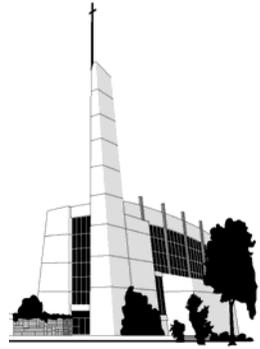




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Garden Grove United Methodist Women
present



Through the Looking Glass

With

Fashions by the Queen of Hearts

*You are invited to our twenty-sixth annual
Tea and Fashion Show
Saturday, March 1st
at 1 o'clock p.m.
Acker Hall
Garden Grove United Methodist Church*

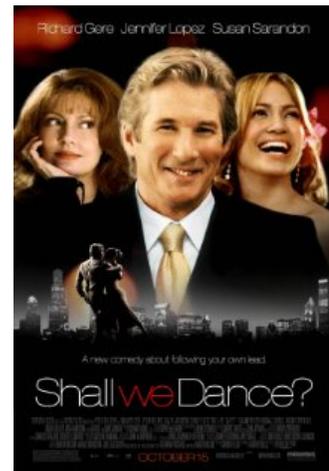
Tickets \$25

for reservations call Jonni Lorenz 714-638-4640

See UMW News on page 3 for more information.

Young at Heart II Friday Afternoon Movie

The free movie on February 21st will be "Shall We Dance?" (2004) with popcorn & beverage in Acker Hall at 1:00 p.m. A romantic comedy where a bored, overworked Estate Lawyer, upon first sight of a beautiful instructor, signs up for ballroom dancing lessons, stars Richard Gere, Jennifer Lopez, and Susan Sarandon.





The obituary for Bishop Jack Tuell in the Los Angeles times this past week declared in bold print . . . Bishop changed his views on gays . . . The article goes on to say the Bishop Tuell explained simply; “I changed my mind when I changed my heart” . . . At 76 years old he claimed he changed his mind . . . I just love that . . .

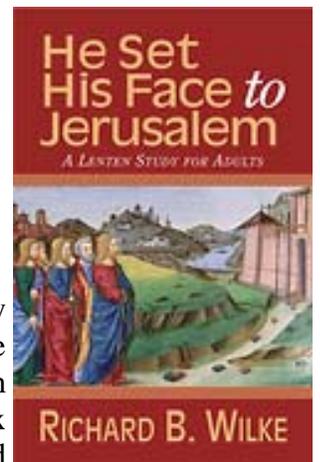
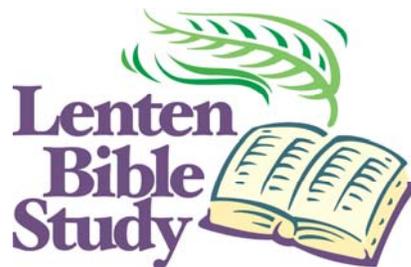
Bishop Tuell was many other extraordinary things, a lawyer by early training he literally wrote the book on church polity, he was an advocate for immigrant rights, he baptized my son Wesley in the morning (no small feat) and ordained me in the evening . . . but what effects me most is that he was willing and receptive to learning about the lives of others resulting in the transformation of his heart and the changing (opening) of his mind . . . How spiritually mature is that???? How Wesleyan is that???? How inspiring is that???? That is someone I would like to be . . . Ginny Wheeler



**Become
Part of
Our
Church
Family**

We will be receiving new members during Worship on Sunday, February 16th.

A brief new member class will be held on Sunday, February 9th at 10:45 a.m. in Pastor Ginny’s Office. If you are interested in becoming a member, please talk to Rev. Ginny, call the church office at 714-534-1070, or just come to the class.



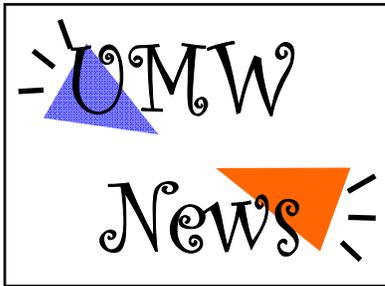
It is time to start thinking about joining one of the two classes for a Lenten Study this year. One class will be Wednesday evening with a soup supper followed by the study. The other class is the regular Bible study on Thursday morning at 9:30. Both groups will meet in the lounge starting on March 12 and 13, and continuing for six weeks. We will be using the book *He Set His Face to Jerusalem*, by Richard Wilke. Here is an excerpt from the Cokesbury catalog about this new study.

In this Lenten study, Richard Wilke explores Jesus’ commitment to go to Jerusalem. The Gospel of Luke says, “When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem” (Luke 9:51). Wilke looks at Jesus’ journey to Jerusalem in order to help us reflect on how we “set our faces” in life. He reminds us in the introduction, “As followers of Jesus, we are called to reflect on and pray about where we set our faces day by day. Where do we set our faces in our relationships with God and with our neighbor? Where do we set our faces with our ethical choices? Where do we set our faces when we see those who are poor and oppressed?” We might also ask other questions. What are our goals as people of faith? What are we resolute or determined about in our lives? As we set our faces to Jerusalem and to the ministry, crucifixion, and resurrection of Jesus, what difference does it make? What does Jesus’ determination say to us about our commitments and about our need to grow in love of God and neighbor?

This book will help us delve into the determination of Jesus in the final days of his ministry, and examine our own lives to see where we put our focus and passion. The books will be available for about \$7.00 on the patio at least two weeks before the first meeting. Brenda Weikel will be leading both groups. Feel free to contact her for more information.

Wednesday, February 5th, 9:30 a.m. – Trinity Circle Meeting at Hannah Lafler's.

Thursday, February 6th, 1:00 p.m. – Centennial Circle Meeting at Jake Bearden's.



Our 26th Annual Tea and Fashion Show is scheduled for Saturday, March 1st at 1:00 p.m. Our Theme will be "Through the Looking Glass" with fashions by the *Queen of Hearts* (our own Letty Tennant). Letty's line of vintage inspired dresses is going to make this year's fashion show a lot of fun. Check out her website: www.queenofhearts.com and her Facebook page to get an idea of what we'll be seeing. Tickets will be \$25.00 and will be on sale the last three Sundays of February (the 9th, 16th & 23rd).



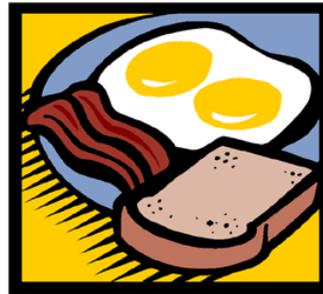
If you are planning to host a table, let Jonni Lorenz know by contacting her by E-mail jkl61765@aol.com or by phone 714-638-4640 as this notice is written, we have 17 hostesses. If you know of anyone who would like to host a table, please pass on this message.

We need worker bees to help make sandwiches on Friday February 28th at 9:00 a.m.

Our February General Meeting will be Wednesday, February 19th at 11:00 a.m. Laura Wilson will present our program, which will be on the Roma Study (the history of the Roma of Europe). We will not meet in March. In April, we will be having dinner meetings.

It is not too early to start thinking about our Bazaar, which will be Saturday, November 8th.

United Methodist Men's Fellowship



Brunch

United Methodist Men want you to join them Sunday, February 2nd for a fellowship brunch following worship in Acker Hall. The food is always good and the fellowship even better. Suggested donation \$3.00. Mark your calendars now for the brunch on Sunday, March 2nd.



Join Our Class!

A small group has decided to get together and study the book of Acts. This was a personal undertaking, stemming from conversations discussing how difficult it is to get to studies on a regular basis. So, we are doing this study and wanted to let everyone know that it was going on, VERY irregularly, in order to meet the needs of a few of us. That said, ANYONE is welcome to join us, if you can stand the ebb and flow of a class instead of a true schedule. Our next meeting will be after worship on Sunday, February 2nd. Please contact Rae Ramirez or Karen Hoffman for info on ordering the book.

Calendar

Sunday, February 2^{ns} – No Youth Fellowship - Happy Super Bowl Sunday!

Sunday, February 9th – Connect Service @ La Habra UMC

Friday-Monday, February 14th- 17th – Youth Fellowship Winter Retreat at Wrightwood Camp

Sunday, February 23rd – Youth Fellowship

Sunday, March 2nd – Youth Fellowship

Sunday, March 9th – Connect Worship @ La Habra UMC

Saturday, March 15th – Youth Fellowship Dodgeball Tournament @ GGUMC

Saturday, March 22nd – Youth Fellowship Night of Champions @ Azusa Pacific University

Sunday, March 30th – Youth Fellowship

Winter Retreat

This year our winter retreat is open to anyone in the greater OC area. We will be staying at Camp Wrightwood in February. The dates are Friday, February 14th – Monday, February 17th. The cost is \$115. This year's theme is Identity Theft. We will be talking about who we are, who we are in Christ and how we relate to the world because of our identity. The theme verse is Genesis 1:26-27. We will be meeting at GGUMC on Friday at 3:00 p.m. I am looking forward to spending this long weekend in the mountains with you all.

Sierra Service Project

This year for Sierra Service Project we will be going to Walker River, Nevada. We have a small but mighty team. Our team consists of Donald Beard, Brenna Ramirez, Destiny Aragon, Starr Stice, and the chaperones are Rick LaBare and Nicole Aragon. We will begin fundraisers very soon and look forward to all your support and prayers for our adventure.

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“He has shown you, O mortal, what is good and what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.” Micah 6:8

Youth Fellowship
Every Sunday
4:00-6:00 p.m.
Room 6 & 8



*Please Remember These People
In Your Thoughts And Prayers*

Marcy Luna, Ruth Banagas' niece, recovering after surgery on her arm
 Paul Banagas, to walk again
 Lee Ann, friend of Linda Shepard, dealing with her aging mother, who lives in Atlanta and she lives near Baltimore
 Dody, friend of Linda Shepard, dealing with an ailing mother
 Mary Jo, the Shepard's daughter-in-law's mother, recovering after knee replacement surgery
 Donna, Gail Brown's friend, recovering after surgery
 Linda, Djenni Yap Purba's sister-in-law, cancer

Sarah & Evan Pittson, difficult pregnancy
 Nicole Aragon, pain in her left arm that will not cease
 Andy, son of Nancy Buck, recovering after his second brain surgery
 Pat Madrid, Ruth Banagas' niece, bad health
 Bobby, adult son of a friend of Linda Shepard, suffering/struggling with grief issues
 Tommie Lopez, Ruth Banagas' brother-in-law, in the hospital
 The grandfather of Jaymi, co-worker of Stacey Beard, cancer
 Darlene Wiertzema, recovering from an infection
 The Kramer's, broken relationships
 Marsha Goin, Bob Wislocki's cousin, multiple health concerns
 Doris, Rhonda Aragon's mom, broken foot
 Bill Hoffman, Karen's husband, for finding a job

Joyce Hall's joy is for Adam Feichtmann, her grandson, who passed his ordination in the Presbyterian Church and is now a Reverend.

Gail Brown is grateful for the choir, they bring joy and they respect their devotion.

Linda Shepard is thankful to God for Kim & Gwen's healthy visit with family.

Karen Hoffman is grateful for health, ability & love for her family.

The Kramers are grateful that Tiffany moved back home.



February Birthdays

February 1st
Stacey Beard

February 3rd
Brenna Ramirez
Carol Schnitger

February 6th
Eketone Tosi
Jon Whitford

February 7th
Gary Hickman

February 11th
Marina Tuileta

February 12th
Sharon Rice

February 14th
James Gray

February 15th
Rachel Beard

February 16th
Cita Mae Browning

February 20th
Fred Howe
Jennifer Newsome
Liliann Tennant

February 22nd
Paul Dedeaux
Christina French
Janine Ryder

February 23rd
Edward Oleson

February 26th
Joe Burchfiel
Laurie Stokoe

February 28th
Denis Aragon
Carole Gardner

*Birthdays
to
Celebrate*



