

CHRIST IS ALL, AND IS IN ALL.

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November 25, 2018

First United Methodist Church of Riverside

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Rev. Ji Tai (J. T.) Kim, Senior Pastor

November 25, 2018 **Sunday Worship with The Response** 10:00 am
Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday
New Members Welcoming Sunday

Welcome! We're glad you're here.

Please sign in using the attendance books along the center aisles.

PRELUDE: *"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"* David Lines, Organist
set by Robert Bedell

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES Acolytes
Enter with the symbol of the Light of Christ

MOMENTS OF WELCOME: Loretta Cudney, Lay Leader
Greeting Guests Registration Announcements Peace

* TRINITY BELLS (Stand as you are able)

* CHORAL INTROIT *"I Will Worship the Lord"* Aldersgate Chorale
by John Rutter directed by
Yvonne Flagg

* CALL TO WORSHIP Sione Tupou, Liturgist

(Adapted from Psalm 132)

(Liturgist) Let's enter God's dwelling place.

(People) Let's worship in the house of God!

(Liturgist) Let's enter with thanksgiving and praise.

(People) Let's worship with the joy of the Lord!

(Liturgist) Let's worship with our words and our lives.

(All) Let's live as the household of God! Amen!

* OPENING HYMN *"Lord I Lift Your Name on High"* **All**
Led by The Response
Co-Leaders John Zeeb and Steve Grimes

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Emily Setlik
Parents visiting for the first time, please follow your children to
the exit door to register.

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor
SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS
PASTORAL PRAYER
THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE *"This is Our Prayer"* Aldersgate Chorale
by Sally Ahner

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS **Proverbs 16:1-3** Sione Tupou, Liturgist
[Commit to God]
(The **Old** Testament, page 564 NRSV)
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!
All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

ANTHEM *"Ascribe to the Lord"* Aldersgate Chorale
by Joseph M. Martin

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Sione Tupou, Liturgist

2 Timothy 2:15 [Do Your Best]

Colossians 1:24-29 [Christ We Proclaim]

Leader: This is the Gospel of Christ!

All: Glory to You, O Christ! Amen.

SERMON

“WHO DO WE CHOOSE TO BE?”

Rev. J. T. Kim

(“Rebuilding Our Faith; Transforming Our Lives”

Sermon Series 8 of 8; Conclusion)

* HYMN OF DEDICATION #715 *“Rejoice, the Lord is King”*

All

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

(Pastor) Enter God’s gates with thanksgiving. Enter God’s courtyard with praise. As sheep of God’s fold, we have received goodness and grace from God’s hand. Let us show our gratitude as we collect today’s offering—an offering that continues Christ’s work of mercy and compassion for all of God’s lambs.

(All) Amen!

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Dialogue for Thanksgiving”

by Alice Jordan

David Lines,

Organist

* DOXOLOGY

All

**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.**

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. J. T. Kim

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS THROUGH REAFFIRMATION
OF FAITH

**Jessie Erickson
Melanie Gaumer
Dianne Purkey
Ron Purkey**

INTRODUCTION

(Pastor) Dearly beloved, baptism is an outward and visible sign of the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, through which grace we become partakers of his righteousness and heirs of life eternal. Those receiving the Sacrament are thereby marked as Christian disciples, and initiated into the fellowship of Christ's holy Church.

Through the reaffirmation of our faith, we renew the covenant declared at our baptism, acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy Church.

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(Loretta Cudney, Lay Leader) I present **Jessie Erickson, Melanie Gaumer, Dianne Purkey, and Ron Purkey** to reaffirm their faith.

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

(Pastor) On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you: Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin? (Candidates) **I do.**

(Lay Leader) Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves? (Candidates) **I do.**

(Pastor) Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races? (Candidates) **I do.**

(Lay Leader) According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy Church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world? (Candidates) **I will.**

(Pastor addresses the congregation) Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

(Congregation) **We do.**

(Lay Leader to the congregation) Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?

(Congregation) With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in his trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(Pastor) (Name), remember your baptism and be thankful. Amen.

(Pastor) (Name), the Holy Spirit work within you, that having been born through water and the Spirit, you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

RECEPTION INTO THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

(Lay Leader addresses the Candidates) As members of Christ's universal Church, will you be loyal to Christ through The United Methodist Church, and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?

(Candidate) **I will.**

RECEPTION INTO THE CONGREGATION OF FIRST UMC OF RIVERSIDE

(Pastor addresses all candidates) As members of this congregation, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness?

(Candidate) **I will.**

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

(The pastor addresses the congregation) Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

(Congregation) We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the First United Methodist Church of Riverside, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

BLESSINGS FOR THOSE REAFFIRMED AND RECEIVED

(Pastor) The God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ, establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit, that you may live in grace and peace. **Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF MEMBERSHIP

* SENDING HYMN

"He Reigns"

All

Led by The Response

* BENEDICTION

Rev. J. T. Kim

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE *"Peace I Leave With You"* Aldersgate Chorale
by Matthew Glandorf

GOING FORTH

The Response

* DENOTES STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE.

In Our Prayers:

In convalescent care, Kirk Ferguson, Bertha Harris,
Rev. Bob Mayou

For health and support, Michelle Arguelles, Carole Arnold,
Cecily Ashworth, Lynn Ashworth, Bello Family, Mary Boon, Scott Bunyar,
Danielle Casem, Phyllis Chandler, Noriekim Chavez, Cheryl, Tim Clark,
Pam Conlin, Sabina Cooke, Denetria, Helen Dennington, DeDe Earhart,
Terry Edlin, Robert Flores, Deborah Gallardo, Aaron Gerstner,
Kimberly Goforth, Ashley Beals Heath, Josh, Barbara Kent, Judy Lamers,
Luna, Gerry Marr, Diane Marsh, Laurel McDonald, Don Nauss,
Nuchols Family, Jessica Oaks, Kay Otto, Ashish Peters, Barbara Pope,
Jason Pritchard, Chandra Roberts, Laura Robinson, Madison Salvador,
Shukla Sen, Bob Schiffer, Micheline Scoggins, Randy Sosa, Mark Spangler,
Lisa Thomas, Claudia Velazquez, Sherry Weide, Velma Wellborn,
Lynette Williams, Myra Williams, Gerry Wright, Marge Yeager,
Anita Yunes

Evening With Santa - Volunteers Needed!

Please consider joining us in Fellowship Hall on Friday, December 7, to help as the children enjoy meeting Santa. We need help with the following:

- 🧑‍🎄 Setup
- 🧑‍🎄 Checking the children in and out
- 🧑‍🎄 Activities, divided into centers
- 🧑‍🎄 Snacks
- 🧑‍🎄 Clean up

Call Barbara Jo Wilson at the church office, 951-683-7831. Thank you!

You Are Invited to Christmas Brunch TODAY!

Faith and Fellowship is hosting a brunch to celebrate the upcoming Advent and Christmas season and also to welcome New Members.

Everyone is invited to Fellowship Hall immediately after Worship where you will have a special lunch with all the trimmings (Marie Callender's quiche, fresh fruit, and a variety of muffins). Come and join in the festivities.



The 2018-2019 Charge Conference with the Mission Area Churches

(Wesley, Corona, and FUMCOR)

Date: Sunday, December 9, 2018

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: Wesley United Methodist Church, 5770 Arlington Ave,
Riverside, CA 92504.

Presiding: Rev. Melissa MacKinnon, East District Superintendent



**OFF Group Christmas Gathering at the Burch's
Co-hosted by John and Mary Ellen and Mimi Luker
Saturday, December 15, beginning at 5:00**

Begin your holiday season with an OFF Group Appetizer Party/Cookie Exchange!

You don't need to bring cookies to attend, but please bring an appetizer to share. If you are participating in the Cookie Exchange, let Mary Ellen know when you RSVP. Our address is 17949 Aloe Lane, Riverside, and you can call or text Mary Ellen at 951.415.7855 or email us at jsmeburch@gmail.com to let us know if you will be able to come.



Cookie Exchange



The Details:

A cookie exchange is no ordinary event! No one arrives or leaves a Cookie Exchange empty handed. For this special occasion, you must bring the following:

6 dozen home baked cookies (Yes, you read that correctly! This is usually a double batch of a recipe. Everyone in attendance will bring 6 dozen cookies (baked with a holiday theme in mind) and there will be a swap so that everyone leaves with a large assortment of cookies to bring home to their families. If 6 dozen is too much for you to bake, team up with someone and then each bake 3 dozen! Bring cookies that will hold their shape well, so they won't be smashed in transit. NO store bought cookies!

Containers: Containers will be provided to carry your collection of cookies home with you.

When you RSVP, please indicate what type of cookie you will be bringing. We would like to ensure that there are a wide variety of cookies baked, so have more than one idea for the cookie you would like to bake in case someone has already chosen your first idea.



November 2018 *No Handcrafters*
22 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!
27 Citrus Circle (Adult Lounge)
7:00 PM, Leader: Lisa Laird

December 2018 *No Handcrafters*
1 Setup for Alternative Gift Fair
& Mini Bazaar
2 First Sunday of Advent
2 **Alternative Gift Fair &
Mini Bazaar**
7 **CWU Christmas Party,**
Buffet, Salvation Army
Silvercrest, 9:30 AM
10 Almond / Wesleyan Circle,
Lunch Out, 12:00 Noon
(place TBA)
12 **Christmas Brunch** (Adult
Lounge) 10:00 AM,
Officer Installation
18 Citrus Circle (Adult Lounge)
Dinner Out, 6:00 PM
25 **Christmas Day**

CITRUS CIRCLE

The Citrus Circle will meet on Tuesday, November 27, at 7:30pm in the Adult Lounge. Lisa Laird is the leader.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

On Friday, Dec. 7, the annual CWU Christmas Party at the Salvation Army Silvercrest Residence will start at 9:30 am with cider and coffee. You are asked to bring a gift of at least \$10 value for one of the residents. Please wrap it and mark for a man or woman and the size, if appropriate. Please bring food to share—sandwiches, salads, dessert. (There are no cooling or heating facilities.)

The program will include holiday activities. All women are invited to be a part of this festive event.

If you want to donate a gift but cannot attend you can give the gift to Lynn Ashworth by Wednesday, Dec. 5.

MINI-BAZAAR

If you missed the Bazaar on Nov. 3 or need to buy more gifts, you will have another chance! The UMW will have tables at the Alternative Gift Fair on Sunday, Dec. 2 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

A SAD NOTE

Unless the Riverside Church Women United can find leadership, the Christmas Party will be its last meeting. If you feel moved to become the president, treasurer or secretary of this group that meets only four times a year, contact Lynn Ashworth (951-684-4457).

UMW CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

Plan to attend the festive Christmas Brunch on Wednesday, Dec. 12, beginning at 10:00 am in the Adult Lounge. New officers will be installed.



Pledge Sunday Update

To date we have received 75 pledges, totaling \$294,875. THANK YOU for participating in our stewardship drive. We are overjoyed to see such generosity and commitment coming from our church family. Every pledge is important; your pledges are used for church operational expenses, and the vital ministries we support. By submitting your pledge, you enable us to plan programs and events that will change lives in FUMCOR's name. If you have not submitted your Pledge Card yet, it is not too late to do so; please drop your card in the offering plate the next time you are at worship, or give it to the church office. Thank you for your continued support, and may God bless you.

—*Finance Committee*

An Invitation to a Cruise from UMW

We invite you to join a 4-day cruise October 6 - 10 , 2019 to Catalina and Ensenada. By scheduling early, you can take advantage of reduced pricing.

Husbands are welcome to attend, although they need to know they will be seriously outnumbered!

Book your cruise by January 15 for the reduced price. Call Jocelyn Smith to book at 1-800-764-7419 ext 83267 to make a deposit and reserve your room. The non refundable deposit is \$150. The remainder is due in August. Our group number is 4XXK33. Email: jsmith4@carnival.com

Schedule:

Sunday	10-6-19	Depart from Long Beach at 6:30 p.m.
Monday	10-7-19	Catalina Island, arrive 7:30 a.m., depart 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday	10-8-19	Ensenada, Mexico, arrive 8:00 a.m., depart 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	10-9-19	Fun Day at Sea
Thursday	10-10-19	Long Beach, arrive 7:00 a.m.

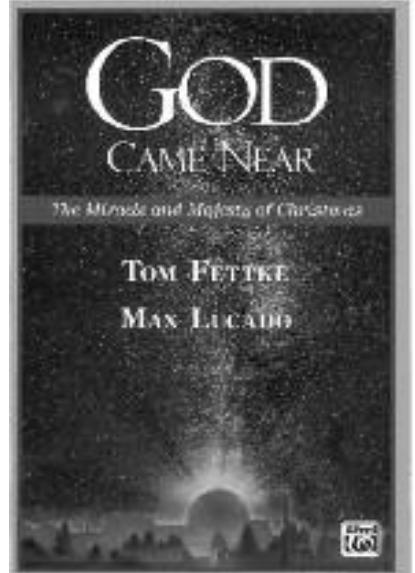
Cruise Information: This is Carnival Cruise Line.

- Everyone needs a passport, even if they do not get off the boat in Ensenada.
- Fares include taxes, fees, meals, entertainment and daily room cleaning.
- Prices: Ocean view double occupancy - \$392.52 per person.
- Interior room double occupancy - \$350.52 per person.
- Interior, 3 to a room, \$270.04 per person.
- Gratuities are an additional \$55.80 per person, or \$51.80 if reservation is made by 11-30-18.
- Travel insurance is recommended and pays for sick bay on board, helicopter evacuation in case of emergency, or cancellations due to health, etc.
- Determine your roommate before calling Jocelyn for your reservation.

If you have any questions, call Lyn Knowles at 951-737-3541

On **December 9** during Sunday morning Worship, the Aldersgate Chorale will sing a new cantata. In the cantata "**God Came Near**," you will travel back in time when Christ, the Son of God, became man. Based on Christmas writings by author Max Lucado, this new cantata from arranger/composer Tom Fettke features a blend of new songs, classic texts, and beloved carols. The result is a magnificent and unforgettable celebration of the Incarnation. It all happened in a moment—a most remarkable moment—when "God Came Near."

—*Yvonne Flagg, Aldersgate Chorale Director*



Help for Fire Victims

If you would like to help the victims of the recent California fires, the easiest way is through the UMCOR website, www.umcor.org and click on Donate, Cal-Pac Disaster Response Fund (Cal-Pac Advance #24050).

Otherwise, checks can be made out to FUMCOR with the Advance # in the memo line, and we will forward funds to UMCOR.

Thank you.

The ministers of First United Methodist Church of Riverside are its members. Assisting them are Bishop Grant J. Hagiya; District Superintendent Rev. Melissa Roux MacKinnon, and the church staff: Sr. Pastor, Rev. J. T. Kim; Rev. Roy Riggs, Retired Minister; Office Manager, Becky Ruiz; Secretary, Stephanie Chandler; Director of Children's & Women's Ministries, Barbara Jo Wilson; Aldersgate Director, Yvonne Flagg; Organist, David Lines; Bell Choirs Director, Gayla Lonsbery; Youth/Young Adult Director, Steve Grimes; Lay Leader, Loretta Cudney; Preschool Director, Karen Wilson.



Refill the Pantry Food Drive

Church & Society/Missions will be collecting non-perishable food items during the months of November and 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 of 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 will be in the church office and Narthex during the months of November and December. Call Lisa Laird for further information, 951-276-4490.

Alternative Gift Fair

The Alternative Gift Fair is next **Sunday, December 2** from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Get ready for music, a soup lunch, and the best holiday shopping around. We will have olive oil from Palestine, scarves and clothes from Afghani designers, bees and goats and chickens from Heifer International, hand made gifts from the United Methodist Women, baskets and ornaments from 10,000 Villages, the best gifts from the Assistance League of Riverside, plus jams and honey and soaps from the Riverside Food Co-op. The fair is organized by the Church and Society/Missions Committee. Each year it gets bigger and better.

Come join us and bring a friend to the fair!

Thank you,

Kris Lovekin

YOUTH CALENDAR

Sunday, November 25

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

**11:00 am—PIES FOR SALE! See us on the Patio after
Worship.**

5:00 pm—Youth and Young Adults in the Youth Center.

Sunday, December 2

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

5:00 pm—Youth and Young Adults Cookie Baking in
Fellowship Hall Kitchen.

Sunday, December 9

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

5:00 pm—**Christmas Caroling for All.** Meet in Parking
Lot between 4:00 pm and 5:00 pm.

Did you know your purchases can make a difference? AmazonSmile donates to First Riverside United Methodist Church when you do your holiday shopping at smile.amazon.com/ch/95-1641437.

**This holiday, make a
difference while you shop**

Shop for holiday gifts and supplies at
smile.amazon.com and Amazon donates

You shop. Amazon donates.
amazonsmile



This Week at FUMCOR

Sunday, November 25

- 8:45 am Beginning Bells
—Mary's Kitchen
- 8:45 am Adult Sunday School
—Adult Lounge
- 9:15 am Youth Sunday School
—Youth Center
- 9:30 am Children's Chimes
—Youth Center
- 10:00 am Worship
- 11:00 am Youth Pie Sales—Patio
- 11:00 am Faith & Fellowship
Christmas Brunch/
New Members
—Fellowship Hall
- 11:15 am Evangelism/Welcoming
—Adult Lounge
- All Day Marie Callender's
Fundraiser—Off Campus

Monday, November 26

- 7:00 pm Church Council
—Adult Lounge

Tuesday, November 27

- 10:00 am Bible Study—Mary's Kitchen
- 7:00 pm Bells—Mary's Kitchen
- 7:00 pm UMW Citrus Circle
—Adult Lounge

Wednesday, November 28

- 9:00 am Messenger Volunteers
—Mary's Kitchen
- 7:00 pm Advent Study #1
—Adult Lounge

Thursday, November 29

- 7:00 pm Aldersgate Chorale
—Music Room

Friday, November 30

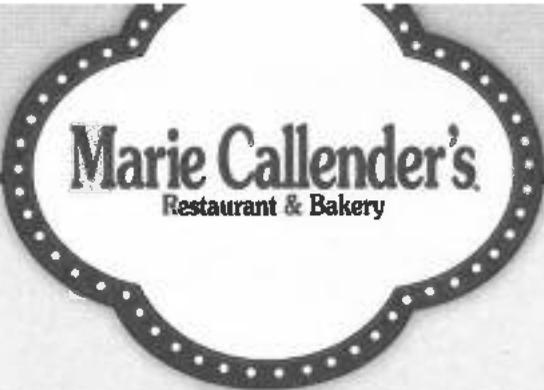
- 4:00 pm Alternative Gift Fair Setup
—Fellowship Hall

Saturday, December 1

- 8:00 am Alternative Gift Fair Prep
—Fellowship Hall

Sunday, December 2

- 8:45 am Beginning Bells
—Mary's Kitchen
- 8:45 am Adult Sunday School
—Adult Lounge
- 9:15 am Youth Sunday School
—Youth Center
- 9:30 am Children's Chimes
—Sanctuary
- 10:00 am Worship/Communion/
1st Sunday of Advent/
Children's Chimes
- 10:00 am Children's Program
Rehearsal—Club Ark
- 11:00 am Alternative Gift Fair
—Fellowship Hall
- 11:15 am Church & Society/
Missions—Adult Lounge
- 5:00 pm Youth/Young Adult
Cookie Baking
—Fellowship Hall Kitchen

The logo for Marie Callender's Restaurant & Bakery is a white, scalloped-edged oval with a black border of small dots. It is centered at the top of the flyer, with a horizontal line passing through its middle.

Marie Callender's
Restaurant & Bakery

You're Invited
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

Every Fourth Sunday • 3505 Merrill Ave. Riverside CA 92506 • 951-682-2504

Present this flyer to your server and Marie Callender's will
DONATE 20% of each receipt. Excludes alcoholic beverages.

Dedications are being taken now for the poinsettias to grace our sanctuary this Christmas season. Please complete this form and return it to the church office before Friday, December 7.

Cost of a poinsettia plant is \$9.50. Checks should be made out to First United Methodist Church (or FUMCOR) and marked "Poinsettia".

Donors may pick up their plants after the Christmas Eve worship service.



Dedicated by: _____

In Honor Of: _____

In Memory Of: _____

I would like to reserve _____ poinsettia plant(s) at \$9.50 each. I enclose my check, or cash, for \$_____.