

# 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.

### Church Office:

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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.*

**Office Hours:** M—F from 8 AM—5 PM

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## Meet Our CHURCH STAFF

### Cal-Pac Conference Bishop:

Minerva G. Carcaño

### North District Superintendent:

Rev. Cedrick Bridgeforth

### Senior Pastor:

Rev. David M. Burgeson

### Missionary (retired):

Judy Atwood

### Church Office Administrator:

Sarah Burgeson

### Bookkeeper:

Victoria Gandy

### 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

Victoria Gandy, Children

### AG UM Children's Center

Director: Madrigal Quaglino

Bookkeeper: Victoria Gandy

# How Do We Handle Suffering?

1 Peter 1:3—9

**GOD HAS A PURPOSE FOR YOUR PAIN  
A REASON FOR YOUR STRUGGLES  
A REWARD FOR YOUR FAITHFULNESS**

**IF GOD  
BRINGS  
YOU TO IT  
HE WILL  
BRING YOU  
THROUGH IT**

**DON'T GIVE UP. TRUST HIM.**

## 7 July 2013

10:30 AM

Traditional Worship Service



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

**7 July 2013—Seventh Sunday of Pentecost**

† DENOTES STANDING IF YOU ARE ABLE

\* *Worship Music by the Lord's Crew*

We welcome you to worship - A special welcome if you are a visitor or guest.

If we can serve you in any way, please let us know.

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Welcome and News of the Church

Pastor David

Opening Praise

† Scripture Reading

In Unison

*<sup>1</sup>In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, lofty and exalted, with the train of His robe filling the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphim stood above Him, each having six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called out to another and said, "Holy, Holy, Holy, is the LORD of hosts, The whole earth is full of His glory." <sup>4</sup>And the foundations of the thresholds trembled at the voice of him who called out, while the temple was filling with smoke. <sup>5</sup>Then I said, "Woe is me, for I am ruined! Because I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts." <sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a burning coal in his hand, which he had taken from the altar with tongs. <sup>7</sup>He touched my mouth with it and said, "Behold, this has touched your lips; and your iniquity is taken away and your sin is forgiven."*

† Opening Prayer

Pastor David

Praise and Worship

*Lord, You Have My Heart  
Medley: Above All; Grace That is Greater  
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

*His Name Is Jesus*

**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

I Peter 1:3—9

Mike Herber

*One:* This is the word of the Lord.

*Many:* Thanks be to God.

Message

*How Do We Handle Suffering?*

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

*I Will Sing of My Redeemer*



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### Prelude

*Prelude in G Major* (R. Peery)

### Introit

Ivory Palaces (Henry Barraclough)

Duet—Janice Moore, Ella Craig

### † Call To Worship (*Please stand if you are able in body and or spirit*)

Tom Egan

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

Many: Thank you!

One: for the times you gave 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 the answered prayers;

Many: Thank you!

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

Many: Thank you!

\* Please remain standing for our opening hymn

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

### Children’s Moment

Patti Melsheimer

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

### Prayer of Confession

Tom Egan

One: Please join me in our Prayer of Confession:

Many: All Gracious God, in this holy time and place of prayer, we ask you to come into the safe and protected corners of our hearts and minds. Grant us the courage to give to you what you find there...the things that are too heavy for us to carry...our resentments...our anxiety...our anger...our doubt...our confusion. Where you find hearts filled with the pain and grief of loss with sighs too deep for words, give us the peace which passes all understanding. When our doubt speaks louder than our faith, remind us that you came to us in your Son Jesus, who also suffered

### Prayer of Confession (*continued*)

...and wept...and endured...and triumphed...even over death. Help us to pray with confidence because your Son gave us this promise: “Lo, I am with you always, even to the end of time.” Help us, O God, to move beyond where we are and what we might become. Help us to take our sorrows and the taste of bitter betrayals and let them go, bit by bit, so that we do not become sorrowful or creatures of revenge. Help us to weave the losses of our lives into something beautiful, made possible only because of them. Let the horrors of our lives lose their power over us as we let them go; in their space let us grow love. This we ask in the name of the One who came to us that we might know love, the One who is love personified, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

### Special Music

*Love One Another* (Germaine Halojan)

Soloist—Janice Moore

### Joys and Concerns with Prayers and Thanksgiving

#### Pastoral Prayer

Pastor David

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

#### Offertory

*Jesus Paid It All* (R. Hughes)

#### † Doxology

### Prayer of Illumination

Tom Egan

### Scripture Reading

I Peter 1:3—9

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One: This is the word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

### Message

*How Do We Handle Suffering?*

Pastor David M. Burgeson

### The Great Thanksgiving—pages 13-15

#### The Lord’s Prayer

#### The Giving of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

† Closing Hymn No. 529 *Now Firm A Foundation*

#### † Benediction

#### Postlude

*March Jubilant* (R. Thygerson)

# JOYS & CONCERNS - 7 JULY 2013

## Please Pray For:

- Health and healing for those in our church family who are battling illness/health issues.
- Comfort for the families of those who have recently lost loved ones.
- The financial welfare and stewardship of our church and its members and friends.
- Betty David needs prayer for health issues.
- AG UM Children's Center is seeking a teacher; Praise God, one teacher was hired.
- Calvin Thompson will be an uncle - prayers for niece Paula as she has labor induced; Dale Marie surgery this past week – Praise that the thyroid was not cancerous; nephew Daniel is in jail- prayer for comfort and healing.
- Sally Weitekamp's sister, Pat Wood, had her 3rd surgery to mend a broken femur. Prayers for a rapid and comfortable recovery.
- Joel Anderson's friend, Gary Bentley has severely injured his leg. Prayer for healing.
- Marj Wolters' neighbors, The Mendez, as they help those in need while in need themselves.
- Melissa Ferrari is fighting stage 2 breast cancer. Prayers for comfort as she ends her first round of chemo and goes into surgery and radiation.
- Friends of the Cohos who are in need of comfort and healing during an emotional battle.

## Praise God for His Goodness and Mercy!

- Happy Anniversary 51<sup>st</sup> to the Melsheimers.
- Willy Ford turned 22. Happy Birthday.
- Ann Smith has a permanent job!
- Happy Birthday to our July & August family who were not mentioned in our Cast-A-Net Gladys Paulsen, Carol Smith, Mike Rohla, Carole Browne, Serafina Regusci, Buffy Prestemon, Priscilla Alquist, Bill Smith, Nancy St. Laurent, Jeff Buhler, Bob Underswood, Al Schiebelhut, Nancy Burns, Niki Raetz, Sharon Roemer, and Peter Paredes.

## North District Weekly Covenant Prayer:

Glendale: First German UMC –Hans-Martin Steckel AND Santa Barbara: First UMC—Hilary Chrisley, Alan Strout.

## Cal-Pac Missionaries in the Field:

Charley Brower (Alaska), John Elmore (Chile), The Persons (Congo), The Hendersons (Mexico).

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

## **Remember in Prayer:**

Our pastor and his family; our church family and friends; those in our church with the unspoken prayer; the ministries of this church; our church leaders; those serving God around the world; those who are hungry, displaced, sick and/or impoverished; those suffering after natural or man-made disasters and for the workers who minister to them; for God's peace and justice for the world; our nation; 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, the Smiths, Sean Lehman, Fenton McClure, Sheila Owine, Ken Coombs, Isabella Sloan, Geri Nolte, Ayleen Melsheimer, Les Bradley, Sharon Woodcock, Tom Egan, Ann Williamson, Mike Douglas, Richard Gainer, Adam Gainer, Wil Ogden, Rick Ventura, John Odom, Harveys, Al Gorsline, Sharkey, and CJ Cochran.

## **In Care Facilities & Shut-in Members:**

Bob Atwood, Bob Serby, Wayne Frisby, Doris Rice, Ruby Weddell, Yvonne Holt, Madge Young, Elvon Houlding, Jeanne Jenkins, Donna Truman, Esther Miller, and the Bucktons.

## **Mission Prayer Focus for The Global UMC:**

**July 7:** Bethlehem Community Center, Winston-Salem, N.C.; **July 8:** Asian Women's Human Rights Council: Peace courts for women, India; **July 9:** New Horizon Methodist School, Paraguay

**July 10:** Imayam Social Welfare Association: Leadership training and poverty alleviation, children protection, India; **July 11:** Seminario Teologico Wesleyan, Peru; **July 12:** Sunlit Sisters' Center: Overcoming military exploitation of elderly women, Korea; **July 13:** Pfeiffer University, Misenheimer, NC



Join us TODAY in Criswell Hall for coffee and treats!

We want to get to know you!

Coffee Hour TODAY is hosted by the Staff-Parish Relations Committee.

Next week's host the Mary-Martha Circle.

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**Today's Lovely Altar Flowers:** Happy Anniversary 2<sup>nd</sup> to Pastor David and Sarah Burgeson.

## **On TODAY's Agenda:**

- **Disciples Sermon Discussion Group**—9:50 AM in the McMillen Room.
- **How To Study the Bible - "The Book of Acts"** - 6 PM in the McMillen Room.

**REMINDER:** Please fill out an information sheet to the church office we can update our database.

**Be Sure to Pick up Bible Study Book in Criswell Hall—\$2: See you Wednesday at 6 PM**

## **On The Calendar This Week:**

- **Central Coast Hospice Bereavement Support**—Monday at 12 PM in the McMillen Room.
- **Women of Prayer** - Monday at 7 PM in the Sanctuary.
- **Men's Bible Study and Prayer**—Monday at 7 PM in room 215.
- **Senior Exercise** – Tues., Wed., Thurs. in Criswell Hall at 8:30 AM.
- **Arroyo Grande Multiple Sclerosis Support**—Tuesday at 6 PM in the McMillen Room.
- **Sew 'n' Sews Quilting Group** – Tuesday at 9 AM in the McMillen Room.
- **All-Church Work Day** – Wednesday at 9 AM - Come and help as you are able.
- **Alzheimer's Assoc. Care Giver Support**—Wednesday at 12:30 Pm in the McMillen Room.
- **Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner**—Wednesday at 5:15 PM in Criswell Hall.
- **"Holy Spirit" Study with Mike Herber**—Wednesday at 6 Pm in the McMillen Room.
- **Kid's Night Out**—Wednesday at 6 PM in Criswell Hall and Room 211.
- **Youth Group** (grades 6—12) - Wednesdays at 7 PM in the Youth Lounge (room 215).
- **Parking Lot Closed for RE-surfacing**—Friday and Saturday—*Please park on Bennett St.*
- **Intercessory Prayer Group** – Thursday at 10 AM in the Library.
- **Morning Bible Study** – Friday at 8:30 AM in the Library.

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

