### The Vision of Temecula UMC Community

Temecula UMC is a caring community dedicated to God's work. We welcome all by creating an atmosphere rooted in the fruit of the spirit. We are a positive, visible presence in our community and a place of comfort and peace. We provide spiritual fulfillment through worship, education, fellowship, missions and actions. We are people of God that live out our faith every day following Christ.

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### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

### 9:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Sunday School Classes (EVERY SUNDAY) Toddler Room/Childcare (Ages 1–4 yrs.) Younger Elementary Class (K-2nd) Older Elementary Class (3rd-5th) Teens (6th—12th)

#### 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP

Childcare: Toddlers—Younger Elementary Toys and books available for children.

### 5th SUNDAYS 10:00 A.M. WORSHIP

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# **Rick's Ramblings**

Nick Canepa is a long-time sportswriter and columnist in San Diego. He has a column in the San Diego Union Tribune that comes out on Sundays. He picks a main topic about a sports team, issue, athlete or other sports related topic. This takes up the beginning portion of the column. Then he uses the remaining space for other topics or issues that are on his mind that he wants to speak to. Basically, it is a sports editorial column.

You may have noticed that there is no title for my article this month other than the usual heading. I am going to use the rest of the space this month sharing about not one, but more than one topic on my mind. So, I don't have one subject title but just a few ramblings. I'm going to take a page from Canepa's format, but no, I'm not going to do a sports ramblings. Nevertheless, with the end of the baseball regular season and the Padres' huge drop-off since the All-Star break, I would have much to write about that subject for another time.

Let me begin with these Scriptures:

So then, my dear friends, stand firm and steady. Keep busy always in your work for the Lord, since you know that nothing you do in the Lord's service is ever useless. (I Corinthians 15:58).

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because **God** *is love*. (I John 4: 7-8).

Now this I say, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed. Il Corinthians 9:6-8.

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#### Rick's Ramblings continued

There are five words of affirmation that are asked of all who look to become members of a United Methodist Church. I contend these words represent a life that reflects in part the calling God calls us to, written throughout the Bible. I have chosen just three of these Scriptures and shared them.

We live in a hectic and busy time in our society. We have jobs, health concerns, schedules with our children and grandchildren, and so much more and what's going on in the world that adds to our pressures. In all we are called to serve God. In doing so we keep our focus on God, on living out the message and life of Jesus by loving one another, loving our neighbors as ourselves, and loving strangers. By serving God we give testimony by our words and actions to this message and calling to love.

By serving God, keeping our focus on God, witnessing our love of Christ, we are called to give of ourselves freely and with hope. Yes, there is much demand on our time, lives, and resources, but what we learn from the passage from II *Corinthians* is that when we put our priority on God we can trust that whatever resources we have will be enough firstly for the work of God, sharing the love of Christ, and then for ourselves.

There are many ways as we live out our faith to respond to God's calling for us to serve, witness, and give. In the life of our church family there are three opportunities that can be a part of your faith living.

- 1. As we look for persons, youth through adult, to serve on various committees, task forces, and teams beginning in 2020, I will ask all to assess your strengths to serve and pray on how you can serve your church and God that will help us offer the ministries and programs that will share the love, hope, and inclusiveness of Jesus.
- 2. We look around and we ask where have all the people gone? How do we grow and get others to join us? One way is by planning and offering awesome worship, groups and more, where people find hope, fellowship and friends and grow in their faith. But that mostly happens when we share our story

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about how the love of Christ and the love of this congregation lifted us up, offered us hope and cared for us. We can do great social media and advertising, but it is the personal sharing and invitation that begins to grow the church. Then it is by being totally welcoming of all people and surrounding them with love that makes them want to stay and be a part of the family.

3. Giving of our resources, time, talents and generous gifts not only helps us care for the poor, homeless, hurting and outcast, but also supports our Church. The practical part is leadership and staff, facilities that allow people to find a safe place to worship and meet and a place for fellowship and learning in faith.

I started out sharing that I was going to ramble. But as you can read, when we offer our life of faith by way of our presence, prayers, gifts, service and witness they all come together in living the way God calls us and offers us the love of Christ.

Please pray on how you can live out this faith in the last months of this year and in the year ahead.

Peace & Grace, Pastor Rick

### TUMC INTERN TIFFANIE ROMAN

#### Hi Everyone,

My name is Tiffanie and I am your new intern for the next 9 months. I am a 42 year old mother of 2. My daughter is 21 and a theater major at Palomar College. My son is 19 and is on active duty for the United States Army stationed in New York. I have been married to my husband Scotty Roman for 22 years this coming February. I also have two dogs and a cat. I used to have chickens but we had to rehome them since we are moving to Hemet mid-October. I am a full time Student at Claremont School of Theology where I am getting my Masters in Divinity. I hope to become a Pastor in the United Methodist Church one day. I also work fulltime as a Site Supervisor for Renu Hope Foundation which is run out of the San Luis Rey United Methodist Church. To say my life is busy is an understatement but I look forward to meeting and working with each of you as I explore my call just a little while longer. Tiffanie Roman

# **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND FELLOWSHIP**

### <u>SUNDAY</u>

**9 a.m. Adult Sunday School Class with Joe Hughes** - Meet in Room 6 weekly . For October we are Studying "Noah: After the Flood", a sermon series by Rev. Adam Hamilton.

**9** a.m. Adult Tagalog Bible Study—Meets in Room 8 weekly. Mission: We grow in Christian faith and watch over one another in love by studying and living the words from the Bible. Contact is Boni Gulla.

### 9 a.m. Sunday School meets EVERY SUNDAY

Toddler Room/Childcare (Birth –4 yrs.) Younger Elementary Class (K-2nd) Older Elementary Class (3rd—5th) Teens (6th—12th)

10:30 a.m. childcare is offered for toddlers through younger elementary. Contact Jeanette Frisbey Sunday mornings.

**4:30—6:00 p.m. Club 3.16 w/Jeanette Frisbey** —3rd to 5th graders at TUMC meet in Room 1, Oct. 7th and Oct. 21st.

### <u>TUESDAY</u>

**9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study -** Women of study and encouragement meet weekly at the home of Karen Benvenuto.

**7 p.m. Book Buddies**—Meets the first Tuesday of each month in participants homes through June, skipping January and July. **November 5th,** meet at the home of Karen Benvenuto to review and discuss the book *Next Year in Havana* by Chanel Cleeton.

#### **WEDNESDAY**

10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Weekly Bible Study with Pastor Rick in Room 6.

**7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir**— Weekly rehearsals are Wednesday evenings in the Worship Center. "To sing is to pray twice." Although the statement is often attributed to Augustine, the actual author is unknown. Still, the sentiment is true. Music is an art form that lifts up ordinary text to another level that inspires us and nurtures our souls. It has delighted, challenged, comforted, and excited us. It makes us weep or laugh. New voices are always welcome. Contact Dr. Earl Richards on Sunday mornings.

### **THURSDAY**

**10:30 a.m. Welcoming & Outreach Committee** meets every other month. The next meeting will be Thursday, **November 1st** in Room 6. Contact Sue Bradshaw.

12:00 p.m. Out to Lunch Bunch meets the first Thursday of each month at a different restaurant for fun, food and fellowship. Meet October 3rd at noon at Black Bear Diner, 24640 Madison Avenue, Murrieta. Contact Rick or Sally Malec.

### FRIDAY

10:30 a.m. Book Discussion w/Rev. Marlene Oaks meets the first and third Friday of October in Room
6. Join the discussion *The Misunderstood Jew—The Church and the Scandal of the Jewish Jesus by Amy-Jill Levine.*

**10:00 a.m. Prayers and Squares Ministry** – Prayers and Squares Ministry meets October 11th and 25th in Room 1. Contact Marlene Oaks.

**Prayers and Squares Holiday Boutique Sunday, November 17th** in the Hillside Room. —We will have a wide array of items made by our Prayers and Squares team from quilts to towels to table runners and more for sale. The proceeds will go to our Prayers and Squares funds to purchase supplies and equipment.



# From the Breezeway

#### October

6 <sup>th</sup>	Scripture:	Mark 9:38-50
	Theme:	Following Jesus Radically
13 <sup>th</sup>	Scripture:	Luke 17:11-19
	Theme:	The Power of Faith
20 <sup>st</sup>	Scripture:	Luke 18:1-18
	Theme:	God and the Judge
27 <sup>th</sup>	Scripture:	<i>Luke</i> 18:9-14
	Theme:	The Great Reversal

#### November:

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Scripture:	<i>Luke</i> 19:1-10
	Theme:	Being There Changes Lives
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## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN OF TUMC

- Oct.10th Thursday, 10:00 a.m. Executive Meeting in Room 6
- Oct. 17th Thursday, 10 a.m.– 12:00 p.m. General Meeting/Luncheon in Room 1. A Representative from Jacob's House will speak about their mission.
- Oct. 19th Saturday, 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. UMW Bake Sale at 22nd Annual Craft Faire. Note: Please place baked donated items (cookies, muffins, brownies etc. in Ziploc Bags, (no cakes or pies). Bring them on Friday afternoon or Saturday morning early so pricing can be done. Proceeds go to United Methodist Women mission Projects.

# Monks of TUMC <u>Men of N</u>urturing <u>K</u>nightly <u>S</u>pirit

Oct. 8thPlanning Meeting in Room 6Oct. 12thMonthly Meeting in the Hillside Room

## ALL CHURCH CONFERENCE TUESDAY, NOV. 19th- 7 P.M.

It is a yearly part of our church policy to hold an All Church Conference to take stock of how we are completing the year and to look forward to the coming year. We take care of business such as approve the Pastor's Salary for the next year, hear reports of various ministry teams and committees on the status of the church. And we look at how we have lived out our vision in ministry with a view to the coming year.

**Tuesday, November 19, at 7:00 P.M.** is the date and time set for our All Church Conference. All persons of any age are invited to come listen, share and ask questions. By our polity, however, only those who are church members are eligible to vote. Mark your calendars for this important gathering.

#### DEADLINE FOR ALL REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRS IS FRIDAY, NOV. 8th. Email reports to tumc@temeculaumc.com

Church Council	UMW
Finance	Stephen Ministers
SPRC	Missions
Trustees	Stewardship Committee
Monks	Prayers and Squares
Children's Ministry	Scrip
Welcome & Outreach	Lay Leaders Report
Worship Team	Youth Ministry
Music Ministry	

# VOLUNTEER POSITIONS AVAILABLE — NOW After Jeanette Frisbey and Rachel Turner

complete their second year with the TUMC 22nd Annual Craft Faire this October, both women will be stepping down from their roles as coordinators of the event. Any person or persons interested in taking on this role for the 2020–23rd Annual Craft Faire next year is encouraged to work alongside Jeanette and Rachel on the day of this year's event (October 19, 2019). Contact Rachel, 676-1800x3. or rturner72@gmail.com.



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# I SEE A RENEWED CHURCH FAMILY From the Breezeway continued from page 5

We have had our Congregational Conversations and have heard from many voices. But we have not come together as one. This is how we will move forward as one church family to be a totally Inclusive church for ALL people. What does that mean? What that looks like? What will we do to make this a reality? What will a new Mission/Vision Statement look like that will direct us in our actions and planning as a people of Christ?

#### <u>Come be with us on Sunday October 6, 3:00 PM. This gathering is open to ALL persons of the Temecula</u> <u>United Methodist Church family. Whether you participated in one of the conversations or not, this gathering</u> <u>is open to you!</u>

What questions will be answered? What actions will be decided? That will be determined by those who come and help shape the dialogue. If you have questions contact Pastor Rick.

#### Results of the Straw Poll Survey:

There was good participation of the Congregational Straw Poll Survey, 100 of the congregation youth through adult responded. In percentage here are the results.

Q1: I believe that homosexual persons should be welcomed and have all the rights within the United Methodist Church and our Church that heterosexual persons do.

83% Strong agree (SA) 10% somewhat agree (SWA) 3% unsure/neutral (UN) 2% somewhat disagree (SWD) 4% strongly disagree (SD)

**O2:** I believe homosexual persons should be allowed to get married in our church. 65% (SA), 12% (SWA), 10% (UN), 2% (SWD), 10% (SD)

**O3:** I believe that homosexual persons can be faithful and effective clergy. 66% (SA), 15% (SWA), 7% (UN), 3% (SWD), 6% (SD)

**O4: If a homosexual clergy person was appointed to our church, I would...** 35% be happy, 42% accept, 10% unsure, 5% be upset, 7% leave

Q5: I believe pastors should decide according to their own conscience whether to officiate at same sex marriages or not.

55% (SA), 20% (SWA), 13% (UN), 4% SWD), 8% (SD)

O6: In response to passage of the Traditional Plan, support restrictions of homosexual persons being married in the church, ordained as clergy, or marry LBGTO persons in the church, I believe our congregation should... 13% conform to and accept the new policies, 9% conform to the new policies but work to change them, 41% Resist the new policies, 20% Leave the UMC as it currently exists, 17% Unsure



# **Sunday School and Nursery Help Needed**

We would like to thank Jeanette Frisbey for serving as the Volunteer Christian Education Coordinator the last two years. She has coordinated Sunday Morning Sunday School for toddler – high school, VBS, and other children's programs. She has shared the joy and love of Jesus with our children and their parents. Jeanette wants to change her focus in serving in the church and is planning to step down at the end of the Year. Please share a **Big Thank You!** with Jeanette.

Now we are looking for volunteers to help pick up this service. We have Sunday School teachers but need someone or a team to coordinate our Sunday morning. Also, we can use other caring, loving persons who would have the fun of caring for our youngest who attend our Sunday School in the toddler room. We can use persons for 9:00 and 10:30 AM services. A background check will be needed and you must have attended TUMC for a year. If you can serve in this way you can contact Pastor Rick or Jeanette.

# **Underwrite the Remodel**

The church kitchen, Hillside Room, and renovation of family bathroom are complete. They are updated, refreshed and beautiful. Many people have shared generous gifts to help underwrite the cost of the remodel and renovation. If you have been thinking about sharing a gift that will help support this project and our church budget you are invited to place your gift in an envelope and mark it Remodel. All sizes of gifts are welcomed and generous in their giving. If you have questions you can contact Pastor Rick or Lloyd Bradshaw.

# **Mystery Dinner Theater**

#### Mystery Dinner Theater

Everyone likes a good who dunit! Everyone likes a good dinner! Everyone loves to get together with friends and family for a good time! Well you can combine all this in one great night and help raise money to support the mission and ministries of our Church budget that makes it even better. A number of years ago Temecula UMC Family came together to put on a Mystery Dinner show. It was a hit, all had a great time and there was good food and many laughs.

This idea has been raised by the Church Council as a possibility for 2020 as a way to help support our Church budget. To begin we are looking for any who had a great time being a part of the previous

Mystery Dinner Theater, fancy oneself an amateur thespian, and would like to participate in someway to help your church out, contact Pastor Rick or Toby Hammett that we might have an initial gathering of interested persons to move forward on this fun filled event.

SHARING WITH OTHERS FOOD DRIVE EACH SUNDAY ONE PERSON ONE CANNED FOOD ITEM



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	10/16 10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick
6 7 8 9 10 11 12	6:30 p.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick
13 14 15 16 17 18 19	7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal
20 21 22 23 24 25 26	10/17 10:00 a.m. UMW Meeting and Luncheon
	3:00 p.m. Craft Faire setup
27 28 29 30 31	10/18 9:00 a.m. Craft Faire setup
	10:30 a.m. The Misunderstood Jew
	w/ Rev. Oaks
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5:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1954	9:00 a.m. Sunday School
7:15 p.m. Temecula Valley Master Chorale	9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes
10/2 10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick	9:00 a.m. Tagalog Bible Study
6:30 p.m. Bible Study w/Pastor Rick	10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time
7:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal	10:30 a.m. Worship
10/3 12:00 p.m. Out to Lunch Bunch at Black Bear	11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
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9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study w/Joe Hughes	10/24 1:00 p.m. Card Game Meetup
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4:30 p.m. Club 3.16	10:00 a.m. Fellowship Time
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4:30 p.m. Club 3:16	

	<u>Oct. 6</u>	<u>Oct. 13</u>	<u>Oct. 20</u>	<u>Oct. 27</u>	
USHERS 9:00 a.m.	Bert Bjorklund Larry Messersmith George Wuertz Erik Toberman	MONKS	YOUTH	Bert Bjorklund Erik Toberman Mark Bowers George Wuertz	
USHERS 10:30 a.m.	Janet Galbraith Gilbert Oaks Dan Henley Larry Natwick	MONKS	YOUTH	Dan Henley Tri Tricoche Ting Tricoche Larry Natwick	
LITURGISTS 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Karen Benvenuto Larry Natwick	MONKS	YOUTH	Tiffanie Roman Tiffanie Roman	
GREETERS 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Sue Garcia Hazel Hailstone	MONKS	Youth	Hazel Hailstone Hazel Hailstone	*
SOUND TECH 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Mark McCullough Matt McCullough	Mark McCullough Matt McCullough	Gian & Meghann Adesso Gian & Meghann Adesso	Ernie & Grace Lloyd Ernie & Grace Lloyd	
VISITOR TABLE 9 :00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Pauline Fields Diane Martinez	Karen Benvenuto Jean Williams	Sue Garcia Gloria Galvez	Barbara Lamb Thelma Loud	
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...Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness; kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile, kindness in your warm greeting. Mother Teresa

Never lose sight of the fact that your most important relationships are at home. Spend time nurturing and developing them every day. And then let the love that starts there overflow into the rest of your life. Nellie Hathorn Independent Beauty Consultant

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