

# 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:** 805 . 481 . 2692

**On The Web @** worshipweekly.com

**Via E-mail:** fumcag@sbcglobal.net

## **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

**Office:** 805 . 481 . 2223

**E-mail:** agumcc@sbcglobal.net

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 newslet-  
ter, 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 Quaglino

**Bookkeeper:** Victoria Gandy



## **8:30 AM Order of Worship for 25 May 2014**

### **Mark 12:41-44**

### The Widow's Offering

Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."



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25 May 2014 - *Witness of the Widow* - Stewardship Sunday

Worship is led by Lord's Crew

## Welcome and News of the Church

Pastor David

Opening Praise      *What A Mighty God We Serve*

The Lord's Crew

† Scripture Reading      Psalm 147: 7—11

In Unison

Sing to the Lord with grateful praise;  
make music to our God on the harp.

He covers the sky with clouds;  
he supplies the earth with rain  
and makes grass grow on the hills.  
He provides food for the cattle  
and for the young ravens when they call.

His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse,  
nor his delight in the legs of the warrior;  
the Lord delights in those who fear him,  
who put their hope in his unfailing love.

† Opening Prayer

Pastor David

Praise      *Medley: Let It Rain; I Just Want to Praise You  
To Him Who Sits on the Throne  
Holy Spirit Rain Down*

The Lord's Crew

Prayer of Adoration

Susan Coho

Prayer for the Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Pastor David

Offertory      *His Name Is Jesus*

We Share In God's Peace (Greet the Person Next to You and Share God's Love)

Joys and Concerns with Pastoral Prayer

Pastor David

Scripture Reading      Mark 12: 41—44

Mike Herber

One:      This is the word of the Lord.

Many:      Thanks be to God.

Message

*Witness of the Widow*

Pastor David M. Burgeson

Communion Liturgy—on screen

In Unison

Communion Song      *Hero*

\* *We have wafers that are gluten free. Please tell us as you come forward.*

\* *Please bring your pledge card as you come forward for communion place it on the altar.*

† Benediction Song      *The Lord Bless Thee*

Pastor David

Recessional      *How Great You Are*



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Prayer of Confession (continued)

Open our hands and our hearts to the bounty of your love, which cares for the flowers of the fields, the birds in the air, each child who toddles, every parent who worries, every adult who struggles.

Loving God, you have given us so much. Give us again the assurance of your love and care, and fill us with grateful hearts and open hands. Amen.

Prelude

Choral Introit

† Call To Worship

Colin Odom

\* Please rise as you are able in body and/or spirit for our Call to Worship:

One: All good gifts around us are sent from Heaven above, so thank our God.

All: For joy in living

One: And patience in trouble;

All: For rainbows after clouds

One: And moonlight on the darkest night;

All: For wisdom to walk the right path

One: And peace to calm anxious worry;

All: For birthday surprises

One: And things in all sizes.

All: All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above,

One: So let your song arise and give thanks for all God's love.

\* Please remain standing for our opening hymn.

† Hymn No. 384

Love Divine All Loves Excelling

Children's Moment

Puppet People

Grades K—6 are invited to go with the teachers to Sunday School upstairs in room 211 at this time.

Nursery care is available. Junior & Senior high meet in the Youth Room upstairs in room 215.

Prayer of Confession

One: Please join me in our Prayer of Confession:

Colin Odom

All: Generous God, you have given us so much. Give us one more thing. Give us thankful hearts because we know our hearts can be hard and cold. We often hold on when we could let go. We are clutching when we should be spending, hoarding when we should be generous, doubting when we should lean on faith. We are fearful instead of trusting in your everlasting care.

Choral Anthem

Irresistible

Joys & Concerns with Pastoral Prayers & Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer

Prayer for Giving & Receiving—Our Tithes & Offerings

† Offertory

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley (F. Binckes)

Doxology

Prayer For Illumination

Colin Odom

One: Please join me in our Prayer for Illumination.

ALL: Holy God, as we open Your Word, we lay aside all that hinders us from listening to your voice. We ask that you grant us grace to hear, wisdom to understand and courage to apply what we learn. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Mark 12: 41—44

Colin Odom

One: This is the word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Message

Witness of the Widow

Pastor David M. Burgeson

† Hymn No. 399

Take My Life, and Let It Be

\* During the singing of the last hymn please bring your pledge to the altar.

† Benediction and Choral Response

Postlude

Allegro from Violin Sonata (A. Corelli)

### **Please Pray for...**

- Health and healing for those in our church family who are battling illness/health issues.
- Comfort and peace for those who have recently lost loved ones as they heal.
- The financial welfare and stewardship of our church, its members and friends.
- Prayers for the Middle East.
- The People's Kitchen finds a place to serve.
- The US and these trying times.
- Those struggling with depression/isolation.
- Pray that we all continue to reach out to our community and help people see Christ.
- Betty Lorenz—comfort after son passed away, memorial service is planned today at 2 PM; she had to put dog down also.
- Margaret Coombs—back pain and issues.
- Don McGuire—healing and home from recovering after chemo for lungs.
- Lexi Raetz—teacher Mr. Schurick (at Paulding) is undergoing cancer treatment.
- Cristy (Eichelberger) Van Hook—saw a neurosurgeon on 5/14; prayer as she is newly married and living in different states.
- Susan Coho's mother, Mary—healing.
- Mary Thronson's great nephew's son, Matthew (3) will have his tonsils out.
- Kay Walker's daughter and grand-daughter following surgery.
- The Hawkins' neighbor Jerry with the passing of his mother.
- Rev. Pudinski, a pastor friend of the Herbers', wife Ann passed away. Prayer for comfort.
- Margaret Coombs son-in-law David is awaiting lung transplant.

### **Praise God for His Goodness & Mercy!**

- Welcome our new friends at church today.
- Body Bennet had a successful surgery.
- Ehrhardt and Cheryl Lang were in church last Sunday.

### **Continue to Pray for:**

Fenton McClure, Sheila Owine, Ken Coombs, Isa-

bella Sloan, Ayleen Melsheimer, Les Bradley, the Williamsons, Mike Douglas, Richard & Adam Gainer, Wil Ogden, Jennifer Gandy, Rick Ventura, John Odom, the Harveys, Al Gorsline, Melissa Ferrari, Lisa Graham, Ehrhardt Lang, Tess Raine, Ron Salisbury, Kay Walker, & the Mark Moore Family.

**In Care Facilities/Shut-ins:** Bob Atwood, Bob Serby, Wayne Frisby, Doris Rice, Ruby Weddell, Yvonne Holt, Madge Young, Jeanne Jenkins, Donna Truman, the Bucktons, Sadie Krovious, Jerry Smith, Harold Headrick.

### **N. District Weekly Covenant Prayer:**

- Lompoc: First UMC—Gilbert Stones
- Big Pine: Community UMC—Matt McPhee

### **Cal-Pac Missionaries in the Field:**

Charley Brower (Alaska), John Elmore (Chile), The Persons (Congo), Carmen Aracelis Meléndez & Alejandro Rodriguez (Mexico).

### **Covenant Missionary:**

Tim & Juji Boyle (Japan)

**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 & justice for the world; our nation; current leaders; salvation for the world through Jesus Christ; the military & their families; the Middle East & Syria.

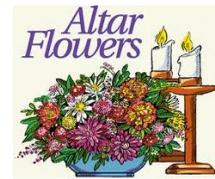
### **Mission Focus for the Global UMC:**

May 25: InterServ, St. Joseph, MO; May 26: Nepal: =Gender studies and community development; May 27: United Methodist Women's program development for Global Justice Volunteers  
May 28: Philippines: Southern Philippines Methodist Colleges Building Project; May 29: United Methodist Women Ubuntu Journeys; May 30: Philippines: Youth and Young Adults Holistic

## **The Bulletin Board**

**Join us TODAY after worship in Criswell Hall for a Coffee Hour. We want to get to know you!**

**Endowment Board & ELT Scholarship Committee** is our coffee host this week.  
**Next Week's Coffee Hour Host:**  
**AG UM CC Ice Cream Social and Art Show**



*"Happy Birthday to Raul Castillo."*  
Love mom

## **today TO DO LIST**

- **How To Study The Bible** - 6 PM (MMR).
- **Lorenz Memorial**—2 PM (S)

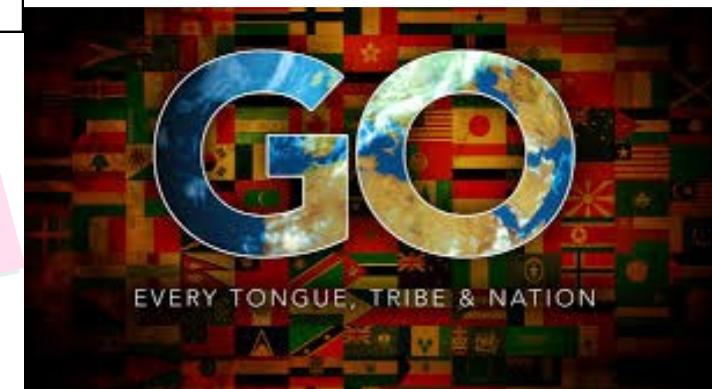
### **Register Your Attendance!**

Registration pads are at the end of each pew. Please include mailing address, e-mail if any and any changes for our church directory.

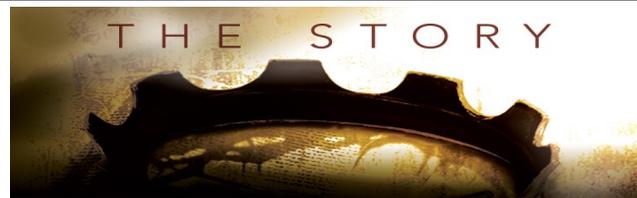


## **THIS WEEK @ CHURCH**

- **OFFICE Close d MONDAY for Memorial Day**
- **UMC of AG Emergency Food Distribution**—Monday from 1—3 PM (CH).
- **Women of Prayer**—Monday at 7 PM (S).
- **Men's Bible Study** —Monday at 7 PM (215).
- **Senior Exercise**—T/W/Th. at 8:30 AM (CH)
- **Sew 'n' Sews** —Tuesday at 9 AM (MMR).
- **Grande Ringers Handbell Practice**—Tues. & Thurs. at 5 PM in the hand bell room.
- **Church Work Day** – Wednesday at 9 AM.
- **Free Fellowship Supper** —Wednesday at 5 PM (CH). All are welcome.
- **Wednesday Night Study** — Wednesday at 5:45 PM with Mike Herber (MMR).
- **Kid's Night Out (K- 5<sup>th</sup>)** - Wednesday at 5:45 PM (CH).
- **Youth Group** - Wednesday at 7 PM (215).
- **Choir Practice** —Wednesday at 7 PM .
- **Church Council**—Thursday at 6:30 PM (MMR)
- **AM Bible Study**—Friday at 8:30 AM (L).
- **Praise Team**—Saturday at 6:30 PM (S)



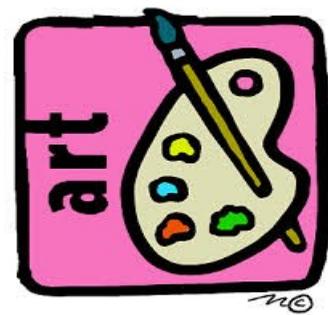
JOIN US FOR A  
**FELLOWSHIP  
DINNER**  
Wednesdays at 5 PM—Criswell Hall - FREE!



**Adults** Sundays at 10 AM  
Wednesdays at 5:45 PM  
Fridays at 8:30 AM

**Youth  
Children** Wednesdays at 7 PM  
Sundays at 10:30 AM and  
Wednesdays at 6 PM

**An ALL age study like you have never seen!**



**AG UM Children's Center  
Art Show and Ice Cream  
Social**

**Next Sunday—June 1**  
Benefiting the Wendell  
Curry and Susan Potts  
Memorial Scholarship  
Fund. We hope to see  
you there!



**We celebrate our Choir  
next week!**

Worship will be led at our  
10:30 AM worship service by  
the talented chancel choir.  
We hope that you will join  
us for this special musical  
worship filled with the  
hymns you have loved this  
season.



**You definitely don't want to  
miss this! June 8, 2014**

A **ONE** combined worship  
day at 10:30 AM  
to celebrate our youth.

They have been working hard  
to bring you this special day.  
We encourage you to be  
there.



**Wednesday  
Bible Study at 5:45 PM**

May 28th  
"Victory Thru Faith In Christ"



*Your righteousness  
is like the mighty  
mountains, your judgments  
are like the great deep;  
you save humans and  
animals alike, O LORD.*

*Psalm 36:6, NRSV*



**Stewardship Sunday TODAY**

Stewardship at the First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande is the opportunity of offering your spiritual and financial generosity to this community of faith. Our goal as United Methodists is to "make disciples for the transformation of the world." The mission of UMC of AG as a part of that goal is to "Know Christ, Grow in Christ, Go, Share Christ." In order to prepare ourselves for this mission, we will ask you to engage in four activities for the next few days. First, pray about what God is calling you to give. Second, make a decision in response to God's calling. Third, act on that decision. And finally, be happy about how you are contributing to UMC of AG for the good of the world. These four practices will help you in the stewardship of your time, talents, and treasures that God gave you in faith that you will give back to Him for His use.

Thanks!

**FEED THE HUNGRY®**

**UMC of AG  
Emergency Food Pantry**  
Food is distributed from our  
church every MONDAY  
from 1—3 PM. You can help!  
(\* donations FUMCAG-  
memo UMC of AG Food Pantry).

**People's Kitchen Team**  
needs workers on the 1st and 3rd  
Wednesday and Thursday of each month to  
help make lunches and serve them to the  
hungry in our community.

**Contact the Ashtons in Criswell Hall to help.**

**5 Cities Christian Women  
Food Pantry**  
Donations of non-perishable food are wel-  
come at any time. A marked basket is in the  
Narthex for your convenience.

*Monetary donations pay to:*  
**5CCW Emergency Food Ministry**  
P.O. Box 756,  
Grover Beach, CA 93483

**All valuable to the work of  
Jesus Christ and  
the ministry of His church.  
Any help is appreciated!**