

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.

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On The Web @ worshipweekly.com

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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.*

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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 newslet-
ter, as well as, pastor's weekly e-mail.

Meet Our CHURCH STAFF

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

10:30 AM Worship - Order of Service

HELLO
my name is

CHRISTIAN

And the disciples were called
Christians first in Antioch. -Acts 11:26

Now those who had been scattered by the persecution that broke out when Stephen was killed traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus and Antioch, spreading the word only among Jews. Some of them, however, men from Cyprus and Cyrene, went to Antioch and began to speak to Greeks also, telling them the good news about the Lord Jesus. The Lord's hand was with them, and a great number of people believed and turned to the Lord.

News of this reached the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch.

When he arrived and saw what the grace of God had done, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts. He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a great number of people were brought to the Lord.

Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, and when he found him, he brought him to Antioch. So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul met with the church and taught great numbers of people. The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.

Acts 11:19—26



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✠ DENOTES STANDING AS YOU ARE ABLE

28 September 2014 - Discipleship: Christians

Pre-Service Music by the Lord's Crew

Welcome and News of the Church

Pastor David

Opening Praise

✠ Scripture Reading Joshua 4:1-3; 18-24

In Unison

When the whole nation had finished crossing the Jordan, the Lord said to Joshua, "Choose twelve men from among the people, one from each tribe, and tell them to take up twelve stones from the middle of the Jordan, from right where the priests are standing, and carry them over with you and put them down at the place where you stay tonight."

And the priests came up out of the river carrying the ark of the covenant of the Lord. No sooner had they set their feet on the dry ground than the waters of the Jordan returned to their place and ran at flood stage as before. On the tenth day of the first month the people went up from the Jordan and camped at Gilgal on the eastern border of Jericho. And Joshua set up at Gilgal the twelve stones they had taken out of the Jordan. He said to the Israelites, "In the future when your descendants ask their parents, 'What do these stones mean?' tell them, 'Israel crossed the Jordan on dry ground.' For the Lord your God dried up the Jordan before you until you had crossed over. The Lord your God did to the Jordan what he had done to the Red Sea when he dried it up before us until we had crossed over. He did this so that all the peoples of the earth might know that the hand of the Lord is powerful and so that you might always fear the Lord your God."

✠ Opening Prayer

Pastor David

Praise

El Shaddai

Jehovah

MEDLEY: *We Bow Down; I Just Want To Praise You*

Prayer of Adoration

Susan Coho

Prayer for the Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Pastor David

Offertory

Seek Ye First

We Share In God's Peace (Greet the Person Next to You and Share God's Love)

Joys and Concerns & Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading

Acts 11:19—26

Sarah Burgeson

One: This is the word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Message

Discipleship: Christians

Pastor David M. Burgeson

Holy Communion Liturgy (on screen)

Communion Song

Speak To Me Lord

✠ Benediction Song

The Lord Bless Thee

Pastor David

Recessional

How Great You Are



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Welcome and News of the Church

Prelude (F. Mendelssohn)

Choral Introit *Praise, Praise the Lord* (by Jay Althouse) Chancel Choir

✠ **Call To Worship** Sarah Burgeson

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

One: Jesus said, "I am the door."

Many: Through him we enter into a new life.

One: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world."

Many: We are enlightened by his presence and have the light of life.

One: Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life."

Many: His word of truth shows us the way that leads to life.

One: Jesus said, "I am the vine."

Many: From him we branch out to do his work.

One: Jesus said, "I am the bread of life."

Many: Our souls are nourished by his word.

One: Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd."

Many: He guides us and protects us. We look to the Good Shepherd to save us from evil and lead us to abundant life.

** Please remain standing for our opening hymn.*

✠ **Hymn No. 133** *Leaning On The Everlasting Arms*

Children's Moment Carolyn Russell

Nursery care is available. Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time to room 211. Junior & Senior high meet in the Youth Room upstairs in room 215.

Prayer of Confession Sarah Burgeson

One: Please join me in our Prayer of Confession:

All: Jesus, we want to live like you. We cannot do that on our own. We need your mercy and grace day after day after day. We confess our weakness; we continually give in to temptation. But rather than throw up our hands in failure, we choose to admit our constant need for you. Demonstrate your power through our weakness. You have defeated our sin by your death on the cross. Let us live in the truth of who we are in you, not who we were before. Make us holy; make us like you. Amen.

Choral Anthem *Give Me Grace to Follow Jesus* (by Glenn A. Pickett) Chancel Choir
Kristy Aston, Flute

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

Prayer for Giving & Receiving—Our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory (F. Mendelssohn)

✠ **Doxology**

Prayer For Illumination Sarah Burgeson

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 Acts 11:19—26 Sarah Burgeson

One: This is the word of the Lord.

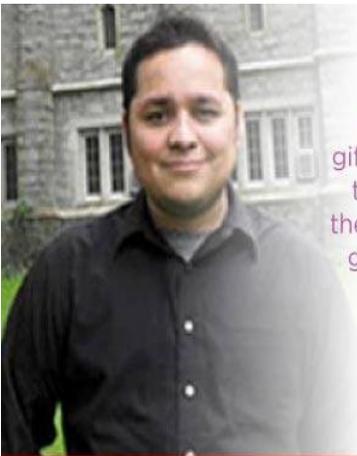
Many: Thanks be to God.

Message *Discipleship: Christians*
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✠ **Hymn No. 402** *Lord, I Want To Be A Christian*

✠ **Benediction and Choral Response**

Postlude *Psalm XIX* (B. Marcello)



"There are no borders for the church and your gift allows us to fill the gap between the church and the growing Hispanic population."

- Efrain Zavala

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.

WORLD
COMMUNION
SUNDAY



Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.
The people of The United Methodist Church



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 23rd?

Leave them in the Blanket Box in the Narthex.

FEED THE 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:

SCCW 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!

The Bulletin Board

Join us for...

Coffee

TIME



We want to get to know you!

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

Communications Team

Next Week's Host:

AG UM Children's Center



Altar Flowers

Happy Birthday to Judy Atwood

from Dad and Cristy

THINGS TO DO TODAY

- Bring blankets for the needy!** — Blanket Sunday is November 23rd
- October NEWSLETTER** is available.
- Sunday Night Bible Study**—at 6 PM in the Mc Millen Room.

Register Your Attendance!

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



- 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.
- UMC of AG Serving Team (Prep Day)**—Wednesday at 10 AM (CH)
- Free Fellowship Supper**—Wednesday at 5 PM (CH). All are welcome.
- NO Adult Study**—ON BREAK for next TWO Wednesdays—Will resume October 17 with **Heaven Is For Real** Study.
- Youth Group** - Wednesday at 7 PM (215).
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal**—Wednesday at 7 PM (S).
- UMC of AG Serving Team (Serving Day)**—Thursday at noon at Ramona Garden Park.
- Morning Bible Study**—Friday at 8:30 AM (L).
- Praise Team Practice**—Saturday at 6:30 PM.

Abbreviation Legend

(S) Sanctuary (PL) Parking Lot (L) Library (CH) Criswell Hall (MMR) McMillen Room

JOIN US FOR A
**FELLOWSHIP
DINNER**
Wednesdays at 5 PM—Criswell Hall - FREE!

together in the word

Adults Sundays at 10 AM
Wednesdays at 5:45 PM
Fridays at 8:30 AM
Youth Sundays at 10:30 AM
Wednesdays at 7 PM
Children Sundays at 10:30 AM

This week dinner is:
Chicken Cordon Bleu Pasta Bake
Please see Sarah Burgeson or Judy Atwood
for info on how you can help.



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 Criswell Hall. We hope you will join us!

You can read ahead each week the passage below:

10/5 Discipleship: Worship
Hebrews. 10:19—25

May God bless your reading!

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



Family Fun Day Bake Sale

Our Children's Ministries could use your help!!

We are having a bake sale during the Family Fun Day event of Rock the Block Weekend.

We would love to have your favorite baked goods donated to help us raise money for our Children. To help, please contact Carolyn Russell.



Arroyo Grande UMC Children's Center family fun day

Trike-a-Thon, BBQ, Carnival Games, Bake Sale, Pumpkin Patch . . . and more!
October 11, 2014
11 AM - 1:30 PM

This annual event is part of our Rock the Block Weekend. More information on Rock The Block Weekend events listed on the cover of this issue. Tickets for the BBQ available in our Children's Center Office.



ROCK THE BLOCK October 10-12 SAVE THE DATES!

READ your October Cast-A-Net for more details.
Visit the website on rocktheblockweekend.org

Come to one event or all—we will see you

Alternative Christmas October 5th

As customary, you will have the opportunity to give to local, national and international mission projects.



- **Local Project: Blanket campaign** for the Five Cities Christian Women's Food Pantry Christmas Baskets and to the People's Kitchen Christmas Party for the Homeless— you provide the cash, we will provide the blanket.
- **National Project: UMCOR Disaster Response**, i.e., fires, floods, earthquakes, etc. here in the U.S.
- **International Project: Imagine No Malaria** which provides nets, medicine and education for those in high risk areas.



When we think about heaven, questions surface: What is it like? Will we have bodies? Wings? Will we see people we know? Are animals there?

UMC of AG will show this wonderful movie on **October 11 at 7 PM** following a **FREE Fellowship Dinner at 5 PM**. The film/book details a young boy's account of his visit to heaven. As poignant answers emerge, this will forever change what you think about God, eternity, and even life here on earth.

If you have always wondered what heaven is like, if you are looking for assurances about the loss of a loved one, or if you need to experience a fresh glimpse of the astounding wisdom of God and His plans for your life, this story, study and series is for you!

In the pages of this book, on the screen and through a new **sermon series with Pastor David**, we will see first hand the comfort, hope and descriptions of great things to come as we discover—like Colton did first hand—that *Heaven is for real*.

Also—for a deeper look into Heaven on Wednesday nights at 5:45 PM (choir members have no fear, you will be done in time for choir practice). We invite you to hear "**The Story of Heaven**." This study guide is available for purchase through amazon.com. If you need assistance with ordering, please contact the church office. The study guide is recommended, but not required.

Don't miss the **FREE showing** of the film **Heaven Is For Real** on **October 11 at 7 PM**.

