



The Messenger

Corona United Methodist Church
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October 5, 2018

Events in Review

Friday, October 5

6p – Cub Scouts

Saturday, October 6

7:30a – Walking Group

Noon – Settlement House's Empty Bowls
Fundraiser @ Turning Pt. Church

Sunday, October 7

World Communion Sunday

8:45a – Adult Christian Education

10a – Worship Service

11:15am – Membership Orientation Class

Monday, October 8

6p – Christian Education Committee

Tuesday, October 9

9a – Faith Journey

2:30p – *Recharge* in the Youth Room

6p – Trustees

7p - Finance

Wednesday, October 10

7:30a – Weds. Morning Bible Study

5p – Girl Scouts

6:30p – UMW Executive Board @
Linda Faxon's

Thursday, October 11

Noon – Book Club @ Pat Harns'

2:30p – *Recharge* in the Youth Room

7p – Boy Scouts

Friday, October 12

7p – Cub Scouts

Saturday, October 13

7:30a – Walking Group

4p – Community Festival Here!!

COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13 4 – 7PM

CORONA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
— 2880 CALIFORNIA AVE, CORONA —
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Arts & Crafts for Sale by Local Artists

The Royal Blues Band 3:45 - 4:30 pm

The Sweet Adelines 4:30 - 5:00 pm

Echoes of Faith Quartet 5:30 - 6:00 pm

Circle City Chorale Ensemble 6:00 - 7:00 pm

+ Sal Morano 5:00 - 5:10 Janet Becker 5:10 - 5:20
Chris Morano 5:20 - 5:30

MUSIC ♥ FOOD ♥ GAMES
FAMILY FUN

FREE ADMISSION

You Can Help Us Decorate for the Community Festival by Bringing a Pumpkin and/or a Potted Chrysanthemum to Church this Sunday Oct. 7th! Please put your name on the bottom of the pumpkin or plant and then you can take them home on Sunday, October 14th!

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Sunday, October 14

8:45a – Adult Christian Education
10a – Worship Service

Tuesday, October 16

9a – Faith Journey
2:30p – *Recharge* in Youth Room
5:45p – Staff Parish
6:30p – Administrative Board &
Council on Ministries

Wednesday, October 17

7:30a – Weds. Morning Bible Study
5p – Girl Scouts
7p – Midweek Gathering

Thursday, October 18

10a – Seams of Faith
2:30p – *Recharge* in Youth Room
7p – Boy Scouts

Friday, October 19

7p – Cub Scouts

Saturday, October 20

7:30a – Walking Group
8a – All Church Campus Clean-up
10a – Blessing of Pets @ Wesley
UMC

Sunday, October 21

8:45a – Adult Christian Education
10a – Worship Service

Our Attendance

Sunday, September 23, 2018

10am: 99

Sunday, September 30, 2018

10am: 74



Pastor's Paragraph

*"Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget
all God's benefits" - Psalm 103:2*

Wena ungumntwana KaThixo. That's "you are a child of God" in Xhosa, the language of people who live in the cape of South Africa. It's a blessing to be able to embrace the richness and diversity of this glorious creation, which the Lord has made.

Fall is here! Hooray (my apology to those who are summer people). It's my favorite time of year. The world changes in the fall. The weather gets cooler. There's a refreshing rain. The leaves on some trees change.

Fall is also the season of harvest. It's when the plants and fruits that take a year to develop are picked. It's the time when apples are at their best, pumpkins are ready, pomegranates are ripe, and the last batch of corn hits the table. The fields are prepared. Some rest while others are nourished with ground cover in preparation for planting seeds in the spring.

Workers are busy in the fall. There's jelly to be made, festivals to set up, children are in school and the pace of work and life becomes busier.

These are all blessings from God. God gave us dominion over creation (Genesis 1:26). We're caretakers. Work is good. It's valuable. Even better is when we take Jesus to work with us.

When we take Jesus to work with us, we're preparing the field (our workplace) in preparation for the seeds that will be sown. That's a great way to pass our blessing on.

Take the Lord with you today. Prepare others for the work of the Spirit. You'll be eternally glad you did.

Thank you, Lord ~ Pastor Eric

Scripture Readings

Week of October 7

Mark 10:2-16
Job 1:1; 2:1-10
Psalm 26
Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Week of October 14

Mark 10:17-31
Job 23:1-9, 16-17
Psalm 22:1-15
Hebrews 4:12-16



Our Church Staff

Eric Schmidt, Pastor
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Jeanne Cadiente, Pianist/Organist
Diane Encino, Church Secretary

Office Hours

Monday – Wednesday:
8:30am to 3:00pm
(Closed for lunch noon to 1pm)
Thursday: 8:30am to noon

Our Vision

We are a church of blessings, changing the world through words and deeds of grace, showing others how to follow Jesus Christ.

News from UMW's *Faith in Motion*

The *Faith in Motion* UMW group thanks the congregation for their generous support collecting diapers for a mother in poverty here in Corona. This mother has 8 month-old twins, a 1 ½ year old, and a 2 ½ year old.

We collected and took to her on Monday, September 24th a total of 1,156 diapers!

The details: 574 size 2 diapers, 200 size 4 diapers, and 382 size 5 diapers. Also, 644 baby wipes and 2 tubes of diaper ointment.

This is greatly appreciated, especially in light of the high cost of diapers! Thanks to all who contributed!

~ Linda Faxon & Linda McGranahan

News from our Sunday School

The class schedule for Preschool through Kindergarten class is as follows: Class meets every Sunday with the exception of the 1st Sunday of the month. On the 1st Sunday of the month, this age is invited to be together at the kids' table in the Sanctuary during worship service. Currently, this class is combined with Nursery age (0-2) in the Nursery. Once we hire a regular Nursery Attendant, this class will move back to the Preschool/Kindergarten room.

A flyer for the Empty Bowls event. At the top, the words "Empty Bowls" are written in a stylized font above a simple line drawing of a bowl. Below the bowl, the text reads: "BENEFITING CORONA-NORCO SETTLEMENT HOUSE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2018 ANYTIME BETWEEN NOON & 5:00 PM TURNING POINT CHURCH, NORCO \$25 ADULTS, \$5 KIDS 10 YRS & UNDER". There are three circular callouts: the first says "Soup, Salad, Dessert, Beverage Donated by favorite local restaurants! 2 Bowls"; the second says "Entertainment throughout the day Raffles Silent Auctions"; the third says "Every diner may take home a unique bowl to remind them of those who go to bed hungry - with an 'empty bowl'". At the bottom, a box contains ticket information: "For Tickets: www.settlementhouse.net (paypal) or Send check & number of tickets desired to: Settlement House 507 S. Vicentia Ave, Corona 92882 For more info: Kathy 951-737-3504".

Prayer for the Way Forward

The following is reprinted from an informational email from The California-Pacific Conference of the United Methodist Church

Commonly Asked Questions

What is the Commission on the Way Forward? – The 32-member commission is accountable to the Council of Bishops, which named the members following a mandate from the 2016 General Conference and is charged by the General Conference with developing proposals for the bishops to find a way forward and for unity in the UMC on issues related to human sexuality. The Commission includes two leaders of the Wesleyan Covenant Association as well as at least three openly gay members. All told, the commission includes eight bishops, 11 laity, 11 elders and two deacons from nine countries. California-Pacific Conference Resident Bishop Grant J. Hagiya is a member of this Commission.

What led to its creation? – At the 2016 General Conference (Portland, OR), a vote of 428 to 405 was taken to suspend debate and defer decisions on human sexuality, following the recommendation of the Council of Bishops, to a Commission on the Way Forward which would develop specific proposals to the Council of Bishops.

What has the Commission accomplished so far? – The Commission issued a status report in July 2017 that has summarized their method of working and their conclusions thus far. The report includes their hopes for a “looser” church structure, a “tighter” essential theology and doctrine, and a “thinner” Book of Discipline.

“Commission on the Way Forward”

BISHOP GRANT HAGIYA

Date & Time: Sunday, October 14; 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Location: UMC of Cucamonga
7690 Archibald Avenue
Rancho Cucamonga, CA

Bishop Grant Hagiya will be meeting with clergy and laity in the East District regarding the “Way Forward” decision. He will be speaking to the district and will listen to your concerns and questions. All are welcome to join the gathering.

Registration forms will be sent out by email when ready and will also be available by request. Please make sure to register as a church for this important event.

More information on the Way Forward can be found at this link:

www.calpacumc.org/prayer-2/prayer-for-the-way-forward-2017-cal-pac/

News of the Corona UMW's Book Readers Club

For our September gathering we each read An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz. This book traces the history of the American Indians from before the Europeans arrived in this hemisphere up to the present day. It is quite a serious and heavy subject. It debunks many of the things I learned, and many of us learned, in school about the early days of our country.

I recommend the book to those of you who are curious about the history of our continent and who are interested in learning some new information and exploring a different point of view. One of the things I learned, which I found most interesting, is that our American Indians are not the only indigenous peoples in the world who were treated poorly in the past. One result of this, in the last twenty years, was the establishment of a seat at the United Nations for Indigenous Peoples of the World.

From the book cover: Today in the United States, there are more than five hundred federally recognized Indigenous nations comprising nearly three million people, descendants of the fifteen million Native peoples who once inhabited this land. The centuries-long genocidal program of the U.S. settler-colonial regimen has largely been omitted from history. Now, for the first time, acclaimed historian and activist Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz offers a history of the United States told from the perspective of Indigenous peoples and reveals how Native Americans, for centuries, actively resisted expansion of the U.S. empire. Spanning more than four hundred years, this classic bottom up peoples' history radically reframes U.S. history and explodes the silences that have haunted our national narrative.

There are many book available in the church library, this is just one of them. I hope you will check out the selection of books in the narthex entryway and inside the church office.

Margaret Turner, Book Coordinator

United Methodist Women's Bazaar & United Methodist Men's Turkey Dinner

Saturday, November 3, 2018

4:00pm – 7:00pm

Featuring our Women's world famous homemade

Pomegranate jelly and peanut brittle

Seams of Faith Crafts! Food to Go! And more!



And then join us for our Men's Fabulous Turkey Dinner!

Seating at 4:30pm – 5:30pm – 6:30pm (no food served after 7pm!)

Pre-sale tickets are Adults \$13; Child \$5 (age 10 & under)

Tickets at the door are Adults \$15; Child \$5

Bring Your Neighbors & Friends!

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Located at the corner of Chase St. and California Ave., just north of Santiago High School

Is sponsoring a

Community Festival

Saturday, October 13, 2018, from 4 to 7 pm.

Admission is free, food is free, and there is plenty of live music.

Music:

- **The Royal Blues Band** - 3:45 - 4:30 pm - playing both blues and gospel music
- **The Sweet Adelines of Riverside** - 4:30 - 5:00 pm - chorus and quartet style music
- **Echoes of Faith Quartet of Corona** - 5:30 - 6:00 pm - barbershop quartet & patriotic songs
- **Circle City Chorale ensemble** - 6:00 - 7:00 pm - numbers from past performances

Between 5 and 5:30 pm, three of our local musicians will perform:

- Sal Morano 5:00 - 5:10 pm, vocal and instrumental
- Janet Becker 5:10 - 5:20 pm vocal with accompaniment
- Chris Morano 5:20 - 5:30 pm trumpet solo

Food:

We will be serving free hotdogs, chili dogs, and sides to one and all. If that does not fill you up, we have free popcorn to munch on while you enjoy the music.

Arts and Crafts:

Along with music, we will have a number of local artists selling their wares to the public. Some of our featured artists include local quilters and others offering a wide variety of hand made arts and crafts for sale. We are sure that you and will find that something special to buy.

Children's Activities:

There will be a Bounce House on site and activity stations for the kids to enjoy throughout the festival.

Socializing:

We look forward to seeing you..