

“Every member a missionary”

First United Methodist Church

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ORDER OF WORSHIP **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
SUNDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER 2008 8:30 AM *We*

are very glad for the presence of all visitors. Please know that we are pleased to have you worshipping with us. We encourage you to introduce yourself to others, and participate in our time of fellowship.

Nursery care is available for ages 4 and under. Hearing devices are available, please see ushers for details.

PASTOR REVEREND DAVID BURGESON **MUSIC LED BY** THE LORD'S CREW

CALL TO WORSHIP *“On The Wings of A Dove”*

WELCOME – CHURCH NEWS REVEREND DAVID BURGESON

OPENING PRAISE *“How Great Thou Art”*

SCRIPTURE READING PSALM 46: 1 - 7 REVEREND DAVID BURGESON

OPENING PRAYER REVEREND DAVID BURGESON

PRAISE *“O Lord, You're Beautiful”*

Medley:

“I Saw The Light”

“Will The Circle Be Unbroken”

“I'll Fly Away”

WE WORSHIP IN GIVING – ANNOUNCEMENTS REVEREND DAVID BURGESON

OFFERTORY *“In Christ There Is No East or West”*

PRAYER OF ADORATION MIKE CLARK

WE SHARE IN GOD'S PEACE (GREETING ONE ANOTHER) CONNIE CLARK

JOYS & CONCERNS & PASTORAL PRAYER REVEREND DAVID BURGESON

SCRIPTURE READING MATTHEW 18: 15 - 20 JEFF BUHLER

SERMON *“What Binds Us Together”*

REVEREND DAVID BURGESON

COMMUNION REVEREND DAVID BURGESON

COMMUNION SONG *“The Old Rugged Cross”*

CLOSING PRAISE *“Rounded Up In Glory”*

BENEDICTION REVEREND DAVID BURGESON

RECESSIONAL *“Lord, I Lift Your Name On High”*

POSTLUDE *“El Shaddai” - BY AMY GRANT*



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WELCOME WITH NEWS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE “For God Is Love” J. SOUTHBRIDGE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

LITURGIST: We come together knowing we are a broken body.

PEOPLE: **Instead of embracing and celebrating our unique differences, we have allowed that which you delight in, Lord, to bring dissension, duress and division among us.**

LITURGIST: Our lives, when not centered in Christ, tear not only ourselves apart, but rip into the very fabric of our community as a whole.

ALL:: **As believers, we are called to be of one mind, heart and body through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*HYMN NO. 384 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

PASTOR: Let us join together in this prayer:

ALL: **O Lord, we come before you with the assurance that when two or more are gathered in your name, you are with us. We lift up our hearts to you and ask that you purify them of any discourse against our fellow brothers and sisters. Draw us near to you, O God. Though outwardly appearing clean, we confess our inward impurity. Wash our souls with water, holy and pure, that we would know hope fresh and anew. May the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit, offered himself as an unblemished sacrifice for all---cleanse our conscience from acts that lead to death so that we may live to serve and praise you and come to do your will. In Jesus’ name. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PARDON

CHORAL ANTHEM

CHANCEL CHOIR

JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING
PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN NO. 472 “Near To The Heart of God”

V. 1 “There is a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God; a place where sin cannot molest, near to the heart of God.”

Refrain “O Jesus blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God, hold us who wait before thee near to the heart of God.”

V. 2 “There is a place of comfort sweet, near to the heart of God; a place where we our Savior meet, near to the heart of God.”

OFFERTORY “I Love To Tell The Story” J. BOERINGER

*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. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING MATTHEW 18: 15 - 20

LITURGIST: This is the word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “What Binds Us Together”
REV. DAVID BURGESON

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (SEE HYMNAL PAGES 9 – 11)

THE LORD’S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION - BREAKING THE BREAD AND GIVING THE CUP

All who love Christ are welcome to share in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Approach the front using the center aisle assisted by the ushers to receive the Eucharist elements while standing before the cross and return to your pew by the side aisles. Prayer partners are available should you wish to kneel in prayer at the altar as we sing hymns 174, 389, 334, 186 and 620.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Eternal God, we give thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN NO. 557 “Blest Be The Tie That Binds”

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee” G. NEUMARK



Bring a friend!

Join us on Wednesdays at 7 PM in our youth lounge (215) with Mike & Linda Herber.

STUDY GROUP

Men's Bible Study

All men are invited to meet with us Mondays at 7 PM in room 215.

Morning Bible Study

Join us on Fridays at 8:30 AM in the Library.

Women's Bible Study

All ladies are invited to meet at 9:30 AM in room 215 Sunday mornings.



Intercessory Prayer

Thursday mornings at 10 AM in the library. All are welcome!

Women of Prayer

Join us Tuesdays in the Sanctuary at 7 PM.

Debtor's Anonymous

Mondays at 6 PM- MMR

Al-Anon & Ala-Teen

Mondays at 7:30 PM in the MMR and 211.



Alzheimer's Care-Giver

1st Wednesday of each month at 1 PM (MMR).



- (CH) Criswell Hall
- (S) Sanctuary
- (N) Narthex
- (L) Library
- (K) Kitchen
- (PS) Pastor's Study
- (MMR) McMillen Room

The Bulletin Board

UNDERLINED DENOTES CHILDCARE PROVIDED

SUNDAY – 9/7

- 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship
- 9:45 AM Women's Bible Study
- 10:30 AM Traditional Worship
- “Coffee Hour” ~ **ELT Scholarship Committee**

MONDAY – 9/8

- 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY – 9/9

- 8:30 AM Senior Exercise
- 10:00 AM Sew 'n' Sews (MMR)
- 10:30 AM Communications
- 5:30 PM Grande Ringers
- 7:00 PM Women of Prayer (S)

WEDNESDAY – 9/10

- 11:00 AM Blue Umbrella
- 7:00 PM UM Youth
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY – 9/11

- 8:30 AM Senior Exercise
- 10:00 AM Intercessory Prayer (L)
- 12:00 PM Esther Circle
- 5:00 PM Grande Ringers

FRIDAY – 9/12

- 8:30 AM Bible Study (L)

SATURDAY – 9/13

- 12:00 PM RUMP
- 2:00 PM Vine Club

SUNDAY – 9/14

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HERE'S WHAT IS HAPPENING



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Vine Club News All children preschool thru elementary school age are invited to join us this **Saturday, September 13th, from 2–4 PM in Criswell Hall.** Come! Join us as sing, learn about Jesus, play games, pick weeds and spend time on the playground. Call Nancy Baughman with any questions.



The Arroyo Grande United Methodist Children's Center looking for **two teachers/primary caregivers.** We desire applicants that are educated (15+ ECE units); who have had experience working with 1.5-5 year-olds in a childcare setting; and who are enthusiastic about working with children! Fax resume to 481 –



Sew 'n' Sews now meet at **9 AM in the McMillen Room** to continue their "quest for quilts." These special ladies take quilt tops, old quilt squares and finish the unfinished and sell the quilt to donate the money to missions. Praise God for these ladies and the gift of their time and talent! Join them and give your sewing talent to God.



Handbell News - We are sorry to report that the Beginning Bells group will be off the schedule indefinitely. Please be sure to delete it from your calendar. Sorry for any inconvenience that this has caused you. Be sure to check out our *Grande Ringers* group for the intermediate and advanced players.



Important Information about Cast~A~Net For September Due to the "wonders of technology" our newsletter will not be in your home by the 1st of the month as is the usual goal of the church office. It will be in homes within the first week as the issue is behind schedule due to machine part order and repair. Thank you all for your understanding. The September issue is available online this week. Be sure to allow for the Labor Day holiday.

If you have any pictures of any 2008 events we would love to see them on our great new website!! Please send them to our church office or to Jamie Foster. We want to make our church family part of our outreach on the world wide web.

STAFF & WORSHIP LEADERS

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MINISTER OF VISITATION: Rev. J. Harold Headrick

CHANCEL CHOIR DIRECTOR: Julie Walters

'GRANDE RINGERS' - BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR: Leonard Lutz

YOUTH MINISTRY DIRECTOR: Mike & Linda Herber

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DIRECTORS: Nancy Baughman

CHILDREN'S CENTER DIRECTOR: Maddy Quaglino

PRAISE TEAM DIRECTOR: Susan Coho

PRAISE TEAM PIANIST: Sean Lehman

LAY LEADER: Marj Cawelti

SECRETARY: Sarah Barber

BOOKKEEPER: Victoria Gandy

CHORAL PIANIST: *PIANIST NEEDED*

ORGANIST: Don McGuire

PUPPET DIRECTORS: Willy Ford-Raetz
& Mike Herber

MULTI-MEDIA DIRECTOR: Sean Lehman

LECTOR CHAIRS: Rebeca Avila
& Toni Harvey

LITURGIST: Adeline Bottorff

ACOLYTE MOMS: Nikki Raetz
& Lorie Ford

BIBLE BEARER: Danica Leonard

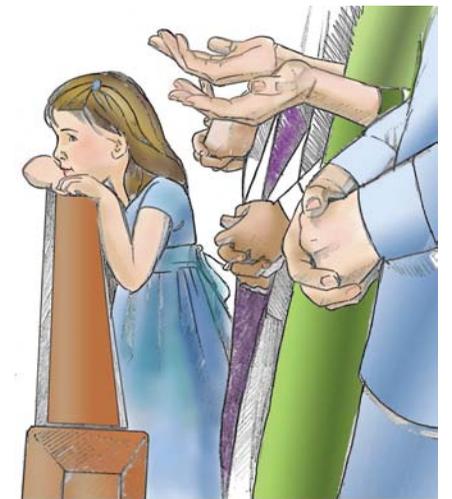
OUR ACOLYTE(S): Duncan Leonard

HOSTS & GREETER CHAIR:

*VOLUNTEER NEEDED TO BE THE NEW
CHAIR OF HOST AND GREETERS*

HOSTS & GREETERS: *our church family*

IN SERVICE: ALL OF OUR MEMBERS



*"For where two or three
come together in my name,
there am I with them."*

Matthew 18:20, NIV

COVENANT MISSIONARY: Judy Atwood in Kansas

CHECK OUT OUR *GREAT NEW* WEBSITE — WORSHIPWEEKLY.COM



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