



# Expectations

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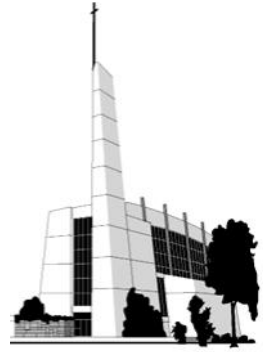
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## May 2025

### Two Methodist women created the holiday that falls on the second Sunday in May



The women who invented the idea in America wanted to honor mothers in a deeper way. Ann Jarvis was convinced that mothers had to work for peace because they could see the ravages of war in their husbands and in their sons, in a way that was so focused and so clear that their voices would be powerful. And that's what's at the genesis of the current Mother's Day.

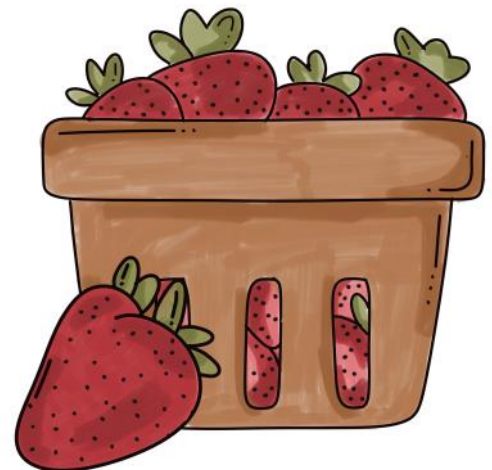
Ann's daughter Anna, decided to memorialize her mother's lifelong activism and through her campaign Mother's Day in the United States was formally established by Anna Jarvis in 1908 and officially culminated in 1914 when Congress passed a Mother's Day resolution.

So when you honor your mothers this year on **Sunday, May 11, 2025** don't forget the great women that came before them and the life of service and determination that made this day possible.

The City of Garden Grove will hold its annual **Strawberry Festival** Friday, May 23rd- Monday, May 26th. The following streets will be closed for through traffic:

- **Chapman Ave. - From West St. to Nutwood St.**
- **Euclid St. - From Orangewood Ave. to Garden Grove Blvd.**
- **Ninth St. - From Orangewood Ave. to Lampson Ave.**
- **Lampson Ave. - From Ninth St. to West of Nelson St.**

The closure of these streets will begin at 7AM on Friday, May 23rd. Our parking lot will be unavailable on all days, except Sunday. Our lot will open back up for Sunday Service.





# May

## BIRTHDAYS

**May 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Geri Ogle

**May 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Thang Victor Dinh



**May 5<sup>th</sup>**

Ron Beaman  
Zachary Pua  
Leah Stacey

**May 8<sup>th</sup>**

Lois Elwell  
Donna Gregg

**May 9<sup>th</sup>**

Susan Kusinsky

**May 12<sup>th</sup>**

Sonja Hofland

**May 13<sup>th</sup>**

Jason Fisher  
Johnny Seto

**May 16<sup>th</sup>**

*Joyce Hall*

**May 17<sup>th</sup>**

Jonni Lorenz  
Sherry Saunders  
Darlene Tuua

**May 18<sup>th</sup>**

Djenni Yap  
Purba  
Sue Riche

**May 19<sup>th</sup>**

*Faye Gregory*  
Sally May

A Very Special “*Happy Birthday*” this month to *Joyce Hall*, and *Faye Gregory*! *Joyce* will be **96** on May 16<sup>th</sup> and *Faye Gregory* will be **94** on May 19<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to send them a special greeting, *Joyce’s* address is 9342 Stanford Ave., Garden Grove, CA 92841-5137 and *Faye’s* is 12372 Merrill St., Garden Grove, CA 92840-3827.



# June

## BIRTHDAYS

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Rose Huong Paap

**June 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Luc Dang

**June 4<sup>th</sup>**

*Robert Nease*  
Sheri Nash

**June 6<sup>th</sup>**

*Frank Kelley*

**June 12<sup>th</sup>**

Howard Dudley  
Linda Shepard

**June 16<sup>th</sup>**

Rebekah Beard

**June 19<sup>th</sup>**

Carla Granados  
Angelina LeDang

**June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Pamela Schneider

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Richard Walth

**June 24<sup>th</sup>**

Melinda Guinaldo  
Jana Henke

**June 27<sup>th</sup>**

Karen Cole  
Shanna Iwasiwka

**June 30<sup>th</sup>**

Marylou Ball



# SPRING CONCERT

Come celebrate the joy and love of Jesus through music at Garden Grove United Methodist Church's Spring Concert: "Make a Joyful Noise!" **Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 5PM in the Sanctuary.** Our Chancel Choir will perform an inspiring selection of songs across various styles, filling the evening with harmony, faith, and community. Join us for a night of uplifting music that celebrates the blessings in our lives! There will be a light reception in front of the sanctuary.



## BIBLE STUDY 2025

*With Pastor Lui*

Bible study will continue on Tuesdays in the upcoming months. Please let us know if you would like to join.



Class Schedule:

✠ Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm, in the Church Office

Prayers for Becky Yokoyama who is undergoing aggressive cancer treatments.

Prayers for Craig Briggs who is going through recovery and continues to get stronger.

Prayers for Doug and Diane Iverson, former long-time members of this congregation. Doug has been diagnosed with multiple abdominal cancers. He will begin six weeks of treatment soon.



## How can you help?

You can either bring your bag(s) of recyclables to Church on Sunday to the fenced-in stairwell or any other time convenient for you. Or, if you prefer, you can take them to your regular recycling location and donate the money to the youth program. We can provide you with local recycling addresses, if needed. If this is not a habit with you to save **cans, plastic and glass bottles**, then give it a try. It is worthy of your effort. Thank you.



## MONDAY

- **Boy Scouts** – ACKER HALL & Rm. 202, 5-9PM

## TUESDAY

- **GGUMC Children's Choir**- CHAPEL, 4-5:15PM (September - December)
- **Samoa Congregation** – CHAPEL 6-8PM
- **Iglesia de Jesucristo**; Oasis de Dios - RM. 202, 6-10PM
- **Finance**- LOUNGE– *4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday* of the month , 6PM
- **Bible Study** – Church Office Conf. Rm. 6:30-7:30PM
- **Village Green HOA**- LOUNGE time TBD-*1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday* of the Month

## WEDNESDAY

- **Trinity Circle** – locations TBD, but sometimes LOUNGE – *1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month* – 9:30 AM
- **SPRC** - LOUNGE – 7PM, *every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday* of the month
- **United Women in Faith** – location TBD, but sometimes LOUNGE – *3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month* – time TBD
- **Samoa Congregation** – ACKER HALL, 5-9PM
- **Self Help Group** – Rm. 202, 6-10PM
- **Vietnamese Bible Study** - Chapel 6PM

## THURSDAY

- **Trustees** – LOUNGE, *1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month*, 5PM
- **CCC** - LOUNGE, *3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month*, 5:30PM (QUARTERLY)
- **Samoa Congregation** – ACKER HALL, 5-9PM
- **GGUMC Choir**- CHAPEL 6:30PM, SANCTUARY 6-9PM (until end of May)

## FRIDAY

- **Iglesia de Jesucristo** - RM. 202, 6-10PM

## SATURDAY

- **Vietnamese congregation & Arts** – UPPER ROOMS & CHAPEL, 9AM-1PM (*January – August*)
- **Samoa Congregation** - CHAPEL, 5-10AM *last Saturday* of each month

## SUNDAY

- **Korean Congregation** – Rm. 204 & 202 11AM-1:30PM
- **Samoa**– ACKER HALL 2-9PM, *2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday* of each month
- **Iglesia de Jesucristo** - SANCTUARY 2:30PM-5:30PM

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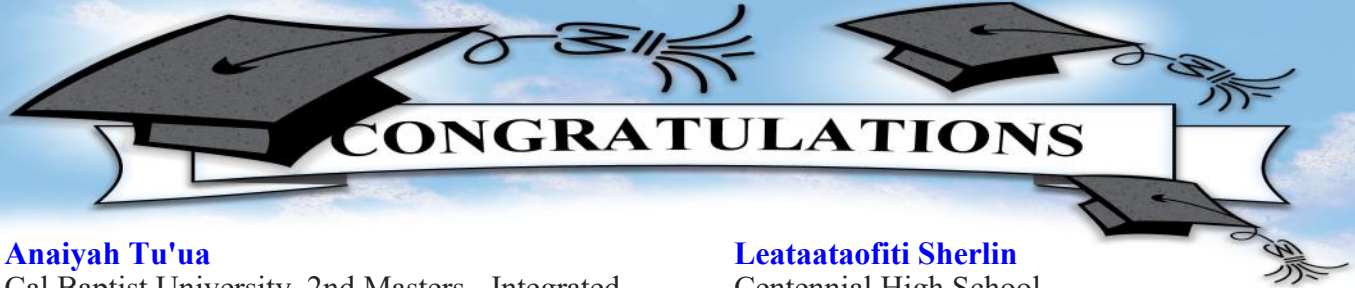
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 <b>OUTSIDE RENTER</b> 8AM-11PM
4	5	6 <b>BIBLE STUDY</b> Church Office 6:30PM	7 <b>TRINITY CIRCLE</b> Lounge 9:30AM	8 <b>TRUSTEES</b> Lounge 5PM	9	10
11 <b>MOTHER'S DAY</b>	12	13 <b>BIBLE STUDY</b> Church Office 6:30PM	14 <b>SPRC</b> Lounge 7PM	15 <b>CCC</b> Lounge 5:30PM	16	17 <b>SPRING CONCERT</b> Sanctuary 4PM-10PM <b>OUTSIDE RENTER</b> Acker Hall 8AM-11PM
18	19	20 <b>BIBLE STUDY</b> Church Office 6:30PM	21 <b>UWF</b> Lounge	22	23 <b>STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL</b> No parking	24 <b>STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL</b> No parking
25 <b>STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL</b>	26 <b>STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL</b> No parking	27 <b>BIBLE STUDY</b> Church Office 6:30PM  <b>FINANCE</b> Lounge 6:00PM	28	29	30 <b>OUTSIDE RENTER</b> Acker Hall/Kitchen 6PM-10PM	31 <b>OUTSIDE RENTER</b> Acker Hall/Kitchen 6PM-10PM



**EASTER** Last Month we had a beautiful Easter Celebration. Thank you to all the congregation and volunteers who performed as well as everyone who setup Easter Brunch and the Easter Egg Hunt. We had a great turnout!







**Anaiyah Tu'ua**

Cal Baptist University, 2nd Masters - Integrated Nutrition and will be going into Nursing

**Sophia Guerrero**

Loara High School. Accepted into the Radiology Technician Program at Cypress College

**Tereise Tosi**

Cal State San Bernardino, Bachelors in Psychology Accepted into Cal Baptist University for the Masters Sports Psychology program

**Rachel Beard**

Cal State University Fullerton Bachelor of Arts - Liberal Studies Will be starting her credential program

**Nive Pua**

Promoting to 8th grade from Bragg Elementary

**Leataataofiti Sherlin**

Centennial High School Going to San Jose State to play Softball

**Jayce Prescott Nguyen**

Ladera Vista Junior High School of the Arts Going to Fullerton High School



**Church Staff**

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

Bishop ..... Dottie Escobedo-Frank  
District Superintendent..... Rev. Luis Garcia  
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Missionary to Greece.....Rebecca Swartz  
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Music Director..... Michael Ortiz  
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Membership Secretary.....Donna Gregg



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DATED MATERIAL 3/31/25

# WORSHIP SCHEDULE

10:00 a.m. English Worship-Sanctuary  
9:30 a.m. Samoan Worship-Chapel  
11:30 a.m. Korean Worship-Sanctuary  
12:15 p.m. Vietnamese Worship-Chapel  
2:30 p.m. Spanish Worship-Sanctuary

**TURN IN  
YOUR ARTICLES  
EARLY!**

# DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES IS

## Wednesday, May 21st

The *Expectations* deadline for the June issue (to be mailed on Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>) is Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. News and Events for June-July should be in this issue. You may E-mail articles to [ggumc@ggumc.net](mailto:ggumc@ggumc.net), bring them to the Church Office, mail them, or (if they are short) call them in, on or before the deadline.

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