

# **PASTOR'S PAGE**

Recently, Pastor Stuart Briscoe shared this story:

Many years ago when our children were small, we went for a little drive in the lovely English countryside, and there was some fresh snow. I saw a lovely field with not a single blemish on the virgin snow. I stopped the car, and I vaulted over the gate, and I ran around in a great big circle striding as wide as I could. Then, I came back to the kids, and said, "Now, children, I want you to follow in my footsteps. So, I want you to run around that circle in the snow, and I want you to put your feet where your father put his feet."

Well, David tried and couldn't quite make it. Judy, our over-achiever, was certain she would make it; she couldn't make it. Pete, the little kid, took a great run at it, put his foot in my first footprint and then strode out as far as he could and fell on his face. His mother picked him up as he cried. I said, "Pete, come here." I picked him up and put his left foot on my foot, and I put his right foot on my foot. I said, "Okay, Pete, Let's go." I began to stride one big stride at a time with my hands under his armpits and his feet lightly on mine.

Well, who was doing it? In a sense, he was doing it because I was doing it. In a sense, there was a commitment of the little boy to the big dad, and some of the properties of the big dad were working through the little boy.

In exactly the same way, in our powerlessness we can't stride as wide as we should. We don't walk the way we should. We don't hit the target the way we ought. It isn't that at every point we are as bad as we could be. It's just that at no point are we as good as we should be. Something's got to be done.

The message of Easter and beyond is it has been done. You can walk in His steps. You can be saved by His life. All that is the message of grace.

Praise God! Through Jesus, we are delivered and blessed. The only question which remains is this one; "How will the incredible, matchless grace of Jesus Christ be received and lived out in your life?"

*Glen*

# PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

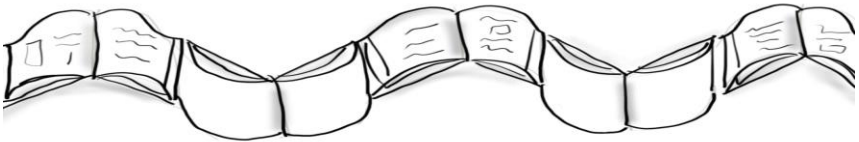
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Kay Smith  
Loise Sullivan  
Rev. Roy Erford

Please include in your prayers those with special needs, those receiving medical care, the home-bound, caregivers, service men and women, our CA/NV Conference, and the churches of the Great Northern District.

*(If you would like your name added for special prayers, please let us know at the office or contact the pastor.)*



## Library News

New books have arrived!

- 50 Women Every Christian Should Know: Learning From Heroines of the Faith by Michelle DeRusha
- Growing Peace: A Story of Farming, Music, and Religious Harmony by Richard Sobol (Children's Book)
- Massacre at Sand Creek: How Methodists Were Involved in an American Tragedy by Gary L. Roberts

~Marsha Sylvester-Jose, Church Librarian

*"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members" ~Coretta Scott King*

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS & THANK YOU'S**

## **THANK YOU**

"With a thankful heart, I'd like to express my thoughts for all who sent cards and get wells, phone calls, and prayers. I'm convinced that God is the great physician and does take care of us!"

Blessings to all ~ Berdina Anderson



## **OUTREACH WINDOW**

Donations of fresh fruit or fruit cups to include in the lunch bags and shampoo and conditioner for the hygiene bags would be appreciated. The Month of March the window gave out 172 sack lunches, referred 35 people to C.A.N., and gave out 11 hygiene bags. Thank you to all those that have donated.



## **JAMES MCDANIELS GRADUATION PARTY**

The McDaniels Family would like to invite the congregation to celebrate James' graduation from USC. A light dinner celebration will be held in Pioneer Hall on May 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 P.M. He graduates Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree major in Broadcast & Digital Media and a minor in Sports Media Studies.



## **MARSHALL PASK GRADUATION PARTY**

The Pask Family is celebrating the High School Graduation of Marshall Pask on May 24<sup>th</sup> from 12pm to 2pm in Pioneer Hall. This is an open-house invitation to our congregation to attend or stop by to wish Marshall the best in his future endeavors.



## **UMW READING PROGRAM**

I Am A Bear by Jean-François Dumont. It isn't easy living on the streets in a cardboard box, hungry and cold. It's especially hard when people ignore you, until one day a girl's smile gives some hope. I Am A Bear is a beautifully illustrated touching tale of a homeless bear and a girl he befriends. This story is one of our new reading program books available to everyone to checkout.

~Marsha Sylvester-Jose

## NEW MEMBERS COLUMN

*Each month we will highlight new members who joined our church in December. This month the spotlight is on:*

### THE CARR FAMILY

**Robert Carr** – Born in Riverside, CA. Has lived in Marysville since 1959. Attended Marysville High School and Yuba College. Worked as a Steamfitter for 34 years and is now retired. Married to (Theresa) Teri Beeler Carr for 40 years, raised 6 kids, 5 boys, and 1 girl.

**Teresa Ann (Teri)** – Born and raised here in Marysville by Doug & Sharon Beeler. Attended Notre Dame, Marysville High School and Graduated from Beauty College. She is a Mom/Homemaker raising 6 kids, plus numerous strays. Her interests include Family, Church and outdoor activities.

**Jacob B. Carr** – Born and raised in Yuba City, He is the first born to Robert & Teri. He is the father of “Lil” Jacob. Graduated from Sutter High School. He is a Journeyman Pipe-Welder by trade. Currently he is the lead welder on PG&E’s Hot-Shot Welding Crew. His interests include raising his son, hunting, fishing and all outdoor sports.

**Trevor Carr** – Trevor is from Yuba City. Graduated from Sutter High School and attended Yuba College. Interests include all sports, farming, hunting, fishing and dogs.

**Todd Carr** – Sixth child of Robert & Teri. Currently attends Sutter Union High School. He is an accomplished (3) sports athlete in his Senior year. In the process of picking a college to attend. His interests include playing sports, snowboarding, hunting and fishing.



\*Jacob Not Pictured

# DATES AND EVENTS

Thursday, May 3	11 pm – Prayer Circle
Sunday, May 6	10 am – Combined Worship
Tuesday, May 8	5:30 pm – SPPRC Meeting
Wednesday, May 9	2 pm – Miriam Circle
	5:30 pm – Trustees Meeting
Thursday, May 10	11 am – Prayer Circle
Saturday, May 12	11 am – UMW Salad Luncheon
Sunday, May 13	10 am – Mother's Day Brunch
	6 pm – James McDaniels' Graduation Party (Pioneer Hall)
Tuesday, May 15	<b>CIRCUIT RIDER DEADLINE</b>
	6 pm – Finance Meeting
Wednesday, May 16	3:30 pm – Worship Meeting
	4 pm – Outreach Meeting
Thursday, May 17	10 am – Bazaar Buddies
	11 am – Prayer Circle
Saturday, May 19	5 pm – Pinochle Party
Sunday, May 20	<b>PENTECOST – WEAR RED</b>
Thursday, May 24	11 am – Prayer Circle
	12 pm – Marshall Pask's Graduation Party (Pioneer Hall)
Saturday, May 26	6 am – Pioneer Hall Reserved
Monday, May 28	<b>Memorial Day – Office Closed</b>
Tuesday, May 29	6 pm – Admin. Council Mtg.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The United Methodist Men are promoting the Faith & Family Night at the Sacramento River Cats. The congregation is invited to sign-up for the game on Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. Gates open at 4:30pm. Ticket price is \$20 per person.



5/3	Joan Everett	5/17	Cheryl Bottum
5/4	Karl Medbery	5/19	Terry O'Dell
5/6	Rosalie Pitt	5/19	Shawn Kelly
5/6	Marilyn Kostlivy	5/20	Chin Noyes
5/7	Adolf Rodriquez	5/21	Lorna Stutz
5/11	Denise Van Dyke	5/23	Venessa Datus
5/11	Levi Knight	5/24	Don Elliott
5/13	George Able	5/26	Maureen Smith

*Happy Anniversary*

5/28 Jerry & Shelley Fish  
5/28 Tom & Cathy Wallach

***The 12-month birthday list is posted on the bulletin board in Pioneer Hall. For additions or corrections, please call the church office.***



Hi, Sweet Ladies,

What a nice treat we had from Scotia Holmes, giving us a travelogue, once again. Thank you to everyone who assisted in making our meeting a successful one. Thank you, Scotia.

Next month our hostesses will be Myra Wade and Janet Herald. They have a special program for us and your help is needed. The theme is "*I remember Mama*". Please bring a picture of your mother and one of yourself as a child for a fun game. Before the meeting, (the sooner, the better) put your name on the back and give them to Janet, Myra or Bonnie S. Also, wear or bring to the meeting on May 9<sup>th</sup> anything of your mother's you would like to show.

This will be the last get together of spring. We will begin meeting again on September 12th.

God bless you all. It is wonderful to visit and learn in such great company.

Yours in Christ,

Bonnie Shelton



*Miriam Circle is a social circle under the auspices of UMW.*

*Any and all ladies are invited to join us. We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 2:00 P.M.—*

*except during Lent and Advent when we will meet for a light lunch at 12:00 P.M.*



# LAY LEADER CORNER

Greetings on this breezy day! Perhaps the month of May will bless us with more sunshine and less wind as well. The flowers are showing lovely shades of color now to brighten our days and bring smiles to one and all.

The first Sunday, May 6th, will be a Combined 10:00 a.m. church service with Sunday School at 10:15 a.m., recognition of May Birthdays & Anniversaries, Communion, and a Potluck Lunch.

The 2nd Sunday, May 13th, is Mother's Day! This special day will again feature the Methodist Men serving a Mother's Day Pancake Brunch at 10:00 a.m., in Pioneer Hall. All the Church Family is welcome to attend and enjoy this meal. The two church services will be at their regular times of 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. with Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.

The Annual Salad Luncheon for the Methodist Women is Saturday, March 12th. Thanks to a very special lady, Carol Swain, and her creativity, this luncheon is a sellout every year. It is wise to get your ticket(s) now. It is such a beautiful sight to see how lovely the salads are arranged and the variety is wonderful. Come and enjoy!

We have a busy church with many activities, classes, and other opportunities. Always know that you can feel free to join in at any time. Remember those that are ill, home bound for whatever reason, or in a care facility with a card, a call, or a visit. It is always appreciated.

*"Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow." ~Melody Beattie*

May you be blest in all that you do for others each day,

Shirley Anderson, Lay Leader



# UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Hello Ladies,

The saying "April showers bring May flowers" is in evidence in bushes, fruit trees and the beautiful Easter Cross that was full of fresh flowers. It was certainly more than showers on the first day of our rummage sale, but after working together for many days nothing could dampen our spirits and we were able to give the same level of smiles and friendliness that our satisfied customers have come to expect. There was more than usual left unsold but it all went to Disabled American Veterans and so our giving continues. Well done everyone!

The Memorial Reception Committee has been kept very busy with several memorials over the last few months and a recent wedding. They put in many hours of thoughtful, dedicated work to make these events as meaningful as possible for families. Thank you Lorna and Lenna.

Is everyone ready for our Annual Salad Luncheon on May 12? The theme is Nifty Fifty and even more fun if you dress the part, capri pants, poodle skirts, saddle shoes or rolled up blue jeans will put you in the mood.

Bazaar Buddies meets the 3rd Thursday of the month, come join us to work on crafts and ideas for the Bazaar.

Upcoming UMW events are: May 5, Meet and Greet, Middletown Community UMC; May 12, Annual Salad Luncheon 11am; May 18-19, 150 Celebration Assembly, Columbus, Ohio.

Next meeting: Executive Board, May 7, 10:00 AM.

*Thought for the Day: Stop watering the weeds in your life and start watering the flowers.*

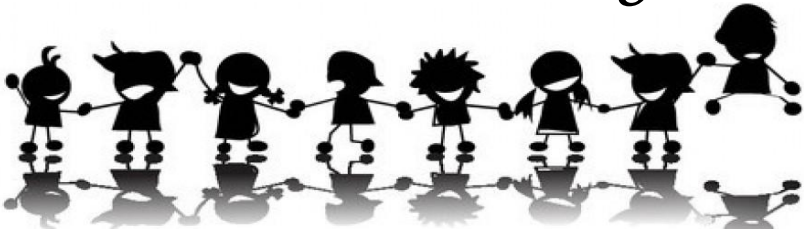
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United Methodist



# Children's Page



Easter celebration was great! The children, choir and congregation rocked the church with “Oh Happy Day,” led by Robin Harland. It was a soul stirring rendition to celebrate the wonderful happy day when Jesus gave us the gift of life. “Oh Happy Day! He Lives!”

Robin Pask and assistants coordinated a great Easter egg hunt for happy children. It was a wonderful Easter morning.

Next Up..... going into summer. Sunday School is scheduled until the end of May and VBS plans with Pastor Glen and his happy group for the week of June 25-29. Please sign-up for VBS and bring your children to this fun event. Check soon for a flyer with details and an enrollment form.

Volunteers are needed to carry out Sunday School classes during June-July & August. Talk to Robin Harland or Robin Pask and sign-up to help. You can sign-up as an assistant in the class or as the teacher to give a lesson. All class materials are provided or bring your own lesson subject and materials if you would like.

Helen Bartlett/Robin Harland/Robin Pask

*Co-School Superintendent: Helen Bartlett & Robin Harland  
Teaching staff and volunteers: Robin Harland, Robin Pask,  
Rob Hilton, Liz Hilton, Helen Bartlett, Liz Ralph, Jennifer Kelly,  
Trina Smith, Jerry Fish, Jennifer Diego, Maryjane Matthews*

## **Helping Our Church**

***Our gratitude to all those helping our church  
last month and all who volunteer throughout the  
year:***

Bell Ringer: di mcumber

Ushers: 9 am – Lorna Stutz & Marylyn Kostlivy,  
11 am – Sid & Vivian Riley;

Greeters: 9 am – Anna Isaacs, 11 am – Bonnie Shelton;

Liturgists: 9 am – Joanne McDaniels,  
11 am- Kathy O'Dell;

Music Leaders: Praise Team – Lisa Weir

Chancel Choir Director: Jeff Hinkle

Musicians: Joan Everett, Rob Hilton, Jeff Hinkle,  
Terry Raley and Lisa Weir

Sound Board Techs: 9 & 11 a.m. – Jerry Fish,  
Karl Medbery, Tony Pollizzi, Curtis Sylvester-José

PowerPoint Techs: Marcia Davis, Terry Raley

Sunday School Sup'ts: Helen Bartlett and Robin Harland

Youth Group Leaders: Rob & Liz Able Hilton

Altar Stewards: Robin Pask, Liz Ralph & Pam Carmichael

Sanctuary Stewards: Mark Beszhak

Communion Stewards: Shirley Anderson & Lenna Mullins

Church Treasurers: Janet Herald and Debbie Hopking

Counters: Bonnie Archuleta, Claudia Bradford,  
Lenna Mullins

Financial Secretary: Lenna Mullins

Librarian: Marsha Sylvester-José

Volunteers: Bonnie Archuleta, Cathy Deaton,  
Marilyn Kostlivy, Bonnie Shelton, Lorna Stutz, Myra Wade,  
Lenna Mullins & Janet Herald

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**SUNDAY SERVICES**

★ **FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH – 10:00 a.m.**

*Combined Worship and Communion Service followed with Potluck*

★ **ALL OTHER SUNDAYS:**

9 a.m. - Contemporary Worship Service,

11:00 a.m. - Traditional Worship Service

★ **EVERY SUNDAY** - 1:00 p.m. - Hmong Language Worship