

# The Messenger

Corona United Methodist Church  
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## A Note from Pastor Susan

### Leadership at Corona UMC

One of the main differences between the United Methodist Church and other Protestant Christian denominations is that we have a “connectional” organization rather than a “congregational” organization. This means that we are connected to the California-Pacific Annual Conference by the Bishop elected to administrate and guide its almost 350 churches.

Being “connectional” also means the Cal-Pac Conference, as a legal body, owns each local church and the land beneath them. Each local church is appointed a pastor to shepherd them and a leadership body is nominated and elected by church members to make decisions.

Every local church, like Corona UMC, has a leadership team that changes somewhat every January. When I arrived in July as your new pastor, part of my work has been to get to know this team of leaders and check in with them about their roles.

In an effort to remain transparent about the leadership here at Corona UMC, it’s my pleasure to let you know and print below (see page 4) the most updated “2021 Leadership Report”. Please keep in mind that now we are beginning to work at nominating and electing at Charge Conference the 2022 Leadership Report. And there are a few changes that will also be made before the end of the year. The work continues.

**A GREAT BIG THANK YOU** to everyone listed here on this Leadership Report! Because of your ongoing ministry, we are able to serve our Living God in large and small ways near and far. God bless you all!

With Joy in Christ,  
Pastor Susan



10/1	Christopher S	10/10	David V	10/25	Katy V
10/6	Tom S	10/15	Loretta S	10/28	Linda M
10/10	Aaron H	10/17	Cheryl T	10/31	Sal M
		10/23	Janie A		Shawn C

### Our Church Staff

Susan Juergensen, Pastor  
Jeanne Cadiente, Pianist/Organist  
Cat Nunez, Administrative Asst.

### Office Hours

Monday – Thursday  
8:30am to 1:30pm



**Please call ahead and make an appointment when possible.**



## From Finance Committee

September Month to Date Giving: \$23,437.20

Budget Needed: \$24,500

Attendance 9/5/21: 102

Attendance 9/12/21: 87

Attendance 9/19/21: 99

Attendance 9/26/21: 101

We wish you THANK you for your Tithes and Offerings. Your GIFTS support the Mission of this church.

# experiencing GENEROSITY CORNER

## Altar Flowers



Have you noticed the lovely altar flowers we have had on our communion table the last 3 weeks? We have a new program for weekly flowers to adorn our Sanctuary. In the Narthex on an easel are 2 Flower Calendars. The one on top is for the last 3 months of 2021 and under it is one for 2022. Each week, as long as some-one has signed up for -that Sunday, we will have lovely, fresh flowers on our Communion Table. The next step is to call Corona Rose Flowers & Gifts (951-737-7270) on Thursday or Friday and request the flowers you would like. On Saturday I will go to Corona Rose, pick up your arrangement and take it to the church so it will be all set for our Sunday Worship Service. This is a lovely way to honor a loved one, recognize birthdays and anniversaries or just because. On Monday prior to the Sunday when your flowers will adorn our Sanctuary you will call or email the church office and inform Cat, our Church Secretary, of the occasion for your flowers so she can include it in the Sunday bulletin, which she prints on Tuesday. The cost is \$40. You pay the church the \$40 by check or Zelle. On the memo line of your check or in Zelle note please "altar flowers". Corona Rose will bill the church each month. If you have questions, please email me at [sharonb2606@gmail.com](mailto:sharonb2606@gmail.com) or text/call me at 805-443-2433. Also, I will be happy to talk to you before or after worship on Sundays. Please consider signing up to provide flowers for a worship service of your choice. Treat yourself!

Blessings to all,  
Sharon Brandenberger

## Corona United Methodist Women Book Readers Club

The Book Club read Code Talker by Chester Nez with Judith Schiess Avila for our choice in September 2021. We met in early September in person at the church! It was so great to see each other and share our thoughts on the book. We went to lunch afterwards.

Are you aware of the Navajo Code Talkers during World War II? This program was completely kept secret until 1968.

Chester Nez was one of the original Navajo code talkers and this is his story. The author, Judith Avila, spent a good deal of time with Chester and put together his biography which includes his time in the Marines in this special secret program.

The Associated Press said about this book, "You don't need to be a fan of World War II literature to appreciate this memoir... a fascinating mélange of combat in the Pacific theatre, the history of the Navajo people, and the development of a uniquely American code that remained unbroken by the Japanese throughout the war and classified until 1968 .... Packed with Nez's one-of-a-kind experiences that secured his remarkable—and rightful—place in American history."

The original code talkers group consisted of 29 men from the reservations in New Mexico and Arizona. The total number of Navajo men involved by the end of the war was 420. Chester dedicated the book to them by saying, "May they and their loved ones walk in beauty."

There is quite a bit of Navajo tribal history, which adds so much to the reader's understanding of what was going on during this period of time in the United States.

I found it interesting that the Navajo language was only a spoken language, not written at all. I also thoroughly enjoyed some of the native poetry and the social customs described.

We all greatly enjoyed the book and would encourage anyone to read it.

Margaret Turner, Book Club Coordinator

### UMW Jelly for Sale



The Pomegranate Jelly is ready for sale. We have a limited supply of Less Sugar if you are interested in that. We also have Kumquat Jam; this is much like Orange Marmalade. Hot Pepper Jelly, Caramel Apple Jam and Apple Butter are available with pre-order. The Pepper Jelly can be used on meats or as an appetizer over cream cheese. The Caramel Apple can be used heated on ice cream or pancakes or even as a jam on toast! The Apple Butter is good in much the same way. Please let me know if you are interested in buying any jelly. We may be selling some after church in the near future.

Linda McGranahan 951-858-4572

## PUMPKIN PARTY

FREE FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23RD

3-5PM

OUTDOOR EVENT



BRING A PUMPKIN CARVED AT HOME FOR THE PUMPKIN SHOW

PRESENTED BY

**CORONA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

2880 CALIFORNIA AVE. CORONA CA 92881

PLEASE BRING CANNED GOODS TO DONATE TO SETTLEMENT HOUSE



## Do you need a ride to Church?



- Contact your membership committee at (951)313-1017
  - They will match you with a volunteer driver.
- Expect a call or email from the driver to set up your pickup time.

**2021 Leadership Report – Corona UMC - APPROVED**  
(Updated 10/21)

**Lay Leader** [shares attendance with Assoc. Lay Leader at meetings whenever possible]  
Nikki Cater  
**Associate Lay Leader** [shares attendance with Lay Leader at meetings whenever possible]  
Sharon Brandenberger

**Lay Members to Annual Conference** [attends meetings when possible]  
1. Fungai Chinawah  
2. Linda Faxon

**Staff Parish Relations Committee**  
SPRC Chair: Jan Nichols

<u><b>Class of 2021</b></u> Cheryl Trifiletti	<u><b>Class of 2022</b></u> Barbara Almasy Shirley Carr Jan Nichols	<u><b>Class of 2023</b></u> Ed Faxon
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**Finance & Stewardship Committee**  
Finance Chair: Wayne Vinyard  
Financial Secretary: Diane Encino  
Treasurer: Beverly Swanson [Pat Kelley assisting]  
Lay Member of Annual Conference (ex officio)  
Lay Leader (ex officio), Council chair, Trustee representative, SPRC representative

<u><b>Class of 2021</b></u> Diane Encino	<u><b>Class of 2022</b></u> Beverly Swanson	<u><b>Class of 2023</b></u> Wayne Vinyard
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Note: the Council chair, Trustee representative and SPRC representative attend

**Board of Trustees**  
Co-President of Trustees: Tom Munoz & Steve Dempster (elected by Trustees in 2021)  
Vice President of Trustees: Hugh Berkley (elected by Trustees in 2021)  
Secretary of Trustees: Mike Kelley (elected by Trustees in 2021)

<u><b>Class of 2021</b></u> Lynn Burkholder Mike Kelley	<u><b>Class of 2022</b></u> Steve Dempster Hugh Berkley	<u><b>Class of 2023</b></u> Tom Munoz Jim Burrell
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Supply Purchasing: Cheryl Lum  
Kitchen Committee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Scout Leaders: Aaron Halsey, Susan Park, Dwight Peterson (non-member)  
Boy Scout Liaison (COR): Tom Munoz

**Church Historians** (*new role*)  
Linda Faxon, Diane Encino

**2021 Leadership Report – Corona UMC (cont'd)**

**Church Council**

Chair	Margaret Turner
Pastor	Susan Juergensen (appointed)
Lay Leader	Nikki Cater
Associate Lay Leader	Sharon Brandenberger
Recording Secretary	Linda Faxon
Children & Youth Ministries	Loni Cuatt
SPRC Chair	Jan Nichols
Finance & Stewardship	Wayne Vinyard
Member Care	Karen Eagans, Shirley Carr
Missions & Outreach	Linda McGranahan, Cheryl Lum
Treasurer	Beverly Swanson (Pat Kelley assisting)
Trustee Chairs	Tom Munoz & Steve Dempster (elected by Trustees)
UMM President	Ernie Foster (elected by UMM)
UMW President	Linda Faxon (elected by UMW)
Youth Representative	Christian Park
Young Adult Representative	Ryan Park
Lay Members of AC	Linda Faxon, Fungai Chinawah

**Worship Team**

Chair	Pastor Susan Juergensen
Praise Band & Choir	Jeanne Cadiente, Janet Parks
Liturgists	Karen Eagans, Steve Dempster, Sharon Brandenberger,
Ann Vinyard, Cheryl Lum, Loretta Sharpe	
Acolytes	Sal Morano
Ushers/Greeters	_____
Hospitality	_____
Audio/Visual/Sound	Aaron Halsey, Ernie Foster, Mark Juergensen

**Missions & Outreach**

Co-Chairs: Linda McGranahan, Cheryl Lum  
SSP Liaison: \_\_\_\_\_

<u><b>Class of 2021</b></u> Paula Munoz Joe Almasy Doreen Paul	<u><b>Class of 2022</b></u> Linda McGranahan Cheryl Lum David Banks	<u><b>Class of 2023</b></u> Jennifer Runnings Lee Ann Seeling Carolin Burrell
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**UMW** Linda Faxon (elected by UMW)

**UMM** Ernie Foster (elected by UMM)

**2021 Leadership Report – Corona UMC (cont'd)**

**Children's & Youth Ministries**

Chairperson	Loni Cuatt
UMYF Youth Group Leader(s)	_____
Safe Gatherings Coordinator	Administrative Assistant (ex officio)

**CYM Team**

Judy Zimprich  
Merrilee Varela

**Adult Small Groups & Education**

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**Member Care**

Co-Chairs	Karen Eagans, Shirley Carr
Membership Secretary	Fungai Chinawah
Visitation & Counseling	Pastor Susan Juergensen
	Susan Seidman, Ann Vinyard
Prayer Chain Coordinator	Linda Faxon

**Nominations & Leadership Development** Pastor Susan Juergensen, Chair (ex officio)

<u><b>Class of 2021</b></u> Sal Morano Pat Kelley	<u><b>Class of 2022</b></u> Fungai Chinawah Diane Encino	<u><b>Class of 2023</b></u> Linda McGranahan Ryan Park
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**2021 LEADERSHIP  
REPORT  
CORONA UMC**



# Church Announcements

+ Please note that we no longer use Tithe.ly

+A note about the deadline for the next Messenger please turn in information by Noon on Tuesday, October 12 for it to be included on the next messenger.

October 2021						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>3</b> <b>Worship @ 10am</b> <b>Prayer meeting</b> via zoom @7pm	<b>4</b> <b>SPRC @10am</b> Jan Nichols	<b>5</b> <b>Faith Journey @ 9am</b> Linda F.	<b>6</b> <b>CubScouts @6:30pm</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Bible Study @9am</b> via Zoom Ed Faxon <b>Bad Girls @7pm</b> via zoom Karen <b>Scouts34 @7pm</b>	8	9
<b>10</b> <b>Worship @ 10am</b>	<b>11</b> Columbus Day	<b>12</b> <b>Faith Journey @ 9am</b> Linda F.	<b>13</b> <b>UMW @10</b> Linda F's Home <b>Trustees @ 7pm</b> Tom and Steve <b>CubScouts @6:30pm</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Bible Study @9am</b> via Zoom Ed Faxon <b>UMW Book Club @10:30</b> Margaret <b>Bad Girls @7pm</b> via zoom Karen <b>Scouts34 @7pm</b>	15	16
<b>17</b> <b>Worship @ 10am</b> <b>Prayer meeting</b> via zoom @7pm	18	<b>19</b> <b>Faith Journey @ 9am</b> Linda F. <b>Finance Committee @1</b> pm Wayne <b>Church Council @7pm</b> Margaret	<b>20</b> <b>CubScouts @6:30pm</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Bible Study @9am</b> via Zoom Ed Faxon <b>Bad Girls @7pm</b> via zoom Karen <b>Scouts34 @7pm</b>	22	<b>23</b> <b>Pumpkin Party @3-5pm</b>
<b>24</b> <b>Worship @ 10am</b> <b>Prayer meeting</b> via zoom @7pm	25	<b>26</b> <b>Faith Journey @ 9am</b> Linda F.	<b>27</b> <b>CubScouts @6:30pm</b>	<b>28</b> <b>Bible Study @9am</b> via Zoom Ed Faxon <b>Bad Girls @7pm</b> via zoom Karen <b>Scouts34 @7pm</b>	29	30
<b>31</b> Halloween <b>Worship @ 10am</b> <b>Prayer meeting</b> via zoom @7pm						