

the acorn

The monthly newsletter of the Fair Oaks United Methodist Church

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New Sanctuary Chairs by Ben Couch

Ellen Frosch suggested at Pinochle that we look into buying new chairs for the Church. If you have been to church in the last two weeks you got a chance to sit in sample chairs and vote for one. Chair A and B got a lot more votes than chair C. We will have a run-off vote between chair A and chair B.

Some facts on the chairs:

- Chair A and chair C are made by the same company.
- Chair B can be manufactured 1" shorter.
- Color/fabric is being researched and to be determined later.
- Each chair will have a book rack on it.
- We are looking to get 132 chairs. 112 without arms and 20 with arms.
- They are stackable.
- Chair A (and C) are made in China and the lead time to get them is 12 to 16 weeks.
- Chair B is made in the U.S.A. and lead time on them is about 4 to 8 weeks.
- 132 of chair A cost about \$7,700 plus possibly a 25% tariff for a total of \$9,625 (\$72.92 per chair) including freight.
- 132 of chair B cost \$9,340 (\$70.75 per chair) including freight.

We will be doing a fundraiser so we can buy them. If each person can/will buy one or two chairs (less than the price of a pie) and a few people make a substantial contribution, we can purchase them. The Pinochle Club will contribute their fund of approximately \$1,500 towards the chairs.

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From the Pastor

Author Anne Lamott says there are three simple prayers that can get you through the good, bad and even the ordinary aspects of daily life. In my first month with you, I have experienced so many "WOW" prayers as Anne Lamott so adequately named them.

"Wow, this church really knows how to sell a pie!"

"Wow, they are so welcoming!"

"Wow, the people are so thoughtful."

"Wow, just wow!"

I am so grateful for the ways in which you have welcomed our family to your church family. Our God is a welcoming God and when we welcome the stranger, we are doing God's work. God welcomes anyone and everyone who believes in Jesus into God's family. While Jesus lived on earth, Jesus always welcomed anyone into his presence.

With Jesus as our example, we should never be shy about welcoming others. Whether it's welcoming friends into our home, visitors into our church, or just saying hello to a stranger on the street, as Christians, we should display the welcoming attitude of God.

"When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they declared all that God had done with them." Acts 15:4

So many good things are already happening here at Fair Oaks United Methodist Church. What a blessing! People are being cared for by the Caring Ministries Team. Young people are exploring new ways to discover, and rediscover God. The praises of God are being sung every Sunday. Children's back-to-school needs are being met. Our giving is being responsibly handled and managed. The buildings and grounds are well maintained and attractive. Same gender loving people are welcomed here. God is at work and The Holy Spirit is moving here.

As we journey together, I know it will become very important to not hide those "wow prayers", but to let out! Let our family, friends, and acquaintances know how we are experiencing the "wow" in our lives. Our Christian tradition calls this evangelism. Evangelism can express the possibility that Jesus's message was one of radical fairness. Following Jesus means creating and

living in a world in which all people are welcomed and have the opportunity to experience God's grace abundant in their lives. Thank you for being that for my family in this time of transition.

Blessings,

Pastor Kim







Pray Always. Pray All Ways.

Prayer Requests

Bill Ingraham passed away on Sunday, July 22nd. Bill sang in our choir for many years. There will be a graveside service on Saturday, July 28th at 10 am at the Fair Oaks Cemetery. Cards can be sent to Libby and family at 3216 Oriole Way, Antelope, CA 95843. Please keep the Ingrahams in your prayers.

Stan and Alma Andrus have been members of our church since 1966. They are at an assisted living place and can't get out much anymore. Stan is asking prayers for Alma and their family. Alma is in hospice and getting weaker. Please pray for comfort and peace of mind for all of them. Cards and notes can be sent to 11390 Coloma Rd. Apt. A120, Gold River, CA 95670.

Virginia Halk and her son David have been attending our church off and on for about a year. Virginia is in hospice with cancer. Her son is asking for prayers for Virginia and the entire Halk family. Please pray for comfort and peace of mind.

Lola Morphis is in hospice care and declining. No visitors, please, but prayers and cards would be very much appreciated. She is at Gramercy Court/Hanover House 2, 2200 Gramercy Dr. Room 210, Sacramento, CA 95825.

Terri Himes's mom, Ann Goodson, entered hospice this week. Please pray for strength and peace of mind for Terri and family and for comfort for her mom.

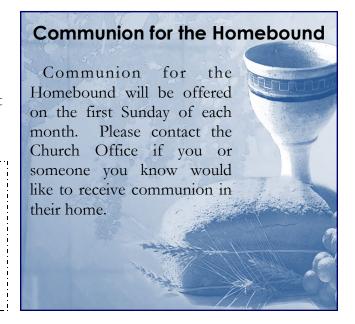
Prayers of thanks that Joanne Cossairt has been cleared by her doctor for visitors, which she would welcome. Phone number: 916-952-8959. Address: 6952 Birchwood Circle, Citrus Heights CA 95621.

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Please keep Stan and Alma Andrus, Lola Morphis, Doris Ashworth, Joanne Cossairt, and all of our church members and friends who may not make it to church regularly in your prayers.

Do you have prayer requests?

Contact Nancy Klanjac
(nanklan1@aol.com; 916-967-5427)
or the Church Office
(office@fairoaksumc.org; 916-961-6631)
so the members of our prayer chain can pray for you.
Prayer requests are also printed in the monthly Acorn.







Young Adult Meetings: Wednesdays, August 8 & 22 at 7 pm in Potter

Open minded young adult spirituality group. Come have some snacks, meet some new friends and have some good chats! Ages 18-30, all are welcome!!! Contacts: Sydney Moore (916-532-3871, sydneyelizasmith@gmail.com), Eliseo Paniagua (209-423-9420, eliseopaniagua@yahoo.com)

Beginning September 10, meetings will be held on 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7 pm in the Library.

Adult Bible Study by Loren Guffey

Join us on Sunday mornings at 9 am in the Library. Home Study Guides available on the Narthex Bulletin Board.

In recent weeks we have been reading what Jesus said about heaven and about getting into it. We are sorry if you missed it. During August we will be exploring what Paul had to say in his letters about justice. For example what do you get from Romans 2:6-8? God's Judgment is righteous? In the context of the chapter there seems a clear difference in the rules for God's administration of justice/judgment and for the rest of us. Colossians 3:5-17 is written to us at FOUMC about practicing justice and avoiding judgment. What not to do (verses 5-11) and how to live. These are examples of things we will be reading and discussing in August.

"But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe." Romans 4:21-22.



Easy Worship Media Training

Interested in a unique way of participating in Sunday morning worship service? Consider operating the Easy Worship media system! We use a laptop computer and special software to project the order of worship on the screen. If you are interested, please talk to Adriane Samcoff. She will be more than happy to train anyone on the 1st and/or 4th Sundays of each month. **Contact:** Adriane Samcoff, 916-217-3746, asamcoff@aol.com)



The Endowment Fund Fair Oaks United Methodist Church By Tom Wold, Chair

"A gift that keeps on giving"



Even small amounts donated to the Endowment Fund over time will grow to help support the ongoing ministries of Fair Oaks UMC. By designating a donation in memory of a loved one, or as an anonymous gift, or planned giving by including Fair Oaks UMC in your Will or Trust you make a huge difference over time to the continued ministries of our church.

In 2018 our Endowment Fund distributed \$5,900 and over the past 9 years distributions have totalled \$36,734 to the ministries of our church.

Because of generous contributions to the Endowment Fund in 2017 & 2018 we project a significant increase in distributions over the next few years.

Thank you everyone for your continued support of the church ministries through your contributions to the Endowment Fund.

Check us out on the internet!





Instagram: fairoaksumc



Facebook:
Fair Oaks
United Methodist Church



Music Ministry Notes

Singers and Musicians Wanted

The Chancel Choir will be on summer break through Sept. 2. We are looking for Singers and Musicians to provide the anthem during church services during this time period. Please volunteer to share your talent by signing up on the Calendar located on the choir room door. Please contact the Music Director for more information or if you need an accompanist. **Contact: Eliseo Paniagua**, eliseopaniagua@yahoo.com, 209-423-9420

Special Music in August:

August 5: Sunday School signs "Our God is an Awesome God"

August 12: Sammie Lee Wilhoit

August 19: Trinity Band

August 26: Rosanne Stephenson, Carol Spiker, Assorted Nuts Band

Sunday, September 2 is still available. Sign up on the Choir Room door.





Preschool News By Sue Jas, Director



We are excited to have school starting on August 20! We still have openings in all of our classes which includes: Toddlers, 2/3 year old class, 3/4 year old class and our pre- k class. Call for a tour at (916) 961-0368 or email the director at https://littleschool@sbcglobal.net.

Looking Ahead:

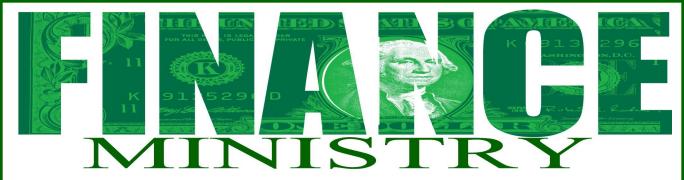
Trike-A-Thon Fundraiser -- Our annual Trike-A-Thon is set for **Saturday, October 20** at 9:30 a.m. on the school parking lot. It is sure to be a fun morning with the children riding their bikes, a bounce house, face painting, games and a raffle. Stop by if you can.

Chicken Festival -- We will have a booth with the FOUMC at the Fair Oaks Chicken Festival on **Saturday**, **September 15!**

Mixed Bag Fundraiser -- Our Mixed Bag fundraiser will start on **September 10**. Catalogs will be available soon.



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Finance Recap by Cheryl Raney, Chair

At the halfway point in our fiscal year, how are our finances? For January to June, our regular expenses were slightly less than projected, but income was also less than anticipated. Consequently, we currently have a shortfall that is greater than expected. Funds held in savings were used to offset some of the shortfall and to pay additional emergency expenses related to repair and maintenance of church property.

January-June 2018 General Fund		Apportionments:		
Total Income	\$82,657.	January - June liability*	\$8,059.52	
Total Expenses	\$101.663	Payments from members	<3.800.365	

Average deficit: \$3,168 per month

available in the Narthex.

Total Expenses \$101,663. Payments from members <3,800.36>

Net <\$19,006.> Payments from church budget <4,259.16>

A big thanks to everyone for their pledges and offerings and for giving extra when possible. Your pledges support the church in its mission and ministries. We have been able to pay our apportionments to date and to support our ministries and staff. It is not too late to make a pledge to help the church meet its financial obligations in our faith journey. Pledge forms are

*Each local United Methodist Church contributes apportionments to support the missions and operations of the district, conference and ultimately the international United Methodist Church.

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. (2 Corinthians 9:8)

Statements of Giving for January-June 2018

Statements of Giving not picked up by July 22 were mailed the week of July 23. We are using a new software so the statement will look different. Please check that all your contributions in 2018 have been recorded. Contact Sheri Johnson with any corrections or questions.





Over 80s Club August Meeting

Over 80s will meet at Virginia Grabbe's house on August 31.

Virginia will call the members of the group beforehand.



Life's Challenges Support Group for Men & Women: August 6 and 20



Life's Challenges provides support for persons coping with difficult challenges such as divorce, unemployment, loss of a loved one, financial problems and more. We offer opportunities for renewal, restoration and kinship in a safe, nurturing and confidential environment. Meets on 1st and 3rd Mondays at 6 pm in the Library. Call the Church Office at 916-961-6631 or contact Loretta Dodge for more information.



<u>Church Office Hours</u> Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Wed., Aug. 8, office hours will be 9-11 am & 2-4 pm. Friday, August 10 office hours will be 10 am - 2 pm.

The Church Office will be closed: July 30, July 31, August 1, and August 6.

When the office is closed, urgent prayer requests or pastoral care needs can be directed to Pastor Kim Montenegro (510-512-2910, kimmontenegro@gmail.com)
Nancy Klanjac (Prayer Chain, 916-967-5427, nanklan1@aol.com)
Diane Sommer (Caring Minister, 916-722-7855, dianesomm@gmail.com)
Judy Shearer (Caring Minister, 916-967-3296, shearer01@comcast.net)



Your Trustees by Lance Bach, Chair

July has been a pretty busy month for Trustees. The spring workday had "morphed" into a spring -at-the-Parsonage workday(s). After Pastor Jeong and family had moved out of the parsonage, we (hereafter referred to as the volunteers) went about refurbishing the parsonage for use as a rental. We took steps to clean, as needed, and paint, pretty much everything. It has been seven years since "the volunteers" had been in the parsonage to refurbish so there was a lot to do. All walls were scrubbed, almost every room in the house received a fresh coat of paint. The kitchen was scrubbed and tile grout filled and colored to match. The exterior was washed down, screens cleaned, windows

washed, garage cleaned out, leftover trash dumped and extra TLC given to problem areas. Tiner Properties were given the keys and we thought we were done. Not so much. Tiner gave us a list of recommended items that we should consider doing before the house was to be listed. The list included several mini blinds that were "less than perfect", floors need to be waxed, CO detector missing batteries, along with a few "helpful hints". Again, we entered the parsonage to attack "the list". To date, the list has been completed, except for the mini blinds which are being shipped this week. Also, a very generous donation aimed specifically for the parsonage was received for new ceiling fans which are in the process of being selected and installed. As of this writing, the parsonage has been listed for rent.





Jiffy Fixers Tuesdays at 9 am and 5 pm

Contacts: Renee Meyer, Tom Wold

EVENING JIFFY FIXERS

Looking for a way of helping out at the church? We have a great opportunity for you.

For those who are not available to work during the day we are looking for women and men to join us for our Evening Jiffy Fixers. We will try to meet at least every other week to do minor repairs, paint, work on sprinkler system repair, planting or trimming, etc. We start at 5 pm with some who do not get off work until 5 pm coming a little later and we generally work for 1 1/2 to 2 hours.

If you would like more information or would be available to help please contact Tom Wold at (916) 622-1486 to confirm what we will be doing.



Stewardship - Generous Living

Excerpt from The United Methodist Member's Handbook Revised and Expanded, pgs. 20-21, George E. Koehler © 2006, Discipleship Resources.

"Celebrating the offering is a spiritual act of worship every believer can actively participate in each week. Giving becomes a celebration when the believer discovers the joy of generosity, which grows out of God's grace." — Melvin Amerson, *Celebrating the Offering*

We Give

To belong to our congregation is to be a steward. Some may say that "stewardship" is just a polite way of referring to financial giving to the church. But it's far more than that.

One character in some of Jesus' parables is the steward — the servant charged by the master to care for the master's property. It is the master, not the steward, who owns the property, but the steward is responsible for it and is accountable to the master. So it is, said Jesus, between God and us. As God's stewards we have three responsibilities:

Receiving: We receive with joyful thanksgiving the many gifts that God showers upon us — time, talent, treasure, our bodies, our friendships, natural resources, and the beauty around us.

Managing: We take good care of what we have received. We manage these resources wisely — for our own good and the good of others.

Giving: Out of our gratitude in receiving so abundantly, we want to share with others. Let's look at four kinds of gifts that we receive, manage, and share:

Our time

We did nothing to earn the hours, the days, the weeks of our lives. Time is a gift of God. How we choose to use it is a matter of stewardship. Some people lead lives of frenetic activity, always over-extending themselves to the point of exhaustion, while others sit around in apathetic boredom. Some spend all their hours serving the needs of others at the expense of their own, while others live only for themselves.

As Christian stewards we try to manage time wisely and in a balanced way. And we give our time gladly to family and friends, to strangers, to the community, the church, and to ourselves.

Our abilities

Do you remember Jesus' parable of the three servants who received different amounts of money to manage while the master was away? We've each received from God distinctive gifts and talents. How we develop and use these talents is a matter of stewardship. Like two of the servants in Jesus' story, we can invest them wisely — or like the third, out of fear we can hide them (Matthew 25:14-30).

As stewards, we acknowledge the gifts we have without apology. We develop them further, practicing new skills and putting our talents to work in ministry.

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Our resources

We may think that our financial resources are our own. But when we recall that the time, the energy, the good health, and the opportunities for employment behind these dollars are all gifts from God, we see that the funds belong to God, too. We are the stewards; God is the owner. So, questions about what we earn, how we earn it, how we save, spend, and give it away, are all questions of Christian stewardship.

One vital aspect of our stewardship is our giving to Christ's work in the world. We've learned that giving is most effective when we commit ourselves to give a definite proportion of our income through the church. For many, this proportion is one-tenth, or a tithe. Whatever the amount, we have discovered the joy in giving to God the "first fruits," an amount "off the top" of our income, not what's left over at the end of the month.





Welcome Pastor Kim & Family!

Back row: Pastor Kim holding Joaquin, Jaime Front row: Isabella and Jayme Grace

Red White & Blue BBQ and Pie Auction

Over \$3700 was raised on July 7! Ticket sales alone totaled \$1,070!

Huge thanks to everyone who participated in making this event such a success especially the Event Chairs Mary Ellen Milne, Ruby and Paris Wicker!





The article below was taken from a June 25, 2018 email sent by the CA-NV Conference. Contact the Church Office (office@fairoaksumc.org) if you would like the full email forwarded to you.

"Testify to Love. Do All The Good You Can!" Annual Conference Session 2018 By Dr. Larry R. Hygh, Jr., Director of Communications for the California-Nevada Annual Conference

Addressing more than 1,000 attendees, San Francisco Episcopal Area Bishop Minerva G. Carcaño told the 170th session of the California-Nevada Annual Conference: "I believe that God is also showing us that as a conference of The United Methodist Church we have the capacity and ability to be leaders in the church and in the world. Throughout the years, the people called Methodists have gone where God has led us. We have been a fearless bunch who for the sake of the Gospel have been willing to commit our lives to serving in the world."

This year's theme was "Testify to Love. Do All the Good You Can!" and this was the first year the conference met in Modesto, California.

Morning meditations were led by the Rev. Marlon Hall. He describes himself as a griot (a member of a class of traveling poets, musicians, and storytellers who maintain a tradition of oral history in parts of West Africa) who enjoys telling stories using photography, anthropology, filmmaking, and writing to share stories of love, imagination, and passion. Hall is the cultural architect and spiritual leader of The Awakenings Movement, a grassroots community of social visionaries and culture shapers in Houston, Detroit, and Nairobi.

Hall challenged those gathered to ask themselves, "What's your why? Your why will inform your what's next." He added, "We have to unearth beauty from brokenness. This is our work. We can only unearth beauty from our brokenness by remembering our why."

The Advance of the General Board of Global Ministries awarded the Conference three awards for being one of the top 10 annual conferences in the following areas: Supporters of International Disaster Response, Supporters of Mission Initiatives, and Supporters of Missionaries.

In other action, some of the legislation the conference passed included:

- a resolution on Black Lives Matter;
- a resolution in support of a clean Dream Act;
- a resolution in support of justice for Jerome Abba;
- a resolution opposing the separation of immigrant children from their parents; and
- establishment of a Filipino-American ministries committee.

The conference passed a budget of \$6,476,000 for mission and ministry for 2019, a less than one percent increase from 2018, and renewed its commitment to continuing paying 100 percent of general church apportionments.

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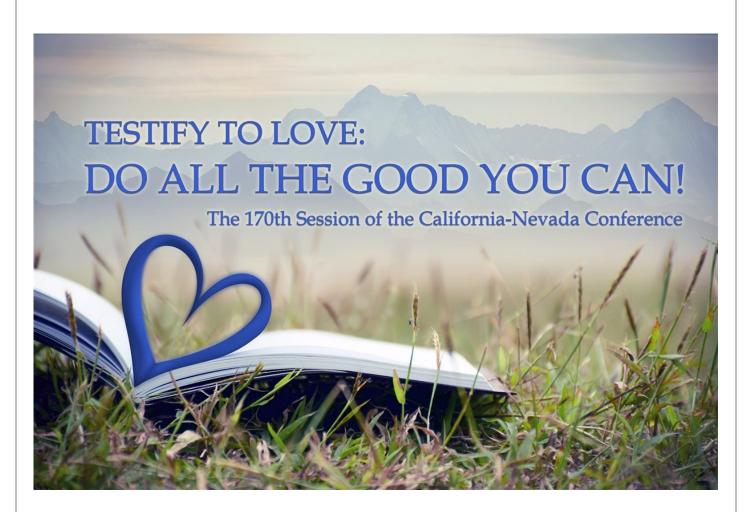
The Annual Conference offering benefited the Methodist Church of Puerto Rico in its efforts to rebuild the island. Churches were asked to collect an offering before the session and bring the offering to the opening communion service. More than \$80,000 was collected for this offering.

Other offerings were taken for the following:

- Necessitous Fund Offering \$4,838; and,
- Ministerial Education Fund \$2,006.

Statistics:

- Membership stands at 71,004, down 1,262 from the previous year.
- Worship attendance stands at 27,622, down 1,285.
- Church school attendance stands at 5,986, up 16.
- Professions or reaffirmations of faith for 2017 is 1,246, down 66 from 2016.
- Adults and young adults in small groups for 2017 is 17,591, down 1,708 from 2016.
- Worshippers engaged in mission for 2017 is 24,305, up 392 from 2016.







"Did You Get the Email?" "What Email?" Don't Miss Out! Join the Email Group Today!



Have you ever found yourself having the conversation above? Are you missing out on important information and reminders that are sent out via email? Then please consider joining the Church Yahoo Email Group. The Yahoo group is a great way to get information out there during the week in between Sunday services and monthly Acorns!

To sign up, either go to the group's website: group/FairOaksUMC/ or send an email to FairOaksUMC-subscribe@yahoogroups.com. (If your email address has changed since originally signing up, you will need to sign up again.) Contact the Church Office with any questions or if you need help signing up with the group.



Deadline for the September Acorn is Wednesday, August 22, 9:00 am

Early submissions are <u>always</u> accepted!

office@fairoaksumc.org or 916-961-6631

e-newsletter vs. paper newsletter

Do you prefer to receive your monthly Acorn newsletter via an attachment to an email? Or would you rather have a paper copy mailed to your home? If you are not receiving the Acorn the way you would like, please contact the Church Office (916-961-6631; office@fairoaksumc.org) to ask about having it sent a different way.







OUTREACH MINISTRIES Passions for Christ

"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

Matthew 25:40

Outreach Sunday is the first Sunday of every month.

Please bring your donations to support our various local outreach ministries including Sunrise Christian Food Bank, Downtown Ministries, Tarps and Seasonal Support for the Homeless, and the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

Downtown Ministries

Contact: Karlene Brown

Thank you for all your school supply donations for Downtown Ministries! It is much appreciated and will help a lot of kids get ready for school.



Monetary donations will continue to be collected on the 1st Sunday of the month in the jar in the Narthex. Downtown Ministries newsletters are posted on the hall bulletin board opposite the kitchen.

What Are You Passionate About?

Sunrise Christian Food Bank

Contact: Phyllis Brantley



Canned Fruit or Vegetables
Canned Tuna (5 oz. preferred)
Macaroni & Cheese
Dry Beans — Rice
Peanut Butter (18 oz. preferred)
Ramen-type Soup Mix
Cold Cereal
Canned Meats

BRING YOUR DONATIONS
1st SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH!

Tarps & Seasonal Support for the Homeless

Contact: Ruby and Paris Wicker



In addition to providing tarps for shelter, Ruby and Wayde (Paris) Wicker hand out other items as the season dictates. (Think flip-flops in the summer and rain ponchos in the winter.) Monetary donations may be placed in the offering plate. (Please write "Tarps" in the memo line of a check or on the outside of an envelope for a cash donation.)





Upcoming Events at United Methodist Churches in the Sunrise Circuit, the Los Rios District, & beyond...

(Sunrise Circuit Churches include Rio Linda UMC, Elverta UMC, Trinity UMC, St. Mark's UMC, St. Andrew's UMC, Citrus Heights UMC, Sacramento Cho-Un Korean UMC, Fair Oaks UMC, UMC of Rancho Cordova, and Wesley UMC.)



Donations accepted for St. Mark's Music Ministries

Schedule

July 13 Jazz Stylings Rothstein Ensemble

July 27 Celtic Music United Caledonian Pipe Band

August 3 Barbershop Harmony Voices of California Ensembles

August 10 Evening at the Opera Quartets, Trios, Duets and Arias

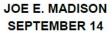
August 17 Organ Recital Robert Rouch, organist August 24 Jazz, Pop, Standards Skin 'n Bones

St. Mark's UMC, 2391 St. Mark's Way, Sacramento, CA 95864

St. Mark's UMC is hosting a Summer Concert Series, featuring Courtvard Concerts (outdoor). The musical styles will include classical, patriotic, jazz, cultural and more. These concerts, at 7:00 pm on Friday evenings, will be free, with donations towards Mark's music ministries accepted.

2018 MOON LECTURES - FRIDAYS, 7:00PM





Human and Civil Rights Activist, Groundbreaking Radio Personality on Sirus XM's Urban View. Known as "The Black Eagle."



APRIL RYAN OCTOBER 12

White House Correspondent, Political Analyst on CNN, Board Member White House Correspondents Association. Member of National Press Club.



JIM WALLIS NOVEMBER 2

President/Founder of Sojourners, a faith-based organization. Best-selling author, public theologian, national preacher, social activist, and international commentator on ethics and public life.



HOLLY NEAR NOVEMBER 30

American Singer-Songwriter, Teacher, Actor and Activist for Social Change



30-year career as Emmy-Winning journalist reporting for PBS, CBS, WNBC, CNN, NPR. First Latina in many newsrooms; Anchor, Executive Producer, Author.

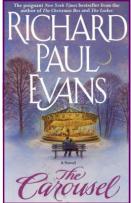


For more information, call 916.483.7848 or visit www.stmarksumc.com/upcomingmoon. Seating is limited, order today.

	TICKETS			
	Pre-sale	After July 31		
General	\$30	\$40		
Student	\$15	\$20		



Book Club



July's Book Club selection is The Carousel by Richard Paul Evans.

From barnesandnoble.com: "This is the love story of Michael Keddington and Faye Murrow, a love story that takes place not in seclusion but in the real world, with the challenges that all lovers must face. No relationship is an island: There are threads that bind us all and pull at our lives — the demands of family, of friends, of work, and social obligation. And there are times that the pull of those threads becomes greater than the strength of the relationship. In these times, no matter how much two people love each other, a relationship must grow strong or be torn apart. The Carousel is about what happens when life doesn't turn out the way that we planned. Beyond a love story, it is about faith, loyalty, and sacrifice."

Bring a sack lunch and join us on August 27 at noon in the library.

Upcoming selections:

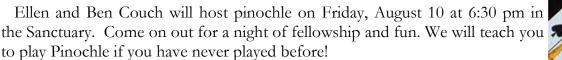
We Never Asked for Wings by Vanessa Diffenbaugh;

The Daily Coyote by Shreve Stockton; Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance;

<u>Take Me With You</u> by Catherine Ryan Hyde; <u>When Never Comes</u> by Barbara Davis;

A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles; Never Stop Walking by Christine Rickardsson

Pinochle





Mark Your Calendar With These Upcoming Dates...

07/30 - 08/01 Church Office closed.		09/17	Church Office closed.	
08/06	Church office closed.	10/08	Church office closed.	
08/20 school	Little Methodist School 1st day of	10/20 9:30 am	Little Methodist School Trike-a-Thon,	
09/03	Labor Day. Church office closed.	11/04	All Saints Sunday	
09/06	Chancel Choir rehearsals resume	11/04	Daylight Saving Time ends. Fall Back 1	
09/09	Chancel Choir returns to Sunday	hour.		
services		11/05	Church Office closed.	
09/15 Village	Fair Oaks Chicken Festival in the	11/15 Progran	Little Methodist School Thanksgiving n, 6:30 pm	



AUGUST WORSHIP SIGN-UPS

August 5 - Communion August 19 - Band Sunday

Greeters 5	Flowers 5	Coffee Fellowship Hosts
12	12	5 Tongan Ministry
19	19	12 Marets
26	26 In celebration of Gay Anderson's birthday on August 29.	19 Kunkels 26 Wicker/Martin
Liturgists		
5 Ruby Wicker	Offering	
12 Sammie Lee Wilhoit	5	Easy Worship Operators
19 Sharon Jackson	12	5 Adriane Samcoff
26 Loren Guffey	19	12 Andrew Maret
	26	19
Children's Time	Counters	26 Adriane Samcoff
5 Dedra Beauchamp	5 Ellen Frosch/Pat Eichner	HOW TO SIGN UP
12 Pastor Kim Montenegro	12 Bill Floyd/Chong Suk	You can help out – try
19 Dedra Beauchamp	Henderson	to sign up a month or
26 Dedra Beauchamp	19 Bill Floyd/Karlene Brown	more ahead of time.
	26 Elaine Bach/Mike Wilhoit	You can call the Church Office or sign up on the clipboard found on the Narthex
August Communion	Sunday School Teachers	shelf. Thanks for your
Steward:	5 Phyllis Martin	help!
Elaine Bach	12 Nancy Klanjac	**
Communion Servers:	19 Mary Ellen Milne	Y

26 Phyllis Brantley

August 2018 Calendar - Fair Oaks UMC

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Thu Aug 2, 2018
                                                                        Mon Aug 20, 2018
      11am - 12pm Centering Prayer LIBRARY
                                                                                All day Little Methodist School 1st day
                                                                                   Mon Aug 20, 2018
      7pm - 8:30pm Epiphany Group EPIPHANY ROOM
                                                                                6pm - 7:30pm Life's Challenges Support Group LIBRARY
       7pm - 8pm How is it with your soul? LIBRARY
                                                                        Tue Aug 21, 2018
      7pm - 9pm Tongan Choir Rehearsal SANCTUARY
                                                                                    Pre-Council meeting with Pastor and Council Chair PASTOR'S
Sun Aug 5, 2018
      All day Communion
                                                                                6:30pm - 8:30pm Finance Ministry SPENCER
                                                                        Wed Aug 22, 2018
       All day
          Outreach Sunday - bring donations to support Sunrise Christian FoodBank,
                                                                                9am - 9am Acorn articles due to Church Office.
         Downtown Ministries, Tarps and Seasonal Support for the Homeless, and the Pastor's
                                                                                7pm - 9pm Young Adults POTTER 1&2
         Sun Aug 5, 2018
                                                                        Thu Aug 23, 2018
      9am - 10am Adult Bible Study LIBRARY
                                                                                11am - 12pm Centering Prayer LIBRARY
      9am - 12pm FOUMC NURSERY
                                                                                7pm - 8:30pm Epiphany Group EPIPHANY ROOM
      10am - 11:30am Worship SANCTUARY
      4:30pm - 6pm Tongan-language Ministry Gathering SANCTUARY
                                                                                7pm - 8pm How is it with your soul? LIBRARY
Mon Aug 6, 2018
                                                                        Sat Aug 25, 2018
      6pm - 7:30pm Life's Challenges Support Group LIBRARY
                                                                                7pm - 9pm Tongan Choir Rehearsal SANCTUARY
      7pm - 8:30pm Board of Trustees SPENCER
                                                                        Sun Aug 26, 2018
Tue Aug 7, 2018
                                                                                9am - 10am Adult Bible Study LIBRARY
      All day Kitchen Clean-Up SANCTUARY
                                                                                9am - 12pm FOUMC NURSERY
         Tue Aug 7, 2018
Wed Aug 8, 2018
                                                                                10am - 11:30am Worship SANCTUARY
       7pm - 9pm Young Adults POTTER 1&2
                                                                                4:30pm - 6pm Tongan-language Ministry Gathering SANCTUARY
Thu Aug 9, 2018
                                                                        Mon Aug 27, 2018
      11am - 12pm Centering Prayer LIBRARY
                                                                                12pm - 2pm Book Club LIBRARY
      7pm - 8:30pm Epiphany Group EPIPHANY ROOM
                                                                        Tue Aug 28, 2018
      7pm - 8pm How is it with your soul? LIBRARY
                                                                                6:30pm - 8:30pm Church Council SPENCER
Fri Aug 10, 2018
                                                                        Thu Aug 30, 2018
        6:30pm - 9pm Pinochle SANCTUARY
                                                                                11am - 12pm Centering Prayer LIBRARY
Sat Aug 11, 2018
                                                                                7pm - 8:30pm Epiphany Group EPIPHANY ROOM
        7am - 9am Trinity Band Rehearsal SPENCER
                                                                               7pm - 8pm How is it with your soul? LIBRARY
        7pm - 9pm Tongan Choir Rehearsal SANCTUARY
Sun Aug 12, 2018
        9am - 10am Adult Bible Study LIBRARY
                                                                                      August 2018
        9am - 12pm FOUMC NURSERY
        10am - 11:30am Worship SANCTUARY
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        11am - 12pm Worship Ministry SPENCER
        4:30pm - 6pm Tongan-language Ministry Gathering SANCTUARY
Tue Aug 14, 2018
        3pm - 4:30pm Caring Ministry SPENCER
Thu Aug 16, 2018
        9am - 11am Little Methodist School Orientation SANCTUARY
        11am - 12pm Centering Prayer LIBRARY
        7pm - 8:30pm Epiphany Group EPIPHANY ROOM
        7pm - 8pm How is it with your soul? LIBRARY
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Fri Aug 17, 2018
        9am - 11am Little Methodist School Orientation SANCTUARY
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Sat Aug 18, 2018
        7pm - 9pm Tongan Choir Rehearsal SANCTUARY
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Sun Aug 19, 2018

9am - 10am Adult Bible Study LIBRARY

4:30pm - 6pm Tongan-language Ministry Gathering SANCTUARY

9am - 12pm FOUMC NURSERY
10am - 11:30am Worship SANCTUARY



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