

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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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.*

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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. Dr. Cedrick Bridgeforth

Senior Pastor:

Rev. David M. Burgeson

Missionary (retired):

Judy Atwood

Church Office Administrator:

Sarah Burgeson

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

AG UM Children's Center

Director: Madrigal Quaglino



“And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

“This, then, is how you should pray:

“Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven
our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.”

Matthew 6:5—13



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✚ DENOTES STANDING AS YOU ARE ABLE

21 September 2014 - Discipleship: Pray

Pre-Service Music by the Lord's Crew

Welcome and News of the Church

Pastor David

Prayer of Adoration

Susan Coho

Handbell Introit

Earth Has No Sorrow That Heaven Cannot Feel Grande Ringers
(Arr. Karen Thompson)

Prayer for the Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Pastor David

✚ Scripture Reading Luke 18:1—8

In Unison

Offertory

What A Friend We Have In Jesus

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

"For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!'"

And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

✚ Opening Prayer

Pastor David

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

Joys and Concerns & Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:5—13

Mike Herber

One: This is the word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Message

Discipleship: Pray
Pastor David M. Burgeson

Handbell Anthem

Celebrate With Ringing (Michael Mazzatenta) Grande Ringers

Holy Communion Liturgy (on screen)

Communion Song *O The Blood of Jesus*

Praise

10,000 Reasons
All The Heavens
Jesus Be The Center

✚ Benediction Song *The Lord Bless Thee*

Pastor David

Recessional *Revive Us Again*



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Welcome and News of the Church

Prelude *Hear My Prayer* (F. Mendelssohn)

Handbell Introit *Earth Has No Sorrow That Heaven Cannot Feel* Grande Ringers
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✠ **Call To Worship** Tom Egan

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

One: People of God, we are together to worship and pray.
Many: We do not know how to pray.
One: Jesus Christ, our risen Lord and Savior, has taught us how to pray.
Many: But we do not know how to pray as we ought to pray.
One: The Holy Spirit engages with our spirit to pray as we ought.
Many: But how can we have the Holy Spirit?
One: Our heavenly Father gives the Holy Spirit to all who ask.
Many: Then, in the power of the Holy Spirit, we will worship and pray.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

** Please remain standing for our opening hymn.*

✠ **Hymn No. 496** *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

Handbell Introit *Earth Has No Sorrow That Heaven Cannot Feel* Grande Ringers
(Arr. Karen Thompson)

Children's Moment Leonard Lutz

Prayer of Confession Tom Egan

One: Please join me in our Prayer of Confession:
All: Generous God, you are ever more ready to give than we are to receive. You bless us richly with love that knows no bounds, with peace that passes all understanding.

Yet we are often convinced that we may have greater gifts. Failing to trust your goodness, we turn elsewhere for love, seeking solace from our reputations, our

Prayer of Confession - continued

image or our possessions. We hope to find peace behind closed doors, protected by our sense of security. Even in our best efforts, we come up short; forgive us.

Loving Savior, Prince of Peace, teach us once again to follow you. Show us how to drink deeply from God's well of abundance, that we might trust your divine ways. Strengthen us to live joyfully as your disciples of love and peace. Amen

Choral Anthem *Let All The People Say Amen* Chancel Choir

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

Prayer for Giving & Receiving—Our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory *But The Lord is Mindful of His Own* (F. Mendelssohn)

✠ **Doxology**

Prayer For Illumination Tom Egan

One: Please join me in our Prayer for Illumination:
ALL: Gracious Savior, you have the words of eternal life. As the Scripture is read and preached in this hour, empower us to hear it with humility and openness, so that hearing it, we may respond with courage and conviction. Amen.

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:5—13 Tom Egan

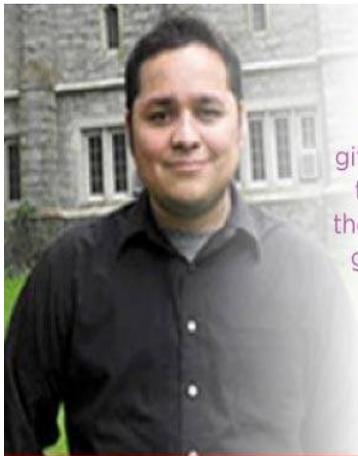
One: This is the word of the Lord.
Many: Thanks be to God.

Message *Discipleship: Pray*
Pastor David M. Burgeson

✠ **Hymn No. 437** *This Is My Song*

✠ **Benediction and Choral Response**

Postlude *Psalm XIX* (B. Marcello)



"There are no borders for the church and your gift allows us to fill the gap between the church and the growing Hispanic population."

- Efrain Zavala

World Communion Sunday October 5, 2014

What would it look like if the church today imitated Jesus' affirmation of the full dignity and God-given potential of all women and men—especially those who've historically been assigned to the world's margins?

On **World Communion Sunday** your giving helps to provide scholarships for national and international graduate students whom God has gifted to learn and to serve.

WORLD
COMMUNION
SUNDAY



Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.
The people of The United Methodist Church

The Bulletin Board

Join us for...

Coffee TIME



We want to get to know you!

**Join us in Criswell Hall where
TODAY's Coffee Hour is hosted by:**

Staff Parish Relations Team

Next Week's Host:
Communications Team



Altar Flowers

*"In loving memory of my
parents, Ida & Worth Grim."*

- Cyndee Rohla

THINGS TO DO TODAY

- Please bring blankets for Blanket Sunday**—more info inside.
- UMM Breakfast**—Saturday at 8:30 AM (CH).
- Sunday Night Bible Study**—at 6 PM in the Mc Millen Room.

Register Your Attendance!

Registration pads are at the end of each pew. Include mailing address, e-mail and any changes to your info.

Reminder!



- 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 Rehearsal**—Tues./Thurs. at 5 PM (handbell room).
- Church Work Day** – Wednesday at 9 AM.
- Mary- Martha Circle**—Wednesdays at 9:30 AM (MMR)
- Free Fellowship Supper**—Wednesday at 5 PM (CH). All are welcome.
- Adult Study**—Wednesday at 5:45 PM (MMR)
- Youth Group** - Wednesday at 7 PM (215).
- Mission Team Meeting**—Thursday at 11 AM (MMR).
- Church Council**—Thursday at 6:30 PM (MMR)
- UMW Book Club**—Friday at 11 AM (MMR).

**Arroyo Grande Harvest Festival
September 26—27, 2014**

Join us at our refreshment booth.

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

This week dinner is:
Sarah's Country Chicken Casserole
Please see Sarah Burgeson or Judy Atwood
for info on how you can help.

together in the word

Adults Sundays at 10 AM
Wednesdays at 5:45 PM
Fridays at 8:30 AM
Youth Wednesdays at 7 PM
Children Sundays at 10:30 AM



On the **4th Saturday of each month** our church hosts a Messy Church as a way of being church for families involving fun; to be a church, not a craft club, that helps people encounter Jesus as Lord and Savior; a part of a community that values being Christ-centered. This is a fun time for all ages!!

See you on **September 27 at 4 PM**. Join the fun & bring a friend (or two)!

Please contact Linda Herber or Kathleen Ballagh for more details—and how to help!



November 23rd Blanket Sunday

Pastor David will bless these blankets before they go to the People's Kitchen Annual Christmas Party and by the 5 Cities Christian Women's Food Pantry Christmas Basket distribution. How many can we collect between now and November 23rd?

Leave them in the Blanket Box in the Narthex. They can be brought any time and we will gather them from there.



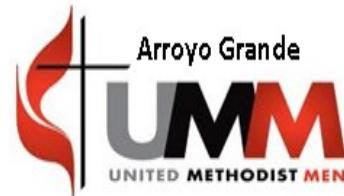
We continue a series on **Discipleship** with Pastor David which will be at both services on Sunday. We will add to it on Wednesdays at 5:45 PM in the McMillen Room. We hope you will join us!

You can read ahead each week the passages below:

9/28 Join (Acts 11: 19—26)
10/5 Worship (Heb. 10:19—25)

May God bless your reading!

Watch for the new series **"Heaven is For Real!"** beginning Sunday, October 12.



**Fall Kick-Off Breakfast
and Meeting**
September 20 at 8:30 AM
in Criswell Hall.
(meal cost is \$9, please
RSVP to Val McClure)

Be sure to look for our upcoming **Pancake Breakfast on October 12th** during the **Rock the Block Weekend**.

It is time again!!

AG Harvest Festival - 9/26-27
Volunteers are needed to run the church booths from 4 pm to 9 pm on Friday and 10 am to 6 pm on Saturday. **Help is needed in two hour time slots or more.** The booths help to reach out to the community by providing information about our church as well as offering water and prayer. Please see Linda or Mike Herber for more info.



LAST CHANCE— DON'T FORGET YOUR WATER!
Help us reach our goal of 3,000 bottles. Thanks!



October 10-12 SAVE THE DATES!

Watch your October Newsletter for details.
Or
Check out the website on rocktheblockweekend.org

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 can be made to the FUMCAG-memo UMC of AG Food Pantry.

UMC of AG Feed The Hungry Team

needs help the **1st & 3rd Wednesdays and Thursdays** of each month to help make casseroles, put together sack lunches and serve meals for our community. **Contact the Ashtons in Criswell Hall to help.**

Five Cities Christian Women Food Pantry

Donations of non-perishable food are welcome at any time. A marked basket is in the Narthex for your convenience.

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

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

