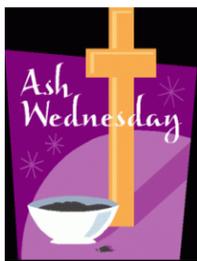


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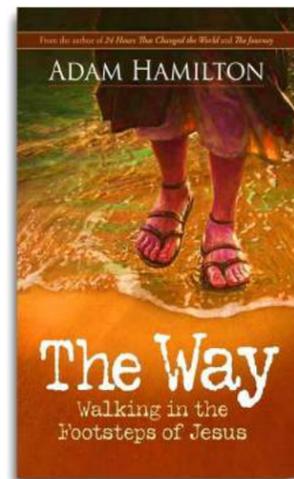
First United Methodist Church of Arroyo Grande **MARCH 2017**



ASH WEDNESDAY
The Beginning of Lent
Wednesday, March 1st
6:00 PM SANCTUARY

A brief worship opportunity begins the season of Lent on Ash Wednesday, March 1st in the sanctuary at 6 PM. We will sing, enjoy special cello music, and receive the symbol of ashes either on the forehead or hand as a reminder of the commitment we make to observe this season. We continue the Christian disciplines we practice all year long---prayer, reading scripture, study, attendance in worship, serving those in need and living out love with friends, family and those we meet. In so doing, we honor Jesus who in his own life did all these things to the glory of God his whole life long.

All are invited to the
LENTEN STUDY CLASSES
Wednesdays at 5:45 PM in
Criswell Hall
following the 5 PM Free Dinner



THE WAY
 by Adam Hamilton
 Travel to the Holy Land with Adam Hamilton as he retraces the footsteps of Jesus from his baptism to the temptation to the heart of his ministry, including the people he loved, the enemies he had, the parables he taught, and the roads that he traveled in this six week study that takes you from the Jordan River, through the wilderness to Capernaum, from the mountains to the Sea of Galilee, through Samaria, and on to Jerusalem. DVD clips with images of the Holy Land will enrich the experience.

Classes will meet Wednesdays March 8, 15, 22, 29, and April 5 & 19 (not on April 12 during Holy Week).



EVENTS COMING IN APRIL

Sunday, April 9 PALM SUNDAY

Services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, April 13 MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Simple celebration of Holy Communion at 6:00 p.m.

Friday, April 14 GOOD FRIDAY

Ecumenical Good Friday Service-location TBA

Sunday, April 16 EASTER

Easter services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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From the Pastor

March 1st begins the Lenten Season
Join us on Ash Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo Saxon word *lencten*, which means "spring." The forty days represent the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry.

Lent is a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent was a time to prepare new converts for baptism. Today, Christians focus on their relationship with God, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of themselves for others.

Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini-Easter" and the reverent spirit of Lent is tempered with joyful anticipation of the Resurrection.

Join us in Worship
for the Six Sundays of Lent
March 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th and April 2nd & 9th

We begin Lent together with a simple worship service in the sanctuary Ash Wednesday, March 1st at 6:00 p.m. During Lent I will offer a lectionary-based series of sermons, *IN THE CROSSFIRE*, lifting up pivotal decisions made by Jesus, Nicodemus, Lazarus, the Samaritan Woman, the Blind Man and people around them that gives us a mirror for our own decision-making as disciples of Jesus.

Join us for Wednesday Night Study
THE WAY: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus – by Adam Hamilton
5:45 p.m. following the Free Dinner

A video-based study *THE WAY: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus* will guide us on the path to and through the cross. Encounter the life and ministry of Jesus in a fresh and exciting way as Adam Hamilton explores the earthly ministry of Jesus in a way that helps you hear his teaching and view his actions anew drawing upon insights from history, archaeology, and the geography of the Holy Land. Hamilton uses his knowledge from extensive travel in Israel to enrich many episodes from Jesus' three years of ministry. Travel to the Jordan River, where Jesus was baptized, and the Judean wilderness where he was tempted. Climb the mountain where Jesus may have given his most famous sermon, and take a boat into the Sea of Galilee. This journey into the heart of the land where Jesus walked, will deepen your understanding of His life, while also increasing your love and faith in Him.

Sunday April 9th, 2017
PALM SUNDAY

Sunday April 16th, 2017
EASTER

Rev. Mary B. Birgelaitis

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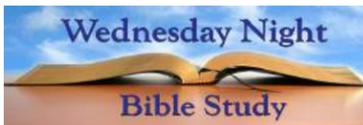
Adult Christian Education



Women's Prayer

Mondays at 7 PM

Women come to pray together in the Sanctuary.



Adult Bible Study at 5:45 PM
FREE Fellowship Meal at 5 PM



Fridays at 8:30 AM

Join us in the Library for Bible Study, discussion, coffee, & friends!



Dates	Topics and Schedule
Wednesday, March 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service Service with Special Cello Music Imposition of Ashes
Sunday, March 5 First Sunday in Lent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM Worship Services Sermon by Rev. Mary Birgelaitis "In the Crossfire: Jesus" Matthew 8:5-11
Wednesday, March 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:45 PM Adult Lenten Study <u>THE WAY</u> by Adam Hamilton <i>Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus</i>
Sunday, March 12 Second Sunday in Lent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM Worship Services Sermon by Rev. Mary Birgelaitis "In the Crossfire: Nicodemus" John 7:5-17
Wednesday, March 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:45 PM Adult Lenten Study <u>THE WAY</u> by Adam Hamilton <i>Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus</i>
Sunday, March 19 Third Sunday in Lent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM Worship Services Sermon by Rev. Mary Birgelaitis "In the Crossfire: Samaritan Woman" John 4:5-12
Wednesday, March 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:45 PM Adult Lenten Study <u>THE WAY</u> by Adam Hamilton <i>Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus</i>
Sunday, March 26 Fourth Sunday in Lent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM Worship Services Sermon by Rev. Mary Birgelaitis "In the Crossfire: Blind Man" John 3:5-41
Wednesday, March 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:45 PM Adult Lenten Study <u>THE WAY</u> by Adam Hamilton <i>Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus</i>

MARCH LITURGISTS

March 5
 8:30 a.m. Larry Baughman
 10:30 a.m. Virginia Mothes

March 12
 8:30 a.m. Susan Thronson
 10:30 a.m. Roger Sperling

March 19
 8:30 a.m. Joel Anderson
 10:30 a.m. David Beaman

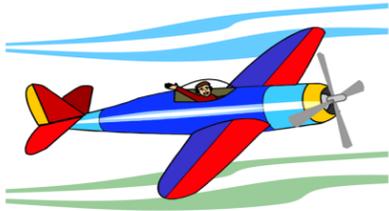
March 26
 8:30 a.m. Joseph Brown
 10:30 a.m. Rose Ann Steiner

**WE WELCOME YOU TO
JOIN THE CHURCH**

All who regularly attend worship and haven't joined the church by taking the step of membership are invited to do so!

Let the pastor know you are wishing to join, meet with her, and we can schedule a Sunday to officially welcome you.





UMM TO HAVE A "FLY-IN" FOR THE NEW SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY AIRPORT



Val McClure, *publicity*

The next meeting of the UMM will be at Coco's Restaurant on MARCH 18TH at 9:00 A.M.— order from the menu.

SPEAKER will be Philip D'Aceri, Business Development Manager for the airport. Through

an excellent slide presentation, he will show what is going on with the expansion of the airport and plans for its future use.

Women are invited to attend. Seating is limited, so be there early.

UMM SWEETHEART BREAKFAST A RESOUNDING LOVE-IN

More than forty people from our congregation enjoyed the Annual UMM Sweetheart Breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 11th. The red and white Valentine theme of the decorations that added to the festivities was created by Val McClure and Irene Kliesch. Dave Bauer and Kent Unsworth



Chef Tina

handled the set-up and take down. In the kitchen were Tina Moore and her assistant Shirley Willmott, producing the excellent breakfast. Dennis Eiler and Julie Burns rendered some beautiful music which added to the ambiance. Don Gugeler led in singing, and Dave Bauer sang some great love songs.



The Mystery Couple of the year turned out to be Bernie and Mary Hawkins, and the UMM presented them with a certificate to recognize their tremendous service to the church. Ladies attending received red roses.

All in all, it was a wonderful way to get Valentine's day off to a good start. If you missed it this year - See you next year!

Bernie and Mary Hawkins, Val McClure

SUNDAY - MARCH 26^h 9:30 -12 noon

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE

A special treat awaits you on March 26th after the first and second Service. The **"Coffee n' Art Show"**, last held in 2002, will be seen again with over six artists displaying their works in oil, acrylics and pastels. Each artist will have their own table which will be decorated with greenery on loan from a local nursery. Artists will be on

hand to discuss their art with the viewers, and a live painting demonstration will be done by Leona Beerup. The regular coffee hour will be held during this event so you may enjoy your coffee and view the art. There is no charge for the event. If artists have paintings they wish to sell, 50% will go to the artist and 50% as donation to the church youth activities.

Val McClure is Chairman for this event.





United Methodist Women

FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

in the global ministries of the church."

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"The organized unit of the United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose Purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ'; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation

Sally Weitkamp, Publicity

OUR UMW STEERING COMMITTEE has been busy making plans for activities and programs for the 2017 year. Here are some of our upcoming events.

May 13th
Mother's Day Luncheon,
A Hawaiian Luau



September 9th
Annual Fall Retreat



August 6th
International
Friendship Day



November 4th
Boutique & Holiday
Coffee/Tea Shop



Please circle your calendars for these dates

BOUTIQUE CRAFT CLUB

We have begun a Craft Club which meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in McMillen Room. Bring a sack lunch for our social time. Come and learn new skills and share ideas. Our project for each week will be shown at the UMW table along with a list of materials needed to make the item. Join us for fun and fellowship as we create and get to know each other better. This group welcomes all ladies who are interested. For more information call Gerry McGuire (see church directory).

**MARCH UMW BOOK
I Love Growing Older,
But I'll Never Grow Old**



For March the UMW Book group will be discussing an encouraging book, I Love Growing Older, But I'll Never Grow Old by J. Ellsworth Kalas. Now, who loves growing older anyway? In this book, the author talks about making peace with the aging process. Consider the experience and wisdom gained during a long life. It's about keeping a positive frame of mind about what life brings us.

Join the book group on Friday, March 24th at 11 A.M. in the McMillen Room.

---submitted by Judy Leonard



**ELT SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATIONS
ON-LINE**

Everett Lee Taylor Scholarship applications are available on-line and in the church office in March. The purpose of this scholarship is to help deserving United Methodist students enrolled in accredited universities, college, and technical schools defray the cost of their education.

Only students who are or have been active members of the Arroyo Grande First United Methodist Church may apply. Graduating high school seniors must include letters of recommendation as well as a high school transcript with their completed applications. Returning college students will need a college transcript but are not required to submit letters of recommendation. Students may apply for this scholarship more than once provided they have maintained a minimum 2.5 GPA in their college work.

The completed application with required attachments must be turned in to the church office by May 15th. Scholarship recipients will be introduced to the congregation in early June. Scholarship checks will be given to recipients upon proof of registration in Fall, 2017 college classes.

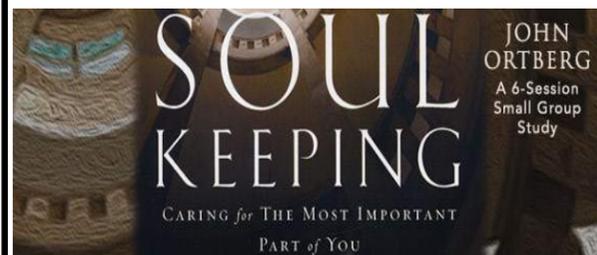
—submitted by Judy Leonard

Is there Interest?

Study Class

Soul-Keeping by John Ortberg

Your soul's resting place is in God. John Ortberg wants to take you there. In this six-session, video-based small group Bible study, John Ortberg takes you on an exploration of the soul from the perspective of a wise guide who has struggled to understand and care for his own soul. Ortberg highlights his relationship with Dallas Willard, a "professor of the soul," and what he learned from this man in the midst of his own struggles and hardships. Ortberg shares his honest, funny, moving, insightful, and tender journey with you so that you can better care for your own soul.



Author John Ortberg is an evangelical Christian author, speaker, and senior pastor of Menlo Park Presbyterian Church in Menlo Park, California, an evangelical church with more than 4,000 members.

Are you interested in this six-week study. Let us know? We can easily add it during Lent or at another time. We can create a class for Saturday morning, Sunday afternoon, Thursday evening or find a day-time that works for those interested.

We want to meet the study needs of the congregation. Help us take the guesswork out of choosing. What would you like to see?

---MBB



Caring Congregation Committee

First, here's a GREAT BIG THANK YOU to all who took valentines and cards to our shut-ins in February. Sharing our love is so important.

Now it's March. It's Lent. It's time to remember Jesus' commandment to love one another. (John 13:34) Some people 'give up' something for Lent. We would like to encourage the congregation to "take up" something for Lent. Maybe you could commit to wearing your name tag. Your Caring Congregation steering committee suggests participating in one or more opportunities to show love for one another by signing up as volunteers. Please sign up to deliver Easter Lilies to our shut-ins in April. We will also have a volunteer list for people willing to serve at memorial receptions for church families. Join Gerry Maguire's new craft class to make items for the UMW boutique and some remembrances to take to our shut-ins three times a year. Knit/crochet a shawl or lap robe for the prayer shawl ministry to give to people in need of comfort and healing. Consider being a "Greeter" at the door on Sundays. Or introduce yourself to a visitor or someone you don't know, and ask that person to join you for refreshments in Criswell Hall. And DO think about Tables of Eight to get to know your church family better.

THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS.

God bless each one of you in this **CARING CONGREGATION!**

--submitted by Pat Wiemers

DINNER FOR 8 FRIENDS. FOOD. FUN. FELLOWSHIP

TABLE OF 8 PROGRAM

Social dinner groups are forming now, consisting of 6 to 8 people. The purpose is for church members to gather monthly in a social setting with other members in an environment to socialize, share a meal, and get to know and care for one another on a more personal level.

*For more information please contact
Marjorie Ott or Lucy Jacob*

STATEMENTS OF GIVING

are available upon request
by contacting
Financial Secretary, Virginia Mothes.

You can leave a request in her
mailbox in the office or call the office
to leave a message—481-2692.

SHARING
GOD'S
GIFTS

“Let Us Pray!”

Let's create additional opportunities to pray together for the world, the nation, the church, our loved ones and ourselves!

On Sunday people fill out prayer cards. These go to the pastor for prayer. Monday night a prayer group that has met once a week for years shares their lives and lifts their hearts together in prayer. Cyndee Rohla enters the sanctuary each week to pray for those on our on-going prayer list. On Sunday people sign the prayer book with joys and concerns. These avenues of caring are great.

Confidentiality is a top-of-the-list concern in 2017. We must be clear and careful in the sharing of information. We must direct personal/private prayer needs to a small group where confidentiality can be strictly honored. Do not lift a prayer need publicly unless you have permission to do so from the person whose name you are lifting up, even family!

We inadvertently printed a member as deceased when an obituary appeared in a newspaper for someone of the same name. Thank heaven, our member forgave us! We have to be diligent. We cannot “put in print” everything we hear. In fact, we should not automatically print what someone shares in first service, nor carry it to second service without permission. Sharing is contextual. First service is a small group where everyone knows everyone. Second service is not.

We need confidential places to take prayers. Public worship is not the place to share the details of someone's health condition, even one's own. A simple request for “prayers for healing” is appropriate. Specifics should be shared among close friends or taken into prayer privately. It's important to re-visit the way we handle joys, concerns and prayer requests lest the patterns set for requesting prayer become more of a network for sharing information without enough prayer rising to the Almighty!

It is time to clarify avenues of prayer, to make sure that we do all we can to respect people in need and that we pray for them in appropriate venues.

What about a new prayer group that meets weekly specifically to pray for those listed on the prayer lists? What about a designated prayer time each week in which the sanctuary is open for people to pray? What about some “prayer ministers” who are available at the end of the service to pray privately in the pastor's office with people in need? What about anointing with oil as a common practice?

Think about these things and share with me your own thoughts and ideas about how we can be a more effective praying church. Let's create and clarify together.

—MBB

News from the Mission Team

By Judy Atwood, *chair*

MISSION TEAM: March 2017

MISSION HIGHLIGHTS:

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GOD'S STEADFAST LOVE...IN ACTION

COVENANT MISSIONARIES FOR 2017

When the Mission Team met in January, we spent time talking about whom we would choose as our Covenant Missionaries for 2017. We wanted to continue support for the Moons who serve in Thailand. They are assigned to open and direct Angel's Haven Orphanage, a facility for children with HIV/AIDS in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

We also decided to support Mozart Adevu in Accra, Ghana West Africa as the Africa Regional Coordinator for the Sustainable Agriculture and Development Program for the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR).

FIELD MISSIONARIES FOR 2017

We also made selections for Field Missionaries for this year. We selected four:

- *John Elmore, serving with the Methodist Church of Chile as Mission Volunteer Coordinator.
- *Stephen Copley, a Church and Community Worker serving with Justice for Our Neighbors (JFON) in Little Rock, Arkansas.
- *Gary Locklear, serving with Lumbee Native Americans in North Carolina in Disaster Relief.
- *Charley Bower, serving Nome UMC where we have been sending layette items for several years.

PROJECTS FOR SUPPORT IN 2017

Projects suggested with more information to follow included: Haiti, PET (Personal Energy Transportation Vehicles). A mission project with the children yet to be identified. A local work team day this summer. Suggestions appreciated.

SPECIAL GIVING TOTALS FOR 2017

We begin tracking our special giving totals for 2017 with this issue. Together we are an amazing group sharing with others both locally and around the world. Let's watch this grow through the year ahead.

Many hands continue to do many things.



SPECIAL GIVING TOTALS FOR 2017

ELT Scholarship	\$1,131.64
Human Relations Sunday	310.00
South County Food Bank	55.13
People's Kitchen Food	92.96
People's Kitchen Misc.	<u>2,015.00</u>
<u>1 MONTH TOTAL:</u>	\$3,604.73

Thank you for your second mile gifts

**A THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION.
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Friday, March 10, at Noon

PLEASE NOTE:

Layout Editor reserves the right to cut and edit articles to meet space limitations.



ON MARCH 12th

*Don't forget to set all of your
clocks one hour ahead!*

Dear Friends:

Thank you all so much for all your cards, notes, emails, phone calls, prayers and hugs during this time of sadness for our family. Ayleen was a wonderful daughter-in-law and we miss her very much. Your support has meant a great deal to all of us. We are so blessed to belong to such a loving church family.

Sincerely,

Patti & Dick Melsheimer

Thank You



Carina Avila	03/02
Lucy Jacob	03/07
Doris Leddy	03/07
Pat Wiemers	03/13
Toni Harvey	03/20
Marian Middleton	03/23
Ann Wilson	03/29
Chuck Ashton	03/30

Have we missed **your** birthday? If so, it is not listed on our computer. Please contact the church office and we will be glad to add your birth date to our monthly birthday list!





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Children's Center Chronicle

The Five Cities Christian Women

operates a food pantry at 102 S. 9th Street, Grover Beach. It is open Monday through Friday, 2 PM to 4 PM, and is closed only on special holidays. We serve people from Pismo Beach south to the county line, including Nipomo.

We serve approximately 525 families per month, consisting of 1,178 adults and 664 children for a total of 1,842 people. They are allowed to come two times a month.



Right now we are in need of:

- rice
- cereal
- tuna
- peanut butter

but any non-perishable item can be used.

Our church supports two pantries: one is the Christian Women's pantry and the other is the church pantry run by the People's Kitchen team. This is open Monday 1 to 3 pm in Criswell Hall. Both are worthy causes. Each one has a food basket in the narthex. Please donate non-perishable food and make sure you put your donation in the basket of the one you wish to support. ---submitted by Bennie Duffin