

# CARILLON

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### “CLIFF HANGER” - A BIBLE STUDY

*Luke 4: 14-30*

For the past few weeks we have all been following the events in Haiti. It has been heartening to see the ready response from so many caring people. A word of thanks, especially to Children and Family Ministry for mobilizing so quickly to organize and gather materials for the health kits. Note the ways you can help, provided elsewhere in this Carillon.

Jesus' first sermon, his inaugural address, in Luke starts out as one of hope for Israel, Haiti, and all in such dire need:

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor. Luke 4.18-19 (Isaiah 58.6, 61.1-2)*

The focus of the kingdom Jesus proclaims is upon those who live on the edge, the marginalized, the outsiders. God anoints the Messiah to save them.

Indeed, Jesus' first sermon calls his listeners to join in an alternative beloved community that extends the edge of their circle to place the marginalized at the center; the kingdom of God.

In the current Alive Now, Roberta Porter writes: "It is no small gift to be a faith community, to worship, to witness, to walk the way of love in the name and strength of Jesus. And in community, when brokenness and sorrow come, those in need are surrounded with prayer and compassion. Our caring goes beyond ourselves, and the stranger, in many places, is touched by the healing love and

grace of God. In our failures, in our busy forgetting, we are forgiven, renewed to continue to be the hands and feet of Christ--no small task, no small gift."

With such a beautiful vision of the kingdom, how could the mob turn on Jesus and want to throw him off a cliff?

Inaugural messages are important. The church to which our arson rebuild work team may be sent this summer was burned as a response to President Obama's inauguration a year ago. For the President, for Jesus, for any leader, an inaugural address seeks to define the person and the mission to which they feel called. Deliver on that mission, and people praise. Fail to deliver, and people curse. The people in the synagogue at Nazareth that day had their clear definition for a leader: --a political leader to drive out the enemy and regain their power over other nations as in the glory days; --a leader who would bring an upsurge in the economy and restore their fortunes.--a leader who would prove the title "Messiah" with signs that even the religious leaders would admit.

"Do these things, Jesus, and we will happily follow you as our Messiah! However, if you claim to be the Messiah, raise expectations, and don't deliver, then it's over the cliff with you!" Unfortunately, theirs are the very defining marks of a Messiah that Jesus rejected in his temptations, *Luke 4:1-13*.

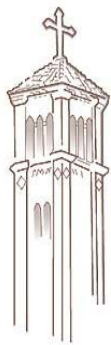
Jesus' first sermon ends in mob action!! Jesus chose the way of the Suffering Servant preaching a kingdom of peace, grace, reconciliation, and forgiveness where the poor, the stranger, foreigner, even the enemy would be accepted and welcomed in. That is not the Messiah they wanted, That is not what they were expecting. And so, what if he is Joseph's son, to the cliffs with him!

Jesus invites us to join him on the edge.

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## LENTEN ORGAN RECITALS

Our-lunch time Lenten organ recital series begins on February 17th, with a concert by Emma Lou Diemer, Professor Emerita of Music at UCSB and Organist Emerita, First Presbyterian Church. For a complete listing of this years concerts check the bulletin board outside the church office.

## FEBRUARY UMW MEETING

The UMW general meeting on February 11, at 11:30 a.m. will feature Barbara Finch, PATHS Program Director at St. Vincent's. We watched as the huge St. Vincent complex sprang to life on Calle Real over several years. Completed now, it looks like a small city, in fact, most of the buildings are low cost housing. But the PATHS program continues there as well, providing affordable transitional housing and services for single women with limited income and their children to live, learn and grow through the extensive services provided. Barbara will tell us about how this program serves women and children in our community. Don't miss it.

## DROP IN CENTER PANCAKE SUPPER

*The hills are alive with the sound of music and the smell of Pancakes and cake!*

This year's supper will be held on Tuesday, February 16, at 5:15 pm. Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. We need our wonderful bakers to donate cakes for the Cake Walk. You may purchase tickets and sign up to volunteer at Church coffee hour on Sundays, or call the church office: 963-3579. This is the major raiser for the Cynthia Ann Morrow Drop In Center tutoring program. Thank you for your support!

Fellowship Hall will be ALIVE WITH THE SOUND OF MUSIC-AL We'd love to have you play an instrument! We'll form a musical ensemble to perform songs from "The Sound of Music," at this benefit. Please call 967-7252 or e-mail melogan@cox.net if you would like to rehearse 2 times with the ensemble. Singers are invited to join at the Pancake Supper.

Mary Ellen Logan and Edith Kaye

## BLACK HISTORY MONTH INNER LIGHT COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHOIR

The Inner Light Community Gospel Choir presents it's 15th annual Gospel Music Workshop and Concert here at the First United Methodist Church. The workshop will be on February 25th - 27th (\$35 donation) with the concert on February 27th. (\$15 general/\$10 senior & Student). This year's concert features Dauri Kennedy whose extensive opera performances include lead roles with the Seattle Opera, New Orleans Opera and Des Moines Metro Opera. Mention that you are a member of First United Methodist Church and you will receive \$5.00 off the workshop price.

## LIVING NATIVITY

*Submitted by Sue Zilio & Sylvia Morikawa*

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the tableau of the Living Nativity. To being with, we wouldn't have a Nativity manger scene without the building of the Nativity, we thank those who year after year assemble this for us; as well as, the donation of palm fronds, which make up the top and side of the Nativity. Thank you to the volunteers who were on hand to help set up the refreshments for the community as they visited the Nativity; and, those volunteers who acted as docents by giving tours of our beautiful sanctuary. Then, we thank the cast members who were a part of the tableau each evening. When we didn't have replacement cast members, many stayed beyond their normal time to ensure all parts were filled. Also, we wouldn't have costumed cast members with out the help of the "costumers" who made sure everyone one, from very young to 'older', were wearing the appropriate costume. In addition to the camels and other animals, many 'people' are needed to give this gift to our community each year...so a big THANK YOU to all of you who participated.

## WOMEN OF SPIRIT

*submitted by Mary Ellen Logan*

The Women of Spirit group meets Friday mornings from 10:00-11:00 a.m. in Wesley Chapel. All women are invited. For more information phone Shirley Horton at 695-0414.

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## ONLINE GIVING

Online Giving yields very significant benefits for FUMCSB and allows you to faithfully support our many important and vital ministries in an easy and consistent way. Please visit our church website [www.fumcsb.org](http://www.fumcsb.org) and click on ONLINE GIVING for more information about setting up an account.

### *To Our Beloved Church Family,*

Words are truly not enough to convey our gratitude for all the prayers, cards, kind words, hugs, and support we have felt during my father's illness and eventual passing. We have felt God's healing grace in the many acts of kindness we received throughout these difficult days. We will be eternally grateful for the faithful comfort and solace we have felt from Pastors Alan and Hillary, the staff, and our church family.

With blessings and love to  
you all,  
Suzanne, Bruce and Casey  
McAdams

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- January 30: Finance Planning Meeting, 9 am, Asbury  
January 31: Bake & Walk, 10 am in Kitchen  
Quarterly Financial Review, 11:45 am, Asbury  
Ann Leatherman & Brant Elliot in a free concert in our Sanctuary, 3 pm.  
February 4: Carillon Deadline  
February 5: Santa Barbara City College Chamber Music concert, 7 pm, Sanctuary  
February 7: Souper Bowl of Caring  
Forum on suicide with Lisa Firestone, 10:30 am, Asbury  
February 13: Finance Budget Meeting, 9am  
February 15: Office Closed  
February 16: Pancake Supper, 5:15 pm, Fellowship Hall  
February 17: Ash Wednesday Service, 7pm, Welsey  
February 18: Carillon Deadline  
February 21: Council on Ministries - Potluck  
February 27: Inner Light Gospel Choir, 7pm, Sanc.  
February 28: Ad-council meeting to vote on budget, 11:45 am, Asbury



The *Carillon* is published on the **second and fourth Tuesday** of each month, except when otherwise noted. The submission deadline is the **first and third Thursday of each month**, again, except when otherwise noted. The next submission deadline for the *Carillon* is **Thursday, February 4, no later than 5:00 p.m.**

Send your submissions to the office via email at [office@fumcsb.org](mailto:office@fumcsb.org) or put them in the *Carillon* in-box in the church office hallway.

*The vision of the First United Methodist Church of Santa Barbara is to provide a welcoming place where the congregation encompasses multiple generations, diversity is respected and celebrated, and commitments of faith lead to acts of mercy, social justice, and compassion. We encourage and support each person on their Christian journey of faith and offer a variety of ways of connecting with God through:*

*Fellowship and Caring Ministries,  
Understanding through teaching and learning,  
Mission and Outreach,  
Creative expression of Christian Faith.*

## **SUICIDE AWARENESS & PREVENTION FORUM**

Health Ministries will present a forum with Dr. Lisa Firestone on Suicide Awareness and Prevention on Sunday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 10:30, Asbury Room. Dr. Firestone, a member of the Glendon Association ([www.glendon.org](http://www.glendon.org)), is a well known writer, speaker, and authority on suicide, and we are very fortunate to have her as a speaker. This is an excellent opportunity to learn more about warning signs and ways to help those who may be thinking of ending their lives. The devastation of suicide effects many families, and we all need to know more. Don't miss this excellent speaker

## **SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTS**

An Evening of Chamber Music with  
Linda Holland and Friends  
Friday, February 5, 2010, 7:00 p.m.  
First United Methodist Church  
305 E. Anapamu St.

Featured performers are: Lorraine Ernest-soprano,  
Jackie Greenshields-cello, Linda Holland-flute,  
Seungah Seo-piano, Anne Weger-piano

Program to include:

Malcolm Forsyth's "Eclectic Suite" for cello and piano  
Prokofiev's "Sonata for flute and piano"  
Carbon's "Winter Songs" for soprano and piano  
Holland's "The House that Bush Built" for soprano  
and piano

This year our special guest artist is the much-acclaimed soprano from New York City, Lorraine Ernest. Please join us for this once-a-year event!

\$12.00 general admission, \$8.00 students  
Proceeds benefit the SBCC Music Department  
Scholarship Fund  
For advance tickets call 965-5935

## **UMW CIRCLE MEETINGS**

Thursday, January 28 at 10:00 Hannah Circle at  
Gerry Mason's

Thursday, January 28 at 1:00 Rachel Circle,  
Margaret Sanderfer hostess, 2665 Tallant Road  
#N182

Thursday, January 28 at 9:30 Esther Ruth Circle  
in the Asbury Room

## **CARING THAT COUNTS**



The church trains and supervises persons to provide caring outreach to people during periods of transition and need.

This is **NOT** to train people to be counselors or therapists. Instead, the purpose is to learn important skills, the inner attitude and the spiritual grounding for providing care in a variety of circumstances.

Stephen Ministry is a caring ministry program that is used to train Laity in some 700 congregations across the country and around the world. It is named for St. Stephen, who was the first layperson commissioned by the Apostles to provide caring ministry (Acts 6).

The training is intense because it explores central life issues. It is also up-building and leads to significant personal and spiritual growth. Central to the experience is the close team of faith and service that is created.

There is a cost for the study manual: \$50 (for assistance see the pastors). Registration for the study is now beginning. The class will begin in the next few weeks as a jointly held training with members of St. Mark UMC. Initial training is to mid-June. Contact Pastor Alan or the office for further information: 805-963-3579.

## **FUMC READS**

*Submitted by Pastor Hillary*

Every so often there is a book that is worth us all reading and discussing. Such a book is *Jesus Wants to Save Christians*. Based on the New Exodus model of reading the scriptures, it is a thought provoking look at how we live our lives in this time and in this culture. It is a thought provoking look at the major themes of the Bible and how they relate to who are (are not) today. I strongly recommend this book for your personal reading. We are discussing this book and the scriptural references on Wednesday nights (7-8:15pm). If you are not able to join us on Wednesdays you can pick up a copy of the book (\$15) and a copy of the study guide (free) to read on your own. Be sure to check out the end notes as you go along. The scriptural references are there as well as references to current scholarship and application.

## WINTER SMALL GROUP EXCURSIONS

A new year is about to begin! Many exciting groups from which to choose! Launch Sunday was January 10, 2010. It is not too late to join one of these exciting groups.

**Alpha Study:** Begins 01-17-10 Bill Fisher  
Sundays, 4:00 pm, Asbury. A DVD/discussion series explores basics of the Christian faith.

**Bake & Walk:** Begins 01-31-10 Sylvia Morikawa  
Sundays, 10:00 am, Church Kitchen. Recipients are uplifted by these tasty gifts and heart felt prayers.

**Christian Believer:** Begins 01-12-10  
Pat Martzen and Dennis Rodericks  
Tuesdays, 6 pm, at the home of Pat Martzen. DVD/discussion series explores beliefs the church has wrestled with through the ages.

**Companions in Christ** Begins 01-19-10  
Teresa Pietsch  
Tuesdays, 7 pm, Wesley. Explores classic spiritual practices, and develops daily patterns that open lives to deeper relationships to God and others.

**Jesus Wants to Save Christians** Begins 01-20-10  
Pastor Hillary Chrisley  
Wednesdays, 7-8:15 pm, Asbury. Supper at 6:30 p.m. Examines the place of the church and faith in this hurting world. Book available in church office for \$15.00.

**Prayer Group:** Begins 01-20-10 Pam Cochran  
Wednesdays, 5:30 pm, Wesley Chapel. A weekly gathering for intercessory prayer.

**Prayer Shawl:** Sue Ziliotto  
Tuesdays, 3:30 pm, Asbury. Combine your compassion for those in need with your love of knitting/crocheting. The shawls will be dedicated in a future Worship Service.

**Stephen Ministry Training:** Intro session 01-26-10  
Pastor Alan Strout  
Tuesday or Weds 7:00 pm, Asbury. Training to become part of caring ministry. (see the article page 4)

**Volleyball Spirituality:** Begins 01-15-10  
Pastor Alan Strout  
Fridays, 6:30 - 8:00 pm, Fellowship Hall. Volleyball. Brief devotional. All ages and skill levels participate in this lively up lifting evening. Everyone is welcome.

**Women of Spirit:** June Anderle & Shirley Horton.  
Fridays, 10-11 am, in Asbury Room.

## CAMP MINISTRY CHANGES LIVES

If 10% of United Methodists in Southern California set aside just 25 cents a day for 365 days (\$91.25 annually), our camp and retreat ministry would be fully funded, enabling us to carry forward initiatives in program development, leadership training, user fee cost containment and improving the overall quality of the ministry. In these challenging economic times, it is vital that persons who value camp and retreat ministry make a donation payable to FUMC with the designation: Camping Changes Lives Annual Fund.

## SUMMER CAMP DATES

Families are already setting their summer calendars. Please notify friends, relatives, and neighbors who are considering excellent, well planned, and supervised outdoor opportunities for their children:

**Younger Elementary:** June 20-23, 2010  
Grades 1-3 in the Fall Cost \$220  
Site: Camp Lazy W

**Older Elementary:** June 20-26, 2010  
Grades 1-3 in the Fall Cost \$320  
Site: Camp Lazy W

Pastor Alan serves on this camp staff

## Junior High & Senior High are combined:

July 4-10  
Grades 7-9 in the Fall Cost \$340  
Grades 9-12 in the Fall Cost \$340  
Site: Camp Wrightwood

Camperships are available. Please see Teresa Pietsch.

*Please keep the following people in your prayers:*

*Jane Atkins; Shirley Beckert; Ray Bosworth;  
Glenn Daun, Richard Farrand; James Hawkes;  
Sara Kaavs, Sophia Meinert, Felicity Moore,  
Angela Rodericks;*

## SERVICE PERSONNEL

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## **UNITED METHODISTS RESPOND**

*Based on a UMNS Report By Barbara Dunlap-Berg*

United Methodists jumped into action as soon as a massive earthquake reduced most of Haiti's capital of Port-au-Prince to rubble Jan. 12.

The United Methodist Committee on Relief immediately pledged to send teams, material resources and funding to Haiti as soon as possible. Special online-giving options went up, and church leaders throughout the world encouraged congregations to take up special offerings for earthquake victims.

"The situation is so dire," said the Rev. Franck Aguilh, coordinating pastor of the Haitian United Methodist Church in Irvington, N.J. "There is no way internally for them to deal with it. The infrastructure is totally broken. I cannot even reach my family there. They don't have the physical and financial means to deal with this disaster."

Donations are already coming in. Support for relief efforts can be made to:

### **Haiti Emergency, UMCOR Advance # 418325**

You may go on line to [www.umc.org](http://www.umc.org) and donate directly or write make a donation marked **Haiti** through FUMCSB. One hundred percent of gifts go to emergency efforts. While rescuers continued to search for survivors, the American Red Cross estimated that the quake affected about 3 million people – one-third of Haiti's population. The United Methodist relief agency is ready to help.

"UMCOR has always had a strong presence in Haiti," said Tom Hazelwood of UMCOR's disaster-response staff. "With this tragedy, we'll just be redoubling our efforts, and we'll be calling on people across the country to help us."

## **100% OF DONATION GO TO AREAS OF NEED**

Recently, a reputable morning news program stated that we should all be careful of scams raising funds for Haiti, especially those claiming to send 100% of donations to the area of need. Pastor Hillary sent a response to the news organization that our own UMCOR does send 100%. How does UMCOR do it? By taking an annual offering specifically to cover administrative costs: The One Great Hour of Sharing, March 14. Your gifts for Haiti go 100% to those in need! Thanks for your donations!

## **HEALTH KITS NEEDED NOW FOR HAITI**

FUMC children and families will be collecting supplies for the assembly of much needed health kits. These kits will be sent to UMCOR for immediate distribution to the relief effort in Haiti. Health kits provide basic necessities to those affected by natural disasters or human conflict.

Each health kit contains:

- \*1 hand towel (15" x 25" up to 17" x 27",  
No kitchen towels)
- \*1 washcloth
- \*1 comb (large and sturdy, not pocket-sized)
- \*1 nail file or fingernail clippers (no emery boards or toenail clippers)
- \*1 bath-size bar of soap (3 oz. and up)
- \*1 toothbrush (single brushes only in original wrapper, No child-size brushes)
- \*6 adhesive plastic strip sterile bandages
- \* \$1.00 to purchase toothpaste

How can you help? Please bring **individual items** to the collection area in the back of the sanctuary. We will accept items **no later than noon, Sunday, January 31.**

The kits will be assembled and packaged that afternoon, and then sent to UMCOR for immediate distribution.