



LET THE “SON SHINE” SUMMER

(a.k.a. *Who’s Who in that next Pew?*)



KICK-OFF EVENT!

NINTH ANNUAL BBQ & CORN TOSS TOURNAMENT

Who can play? Anyone who can toss a bean bag

What is needed? Teams of two for single elimination tournament

Why should I play? Incredible Prizes and LOTS of good food

Extra activities for the little ones too!

Sign up your two person team with Richard Lolley.

(Or just come cheer on your favorite team!)



CHECK YOUR CALENDARS FOR...

HOSTED MEET & GREET DINNERS AT MEMBERS’ HOMES

When & Where?

June 10 - Craig & Tracy Diestel

June 24 - George & Wanda Williams

July 14 - Ray & Lois Sheen

July 22 - John Peirson & Donna Ventura

Look for sign-ups at the Corn Toss!

Paraphrasing the
Girl Scouts,

*“We’re making new friends
and keeping the old!”*



For Your Spirit

A Few Words after Pentecost...

It was an inspiring Pentecost Sunday Service with wonderful music with Gabe and the band and choir, Children's Moment with Bill - Red Balloons, Sanctuary beautifully decorated in Red thanks to Rose and Shirley, the Birthday Cake for the church, and my reflection on the Pentecost with emphasis on Diversity and Unity. In my message I shared a wonderful story about Jimmy Durante. In case you have missed it, allow me to share with you once again. Jimmy was one of the great entertainers in the 20th century. He was asked to be a part of a show for World War II veterans. He told them his schedule was very busy so he could afford only a few minutes to do one short monologue and then immediately leave for his next appointment. The show's director agreed and was happy that he was coming even with his busy schedule. When Jimmy got on the stage, something interesting happened. He performed his short monologue but then he stayed. And he kept performing. The applause grew louder and louder and he kept performing. 15, 20, then 30 minutes went by. Finally, he took his last bow and left the stage. Someone backstage stopped him and said, "Hey Jimmy, I thought you had to go after a few minutes. What happened?" Jimmy answered, "I did have to go, but I can show you the reason I stayed. You can see for yourself if you'll look down on the front row." He pointed to the front row where sat two men, each of whom had lost an arm in the war. One had lost his right arm, the other his left. But together, they were able to clap, and that's exactly what they were doing, loudly and cheerfully.

The opening verse of the famous Pentecost passage from Acts 2 says the day of Pentecost came when they were all together in one place. The Pentecost and the story of Jimmy Durante remind us that together, we will be able to do a work that we could never do apart. Left hand and Right hand, together. Doing justice, loving kindness, and walking humbly before God, together. Together we're able to be the diverse and unified body of Christ in the world. And when we are all together with our differences, the environment is ripe for the Spirit to be poured out on us as God's people.

If you look at the beautiful South Wing Stained Glass Window of our sanctuary which represents the Holy Spirit coming down, the Spirit pours out on the people not the place - diverse people in one place, but not the place. A place like our beautiful sanctuary is very important to us, but it's about people, all people. Poured out on all flesh not on the buildings.

It is diversity that creates the possibility for genuine unity and fellowship in the life of the church. And when we are all together in heart, mind, and love this becomes a powerful witness in a world where diversity means division rather than unity. But we can demonstrate to the world, we are different because the Holy Spirit teaches us to come together in love, despite the differences... This may not be the upper room but the Holy Spirit is blowing us into our future.

During the closing song of 9 AM Service, we came together in a humongous circle and sang The Church Is Alive led by Gabe and the band. Children, young, old, and people from all walks of life, held hands and sang the words: "Hope erupting, Darkness shaking, Faith is rising, Passion burning, Vision growing, This is what it sounds like, this is what it looks like, this is what it feels like when the Church is alive.....We know we know, we know....." May it be so!

We are praying for...

Healing

Tyler Bacon
Carlene Embree (Bacon)
Sue Embree (Barwick)
Paul Fotsch
Fotsch Family
Pam Gross (Williams)
Ezequiel Hernandez
David Hill (Gramlich)
John Marshall
Loreen McDonald
(Schrader)
Shirley Moran
Gary Morr
Daelene Rainer
Shawn Rowe (Slater)
Sharon Stoterau
Beth Ugino (Gramlich)
Bob Williams
Young B. Yoon
Roberta Zema (Hamilton)

HOMEBOUND

Mary F. Apgar
Buren Blackwelder
Doris Fish
Maxine Howe
Floyd Hutchings
Tom Maxwell
Elli Schubert
Marge Wilson

MILITARY

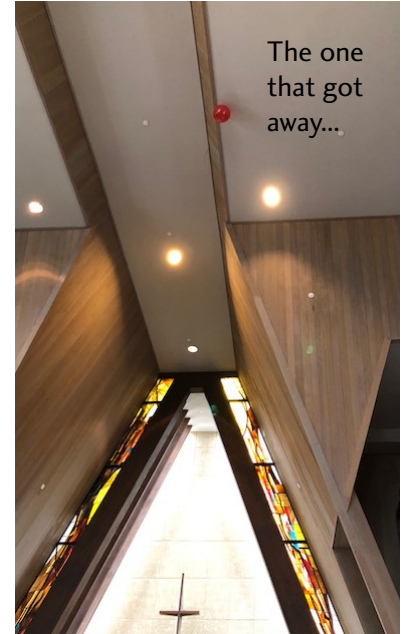
Jessica Chable
Chloe Diestel
Natalee Dueber
Jeremy Embree
Kevin Gramlich
Jesse D. Negrongarcia
Brock Pooler
Mark Rabens
Wesley Rabens





**PENTECOST
MAY 20, 2018**

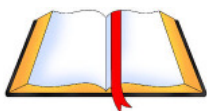
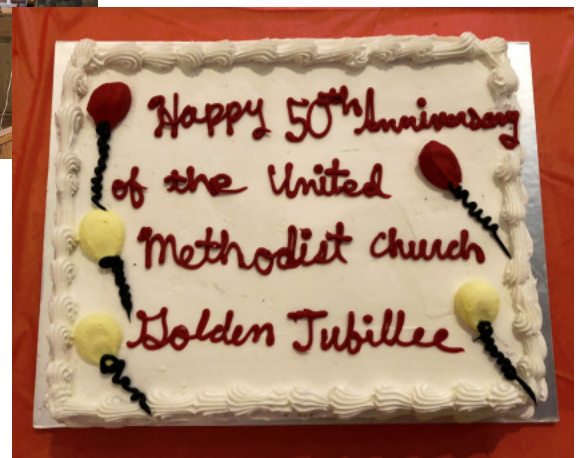
**HAPPY BIRTHDAY,
CHURCH!**



On May 20, we celebrated Pentecost. Bill Williams taught the children who were in worship that the Holy Spirit can fill us for useful purpose much as a beach ball is useful only when it is inflated. Each child got a red helium balloon with a paper dove attached to the string.



This was also Heritage Sunday and we as a denomination recognized the 50 year anniversary since we joined with the Evangelical United Brethren Church, at the constituting General Conference in Dallas Texas on April 23, 1968 to form the United Methodist Church.



GRADUATION & YOUTH SUNDAY - JUNE 10

ONE SERVICE ONLY AT 10:00 A.M.

We will worship in one service together on June 10, to congratulate and celebrate milestones in the lives of some of our UMCTO youngsters.

3rd graders who will be receiving their Bibles: Dane Bacon, Nicholas Elesmore, Sebastian Johnson, Owen Kneizeh.

Graduating High school seniors are Matthew Peirson, who will be guest speaker on Youth Sunday, and Nathan Holloway, who will be playing in the band that day.

Young adults graduating college who have gone through Sunday school and youth

group at UMCTO: Brennan Ackerman (Univ of Vermont), Matt Dacancy (Univ of Washington), Natalee Dueber (Air Force Academy), Matthew Marlow (Moorpark Community College) and Adelle Panico (Cal State University, Long Beach).



Proverbs 22:6 "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."



UMW SPRING BOUTIQUE AND BAKE SALE

The UMW Spring Boutique and Bake Sale on May 6 was a huge success due to the wonderful support from everyone. There were beautiful items as well as delicious goodies to choose from while shopping. Donations of baked goods, craft items and potted plants were in abundance. It was great enjoying a cup of coffee and sliced strawberries or homemade cookies while making decisions on other purchases.



Thank You!

Best of all, the sale was sold out!!! **The total dollar amount was: \$1,105.00.** This amount is the best total sale dollars for a Spring Boutique and Bake Sale in recent history.

The monies received will be donated to Missions that are focused on women and children. Again, many thanks to all of you for your support and participation.

JUNE UMW BOOK CLUB

will meet at the home of Rose Cole
at 7:00 pm on June 25,
to discuss



There is no meeting in July or August, but the discussion for September 24 will be "Lilac Girls" by Martha Hall Kelly.

Back to School for United Methodist Women and youth and children of all ages



MISSION U 2018

What is Mission U? It is:

- "Back to School" for a weekend with classes about the mission of the church in the current world context.
- Fun with United Methodist Women from all over California-Pacific Conference in a variety of creative activities
- Programs celebrating the diverse ages and cultures represented.
- Worship experiences to deepen our love for Christ.

That describes just a little bit of what it is. You have to experience it to fully appreciate it.

When & where is it? June 29-July 1 at BIOLA University in La Mirada for classes in English/Spanish/Tongan. Classes in Korean will be held June 28-30.

What are the study topics?

- Embracing Wholeness: An Earth Perspective for Covenantal Living challenges us to work toward stronger and healthier relations with creation, our communities, and God.
- Missionary Conferences of the United Methodist Church in the U.S. explores church history alongside US history in the 3 United Methodist missionary conferences (with Native American populations): Alaska, Oklahoma, and Red Bird (in Kentucky).
- What About Our Money? A Faith Response explores how we relate to money within the context of our faith and provides a biblical foundation of abundance (sufficiency).

Registration forms are available on the UMW book cart along with registration fee info.

Register by June 8.

You can also register online at <http://www.calpacumc.org/umw/>.

Where can I get more information? Ask Judy Brown, Maria Reyes or Lois Sheen.

MUSIC

“Above all sing spiritually. Have an eye to God in every word you sing.” - J. Wesley

GABE'S OTHER JOB...INSPIRING TEENS TO REACH HIGHER AND GO FURTHER

UMCTO Worship Director Gabe Salazar is just a few weeks away from completing his first year of teaching high school at CHAMPS Charter High School of the Arts in Van Nuys. Though challenging at times, he has loved every single moment. He teaches 2 vocal technique classes and directs 4 choirs and serves as the musical director for the annual musical. He recently was promoted to Department Chair. Here is more from Gabe:

The choirs at this school have never been on any type of trip or participated in a competition. This year I took my two advanced choirs to compete in the WorldStrides Heritage Festival and Competition. My main purpose to take this trip was to give the students a wonderful experience where they would grow closer with one another and expand their knowledge musically. The majority of the students have never traveled outside of Los Angeles, so this was a very special trip for everyone.

to see all the students jumping up and down and tears falling down their face as they announced it. It's something that I will never forget.



There is also a very special award called “The Ovation” award. This award is given to one student who has faced major hardships. This student exemplifies strong leadership, determination, and dedication to their music program despite hardships. Every choir director submits a few students and write a story about each of them. I submitted a student, our choir president, and he was selected for the award!

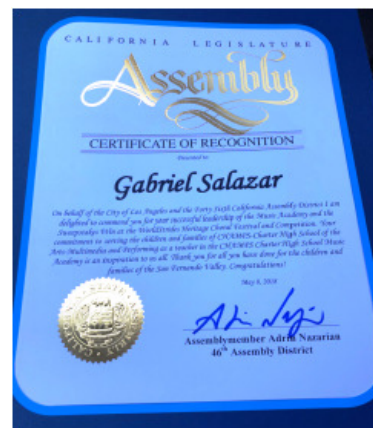


It was an amazing trip. The choirs sang beautifully! Concert Choir and Chamber Singers both competed and with both of the scores combined we won the “Sweepstakes” award in the choral division. This was a major surprise to us! Chamber Singers also got a GOLD rating. Sometimes if the judges feel a choir is good enough, they will give a special invitation to perform in the Carnegie Hall Festival in NYC. Our Chamber Singers were the only choir that was invited to go to NYC next year. We are already brainstorming ideas to fundraise and will be going to New York in April 2019. It was such a special moment

On a personal note, recently I was awarded a special certificate of recognition from the California State Legislature. They were made aware of our recent successes this year and commended me for my leadership and direction with the students at my school. It was a very nice surprise to be honored by them. Overall, I would say it is has been a pretty good first year of teaching. I absolutely love working with these students every day!!

Wow, this is only Gabe's FIRST YEAR!

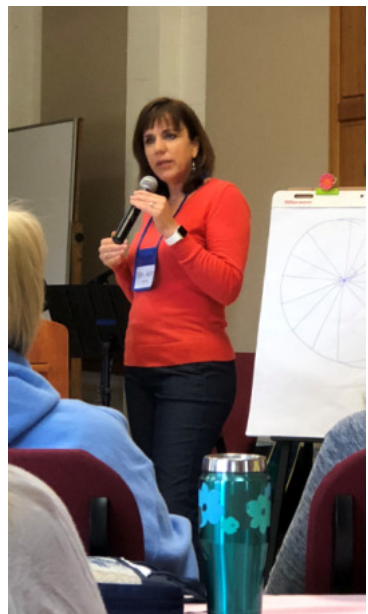
If YOU want to learn from Gabe while singing to the Lord, consider joining the chancel choir. NO ONE IS TURNED AWAY and the choir director is first class!



Formation

We confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior

UMCTO WOMEN'S RETREAT 2018 - MAY 18-20 "LOVING GOD, NEIGHBOR & SELF"



Leader:
Rev. Amy Aitken is an ordained Elder in the United Methodist Cal-Pac Conference, currently serving at Riviera United Methodist Church.



Band:
Liz Smith on keyboard, Jenny Klosterman and Laura Marlow on guitars.



Venue:
Serra Retreat Center, Malibu

Attendees:
Forty-five women from UMCTO and Camarillo UMC participated in group discussions, worship, crafts and singing.



Thank you to organizers, led by Diana Lolley. Committee members also included Connie Jones Judy Brown, Tena Bushart, Liz Hoskinson and Laura Marlow

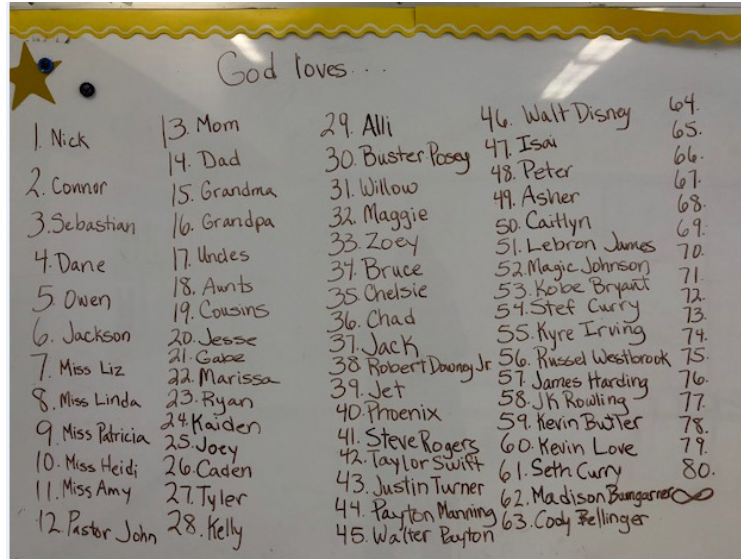
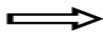
Formation

Planting seeds and supporting faithful families

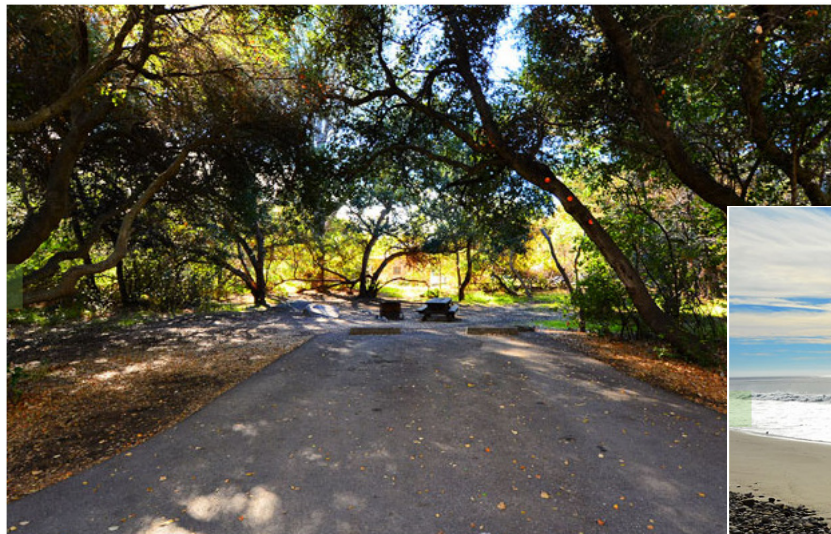


↑ Study Buddy "Graduation"

"Who does God love?" See answers from the boys of the 3rd grade Sunday School class.



Does this look inviting? Like a picture postcard?



EL CAPITAN STATE BEACH



Then, be sure to
SAVE-THE-DATE
for
FAMILY CAMP 2018!

OCTOBER 26, 27, 28

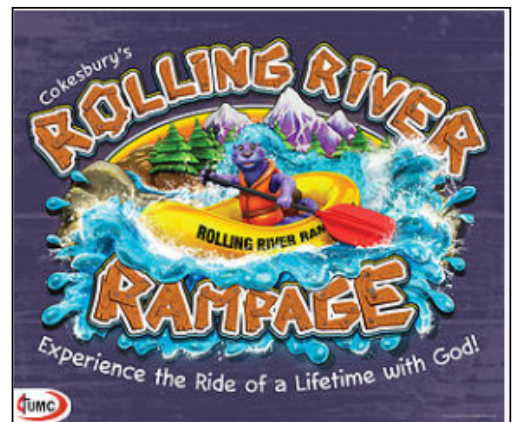
VBS 2018 THEME: ROLLING RIVER RAMPAGE

WHEN: June 25 - 29, 9am - noon

Team leaders needed as storytellers, photographers, elementary leaders, and more!

Contact: Amy Eads at amy.eads@umcto.org

For all opportunities to sign up for the excitement at Rolling River Rampage: Experience the Ride of a Lifetime with God!





FLOYD HUTCHINGS - FROM THE GREATEST GENERATION

On April 14, UMCTO member Floyd Hutchings, accompanied by his two daughters, Carolyn and Cristina and 34 other veterans of WWII, was flown to Washington, D.C. as part of Mission #7 of **HONOR FLIGHT SOUTHLAND**. If you've never heard of this group before, they are part of the nationwide Honor Flight organization that raises funds to send WWII veterans to the nation's capital to view the WWII Memorial. This was no easy trip for Floyd, who is 96 years old now, but it was a trip he thoroughly enjoyed.



A reporter from KTLA Channel 5 went along with this Mission trip and a half-hour special all about it will be aired on Sunday, May 27 at 7:30 p.m. and again on Monday, May 28 at 7:00 p.m.

As a WWII Navy veteran, Lt. jg Floyd Hutchings participated in the War in the Pacific, onboard the U.S.S. Hansford APA 106. The ship and its crew were part of the final assault on Iwo Jima in February of '45, witnessing the famous raising of the American flag over Mount Suribachi. This battle proved to be THE turning point in the battle for the Pacific. Two months later in April, the crew and ship was at Okinawa where they participated in the successful assault to capture that island. The ship was also in Tokyo Bay during the signing of the peace treaty with Japan! Floyd was truly a witness to history and fortunate to make it home when so many others did not! We all thank this member of the Greatest Generation for his service.



Go to Itjgwwii.wordpress.com to read Carolyn's accounts of Floyd's military service.



THE NEXT GENERATION Natalee Dueber, USAFA Graduate - 2018

On May 23, Natalee Dueber graduated from the United States Air Force Academy with a BS in English. She was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant by her father Ross, and pinned on by her mother Sandee and brother Nathaniel at a formal ceremony on May 22.

Natalee follows in the footsteps of her father who graduated from the Academy in 1982.

May God guide and protect her as she too answers the call to serve our country.





BUD & GLORIA - 65 YEARS STRONG!

On May 2, Bud and Gloria Wilson celebrated 65 years of marriage! Daughters Pam Wilson and Debbie Williams organized a fellowship time after services with cake and pictures.



Did you know...?

In the UK, one can receive a message from the Queen for 60th, 65th, and 70th wedding anniversaries, and any wedding anniversary after that. (Gee, wrong county)

Roman Catholics may apply for a Papal blessing through their local diocese for wedding anniversaries of a special nature (25th, 50th, 60th, etc.). (Oops, wrong religion)

In the United States, a couple can receive a greeting from the President for any wedding anniversary on or after the 50th. (Just right! It's probably not too late!?)

Congratulations, Bud and Gloria!
May God continue to bless you both!

Clown Corners

from Mr. Blue, the Clown
(aka Randall Harold)



Hey Everyone! Spring has sprung! After my father's passing, things are getting back to half normal. Marianne, my mom is getting much better. She now walks to see neighbors on the street and beyond. I'm still in and out of the hospital scene. Although UCLA denied a kidney transplant, I may be asking Cedars-Sinai again. That's one way to get to Hollywood!

Anyway, the news goes out to my family and friends at UMCTO. On Sunday May 27th, the day before Memorial Day, there will be some words of remembrance spoken over the stones placed in our

UMCTO Memory Garden - remembrance of my father, Don Harold, and all past members of our beloved church.

We will celebrate with refreshments between services, so bring all knowledge of what you can remember of our past. Hope to see you at the garden.

Always in God's love,
Randall Harold, Mr. Blue the Clown



CAL-PAC ANNUAL CONFERENCE

June 13-16, Redlands, CA
 “Thirst No More”

What it is

Each year an equal number of clergy members and lay members attend their conference’s annual conference session for worship, fellowship, and to conduct the business of the conference, which may last 3-5 days. These sessions include reports of past and ongoing work; adoption of future goals, programs and budgets; ordination of clergy members as deacons and elders; and election of delegates to Jurisdictional and General Conferences (every 4 years). The bishop presides over these meetings.

Who is going?

The 34th Annual Session of the California-Pacific Conference will take place at the University of Redlands in Redlands, CA on June 13-16, with Bishop Grant Hagiya presiding. All active clergy are required to attend, so Pastor John will be out of the office on those days. Accompanying him will be our co-Lay Leaders, Julia Snyder and Bob Garrett. Maria Reyes and her son Noah will also attend, and Patty Cogles may be teaching a workshop on liturgical dance.

But who will preach on June 17?

Pastor John will be preoccupied throughout the week of Annual Conference, but have no fear, he has arranged for a worthy substitute in the pulpit on that Sunday following, June 17. **The Reverend Gary Dickey**, recently retired as senior pastor at Westlake Village UMC, has agreed to preach at both services that Sunday. No word yet on whether bagpipes will be included ...

TO CHURCH, WITH LOVE - from May

As Ecclesiastes reminds us, “For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven...” I want to sincerely thank the members and friends of UMCTO for the season I have spent here as office admin.

My paternal grandfather was a Methodist minister and Dad used to tell us kids that grandpa always said, “You can never do for the church anywhere near what it can do for you.” That piece of family lore has run in my head often during my time in the church office and I know that it is true for me, at least. Being UMCTO’s office administrator has been the most interesting, challenging, and rewarding job I’ve ever had. I feel that all the previous corporate jobs and volunteer positions I’ve ever held were merely

training and preparation for this one. UMCTO has been immeasurably good to and for me, and I am so very grateful to God and to you all for trusting me here.

And I am also humbled. The other day, while perusing my usual iPad emails, devotionals and news websites over morning coffee, I came upon an article by Mona Charren about commencement speeches and how most will encourage graduates to go “change the world”. She would prefer a speech encouraging young people to look inward and change themselves first. Good advice at any age! She writes, “Change is hard, even when, or perhaps especially when, you’re trying to change yourself. If you’ve been unable to reform yourself, take that humility to the world, and remember it when you notice others’ flaws.” The article was written for a secular website, but I think she could have added that when all else fails (as I’ve found time and again that it inevitably will) there is only ONE PERSON who can and will affect that change, if we but ask Him. I wish I could say I’m a little further along in that change and rebirth, but I know better, so I also ask your forgiveness, and thank you too for the patience and mercies you have all shown me.

I thank God for the pastor we have now and for the person whose season it is now to take over as office admin, Rosalind Gallup. Her gifts and graces are called for at this time and God never errs. May God and UMCTO bless Rosalind as I have been so richly blessed!

STEPHEN MINISTRY CORNER

We, as a church, just celebrated Pentecost, the joyous birthday of our church. Now summer months are ahead - proms, graduations, and those fun vacations! For some, there is the possibility of moving away from friends and family, either due to a life or job change, or loss of a job. Others have lost loved ones, or there has been domestic upset, or trying to deal with the daily challenges of life.

Stephen Ministry wants to let you know that we are here for you or someone you know, who is going through a crisis (defined as an emotionally charged time of instability during which a critical change occurs.) Stephen Ministers are here to listen, to hear with thoughtful attention. Stephen Ministers can help when life gets out of balance as they bring Jesus Christ’s love and grace into people’s lives.

For a Stephen Minister, you can contact Susan Ruwhiu or Dianne Clouter, or call the church office (805)495-7215.

A MONTH OF SUNDAYS

June

NOTE: ONE SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE!

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9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Children's Sunday School
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM **Modern Worship**
10:15 AM - 11:00 AM Estudios Biblicos para Adultos
10:15 AM - 11:00 AM Fellowship Time
10:15 AM - 11:00 AM Parent Connect
10:15 AM - 11:00 AM Youth Bible Study
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM **Traditional Worship Service**
12:00 PM - 4:00 PM **9th Annual Corn Toss & BBQ**
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Oldtimers AA Group Meeting - Dickerson Hall
8:00 PM - 9:00 PM Sunday Night AA Speakers Meeting - Dickerson Hall

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10:00 AM - 11:00 AM **Youth Sunday (One Service) - 3rd Grade Bibles - Promotion Sunday**
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM Staff Appreciation-Fellowship Time
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM **Bjerke & Lybarger-Monson Recitals**
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Oldtimers AA Group Meeting - Room 11 & 12
8:00 PM - 9:00 PM Sunday Night AA Speakers Meeting - Dickerson Hall

NOTE: GUEST PREACHER REV. GARY DICKEY

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Father's Day
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Children's Sunday School
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM **Modern Worship Service**
10:15 AM - 11:00 AM Estudios Biblicos para Adultos
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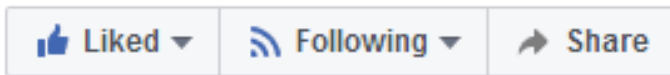
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Sunday Mornings at UMCTO

9:00 a.m., Modern Worship Service
 & Children’s Sunday School/Nurserycare
 10:15 a.m. Parent Connect, Room 4
 10:15 a.m. Estudios Biblicos para Adultos, Wesley Room
 Youth Sunday School, Rooms 15/16
11:00 a.m., Traditional Worship Service

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