December 27, 2015

First United Methodist Church of Riverside
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John Yoon, Senior Pastor
December 27, 2015                                        10:00 AM

Welcome! We’re glad you’re here.
Please sign in using the attendance books along the center aisles.

**Prelude:**

**Greensleeves**
arr. by Richard Purvis
*Ken Rudolf, Guest Organist*

**Acolytes:**
Rose Musarra & Alice Musarra
Enter with the symbol of the Light of Christ

**Moments of Welcome:**
Loretta Cudney, Lay Leader

Greeting          Visitors          Registration          Announcements

* **Trinity Bells** (Stand as you are able)

* **Call to Worship**

Leader: Praise the lord from the highest heaven!
All: let the sun and the moon, and the stars in the sky,
    all sing praises to our God!
Leader: Praise the lord from the deepest valley!
All: let the mountains and the hills, the fruit trees and tall cedars,
    all worship the lord on high!
Leader: Praise the lord from the heart of the faithful!
All: let the old and the young, the wise and the meek,
    all lift their voices and sing for joy!
Leader: Worship the lord our God, ruler of heaven and earth!
* Opening Hymn #220

Angels from the Realm of Glory

Special Music

O Holy Night
by Adolphe-Charles Adam; Arranged by Sally DeFord
Sung by Robbie Nelson

The Church at Prayer
Sharing Known Needs

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

Children’s Moments

Rev. Roy Riggs
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Special Music

Preghiera
by Francesco Tosti
This musical prayer is asking God for help, guidance, and comfort.
Sung by Marc Robles

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sermon
Things That Go Bump in the Night
Rev. Roy Riggs

* HYMN #162
Alleluia, Alleluia
ALLELUIA NO. 1
Offering

Offertory

Still, Still, Still
Paul Manz

*Doxology*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*A Prayer of Thanksgiving*

*Sending Hymn #157  Jesus Shall Reign  Duke Street*

*Benediction*

Postlude  Postlude on “Adeste Fideles”  Eric Thiman

* Denotes Stand as you are able.
In Our Prayers:

Our thoughts and prayers are with Bishop Minerva Carcaño on the loss of her mother, Rebecca Carcaño, on December 20, 2016.

Please pray for Gigi Johnson Handen and Jason Handen and their family for the passing of Gigi’s father, Bruce Johnson, on December 20, 2015. Service to be announced.

Also, pray for Mary Bidwell on the recent passing of her son, John Bidwell.

In convalescent care, Carol Boothby, Helen Dennington, Kirk Ferguson, Betty Kiech, Rev. Bob Mayou, Arnold Stevenson, Stewart Thompson

For health and support, Pat Beals, Don Blose, Mary Boon, Hermie Brunner, Traci Buttles, Greg Carcerano, Ellen Charles, Barbara Lynn-Comfort, Cox Family Baby, Steve Draisey, Jim Earhart, Pamela Garnett, John German, Ruthanna Hocking, Sigmar Hofmann, Ed Johnson, Barbara Kent, Wanda Lewis, Laurel Morgan, Sarah Newton, Brent Reimer, Bob Schiffer, Micheline Scoggins, Shukla Sen, Sarah Six, Marcy Solares, Mike Sosa, Mary Spangler, Barbara Spencer, Charlotte Stevenson, Lisa Thomas, Arlene Tillman, Herman Williams, Laurie Williams, Myra Williams
Sunday School Students
Stay in Worship Service
    There will be no Sunday School for Adults, Youth and Children today; also, there is no infant childcare. The children will stay in the Worship Service, both Dec. 27 and January 3.

Parents’ Morning Out
Holiday Schedule
    Closed December 30
    “Christmas Break”

2016 Women’s Retreat
Saturday, February 6

“A Chocolate Boutique”
    at
    UCR Botanical Gardens
    9:00 am to 3:30 pm
    Cost $20

More details to follow

Registration will begin on January 10

Attention Messenger Volunteers
    Due to the Christmas holiday, and the office being closed on Monday, December 28, the Messenger Volunteers are scheduled to come by on Wednesday, December 30, at 9:00 am in Mary’s Kitchen. We thank you for your help.
—The Office
The next United Methodist Men’s Program will be January 10, 2015. Breakfast will start at 7:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

The cost for breakfast is $6, but if this is your first time visiting, breakfast is free, so please come out and enjoy a fantastic breakfast and program.

The speakers in January will be representing the Guardian Scholar Program. They will explain how the program works and share their experiences with us.

A special Thank You to all the all participants in the December UMM Christmas Celebration.

Ralph Kauffman, Keyboard
Gayla Lonsbery, Accordion
Wayne Speir, Guitar
Bob Nelson, Song Leader
Bill McInRoe and Maryetta Ferre, 12 Days of Christmas Reading
David Fraser, Cook
Daryl Salmon, Cook’s Helper and Reader
Greg Laird, Cook’s Helper and Reader
Bill Ashworth and Bill McInRoe, Table Setup and Meal Preparation
All who helped with clean up and all who attended.

It was indeed a group effort and a joyous Christmas celebration.

We have a new president. Daryl Salmon has volunteered to serve as UMM President, and I will assume his current Treasurer position. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your help during my Presidency. Your help, thoughts and prayers were a tremendous blessing to me.

Thank you all,
Gary Bruggeman
Healing with Hope
Grief Survival Series

There is power in naming the feelings that go with our losses or unresolved loss, but if we stop with a description of our pain, we have only cut half the work. We need to come to believe in our ability to survive. We need to help. We need to feel that there will be a future for us.

If you have lost a spouse, child, family member, or a friend it is difficult to feel optimistic about tomorrow and it seems that most people do not understand the deep hurt that you feel.

The Healing with Hope Grief Survival Series at Riverside Community Hospital offers you a safe place to express how you feel with others that have lost and are experiencing the same feelings.

This is what makes the Healing with Hope courses so special, sharing with others that understand. You will have the opportunity to meet others who have experienced a recent loss to learn their story and share your own.

You will learn to realize that grief is not a disease or mental illness, but rather a natural human process filled with as much opportunity as it is with pain. Healing with Hope comes avenues for healthy expression of pain and encourages personal growth.

To be genuine survivors, we have to become active in our own healing process.

What You Will Learn:
- What is Grief and Why is it So Hard?
- How Grief Affects You
- Healthy Grieving
- Grieving During the Holidays
- Helping Others that have Lost
- Regroup Your Energy
- Enjoy Life in Spite of Your Grief
- Documenting Who it's Important
- Stress Management
- How to Work through Your Grief
- Surviving Grief

All Sessions Are From 8:30pm – 8:30pm
Held On Tuesday Nights At
Riverside Community Hospital
This Requires an Eight Week Commitment
Results are best when there is at least six months from time of loss to entering the sessions

New Sessions begins January 19, 2016
All Sessions Are FREE
To R.S.V.P. or For More Information Call:
(951) 788-3590

RIVERSIDE Community Hospital
www.riversidecommunityhospital.org
Main Hospital (951) 788-3590 • Grief Survival (951) 788-1590
Youth Calendar

*December 2015/January 2016*

**Sunday, December 27**
No Youth Sunday School—Christmas Holiday.
No Youth group in the evening.

**Wednesday, December 30**
6:00 pm—Youth Overnight and Prayer in YC

**Thursday, December 31**
10:00 am—End of Youth Overnight and Prayer.

**Sunday, January 3**
No Youth Sunday School.
No Youth Group in the evening.

**Sunday, January 10**
9:15 am—Youth Sunday School in YC.
5:00 pm—Youth Council with parents and youth, followed by Burning Bowl/White Stone Ceremony (all are welcome) in YC.

Sat. Jan. 16—Mon. Jan. 18
Winter Camp, no youth activities at FUMCOR.

The Youth Center is open during Bell practice, from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Next 3rd Sunday Evening Worship is January 17, 2016
6:00 pm, Sanctuary

Each month The Response band leads the 3rd Sunday Evening Worship service with uplifting voice and sound. Join us for the 3rd Sunday Evening Worship Service at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

Young Adults
No meeting New Years Day, 1/1/16
Website: fumcor.com/young adults
January 2016

No Handcrafters Jan. 6, 13, 20
11 Almond/Wesleyan Circle Potluck, Mary’s Kitchen 12:00 Noon
13 Executive Committee (Mary’s Kitchen) 9:00 am
16 District Officers Training, St. Paul’s UMC, San Bernardino, check in 8:30 am.
20 Unit Meeting, (Koinonia) 10:00 AM, Coffee, Program: Pledge and Remembrance Service
26 Citrus Circle (Adult Lounge) 7:00 pm
27 Handcrafters Bazaar Idea Day (Asbury) 10:00 am

SPECIAL MISSION RECOGNITION

Every year the UMW gives Special Mission Recognition pins to two members of the congregation who have made outstanding contributions to the life of the church and community. An amount of money is sent in their names to the National UMW for mission work.

The recognitions will be given by Paulette Bruggeman, Local Unit President, next Sunday, January 3. All former recipients, please wear your pins.

WHERE DOES OUR 2015 MISSION MONEY GO?

The UMW works hard to earn money to help clothe, feed and protect God's children in need. This is how our money is used:

Wider Missions

Money sent to Cal/Pac Conference and then on to National and International Missions. The list each year is published in Response Magazine, which we have on the UMW Bookcart.

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**ALMOND/WESLEYAN CIRCLE**

The Almond/Wesleyan Circle will have its first potluck of the New Year on Monday, January 11, at Noon in Mary’s Kitchen. If you need to ask a question, call Margaret Berger at 951-784-2734.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Let’s start the New Year with creativity and vigor! This means YOU! Officers and chairwomen need to be there in Mary’s Kitchen at 9:00 am on Wednesday, January 13. Mark your calendar!

**IDEA DAY IS COMING**

The Handcrafters need your help in gathering fresh, creative ideas for projects we might be able to make for the 2016 Bazaar. So look around as you put away gifts and decor or as you visit the after Christmas sales.

All are invited to bring ideas to the Idea Day meeting in the Asbury Room at 10:00 am on January 27. Some folks come even without ideas to perhaps be inspired.

**DISTRICT OFFICER TRAINING**

UMW officers are urged to attend the District Officer Training on January 16 at St. Paul’s UMC in San Bernardino.

- 8:30 am  Check in/Visit program Resource Table
- 9:00 am  Continental Breakfast
- 9:30 am  Devotions/ Business Meeting/Installation of District Officers
- 10:30 am Training Classes
- 11:30 am Evaluation/Announcement/Closing

In order to meet the District registration deadline, you will need to notify Paulette Bruggeman at 951-956-0987 by December 30.
A Food Drive to Refill the Pantry

Church & Society/Missions is still collecting non-perishable food items during December for the Riverside Salvation Army.

The Salvation Army collects more than household items and clothing. They also support the homeless by serving hot meals, providing sack lunches for homeless shelters and giving families in need food boxes monthly.

After the rush of getting food to families over the holidays, our goal is to help them stock up for the New Year by providing non-perishable food items; peanut butter and jelly, mac and cheese, beef stew, soup, cereal, canned fruit and vegetables, etc.

Collection boxes are in the church office and Narthex during December. Call Lisa Laird for further information, 951-276-4490.
Sunday, December 27
8:45 am No Adult, Youth or Children’s Sunday School Today
10:00 am Worship/Rev. Roy Riggs Preaching

Monday, December 28
Church campus closed for Christmas Holiday

Tuesday, December 29
10:00 am Bible Study Postponed Until After the Holidays
Resumes January 12, 2016

Wednesday, December 30
9:00 am Messenger Volunteers—Mary’s Kitchen
6:00 pm UMYF Overnight & Prayer—YC

Thursday, December 31
6:30 am Men’s Prayer Breakfast—Mary’s Kitchen
10:00 am UMYF Overnight & Prayer Pickup—YC
12:00 pm Church Office Closes for New Year’s Eve

Friday, January 1, 2016
Happy New Year! Church Campus Closed

Sunday, January 3
8:45 am Sunday School for Adults (Children’s & Youth Start January 10)
8:45 am Youth Bells—Mary’s Kitchen
9:30 am Children’s Chimes—YC
10:00 am Worship/New Year’s/Epiphany Sunday/Communion
11:15 am Church & Society/Missions—Adult Lounge