



GOOD NEWS

The Newsletter of Clovis Memorial United
Methodist Church July 2007

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God's Precious Earth

In 1854, as Chief Seattle transferred Indian lands to the federal government, he said: "This we know. The earth does not belong to the humans, humans belong to the earth. Whatever befalls the earth befalls the children of the earth. The humans did not weave the web of life; they are merely strands in it. Whatever they do to the web, they do to themselves.... This earth is precious to God, and to harm the earth is to heap contempt on its creator."

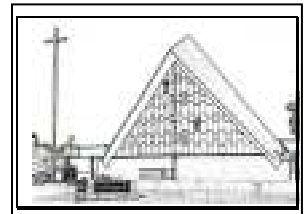


Every Christian's Mission

"If I can stop one heart from breaking, I shall not live in vain," wrote Emily Dickinson. We don't know what prompted her comment, but Christians should consider that a vital part of our mission in God's world is to prevent hearts from breaking.

Do You Just Belong?

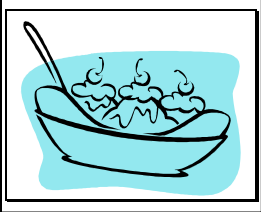
*Do you attend the meetings and mingle with the flock?
Or do you meet in private to criticize and knock?
Do you take an active part to help the work along?
Are you satisfied to be the kind who just belongs?
Do you work on committees? To this there is no trick,
Or leave the work to just a few and talk about the clique?
So come to meetings often, and help with hand and heart.
Don't be just a member, but take an active part.
Think this over friends; you know what's right from wrong.
Are you an active member, or do you just belong?*



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*



10-Year Celebration for Pastor Denice July 28

It's a milestone: July 2007 marks Pastor Denice Leslie's tenth year at Memorial UMC!

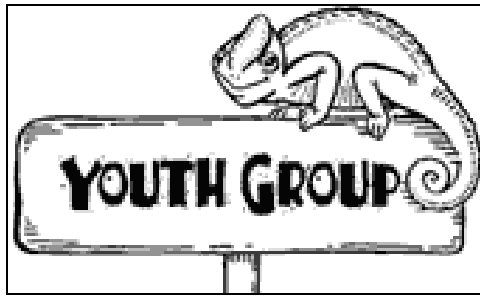
An ice cream social in her honor will be held

on Saturday July 28 at 7:00 p.m. If you have special photos or artifacts that you would like to share with us for the evening, please contact Connie Alfaro. It will be an evening of sweet desserts and sweet memories, so bring a gallon of ice cream (home made or store bought - Denice loves it all!), and stories of your favorite Denice moments over the years.

TECH SUPPORT TEAM HAS MINISTRY 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 backwho make it all come together!!!





Youth Events

Sunday July 1st 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. Youth Movie Nite (Bungalow)
Sunday July 8th 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Youth Meeting (Bungalow)
Saturday July 14th PTO Giants/Dodgers Game in San Francisco
Sunday July 15th 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Youth Meeting (Bungalow)
Sunday July 22nd 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Youth Meeting (Bungalow)
Saturday July 28th 8:00 - 12:00 p.m. Poverello House Work Day
Saturday July 28th 7:00 p.m. Ice Cream Social for Pastor Denice
Sunday July 29th NO YOUTH GROUP

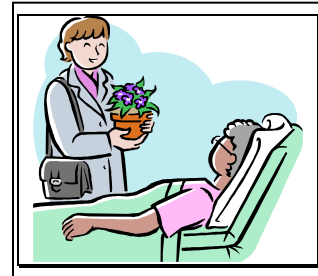


Congregational Care

Giving Special Care to Others

Special Friends

Tuesday, June 12th found Special Friends members Dee Carr, Max Cannon, Margie Magargee, Pat Frey, Evelyn Haulman, Janet Bonzo, Pauline Middleton, John Talmadge and Lorraine May around the table in the Lose Library.



Once again using Psalm 23, we read it with emphasis on the personal pronouns me, my and I, giving each one the feeling that the Lord is each one's personal shepherd. Imagining ourselves as hospital patients, we followed words of a hospital chaplain, telling us that, as patients, we are the sheep who are part of a shephold. Doctors and nurses, and others are helping to shepherd us through this time in our lives. Whether we are sheep or shepherds depends on the situation at any particular moment. Yet we must remember that there is one who is always a shepherd, and in whose sight we will always be sheep.

We joined in the hymn, "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us." Briefly, we shared what was happening in our own lives. We added a new name to our special friends' list. During the month of May, remembering friends in special ways, we sent 68 cards, made 23 visits, 46 phone calls and wrote 10 letters.

Patti Pond has joined Mac Magargee on the list of contacts for transporting church members. We thank you, and encourage anyone else who feels caring and sharing this way is a blessing to join them.

We talked about taking CD church services to our Friends, and decided to search this need further before our next meeting. We also decided not to meet in July, so our next meeting will be Tuesday August 14th at 1:30 in the Lose Library. Come be a Special Friend too.

Blessings, Lorraine



THRIFT SHOP NEWS

Wow! Things are lookin' up for the Thrift Shop. We had two very busy days again on the 1st and 2nd of June. We were short a lot of help but those who were there

went the extra mile and we managed. Preliminary count for June is \$920. We're getting there.

We again had good "stuff" and it is already looking like this next month will be creditable as well. Thanks and keep those donations coming! Don't even think of giving them to

Good Will!!!

Again I must plead with you to think about giving us a hand. It's really not all that hard! If you could just see your way to giving about 3 hours on a couple (or even one) Tuesdays a month we would be SO grateful. Or if that doesn't work for you, how about a three hour shift on the morning or afternoon of one of the days we are open? We continue to ask for your prayers and again we thank you for the donations of clean very useable things.

Submitted by Pat Frey

IN LOVING MEMORY

We all have loved ones we wish to honor and remember. One way to do so is to make a gift in the name of that person to our church's Permanent Endowment Fund. If you would like to learn more about how to memorialize a loved one through our Permanent Endowment Fund, please speak with Rick Hutchinson or John Tallmadge.



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Boutique Reminder

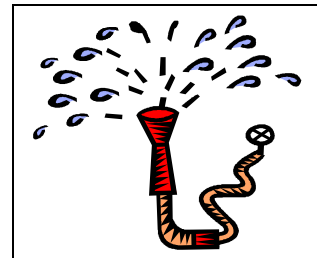


Please remember the boutique when you are making that batch of jam or jelly, and set aside a few jars for the Country Store. We also look forward to your donations of craft and handwork items. We welcome new members, so come join us on Wednesday mornings. We are sponsoring a missionary this year. Carol Partridge is a missionary of the General Board of Global Ministries of the UMC. She is Director of Christian Education for the United Methodist Church of Macedonia. She works especially with children, youth and women. We welcome your support in this worthwhile endeavor. The boutique will be November 9th and 10th of this year.

Thank you, The Boutique Group

Sprinkler System Problems

A note from the Facilities Maintenance Team: Sometime within the last couple of weeks, a break occurred in the underground water lines leading to the sprinkler system on Pollasky that waters the ornamental plants in front of the parking lot. Some observant passerby noticed that water was coming to the surface from underground and turned off the valve that controls flow to the affected line. Unfortunately, nobody on the Facilities Maintenance Team was notified, so the underlying problem persisted until a routine check of the system was done in preparation for the summer months. It is now repaired, but the result of not reporting the problem was the loss of three or four ornamental plants. Also, having the valve off while the timer continued to operate could have resulted in burning out the solenoid on the valve. Anyone noticing a problem with the irrigation system should contact Jim McClanahan. Thank you.



Every Sunday	Every Monday	Every Tuesday	Every Wednesday	Every Thursday	Every Friday	Every Saturday
8 am Korean Church, SH 8:30 pm Hmong Worship, Sanctuary. 9:30 am Sunday School 10 am Choir Practice, Sanctuary 10:30 am Worship, Sanctuary 11:45 am Horizon Team, Lib. 5:00 pm Disciple Bible Study 5:30 pm Youth, Bungalow	10 am Bible Study with Mariamma, Library 7 pm AA Meeting (S.S. Room)	7:30 am Denny's Bible Study 9am Boutique Group 5 pm Tae Kwon Do, Social Hall 7 pm AA Meeting (S.S. Room)	7:30 am Denny's Bible Study (Shaw & Willow) 9:30 am Boutique Group, Social Hall	12 :30 pm Disciple Bible Study, Library 6:15 pm Thursday Night Diners Group	2 pm Sierra Villa Rest Home 5 pm Tae Kwon Do, Social Hall	

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5 pm Parent's Time Out 5 pm Youth Movie Nite	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	11 am Grief Recovery Team 12 pm Executive Meeting Lunch 7 pm Healing Service	8 am United Men's Breakfast 8:30 am Thrift Shop open
8 9 10 11 12 13 14	8 am Thrift Shop Workday 2:30 pm Shawl ministry	2pm Homeless Ministry Team 7pm Finance Project Team 7pm SPRC	1pm Thrift Shop Board Meeting 9am Worship Planning Team
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Joy in the Morning 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	8am Thrift Shop Workday 9am Facility Project Team		8am Youth Work Day at the Poverello house 7pm Ice Cream Social for Pastor Denice
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Birthdays

Pahaua Cha 07/01	Tessa Hansen-Smith 07/01	Michael# Sapigao 07/02
Barbara Woodward 07/03	Jouvue Hang 07/04	Dhuaong Hang 07/04
Kou Yang 07/04	Kevin Bonzo 07/05	Mary Ettelson 07/05
Lynn Seay 07/05	Warren Carr 07/06	Eric Jennison 07/07
Betty Skidmore 07/08	Koua Vang Xiong 07/08	Kathryn# Brister 07/09
Teng Moua 07/10	Billy Moua 07/12	William Reinhardt 07/12
Bill Sautter 07/12	Floyd Eckert 07/13	Richard# Emmick 07/13
Mely Rinon 07/13	Edna Maddux 07/14	Lorraine May 07/14
Scott Cole 07/15	Juliane Vang 007/1	Ila Davidson 07/16
Jeff# Garris 07/17	Judith Gross 07/17	Gina Vang Lor 07/17
Josie# Michel 07/18	PaKou Yang 07/18	Peggy Bos 07/19
Gloria McClanahan 07/20	Georgia Holman 07/21	Garth Goudelock 07/22
Carole Linenbach 07/23	Ger Yang 07/23	Pagean Carter 07/24
Harry Rogers 07/24	Judith Tugwell 07/24	Ricky Harkins 07/25
Mike Jennison 07/25	Neal Lowrey 07/25	Patti Pond 07/29
Sue DeFranco 07/30	Bob Bowser 07/31	Dorothy Heskett 07/31
Xiong Moua 07/31	Noah Potter 07/31	Clayton Potter 07/31