

**Shepherd of the Hills  
United Methodist  
Church**

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



# HAPPENINGS

## November 2017

Pastors:  
Rev. Karl Stuckenberg  
Rev. Jon Waterson

### November Worship

#### November 5:

Advent Conspiracy  
*Spend Less*  
Luke 2:1-7

#### November 12:

Advent Conspiracy  
*Give More*  
John 1:1-5, 3:15;  
Corinthians 9:8-12

#### November 19:

Advent Conspiracy  
*Love All*  
Matthew 25:35-36

#### November 26:

Advent Conspiracy  
*Gratitude*  
Luke 17:11-19

### 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, 92688  
949-589-1502

## An Invitation to An Important Congregational Town Hall Meeting

**Isaiah 43:18-19**

*Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.*

God's consistent way is to make things new. As God's word in Isaiah states, "I am doing a new thing!" Our call as his people is always to see, discern, and be attentive to the direction of His new work. At Shepherd of The Hills, we faithfully search out and respond to God's call wherever we find it. It is in this spirit that we, as your Lay Leadership Team, come to you with a new call.

### How did we get here?

Recently, we lost a key member of our staff to a larger role at another congregation. As our leadership team looked at how to fill those shoes, we challenged ourselves to look at how to best respond in terms of the dynamic needs of our community. We looked for opportunities to grow the ministry that our outgoing Director of Children's Ministry began and realized we were faced with some additional challenges.

We have been blessed with amazing stewardship at Shepherd of the Hills. As a congregation, we have come together and stepped up to each new challenge. It is a testament to the faithfulness of our community that per-capita giving continues to grow each year. Yet even with that optimism there are financial challenges ahead. Challenges that, if left unaddressed, will shortly become problematic.

- **Aging Facilities** – In the past six months, Shepherd of the Hills has had to fund over \$70,000 in unbudgeted facility maintenance and repairs. Even with these repairs behind us, there are other facility concerns that will need to be addressed in the coming months and years.
- **Debt** – The structure of our debt creates short-term and long-term financial challenges for our congregation. Left unaddressed our debt will continue to draw our attention away from the important ministry we provide at Shepherd of the Hills.
- **Model** – As "one church with two sites" we have unique opportunities and challenges. Since the merger of two independent churches five years ago, we've learned a lot about who we are as one church and how we're different as two sites. There is work to be done to capitalize on the opportunities that come with our unique situation.



**Town Hall Meeting**  
Sunday, November 12  
4:00 p.m.  
Mission Viejo Campus

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As your Lay Leadership Team, we have been in prayerful discussion about how to respond to the challenges facing our congregation while positioning Shepherd of the Hills for health and growth. What has become evident to our team is that to address these concerns we need to make significant changes in how we do things.

Changes can bring anxiety, fear and even grief. As leaders who have been in faithful and prayerful conversation with each other and have spent time in prayer seeking God's hope, we believe it is time to bring our community together to discuss the challenges ahead. Our hope is that you will join us in this important conversation.

**Let's come together at the Mission Viejo Campus - Sunday November 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm for a Congregational Town Hall.**

We will share in detail with you the challenges outlined in this letter along with some of the response options.

The Lord is calling our congregation to "do a new thing." We invite you to this important meeting as we continue the holy work of growing God's word in our community.

In Love and Peace,

Leadership Team

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**Stephanie Foundoulis**  
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**Jim Riding**  
Gather Lay Leader  
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Pastoral Team

**Karl Stuckenberg**  
Senior Pastor

**Jon Waterson**  
Lead Pastor

**\*\* For questions or concerns before the Town Hall, please contact any of our leaders above, and they will be happy to talk with you.**

## **Holy Communion (Eucharist) Sunday, November 5**

Communion Sunday will be observed on Sunday, November 5 at both campuses at both services. Our communion offering will go to support our Good Samaritan Fund. This is a fund that helps those in need, church members and those in the community.

## **Ruby's Fundraiser November 6**

Dine out at Ruby's in the Laguna Hills Mall anytime Monday, November 6, and 20% of your check (excluding alcohol) will benefit Shepherd of the Hills. A flyer is available on the patio Sundays and is also on the church website—you must present this flyer in order for Shepherd to receive the 20%.

# Give Ministry

## Building Bridges: An Interfaith Thanksgiving Opportunity

Sunday, November 19, 4:00-6:00 p.m., Temple Beth El in Aliso Viejo. Each year we partner with our friends from the Orange County Islamic Foundation and Temple Beth El to create Thanksgiving food baskets in support of Families Forward.

### How Can I Help

Help us fill the food baskets by donating the following items:

- 2 cans of sweet potatoes or yams
- 2 jars of gravy
- 2 cans cranberry sauce

Donations can be brought to the church anytime up to the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, November 19. At the MV campus there will be boxes in the Narthex to collect donations. At the RSM campus, please place your donations on the altar.

We are looking for 5 volunteers to help the day of the event with set-up from 2-4 pm and for 3 volunteers with trucks to help take the completed baskets to Families Forward following the event at 6:00 p.m.

If you would like to volunteer or have questions, please contact Diane Thomas at 949-228-1582 or [dthomas222@hotmail.com](mailto:dthomas222@hotmail.com).



## Mexico Mission January 11-15, 2018 • Ensenada, Mexico

**NEW DATE: Interest Meeting: November 5, 1:00 pm, MV Sanctuary**

The Mexico Mission trip is January 12-16, and our mission is to construct finished houses in only three days and provide hope through the Vacation Bible School Program.

Shepherd's Mexico Mission is through a partnership with YUGO (Youth Unlimited Gospel Outreach). YUGO's Ensenada Outreach Center has been partnering with churches throughout the Ensenada area for years.

The Mexico Mission offers the choice of either home construction or providing ministries to the local children through a VBS program. Any high school youth or adult can participate in either the housebuilding or children's ministry. Families who wish to attend with children 8th grade or under are welcome, but children are under a parent's supervision at all times. There is no childcare or specific program for families attending the mission trip.



There are two scheduling options available this year: 1.)

You may come down with the team on Thursday, January 11 at 10:30 a.m. (suggested for construction teams), or 2.)

You can come with the team leaving on Friday, January 12 at 7:30 a.m. (VBS teams). Both teams return Monday, January 15 around 1:00 p.m.

There is an **Interest Meeting** on Sunday, November 5 at 1:00 p.m. in the MV Campus Sanctuary--bring your questions!

**Orientation Meeting** Sunday, December 10, 2:30 p.m. in the MV Campus Sanctuary.

**Speed Spanish Class** Sunday, December 10, 1:00 p.m. in Shepherd Hall.

**Registration deadline** is December 10.

More information is available in the Mexico Mission brochure, including costs, accommodations, passport requirements, and a sign-up form. Brochures are available at either campus.

## 'Hunger Sunday' Is Every Month

It's back! The first Sunday of every month is designated as "Hunger Sunday." We are joining forces with South County Outreach to help alleviate hunger in South Orange County. On the first Sunday of every month we will be collecting canned and boxed food items. The collection barrels will be out in front of the entrance to the church. Any and all non-perishable food items will be greatly appreciated.



# Give Ministry

## Operation Christmas Child Is Underway!

Operation Christmas Child is in full swing. You can still pick up a pre-printed shoebox to fill on Sunday, November 5. We will be collecting filled boxes on Sunday, November 5 and final collection day is November 12.

There are a few new things this year. If you would like to fill a pre-printed plastic box, we will have a limited number available for a nominal fee of \$1.50. The box itself is also a gift to the child.

Also a couple of new rules this year due to customs issues in some countries:

- 1) Absolutely NO food items, not candy, not fruit snacks, no not even hard candy.
- 2) No toothpaste.

If you cannot pack a box you can still participate by praying for all the children who will receive these boxes of love and for all the volunteers that make this wonderful labor of love happen year after year. You can also donate money for shipping by writing a

check to Samaritans Purse and turning it at the OCC table on the patio. In addition, we need donations for extra supplies. Anything you can do will be greatly appreciated. We are also trying to pack a few extra boxes this year to help cover the need in hurricane devastated areas. Thank you for your continued generosity and blessings to these children.



## Blood Drive on December 8 at RSM

The final Red Cross Blood Drive for 2017 for Shepherd of the Hills will be Friday, December 8 from 1:00-7:15 p.m. at the RSM campus.

To make an appointment to donate:

- Contact Avis French, 949-830-1167, [eavisf@cox.net](mailto:eavisf@cox.net)
- Contact Mary Beth McGowan, 949-702-7286 (cell), [mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com](mailto:mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com)
- Register online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and follow the instructions
- 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 p.m.; please notify Avis or Mary Beth when you make your appointment.

Remember to use Rapidpass the day of your appointment, December 8. You can complete the Red Cross history online, which will save you time later. Visit [redcrossblood.org/rapidpass](http://redcrossblood.org/rapidpass) to access Rapidpass. Rapidpass is now available for mobile devices.

## Social Action

### Shepherd Social Action

Shepherd Social Action formed because of the alarming rhetoric from our political leaders. We felt the need to take some type of action to speak out for the Christian values of love and grace. After a few months of discussing the current issues, we all decided to concentrate on five particular issues as described below. Our focus will include taking action within the community, educating ourselves and others on the issues all within our **expression of faith**. Our next meeting is on January 7 at 1:00 p.m. at the RSM campus.

- **Inclusiveness/pluralism** – immigration, inclusiveness, racism, interfaith issues/religious freedom, LGBTQ+, disability rights
- **Social inequality** – education, women's rights, income inequality, homelessness, hunger, disability rights, classism, voter suppression
- **Health care** – women's rights, disability rights, health care
- **Environment** – global warming, pollution, natural resources
- **Violence** – gun control, slavery/human trafficking, domestic/child abuse

### Presentation on Homelessness on November 5

During the stewardship campaign last spring, our congregation voted overwhelmingly to get more involved in working with the homeless community in South Orange County. On Sunday, November 5 at 4:00 p.m. Shepherd Social Action is presenting an all-church town hall gathering at the RSM campus to hear a presentation from Lara Fisher, the president and CEO of South County Outreach. Lara will share with us about ministry opportunities. After a time of Q & A, we will vote on which ministry to adopt at Shepherd of the Hills.

# Children's Ministry



## Hey 3rd-5th Graders!! Join our Explorers Club!

Hey ALL 3rd-5th graders! Come join the fun!! Games, service projects and lessons just for you! We meet on the following Sundays of the month from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. in Shepherd Hall, MV campus:

November 5 - Operation Christmas Child Service Project  
November 12 - Regular Meeting



## Operation Christmas Child Service Project November 5

Sunday, November 5 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in MV Shepherd Hall - Everyone is welcome!

Be a part of changing children's lives all over the world in Jesus' name through the power of a simple gift with Operation Christmas Child.

Please join us along with the Explorer's Club and their families as we fill OCC shoeboxes. If you would like to donate an item, please feel free to bring either small toiletries, socks, school supplies or small toys to pack.



## Bible Presentation for 3rd Graders

Third graders who attended the Bible Study class will receive their Bibles on Sunday, November 12 at all services at both campuses. Congratulations! For more information contact: RSM Class - Emilie Schoettger at [eschoettger@sothumc.org](mailto:eschoettger@sothumc.org) and MV Class - Nancy McGuire (teacher) at [nhm5000@aol.com](mailto:nhm5000@aol.com).

# Preschool



## Save the Date !

### Round the Table Carol Sing

Sunday, December 3, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.  
RSM campus

## November—A Month for Thankfulness at the Preschool

Our Bible verse from Psalm 136:1, *Give thanks to the Lord for He is good*, reminds us all that we are thankful for our families and friends, having a home to live in, toys to play with and good food to eat. To help reinforce this we will be having a food drive during the week of our Thanksgiving Feast and Blessing. Along with learning how to care about others, we will be focusing on Good Nutrition and Good Manners. If you know a family looking for a preschool home, have them call us for a tour.

Becci Lukes, Preschool Executive Director  
949-837-2993, [blukes@sothumc.org](mailto:blukes@sothumc.org)

Shepherd of the Hills  
United Methodist Preschool



*Daylight Saving Time ends on  
Sunday, November 5, at 2:00 am*

Remember to set your clocks back one hour  
before going to bed Saturday night, November 4.



# Prayer Ministry

## Silent Saturday

November 4 • 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. • \$25 per person

*"Rejoice in hope, persevere in tribulation, be devoted to prayer" Romans 12:12*

The entire campus has been booked for this event. Rooms and all outdoor areas around the church campus will be available for you to breathe in the Living Spirit of God for journaling, walking a labyrinth, viewing a video presentation, or to just "be" in the presence. Visit our sanctuary, prayer room, prayer garden or swing in the play-yard, the campus is yours to enjoy. During our silent time optional Centering Prayer opportunities will be offered, and Dr. Olsen has offered to lead a guided meditation on Gratefulness.

Register online [www.sothumc.org](http://www.sothumc.org), by emailing Jill Yamada at [jyamada@sothumc.org](mailto:jyamada@sothumc.org) or call the church 949 837-2941. \$25 donation includes breakfast and lunch. New to Centering Prayer? No Centering Prayer experience is required, just the desire to "Be still and know that I am God" Psalm 46:10.



### 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 8:15 a.m. in the MV Prayer Room,  
First Friday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the MV Sanctuary and every Wednesday at 11:45 a.m. 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 Diana Annett at [annett1@cox.net](mailto:annett1@cox.net) or 949-533-3028.

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

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

November is filled with anticipation and looking forward to Thanksgiving when families gather together to give thanks for the many blessings God has bestowed on them. The table is always festive with roast turkey, potatoes and gravy,



cranberry sauce, vegetables and pies, and, as we share the Thanksgiving dinner, we share our stories with one another. Through the stories we become closer and more understanding of each other's feelings.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if the entire world could share a Thanksgiving dinner and share stories that make each of us unique but a part of humanity? Perhaps sitting one on one would provide an insight seemingly not seen by the media as to how we are more alike than different. Perhaps it would be shown that our underlying goals are the same-love of family, love of country, a desire to see the goodness in people, the wish to live with hope and not in fear and the ability to be tolerant with each other and live in peace.

This Thanksgiving let us concentrate on what makes us alike, how we can appreciate the things that make us different and find ways to love each other.

Blest be the tie that binds. The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Happy Thanksgiving to all from the Prayer Shawl Ministry.

## Care Ministry

### Meal Train

The Meal Train program sponsored by the Care and Nurture Team is one of our ministries which provide meals (usually dinner) during a time when cooking is the last thing on your mind. We have volunteers at the ready on a moment's notice to help out and would be so blessed to do so. Contact Kathe Enright at 949-735-1939 if you want to add yourself to the list of volunteers or if you know of a family in need.

# Around the Church

## UMW November Activities

UMW has honored Avis French with a gift to missions for Candle of Commitment. Her name has been listed in the Cal-Pac UMW Annual Meeting. Avis is such an amazing servant, faithful in so many areas, but also a big supporter of UMW. Blessings on our dear Avis.

**This month is our Annual Fall Boutique** on November 12 before and after church. Funds from this event

support local missions, and we encourage you to contribute baked goods or craft items, and/or do some shopping with us.

**Sarah Circle** will meet at the home of Andrea Cook at 1:00 p.m. on November 21. Guests welcome.

**Deborah Circle** is collecting for the holiday packs for Operation Independence,

including single serving packs of oatmeal, cider or cocoa, small candy canes, top ramen packets. Bring to AJ on the patio all month.

**World Thank Offering** starts new for the coming year: put a coin in for each Bible in your house.



## Adorn our Churches with Poinsettias for Christmas

Did you know the shape of the poinsettia flower and leaves are sometimes thought to be a symbol of the star of Bethlehem which led the Wise Men to Jesus? The red colored leaves symbolize the blood of Christ. The white leaves represent His purity. Stop by the Office Table/ Poinsettia Table on the MV patio or the RSM Lobby beginning Sunday November 19 to order poinsettias to decorate our Sanctuaries. They are \$13.00 each, and may be taken home following the Christmas Eve Services. If you choose, you may dedicate your poinsettias in memory or in honor of a loved one (s). Also, if you do not want to take a poinsettia home, please feel free to donate the \$13.00 toward the cost of the poinsettia.



## 50th Anniversary Celebration a Great Success



What a great day we had on Sunday, October 1, celebrating our 50th anniversary. It was a morning filled with the presence of God, memories from the past and a wonderful worship service that included a message from our Bishop Hagiya.

Past and present church leaders participated in the worship service, each contributing their heritage to the occasion. Participating in the service were Pastor Karl Stuckenberg, Dr. Rev. Phil Peach, Pastor Bethellen Balikian, Rev. George Hooper, and Rev. Jerry Carter. As part of the service, each charter member, Mel Annett, Hazel Connally, Shirley Garcia and Glenda Lindahl, received a plaque acknowledging their 50 years of dedication and devotion to Shepherd of the Hills.

Our sincere thanks to the following individuals who did a super job keeping the congregation informed through video, Dave Dutcher and Kevin Colwell, and articles in the Happenings, plus an informal Fun Fantastic afternoon, Pastor Phil and Tony Zarifs. The entire 50th Anniversary Team consisted of the following: Rochelle Ambrose, Diana Annett, Carolyn Bohmholdt, Hazel Connally, Dave Dutcher, Peggy Dutcher, Liz Halasz, Myra Hunter, Glenda Lindahl, Sharon Parker Mason, Cheryl Nault, Pastor Phil Peace, Pastor Karl Stuckenberg, Michelle Williams and Tony Zarifs. As we have devoted ourselves to one another and God for the past 50 years, we now move forward to being a part of Shepherd of the Hills UMC journey for the next 50 years.

## Shepherd Seniors Brunch November 12

The Shepherd Seniors will gather for brunch on Sunday, November 12 at 11:00 a.m. at Rodrigo's restaurant (Formerly Don Jose's) at 23972 Avenida de la Carlota, Laguna Hills. Les and Margaret Lee are our Hosts. For reservations, please contact Jean Lehman at [jlehman2@cox.net](mailto:jlehman2@cox.net) or 713-2025 by Friday, November 10. Newcomers are always welcome.

## Book Group Meets November 12

All are invited to join us on Sunday, November 12 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss *The Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline. Our December 10 discussion will be *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles. Please contact [mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com](mailto:mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com) or call 949-702-7286.

## Boy Scout Troop 1602 Visitation Night on November 14

Shepherd's Boy Scout Troop 1602 is hosting visitation nights this fall. Webelos are invited on Tuesdays, November 14 or December 12 on the MV campus. Please contact [membership@missionviejo1602.mytroop.us](mailto:membership@missionviejo1602.mytroop.us) for information.

## Resource Committee

### Financial Statements

Quarterly Financial statements were mailed the first part of October to those who pledge. If you did not receive your statement or do not pledge and would like to receive a statement, please let us know. You can also review your giving in MyShepherd. Go to the Financial area. Your giving for the past month will come up. If you hit the Giving Statement, it will show all the areas to which you have given. If you hit the Pledge Statement, you will see what you have given toward your pledge. Please review your statement and let the MV church office, 837-2941, know of any needed corrections or if you have any questions.

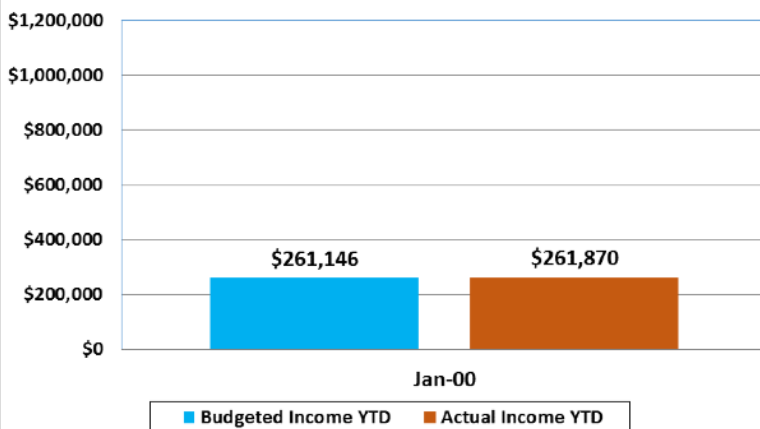
### Are You Caught Up On Your Pledge?

This is an excellent time to consider catching up on your pledge. During November and December, please make an effort to bring your pledge up to date. Give not grudgingly or of necessity for God loves a cheerful giver. (1 Corinthians 9:7) Giving must be done willingly, with a ready mind (2 Cor.8:12). We should not grieve over what we have given. Do not feel sorry for ourselves, thinking about all the things we wish we could have done with that money. Do not give because someone pressured or embarrassed us. Instead, consider it a privilege to give.

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*Good stewardship requires us to think of the future*

Income Summary YTD



## Financial Report

The income is on plan for the first few months, but the expenses are over (see graphs). The additional expenses have been for maintenance items to keep our facilities in working order. These items have included roof replacement for our buildings, air conditioning, yard shades, parsonage leaks and major repairs along with classroom window replacements.

## "Happenings" Deadline...

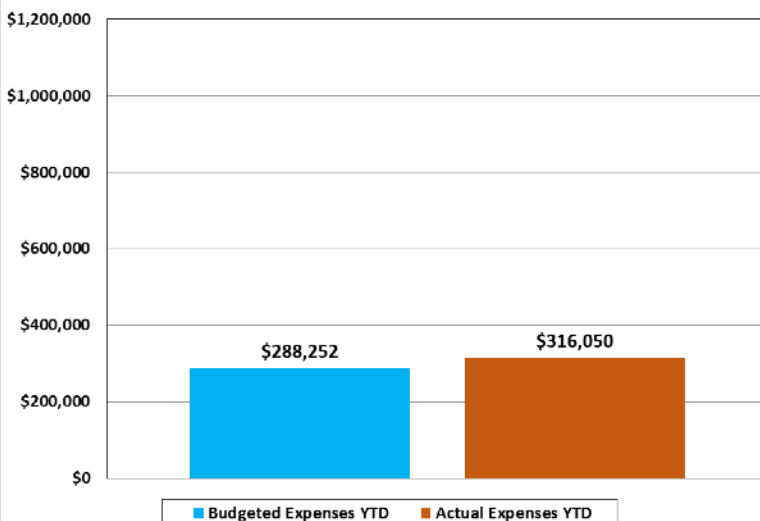
Deadline for the monthly *Happenings* is generally the 10th of every month.

(December *Happenings* deadline is Friday, November 10.)

Deadline for the weekly *Happenings* is noon Mondays for the following Sunday.

Please e-mail articles to [jyamada@sothumc.org](mailto:jyamada@sothumc.org) and [bwestcott@sothumc.org](mailto:bwestcott@sothumc.org).

Expense Summary YTD



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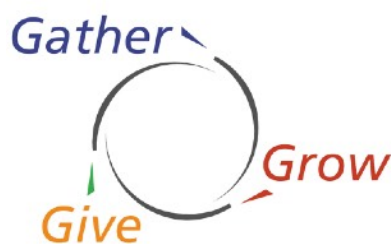
*Celebrate • Devotion • Development  
Tithing • Service • Sharing • Sabbath*



## Armed Forces Sabbath Observed Sunday, November 12

Navy Sabbath in coordination with Armed Forces Sabbath will be observed on Sunday, November 12. We will recognize the men and women of our Armed Forces who stand on the front line of defense of our great nation and who represent our ability to defend freedom. We salute those who, by their dedicated service, make it possible for all Americans to maintain a democratic way of life. During the service, men and women who have served in the Armed Forces will be recognized.

Veterans and those serving in the Armed Forces please stop by the Office Table on the patio or in the lobby at RSM and complete an informational form. Veterans will be recognized in worship service on Sunday, November 12.



## Camera Help Needed for Pictorial Inventory

We have been asked to document our church, both campuses, by making a pictorial inventory of our facilities BEFORE a disaster happens and supply this information to our Church Conference. If you have a digital camera, iPad, or phone and would be able to spend 1-2 hours recording how the church looks now, please contact the church office at 837-2941 or let Carolyn Bohmholdt know of your interest by emailing [cbohmholdt@sothumc.org](mailto:cbohmholdt@sothumc.org). If you would be able to assist in any way with this project, please let us know.

## Members

### Meet Our New Members!

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Mission Viejo, CA 92691  
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Grace  
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Laguna Hills, CA 92653  
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Angel  
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Lake Forest, CA 92630  
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Ane Franchello  
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Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688  
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Moe and Melissa Geoghagen  
Blake, Brady, Bryce  
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Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688  
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Ramsey and Bonnie Johnson  
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Mission Viejo, CA 92692  
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Jeff and Schehera McKasson  
Keagan, Nella  
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Mission Viejo CA 92691

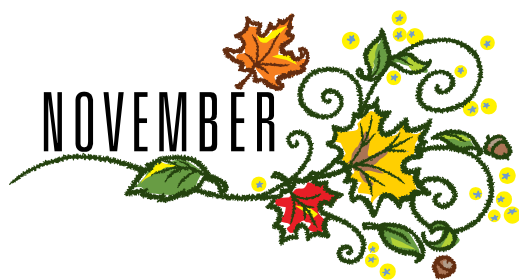
Con and Lee Leatherman  
28041 Via Unamun  
Mission Viejo, CA 92691  
304-893-7869

Vassilios and Jennifer Mavros  
Anna, Nathan, Gwendolyn, Sam  
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Jim and Cathy Nyfeler  
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Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

Greg Pelissier  
Bella, Noah, Micah  
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Mission Viejo, CA 92691  
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# Birthdays and Anniversaries



## November Birthdays

November 1	Tim Smay
	Mike Strawn
November 3	Kent Marshall
November 6	Mia Johnson
November 7	Anna Fues
	Carol Klaus
November 8	Jim Moss
November 10	Geneva Bender
	Cameron Short
November 11	Ramona Alpizar
	Kathe Enright
	Vicki Faivre
	Michael Foundoulis
November 12	Alyssa Martin

November 13	John Bower
	Carol Cann
	Rob Foote
	Carolyn Johnson
	Jacki Roberts
	Tony Zarifis
November 14	Petah Kelsey
November 15	Marcia Easton
	Jean Lehman
November 16	Laurie Allison
	Rachel Johnson
	Randy Stone
November 19	Pasty Recht
November 20	Jake Ford
November 21	Jeff Hulbert
	Don Keith

November 22	Susan Atkins
	Winton Sanson
November 23	Christine Scott
November 24	Tom Brewer
	Donn Johnson
	Terry Wright
November 25	Darlene Robertson
November 26	Larry Cann
	Rachel Colwell
	Don Mosher
	Bethany Widen
November 27	Steve Aird
November 28	Joan Krohngold
November 29	David Dutcher
	Mark Selawski

## November Anniversaries

November 7	Tom and Julie Major
November 12	Geneva and Howard Bender
	David and Rebecca Bush
	Craig and Debbie Chawner
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h2>November 2017</h2> <h3>Activity Calendar</h3> <p>For event location, see the online calendar at <a href="http://sothumc.org">sothumc.org</a>.</p>			<b>1</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>2</b> 6:30a RSM AA 10a UMW Leadership Team 6p MV Bells of Joy 7p RSM Chancel Choir Practice 7:30p MV NA Meeting 7:30p MV Sanctuary Chorale	<b>3</b> 6:30a RSM AA 6p MV First Friday Centering Prayer 8p MV AA	<b>4</b> 9a MV Silent Saturday 3p RSM Chancel Choir Special Rehearsal
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## **"Happenings"**

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### **Town Hall**

November 12  
4:00 p.m., MV Campus  
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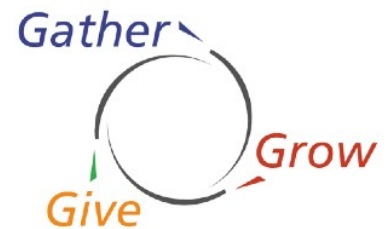
### **Mexico Mission Interest Meeting**

November 5  
4:00 p.m., MV Campus  
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### **Silent Saturday**

November 4  
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
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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