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Come and join us for a lovely tea and fashions from Stein Mart. If you would like to host a table, please contact Jonni Lorenz 714-638-4640. Tickets are \$25.00 and are available on the Patio after Worship starting on Sunday, February 11th.



To begin the Lenten season, there will be a brief service on Ash Wednesday, February 14th, at 12:00 noon in the Chapel. Our local community is invited to worship with us.

> Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner February 13th 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.



Come and enjoy a wonderful pancake dinner with the Cub Scouts of Pack 270. Suggested donation \$3.00 per person

EXPECTATIONS

United Methodist Men announce they will prepare a special meal for the Irish, the near Irish, and all those who wish they were Irish to celebrate Saint Patrick's Day.

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CABBAGE

Friday, March 16^{th V} at 6:00 p.m. in Acker Hall

DINNER

with surprise musical entertainment

Join us Friday, March 16th at 6:00 p.m. for a delightful evening, beginning with a special meal consisting of Corned Beef and Cabbage, potatoes, carrots, salad, coffee, and punch followed with great musical entertainment and lots of fellowship. All this can be yours for only \$10.00 per adult, \$5.00 for children 2-10. Tickets are on sale after worship on Sundays, February 25th through March 11th. See John Elwell or Gary Palmer for tickets starting Sunday, February 25th. Tickets will also be available in the Church Office or you can call for reservations until 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 14th by calling the Church Office, 714-534-1070, or John Elwell, 714-313-8961.

I have some openings for Office Volunteers if you are looking opportunities to help! Volunteer shifts are 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 12:00-3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Pick the day and time you want to work! I have no one on Thursday and Monday, the second, fourth,



and fifth Tuesday afternoon, and Wednesday afternoons. I could also use volunteers for proof reading and helping to mail Expectations on the last Thursday of every month except December. Call the Church Office, 714-534-1070, to volunteer or for more information.

> Janine Ryder Administrative Assistant



Everyone is invited to the monthly Brunch prepared and served by our United Methodist Men in Acker Hall on Sunday, February 4th at 10:45 a.m. All are welcome to join UMM for food, fellowship, and fun. \$5.00 suggested donation.



This month's General Meeting will be on Wednesday, February 21st at 5:30 p.m. We begin with dinner (\$6 suggested donation). Afterwards Ron Beaman will present slides from one of his trips. Our next General Meeting will be in April as we don't meet in March. Our Fashion Show and Tea will be on Saturday, March 3rd. Please contact Jonni Lorenz at 714-638-4640 or jk61765@aol.com if you would like to host a table. This is always a special event and tickets, \$25 per person, will be available starting on Sunday, February 11th.



It is time to start thinking about joining one of the two classes for a Lenten Study this year. One class will be Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday evening at 7:00 starting February 19th, 20th, or 21st depending on which day works for the most people and will be facilitated by Linda Shepard. The other class is the regular Bible study on Thursday morning at 9:30 led by pastor Bau starting February 15th. Both groups will meet for six weeks in the Lounge. We will be using the book *Easter Earthquake*, by James A. Harnish.

Here is an excerpt from the Cokesbury catalog about this new study. "Like a news reporter announcing breaking news, Matthew reports that on the first Easter morning, a great earthquake shook the earth. An angel descended from heaven, rolled back the stone from the entrance to Jesus' tomb, and sat on the stone. This is the second earthquake recorded in the Gospel of

Matthew. The first one took place on Friday, when the noonday sky turned black and Jesus died. Matthew says, "The earth shook, and the rocks were split." In *Easter Earthquake*, James Harnish invites us to place Easter at the center of our Lenten journey. This study explores how Christ's resurrection shakes some of our most basic assumptions about ourselves and God. Harnish reverses the usual focus

of Lenten studies by starting at the empty tomb and seeing the entire journey in light of the resurrection. This different perspective on the passion can bring fresh energy into our lives as followers of Christ. Like a news reporter announcing breaking news, Matthew reports that on the first Easter morning, a great earthquake shook the earth. An angel descended from heaven, rolled back the stone from the entrance to Jesus' tomb, and sat on the stone."

The books are available from Cokesbury and are currently on sale, \$6.99 for the Kindle version which you can order yourself or \$9.79 the print version. The church will place an order for the print version, cost with tax is \$10.55 free shipping if we order at least 4 books), or you are welcome to order it yourself. If you want a book ordered for you please call the church office by Monday, February 5th.



Lunar New Year Celebration Year of the Dog

On Sunday, February 18th the Vietnamese Ministry will serve brunch and present a short music program immediately following worship in Acker Hall. All are invited.





Daylight Saving Time will begin on Sunday, March 11th! Remember to move your clocks ahead one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night or you will miss worship.

EXPECTATIONS

- Sunday, February 4th, 10:45 a.m. United Methodist Men's Brunch in Acker Hall. Everyone is invited to join them for Brunch after worship for a time of food and fellowship. \$5.00 suggested donation.
- Wednesday, February 7th, 9:30 a.m. Trinity Circle Meeting at Faye Gregory's.
- Tuesday, February 13th, 2:00 p.m. United Methodist Women Executive Committee Meeting in the Lounge.
- Tuesday, February 13th, 5:30 -7:00 p.m. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner in Acker Hall. Provided by Cub Scout Pack 270, \$3.00 donation.
- Wednesday, February 14th, 12:00 noon Ash Wednesday Service in the Chapel. Pastor Bau Dang will lead a brief service with Imposition of Ashes.
- Monday, February 19th Church Office will be closed in observance of Presidents' Day.
- Wednesday, February 21st at 5:30 p.m. United Methodist Women General Meeting in the Lounge. They will begin with Dinner, \$6.00 suggested donation, and the program will be Ron Beaman presenting slides of one of his trips.



- Saturday, March 3rd, 1:00 p.m. "Sailing into Spring", the United Methodist Women's 29th Annual Tea & Fashion Show in Acker Hall. Come and join us for a lovely tea and fashions by Stein Mart. If you would like to host a table, please contact Jonni Lorenz 714-638-4640. *Tickets are \$25.00 and will be available on the Patio after Worship starting on Sunday, February 11th*.
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Ongoing Activities

Tuesdays, 4:00 p.m. – Cherub/Chorister Choir (age 5-Grade 6) Rehearsal in the Choir Room. If you have any questions, please call Sally Hickman at 714-839-0120 or 714-376-8391 (cell).

Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m. - Vietnamese Bible Study in the Chapel.

- **Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. Bible Study** in the Lounge. This group is currently doing a study of Revelation. All are welcome to participate in this group.
- Thursdays, 4:30 p.m. Sonshine Singers (grades 7-12) Rehearsal in the Choir Room. If you have any questions, please call Sally Hickman at 714-839-0120 or 714-376-8391 (cell).
- **Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (adults)** in the Choir Room. We would love to have you join us; you do not have to have the best voice just a love of singing. Call Sally Hickman, 714-839-0120, or Jonni Lorenz, 714-638-4640, for more information.
- **Saturdays, 2:30-5:00 p.m. Vietnamese Language Classes** in Room 10. For children and youth, kindergarten through 7th grade who want to learn Vietnamese. Free!



Holy Week will be a little different this year. There will not be a Community Walk of the Cross due to lack of participation by the churches involved. We will not have a Maundy Thursday Service however everyone is invited to attend the Mar Thoma Maundy Thursday Evening Service. We will have a 2:00 p.m. Good Friday Service in the Chapel led by Pastor Bau. More information next month.



Mark your calendars now for a special craft filled day where the children of the church learn about Lent and all the news leading up to Easter! We will be meeting on Sunday, March 11th during the worship service. We will make pretzels (and eat them!) and lots of crafts as we learn about the miracle of Easter. Come to church at 9:30 a.m. and after Time With Children, we will go to Acker Hall to work together. We are really hoping our Samoan and Hispanic friends will come this Sunday to share this special day altogether. This is instead of Sunday School for this Sunday. Any questions, please talk to your Sunday School teachers or Sally Hickman. See you on the 11th!!!



Saturday, March 31st 9:00 a.m. -12:00 noon

Free Coffee, Donuts, and Juice! This is the day we try to get <u>everything</u> cleaned, including spots off the carpet in the sanctuary, windows, and outside stairwells. When we have plenty of helpers it makes the job easier for everyone, so mark your calendars now so you don't forget!



Easter Lilies

Deadline to Order Easter Lilies is Monday, March 3rd

You are invited to order Easter Lilies to decorate the Church altar for Easter Sunday, April 1st. Order forms will be available Sunday, February 25th through Sunday, March 11th in the Worship Bulletins and in the church office. Last day to order is Monday, March 12th. We don't know the price yet, it will be on the form. Checks are to be made payable to GGUMC with a notation for "Easter Lilies."



February 1st Stacey Beard

- February 3rd Brenna Ramirez Carol Schnitger i
- **February 6th** Eketone Tosi Jon Whitford

February 7th Gary Hickman

February 11th Mackenna Doser Marina Tuileta February 12th David Gregory Sharon Rice February 13th Binh Dang February 14th James Gray February 15th Rachel Beard February 16th

Cita Mae Browning i

February 20th Fred Howe i Jennifer Newsome Liliann Tennant

February 22nd Paul Dedeaux Christina French Janine Ryder February 23rd Edward Oleson

February 26th Laurie Stokoe



February 28th

Denis Aragon Carole Gardner

A Very Special "Happy Birthday" to Cita Mae Browning, Fred Howe, and Carol Schnitger! Cita Mae will be 93 on the 16th, Fred will be 92 on the 20th, and Carol will be 91 on the 3rd! If you would like to send them a special greeting, Cita Mae's address is 3592 Mossy Creek Lane, Tallahassee, FL 32311-3641, Fred's address is 11581 Eudora Lane, Garden Grove, CA 92840-2407, and Carol's address is 12112 Ora Dr., Garden Grove, CA 92840-3433.



Jeștonnac Free Clinic

Wesley Village

The clinic is open Tuesdays 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Fridays 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., and Saturdays 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The phone number to call for appointments is 714-633-4600. *They have moved to the first floor of the Wesley Village Family Building on Acacia.*

Church Staff

The ministers of this Church are its members. They are assisted by:

Bishop Grant J. Hagiya District Superintendent......John Farley ClergyBau Dang, Yong Sam Park, Toné Tosi Assistant Minister....Joshua Le Administrative AssistantJanine Ryder Director of MusicRay Woods Director of Youth/Children ChoirsSally Hickman Financial Bookkeeper.....Charles, Goh, Vivianna Goh

Membership Secretary Missionary to Cambodia Missionary to Malaysia Missionary to Vietnam Newsletter Editor Organist Preschool Director	Rev. Andrew Lee Joshua Doan Quynh-Hoa Nguyen Janine Ryder Norberto Guinaldo Elizabeth Solares
	Elizabeth Solares Tam Truong



Margaret Heise, in a care facility Raylene Rahmani, Doris Hamby's granddaughter, having surgery on February 7th Heln Sothan asks for prayers for family members and friends that need our prayers, prayers of peace aned joy for everyone in needy world, for our church, it's members and staff The family and friends of Paul Noonan of St. Louis

after his death from Roy & Ann Stewart

- Rafael Corvera, friend of Gail Brown, recovering from a heart attack
- Mary Ann Forsythe, neice of Roy & Ann Stewart, health issues
- Jody & Gary, Stacey Beard's sister & brother, pain
- Marisa, Stacey Beard's niece, restarting therapy & having dental work done
- Bev Owings, at home
- Hal Colebaugh, recovering after chemo & radiation for throat cancer
- Gwen Anderson, recovering at home, in pain David Gregory, working on adjusting pain
- medications to reduce the amount of pain Marilyn Baker, health & memory issues Lilas Green, health issues



Stacey Beard is grateful for maturity & responsibility in the life of Donald and for Doug's continued health & being cancer free.



There are openings on the Prayer Chain for anyone interested in serving our church with prayer. The weekly list of prayer requests will be phoned to you every Monday. Depending on the number of requests, it would mean 5-10 minutes of additional prayer time. Call Shirley Kellogg, 714-539-0546, if you would like to join the team or for more information.



Ray Woods, beloved Director of Music at Garden Grove United Methodist Church, died on Saturday, January 27th almost a year after being diagnosed with cancer. A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, February 2nd in the Sanctuary. A reception will follow in Acker Hall.

Memorial donations may be made to Garden Grove United Methodist Church Memorial Fund or Dana Hills High School SOCSA Vocal Music Program (Dana Hills High School SOCSA Vocal Music Department, 33333 Street of the Golden Lantern, Dana Point, CA. 92629).





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The Expectations deadline for the March issue (to be mailed on Thursday, March 1st) is Tuesday, February 20th. News and Events for March and April should be in this issue. You may E-mail articles to exp@gumc.net, bring them to the Church Office, mail them, or (if they are short) call them in, on or before the deadline.

> Janine Ryder, Editor