



GOOD NEWS

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FAREWELL TO KATE HUNTER, MUSIC DIRECTOR

We bid a fond farewell to a truly gifted and lovely lady who has brought our choir a long, long way over the years she has been with us. We wish Katherine and her new husband Cameron many blessings and happiness in their new home in Astoria, Oregon. The Staff Parish Relations Committee will begin the search process this month for a replacement for Kate.

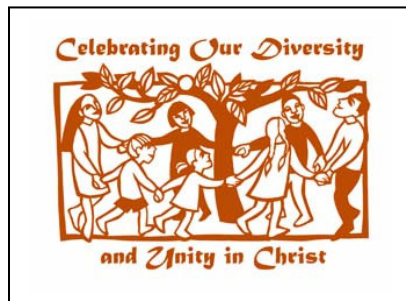
WELCOME TO SARA GLAZEBROOK

We welcome Sara Glazebrook, our new office secretary. Sara is a member of New Hope Community Church, a graduate of Clovis High School and Fresno Pacific University with a degree in Contemporary Christian Ministries, and has previous administrative secretarial experience. Sara is married to Blake who is in the California Air National Guard. Sara also has a beautiful coloratura soprano voice. Please stop by the office to welcome Sara. The office is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. weekdays.

PEACE WITH JUSTICE SPECIAL OFFERING JUNE 6

Peace with justice Sunday is a time when United Methodist's can respond to God's call to be peacemakers. It is a time that we renew our commitment by advocating and witnessing for peace and justice for all God's creation. We give hope and voice to the wounded and vulnerable who are in crisis such as the Virginia Tech shootings, the war in Iraq, Darfur, poverty, human rights issues, global warming, and more. A special offering envelop will be in the worship folder Sunday June 6. Give generously.

Annual Conference



CELEBRATE OUR DIVERSITY AND UNITY IN CHRIST

This is the theme of this year's Annual Conference, June 20 -24, 2007, at the Sacramento Convention Center. Prayers are requested for the conference. Participating

from Memorial are our pastors and lay members, Judy Gross, Evelyn Haulman and Mary Vollman and alternate lay member Roberta Coon. Pastor Denice and Pastor Kham Dy will participate in Sacramento earlier in the week for Board of Ordained Ministry meetings including Clergy Session. The Annual Conference concludes with worship Sunday morning June 24.

ORDINATION CANDIDATES PRAYER PROJECT/SHOWER OF CARDS

We have eight candidates coming forward for ordination as Elder and two for permanent licensing as Associate Member this year at annual conference. These folks have completed a minimum of six years of candidacy process beyond their college and seminary years. The final step required is to preach a three minute homily at Clergy Session on Tuesday evening June 19, 2007 prior to the final vote on their candidacy by the clergy in full connection. This is a joyful but also a very nerve wracking time for them!

You are invited to pray, write notes of encouragement, and send cards to one or all of them. Their names are listed here, please stop by the church office counter to get an address list: Lois Edde and Gregory Floyd, permanent licensing as Associate Members in Full Connection. For Elders Orders and Full Connection: Christina Ballagh, Adrionne Beasley, William Chou, Kathryn Dunning, Ginger Foster, Julie Horne, Victoria Schlintz, Cynthia Stateman. Ordination is Saturday evening, June 23, 2007 at the convention center at 7:30 p.m.

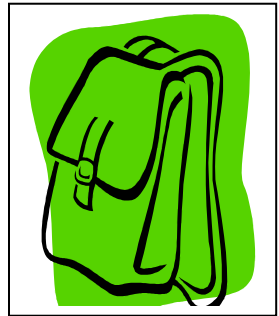
Micah Ministries

Local & World Missions

“What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?” (Micah 6: 8)

HOMELESS COLLECTION CONTINUES

We have been so appreciative of the bags and other items that have been contributed for our homeless project. Keep those backpacks, satchels and bags coming in! We are also in need of toiletries. The Homeless Team will have copies of the list available at the collection basket in the church lobby. Things that we need are, plastic forks and knives, plastic cups, wash cloths, toothbrushes, caps and hats, band aides, combs, back packs, sun block, bottled water, hand soap, peanut butter, Vienna sausage, canned beans, saltines, granola bars, crackers and other items that do not have to be cooked, can openers, toilet paper, tube socks, flip flops, and underwear. Please put the items in our "homeless" basket in the Narthex.



Congregational Life

News of the church life and the groups that meet for fellowship and support.

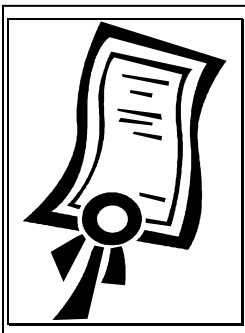
*“For where two or three are gathered in my name,
I am there among them.” Matthew 18:30*

NEXT MATURE ADULT MINISTRY MEETING SET FOR JUNE 16

The next meeting of the Mature Adult Ministry Meeting is set for Saturday morning, June 16, 2007 at 9 a.m. in the Lose Library. We had a good turn out for the first meeting and are still in the “getting organized” stages. All are welcome.

REACHING A YOUNGER GENERATION MEETING JUNE 10

We will have a wonderful Italian dinner complete with spumoni ice cream, strawberries and biscotti. Afterwards, we will have a workshop covering our worship roots, generational characteristics, and what we find meaningful about worship and conversation. The next meeting is set for Sunday, June 10, 2007 at 5 p.m. This will be a potluck. All are welcome.



RECOGNITION SUNDAY JUNE 10

Sunday, June 10 we will recognize our hard working staff, our teachers, and our graduates and our choir as well as present bibles to our young people. Let's all be there to show them our support and

appreciation!

POSITONS FILLED: UPDATE YOUR OFFICERS AND MINISTRIES LIST

Evelyn Haulman was elected a lay member to annual conference at the last council meeting. Kim Leslie and Sue DeFranco were elected to co-chair the Sanctuary and Altar Team. Kim volunteered to serve on the Missions Team. Howard Cook was elected as team leader of the Finance Work Team. Molly Lovgren has volunteered to serve as our Fundraising Team Chair. (To be elected at next church council).Ozzie Hernandez has volunteered to serve as our Fresno Metro Ministry Board representative. (To be elected at next church council).LaDonna Snow has volunteered to be our official photographer! (No election required). HURRAY!! Thank you all, good and faithful servants! Council meets quarterly and the next meeting is Sunday, June 10 after worship in the Lose Library. Ozzie Hernandez is council chair. Contact Ozzie if you have any agenda items.

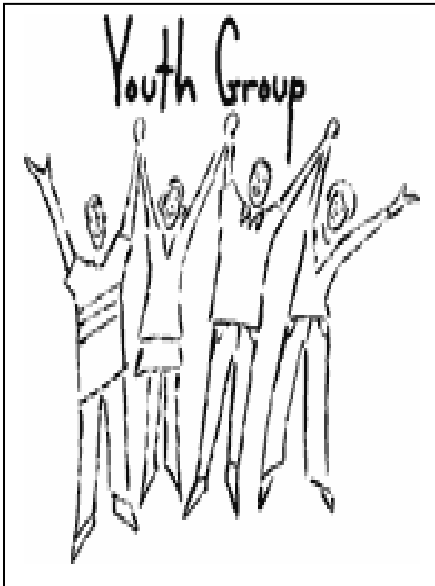
MINISTRY OPENINGS

TECH SUPPORT TEAM HAS OPENINGS

We need people to serve on the Worship Projection Team. This is a computer job, but it is also a very creative job—it depends on what you like to do. There is training provided; your specific responsibility will be to run the computer program on Sunday mornings that projects the images we have on screen during the service. We also need people to operate the sound board which consists of levers that slide up and down for each of the mic's- it's not complicated, we just need someone willing to pay attention. Another duty is to help set up mic's for the morning's service under the training and direction of Ron Zastovnik or Wayne Golden. If you are interested in either of these ministries—AND THEY ARE MINISTRIES! THEY MAKE WORSHIP WONDERFUL. --- Speak with Ron Zastovnik or Wayne Golden. Some people can be up front, but it's the folks at the back who make it all come together!!!

PTO TO VIEW "WHO KILLED THE ELECTRIC CAR?"

On Sunday June 3, Parents Time Out, or PTO, will meet at 5:00 p.m. to view the film, "Who Killed the Electric Car?" which chronicles the death and resurrection of the electric car. Discussion about the role of renewable energy and sustainable living in our country's future will follow. There will be supervision, activities, and snacks for younger children. Youth grades 7 - 12 may join the youth group in the Bungalow for our regular Movie Nite. If you have any questions, please call Connie Alfaro at 905-2240.



YOUTH CALENDAR

Sunday 06/03/07 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. Youth Movie Nite (Bungalow)

Sunday 06/10/07 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Meeting

Saturday 06/16/07 4:30 p.m. Welcome 7th Graders Party (Williams' House)

Sunday 06/17/07 NO MEETING - Be good to your Dads!

Saturday 06/23/07 7:00 p.m. Lock-in (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday 06/24/07 NO MEETING

Saturday 06/30/07 8:00 - 12:00 p.m.

Poverello House Work Day

WELCOME 7TH GRADERS PARTY JUNE 16

On Saturday June 16, the youth group will hold our annual "Welcome Party" for our new 7th graders. We will meet at 4:30 pm at the Williams' house for swimming, BBQ burgers and dogs, and lots of fun. If you know of a seventh grader (or any youth grades 7-12) who would like to join us for this and other fun events, please invite them! People with last names starting with A-M should bring a side dish; people with last names starting with N-Z should bring snacks or a dessert item. BBQ items and drinks will be provided. For a map, permission slip, more information, or questions, contact Youth Worker Connie Alfaro, or check out the Youth page at our web site www.mem-umc.org/.

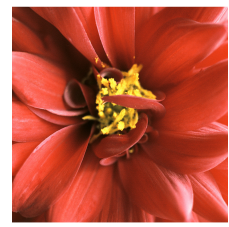
Congregational Care

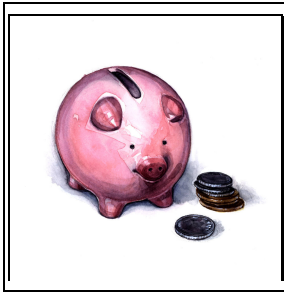
Giving Special Care to Others

SPECIAL FRIENDS

Tuesday May 8th, Special Friends members, Pastor Denice Leslie, Pauline Middelton, Max Cannon, John Talmadge, Janet Bonzo, Evelyn Haulman, Margie Magargee, and Lorraine May, met at 1:30 pm in the Lose Library. The meeting was opened with prayer, followed by the scripture reading from John 5:1-6. This scripture reading tells of the man who waited beside the Bethesda's pool for someone to help him get in the churned water, to be healed. But no one came for thirty eight years. The question raised to the group was: "have you ever lost hope?" Like the man who was healed by Jesus, we are reminded that, even when we don't call on God, he is with us to restore our hope and offer healing for the wounds we have received. We then sang one verse of 'What a Friend We Have in Jesus', and the chorus of 'Trust and Obey'. Names of two people were added to our special friends list. During the month of April, the group made 46 phone calls, sent 64 cards and notes, and made 27 visits to homes and hospitals. We continue to seek volunteers to help with transportation needs of some of our special friends. Please contact Pastor Denice or me if you have some extra time and energy, coupled with a desire to care. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 12th at 1:30 pm in the Lose Library. Come give us a try!!

Blessings, Lorraine May





THRIFT SHOP NEWS

We were open once again on the 4th and 5th of May. We had a wonderful two days despite the fact that Old Town Clovis was again in competition with us. Perhaps some of those shoppers spilled over to us. At any rate we did very well both days with the preliminary count being \$776. Again, we had some really good merchandise and that helps so much. So thanks for all you give. BUT now we are down to the “nubs” again so keep those donations coming. We keep hoping for another \$1000 day. We haven’t seen one since before nine eleven so keep us in your prayers and on your mind when you have something you can’t use anymore. I must remind you: WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! With the Hills move, we lost a Saturday morning and an occasional Tuesday helper. That left a void. And you all know Glynda Ward has been very ill and possibly will be out for an extended period of time. She is our Friday morning cashier. Others have been ill or for various reasons have had to drop out. Soooo..... please pray for us and think about giving a few hours of your time once or twice a month. Please understand we are very grateful for what you do for us and we know we couldn’t do it without you so thank you again for all the donations, but we are asking anyone who has a little extra time to maybe stretch a little and give us an additional hand.

Submitted by Pat Frey

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

We are having our annual potluck picnic June 19th at Academy Church. The picnic will start at 12 noon, but if you would like to carpool, meet us at MUMC at 11:15 am. See you all there!! Reminder: all circles are dark until September.

Submitted by Barbara Nielsen

Special Notes

IN MEMORY

Our communion Sundays have been enriched by the beautiful communion rails that were given in memory of Jeffrey Merritt Rogers and Bob Anderson. This gift is a wonderful blessing, especially to those who prefer to kneel. The dedication service on May 13th of recent gifts reminds us of how many people are blessed by remembering loved ones in this way.

THANK YOU

I want to say thank you to all who made the United Methodist Women's Fashion Show Luncheon a hit. There were so many working together that it is impossible to thank each individually, but the many hands working together made it possible. Fashions 4 all Seasons started as an idea to support our mission pledge and continued into months of planning and selling tickets, getting models, displays and arranging tables. Thank you to everyone who brought a wonderful salad to share, and thanks also to the thrift store for making all of this happen. I would also like to thank Peggy Boss for stepping in at the last minute to serve as mistress of ceremony, and to each of you that bought tickets to support our project.

Dee Carr



BIRTHDAYS



Katherine Dickinson 06/02	Velda House 06/02
Brian Jennison 06/05	Denice Leslie 06/06
Dorothy Sinclair 06/07	Joy Cole 06/08
Violet Hooper 06/08	Jim Acton 06/10
Bonnie Harkins 06/10	Evelyn Haulman 06/10
Carson Stockdale 06/11	Jim Skidmore 06/12
Luella Bailey 06/13	Carol Mohan 06/13
Roger Grams 06/14	Brennan Stockdale 06/15
Jean Hill 06/16	Mel Ward 06/19
Dwight Bianchi 06/23	Barbara Nielsen 06/23
Carol Caille 06/29	Dona Leonardo 06/30
Madeline Williams 06/30	

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