



# new community united methodist church

## COMMUNITY NOTES

February 27, 2007

### First Friday Women's Group

The First Friday (former Circle of Friends) meeting will deviate this month and will be on the last Friday of February. The group will have a "field trip" to visit the Fresno Art Museum exhibit Words for Peace by calligrapher Thomas Ingmire. Meet at the church at 9AM on Friday February 29 to carpool to Fresno, visit the exhibit and enjoy a no-host lunch together afterward. Please call Pat Pinckney (641-7748) or email (iambee@sti.net) if you plan to participate and if you are willing to carpool. There is no childcare planned for this event. If you are in need of childcare please contact Kelly in the church office.

### SPECIAL LENTEN STUDY

Beginning February 13th and continuing throughout Lent. We will be doing a Lenten Bible Study with Christ Church. It will begin after the community meal at 6:45 in Whittenburg Hall. It will be led by Father Gordon Kamai. We invite everyone to come eat dinner and then join us in this study.

### Holy Week

#### March 16, Palm Sunday

Services will be held at their regular time. During MorningSong children will "Prepare the Way of the Lord" by waving their Palm Branches High.

#### Maundy Thursday

#### Love Feast and Foot Washing

Elizabeth McDaniel will once again be organizing this event. It will be a quiet filled service that takes place in the Chapel over dinner. Space is limited, so please call the office to make reservations.

#### Good Friday

We have been doing an on-going Lenten Study on Wednesdays with the local Anglican church and will join them for their Good Friday service at 3:00 PM. After the service those who are able will walk the stations of the cross. If you need a ride or more information please call the church office.

#### Easter Sunday

Our church services will be held at 9:30 and 11:00. The MorningGlory Choir and the SpiritBand will be performing the Easter Cantata at each service. Children will be staying in to hear the Cantata and then going out to participate in an activity. The Nursery will have childcare available for those under 5.

### All Church Potluck

Friday, February 29

6:00 PM

Whittenburg Hall

*Bring your favorite dish and come enjoy some wonderful fun, food and fellowship. Everybody is welcome to attend.*

## March Birthdays

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|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 03 Clark Ide         | 16 Marlys Mitchell   | 19 Aaron Huffstutler |
| 03 Carol Beatty      | 16 Miranda Ashton    | 22 Cary Odell        |
| 06 Xander Hagen      | 17 Jorge Lopez-      | 23 Marci Bennik      |
| 08 Jenny Huffstutler | Aguodo               | 25 Dena Boortz       |
| 12 Rudy Helm         | 17 Ginger Neufeld    | 25 Clark Thurman     |
| 12 Bea Walden        | 17 Barbara Crowell   | 29 David Irion       |
| 13 Rich Johnson      | 17 Rosemary Mitchell | 29 Eddie Guzman      |
| 16 Al Joyal          | 18 Mitchell Hendry   | 30 Eden Hagen        |
| 16 Erland Myers      | 19 Marge Humphrey    |                      |



## What's Happening



**Wednesday 27:** 11:30 AM Backpack Team meets in the Youth Room, 5:00 and 6:00 PM Community Meal, 6:45 PM Lenten Bible Study with the Anglican Church in Whittenburg Hall

**Thursday 28:** 8:00 AM Men's Study at Chukchansi

**Friday 29:** 9:00 AM First Friday Group meets at the Church to Carpool to Fresno Art Museum, 6:00 PM All Church Potluck

**Saturday 1:** 9:00 AM Clothes Sorting in Whittenburg Hall

**Sunday 2:** 2:00—3:00 PM Let's Talk at Starbucks

**Tuesday 4:** 10:30 AM Prayer Group will meet in the Chapel

**Wednesday 5:** 5:00 and 6:00 PM Community Meal, 6:45 PM Lenten Bible Study with the Anglican Church in Whittenburg Hall, 7:15 PM MorningGlory Choir will rehearse

**Thursday 6:** 8:00 AM Men's Study at Chukchansi

**Friday 7: First Friday Group will not meet.**

**Saturday 8:** 9:00 Am Clothes Sorting in Whittenburg Hall

### Upcoming Events

**March 10** Women's Support Group will meet at noon, and Support Team will meet at 4:30.

**March 18** Book Group will meet at 6:30 PM at the home of Paula Starner.

### Free Beginning Bridge

A new beginning bridge class will start at 9:30 AM at the Senior Center in Oakhurst on Wednesday March 5. There is no charge, and you need no prior experience. People who want to brush up are welcome. Time for playing will be provided at each lesson. Call Paul at 658-8952.

### Let's Talk...

There are a lot of reasons for chatting over a cup of coffee. It could be to get acquainted. Or maybe its to ask a nagging question or build a relationship. Sometimes we even use sharing a cup of coffee to discuss the morning's sermon. If you would like to share a cup of coffee with Pastor Jim and talk about whatever happens to be on your mind, come by Starbucks (behind Quiznos and Jamba Juice on Highway 41) on Sundays from 2 to 3 PM.

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### Sunday, February 17, 2008

Worship Attendance (Includes childcare and children's activities concurrent with service)

Mountainsong	19
Morningsong	79
Spiritsong	45
Total	143

Tithes and Offering	\$2,747.00
Offering Plate	80.00
Loose Change	28.50
Sunday School	6.00
Fair Trade Purchases	7.00
Community Meal Gifts	241.00
Building & Improvements	25.00
Total Gifts	\$3,134.50

### Sunday, February 24, 2008

Worship Attendance	
Mountainsong	10
Morningsong	65
Spiritsong	37
Total	112

Tithes and Offering	\$2,192.00
Offering Plate	79.00
Loose Change	33.28
Sunday School	4.00
Fair Trade Purchases	29.00
Community Meal	191.00
Facility Gifts (Use Fees)	120.00
Memorial Gifts	50.00
Total Gifts	\$2698.28

### Staff

<b>Administrator</b>	Kelly Iden
<b>Custodian</b>	Tamara Straughn
<b>Thrift Store Manager</b>	Ron Nisar
<b>Director of Music</b>	Monika Moulin
<b>Lay Leaders</b>	Elizabeth McDaniel, Barb Johnson
<b>Lay Rep to Annual Conference</b>	Jan Rawlings
<b>Pastor</b>	Jim Luther
<b>Leadership Team</b>	Ken Rawlings (Chairperson), Rich Johnson, Vickye Ashton, Erin Mills, Kelly Iden, Jan Heady, Jerry Straughn, Paul Mertens
<b>Support Team</b>	Pat Menke (Chairperson) Rob Fisher, JoAnn Merickel, Russ Mills, Pat Pinckney, Mike Rawlings, Sandy Edmondson, Ginger Straughn, Tom Allcock

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