

Articles for the next *Messenger*
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must be in the church office no later
than *Wednesday, July 22. Thank you!*

Appointment Update
We're happy to report that Pastor Brian has
been reappointed to FUMCOR. Pastor Sheila
will continue in her hired position here, as
well!

Church Staff Recognition
Please join us for refreshments after the
worship service on August 9 to thank and
show appreciation for our dedicated staff at
FUMCOR.
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Above: New Members (l-r) Calvin Narayan, Jim Johnson, Marilyn & Randy Peebles joined on June 21. When you see them, be sure to extend a warm welcome.

Right Photo: Some of the worker bees for the Faith & Fellowship rummage sale: Becky Konegen, Ruth Walker, Michael Dugan, Cecilia Van Os, Kelly Weakly, Erika Noble, Marcia Bales, Barbara Jo Wilson, Mona Saenz, Ann Huntington, Jennifer Walker, Jon Dugan, Esther Rank, Pat Beals.

Thanks to Everyone

The Faith & Fellowship committee wants to express their gratitude to everyone who contributed to our very successful rummage sale this year.

The response to the plea for help to move items on Father's Day was outstanding. Your contributions were wonderful. Those of you who came during the week to help sort were "truly" worker bees. Several of you helped with pick-ups and deliveries. Our Saturday crew was fabulous!

Once again, your Faith & Fellowship committee says "Thanks to everyone!"

Special thanks to Emma Speir, Becky Konegen, Gretel Noble and Scott Kirkwood for running the food tent.





Can you believe it, we are half way through the year! With summer here, I will once again host swim parties for families with children through the 6th grade. Our beginning was Tuesday, June 30. A schedule will be posted in the Sunday bulletins, so please take note of those.

Our Vacation Bible School, Camp E.D.G.E., July 26-31 is filling up; get your registration in soon. We still need some volunteers; contact Cecilia Van Os or Esther Heath.

Many thanks to all our Sunday School and Church School teachers. They are very dedicated and share their love and care with all our children each week. We will continue to have Sunday School and Church School throughout the summer. Parents: just a reminder, teachers do plan lessons for the children so attendance is important throughout the year.

I am pleased to be returning as Associate Pastor for the next year. Thank you for the opportunity to serve God and all of you.

Pastor Sheila

United Methodist Men

No meeting in July or August but we will be in full force for the September 13 get together!

The program will spotlight health issues and a behind-the-scenes look at Riverside Community Hospital. Our speaker will be Susan Page, Director of Lab Administration. If there are special areas of interest, send your questions to Berkley Kaufhold, program coordinator, or leave them in the office.

We are expecting and hoping for a large crowd. Mark your calendars now!

Vacation Bible School News:

We are still looking for a few volunteers to help out this summer. If you are interested in helping out in some way, let us know by contacting the church office.

If your child attended VBS last year you should have received a registration packet in the mail. If you need a registration packet see us at the VBS table on the patio after church worship or stop by the church office.

Important Dates:

July 26, following worship, is our Decorating Day for Camp E.D.G.E. We will need many hands to transform our church into an extreme camping adventure land.

July 27-31 CAMP E.D.G.E.!!!

9:00 AM-12:30 PM

July 31 at 12:30 PM is our Volunteer Recognition Luncheon.

August 2, during worship, our campers will return to perform a few songs and everyone's invited to stay for the Camp E.D.G.E. party afterward.

Camp E.D.G.E. VBS Donations

If you would like to make a donation to Camp E.D.G.E., we are looking for food donations, various material donations, monetary donations, as well as decorations to transform our church into an extreme campground.

Look for the donation supply lists displayed on the kiosk on the patio.

Thank you for all your support!



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Contact Myra Williams
637-0445

Sanctuary Care
August or September
Contact Manette Tomlinson,
683-2177

YOUTH & TWEEN NEWS

UMYF Summer Fun

July 5—Pool Party! Watch for details.

July 12—UMYF & College Gathering: All will join together for a BBQ and campfire (6:00-8:00 PM)

July 19—Movie Night! (Junior High Camp & Mexico Mission Trip Begin)

July 26—Miniature Golf & Dinner! Watch for details.

Tweens

Join the fun at the BBQ & campfire July 12, 6:00-8:00. We'll have our own special activities and pre-summer camp surprises.

Questions about Youth and Tween activities? Contact Val Weise (683-7831).

Mission Moments from UMW

Can you hear God? It isn't always easy. Cell phones, iPods, cars, music playing in stores—there seems to be no shortage of auditory stimuli. So often it is difficult to find time and quiet enough to listen to the joys, cares and concerns of our families. How much more discipline we must show to make space in our lives to listen to God. *Dave Kobersmith, missionary, Birchwood Camp in Chugiak, Alaska, Alaska Missionary Conference. Submitted by Peggy Ramsay, Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation.*

We are all together
on this journey of
life, sharing each
other's joys and
sorrows.

from Riverside VNAIC Hospice

New College & Young Adult Fellowship Group

There will be a new fellowship group forming at FUMCOR. On July 12 college-age/young adults are invited to join the youth for a BBQ and campfire at the fire ring. All will enjoy a meal together and then there will be time for the young adults to plan future events. Please join us whether you're staying in town this fall or leaving for further education. Bring friends! See you at the fire ring Sunday, July 12, 6:00-8:00 PM. Questions: contact Val Weise or Pastor Brian.

Mexico Mission Project July 19-25

Looking for a summer mission trip this summer? Gain an appreciation for people like you and me and improve the living conditions of our neighbors.

The Mexico Mission Project (MMP) supports churches of the Iglesia Metodista Unida de Mexico, A.R. primarily in the area of the California border with Baja California. In addition to working on churches, the projects include building and improvements to private homes.

First United Methodist Church sent a contingent of our youth to MMP in July 2008 and the experience was extraordinary. We have met with the MMP Coordinator and set the dates for the next group—July 19-25, 2009. This year MMP is open to all ages. Families are welcome.

If you're interested in finding out more information about MMP and the upcoming trip, contact David & Val Weise or Pastor Brian.



Faith & Fellowship — July 19

The ministers of this church are its members. Assisting them are Bishop Mary Ann Swenson, District Superintendent Bau Dang, and the church staff: Sr Pastor, Brian C. Kent; Assoc. Pastor, Sheila M. Kane; Youth Director, Val Weise; Aldersgate Director, Alice Wymer; Organist, Marc Longlois; Bell Choir Director, Gayla Lonsbery; Office Manager, Barbara Lee Bush; Secretary/ Receptionist, Laurie Williams; Sunday School Superintendent, Barbara Jo Wilson; Preschool Director, Lee Ann Salmon.

Prayer List

Please hold in prayer all our members and friends who are homebound, ill or in need of support, and all our service men and women.

In hospital: Eli Sturman (nephew of Duffy & Susan Exon). *In convalescent care:* Norma Montigel, Betty Byrnes, Natta Lea McCormack, Eleanor Rayner, Howard Nolan, and Joy Schuh. *In need of prayer for health and support:* Dorothy Barnekow, Susan Exon, Martin Knight, Barbara Spencer, Claude & Micheline Scoggins, Ruby Gregory, Jean Mooney, Myra Williams, Martha Devine, Lisa Thomas, Susan Shuckett, David Sturman, Lynn Roberts, Debbie Boone, Dick Messer, Everett Hasselstrom, Pat Williams, and David Ruiz, Sr., Lorraine Armata, and Emily Noble visiting family in Honduras.

Calendar for Monthly Meetings

Second Sunday:

Evangelism & Discipleship

Third Sunday:

Church & Society/Missions

First Monday: **Trustees**

First Monday: **Worship Cmte**

Second Monday:

Faith & Fellowship

Third Monday:

Christian Education

Fourth Monday: **Church Council**

First Tuesday: **SPRC**

Third Tuesday: **Finance**

United Methodist Women

United Methodist Women are taking a summer break from monthly branch (Almond/Wesleyan and Citrus), Unit and Executive Committee meetings (although the Executive Committee will meet as needed if there are issues that must be addressed) Meetings will resume in September.

Handcrafters will continue to meet in the Asbury Room on Wednesdays at 9:30 AM through the summer.

Program Resources

Three new books have been added to our collection for 2009: *Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace...One School at a Time*; *The Greatest Gift: The Courageous Life and Martyrdom of Sister Dorothy Stang*; and *William Wilberforce—A Biography*. Spend your summer traveling to distant lands. The book cart will be available on the patio after church. The schedule is being planned and will be announced in a future Sunday bulletin.

Riverside District Summer Camp Dates

Elementary Camp: July 19-25, Camp Wrightwood; Jr. High Camp: July 19-25, Camp Wrightwood; Sr. High Camp: August 2-6, Camp Colby Ranch.

More information available on the Kiosk. Campships are available, see Val Weise.



Serena Knight	.3
Jerry Dennington	.4
Josephine Duncan	.4
Annie Clark	.5
Paloma Clark	.5
Matthew Klute	.9
Tim Noble	.9
Andy Plumley	.9
Cliff Berger	.10
Nicholas Klute	.13
Velma Wellborn	.13
Michael Noble	.15
Loretta Cudney	.17
Marilyn Jackson	.17
Cynthia McKay	.17
Valerie Weise	.20
Leslie Wilson	.25
Carol Boothby	.26
Becky Konegen	.28
Jean Grout	.29
Frances Longbotham	.29
Chalmer Tomlinson	.29
Louise Santino	.30
Rosette Sims	.30
Stan Cook	.31

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 9:30 am Handcrafters Workshop—Asbury 6:00 pm Sit n Sew Quilters—Mary's Kitchen 6:00 pm <i>Sisters</i> Bible Study—Adult Lounge	2 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfast—Mary's Kitchen	3 Church Office is Closed every Friday through August 28	4 Watch the fireworks over Mt. Rubidoux from the FUMCOR parking lot 5:00 PM 
5 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship & Communion—S 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Group—AL 6:00 pm UMYF Pool Party!	6 7:00 pm Worship Committee—Adult Lounge 7:00 pm Faith & Fellowship—Weakly home	7 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR 7:00 pm SPRC—CR	8 9:30 am Handcrafters Workshop—Asbury	9 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfast—Mary's Kitchen	10	11
12 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship—S 11:15 am Evangelism/Discipleship—Adult Lounge 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Group—AL 6:00 pm UMYF & Young Adults BBQ—Youth Patio	13	14 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR	15 9:30 am Handcrafters Workshop—Asbury	16 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfast—Mary's Kitchen	17	18 9:00 am Future Task Force—Adult Lounge
19 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship—S 11:15 am Cookout—Fellowship Patio 11:15 am Church/Society—AL 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Group—AL 6:00 pm UMYF—YC <i>District Summer Camp @ Wrightwood</i>	20 7:00 pm Christian Education—Mary's Kitchen <i>District Summer Camp @ Wrightwood</i>	21 10:00 am Bible Study—Koinonia 11:00 am Office Staff Meeting—CR <i>District Summer Camp @ Wrightwood</i>	22 9:30 am Handcrafters Workshop—Asbury <i>Messenger Articles Due Today</i> <i>District Summer Camp @ Wrightwood</i>	23 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfast—Mary's Kitchen <i>District Summer Camp @ Wrightwood</i>	24 <i>District Summer Camp @ Wrightwood</i>	25 Hunger Ministry <i>District Summer Camp @ Wrightwood</i>
26 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Family Worship—S 11:15 am Magazine Swap—Patio 5:00 pm Covenant Discipleship Group—AL 6:00 pm UMYF—YC	27 7:00 pm Church Council—Adult Lounge <i>(check with office to confirm meeting)</i>  Vacation Bible School	28 8:30 am <i>Messenger</i> Volunteers—Susanna's Study  Vacation Bible School	29  Vacation Bible School	30 6:30 am Men's Prayer Bkfast—Mary's Kitchen  Vacation Bible School	31  Vacation Bible School	