experience God’s formula for life – GP4U=J! **Keep July 24 - 26<sup>th</sup> open!** Keep your ears tuned, and your lab coats ready ... hint ... hint...

So, get ready to have a fun summer! See you all!  
Love,

Carolyn Russell  
Children’s Ministry Director



Special JOYS shared since the last writing. I will leave a basket with slips of paper and a pen if you need one or you can come with it prepared and just drop it in. Hope you find it and use it.

Here are the JOYS from our JOY JAR at the time of the printing since the last issue of the Cast~A~Net.

- \* Dean Foreburger is improving
- \* Praises for the life of Tom Egan at his service
- \* Thanks for cards, from Harry
- \* Thanks to Gloria for her leadership with the reception following the service
- \* Thanks for the safe arrival of Josephine Rose Baughman
- \* Congratulations to the grandparents
- \* Thanks for Norm being in church following a stint placement
- \* Clothing Giveaway was a success
- \* Celebrate first anniversary for Cristy and Lamar
- \* David and Sarah celebrating the wedding for a niece
- \* Hearing a granddaughter sing “Jesus Loves Me”
- \* Feeling better after a bout with the flu
- \* Thanks to Don Gugeler for directing the choir
- \* Kathy, friend of Cristy and Judy, able to go to rehab
- \* New job for Paul C.
- \* UMW celebration for mothers, those who provided, participated and enjoyed
- \* Opportunity to visit with Chuck Buckton and Pastor Harold
- \* All mothers
- \* Thanks for our pastor who serves faithfully
- \* My JOY is my sweet man, Lee, who gave me a commitment ring
- \* Visitors help with needed home projects
- \* Gold leaves for Tom and Don on the Tree of Life
- \* Thanks for UMM leadership to Bud Johnson
- \* Thanks for returned health
- \* Thanks for a good start with school
- \* Thanks for a sale in escrow

How exciting to witness to the JOYS among us in the congregation and beyond. I am excited to see how we fill the JOY JAR with the JOYS we have experienced each month.

...Judy Atwood, Lay Leader



# News from the Mission Team

By Judy Atwood, chair

## MISSION TEAM: June 2015

Judy Atwood

### MISSION HIGHLIGHTS:

New things to report this edition....so read carefully so as not to miss out. 1. Meet Gary Locklear 2. Gift from Don McGuire 3. 2015 Mission Projects 4. Special Giving Totals for 2015.

### GOD'S STEADFAST LOVE...IN ACTION

1. MEET GARY LOCKLEAR, CHURCH AND COMMUNITY WORKER AND HOME MISSIONER. Gary is a Church and Community Worker and Home Missioner with the General Board of Global Ministries. He is currently assigned to the North Carolina Annual Conference in the Rockingham District, working with the Native American Cooperative Ministry. His focus is on leadership development within the 13 congregations of Native Americans and their communities. *"I am doing more and more in the area of mission outreach, recruiting teams and individuals from my own Native American community to make life better for the poor."* I asked him about projects dealing with Hunger, Poverty and Health Care. He shared the following with me. *"One in particular is a water issue. One of the Coop churches has well water and it's really bad. I spent most of the past six months adding new bathrooms and showers to this tiny church and they have a real problem with the water. We need a filter system and treatment chemicals. It is cotton country so years of pesticides and high iron content have ruined all the fixtures not to mention the health of the members and the entire community. Public water is not an option. It's estimated that getting public water to the church would cost \$35,000 so we have to correct what we have. I am also working with Volunteers in Medicine to try and establish a Free Clinic for that community."*

2. GIFT FROM DON MCGUIRE. We have received a generous gift from Don McGuire's trust at his death. While we miss him greatly, his generosity will help us provide mission \$ to projects of our selection. Thanks, Don.

3. 2015 MISSION PROJECTS We hope to be selecting projects related to our Covenant Missionary and other missionaries soon. We will share stories of these projects as we get them. We will be sharing a story from one of their projects dealing with Hunger and Poverty and Health Care soon. It will be interesting to learn about what the ministry in their parts of the world is doing about these areas of need.

*Many hands have continued to do many things.*





### 4. SPECIAL GIVING TOTALS FOR 2015

ELT Scholarships	\$ 25.00
Human Relations Sunday	35.00
Native American Sunday	236.00
One Great Hour of Sharing	406.00
People's Kitchen food	187.40
People's Kitchen Misc.	2,440.00
Rev. Lang Mission Fund	5,200.00
South County Food Bank	187.42
<b>4 MONTHS TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$8,716.82</b>

### **A THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION.**

**DON'T ASK GOD TO GUIDE YOUR FOOTSTEPS,  
IF YOU'RE NOT WILLING TO MOVE YOUR FEET.**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	<b>1</b> <b>Pastor's Day off</b> <b>1 PM</b> EM Food Pantry (CH) <b>7 PM</b> Women of Prayer (S)	<b>2</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>9 AM</b> Sew 'n' Sews (MMR) <b>5 PM</b> Grande Ringers Practice (Handbell Room) <b>5 PM</b> Ladies Christian Counseling (L)	<b>3</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> People's Kitchen Prep-Day (K) <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>9 AM</b> Church Work Day <b>9:15 AM</b> Storytime with Pastor David & Goodie Bear (N) <b>5 PM</b> Free Dinner (CH) <b>5:45 PM</b> Adult Bible Study "Good Grief" (CH)	<b>4</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>9:15 AM</b> Storytime with Pastor David & Goodie Bear (N) <b>10 AM</b> Intercessory Prayer (L) <b>11:30 AM</b> People's Kitchen - leave to serve <b>5 PM</b> Grande Ringers Practice-Handbell Rm	<b>5</b> Spirit Day at AG UM CC - wear your shirts! <b>8:30 AM</b> Bible Study (L) <b>3:30 PM</b> AG UM CC Closed	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b> CHOIR SUNDAY Choir completes their choral season today - A new season begins in September.  <b>8:30 AM</b> Contemporary Service <b>10:30 AM</b> Traditional Service  <b>8:30 AM</b> UMM Pancake Breakfast-8:30 AM-10:30 AM <b>12 PM</b> Christian Education Team (MMR)	<b>8</b> <b>Pastor's Day off</b> <b>1PM</b> EM Food Pantry (CH) <b>7:00 PM</b> Women of Prayer (S)	<b>9</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>9 AM</b> Sew 'n' Sews (MMR) <b>5 PM</b> Grande Ringers Practice (Handbell Room) <b>5 PM</b> Ladies Christian Counseling Groups (L) <b>7 PM</b> Trustees (CH)	<b>10</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>9 AM</b> Church Work Day <b>10 AM</b> UMW Steering (L) <b>5 PM</b> Free Dinner (CH) <b>6 PM</b> Adult Bible Study Session 1 (CH)	<b>11</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>10 AM</b> Intercessory Prayer (L) <b>12 PM</b> Esther Circle (MMR) <b>5 PM</b> Grande Ringers Practice-Handbell Rm <b>7 PM</b> Finance Team (MMR)	<b>12</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Bible Study (L) <b>12 PM</b> Deadline Newsletter-Church Office	<b>13</b> <b>5:30 PM</b> Praise Team Set-Up (S) <b>6:30 PM</b> Praise Team Practice (S)	
<b>14</b>  Pastor David's Final Sunday Preaching  <b>10:30 AM</b> Combined Worship Service  <b>11:30 AM</b> Potluck Honoring Pastor David & His Family (CH)	<b>15</b> <b>Pastor's Day off</b> <b>1 PM</b> EM Food Pantry (CH) <b>7 PM</b> Women of Prayer (S)	<b>16</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>9 AM</b> Sew 'n' Sews (MMR) <b>10 AM</b> Communications Team (L) <b>1:30 PM</b> Preschool Board - open session (MMR) <b>2:30 PM</b> Preschool Board - closed session (MMR) <b>5 PM</b> Ladies Christian Counseling Groups (L) <b>7 PM</b> JOY Circle (at member's home)	<b>17</b> Cal-Pac Annual Conference for Lay and Clergy <b>8:30 AM</b> People's Kitchen Team Prep-Day (K) <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>9 AM</b> Church Work Day <b>5 PM</b> Free Dinner (CH) <b>6 PM</b> Adult Bible Study Session 2 (CH)	<b>18</b> Cal-Pac Annual Conference for Lay and Clergy <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>10 AM</b> Intercessory Prayer (L) <b>11:30 AM</b> People's Kitchen - leave to serve <b>6:30 PM</b> AG UM Children's Center Graduation (S)	<b>19</b> Cal-Pac Annual Conference for Lay and Clergy UMM Cabinet Wrap-Up Meeting  <b>8:30 AM</b> Bible Study (L)	<b>20</b> Cal-Pac Annual Conference for Lay and Clergy	
<b>21</b> <b>10:30 AM</b> Combined Worship Service  Rev. Rex Miller, preaching  Coffee Hour by Congregational Care	<b>22</b> <b>Pastor's Day off</b> <b>1 PM</b> EM Food Pantry (CH) <b>7 PM</b> Women of Prayer (S)	<b>23</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>9:00 AM</b> Sew 'n' Sews (MMR) <b>5:00 PM</b> Ladies Christian Counseling Groups (L)	<b>24</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>9:00 AM</b> Church Work Day <b>9:30 AM</b> Mary-Martha (MMR) <b>5:00 PM</b> Free Dinner (CH) <b>6:00 PM</b> Adult Bible Study Session 3 (CH)	<b>25</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>10 AM</b> Intercessory Prayer (L)	<b>26</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Bible Study (L) <b>11 AM</b> UMW Book Club (MMR)	<b>27</b> <b>7:30 AM</b> California Poppy Decorative Artists (CH) <b>5:30 PM</b> Praise Team Set-Up (S) <b>6:30 PM</b> Praise Team Practice (S)	
<b>28</b> <b>10:30 AM</b> Combined Worship Service  Judy Atwood, preaching  Coffee Hour by Finance Team	<b>29</b> <b>Pastor's Day off</b> <b>1:00 PM</b> EM Food Pantry (CH) <b>7:PM</b> Women of Prayer (S)	<b>30</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Senior Exercise (CH) <b>9:00 AM</b> Sew 'n' Sews (MMR) <b>5:00 PM</b> Ladies Christian Counseling Groups (L)					

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**Friday, June 12th at Noon**

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## Special Service Music During The Summer



We are starting to schedule summer special music for the second worship service.

Volunteer to sing a solo, duet, form a small combo group, play an instrument!

*Please contact Julie Burns.*

**Share your talents with God and your church.**



## Youth Ministry

**The Church has a staff opening**

**for a part time**

**Youth Director!**

**Please contact the church office for a job description and an application.**

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

### Key Volunteer Positions

**of the Church**

**Need To Be Filled**

**We are currently in need—**

Chair—Worship Team  
 Chair—Christian Education Team  
 If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Pastor via the church office.

## Celebrating a BIRTHDAY

Neil Prestemon	June 1
Mike Reineke	June 4
James Steiner	June 5
Ray Douglas	June 7
Sadie Krovious	June 8
Bill Weitkamp	June 11
Lili Bauske	June 14
Janice Moore	June 15
Dennis Eiler	June 16
Steve Shrefler	June 17
George Stewart	June 17
Pauline Castillo	June 18
Connie Clark	June 19
Gloria Johnson	June 19
Dick Gainer	June 20
BG Perriguy	June 20
Jean Hubbard	June 22
Victoria Paredes	June 24
Dee Anna Shrefler	June 27
Bobbi Merris	June 28



**Did we miss a birthday?**  
 Contact our church office...we need you to fill out an information form for you and your family.





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### Retirement Potluck for Pastor Burgeson

A farewell retirement potluck for Pastor David Burgeson is scheduled on June 14, 2015, which is Pastor David's last day preaching at the First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande. His last date of service will be June 30, 2015. Pastor David has chosen to retire after being a spiritual leader of UMC for seven years. Pastor David has been supportive of the UMC Children's Center and has met with the children for story time on a monthly basis. He has led adult Bible studies and has been supportive of Mission projects. Pastor David went on volunteer projects to Mississippi to help rebuild homes and churches. Our caring and devoted Pastor will be missed by many in our congregation.

The Staff Parish Committee has set a Hawaiian theme for the potluck as Pastor David loves Hawaii and Hawaiian shirts. So bring your salads, desserts, and main dishes, and wear your Hawaiian garb to the Farewell Retirement Potluck!! This will be a special potluck to say *Aloha* and *Mahalo* to Pastor David and his family.



There will also be a basket for people who would like to leave an individual card for Pastor David and his family.

*Staff Parish Committee*