

**Shepherd of the Hills  
United Methodist  
Church**

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



# HAPPENINGS

## February 2018

Pastors:

Rev. Karl Stuckenberg

Rev. Jon Waterson

## February Worship

### February 4:

Surviving 2018 in One Peace  
*Surviving Broken Relationships*  
Genesis 45:1-15

### February 11:

Surviving 2018 in One Peace  
*Surviving Anxiety*  
Luke 12:22-31

### February 18:

Revelation of Hope  
*The Lamb of God*  
Revelation 5:1-14

### February 25:

Revelation of Hope  
*Lucky Seven?*  
Revelation 8:1-5

## 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

## A Crossroad of Events in February

*I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.*

--Joshua 1:9

Dear Church Family,

These are the words of God to Joshua as he prepares to take the Israelites into the promised land. It wasn't what Joshua had expected to do. This was the job Moses was supposed to have completed, but one that did not happen before Moses' own death.

So there stands Joshua at the edge of a new start. There stands Joshua with the Israelites ready to go, the wisdom of Moses leadership imprinted upon his heart, and the Word of God himself reminding him, "[I Am] with you wherever you go."

Shepherd of the Hills, I understand a bit of Joshua's nerves as he stands at this crossroads. We as a church stand at a similar crossroads. As I've wrestled through this article's content over the last few weeks, I've known there are three things I need to convey as we begin the annual church events of 2018, as well as the extraordinary events we have chosen to begin. And as I write, I do so knowing that God is with us wherever we go in this new year.

**First, in the category of "Annual" church events, the season of Lent is almost upon us.** With Ash Wednesday falling on February 14 this year, the six-week journey towards Easter will be starting soon after you read this. Lent is about a time of reflection and preparation for the good news of Easter, and this year Pastor Jon and I will walk us through the book of Revelation in our series entitled *Revelation: Nothing to Fear*. The book of Revelation gets a bad rap as a book of fear and judgment when quite the opposite is true. The book of Revelation is a book of hope. The book of Revelation is *not* some code to unlock the meaning of today's events that will lead us to some kind of Armageddon. Revelation is a book of encouragement to those living in times that feel hopeless. Revelation is a book that spoke to Christians 2000 years ago much as it can speak to us today. It reminds us that the new heaven and new earth are with us *here and now!* We'll explore this message of hope on Sunday mornings as well as in Lenten studies throughout the week.

**Second, in the category of "extraordinary" events, on February 11 we will begin a three-week capital campaign** to address some of the budget issues and unexpected maintenance costs we spoke about at our last Town Hall meeting. You will be hearing more about our *Renovate* campaign during worship on Sunday mornings and through various materials we'll be releasing as the date draws near. The goal of this campaign is not simply financial, but it's about growing our church into the church God is calling us to be. Specifically, it's about making our Sunday morning experience one of deep spirituality and excellence as we seek to grow God's kingdom.

## Ash Wednesday Worship Services

February 14

7:00 p.m.

Both campuses

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## Crossroad ...

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**Lastly, at our Town Hall, our Lay Leaders presented three areas of focus** for the upcoming year that we believe will help turn things around at Shepherd of the Hills. They are: building an excellent *Sunday morning experience* for our church and guests through inspiring worship, children's ministries, youth ministries, and growth opportunities; making *Connecting into the Church Family* an easier process for new guests; and creating more *hands on service* opportunities for all ages. Our Lay Leadership is already beginning this process as we continue to reset how we are resourcing our ministries financially, structuring our church, and how we are staffed as a church. As promised, we'll have more to report in this first quarter of 2018.

In the meantime, if you have thoughts, ideas, hopes or dreams about how we can improve our Sunday morning experience, connection into the church family, or hands on service opportunities, please feel free to email any of our Lay Leaders with your thoughts.

With God's Peace,  
Pastor Karl

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## Ash Wednesday Service February 14 – 7:00 p.m.

The imposition of ashes will be part of the Ash Wednesday service at 7:00 p.m. at both campuses. Lent begins with dust and ashes. We start this time of intensive preparation for baptism or realigning our lives with the vows of the baptismal covenant acknowledging our human limitations. We remember we are dust and to dust we will return. Our efforts in this life will one day be reduced to ashes. And in the meantime, we have deeply ingrained habits marked by sin, stained by selfishness, and resistant to our own efforts to change them.



This is why Lent begins and proceeds with penitence. Penitence does not mean "feeling sorry" or "feeling guilty," though these feelings may sometimes accompany the work of penitence. Penitence as we embody it in this service and throughout this season means acknowledging where we are, owning up to it, recognizing we cannot fix ourselves by ourselves, and seeking God's mercy and power to renew us in the way of Jesus as we seek to learn to follow him either anew or more nearly.

## What is Lent and Why Do We Celebrate 40 Days

**Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday.** Lent comes from the Anglo Saxon word *lencten*, which means "spring." The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry.

Lent is a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent was a time to prepare new converts for baptism. Today, Christians focus on their relationship with God, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of themselves for others.

Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini-Easter" and the reverent spirit of Lent is tempered with joyful anticipation of the Resurrection.

## Eucharist - First Sunday of February

Sunday, February 4, Holy Communion will be served at all worship services at both sites. Our Communion offering on Sunday, February 4, will go towards SHIP. This program works to provide a buffer against prolonged homelessness. If you have any questions regarding the program, please see Maryann Wisner, beachmama1@cox.net.

# Give Ministry

## Urgent Need!

### Red Cross Blood Drive on February 2



The first blood drive for 2018 for Shepherd of the Hills will be Friday, February 2, 2018, 1:00-7:15 p.m., at the Rancho Santa Margarita campus.

Busy holiday schedules, winter weather and illness have led to a winter blood donation shortage! Patients are counting on us to help meet their needs.

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 Mission Viejo or at Rancho Santa Margarita

We offer child care at this drive 3:00-5:00 p.m. If you need child care, please notify Avis or Mary Beth when you make your appointment.

Remember to use Rapidpass the day of your appointment. 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.

### 'Hunger/Homeless' Sunday, February 4 for South County Outreach

Current needs: toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, Wet Ones hand wipes, disposable razors, shaving cream, adult body wipes, feminine products, small tissue packs, small combs and brushes, gallon and quart size ziplock bags (to make up hygiene kits), Clorox disinfecting wipes, and 40 gallon garbage bags.

Shopping cart, barrels and boxes are on the patio for donations on the first Sunday of the month!

Whatever you can donate will be greatly appreciated.



### Southwest Community Center - Friday, February 23

Southwest Community Center provides food and clothing for the needy and transient food and clothing. Hot noonday meals are provided every day of the week by volunteer organizations. Our church's time is the fourth Friday of every other month. Friday, February 23, is our next scheduled time. There are various ways to help. You may cook, drive, serve, clean up. Each time we serve we need the following items: 12 to 14 casseroles, 4 tossed salads, 2 Salad Dressings, 1 pound coffee 2 people, 5 people to bring 5 dozen cookies or nut bread, 3 people to bring 3 loaves of buttered bread, 2 gallon containers of punch, heavy forks, napkins, 150 cups, 2 gallons of milk. A detailed list is available from Barbara Mosher. We need volunteers for February 23, April 27, June 22, August 24, October 26, and December 28.

Thank you for your continued support. If you feel called to be a part of this worthy project, please contact Barbara Mosher at (949) 582-8263 or the church office at (949) 837-2941. Our turn to deliver a hot noon day meal to Southwest Community Center is Friday, February 23. All food needs to be to the Shepherd Hall kitchen by 10:30 a.m. on our scheduled Fridays.



### Sign up now for February SHIP Begins February 10

Self Help Interfaith Program (SHIP) is back on February 10 - 24. Signups will be at the Give table, or contact Mark Burke at 949-525-8386 / [markburke10@gmail.com](mailto:markburke10@gmail.com). Dinner can be any menu you want for five guests in addition to your party. Tuesday has twice the number of attendees (10 people), due to SHIP weekly meetings to mentor guests. SHIP is a four month transitional housing program, which helps guests remain off of the street, find employment, and maintain self sufficiency. Visit [www.shipinoc.com](http://www.shipinoc.com) for more details of the program. Thanks for your support.



# Preschool News

## February Brings Valentines and a Pet Parade

*Love the Lord with all your heart. —Luke 10:27*

February is all about love here at the preschool. We will be sharing valentines with our classmates and learning how to show others that we care about them. As we also love our pets, we will learn how to take care of them and to top off this fun unit we will have a Pet Parade – where we will parade around the campus with our stuffed animal pets that will have each won an award!

Registration is now open to the public – so if you know a family with a preschooler, ask them to call us for a tour! 949.837.2993.

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United Methodist Preschool



## Preschool Fall Registration Now Underway

Please pass the word to your friends and families that we have started registration for the next school year 2018-2019.

If you know of anyone who is looking for a preschool home, please have them give us a call at 949-837-2993.

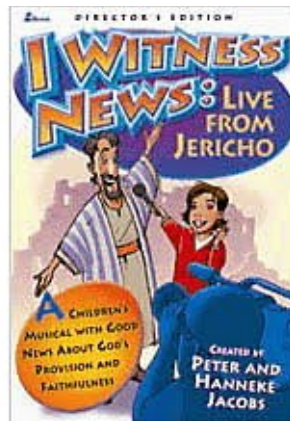
## Children & Youth

**Save the Date!**

### Music Camp 2018

We have set the dates for Music Camp 2018! Rehearsals and performances will run from **June 18 to July 1** at the RSM campus.

"I Witness News: Live from Jericho" is a creative re-telling of the story of Joshua and the battle of Jericho. The music is catchy and there are tons of speaking roles. It's a great opportunity for kids and youth to work together to put on a show about God's faithfulness. Invite your friends to join you this summer!



## YOUTH AUCTION

**Youth Auction is coming up March 18!**

We will now accepting donations, all the way up to the Sunday before the auction. Be thinking of ways you might be able to support our youth ministries by donating any new items or themed-baskets for the auction. You can email David Enger with any questions at [denger@sothumc.org](mailto:denger@sothumc.org).



### Explorers

Hey 3rd-5th Graders!! Join us at Explorers for Bible study, games, service projects and fun. February meeting dates are Sundays, February 11 and 18, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., in Shepherd Hall on the Mission Viejo campus.



For Children's  
Ministry

information, contact 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).



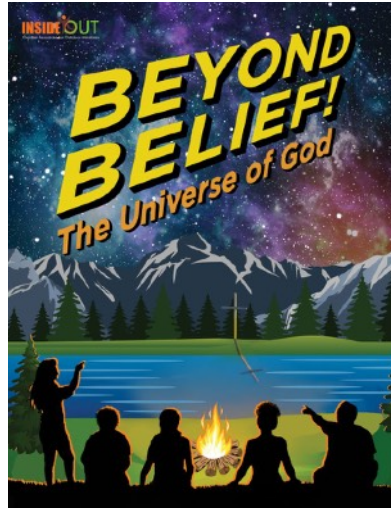
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## Save These Dates for Summer!

**Youth Winter Retreat**  
February 16-19  
Palomar Christian Conference Center



**VBS Shipwrecked**  
"Rescued by Jesus"  
July 23-27



**Lazy W Summer Camp**  
Beyond Belief "The Universe of God"  
Elementary- July 8-13  
Jr High- July 15-20  
High School- July 22-28

Registration for Lazy W is now open  
at [www.calpacumc.org/summercamp](http://www.calpacumc.org/summercamp).

## Mexico Mission



Fifty Shepherd missionaries traveled to Mexico in January, building two houses and conducting a VBS for 150 local children. See the 5-minute video at [sothumc.org](http://sothumc.org).



**MISSION COMPLETE!**



# Prayer Ministry

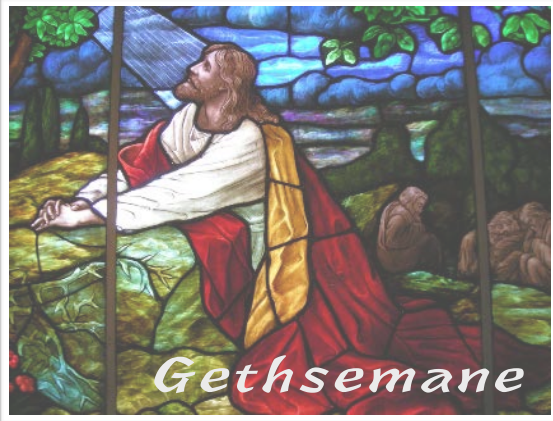
Registration Begins February 1

## 2018 Lenten Silent Saturday - "Gethsemane"

Saturday, March 10 • 8:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Mission Viejo Campus

*And He withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and He knelt down and began to pray, saying, "Father, if You are willing, remove this cup from Me; yet not My will, but Yours be done." Now an angel from heaven appeared to Him, strengthening Him. And being in agony He was praying very fervently; and His sweat became like drops of blood, falling down upon the ground. When He rose from prayer, He came to the disciples and found them sleeping from sorrow, and said to them, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not enter into temptation." —Luke 22:41-46*



Oswald Chambers wrote "Our Lord is trying to introduce us to identification with himself through a particular 'Gethsemane' experience of our own."

Join us as we explore Gethsemane. Registration begins February 1 at [sothumc.org](http://sothumc.org), \$25.00 per person including breakfast, lunch and prayer journal. This Silent Saturday will include extra time for silent meditation and exploration of your Gethsemane. No Centering Prayer experience required. Those new to Centering Prayer will be invited to attend a short introduction to the prayer. Questions? Contact Jill at [jyamada@sothumc.org](mailto:jyamada@sothumc.org) or the church office at (949) 837-2941.

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

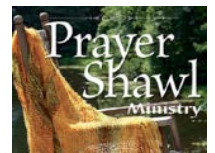
*And now these three remain: Faith, Hope, and Love. But the greatest of these is LOVE.* —1 Corinthians 13:15

We always link the month of February with love. While some holidays like Christmas and Easter make us think about Jesus, Valentine's Day usually makes us think of our love for each other. However, God is the creator of love, and it is because He first loved us, that we love others.

The reason that the Prayer Shawl Ministry exists is to share God's love with people who need a hug because of illness, a loss in the family, dealing with life's struggles, or just for comfort.

We make our prayer shawls  
To offer a hug  
With thousands of stitches  
Each filled with love.

We send our love to each of you and hope you share this love with others.



To join us and help to spread God's love through our handmade shawls, call Marilyn at 714-821-9634 or Lisa at 562-743-5918

#### 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 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 [cbohholdt@sothumc.org](mailto:cbohholdt@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 [cbohholdt@sothumc.org](mailto:cbohholdt@sothumc.org).

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

--1 John 4:16



# Around the Church

## Lenten Hikes Coming Soon

It's almost that time of year again, hikers! Our first lenten hike begins in later February. If you have a favorite hike from the past, or have a suggestion for something new, please let Doug Nason know at [dnason@sothumc.org](mailto:dnason@sothumc.org).



Past hikes included: O'Neill Park, Whiting Ranch, Aliso Creek trail, Oso Creek trail, Backstair Canyon, Harding Canyon, Bommer Ridge, and Aliso/Woods Canyon.



## Shepherd Seniors Luncheon and Speaker February 27

Shepherd Seniors will host a luncheon on Tuesday, February 27, at 12:30 p.m. on the MV campus. The speaker will be Don Han from the OC Human Relations Organization for the HateFreeOC Campaign. ([www.ochumanrelations.org](http://www.ochumanrelations.org)). The campaign's goals are to create a hate-free environment in Orange County, bring diverse communities together, and promote a peaceful and inclusive community where everyone can thrive.

The catered lunch will be grilled chicken kabobs with fire roasted tomatoes, basmati rice with saffron, Greek salad and dessert.

## "Between the Lines" Book Group

All are invited to join our lively monthly dinners and book discussions. On February 25 we discuss *The Whistling Season* by Ivan Doig. Please contact Mary Beth at [Mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com](mailto:Mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com) or 949-702-7286 for more information.

# UMW News

## A Busy February Planned for United Methodist Women

Here are some opportunities for you to participate in UMW and support missions.

**On February 11 we will have a Bake Sale.** Proceeds go to local missions like South County Outreach and our own Good Sam Fund. You are invited to bake something for us, and certainly buy something.

**Cal Pac UMW is having a Mid-Winter event,** Mission Visits and Work Projects on February 17.

We need to sign up as soon as possible for which Mission we would like to visit. This is a work day.

It may involve cleaning out a closet or washing windows. Call Marcia if you are interested, at (949) 215-4954. Calexico is a 4 hour drive, so we will probably choose either Toberman House in San Pedro or David & Margaret House in Laverne. This is an opportunity to understand the work each mission is doing.

**Sarah Circle** will meet with Darlene Robertson on February 20 at 1:00 pm. Visitors welcome; come get acquainted.

**Saturday, February 24 is our General Meeting** at 10:00 a.m. Shepherd Hall. Program: Creation: A Sacred Encounter with God, followed by potluck lunch. Vivian Martin and Peggy Dutcher are going to help us do something creative. Please sign up on the patio to let us know how many supplies we need.

**Deborah Circle:** Operation Interdependence Kits: Lip balm, travel size shampoo & lotion, candy, gum, small sunscreen. Give to A.J. on the patio between services through the month.

**World Thank Offering** suggestion: A coin for each live plant in your house.



# This 'n' That

## "Attendance Pad"

Why do we ask you to fill out an "Attendance Pad" each week? This is to help us keep connected with members of our congregations and prayer requests. We like to know who is in attendance and any needs members of our congregations might have. It also helps us to be aware of those not attending and to reach out to those in need of support and prayer. Please take a few minutes on Sunday morning to complete the "Attendance Pad".



## SAVE THE DATE:

### All Church Workday

Saturday, March 17  
MV Campus 8:00 a.m. - noon

## Decorate the Church with Flowers: Give Flowers for a Special Occasion

The flower chart for 2018 is available on the patio on Sunday mornings at the Mission Viejo site. Sign up to give flowers in remembrance of a loved one, an anniversary, birthday, etc. The cost of the flowers is \$45.00. Iva Green is responsible for ordering the flowers from Aliso Viejo Florist. If you are interested in donating flowers during the month of February, Sundays are available. Just contact the church office at (949) 837-2941 or stop by the office table at the Mission Viejo site on Sunday mornings. You are welcomed to take the flowers donated for the morning home following the 9:00 a.m. worship service.

## February is African American History Month

**Black History month** was originated in 1926 by historian Carter G. Woodson as "Negro History Week." Woodson chose the second week of February because it marked the birthdays of two Americans who greatly influenced the lives and social condition of African Americans: former President Abraham Lincoln and abolitionist and former slave Frederick Douglass. Woodson also founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, now the Association for the Study of African American Life and History. In 1976, during the nation's bicentennial, the week was expanded to National Black History month. Since then, U.S. presidents and public figures have encouraged all Americans to celebrate Black History month.



**Daylight Saving Time begins on  
Sunday, March 11, at 2:00 am**

Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour before going to bed Saturday night, March 10...or you might be late for church!



**Adult Sunday  
School Class at  
Mission Viejo**

**The Gathering Sundays - 10:15 am**

Adult Study, Fellowship and Prayer. We gather in the Aldersgate Room for a discussion of today's message and scripture text. *Our Motto: Just Show Up!*



# Resource Team

## Resource Team

### Year-end Statements

Your year-end statements have been mailed. If you have not received your statement showing the amount you gave, January 1 – December 31, 2017, please contact the Mission Viejo church office at 837-2941 and let us know.

### Financial Statements

Financial statements are mailed quarterly. Statements will be mailed the early part of April. The purpose of mailing quarterly statements is to assure the financial secretaries have properly recorded the amount given.

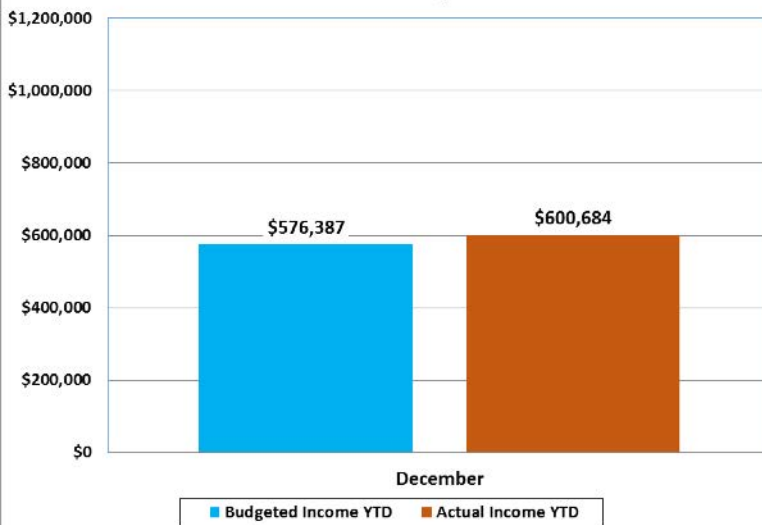
To enable proper credit, please use your offering envelopes. If you do give a loose check, please place your envelope number on it. Please use the blank line on the offering envelope to indicate any additional offering included such as Benevolences, UMCOR, etc.

If you did not receive offering envelopes and would like a set mailed to you, please contact the Mission Viejo site church office at 837-2941.

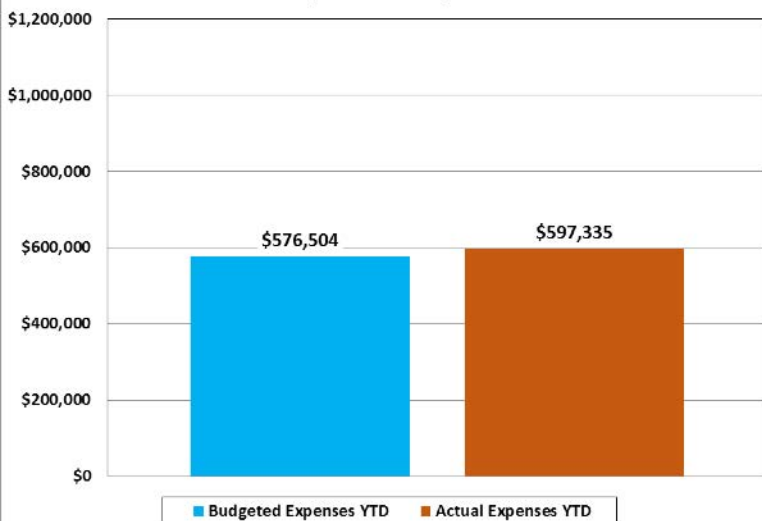
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*Good stewardship requires us to think of the future*

Income Summary YTD



Expense Summary YTD



## Financial Report

Our expenses continue to be over plan because of our additional facility expenses this year (see graphs). Our income is ahead of plan because of many members providing their pledges before year end. As discussed at our All-Church Meeting, we be starting our special campaign to cover our additional facility expenses. As always, please remember to support our church through your presence, time and stewardship.

## "Happenings" Deadline...

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

(March *Happenings* deadline is Saturday, February 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).

Shepherd of the Hills

**Seven Grace Disciplines:**

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

# Birthdays and Anniversaries

## February Birthdays

February 2 Addison Arredondo  
Jon Hutchinson  
Josh Smay

February 3 Samantha Moore

February 4 Hartzell Alpizar

February 5 Debbie Chawner  
Mary Jo Colwell  
Diana Hurtado

February 6 Rena Johnson  
Charlotte Mabes  
Peter Wisner

February 8 Lexie Danko  
Duncan Hutchinson  
Kay McGownd  
Beverly Peace

February 9 Alexander Dudney  
Jim Morse  
Pamela Selawski  
Carol Smoot  
John Wright

February 10 Christopher Bower  
Jenine McQuaid

February 11 Jennifer Heinly  
Shelby Mills  
Barbara Webster

February 12 Kylie Narasaki

February 13 Lucie Duco  
Christina Edgar  
Cooper Headley  
Garrett Headley  
Zachary Headley  
Ed Riffe  
Jane Wright



February 14 Courtney Harris  
Jonathan Wright

February 15 Bobbi Martin

February 16 Carol Gibbs

February 17 Teri Martin

February 20 Dan Dague

February 21 Margot Strawn  
Philip Bardowell  
Bryan Doppenberg  
Tony Grandolfo  
Shannon Wasley

February 22 Gail Holmes

February 24 Colette McClellan  
Sara Piazza  
Evan Rabbitt  
Denise Westcott

February 25 Marybeth McGowan

February 26 Michael Bower  
Sandy Giffen  
Chris White

February 27 Sandra Greenfield  
Cynthia Roehl

## February Anniversaries

February 3 Steve and Julie Aird

February 6 Greg and Nancy Semos

February 11 Karl and Kristen Lindegren

February 12 Philip and Sarah Bardowell

February 14 Gordon and Carolyn Silkwood

February 15 John and Teri Martin

February 16 Mark and Andrea Howard

February 20 Dennis and Sherry Hambrick

February 27 Michael and Barbara Beaupre

February 29 Cliff and Ann Shimizu

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

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| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Monday                                                                                                     | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                                                              | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Friday                                                                                         | Saturday                                                    |
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|  <p><b>SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS</b><br/>MISSION VIEJO • RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA</p> <p><b>February 2018</b></p> <p><b>Activity Calendar</b></p> <p>For event location, see the online calendar at sothumc.org.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <p><b>1</b></p> <p>10a MV UMW Leadership Team Meeting</p> <p>6p MV Bells of Joy</p> <p>7:30p MV Sanctuary Chorale</p>                                                                                                                                                      | <p><b>2</b></p> <p>1p RSM Red Cross Blood Drive</p> <p>6p MV First Friday Centering Prayer</p> | <p><b>3</b></p>                                             |
| <p><b>4</b></p> <p>8:30a MV Centering Prayer</p> <p>9a MV Traditional Worship</p> <p>9a MV Youth Bible Study</p> <p>9:30a RSM Relaxed/ Traditional Worship</p> <p>10:15a MV The Gathering</p> <p>10:15a MV Joyful Noise Children's Choir Practice</p> <p>11a MV Modern Worship</p> <p>11a RSM Modern Worship</p> <p>3p RSM Youth Group</p> <p>4p MV Youth Group</p> <p>5p RSM Shepherd Social Action</p>                                                                       | <p><b>5</b></p> <p>6p RMS Monday Night Huddle</p> <p>7p MV Boy Scout Troop 1602 Patrol Leaders Council</p> | <p><b>6</b></p> <p>9a MV Service and Share</p> <p>9:30a MV Women's Study Group</p> <p>10a RSM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>7p MV PAC Meeting</p> <p>7p RSM Chancel Choir Practice</p> <p>7:30p MV Boy Scout Troop 1602</p>                           | <p><b>7</b></p> <p>9a RSM Pastors Bible Study</p> <p>10:30a MV Pastors Bible Study</p> <p>11:45a MV Centering Prayer</p> <p>6:30p MV Pastors Bible Study</p> <p>7:45p MV Modern Band Rehearsal</p>     | <p><b>8</b></p> <p>6p MV Bells of Joy</p> <p>7:30p MV Sanctuary Chorale</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p><b>9</b></p>                                                                                | <p><b>10</b></p> <p>SHIP dinners begin (February 10-24)</p> |
| <p><b>11</b></p> <p>8:30a MV Centering Prayer</p> <p>8:30a MV UMW Bake Sale</p> <p>9a MV Traditional Worship</p> <p>9a MV Youth Bible Study</p> <p>9:30a RSM Relaxed/ Traditional Worship</p> <p>9:30a RSM Sunday School</p> <p>10:15a MV The Gathering</p> <p>10:15a MV Joyful Noise Celebration</p> <p>11a MV Modern Worship</p> <p>11a RSM Modern Worship</p> <p>11a RSM Youth Bible Study</p> <p>3p RSM Youth Group</p> <p>4p MV Youth Group</p> <p>5p RSM Movie Night</p> | <p><b>12</b></p> <p>6p RMS Monday Night Huddle</p> <p>7p MV Cub Scout Pack 679 Parent Meeting</p>          | <p><b>13</b></p> <p>9a MV Service and Share</p> <p>9:30a MV Women's Study Group</p> <p>10a RSM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>6:30p MV Boy Scout Troop 1602 Court of Honor</p> <p>7p MV Resource Team Meeting</p> <p>7p RSM Chancel Choir Practice</p> | <p><b>14</b></p> <p>ASH WEDNESDAY</p> <p>11:45a MV Centering Prayer</p> <p>7:00p MV Ash Wednesday service</p> <p>7:00p RSM Ash Wednesday service</p> <p>7:45p MV Modern Band Rehearsal</p>             | <p><b>15</b></p> <p>6p MV Bells of Joy</p> <p>7:30p MV Sanctuary Chorale</p>                                                                                                                                                                                               | <p><b>16</b></p>                                                                               | <p><b>17</b></p>                                            |
| <p><b>18</b></p> <p>8:30a MV Centering Prayer</p> <p>9a MV Traditional Worship</p> <p>9a MV Youth Bible Study</p> <p>9:30a RSM Relaxed/ Traditional Worship</p> <p>9:30a RSM Sunday School</p> <p>10:15a MV The Gathering</p> <p>11a MV Modern Worship</p> <p>11a RSM Modern Worship</p> <p>3p RSM Youth Group</p> <p>4p MV Youth Group</p>                                                                                                                                    | <p><b>19</b></p> <p>6p RMS Monday Night Huddle</p> <p>7p MV Knit Wits</p>                                  | <p><b>20</b></p> <p>9a MV Service and Share</p> <p>9:30a MV Women's Study Group</p> <p>10a RSM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>7p RSM Chancel Choir Practice</p> <p>7:30p MV Boy Scout Troop 1602 &amp; Parent Meeting</p>                              | <p><b>21</b></p> <p>9a RSM Pastors Lenten Study</p> <p>10:30a MV Pastors Lenten Study</p> <p>11:45a MV Centering Prayer</p> <p>6:30p MV Pastors Lenten Study</p> <p>7:45p MV Modern Band Rehearsal</p> | <p><b>22</b></p> <p>6p MV Bells of Joy</p> <p>7:30p MV Sanctuary Chorale</p>                                                                                                                                                                                               | <p><b>23</b></p> <p>9a MV Southwest Community Center</p>                                       | <p><b>24</b></p> <p>10a MV UMW Meeting and Program</p>      |
| <p><b>25</b></p> <p>8:30a MV Centering Prayer</p> <p>9a MV Traditional Worship</p> <p>9a MV Youth Bible Study</p> <p>9:30a RSM Relaxed/ Traditional Worship</p> <p>9:30a RSM Sunday School</p> <p>10:15a MV The Gathering</p> <p>10:15a MV Joyful Noise Children's Choir Practice</p> <p>11a MV Modern Worship</p> <p>11a RSM Modern Worship</p> <p>3p RSM Youth Group</p> <p>4p MV Youth Group</p> <p>6p Between the Lines Book Group</p>                                     | <p><b>26</b></p> <p>6p RMS Monday Night Huddle</p> <p>6:30p MV Cub Scout 679 Pack Meeting</p>              | <p><b>27</b></p> <p>9a MV Service and Share</p> <p>9:30a MV Women's Study Group</p> <p>10a RSM Women's Bible Study</p> <p>7p RSM Chancel Choir Practice</p> <p>7:30p MV Boy Scout Troop 1602</p>                                                   | <p><b>28</b></p> <p>9a RSM Pastors Lenten Study</p> <p>10:30a MV Pastors Lenten Study</p> <p>11:45a MV Centering Prayer</p> <p>6:30p MV Pastors Lenten Study</p> <p>7:45p MV Modern Band Rehearsal</p> | <p><b>MV:</b><br/><b>Mission Viejo Campus</b><br/>26001 Muirlands Blvd.<br/>Mission Viejo, CA 92691<br/>949-837-2941</p> <p><b>RSM:</b><br/><b>Rancho Santa Margarita Campus</b><br/>30605 Avenida de Las Flores<br/>Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688<br/>949-589-1502</p> |                                                                                                |                                                             |





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## "Happenings"

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### Ash Wednesday

February 14

7:00 p.m, both campuses

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### Blood Drive

February 2

1:00 - 7:15 p.m., RSM campus

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### Lenten Hikes

Begin in February

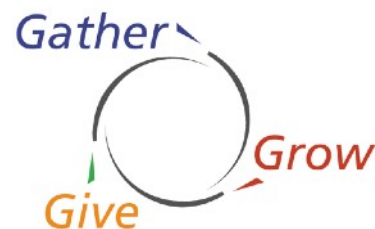
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### Lenten Silent Saturday

March 10

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### Sunday Morning Worship:

#### 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

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### **Seven Grace Disciplines:**

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