



## 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

### The Gift of Love

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

*Today's Liturgist: Mary Thronson*



We welcome you to the First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande and are happy that you have joined us here today.  
Please come to worship with us again soon.

## First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande

275 North Halcyon Road  
Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

### Contact us.

**Church Office:** 805 . 481 . 2692  
Church Office Open:  
Monday-Thursday from 9 AM – 1 PM

**On The Web @** [worshipweekly.com](http://worshipweekly.com)  
**Office E-mail:** [fumcag@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fumcag@sbcglobal.net)  
**Rev. Mary B. Birgelaitis E-mail:** [revmaryb@fumcag.org](mailto:revmaryb@fumcag.org)



## Arroyo Grande United Methodist Children's Center

Program Tours Daily by appointment ONLY on Monday through Friday 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM or 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM.  
*We invite you to visit and see if we are a good fit for your family.*

**Office Hours:** M—Th from 9 AM—5 PM  
**Office:** 805 . 481 . 2223  
**E-mail:** [fumcc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fumcc@sbcglobal.net)

## Meet Our CHURCH STAFF

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>Cal-Pac Conference Bishop:</b><br>Grant J. Hagiya       | <b>Choir Director:</b> Julie Burns   |
| <b>North District Superintendent:</b><br>Rev. James Powell | <b>Choral Pianist:</b> Dennis Eiler  |
| <b>Senior Pastor:</b><br>Rev. Mary B. Birgelaitis          | <b>Praise Team Leader:</b> Mike Clark  |
| <b>Missionary (retired):</b> Judy Atwood                   | <b>Handbell Choir Director:</b><br>Leonard Lutz                              |
| <b>Lay Leader:</b> Patti Melsheimer                        | <b>Multi-Media Director:</b><br>Duncan Leonard                               |
| <b>Church Office Administrator:</b><br>Frances Robertson   | <b>Children's Education Director:</b> TBS                                    |
| <b>Website Manager:</b> Jamie Foster                       | <b>AG UM Children's Center Director:</b> Madrigal Quaglino<br>(805) 481-2223 |

# 8:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE



## October 21, 2018



# First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande

Welcome to Worship!

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 21, 2018

8:30 AM

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

### Gathering

BELL INTROIT *Tis a Gift To Be Simple* arr. Anna Laura Page

WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

BELL ANTHEM *Amen Siakudumisa* arr. Cathy Moklebusst  
*(Amen, We Praise Your Name, O God)*

PRAISE *More Love More Power*  
*New Hallelujah*  
*Love Come Down*

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

### Sharing and Responding to God's Word

SONG OF ILLUMINATION *Amazing Love*

SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

SERMON **AMAZING!** Joe Brown  
Pulpit Speaker

OFFERING *Holy Spirit*

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION *Arms of Love*

FINAL BLESSING *Sanctuary*

\*CLOSING *I Have Decided*



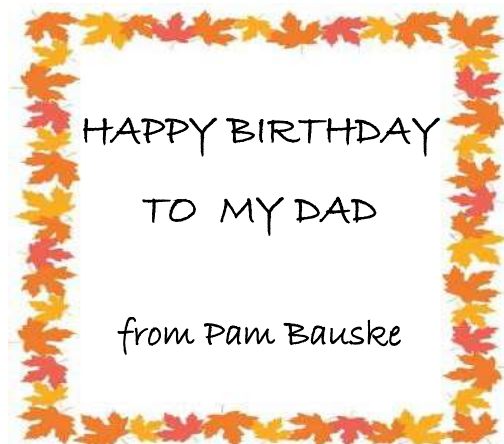
Coffee Hour Today is hosted by UMM PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Next Week's Coffee Hour will be the MISSION TEAM HARVEST POTLUCK

*We thank you all for your service to our church!*



We are pleased to have two altar flower arrangement dedications



### Abbreviation Legend

(S) Sanctuary (PL) Parking Lot  
(L) Library (CH) Criswell Hall  
(MMR) McMillen Room (K) Kitchen  
(PS) Pastor's Study (HR) Handbell Room



#### Monday—10/22

- Emergency Food Pantry—1 PM—CH
- G. McGuire Quilting Class-5:45 PM-CH
- Women of Prayer—7 PM—S

#### Tuesday—10/23

- Senior Exercise—8:30 AM—CH
- Sew 'n' Sews + Knitters—9 AM—MMR
- NO CHAIR YOGA CLASS TODAY—resumes next Tuesday—11 AM—CH
- Handbell Rehearsal—5 PM—HR

#### Wednesday—10/24

- Senior Exercise—8:30 AM—CH
- Church Work Day—9 AM
- Program Ministry SLO Botanical Garden Visit—Depart Church 9:15 AM
- Free Dinner—5 PM—CH
- Adult Study Group—5:45 PM—CH
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal—7 PM—S

#### Thursday—10/25

- Senior Exercise —8:30 AM—CH
- Intercessory Prayer—10 AM—L
- UMW Boutique Crafts—10 AM—MMR
- Handbell Rehearsal—5 PM—HR

#### Friday—10/26

- Bible Study—8:30 AM—L
- UMW Book Club—11 AM—MMR

#### Saturday—10/27

- Nothing currently scheduled

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT STUDY GROUP**  
October 10 — November 14

**MESSY PEOPLE:**  
*Life Lessons from Imperfect Biblical Heroes* by Jennifer Cowart  
facilitated by Judy Atwood

CRISWELL HALL  
5 to 5:45 PM—Free Dinner  
5:45 PM to 7 PM—Study Class

Today we welcome to the pulpit our own UMC Arroyo Grande member, **JOSEPH BROWN**  
*Thank you, Joe!*



**PANCAKE BREAKFAST TODAY**

9:30 AM to 12:30 PM, Criswell Hall

Pancakes, scrambled eggs, link sausage, fruit cup, and coffee, tea, and hot chocolate.



Cost: Adults \$10, Youth \$5 and kids under 10 years FREE.

### HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

The UMW Annual Holiday Boutique and Brunch will be on Saturday, November 3, 2018. Besides all the wonderful items available, we need many hands to sign up and make the set-up, sales and clean-up enjoyable for all. See the table in Criswell Hall for all the details and opportunities!  
~Virginia Mothes, publicity



**HARVEST MEAL TOGETHER NEXT SUNDAY**

The Mission Team invites you to join us in Criswell Hall after the second service on **Sunday, October 28** for a potluck meal.

Please bring your favorite potluck dish to share at our harvest meal. The Mission Team will provide turkey.

A love offering, to celebrate the ministries of harvest we share as a congregation to provide for our community and around the world, will be designated to UMCOR for disaster response for the recent disasters.



*If your contact information has changed, don't forget to let us know!*



If you have any last-minute changes in the information you have previously provided, especially phone, email, etc., please let us know right away. *Thank you ~ Joe Brown, committee chair*

The Communications Committee is now finalizing the updated information that so many of you have provided for our Directory. Our goal is to have **CORRECT and CURRENT** information for communicating with one another!

| WORSHIP ATTENDANCE                           |          |       | OUR GIFTS                |                   |
|--|----------|-------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 8:30 AM                                      | 10:30 AM | TOTAL | Weekly Offerings         | Budgeted: \$5,258 |
| Sep 23 44                                    | 81       | 125   | Sep 23 Received: \$1,942 |                   |
| Sep 30 49                                    | 84       | 133   | Sep 30 Received: \$4,730 |                   |
| Oct 7 45                                     | 90       | 135   | Oct 7 Received: \$8,016  |                   |
| Oct 14 41                                    | 71       | 112   | Oct 14 Received: \$2,459 |                   |
| Fiscal Year to Date Budgeted Regular Giving: |          |       |                          | \$84,136          |
| Fiscal Year to Date Received:                |          |       | \$82,536                 |                   |
| * Our Fiscal Year runs July 1 to June 30     |          |       |                          |                   |



### 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 The Gift of Love

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

*Today's Liturgist: Nancy St. Laurent*



We welcome you to the First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande and are happy that you have joined us here today. Please come to worship with us again soon.

## First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande

275 North Halcyon Road  
Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

### Contact us.

**Church Office:** 805 . 481 . 2692  
Church Office Open:  
Monday—Thursday from 9 AM to 1 PM

**On The Web @** [worshipweekly.com](http://worshipweekly.com)  
**Via E-mail:** [fumcag@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fumcag@sbcglobal.net)  
**Rev. Mary Birgelaitis:** [revmaryb@fumcag.org](mailto:revmaryb@fumcag.org)



## Arroyo Grande United Methodist Children's Center

Program tours are given by appointment ONLY on Monday through Friday between 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM or 2:30 PM—3:30 PM. We invite you to visit and see if we are a good fit for your family.

**Office Hours:** M—F from 9 AM—5 PM  
**Office:** 805 . 481 . 2223  
**E-mail:** [agumcc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:agumcc@sbcglobal.net)



**Cal-Pac Conference Bishop:**  
Grant J. Hagiya

**North District Superintendent:**  
Rev. James Powell

**Senior Pastor:**  
Rev. Mary B. Birgelaitis

**Missionary (retired):** Judy Atwood

**Lay Leader:** Patti Melsheimer

**Church Office Administrator:**  
Frances Robertson

**Website Manager:**  
Jamie Foster

**Choir Director:** Julie Burns  
**Choral Pianist:** Dennis Eiler

**Praise Team Leader:** Mike Clark  
**Handbell Choir Director:**

Leonard Lutz  
**Multi-Media Director:**

Duncan Leonard  
**Children's Education Director:** TBS

**AG UM Children's Center Director:** Madrigal Quagliano  
(805) 481-2223



### ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 21, 2018

10:30 AM

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

### CENTERING WORDS

And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three,  
and the greatest of these is love.

---1 Corinthians 13:13

ORGAN PRELUDE *The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Has Ended* David Cherwien

BELL INTROIT *Tis a Gift to be Simple* arr. Anna Laura Page

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Stretch your thoughts to the heavens.

**Reach for the hand of God.**

Open your heart to the world all around.

**Discover the power of love.**

Reach out to one another.

**Here we find community to help us grow.**

\*OPENING HYMN *My Hope is Built* verses 1-3 No. 368

### WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

### OPENING PRAYER

**Creative and creating God,  
nourish the seeds of faith within us.  
Water our hopes and give strength to our dreams.  
Grow your Spirit within us,  
that the love in our hearts may increase  
as we reach out to your world  
and help others touch your light and love.  
In your life-giving faith and love, we pray. Amen.**

BELL ANTHEM *Amen, Siakudumisa* arr. Cathy Moglebust  
(Amen, We Praise Your Name, O God)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Leonard Lutz  
*Nursery care is available  
Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time*

|                                    |   |                |
|------------------------------------|---|----------------|
| SPECIAL MUSIC                      | <i>The Holy City</i><br>David Anderson, soloist   | Stephen Adam   |
| A TIME OF PRAYER                   |   |                |
| Choral Call to Pray                | <i>Sanctuary</i>  | TFWS #2164     |
| Congregational                     |   |                |
| Choral Response                    | <i>Sanctuary</i>  | TFWS #2164     |
| SCRIPTURE                          | 1 Corinthians 13:1-13   |                |
| HYMN <i>(remain seated)</i>        | <i>Gift of Love</i>   | No. 408        |
| SERMON                             | AMAZING!  | Joe Brown      |
| OFFERING                           |   |                |
| Invitation to the Offering         |   |                |
| Offertory:                         | <i>Let Our Gladness Have No End</i>   | David Cherwien |
| *Doxology/Blessing of the Offering |   |                |
|                                    | <i>Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;<br/>Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.</i>  |                |
|                                    | <b>Thank you for the amazing gifts of our lives:<br/>friends who love us, mentors who teach us, families who nurture us,<br/>and a church that challenges us to grow in faith, hope and love.<br/>Bless these resources we now return to you,<br/>that others may know your gifts<br/>and grow in faith, hope, and love as well.<br/>In faith and gratitude, we pray. Amen.</b> |                |
| *CLOSING HYMN                      | <i>Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love</i>   | No. 422        |
| *BENEDICTION                       |   |                |
|                                    | Go in faith.<br>Go in hope.<br>Go in the love of God<br>and the power of God's Holy Spirit!<br>May the blessings of God be with you all. Amen.  |                |
| POSTLUDE                           | <i>Toccata in C</i>   | J.S. Bach      |

*Amazing*  
**LOVE!**

\*Worshippers stand as able

© 2017 Mary Scifres for Mary Scifres Ministries. Permission for reprint and ideas use granted to all subscribers and their local churches. For additional reprint permissions, contact [maryscifresministries@gmail.com](mailto:maryscifresministries@gmail.com)



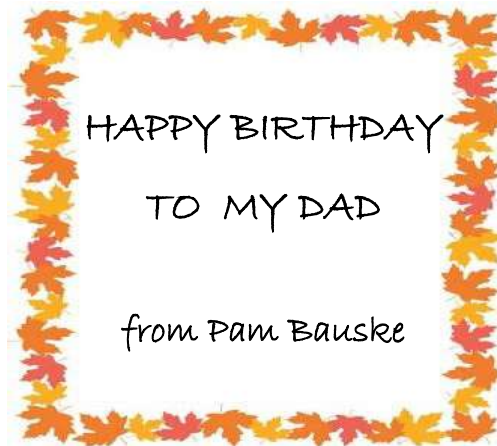
**Coffee Hour Today**  
is hosted by  
**UMM PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**Next Week's Coffee Hour**  
will be hosted by  
**MISSION TEAM HARVEST POTLUCK**

**We thank you all for your  
service to our church!**



We are pleased to have two altar  
flower arrangement dedications



**Abbreviation Legend**

(S) Sanctuary (PL) Parking Lot  
(L) Library (CH) Criswell Hall  
(MMR) McMillen Room (K) Kitchen  
(PS) Pastor's Study (HR) Handbell Room



**Monday—10/22**

- Emergency Food Pantry—1 PM—CH
- G. McGuire Quilting Class—5:45 PM—CH
- Women of Prayer—7 PM—S

**Tuesday—10/23**

- Senior Exercise—8:30 AM—CH
- Sew 'n' Sews + Knitters—9 AM—MMR
- NO CHAIR YOGA CLASS TODAY—resumes next Tuesday—11 AM—CH
- Handbell Rehearsal—5 PM—HR

**Wednesday—10/24**

- Senior Exercise—8:30 AM—CH
- Church Work Day—9 AM
- Program Ministry SLO Botanical Garden Visit—Depart Church 9:15 AM
- Free Dinner—5 PM—CH
- Adult Study Group—5:45 PM—CH
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal—7 PM—S

**Thursday—10/25**

- Senior Exercise —8:30 AM—CH
- Intercessory Prayer—10 AM—L
- UMW Boutique Crafts—10 AM—MMR
- Handbell Rehearsal—5 PM—HR

**Friday—10/26**

- Bible Study—8:30 AM—L

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT  
ADULT STUDY GROUP  
October 10 — November 14**

**MESSY PEOPLE:**

*Life Lessons from Imperfect  
Biblical Heroes* by Jennifer Cowart  
facilitated by Judy Atwood

CRISWELL HALL  
5 to 5:45 PM—Free Dinner  
5:45 PM to 7 PM—Study Class

**Today we welcome to  
the pulpit our own  
UMC Arroyo Grande  
member,  
JOSEPH BROWN**

*Thank you, Joe!*



**PANCAKE  
BREAKFAST  
TODAY**

**9:30 AM to 12:30 PM,  
Criswell Hall**

Pancakes, scrambled  
eggs, link sausage, fruit  
cup, and coffee, tea,  
and hot chocolate.



Cost: Adults \$10, Youth \$5 and kids  
under 10 years FREE.

**HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE**

The UMW's Annual  
Holiday Boutique and  
Brunch will be on Sat.,  
November 3. Besides all the  
wonderful items available, we  
need many hands to sign up  
and make the set-up, sales and  
clean-up enjoyable for all.  
See the table in Criswell Hall for all  
the details and opportunities!  
~Virginia Mothes, publicity



If you have any last-minute changes in the information you have previously provided, especially phone, email, etc., please let us know right away. *Thank you ~ Joe Brown, committee chair*

The Communications Committee is now finalizing the updated information that so many of you have provided for our Directory. Our goal is to have **CORRECT and CURRENT** information for communicating with one another!

| WORSHIP ATTENDANCE                           |          |       | OUR GIFTS        |                   |
|--|----------|-------|------------------|-------------------|
| 8:30 AM                                      | 10:30 AM | TOTAL | Weekly Offerings | Budgeted: \$5,258 |
| Sep 23 44                                    | 81       | 125   | Sep 23           | Received: \$1,942 |
| Sep 30 49                                    | 84       | 133   | Sep 30           | Received: \$4,730 |
| Oct 7 45                                     | 90       | 135   | Oct 7            | Received: \$8,016 |
| Oct 14 41                                    | 71       | 112   | Oct 14           | Received: \$2,459 |
| Fiscal Year to Date Budgeted Regular Giving: |          |       | \$84,136         |                   |
| Fiscal Year to Date Received:                |          |       | \$82,536         |                   |

**\* Our Fiscal Year runs July 1 to June 30**



**HARVEST MEAL TOGETHER  
NEXT SUNDAY**

The Mission Team invites you to join us in Criswell Hall after the second service on **Sunday, October 28** for a potluck meal.

Please bring your favorite potluck dish to share at our harvest meal. The Mission Team will provide turkey.

A love offering, to celebrate the ministries of harvest we share as a congregation to provide for our community and around the world, will be designated to UMCOR for disaster response for the recent disasters.

