

**Shepherd of the Hills  
United Methodist  
Church**

*A Multi-Site Community  
of Faith serving the  
Saddleback Valley*



# HAPPENINGS

## June 2017 Edition

Pastors:

Rev. Karl Stuckenberg

Rev. Jon Waterson

## June in Worship

### June 4

Pentecost - Comes the Spirit

Acts 2:1-21

### June 11

Flying Coach: Finding God  
in Everyday Life

Acts 11:19-26

### June 18

Flying Coach: Finding God  
in Everyday Life

Luke 5:27-32

### June 25

Flying Coach: Finding God  
in Everyday Life

Luke 10:38-42

(One 10:00 am service at MV  
& RSM)

## Sunday Worship Schedule:

### Mission Viejo Campus

9:00 am Traditional  
Worship

11:00 am Modern Worship

26001 Muirlands Blvd.  
Mission Viejo, CA 92691  
949-837-2941

### Rancho Santa Margarita Campus

9:30 am Relaxed  
Traditional  
Worship

11:00 am Modern Worship

30605 Avenida de Las Flores  
Rancho Santa Margarita, CA  
92688  
949-589-1502

## PASTOR KARL'S NOTES

For surely I know  
the plans I have for  
you, says the Lord,  
plans for your welfare  
and not for harm, to  
give you a future with  
hope.

--Jeremiah 29:11

Dear Church Family,

The first time I saw this verse was in a book of illustrated scriptures. The artist's name has long since left my memory, but the image of those words has stuck with me. The words are powerful when we stop to think about them. God has a hope for us: a plan that if we choose to follow it will lead to an amazing future.

At the time of this writing, we are in the first week after our annual Stewardship Campaign. Commitment Cards are still

coming in as we seek to follow God's plan for Shepherd of the Hills' future with hope. Both Pastor Jon and I are excited about what those plans hold for us.

As a church this year, we have much work to do in following that plan. Setting our budget at the June 27<sup>th</sup> Charge Conference is a first step in that plan. More importantly, however, is our work to help people become deeply committed followers of Jesus Christ. Your Church Council is working hard to discern what that means. By the time you read this, we will have had our first visioning meeting to prayerfully think about who we are trying to reach as a church and how we can best invite them to follow this amazing savior who has changed our lives.

In addition, this year our church has voted to put a focus on reaching out to the homeless of our community. As of this writing, there are roughly 4,700 without shelter in Orange County. Within our county's schools, 1,019 children are identified as homeless. This year, we are going to find ways to be the hands and feet of Christ to this community as we listen for God's direction.

Thank you for your generous gifts that keep our church going. Thank you for being a church that wants to reach out rather than stay within our own walls. And thank you for being a church that wants to help people become deeply committed followers of Jesus Christ. I am honored and blessed to be in ministry with you.

With God's Peace,

Pastor Karl

## All Church Picnic – Sunday, June 25 - 12:00 noon

Help us kick off Summer 2017 - come to the SOTH all-church picnic!!! We have another opportunity to unite our dual campuses for fun, sun and fellowship!!! The church will provide barbequed hamburgers and hotdogs and water. There will be a sign up list at each campus for your family to contribute by bringing a side dish, dessert or some of the other picnic lunch items that we will need to make our picnic an awesome event! There will be a covered patio with picnic benches to

***There will be a single 10:00 am worship on June 25 at both the RSM and MV campuses.***

offer shade, however, we hope for a large turn-out and encourage you to bring your own lawn chairs and EZ-ups to ensure plenty of shade

for everyone. There will be games for the kiddos and adults...we are also looking into putting together a softball game...more details to come!! Bring your Frisbees, bocce ball and other outdoor games to foster our spirit of fellowship and (friendly) competition!!

**When:** Sunday, June 25, 12:00 noon – 3:30 pm

**Where:** Florence Joyner Park – Mission Viejo at 22760 Olympiad Road (cross street is Alicia Parkway).

Dogs--and yes, the regulation also includes cats--must be on a leash at all times, and you must pick up after your pet.

Sign up at either campus to let us know you will be attending or what you are planning to bring. Questions?? Please contact Michelle Williams at (949) 254-5214 or via e-mail at [rgcs625@gmail.com](mailto:rgcs625@gmail.com).



## Shepherd 101 Is Sunday, June 25

If you have been thinking about joining Shepherd of Hills UMC or want to know more about the United Methodist Church the Shepherd 101 class is for you. Come and join us on Sunday, June 25, from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm in Shepherd Hall. Please notify the church office at 837-2941 if you are interested in attending the class and if you will need child care, or sign up at the office table at MV.

## RSM Workday on June 24

Saturday, June 24, 8:00 am to noon. All skill levels will be working on various projects, including maintenance, paint and repair. Come and join us June 24 at the Rancho Santa Margarita campus.



## Faith and Mental Illness - Info Session June 4

Did you know that one in five adults in the U.S. experiences mental illness in a given year? Family members and caretakers of those afflicted with mental illness often live in quiet desperation feeling shame, guilt, and helplessness as they are not able to properly care for their loved ones. All is not lost. There is always hope. Our faith tells us "nothing is impossible with God (Luke 1:37)." Join us for an information session on faith and mental illness on Sunday, June 4, from 12:30 to 1:30 pm in the Aldersgate Room. Paul and Jana Lu will share their story and discuss ways to bring hope and support to those afflicted and to their loved ones. A light lunch will be served. All who are interested may attend. Please RSVP to Paul and Jana Lu at [plu@namioc.org](mailto:plu@namioc.org).

## Communion on Sunday, June 4

On Sunday, June 4 communion will be celebrated at both worship services at both campuses. Our communion offering will go towards AIDS. The UMC Global AIDS Fund (UMGAF) began in 2004 as a response to the global AIDS pandemic. An inter-agency committee guides the effort. Grants are provided to global projects that provide education for prevention and/or care for those who are infected with HIV or AIDS. As of 2016, funding for 287 Christ-centered projects in 44 countries had been allocated, plus scores of Annual

Conference AIDS projects. At the beginning of 2016, approximately 37 million people around the world were living with HIV or AIDS. Young people, particularly women, are increasingly affected -- nearly half of all AIDS patients are women. And each day, 700 babies are born HIV positive. Mother-to-child transmission of HIV (MTCT) can be reduced to below 5% when women have access to testing, counseling and treatment. But access is often difficult.

## Pentecost Sunday, June 4

### *Birthday of the Christian Church*

Pentecost Sunday, which marks the end of the Easter season in the Christian calendar, celebrates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles. Jesus had ascended, but he sent the Holy Spirit so that believers could have the comfort, guidance, and empowerment of God's presence. Each year, Pentecost comes 50 days after Easter Sunday, hence its name. The Greek word for 50 is Pentecost. The color for Pentecost is red. Wear your red on June 4th for Pentecost.

## Shepherd All-Church Charge Conference

**Tuesday, June 27, 7:00 pm**  
**MV Campus**

All members of Shepherd of the Hills are invited and welcome to our Church Conference. One of the important items on the agenda is the approval of the 2017-2018 budget. Plan to attend this informative meeting.



## Save These Dates for Summer and Beyond

### Summer Concert - August 13

RSM campus, 5:00 pm. Food truck available for food purchase.

### Fun Fantastic - August 20

Sharing of fun times in the life of Shepherd of the Hills. A time of reminiscing.

**Shepherd 50th Anniversary - October 1** - one serve at 10:00 am followed by a luncheon.

## Music Camp 2017 "Malice in the Palace"

"Malice in the Palace" is still accepting registrations for kids who are in grades 1-12. You can pick up a form at either church site or on the sothumc.org website. Invite a friend and experience a fun two weeks where we put on a show and learn more about the exciting story of Esther. Kings, queens, bad guys, good guys, soldiers, beauty pageant contestants... they're all there! Don't miss out! **Deadline for registration is June 30.**

Music Camp runs for two weeks to give kids in grades 1-12 a chance to put on a show and learn more about the God that loves them. We meet at the Rancho Santa Margarita campus. The cost is \$80 per child, and scholarships are available. Here are the dates for this summer:

Sunday, July 30	Auditions 2:00 - 4:00 pm
Monday- Friday, July 31 - August 11	Rehearsals 9:00 - noon
Friday, August 11	Performance 7:00 pm
Sunday, August 13	Performance 10:00 am

Registration forms are now available in print or at sothumc.org. Please contact Kim Nason for more information at knason@sothumc.org.



# Children's Ministry

## Vacation Bible School 2017

Welcome to Maker Fun Factory, where kids learn they were created by God and built for a purpose. Get ready for a wildly creative, inventive, interactive adventure with God!

**July 24 - 28**

**9:00 AM - 12:15 PM**

\$55 first child/\$95 two children/\$125 max for family of three or more children

(Includes camp T-shirt for each child and music CD for the family)

Registration is now open (both online and paper) and we're filling up fast. Limited space available! **Please register at [www.sothumc.org](http://www.sothumc.org) (Scroll down to the Shepherd Kids banner on the home page.)**

### Hey Volunteers!

Come join our team! Volunteer opportunities available online through the registration page. Nursery care and 3 year old class available for volunteers only.

**Everyone:** Save your tin cans and bring them to church by July 15--we'll need them for making robots.



For Children's Ministry information, contact Stephanie Cleye, Director of Children & Family Ministries, at [scleye@sothumc.org](mailto:scleye@sothumc.org), Emilie Schoettger, Children Coordinator at RSM, at [eschoettger@sothumc.org](mailto:eschoettger@sothumc.org) or Amy Strawn, Childcare Coordinator, at [astrawn@sothumc.org](mailto:astrawn@sothumc.org).



## Explorers

Hey 3rd-5th Graders!! Join us at Explorers for Bible study, games, service projects and fun.

### June 6 - END OF THE YEAR

**PARTY!!** Join us as we kick off summer with water games, pizza, activities and prizes! 5:00 - 6:30 pm in Shepherd Hall. Wear your swimsuit and appropriate cover ups.



## Lazy W Summer Camp

Last chance to sign up! Get ready for an amazing summer camp in our local hills! Campers will spend time exploring nature, worshiping, playing games, learning archery, laughing, swimming, hiking, singing, making crafts and learning about God. For more information - [www.lazywranch.org](http://www.lazywranch.org). Watch for fundraisers to help support our campers.

Elementary Camp (Grades 3-6) July 9-14

Jr. High Camp (Grades 6-9) July 16-22

Sr. High Camp (Grades 9-Graduated Seniors) July 23-29

Register now online: [www.calpaccamps.org](http://www.calpaccamps.org)



## Thank you to our Sunday School teachers:

A special thank you to all our Sunday School teachers and helpers who took time out of their busy schedules this past year to teach our littlest ones about Jesus every week. Thank you for your dedication and love for our Shepherd Kids!

### MV

Amy Strawn  
Sondra Thorson  
Jim Burch  
Colette McClellan  
Stephanie Foundoulis  
Esther Chun  
Marcia Easton  
Lisa Horner  
Rochelle Ambrose  
Nancy McGuire  
Mary Vrooman  
Sarah Galliver  
Lisa Van Winkle  
Bev Lohmeyer

### RSM

Laurie Allison  
Holly Roehl  
Debbie Chawner  
Mindi Foote  
Andrea Howard  
Gina Lalani  
Laura Brown  
Melissa Geoghagen  
Julie Maynard  
Araba Mensah  
Jenifer Waters  
Jody Kick  
Liz Burger





# This 'n' That

## Calling All Graduates

Graduates will be honored on Sunday, June 4, at the 11:00 am worship service. If you are graduating this year, or if you know someone who will graduate, please let the church office know. We want to recognize all graduates from high school, college or those who are receiving advanced degrees. Please turn in name, school and degree information, (forms available at either campus), to either church office. The names of those graduating will be placed in the Sunday bulletin. Deadline for submitting names is Tuesday, May 30.



## Acolytes Recognized Sunday, June 11

On Sunday, June 11, our acolytes will be recognized. The following have faithfully served our church in the capacity of a senior acolyte: Brigit Colwell (7 yrs.), Scott Cummings (7), Ryan Foundoulis (8), Mia Koller (8), Bella Pelissier (5), Kylie Rodin (6) and Zachery Smay (3). Our Junior Acolytes include: Cheyenne Cleye (2), Rachel Colwell (6), Jessica Binder (2), Sara Binder (3), Skye Jurasek (3), Noah Pelissier (5), Micah Pelissier (2), Josh Smay (2) and Mia Walsh (2). An Acolyte assists a member of the clergy in a liturgical service; lighting of the candles, assisting with communion, and other areas as needed. Classes for new acolytes, third grade and up, will be held in the fall. For additional information, please contact Mrs. Mary Jo Colwell at 742-0320 or email her at Colwells@cox.net.

## Fundraiser at Rubys June 5

Come dine at Ruby's Diner on June 5 and Shepherd of the Hills will receive 20% of the food and non-alcoholic beverage sales. The fundraiser is at the Laguna Hills location only (address is 24155 Laguna Hills Mall #1840, Laguna Hills 92653) from 7:00 am to 9:00 pm, and you must bring a flyer with you for Shepherd to receive the fundraising. Flyers are available at the church, or may be printed out from the church website at sothumc.org.

## Around Our Preschool

### In June We Savor Every Moment...And Have Some Fun!

*"...May the words of my mouth and the mediation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer."*

*Psalm 19:14*

As we enter this last month of school, we're so proud of how our children have grown physically, socially, emotionally and spiritually. It's so rewarding to see their growth, but sad to say goodbye. They're ready to move on to a different class or graduate to the "real world" (elementary school), so this is

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United Methodist Preschool



the month we slow down and savor every moment we have left with them. We'll have lots of fun with our beach days and celebrate our wonderful fathers with a Donuts with Dads day. Because the last day

of school is always emotional, we end this chapter in our children's Preschool life in a calm, reassuring, yet joyful way. We'll have a special snack, some social time together with our annual songfest, and end the day with lots of time for hugs and heartfelt goodbyes. Our precious children are truly gifts from God.

This summer Shepherd Preschoolers are invited to attend a Preschool Summer Camp, led by Camp Director Mrs. Canedy at the Mission Viejo campus, July 10 – 13 and July 17 - 20. The camp themes this year will be "Crazy Art!" and "ABC Week!" This is open to current students as well as students starting in the Fall.

We are fortunate to have God's constant guidance and blessing to serve both the Rancho Santa Margarita and Mission Viejo Campuses. We look forward to fall at both sites to once again nurture God's precious children.

In HIS Service,  
Becci Lukes, Executive Director MV/RSM  
Cindie Reilly, Teaching Site Director RSM Campus

# Prayer Ministry

## Happy June from the Prayer Shawl Ministry!

The AIDS walk was quite a success. We gave away 42 shawls and almost 150 prayer squares. Some prayer ministry members came to pray with walkers and runners. What is always amazing to me is how surprised the people with AIDS are to find out we represent a church. When you hear some of the individual stories of how churches have treated them in the past, it is no wonder they are overwhelmed at how welcoming we are, that we do not judge and that we truly care about them. We should all be proud to be members of this church and what it stands for.

If you knit or crochet and would like to be a part of this ministry which brings comfort to others, call Marilyn at 714-821-9634.

On a personal note, thank you to everyone who sent a note, a card, a prayer or who visited me in the hospital. Your caring was much appreciated. My church family gave me such comfort when I truly needed it. I feel so blessed to be a part of this congregation.

--Marilyn Widen



### Prayer Chain:

Via e-mail sent to members of the Prayer Chain

### Prayer Teams:

Available weekly during both MV worship services and Communion Sundays at RSM

### Centering Prayer:

Christian Meditation, Sundays at 8:30 am in the MV Prayer room,

First Friday of the month at 6:00 pm in the MV Sanctuary, and every Wednesday at 11:45 am in the MV Sanctuary

### Prayer Room & Prayer Garden:

Available 24/7 at MV Campus

### Walk the Prayer Labyrinth:

RSM Campus

### Prayer Requests

Prayer requests can be made by calling the church at 949-837-2941 or emailing [jyamada@sothumc.org](mailto:jyamada@sothumc.org) or [cbohmholdt@sothumc.org](mailto:cbohmholdt@sothumc.org).

If you have a confidential prayer request or concern, please email it to [pastoralcare@sothumc.org](mailto:pastoralcare@sothumc.org).

Any one interested in becoming a part of Prayer Ministry, please contact Pam Slykhous at [slyvague@gmail.com](mailto:slyvague@gmail.com) or 949-458-7421.

If you would like to be a part of the prayer chain, please contact Carolyn Bohmholdt at [cbohmholdt@sothumc.org](mailto:cbohmholdt@sothumc.org).

*"...God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God and God abides in them".*

--1John 4:16

## UMW News

UMW is pleased to honor Nancy McGuire as Quiet Disciple this year. Nancy does so many "behind the scenes" things for all of us. She manages the media board and serves as an usher. She joined the bell choir before she knew how to read music. She is amazing with the kids as a Sunday School teacher. Nancy is well-known for being part of the Care and Nurture committee and writing lovely notes of encouragement to our shut-ins. Nancy also serves in the community helping with South County Outreach and Meals on Wheels. When you spend time with Nancy, you feel you have been near the heart of God. Nancy will be honored June 3 at a luncheon at Laguna Country.

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Nominations are now open for UMW officers for the coming two year term, January 2018-December 2019. We are especially in need of someone to be Treasurer and possibly Secretary. It would be a blessing to also find a leader for Sarah Circle and a Program Chair. If you have interest or know someone who might, please speak to the nominating committee: Barbara Hinkle, Carolyn Bohmholdt, or MaryAnn Wisner. We are eager to welcome new people and new ideas. Our Leadership Team meets the first Thursday of each month, except July and August. Our General Meetings are usually the 4th Thursday. We have well



established programs and fundraisers which bring women together for fellowship and mission to women and children, and we need you to help us continue.

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Suggestion for World Thank Offering: a coin for each school you attended. In June we will assemble morale kits for Operation Interdependence: power bars, lip balm, TRAVEL SIZE lotion & shampoo, gum, factory sealed candy (no chocolate) and thank you notes will be needed. Sarah Circle will go out to lunch on June 20. Contact Jinny for time and place.

# Give Ministry

## Blood Drive June 15 at MV Campus

The next blood drive for Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church will be conducted Thursday, June 15, from 2:00-8:15 pm at the Mission Viejo campus. To make an appointment to donate, contact Avis French, 949-830-1167, [eavisf@cox.net](mailto:eavisf@cox.net), or Mary Beth McGowan, 949-702-7286 (cell), [mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com](mailto:mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com). You may register online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and follow the instructions, or sign up on the church patio between services on Sundays at either campus. We offer child care at this drive from 3:00-5:00 pm. If you need child care, please notify Avis or Mary Beth when you make your appointment.



## Southwest Community Center Friday, June 23

Stop by the Southwest Community Center table on the patio on Sundays, June 11 and June 18 and sign up to donate one or more items to help us provide a hot-noon day meal at the Southwest Community Center on June 23.

The center is located in Santa Ana and feeds men, women and children who are in need of food. We serve a hot noonday meal bi-monthly to the people at the center. The meal consists of a hot casserole, tossed green salad, buttered whole wheat bread, cookie or sweet bread, and a drink. New state health regulations require all casseroles to be store bought.

If you can donate one of these items, funds to purchase a casserole, or would be able to go to the Southwest Community Center to help serve 10:30 am until 1:30 pm, please stop by the table on the patio to sign up. For additional information, please contact Barbara Mosher at 582-8263.



## Shepherd Team Raises \$4,715 at AIDS Walk Orange County

Team SOTH had 22 registered walkers at the May 6 AIDS Walk OC, with a fundraising goal of \$3,000. Instead, we raised a whopping \$4,715 to become one of the top faith-based fundraising teams.

Benefitting Team Michelle  
Walking the Susan G. Komen  
"Race for the Cure" to End Breast Cancer



**Friday, June 16**

12 - 7 pm

**Saturday, June 17**

7 am - 1 pm

**How can you help?**

♥ **Donate your previously loved stuff!**

June 11-15 by appointment:

Mary Beth at 949-702-7286

or email [mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com](mailto:mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com)

♥ **Shop the sale**

♥ **Help at the sale**

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## Food Drives Benefit SCO

For 2017, we have collected over 2,500 pounds of food for South County Outreach at the Stater Brothers food drives! This amount would feed a family of four for over a year. Our efforts have helped feed our local neighbors in need, such as Sagida, who was forced to leave her homeland. If you are interested in being a part of this hope giving ministry, volunteers are still needed to pass out flyers at the June 3, July 15, and August 5, 2017 food drives. To sign-up, please visit the GIVE table on the patio or email [Alicia Riding](mailto:alicia.bursonriding@cox.net) at [alicia.bursonriding@cox.net](mailto:alicia.bursonriding@cox.net).



Nancy McGuire, a SOTH member and SCO volunteer, helps Sagida select food

# Around the Church

## Harp Concert June 9

On Friday, June 9 Laurie Rasmussen will present a harp concert at the MV campus, sponsored by the Orange County Harp Troupe. The concert will be held in the sanctuary at 7:00 pm. A free will offering will be taken.



## Service and Share on Tuesdays

If you are a senior, or even younger, come and participate in the Service and Share Group. This group of men and women meet each Tuesday morning. The men do all kinds of jobs from simple repairs on furniture to installing doors, etc. They are the handymen of handymen. The women help assemble the "Happenings" for mailing, keep the items in the pews stocked and help with all church mailings. This group is led by Mel Annett. So, if you have extra time on a Tuesday morning, stop by the church from 9:00 am – 11:30 am and join this great group of hard working, fun loving, individuals dedicated to Shepherd of the Hills. You are welcome to join the group as often as your schedule permits. If you would like additional information about the group, contact Mel at 949-837-2118.

## Shepherd Seniors Present 'Songs Through the Decades' - June 27

Plan to join us on Tuesday, June 27 for a catered Lunch and Entertainment by Mike Chamberlain singing Songs through the Decades. This will be our final outing as we take a hiatus for a few months. If you have ideas of programs or places you would like to visit, please contact Carla Beddome, [cbeddome@cruiseinc.com](mailto:cbeddome@cruiseinc.com) or Sunny Hartman at [sunesue3@yahoo.com](mailto:sunesue3@yahoo.com).



## Annual Cal-Pacific Conference

"From Here to There" is the theme for the 33rd California-Pacific Annual Conference at Redlands. The conference is from Wednesday, June 14 to June 17. Please be in prayer for our delegates, Dave Dutcher, Diana Annett, Kendall Protzmann, Gerry Easton, Marcia Easton, and pastors as they prepare and attend.



## Did you Know that We Had a Women's AssistanCenter?

The Women's AssistanCenter was conceived by A.J. Lane and Patricia Baker from Congregation Eilat Synagogue, our former sister congregation. The women felt that a family help center was needed in south Orange County despite others' exclamations of "there are no poor people here!"

After graduating from Chapman University with a BA in Social Sciences, AJ Lane approached Rev. Dr. Julius del Pino, pastor of SOTHUMC in 1995, about the center concept. He told her, "join the church and open your center." Numerous fund raisers were held to raise money to open a space. Initially, Days of Giving were held at both Shepherd and Congregation Eilat to provide clothing donations to needy local residents. With Rev. Dr. del Pino's help and inspiration, the center opened at Saddleback College in September 1996. A former classroom in an unused campus area was stocked with donations of clothing, shoes, toys, diapers, hygiene items, and referral pamphlets for additional services. We built it; will they come? Yes! Clients were referred by local social services agencies to validate needs. Holiday gifts were

provided to all children yearly. Funding was provided by CDBG grants from Lake Forest and Mission Viejo. Private and in-kind donations also helped

to expand the program. Payless Shoes donated vouchers for Project Happy Feet. Alas, Saddleback College notified the center that the building which housed the center would be demolished. The entire program was moved to the garage of the Scott Johnson family, members of the Shepherd of the Hills. There it rested until another location could be found. Natalie Conklin was instrumental in providing a space for the center in San Juan Capistrano. The back room of her consignment store provided enough space to reopen the center. The Women's AssistanCenter provided free goods to hundreds of needy area residents. It closed in August 2004, due to lack of funding. It made a difference in Orange County and in the lives of those it touched through the years with God's grace.





## Resource Team

### Commitment Cards

On Sunday, May 21, we collected our Commitment Cards for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. We have had a total, both sites combined, of 150 Commitment Cards returned totaling \$644,098. The amount of giving on the Commitment cards determines the budget for the coming year, July 2017– June 2018. If you have not turned in your card, please do so as soon as possible. The 2017-2018 General Budget for Shepherd of the Hills will be presented and voted on at the Charge (Church) Conference on Tuesday, June 27.

### Financial Statements

The financial statements for May will be in the mail the first week in June and will indicate the status of your pledge for the period of July 2016- May 2017. Remember, June 30 concludes your pledge for July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017. Any money received after July 4 will go toward your 2015-2016 pledge. Please review your statement carefully. If you find an error, please notify the Mission Viejo church office immediately at 949-837-2941.

### Offering Envelopes

If you are pledging for the first time, you will receive offering envelopes in the mail before the first Sunday in July. Please use these envelopes when making your weekly, monthly or annual donation to the church.

*Good stewardship requires us  
to think of the future*

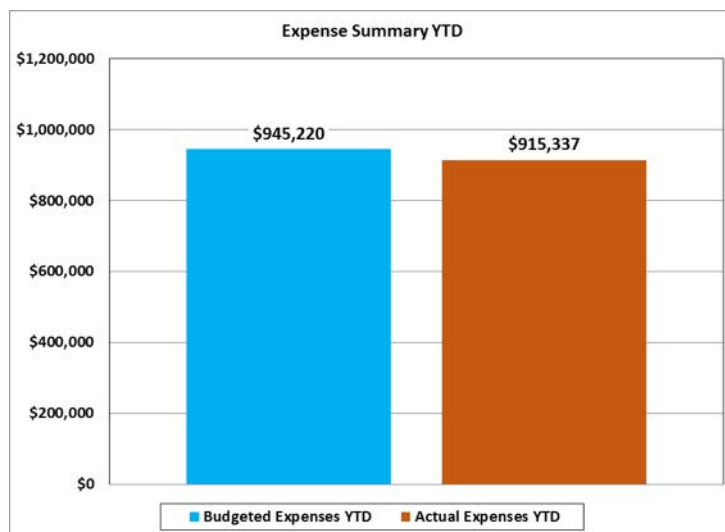
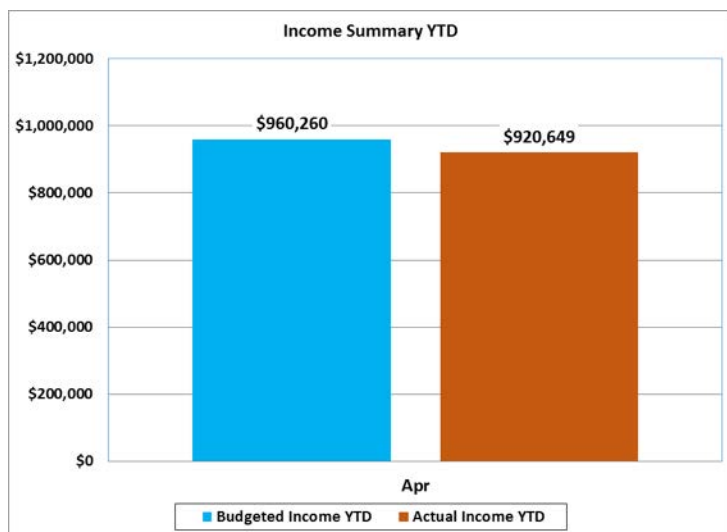
### “Happenings” Deadline...

...for the monthly Happenings is generally the **10th of every month**.

(July-August Happenings deadline is Monday, June 12.)  
Deadline for the weekly Happenings is **noon Mondays** for the following Sunday.

Please e-mail articles to  
jyamada@sothumc.org and  
bwestcott@sothumc.org.

## Financial Update



Praise God for this past year here at Shepherd of the Hills! With your gifts and service, we have been able to be the hands and feet for our Lord. During this final month of the year, our giving is behind our planned pledges and unfortunately we anticipate that our expenses will exceed our planned budget due to needed repairs at the church and parsonage. Please prayerfully consider fulfilling your pledge this year.

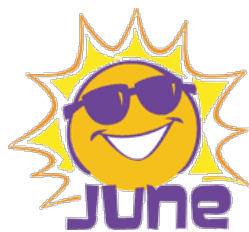
## Counters Needed

We are looking for individuals who are willing to count the Sunday morning offering at least one Sunday a month at both sites. If you would be interested in learning more about this position, please contact the Mission Viejo site at 949-837-2941.

## New Registration Pads

As you know by now, we have new attendance registration pads. Please complete the information on the sheet in the pad. Especially make sure you have your email noted, so you can receive information about the life of the church.

# Birthdays and Anniversaries



## Happy Birthday!

June 1 Craig Chawner  
Jill Yamada  
June 2 Jonathan Harding  
June 3 Tegan Foote  
Kimberly Harris  
June 4 Jason Headley  
June 5 Ryan Lopez  
June 6 Tess Betty  
Grace Christensen  
Sarah Martin  
Cathy Schoettger  
June 7 Hannah Beaman  
Andrea Howard  
Donna Wright  
June 8 Rev. Bethellen Balikian  
Julie Moffitt  
June 10 Bob Figarotta  
Jim Riding  
June 11 Robert Olson  
Brandon Thorson  
June 12 Tom Lytle  
Allison Major  
Andrew Major  
June 13 Rev. Dr. Phil Peace  
June 14 Carla Beddome

June 15 Rick Annett  
Garland Clark  
Alisa Gibney  
Nancy Nelson  
June Rodman  
Dick Toon  
June 17 Ishmael Mensah  
June 18 Luann Koller  
Kelly Morgan  
Sandy Thomson  
June 20 Sharon Parker Mason  
June 21 Walter Burgess  
June 22 Barbara Hinkle  
Clarisse Horner  
Patty Johnson  
David Moffitt  
June 23 Mike McCloskey  
June 24 Joseph Chun  
Bryce Marshall  
Becky Morgan  
June 25 Madonna Clairmont  
Lisa Trow  
June 26 Gretchen Ikerd  
Cody Lockwood  
Joshua McClellan  
Carl Pape  
Christine Snedeker  
June 27 Gloria Rose  
June 28 Rally Bates  
June 29 Cora Foellmi  
Jonathan Gibney  
Steve Hooper  
Jim Roach  
Maureen Vanderbosch  
June 30 Karen Roberts

## Happy Anniversary!

June 2 Stewart & Pam Slykhous  
June 6 Barent & Sarah DuBois  
June 7 Donn & Patty Johnson  
John & Sondra Thorson  
June 8 Jeff & Schehera McKasson  
June 10 Wil & Shirley Garcia  
June 14 Roland & Linda Bender  
Les & Margaret Lee  
June 16 Jonathan & Alisa Gibney  
June 17 Ham & Reta Hawkins  
June 19 Dick & Glenda Otto  
June 22 Mike & Mary Delaney  
Bryan & Kathleen Doppenberg  
June 23 Bill & Teresa Stone  
June 24 Dan & Brenda Wiles  
June 25 Glenn & Kathe Enright  
Neal & Candi Hutchinson  
June 27 Cast & Beth Holder  
Mark & Jennifer Serfas  
June 28 Rob & Mindi Foote  
Ishmael & Araba Mensah

*If we missed or incorrectly listed your birthday or anniversary, please let us know at the church office. Thank you!*

## Another Anniversary!

**Shepherd of the Hills Turns 50  
Sunday, October 1, 2017**  
(save the date for a celebration)

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h2>June 2017</h2> <h3>Activity Calendar</h3> <p>For event location, see the online calendar at sothumc.org.</p>				<b>1</b> 6:30a RSM AA 10a UMW Leadership Team 6p MV Bells of Joy 6p RSM Church Council Vision Mtg 7:30p MV NA Meeting 7:30p MV Sanctuary Chorale	<b>2</b> 6:30a RSM AA 6p MV First Friday Centering Prayer 8p MV AA	<b>3</b> 1p MV Tom Jenkins Celebration of Life Service
<b>4</b> 8:30a MV Centering Prayer 9a MV Traditional Worship 9a MV Youth Bible Study 9:30a RSM Relaxed/ Traditional Worship 10:15a MV The Gathering 11a MV Modern Worship 11a RSM Modern Worship 11a Transitions Study 12:30p MV Mental Health Awareness Informational Meeting 12:30p MV Event Team 3p RSM Youth Group 5p MV Explorer's End of Year Party 5p MV Youth Group 5p RSM Shepherd Social Action 6:30p RSM AA 7p MV Naranon	<b>5</b> 6p RSM Monday Night Huddle 6:30a RSM AA 7p MV Boy Scout Troop 1602 Patrol Leaders Council 7p MV Stephen Ministry Supervision 7:30p RSM AA 8p MV Alanon	<b>6</b> 6:30a RSM AA 9a MV Service and Share 9:30a MV Women's Study Group 4p Staff Prayer Meeting 7p RSM Chancel Choir Practice 7:30p MV Boy Scout Troop 1602 Court of Honor	<b>7</b> 6:30a RSM AA 6:45a Off-Site Men's Breakfast Meeting 7a Off-Site Women's Breakfast Meeting 9a RSM Pastor's Bible Study 10:30a MV Pastor's Bible Study 11:45a MV Centering Prayer 6:30p MV Pastor's Bible Study 7:45p MV Modern Band Rehearsal	<b>8</b> 6:30a RSM AA 6p MV Bells of Joy 7:30p MV NA Meeting 7:30p MV Sanctuary Chorale	<b>9</b> 6:30a RSM AA 6p Off-Site Crafter's Night Harp Concert by Laurie Rasmussen 7p MV AA 8p	<b>10</b>
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**Music Camp**

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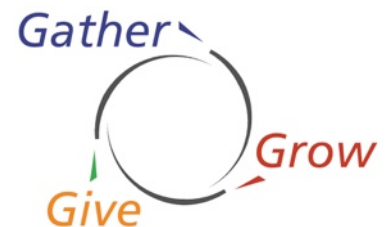
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**Mission Viejo Campus**

9:00 am Traditional Worship  
11:00 am Modern Worship

**Rancho Santa Margarita Campus**

9:30 am Relaxed Traditional  
Worship  
11:00 am Modern Worship