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### GUIDES FOR THE JOURNEY



Bright Angel Trail: miles down into the Grand Canyon with my son's Scout troop; all provisions stowed in backpacks; breath-taking beauty; rigorous hiking. I was one of the adults...dare I say "leaders."

Last week I was with another group of travelers. The Disciple Bible Study class shared communion as the conclusion of a six month journey through the Old and New Testaments that had participants reading nearly 80% of scriptures. This particular small group was led by James Jorden. It met in the warm and welcoming home of James Jorden and Julie Hayward.

In the orientation for the journey into the Grand Canyon river gorge, we were told that the trip was very much a group effort. Food was distributed among the packs so all shared the load. Individual accidents, over heating, even blisters would impact us all. We were to monitor our own conditions, but we were also to be mindful of our hiking companions and constantly checking on one another. "How are you doing? Have you had any water lately?" We would descend and ascend together!

The Disciple Bible study is not for the faint of heart. It is rigorous! There are reading assignments, a manual, a DVD of current scholarship, and weekly discussions. Mutual support and encouragement keep each other going. As companionship grows, a group spirit and mutual caring lifts and sustains. "This is a challenge, but with God's help, others helping me and me helping others, together we can do this...and this is really good for me!"

I had done some backpacking before. I was no expert, but I had some experience. The Tenderfoot can only absorb so much information, anyway. He hasn't learned the questions, much less the answers. Some of the other scouts were much more savvy than I about survival in the wilderness. We all

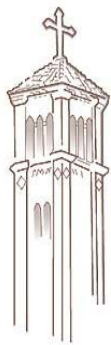
needed each other. My role was to simply provide some guidance, especially for the less experienced, so that they could learn for themselves.

When I thanked Jim Jorden for his leadership, he replied, "Actually, I learn much more from them than they ever learn from me." Indeed, any small group "guide" discovers the best guidance comes when guides become fellow travelers, co-learners on the way. Participants learn enough basic knowledge so that they can embark upon whatever trail they choose and still find their way "home."

And yes there are struggles and mishaps along the way. On the trail, we had an adult mishandle a butane canister that exploded and badly burned his hand. Also, my son tried to cross a rapids and barely caught hold of a branch before being washed down into the rocks. In a similar way, a sharing or a study group in the church sometimes sees fellow members through illnesses, births, even deaths.

Colleen Windham once taught us that the word "companion" comes from the words "with" (com) and "bread" (panion). Companionship is literally, "with-bread-ship." In the faith community it takes on special meaning. We are not to be solo hikers in the wilderness. We are invited to become "companions" in Christ...those who travel together, care for each other, gather around the table, break open our hearts and lives to one another, share the bread and cup, and then go forth again as members of Christ's extended family in the world. You are invited to share in this companionship in the Spirit. There are several types of groups offered: study, sharing, activity, support, and service groups. And, we are looking for those who will serve as guides for these journeys. The trail before us will no doubt be rigorous, but, with God along, also breath taking!

God go with you!



# Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.

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## CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRIES CALENDAR, MAY-AUGUST



**May 31:** Confirmation Sunday, Pentecost. 11:45 a.m. Lunch for confirmands and their families.

**June 7 :** 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Sunday School BBQ and Pool Party for Sunday school children, tweens, youth and their families.

- Graduation Sunday
- Kari Neal's last day

**June 13:** 10:00 a.m. UMCOR sewing kits assembly. See article this page.

**June 14:** UMCOR sewing kits dedicated in service.

**June 27:** Youth Car Wash to benefit youth going to Sierra Service Project.

**July 4-12:** Youth and Leaders participating in Sierra Service Project in Loleta, California.

**August 8-15:** Arson Rebuild in Phoenix, Alabama , youth and young adult participants in addition to the adult group.

## SEWING KITS

Once again, children and family ministries will be collecting supplies from this congregation in order to assemble sewing kits to be used in various places of need worldwide. These items will be packaged into kits by children and their families on Saturday, **June 13**, 10:00 a.m. in the Assembly Room. Please consider helping with this worthy ministry. One or more of the selected items may be added to the collection box in the back of the sanctuary.



Needed items:

- 3 yards of cotton or cotton-blend, solid color or print fabric (must be 3 yards of uncut fabric)
- 1 pair sewing scissors
- 1 package of needles
- 1 spool of thread
- 5-8 matching buttons

### NOTE: Important Kit Information

- All items included in kits must be **NEW** items.
- Do **NOT** include any personal notes, money or additional materials in the kits. These things must be painstakingly removed and will delay the shipment.

All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Since strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items—nothing more.

## SUMMER CAMP

Families are already confirming their summer plans. This church has a strong tradition of helping kids go to camps. Please note the following dates for the three District Camps. Registration forms and informational booklets are on the table in the office hall.

### Younger Elementary:

- "Promises & Rainbows", **June 21-24** at Camp Colby Ranch for children entering grades 1 to 3 in the Fall. Cost: \$220.

### Older Elementary:

- "We Are A Rainbow", **June 21-27** at Camp Colby Ranch for children entering grades 4-6 in the Fall. Cost: \$315.

### Junior High:

- "Delicious Surprise", **July 12-18** at Camp Colby Ranch, for youth entering grades 6-9 in the Fall. Cost: \$315.

### Senior High:

- "One on Three With God", **July 26-August 1** at Camp Colby Ranch, for youth entering grades 9 - senior graduates in the Fall. Cost: \$315.

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## HEALTH MINISTRIES "BEACH SAFETY"

*Submitted by Susan Plumer*

With warm weather here,  
many people will be going to the  
beach. Here are a few tips for  
everyone:

- Learn to swim. Never swim alone, and always swim near a lifeguard.
- Alcohol and swimming don't mix.
- Protect your head, neck, and spine. Don't dive into unfamiliar waters.
- Supervise children closely.
- Always protect your skin with a sun screen lotion and a hat. Avoid laying in the sun for extended periods of time, especially between 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., when the sun is hottest and can damage your skin.
- Don't forget to protect your eyes with dark glasses.
- Follow regulations and lifeguard directions. If signs warn of rip currents or high bacterial content in the water, don't go in! These are highly dangerous.
- Don't take glass containers to the beach.
- Don't build beach fires, except in designated areas.
- Stay clear of coastal bluffs, they can collapse and cause injury.
- Never turn your back to the ocean. You may be swept off a bluff and into the water by waves that can come without warning.

## MASTER CHORALE SPRING CONCERT

The Santa Barbara Master Chorale will present their Spring Concert, "Songs of Life, Love, and Laughter" with Liebeslieder Waltzes by Johannes Brahms and Old American Songs by Aaron Copland. In addition, our own Anne Weger and Steve Hodson will be playing 4-hand piano Hungarian Dances by Johannes Brahms.

**Saturday, May 30, 8:00 p.m.**  
**Sunday, May 31, 3:00 p.m.**

Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara  
1535 Santa Barbara Street.

Tickets: \$18 general, \$16 senior, \$8 college students with ID, free K-12.

Available at Chaucer's Bookstore, Santa Barbara Sheet Music, and at the door.

For information, call 967-8287 or see  
[www.sbmasterchorale.org](http://www.sbmasterchorale.org)

## LYDIA RIEDEL CELEBRATES 101

Lydia Reidel celebrated her 101<sup>st</sup> birthday on May 20 at her home in Villa Riviera. Just a week before, she had to be evacuated to safety from the Jesusita fire. Her son, Eric, came out from Ohio to join other members of the family in a quiet birthday banquet on her patio. Lydia has been a member of this church since January of 1976. While she grew up in Munich, her family immigrated to Ohio before the war via Ellis Island. Her life's journey took her to Japan before leading her to Santa Barbara. When she joined here she came on transfer from Union Church in Tokyo, Japan, January 25, 1976! Congratulations Lydia!



*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.*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**May 29-30:** Small Group Leader training. Contact Pastor Alan or Teresa for more details.

**May 30:** SB Master Chorale, 8:00 p.m., Unitarian Society.

**May 31:** Pentecost—wear red! Confirmation Sunday—SB Master Chorale, 3:00 p.m., Unitarian Society

**June 3:** WNFT, “Questions of Faith”, dinner 6:30 p.m., program 7:00 p.m.

**June 4:** Carillon submission deadline!

**June 10:** Work Team Wednesdays Begin. See article on page 5.

**June 11:** UMW General Meeting, lunch 12:00 Noon. Contact Carol De Waay for reservations.

**June 14:** Blood pressure screening, collection of used eyeglasses, and expired medication collection.

**June 21:** Happy Father’s Day!

**June 28:** Forum, Disaster Preparedness, 10:30 a.m.



### CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is a once-in-a-lifetime event for a young person. When a young person is ready, they can begin a course of study and exploration that leads to a decision about joining Christ’s Church and being baptized, if not already. Our young people are taking part in this time of discovery. Through worship, Bible study and fellowship, they discover more about themselves and about God. They have been visiting other houses of worship. They have learned about John Wesley, are memorizing the Apostles’ Creed and are praying about the difference their commitment will make in their lives. On Pentecost **Sunday, May 31st**, those who have completed the

course, and whom we have interviewed as ready, will be confirmed. Keep these youth in your prayers and be ready to affirm their commitment to Jesus Christ on Pentecost.

Can you answer this sampling of Confirmation Review Questions?

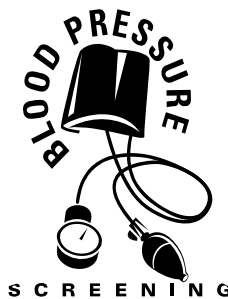
- Name the three persons of the Trinity.
- How many books are in the Bible? Name the two major sections of the Bible.
- Can you repeat the Apostles’ Creed from memory?
- What does **church** mean?
- Who were the founders of the UMC?
- What is **grace**?
- What are the liturgical seasons and their colors?
- Why do we worship?
- As a member of Christ’s universal church will you be loyal to the United Methodist Church and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?

### UNITED METHODIST WOMEN JUNE LUNCHEON/PROGRAM *Submitted by Gerry Mason*

Don't miss this special lunch and program. The **June 11** UMW meeting will feature a fine lunch catered by Renato Moiso and a message delivered by Laurette Patterson, wife of Westmont College Campus Pastor Ben. Lunch will be served at noon in Fellowship Hall, followed by the program. Your check for \$18.50, made out to United Methodist Women and submitted to Carol De Waay, will be your reservation. Deadline is *Sunday, June 7*. Hope to see lots of you there.



### BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING



Health Ministries offers a monthly blood pressure screening and collection of used eye glasses and expired medications collection. The next opportunity will be **Sunday, June 14**, from 10:00-10:30 a.m. in Wesley Chapel. Those bringing medications should pour them into a plastic bag for disposal.

## NOTE FROM THE TRUSTEES

*Submitted by Sue Zilotto, Chair*

The Trustees are continuing in their efforts to maintain Wesley Hall/Chapel for its intended use. To that end, we are requesting that NO tables and chairs be stored in that room. There will be two tables, with chairs around the tables, which will be set up in there for meetings. Other than that, any other tables and chairs will be stored in the storage room off the breezeway (affectionately known as "Al's Closet"). Long tables can be stored in the closet off Asbury. We know it is *easier* to take them into Wesley after they have been used in Fellowship Hall...but that is not the storage area. Please plan your meeting time accordingly to allow for the moving of the tables and chairs back into the proper storage room.

Also, you should be aware that some of the members of the Trustees have taken on jobs that were previously paid to outside contractors such as maintenance repairs around the church. Jim Cappon (and "sidekick" Bill Straka, even though he isn't on the Board of Trustees), Jim Jorden, Roger Forse, and Steve Carlson have been doing some of the maintenance work. Steve just brought down his power washer and spent several hours washing down layers of dirt and ash off the breezeway, Garden and Anapamu Street steps, as well as the walkway all around the church facility. Jim, Steve, and Woody Boyce will be working on installing new access ladders in our tower. A special THANK YOU to them for their help in maintaining our facility as well as keeping costs *down*.

There are a couple of remodeling projects that we need to tackle in the near future and we will keep you apprised of our progress as we determine how and when those projects will be accomplished.

### SMALL GROUP MINISTRY WORKSHOP

The Small Group Ministry Workshop will be held **Friday, May 29**, 7:00-8:30 p.m. and **Saturday, May 30**, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The Workshop is designed to provide what leaders need to launch and lead a small group.

Participants will receive:

1. A background on small groups in the life of the church:
  - The roots of small group ministry in the Bible and in the Wesleyan heritage.
  - The importance and place of small group ministry in the future envisioned for this congregation.

2. Basics of launching and leading a small group:
  - The role of a small group leader
  - Skills for facilitating small groups, group dynamics, and group process.
  - Models and materials for leading small groups.
  - Specific short and long range planning.

A wide range of group ideas have emerged; everything from Bible studies, to Film and Faith, to service groups. Please contact Teresa or Pastor Alan.



### ANNUAL CONFERENCE CONNECTION

Laitly and Clergy representatives from every UMC in southern California, Hawaii, the territory of Guam and other territories of the U.S. in the Pacific region will gather at the University of Redlands on **June 17-20**.

Bishop Mary Ann Swenson presides at this gathering of nearly 1000 representatives, leading them through reports, mission proposals and budgets, the ordination, appointment, and retirement of pastors, and stirring worship celebrations. We anticipate that Pastors Hillary and Alan will be reappointed, and they look forward to serving this church again beginning in July.

## FALL IN THE FAMILY!

Plans are already being made for an exciting Fall season at FUMCSB! This coming Fall will build on the success of last year's Fall Festival of Faith, with a special emphasis in expanding the small group ministry of the congregation. Numerous opportunities are developing:

- **Study Groups:** these will include Disciple Bible Study, and other groups to deepen one's background in scripture, beliefs, and practice.
- **Share Groups:** these make use of DVD series, and other materials that build communities of support and fellowship based on discussion, prayer, and mutual caring.
- **Care Groups:** This congregation hosts 12 step, parenting, divorce, and other care and support groups.

While a small group may have a specific focus, the design for small groups here at FUMCSB seek groups that grow spiritual by including time for Fellowship, Understanding through teaching and learning, Mission outreach, and Creative expressions of faith in prayer and worship.

## DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

The Parish Care, Faith and Society and Health Ministries Committees continue to work on a Disaster Preparedness Plan for the home, church and community. A next step will be to encourage preparedness in the home. Toward that end, Health Ministries has arranged for a **Sunday Forum, June 28**, led by the Red Cross. For more information, see Susan Plumer.

## UMC IS A CONNECTIONAL CHURCH

The United Methodist Church is a connectional church." All United Methodists are connected! The local church is not an independent satellite spinning around out there by itself. We are connected to other United Methodist churches for stronger and more effective mission and ministry than we could accomplish all by ourselves. From summer camps to support for missionaries and projects, we believe in joining hands to help others.

## GRADUATION SUNDAY

**June 7** is Graduation Sunday. If you have a graduate to honor, please send the name, degree, educational institution, date, and if possible, a photo, to the church office. Thank you!

## WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!

*Submitted by Julie Hayward*

Yes, we need your help. The pew racks in our sanctuary need your special attention. Our dear friend, Mary Lou Houser, has been volunteering her time on Sunday mornings to make sure the pew racks are filled with offering envelopes and pencils. Why, she even tidies up the hymnals and picks up after us.

And, guess what, again? She needs a break!! Now it's our turn to help out. And just think how fast the task would go if we worked in "Teams". And that's what we are looking for: three to four rotating teams of two to three dedicated souls who could get in after 2<sup>nd</sup> service or sometime during the week and prepare the sanctuary (balcony, too) for the following Sunday. I know this is something you've never done before and I know you are looking for a challenge. If you're ready for a new opportunity, call the church office with your name and availability (Sunday or sometime during the week) and we'll get back to you and show you the ropes (or at least where you can find extra pencils, etc.).



## THE RETREAT IS BACK ON!

The All Church retreat has been rescheduled for **September 18-20**. It was postponed from May due to the Jesusita fire. We have 30 + people ready to go, with room for more! We will also have the popular Sunday Tri-Tip lunch for those who wish to come to the camp after Sunday worship.

Sign up now for this perfect opportunity to be in the great outdoors in the early Fall. (If you are already registered, your registration for the May date still holds).



**WORK TEAM WEDNESDAYS**  
**“GOD’S LOVE AT WORK”**

*Submitted by Suzanne McAdams and Dennis Rodericks*

It has been said that charitable acts strengthen the bond between God and His people. But often we are too busy with family, work, and school to do those small, or big, things for others. That’s why we are offering a weekly program this summer that will enable you to show God’s Love at Work by participating in one or more of the Work Team Wednesdays.

Each Wednesday night, from **June 10<sup>th</sup> through July 29<sup>th</sup>**, we will be lending a helping hand in various service projects in and around our church, neighborhood, and Santa Barbara area. We will gather for a communal dinner in Fellowship Hall at 5:30 p.m. followed by singing and discussion of the evening’s planned projects. Teams will form to do service projects either at the church, at a member’s house, or out in the community. Everyone will have an opportunity to help out. We will all gather back together at 7:45 p.m. to conclude with singing, prayer and a recap of the night’s activities. A rewarding time is guaranteed to be had by all!

This is a great opportunity to devote ourselves to “good works” that can help out a number of people, places and organizations. Bring your friends, bring your family, but most of all bring yourself! There will be a variety of projects and ways for people of all ages and abilities to help out. Some projects will be completed in one night; others will take longer to complete. Come for one or as many of these Work Team Wednesdays as your schedule allows. Each Wednesday will provide a unique opportunity to have fun and “pay God’s love forward”.

Cost will be \$5 per person each Wednesday to cover dinner (\$40 for all eight Wednesdays). A table and sign up sheet will be available in Fellowship Hall between Sunday services and in the office during the week. Drop by and we will be happy to share information on some of the projects that are being planned for our Work Team Wednesdays.

*“Those who have come to believe in God may be careful to devote themselves to good works; these things are excellent and profitable to everyone.”*

*Titus 3:8*



**WORK WANTED**  
**FOR**  
**WORK TEAM WEDNESDAYS**

As part of our summer series called Work Team Wednesdays, we are excited about showing God’s Love at Work by offering teams of people to help with small tasks or projects for those in our congregation. Do you need windows washed that are too high for you to reach? Is there something that you need to have done, but just don’t have the expertise? We have generalists in everything and specialists in drywall, mowing, painting and more. You name it, we can probably do it! If you have a project in mind, please call Teresa at 963-3579 or [teresa@fumcsb.org](mailto:teresa@fumcsb.org)



Work Team members Bruce McAdams, Bill Straka, and John Ziliotto give a thumbs up after reversing Patti Strout’s refrigerator door.

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#### **DISTRICT CONFERENCE**

The annual Santa Barbara District Conference will be held **Saturday, June 6, 9:30 a.m.**, at St. Mark UMC, 3942 La Colina Rd. As part of the conference they will also review the issues that will come before Annual Conference later that month in Redlands.



#### **CONCERNS**

*Please keep the following people in your prayers:  
Jack Aknin; Mary Deanley; Anne Hunter-Gogel;  
the Joe Moore family; Lezli O'Hara;  
Rev. LLOYD Saatjian, Jane Switack;  
the Jennifer Talt family; Van Windham;  
All those recovering from the recent fires;  
those facing loss of home and employment.*

#### **IN REMEMBRANCE**

*Thompson Moore, May 19  
Jamie Talt, May 1; Ruth Talt, May 21*

#### **SERVICE PERSONNEL**

*Damon Belanger, Neiland Cota, Kyle Jones,  
Sean Jones, Ted Kozlow, Carter Langlo;  
Adam Lawrence, Adam Loomis, David Mangers;  
Kyle Marcum, Jeffrey Powers, Gary Warkentin*

Dear FUMC family,

Thank you for your overwhelming support in our time of need with Harry. Your prayers, presence, gifts and service have made all the difference in his, and our, recovery. Janice, Julie, and Jim helped set up the Harry Kreitzer Heart to Heart Fund. Your gifts to his account allowed us not only to pay medical bills, but also to ease the burden of a diminished income and continuing expenses. Because Harry is unable to walk long distances, we were also able to purchase a double stroller for him and Elsa. We were struck at the hospital by the impossible situation most parents are put in when something like this happens, but your love and support helped pull us through.

Harry continues to make great strides in his therapies and recovery. After his discharge he could walk briefly, but still needed a wheelchair, and his fine motor skills were seriously diminished. Now with more physical and occupational therapy and his return to daycare, he has increased mobility, is playing, and enjoying himself. He truly is a miraculous boy.

We are so blessed to have such an amazing church family. We thank you all, and will see you at church. We are still updating the blog for those who wish to follow his progress at <http://harrykreitzer.blogspot.com/>

Love, Sarah & Nathan Kreitzer

There are three Pyrex dishes in the staff kitchen.  
Could they be yours?  
Please claim them.