

# 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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## **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 newsletter,  
as well as, pastor's weekly e-mail.

## 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 Quagliano

**Bookkeeper:** Victoria Gandy

## DELIVERANCE



**8 September 2013**  
**Welcome to Worship**

### **Exodus 3:1—10**

Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush.

Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up." When the Lord saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am."

"Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." Then he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God. The Lord said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."



# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF ARROYO GRANDE

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

8 September 2013—One Worship Service “The Story” — Deliverance (Moses)

✚ DENOTES STANDING AS YOU ARE ABLE

## Welcome and News of the Church

Pastor David

### Prelude

*The Heavens Rejoice* (B. Miller)

### Choral Introit

*Come Into His Gate*

Chancel Choir

### ✚ Call To Worship

Judy Leonard

\* Please stand as you are able in body and/or in spirit for our Opening Prayer—Let’s pray:

One: Hear ye my people: I am the Lord your God who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide and I will fill it.

**Many:** But my people did not listen to my voice.

One: So I gave them over to their stubborn hearts, to follow their own counsels.

**Many:** O that my people would listen to me. Then I would quickly subdue their enemies, and turn my hand against their foes.

One: I would feed you with the finest of the wheat, and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you.

**Many:** O hear ye my people: I am the Lord your God who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth Wide and I will fill it..

**ALL:** Come let us sing aloud and shout for joy to the God of Jacob. Come, let us worship God who is our strength.

\* Please remain standing for our opening hymn.

### ✚ Opening Hymn No. 662

*Stand Up And Bless the Lord*

### Children’s Moment with Cowboy Mike and Miss Connie

\*Following the children’s moment, grades K through 6 are invited to go with the teachers to Sunday School upstairs in room 211. Youth Group ( 6<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup>) meet upstairs in the youth lounge. Nursery available.

### Call To Confession

Judy Leonard

One: Our God is eternal, yet one who promises a new thing among us. And we are in need of that newness. Our sins and shortcomings are old news. We repeat destructive patterns, promise to do better, and revert to our old ways. The cycle of brokenness repeats itself again and again. But God breaks into the cycle with the gift of grace. Let us bring our prayers of confession to the God who is gracious to hear us.

### Prayer of Confession

Judy Leonard

Gracious and loving Spirit, who moves freely and gracefully through this world, transforming and mending the broken pieces, we confess that we stumble through life, trying to survive on our own power. We feel paralyzed—numbed by fear, by old habits, by the effort we

expend in trying to impress others. We try to earn your grace through our own awkward endeavors, forgetting that all that we are come from you. In your mercy, forgive us. Fill us with your liberating Spirit, that our souls might run, leap, and praise you, so that all the world would know your grace and truth.

### Assurance of Pardon

Judy Leonard

Friends, our Lord Jesus suffered death on the cross. In that act, the God of grace and glory said “No” - No to the powers of death, No to the sin that tries to hold us captive. And Christ said Yes to God’s promises throughout the ages—Yes to new life. Yes to hope and transformation. The Spirit of God anoints us with that hope and power . Friends, believe the good news of the gospel! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

### Choral Anthem

*Moses*

Chancel Choir

### Joys and Concerns with Prayers and Thanksgiving

Pastor David

### The Lord’s Prayer

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

Pastor David

### Offertory

*Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word* (J. S. Bach)

### ✚ Doxology

### Prayer For Illumination

Judy Leonard

One: Please join me in our *Prayer for Illumination*.

**ALL:** God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. In the midst of the multitude of words in our daily lives, speak your eternal Word to us, that we may respond to your gracious promises with faithfulness, service and love. Amen.

### Scripture Reading

Exodus 3:1—10

Judy Leonard

One: This is the word of the Lord.

**Many:** Thanks be to God.

### Message

*The Story— Deliverance*  
Pastor David Burgeson

### ✚ Closing Hymn No. 127

*Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah*

### ✚ Benediction and Choral Response

Pastor David

### Postlude

*Toccata In C* (J. S. Bach)

# UMC OF AG PRAYER & THANKSGIVING FOR 8 SEPTEMBER 2013

## Please Pray For:

- Health and healing for those in our church family who are battling illness/health issues.
- For those who have recently lost loved ones.
- The financial welfare and stewardship of our church, its members and friends.
- Those effected by the fire in Yosemite.
- Chuck Burns is now home.
- Jerrelyn Trujillo's mom, Virge, had a pace maker put in. Prayer for rapid recovery.
- A friend of the Ballaghs, Mark Daniel, lost his other brother, David. Prayers for family.
- Friend of the Coho's, Mike, needs prayer.
- A friend of the Burgeson's, Rev. David Vernon, had neck surgery—injured on a trampoline.
- Marian Middleton fell and broke her tailbone.
- Bennie Duffin asks for prayer for Raymen who is having anger issues and his brother Anthony.
- David Bauer's friend Jean, has breast cancer.
- Joe is homeless and struggling with addiction.
- Jean Hubbard's son, Casey, had cancer surgery.
- Alice Addison's mother-in-law, Myrtis, is turning 96; Cali Addison, turns 2; Krystal and her kids.
- The Hawkin's neighbor Lorraine has cervical cancer; Mary's sister had a hysterectomy.
- Johnson's friend, Arlene, is having health issues.
- Carleen Minkler fell and is home.

## Praise God for His Goodness and Mercy!

- Melissa Ferrari's white blood cells were up so she is able to continue treatment; continue to pray for healing and comfort.
- Tina Moore is doing well and is home.
- Bodie Benet's healing and recovering.
- We are glad to have visitors in church today.

## North District Weekly Covenant Prayer:

- Reseda: First UMC—Gordon Marchant
- Ridgecrest: UMC—Rick La Shure

## 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; church family and friends; those with the unspoken prayer; the ministries of this church; our church leaders; those serving God around the world; the hungry, displaced, sick and/or impoverished; the many who are 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; the military and their families; the Middle East; Syria and other nations in civil war.

**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, Melissa Ferrari, Harold Headrick, Lisa Graham, Sharkey, Russell Ewick, Ehrhardt Lang, Joy Collins, Tess Raine, Virginia Mothes, Marj Cawelti, and Bob Pierson.

**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, the Bucktons, Sadie Krovious.

## Mission Prayer Focus for The Global UMC:

**Sept. 8:** Wesley House Community Center, Knoxville, TN; **Sept. 9:** Susannah Wesley Training Center, Tanzania; **Sept. 10:** Conference United Methodist Women: Day care Center, Liberia; **Sept. 11:** AIDS orphanage in Thailand, Thailand; **Sept. 12:** Conference United Methodist Women: My Daughter's Place, Liberia; **Sept. 13:** Morogoro United Methodist preschools, Tanzania; **Sept. 14:** Alpine Community Center, Alpine, Texas.



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

Join us TODAY in Criswell Hall for coffee and treats!

We want to get to know you!



Coffee Hour is hosted by the ladies of JOY Circle. Next week's Coffee is the Church Council.



- **REMEMBER to Register your attendance!** The pads are on each pew's end.
- **Visitors:** Please write your email or mailing address. We want to send you welcome information about our church and upcoming events.
- **Members Families:** remember to fill in one section per member.
- **HEARING DEVICES** available. Please ask an usher to help.



- **Sunday "The Story" Study—TODAY** at 9:50 AM in the McMillen Room.
- **How To Study the Bible—TODAY** at 6 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.
- Sew 'n' Sews Quilting**—Tuesday at 9 AM in the McMillen Room.
- Communications Team**—Tuesday at 10:30 AM in the Library.
- MS Support Group**—Tuesday at 6 PM in the McMillen Room.
- Grande Ringers Handbell Choir Practice**—Tues. & Thurs. at 6 PM in the hand bell room (115).
- Senior Exercise**—Tues., Wed., Thurs. in Criswell Hall at 8:30 AM.
- Church Work Day** – Wednesday at 9 AM - Help as you are able.
- Alzheimer's Care Giver Support Group**—Wednesday at 9 AM in the MC Millen Room.
- FREE Fellowship Dinner**—Wednesday at 5 PM in Criswell Hall.
- "The Story" Study** —Wednesday at 5:45 PM in the McMillen Room
- Kid's Night Out with "The Story"**—Wednesday at 6 PM in Criswell Hall and Room 211.
- Youth Group Study "The Story"** (6th—12th) - Wednesday at 7 PM in the room 215.
- Choir Practice**—Wednesday at 7 PM in the Sanctuary.
- Intercessory Prayer Group**—Thursday at 10 AM in the Library.
- Esther Circle**—Thursday at 12 PM in the McMillen Room.
- Worship Team**—Thursday at 7 PM in the McMillen Room.
- Morning "The Story" Bible Study**—Friday at 8:30 AM in the Library.
- Women's Spiritual Retreat**—Saturday at 9 AM at Camp Arroyo Grande
- Cowboy Church**—Saturday at 6:30 PM in at the Clark's Ranch (directions available).

# RALLY SUNDAY TODAY

GET INVOLVED



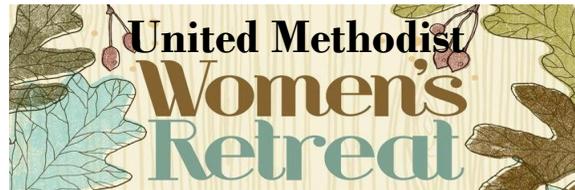
## How Can You Plug In To Your Church? Come and find out!

- United Methodist Men
  - United Methodist Women
  - Adult Bible Studies
  - Youth Group
  - Children's Sunday School & Kid's Night Out
  - Chancel Choir
  - Handbell Ministry
  - Free Movie Night
  - Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner
  - Puppet People
  - Book Club
  - All-Church Work Team
  - Board, Teams, and Committees of the church.
- .....and so much more.

**TODAY in Criswell Hall after worship!**

## FIVE CITIES CHRISTIAN WOMEN

Five Cities Christian Women will be on **September 9, 2013** at noon at *St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church* (800 Bello St in Pismo) Bring a dish to share and your own place sitting. Contributions are appreciated greatly for the local food pantry. **Everyone is welcome to attend.**



**Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>**

Arroyo Grande United Methodist Camp Our ***"The Roma People of Europe"***

Guest speaker, **Laura Wilson,**

**President of the Long Beach District UMW**

We will gather at the camp at **9 AM** for registration and refreshments.

**Registration is \$20,** and will include morning refreshments and lunch.

Car-pooling available from UMC of AG.



**It's water time... bring it anytime!**

We will help you haul it.

**We need 69 more cases in 3 weeks.**

**We can do it!!!**



## Calling all Veterans!

UMC of AG wants to honor our church veterans in our float for the **AG Harvest Festival.**

We will have a truck decorated in this years, **"Spirit of 1776"** theme and invite you to be in it! See Victoria Gandy in Criswell Hall for more or to sign up.



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

## MENU: Taco Salad

Contact Sarah Burgeson to help.



**THE STORY**  
READ THE STORY. EXPERIENCE THE BIBLE.

*This is a journey for the youngest in the church to the oldest... and told like you have never heard it every Sunday.*

**We pray that you go even further in this journey and join a small group— here are some opportunities.**

- Adults** Sundays at 9:50 AM  
Wednesdays at 5:45 PM and  
Fridays at 8:30 AM
- Youth** Wednesdays at 7 PM
- Children** Sundays at 10:30 AM and  
Wednesdays at 6 PM



The UMM's first meeting of the new program year is on **Saturday, September 21 at 8:30 AM** in Criswell Hall. Our own Pastor David will tell of *"The Mississippi Experience"* and share about his trips to clean-up after Hurricane Katrina. A full breakfast will be served for \$9 per person, tickets available at the door.  
**LADIES ARE INVITED!**

## Family Fun Day

**6th Annual Family Fun Day**

Carnival Games, Trike-a-Thon, & BBQ

**October 19, 2013 11 AM - 1:30 PM**

*We would like to make this the best year yet and invite you to participate in our event by providing a booth or activity.*

Contact Maddy at the AG UM CC @ 481-2223.

## Holiday Boutique

**Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM**

**Brunch: 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM for \$7**

*Items for Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas will all be available for sale, as well as, baked goods, plants, jams, jellies and much more!*

**Workshops are being scheduled to make items that will be sold. Stay tuned!**