



# First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande

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**8:30 AM – November 18, 2012 – We Give Thanks!**

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

**Praise music is led by the Lord's Crew**

**Welcome and News of the Church**

Pastor David

**Handbell Introit**

*Sheep May Safely Graze* (Arr. Leonard G Lutz)  
Grande Ringers

**† Scripture Reading**

Psalms 95:1-6

In Unison

*O come, let us sing for joy to the LORD, Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation.  
Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, Let us shout joyfully to Him with  
psalms. For the LORD is a great God And a great King above all gods,  
In whose hand are the depths of the earth, The peaks of the mountains are His also.  
The sea is His, for it was He who made it, And His hands formed the dry land.  
Come, let us worship and bow down, Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.*

**† Opening Prayer**

Pastor David

**Handbell Anthem**

*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* (Arr. Leonard G Lutz)  
Grande Ringers

**Praise**

*All The Heavens  
Give Thanks  
There Is A Redeemer*

**Prayer of Adoration**

Susan Coho

**We Worship in Giving**

**Offertory**

*Simple Gifts*

**Joys and Concerns with Prayers and Thanksgiving**

**Pastoral Prayer**

Pastor David

**Scripture Reading**

I Thessalonians 1: 1-10

Mike Herber

**Message**

*Two Small Words*

Pastor David M. Burgeson

**Communion Scripture**

I Corinthians 11:23-26

In Unison

**Communion Song**

*Were You There?*

**† Benediction Song**

*The Lord Bless Thee*

Pastor David

**Recessional**

*Revive Us Again*

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## 10:30 AM – November 18, 2012 – We Give Thanks!

### Welcome and News of the Church

**Prelude** *We, Your people, Praise You* (D. Edwards)

**Handbell Introit** *Sheep May Safely Graze* ( Arr. Leonard G Lutz)  
Grande Ringers

† **Call To Worship** Sarah Burgeson

One: Lord, for who you are and all you do in our lives;

**Many: Thank you!**

One: For all of the times you give us a shove in the right direction;

**Many: Thank you!**

One: For the times that we were so wrapped up in what was going on that we forgot to say it;

**Many: Thank you!**

One: For all answered prayers;

**Many: Thank you!**

One: Lord, help us in all circumstances and situations always to remember to say;

**Many: Thank you!**

† **Opening Hymn No. 131** *We Gather Together*

**Handbell Anthem** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* (Arr. Leonard G Lutz)  
Grande Ringers & Chancel Choir

**Children's Moment** Leonard Lutz  
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**Prayer (In Unison - see back cover)** Sarah Burgeson

**Choral Anthem** *Gratitude Changes Everything* Chancel Choir

**Joys and Concerns with Prayers and Thanksgiving**  
**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

**Offertory** *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* (G. Martin)

† **Doxology**

**Scripture Reading** I Thessalonians 1:1-10 Sarah Burgeson

One: May God add His blessing to the reading, hearing, and understanding of His word.

**All: Amen.**

**Message** *Two Small Words*  
David M. Burgeson, Pastor

† **Closing Hymn No. 102** *Now Thank We All Our God*

† **Benediction & Choral Response**

**Postlude** *Triumphant Finale* (T. Bliss)

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## **Please Lift- up These in Recent Need of Prayer – 18 November**

- 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.
- Victims and the recovery efforts after recent Hurricane Sandy.
- Harold Bailey is living with his son, Curt and battling depression. Prayers for comfort.
- Lori Ford's friend, Kathy Rookus, had surgery. Prayers for rapid recovery.
- Generoso Mandac is in Sierra Vista.
- LeAnna Gainer's memorial service will be today at 2 PM in the sanctuary.
- Bill Paulsen passed away, prayers for the family.
- Travel mercies for all those traveling this holiday weekend.

## **Praise! Thanks be to God for His Goodness.**

- Cyndee Rohla's father is home recovering. Continued prayers for comfort.
- Thank you to all who participated in the Rummage Sale – we raised over \$900.

## **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; God's peace and salvation for the world through Jesus Christ; those serving in the military and their families.

**Continue to Prayer for:** the Paulsons, Kent Brown, the Smiths, the Hammonds, Sean Lehman, Fenton McClure, the Bucktons, Sheila Owine, Todd Everett, Ken Coombs, Isabella Sloan, the Noltes, Ayleen Melsheimer, the Alsums, Les Bradley, Sharon Woodcock, the Williamsons, Mike Douglas, Richard Gainer, Adam Gainer, Beverly Calkins, Wil Ogden, the Gandys, Tom Egan.

**Those In Care Facilities:** Bob Atwood, Bob Serby, Inez Kenneaster, Wayne Frisby.

**Our Shut-In Members:** Doris Rice, Ruby Weddell, Yvonne Holt, Madge Young, Elvon Houldings, Jeanne Jenkins, Donna Truman, Esther Miller, Harold Bailey.

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

**Nov. 18** United Methodist Community Center, Warren, Ohio; **Nov. 19** Neges Foundation, Neges Project Connect, Leogane, Haiti; **Nov. 20** Methodist Church in India: Methodist Home, Puntamba, India; **Nov. 21** Liberia Conference United Methodist Women: Women's Coordinator, Monrovia, Liberia; **Nov. 22** Sierra Leone United Methodist Church Young Women's Network: PIM support, Sierra Leone; **Nov. 23** Washington Office on Latin America: Support to programs addressing the trade policy impact and gender sensitivity, Washington D.C.; **Nov. 24** Houchen Community Center, El Paso, Texas



**November 18, 2012**

**Please feel to use this space to take notes.**

Join with Pastor David as he shares today's message entitled,  
*Two Small Words* from 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10



A full calendar of events is available on the UMC of AG website at [worshipweekly.com](http://worshipweekly.com)!

**Flowers on the Altar** celebrate the birthday of Adrian Paredes – (Nancy St. Laurent)

**UMMen's Pancake Breakfast – TODAY** Please join us today between services for the men's famous pancakes. Tickets: \$5 for adults and \$1 for kids under 10. **Next week's Coffee & Fellowship Hour** host will be the **Mission Team**.

**On Today's Schedule – November 18<sup>th</sup>**

- **Disciples Discussion Group** – on hiatus until 2013.
- **How To Study the Bible** - TONIGHT at 6 PM in the McMillen Room with Mike Herber.

**On This Week's Agenda – Get out your calendar – Week of 11/18 - 24**

- **Women of Prayer** – Mondays at 7 PM in the sanctuary.
- **Men's Study & Prayer** – Mondays at 7 PM in the youth lounge (211).
- **NO Senior Exercise this week.** Enjoy your holiday – see you next week.
- **Sew n Sews Quilting Group** – Tuesdays at 9 AM in the McMillen Room.
- **Preschool Board Meeting** – closed session at 2 PM; open session at 3:30 PM.
- **Choir Rehearsal DATE CHANGE this week** - join us Tuesday at 6:30 PM.
- **JOY Circle** – 11/20 at the home of a member. See Lucy Jacob for details.
- **All-Church Work Day** – Wednesdays at 9 AM.
- **AG UM Children's Center Giving Soup Celebration** – 11/21 at noon in Criswell Hall.
- **WEDNESDAY Evening's Activities** are cancelled here at the church and we invite all who attend to join us for the Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Service (see below).
- **Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Worship Service** at St. Barnabus in AG at 7 PM
- **Office Closed 11/23 for Thanksgiving... ENJOY!**

**Stewardship is Heart Work!** We have been planning our church's budget for 2013, and as a church full of disciples that want to move forward, we hope you will continue to pray about your financial giving to this important work. *We cannot stress enough how the Estimate of Giving Cards are to helping us achieve this goal.* If you need one and are ready to make the commitment in partnership with us, please find one in the Narthex. We are here for you if you have any question.

**Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Service at St. Barnabus – November 22 at 7 PM** - We

invite you to join with us and six other churches in our community as we can sing praises and give thanks to the creator as a community in life and in Christ.

**Grande Ringers play AG Holiday Parade in the Village** Join us after the parade at the tree when the **UMC of AG bell choir, the Grande Ringers**, led by Leonard, will play holiday selections on **November 25. The parade begins at 5 PM** - come and take part in the first of many traditions in our beautiful city. *Happy Holidays!*

**Poinsettias Order Forms - It's almost time.** Next week's bulletin will have order forms for this annual Christmas flower that beautifies our sanctuary during the Advent season.

**Hanging of the Greens – December 1 at 10 AM** – join us for an old fashioned decoration party as we 'Deck the Halls' in preparation for the holiday season. The Hanging of the Greens is based on the English tradition of decorating the home with wreaths, garlands, a Christmas tree, and evergreens for Advent and Christmas. It readies the sanctuary (and church family) for the season.

**Angel Tree - Look for it on December 2 in Criswell Hall** This tree will be decorated with tag ornaments with special gift requests of children in Foster care. More details in next week's bulletin.

**UMC of AG's People's Kitchen Team Hosts Christmas Party for the Homeless & Needy** Our church feeds a hot meal to the needy in our community on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. BUT...in December, the team will host a Christmas Party on December 13<sup>th</sup>. To make this special, we need you to help by bringing wrapped gift (clearly marked) for a man, woman and/or child to the bin in the Narthex on Sunday.

**Arroyo Grande UM Children's Center Holiday Program - December 13 at 7:00 PM.** Children will sing songs that reflect celebrated traditions of the children, their families, and our staff. The 25 minute program will be followed by a time of sharing in friendship and enjoying goodies brought by the families in Criswell Hall. Please bring a non-perishable unopened food item for the **Five Cities Christian Women's Food Ministry**.

**Five Cities Christian Women Needs Food for Holiday Food Baskets – Set-up and Distribution is scheduled for the week of 12/17/2012!** Please bring non-perishables to the basket in the sanctuary – a listing of the needed items is available in the church newsletter. Thanks! Contact Bennie Duffin for further information.

**Men Dealing With Prostate Cancer Info Night - Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM** in the New Life Care Center, Dr. Johnnie Ham will be sharing on issues dealing with prostate cancer. Questions- New Life Church at 489-3254 x500

**May God bless and keep you all during this holiday season.**