

**JEREMIAH**  
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**HERE IS HOW TO KEEP GOING.**

**First United Methodist Church  
of Arroyo Grande**

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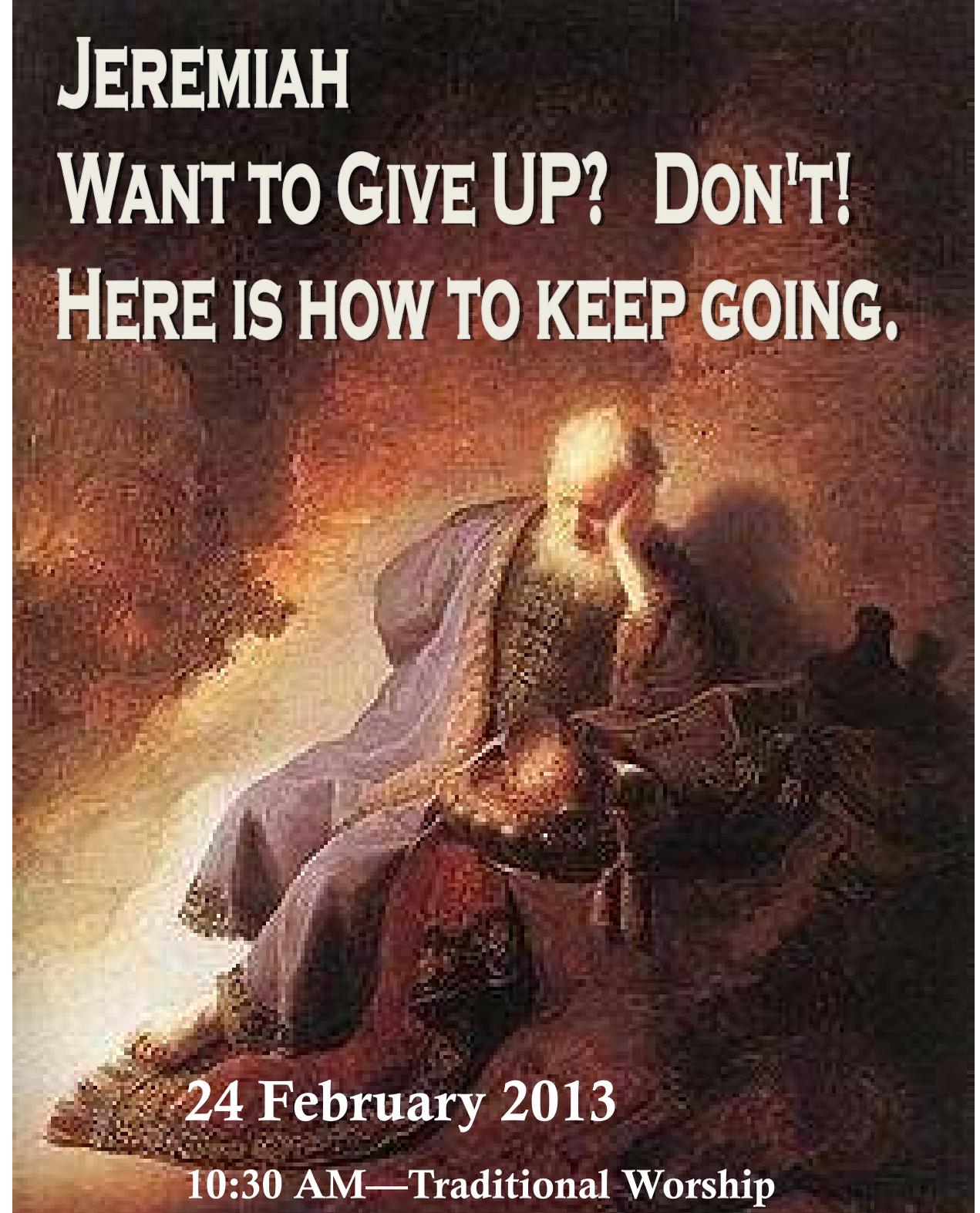
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M - F from 9 AM – 1 PM (*subject to change*)

*Pastor's day off is Monday.*

**24 February 2013**

**10:30 AM—Traditional Worship**





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*“This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.” Psalm 118:24*

**Welcome to our 8:30 AM casual worship service! 24 February 2013 – Second Sunday of Lent**

Nursery Care available \* Elementary aged children are dismissed during worship \* Hearing devices available. \* Worship is led by The Lord’s Crew.

## Welcome and News of the Church

Pastor David

### Opening Praise

*All Hail King Jesus*

### ✠ Scripture Reading Jeremiah 29: 10—14

“For thus says the LORD, ‘When seventy years have been completed for Babylon, I will visit you and fulfill My good word to you, to bring you back to this place. For I know the plans that I have for you,’ declares the LORD, ‘plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. You will seek Me and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart. I will be found by you,’ declares the LORD, ‘and I will restore your fortunes and will gather you from all the nations and from all the places where I have driven you,’ declares the LORD, ‘and I will bring you back to the place from where I sent you into exile.’”

### ✠ Opening Prayer

Pastor David

### Praise

*Come Just As You Are; Offering; Jesus Be The Center*

### Prayer of Adoration

Susan Coho

**\*\* Children are dismissed at this time to their Sunday School class.**

### Prayer for Tithes and Offerings As We Worship in Giving

Pastor David

### Offertory

*Jesus What A Wonder You Are*

**We Share in God’s Peace – Please take a minute to greet those around you.**

### Joys and Concerns with Prayers and Thanksgiving

### Pastoral Prayer

Pastor David

### Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 1:4-8; 20: 7—18; 32: 42—43

Mike Herber

### Message

**Jeremiah: Want to Give Up? Don’t! Here Is How to Keep Going.**

Pastor David M. Burgeson

### Communion Scripture

I Corinthians 11:23-26

In Unison

### Communion Song

*On Bended Knee I Come*

### ✠ Benediction Song

*The Lord Bless Thee*

Susan Coho

### ✠ Recessional

*I Will Sing of My Redeemer!*

## Jeremiah 1:4-8

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I have appointed you a prophet to the nations.” Then I said, “Alas, Lord GOD! Behold, I do not know how to speak, because I am a youth.” But the LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am a youth,’ because everywhere I send you, you shall go, and all that I command you, you shall speak. “Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you,” declares the LORD.

## Jeremiah 20: 7—18

O Lord, You have deceived me and I was deceived; You have overcome me and prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. For each time I speak, I cry aloud; I proclaim violence and destruction, because for me the word of the Lord has resulted in reproach and derision all day long. But if I say, “I will not remember Him or speak anymore in His name,” Then in my heart it becomes like a burning fire shut up in my bones; and I am weary of holding it in, and I cannot endure it. For I have heard the whispering of many, “Terror on every side! Denounce him; yes, let us denounce him!” All my trusted friends, watching for my fall, say: “Perhaps he will be deceived, so that we may prevail against him and take our revenge on him.” But the Lord is with me like a dread champion; therefore my persecutors will stumble and not prevail. They will be utterly ashamed, because they have failed, with an everlasting disgrace that will not be forgotten. Yet, O Lord of hosts, You who test the righteous, who see the mind and the heart; let me see Your vengeance on them; for to You I have set forth my cause. Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord! For He has delivered the soul of the needy one from the hand of evildoers. Cursed be the day when I was born; let the day not be blessed when my mother bore me! Cursed be the man who brought the news to my father, saying, “A baby boy has been born to you!” And made him very happy. But let that man be like the cities which the Lord overthrew without relenting, and let him hear an outcry in the morning and a shout of alarm at noon; because he did not kill me before birth, so that my mother would have been my grave, and her womb ever pregnant. Why did I ever come forth from the womb to look on trouble and sorrow, so that my days have been spent in shame?

## Jeremiah 32: 42—43

For thus says the LORD, ‘Just as I brought all this great disaster on this people, so I am going to bring on them all the good that I am promising them. Fields will be bought in this land of which you say, “It is a desolation, without man or beast; it is given into the hand of the Chaldeans.”’



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## Welcome and News of the Church

Pastor David

## Prelude

*Andante—From “Cello Sonata” (Cervetto)*

## Choral Introit

*Even In The Valley*

Chancel Choir

## ✠ Call To Worship

Tom Egan

One: Out of the depths of our struggles, we cry to you O Lord.

**Many: Come now here, Lord God, and renew us.**

One: Our of depths of our sins and failures, we cry to you, O Lord.

**Many: Come now here, Lord God, and redeems us.**

One: Out of the depths of our pains and hurts, we cry to you, O Lord.

**Many: Come now here, Lord God, and forgive us.**

**ALL: Here together we have come to worship and give God praise and thanks.**

## ✠ Opening Hymn No. 185 *When Morning Gilds the Skies*

## Children’s Moment

Puppet People

**\*Children are dismissed at this time to their classes with their teachers.**

## Prayer of Confession

Tom Egan

One: Out of the depths of our pains and hurts, we cry to you, O Lord.

**ALL: We want to believe, O God, that we bring our whole selves, our whole hearts to you—but we don’t. You ask us to share the good news of the gospel—but we don’t. You ask us to put your concerns above our worldly concerns—but we don’t. Forgive us for all those times when we fall short, when we doubt, when we are tempted. Help us to stand before you with our whole selves—trusting that it is you who makes us whole. Amen.**

## Words of Assurance

Tom Egan

ONE: Beloved, our Lord was rejected taunted, beaten and crucified— and raised from the dead on the third day. Though we fall short, we believe and share the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

## Choral Anthem

*What A Friend We Have in Jesus*

Chancel Choir

Soloist: Victoria Lowrie

## Joys and Concerns with Prayers and Thanksgiving

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Pastor David

## Prayer for the Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Pastorale (Corelli)*

✠ Doxology

## Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 1:4-8; 20: 7—18; 32: 42—43

Raelene Eilsan

One: This is the word of the Lord.

**Many: Thanks be to God.**

## Message

*Jeremiah: Want to Give Up? Don’t! Here Is How to Keep Going.*

Pastor David M. Burgesson

✠ Closing Hymn No. 140

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

✠ Benediction and Choral Response

Postlude

*Dedication (R. Franz)*

## **24 February 2013 – Our Church Family and Friends In Need of Prayer:**

- Health and healing for those in our church family who are ill.
- Comfort for the families of those who have gone on to be with the Lord.
- The financial welfare and stewardship of our church and its members.
- Church family and friends dealing with this difficult cold and flu season.
- Mary Hawkins brother Fred has a pacemaker procedure this past week.
- Kaz Ikeda passed away February 11. Prayers for the family (Service was 2/16).
- Alan Weddell passed away. Prayers for the family.
- Continue to lift up Harold Bailey in prayer.
- Gene Mandac is home under and now under hospice.
- Ron Johnson, a friend of the Ashtons, after his recent surgery; prayers for daughter Bev.
- Glen Hughes is having health issues and needs prayer.
- Susan Sandel needs healing for her kidneys.
- Continued prayer for Paul Collagan.
- Leonard Lutz was in a car accident; he also has a torn rotator cuff.
- Jan Treat's Son's girlfriend's daughter was in a motorcycle accident.
- Raymond (17) and Anthony (19) are suffering from anger management and physical issues. Prayers for Jim Duffin as he mentors these young men. That they make wise decisions.
- Pauline Castillo had oral surgery this past week. Prayers for a rapid healing and comfort.
- Joy Collin's grandson, Todd Everett, passed away. Prayers for the family.

### **Praise The Lord for His Goodness and Mercy!**

- Sharon Roemer's niece had a baby. Congratulations to the family.
- Friend of Dennis Eiler, Patricia, is home recovering from a heart attack and concussion.
- Gloriann Bellino is visiting with us until March and thanks the church for being welcoming.

### **Our Covenant Missionary:** Frido Kinkolenge (Liberia)

**Cal-Pac Missionaries in the Field:** Julie & David Elmore (Alaska), John Elmore (Chile), Lorene & David Persons (Congo), Muriel & Terry Henderson (Mexico).

**We Remember in Prayer:** Our pastor and his family; our church family and friends; the youth and children's ministries of this church; our church leaders; those in service to God around the world; those who are hungry, displaced, sick or in poverty because of these and other natural and human-made disasters, and for the workers who minister with them; for God's peace and justice for the world; our nation's current and future leaders; salvation for the world through Jesus Christ; those serving in the military and their families; the Middle East.

**Continue to Pray For:** Gladys Paulsen, Kent Brown, the Smiths, Sean Lehman, Fenton McClure, the Bucktons, Sheila Owine, Ken Coombs, Isabella Sloan, the Noltes, Ayleen Melsheimer, Les Bradley, Sharon Woodcock, Tom Egan, Ann Williamson, Mike Douglas, Richard Gainer, Adam Gainer, Wil Ogden, the Gandy family, Kathy Schepers.

**In Care Facilities & Shut-in Members:** Bob Atwood, Bob Serby, Inez Kenneaster, Wayne Frisby, Lew Hammond, Doris Rice, Ruby Weddell, Yvonne Holt, Madge Young, Elvon Houlding, Jeanne Jenkins, Donna Truman, Esther Miller, Harold Bailey.



Please use this space to write down any part of today's message that speak to your heart, as Pastor David shares today's message taken from ----- entitled, **Daniel:**



# 24 February 2013

## The Bulletin Board

A Calendar of UMC of AG's Events is available in church newsletter or visit our church website at [worshipweekly.com](http://worshipweekly.com)!

**Coffee & Fellowship Hour TODAY** is hosted by **Communications Team**. Next week's host is the **Board of Trustees**. Thank you to all who serve us during this fellowship time.

**Altar Flowers** – “Happy Birthday to my wonderful daughter, Michelle Paredes -love mom.” If you would like to make a dedication, please find the Altar Flower Binder in Criswell Hall. Your \$25 donation for each dedication and floral arrangements can be placed in the offering plate or mailed to the church office (NOTE: “Altar Flowers” on your payments).

### **On Today's Schedule:**

- **Bible in 90 Days Study Group** meets at **9:50AM** in the **McMillen Room**. Join as we go a little deeper into the *Bible in 90 Days*.
- **VBS Information Meeting TODAY** at **11:45 AM** in the McMillen Room.
- **How To Study the Bible – TONIGHT** at **6 PM** in the **McMillen Room**.

### **On This Week's Agenda – Get out your calendar:**

- **Sew 'n' Sews Quilting Group** – Tuesday at 9 AM in the McMillen Room.
- **Senior Exercise** – Tues., Wed., Thurs. at 8:30 AM in Criswell Hall.
- **Handbell Choir Rehearsal** – Tues. & Thurs. at 5 PM in the Handbell Room.
- **All-Church Work Day** – Wednesday at 9 AM - Come and help as you are able.
- **Mary-Martha Circle** – 2/27 at 9:30 AM in the McMillen Room.
- **Bible in 90 Days Study** – Wednesday at 2 PM in the McMillen Room.
- **Weekly Fellowship Dinner** – Wednesday at 5:15 PM in the McMillen Room.
- **Bible in 90 Days Pastor's Study** – Wednesday at 6 PM in the McMillen Room.
- **Kid's Night Out** – Wednesday at 6 PM in Criswell Hall.
- **Youth Group** – Wednesday at 7 PM in the youth lounge.
- **Chancel Choir Rehearsal** – Wednesday at 7 PM in the Sanctuary.
- **UMW Book Club** – 2/28 at 12 noon in the McMillen Room – bring a sack lunch.
- **Church Council** – 2/28 at 7 PM in the McMillen Room.
- **Morning Bible Study** – Friday at 8:30 AM in the Library.

**NO Mission Potluck and Well Project Fundraiser TODAY** - Watch for a new date.

**MANY THANKS** to all who came to the **AG UM Children's Center Rain Gutter Regatta and Spaghetti Dinner** on Friday, February 22. Your support is always appreciated!

**What's for Dinner?** **Wednesday Night Dinner will be a Taco Bar.** Sign up in Criswell Hall to bring ingredients. Contact Sarah Burgeson or Judy Atwood – Thanks!

### **The Five Cities Christian Women's Food Ministry** –

- **HELP WANTED:** Workers needed at the food pantry. IF you have a couple of hours a week to volunteer to serve, leave your name and number with the church office.
- **We are always in need of non-perishables** – bring donations to the church Narthex. Thank you for your support!

**The UMW Book Club** will meet on Thursday, February 28 at 12 noon in the McMillan Room. Bring your own sack lunch (beverages and dessert will be provided).

**Church Council** will meet on Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM in the McMillen Room. In November of 2012, the required charge conference action took place. The church budget, the nominations report is what will be the topic for the evening. All church members are welcome to attend.

**LOST and FOUND** – A blue and silver umbrella was left in the Library several weeks ago. Find a Bennie Duffin or Marian Middleton for details.

**Emmaus Walk News** - Pastor David and Sarah Burgeson, Mary and Bernie Hawkins, Tina Moore, as a few others you know from our church community will be gone for part or all of these two weekends. Please keep them in your prayers as they give this weekend in service to Christ and the pilgrims on this journey.

- **Emmaus Men's Walk #48: February 28 - March 3, 2013**
- **Emmaus Women's Walk #48: March 7 - 10, 2013**

If you are interested in attending the walk in the fall, please contact Pastor David & Sarah Burgeson. *We would love to share this life changing gift with you.*

**UMW Want YOU to celebrate Cinco De Mayo with us (a day early) - Save May 4<sup>th</sup> on your calendar** for a time of fellowship, discussion on Immigration and themed luncheon. More information will be released as it comes.

**Easter Lilies are coming!** Each flower/plant comes with a dedication in the Easter Sunday bulletin and the flower is yours to keep or bless someone with.

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### **Please Pray Daily For These Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church** –

**Feb. 24:** New Bethlehem Community Center, Augusta, Georgia; **Feb. 25:** Tanzania United Methodist Church: Susannah Wesley Training Center; **Feb. 26:** Ethics and the Bible in a global context, Universidad Biblica Latino Americans; **Feb. 27:** Child Rescue Center, Sierra Leone; **Feb. 28:** Methodist Program of Community Development in Togo: Promoting the activities of poor women in Lome and its suburbs, Togo; **Mar. 1:** Czech Republic in Mission Together, Czech Republic; **Mar. 2:** Paine College, Augusta, Georgia