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D+E+S=TRANSFORMATION (Discipleship / Evangelism / Stewardship)

I am pleased to report that, at the 2018 California-Pacific Annual Conference, Bishop Grant Hagiya has reappointed me to you, First United Methodist Church of Riverside, for another year (July 2018 – June 2019)! As many of you are aware, the United Methodist Pastors are appointed or reappointed every year, so the relationship between a pastor and a congregation is always “one year at a time.” As of July 1st, I am joyfully entering into my third year with you. I cannot thank all of you enough for your continuing support, love, and prayers for me and my family. I am grateful to God for you - the faithful congregation and its wonderful leaders, the amazing staff, and God’s

steadfast love that we have been sharing within the church, in the community, and for the world.

Let me share with you some important news around our East District: Congratulations to East District Superintendent Rev. Jan Wiley, who began her faith journey at our church many years ago, for her retirement at the end of June. We give thanks to her for providing us spiritual leadership, friendship, wisdom, and guidance in numerous ways. May God continue to bless her and her family!

In Our Prayers

In convalescent care, Marlene Bardarson, Kirk Ferguson, Howard Kauffman, Rev. Bob Mayou, Peggy Ramsay, Marjorie Souder

For health and support, Carole Arnold, Cecily Ashworth, Lynn Ashworth, Mary Boon, Scott Bunyar, Danielle Casem, Phyllis Chandler, Shan Chernik, Tim Clark, Denetria, Helen Dennington, Terry Edlin, Carolyn German, Aaron Gerstner, Kimberly Goforth, Family of JoAnne Horstmann, Josh, Barbara Kent, Greg Laird, Judy Lamers, Shirley Littleton, Lonsbery Family, Laurel McDonald, Don Nauss, Helen Nuchols, Kay Otto, Barbara Pope, Madison Salvador, Shukla Sen, Bob Schiffer, Micheline Scoggins, Promilla Singh, Randy Sosa, Mark Spangler, Charlotte Stevenson, Lisa Thomas, Ruth Walker, Sherry Weide, Myra Williams, Gerry Wright, Anita Yunes



From Pastor Kim cont'd.

And now we welcome the Rev. Melissa MacKinnon as our new District Superintendent, starting this month. I am sure there will be District-wide opportunities and events to get to know her soon. Let us lift her up in our prayers for God's strength and guidance!

We are saddened to hear that Arlington United Methodist Church has been closed and will remain as a "legacy congregation" as of June 30th. On the other hand, we are glad to witness that six small United Methodist congregations in San Bernardino area have merged into one larger church, as of July 1st, and the new name is "New Beginnings" United Methodist Church—located across three different campuses.

When Bishop Grant Hagiya became our Resident Bishop last year, he presented and highlighted the "Four Priorities of Transformation" of "Christian Leaders, Vital Congregations, Lives, and the World," with the "Foundation: God in Jesus Christ through Holy Spirit" in the center. This year, again, he reiterated its importance and challenged local churches to experience transformation.

So, in order to implement the Bishop's



"transformation" at a local church level, during the last Church Council, I emphasized that the three main areas (Discipleship, Evangelism, and Stewardship) must be connected and move forward constantly if we want to grow and thrive as a "vital congregation." We have many ministries and committees; yet, every ministry or committee is closely connected to at least one of the three areas. When we work together, we will expand our missions and ministries to the community and the world.

The Church Council members enthusiastically engaged in the small group discussions for learning, sharing, discovering, and envisioning. I am planning to make a sermon series on Discipleship, Evangelism, and Stewardship, along with related topics, this coming Fall.

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FIND COMFORT AND WARMTH IN JESUS' FOREVER LOVE!

VOLUNTEERS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!
FRIDAY, AUG. 3 - SUNDAY, AUG. 5, 9:00 AM- NOON,
VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN ONLINE
WWW.FIRSTCHURCHRIVERSIDE.ORG
CHILDREN'S REGISTRATION STARTS
JULY 2, ENDING JULY 20, AGES 4 THRU 6TH GRADE

Summer Blast
WHERE JESUS' LOVE IS COOL

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School Supplies

Church & Society/Missions is now collecting school supplies for the Family Homeless Shelter and for the Salvation Army in Riverside. The School Supplies will be given to the children as they begin the new school year.

Needs List

Backpacks—plain with no themes or characters
Pack of colored pencils
24-count box of crayons
Glue sticks
Spiral notebooks, multiple subjects
Ruled notebook paper
#2 pencils
Pocket folders
1-inch binders

Collection boxes will be in the church office and Narthex through July (earlier this year due to the school schedule). Please call Lisa Laird for further information at 276-4490.

From Pastor Kim cont'd.

Let us remember who we are and what we are called to do as the Church by reviewing our congregation's purpose and vision for many years:

"The purpose of the First United Methodist Church of Riverside is to gather persons into the body of Christ, nurture them as disciples of Jesus Christ, and equip them for ministry and mission in the world." (from the 2017 Charge Conference Booklet)

"Our vision is that all members of First United Methodist Church of Riverside will glorify God in worship; introduce people to Jesus Christ through evangelism; help persons of all ages to become deeply committed Christians through ministries of discipleship; build caring relationships and foster mutual ministry among the church family through authentic Christian fellowship; and to train, equip, inspire and mobilize our members to live out their faith in their everyday lives outside the walls of the church through ministries of service." (from the 2017 Charge Conference Booklet)
Thanks be to God! Love and blessings,
Pastor J. T. Kim



Youth and Young Adult Calendar

Sunday, July 1

9:15 am—Youth Sunday School in the Youth Center.

Sunday, July 8

9:15 am—Youth Sunday School in the Youth Center.

Sunday, July 15

9:15 am—Youth Sunday School in the Youth Center.

Sunday, July 22

9:15 am—Youth Sunday School in the Youth Center.

Sunday, July 29

9:15 am—Youth Sunday School in the Youth Center.

Camp Wrightwood

July 15-21 Jr. High Summer Camp

July 22-28 Sr. High Summer Camp



July 2018

Handcrafters (Asbury) 9:30 AM
July 11, 18, 25

*No Unit or Executive Meeting,
Almond/Wesleyan Circle Potluck
or Citrus Circle*

SWINGING INTO SUMMER

The UMW activities will be on summer hiatus except for the Handcrafters which will meet every Wednesday (except July 4) at 9:30 am in the Asbury Room. This group has a good time putting together small projects for sale at the Bazaar in November. Coffee and cookies are available and there is always a bit of church news to share.

If this is the summer you are cleaning out closets and cupboards, be sure to set aside nice, collectible silver and crystal items to bring to donate to Grandma's Attic. You can get a sneak peak and help price the items at Handcrafters.

LIBRARY

There will be more book reviews during the summer. The books are on the Bookcart in the church library, which is open on Sunday mornings to check out and return books.

BOOK REVIEW
AN INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S HISTORY
OF THE UNITED STATES

by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz

This book challenges the founding myth of the United States and shows how policy against indigenous peoples was designed to seize the territories of the original inhabitants, displacing or eliminating them. This centuries-long genocidal program the U.S. settler-colonial regimen has largely been omitted from history. The author offers a history of the United States told from the perspective of indigenous peoples and reveals how Native Americans actively resisted, and continue to resist, expansion of the U.S. empire.

KUDOS FOR
METHODIST HOSPITAL

Methodist Hospital in Arcadia, which we support has made significant news in the hospital business:
—In 2017 the new rehab wing was opened with support from UMW and generous individuals.
—The hospital was rated among the top 2% in the U.S. for safety and care.
—It was the only hospital in L.A. County to receive a 5-Star rating from Medicare for overall hospital quality.



*Happy
August
Birthdays!*

Ian George.....	4
Annie Clark	5
Paloma Clark.....	5
Patti Gardenias.....	5
Tim Noble	9
Andy Plumley	9
Velma Wellborn.....	13
Michael Noble	15
LuEtta Dodge	16
Loretta Cudney	17
Marilyn Jackson	17
Cindy Qualtieri	17
Yvonne Flagg.....	18
Peter Brabant II	19
Matthew Setlik	20
Marcia Bales.....	21
Joan Brown	23
Rebecca Koenig	25
James Son	26
Jim Earhart.....	28
Rebecca Konegen	28
Jean Grout	29
Chalmer Tomlinson	29
Lou Santino.....	30
Rosette Sims.....	30
Stan Cook Jr.	31



**ALL-CHURCH
PICNIC**



**ALL- CHURCH PICNIC!
SATURDAY, JULY 28, 2018**

5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

FELLOWSHIP HALL PATIO AND FRONT LAWN

**CHICKEN, POTATO SALAD, DESSERT
AND DRINKS PROVIDED**

Contact the church office or Barbara Jo Wilson with any questions.



Children's Church School Summer Program

This summer, the schedule for Children's Church School will be as follows:

- Pre-K class will continue as usual.
- Grades 1 through 4 will be on break and remain in the Sanctuary. Activity bags will be available in the Narthex for the children in the Worship service.
- A summer picnic will be enjoyed on the grass by the patio for all the children following Children's Moments on July 22.

AmazonSmile

The Finance Committee for First United Methodist Church of Riverside is proud to announce that we have officially begun a partnership with AmazonSmile!

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice (in this case, our church).

To make it easy, we have created a link from the church's website. Just click on the box on the Home page, and it will take you directly to smile.amazon.com to shop and make a difference for FUMCOR.



4TH-OF-JULY

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4
OPENS AT 6 PM

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY
TO WATCH THE CITY FIREWORKS
FROM FUMCOR'S PARKING LOT

* SNACKS AVAILABLE *

\$5 EACH CAR



The Walk to Emmaus is a 3 day retreat designed for active church members and their leaders who want to rekindle their faith or renew their vision.

Do you go to church but need to be reignited?

Does your leadership need to be strengthened?

Does your relationship with God need to grow spiritually?

Do you want to connect with other Christians and serve as disciples?

The Walk to Emmaus is a leadership development organization serving all Christian churches. We are a lay-led movement focused on preparing strong Christian leaders to go back into their churches and communities and serve.

This program calls forth and renews Christian Discipleship. Like its predecessor, Cursillo de Cristiandad (Spanish for "short course in Christianity"), *The Walk to Emmaus* is a three-day experience which takes a New Testament look at Christianity as a lifestyle. It is a highly structured weekend designed to strengthen and renew the faith of Christian people and through them, their families, congregations and the world, will be equipped with new levels of grace filled service and leadership. *The Walk to Emmaus* is a combined effort of laity and clergy serving together toward the renewal of the church.

The Walk to Emmaus is open to members of all Christian denominations. El Shaddai Community of *The Walk to Emmaus* is represented by a variety of different churches throughout the Inland Empire, High and Low Deserts, and Orange County. You are personally invited to attend a presentation on **Saturday, August 11, 2018, at 2:00pm at the address below**. Please come and join us! RSVP to the phone number below. Thank you.

Wesley United Methodist Church
5770 Arlington Avenue
Riverside, CA 92504
Fellowship Hall

Chelema Hoskins, Community Lay Director (760) 953-2534

<http://www.upperroom.org/emmaus>

<http://vimeo.com/8697255>

Marie Callender's
Restaurant & Bakery

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To

Dine In for Dollars

The more you eat, the more we'll raise!

Enjoy delicious food in a fun atmosphere along with your family and friends while earning funds in support of:

First United Methodist Church
Sunday, January 28 through
Sunday, November 25, 2018

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Present this flyer to your server and Marie Callender's will
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Pizza with a purpose

Bring in this flyer, present it to your server and we'll donate 20% of your check to the organization listed below. Purchases include dine-in, takeout, catering and all beverages.

Fundraiser in support of:
First United Methodist Church of Riverside
(July 10)
(All Day)

Valid at the following location:
California Pizza Kitchen
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Riverside, CA 92506
951-680-9362


Join the **Pizza Dough® Rewards** program and receive a **free Small Plate** on your next visit after registering. Register today at cpk.com or download our new app today!



Fundraiser offer valid only on the date(s) and at the CPK location identified on the flyer. Only 501c organizations and non-profit schools are eligible to participate in CPK's fundraiser program. CPK will donate 20% (twenty percent) of all food and beverage sales to the organization. Tax, gratuity, gift card and retail sales are excluded from the donation. Offer valid for dine-in, takeout, catering, curbside or delivery orders placed directly with CPK. Not valid for third-party delivery. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near restaurant. For more information about the 501c organization participating in the fundraiser, please contact the organization directly.

July 2018



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8:45 am Adult Sunday School —AL 9:15 am Youth Sunday School—YC 10:00 am Worship/Communion 11:15 am Church & Society—AL 1	2	 3	4 Independence Day Church Office Closed 6:00 pm City Fireworks Viewing —Parking Lot	5	6	7
8:45 am Adult Sunday School —AL 9:15 am Youth Sunday School—YC 10:00 am Worship/The Response 8	9	10	11 9:30 am Handcrafters—Asbury 6:00 pm Sit 'N Sew Quilters —Mary's Kitchen	12	13	14
8:45 am Jr. High Summer Camp Adult Sunday School —Adult Lounge 9:15 am Youth Sunday School—YC 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Faith & Fellowship Sandwich Bar—FH 11:00 am Missions Garden—Patio 15	Jr. High Summer Camp 16	Jr. High Summer Camp 17	Jr. High Summer Camp 18 9:30 am Handcrafters—Asbury	Jr. High Summer Camp 19	Jr. High Summer Camp 20	Jr. High Summer Camp 21
8:45 am Sr. High Summer Camp Adult Sunday School —Adult Lounge 9:15 am Youth Sunday School—YC 10:00 am Worship/The Response 22	Sr. High Summer Camp 23	Sr. High Summer Camp 24	Sr. High Summer Camp 25 9:30 am Handcrafters—Asbury	Sr. High Summer Camp 26	Sr. High Summer Camp 27	Sr. High Summer Camp 28 Hunger Ministry 5:00 pm All-Church Picnic—Patio
8:45 am Adult Sunday School —Adult Lounge 9:15 am Youth Sunday School—YC 10:00 am Worship 29	30	9:00 am Messenger Volunteers —Mary's Kitchen 31				