

**Shepherd of the Hills  
United Methodist  
Church**

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



# HAPPENINGS

## March 2018

Pastors:

Rev. Karl Stuckenberg

Rev. Jon Waterson

## March Worship

### March 4:

Revelation of Hope

*Six Hundred Sixty-Six*

Revelation 13:11-18

### March 11:

Revelation of Hope

*Armageddon Outta Here*

Revelation 16:1-16

### March 18:

Revelation of Hope

*The Bride of Christ*

Revelation 19:1-10

### March 25 Palm Sunday

Revelation of Hope

*A New Creation*

Revelation 21:1-4

### March 29 Holy Thursday

### March 30 Good Friday

### April 1 Easter Sunday

## 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

## Walk the Path Towards Easter

Dear Church Family,

The earliest Christians were sometimes referred to as "followers of *the way*" in the early church. This of course referred not just to a belief in the saving power of Jesus Christ, but that believing also meant that they were to follow a *way of life* that Jesus taught.

As we move towards Easter, we are following the way of Lent. Lent has been the traditional 6 week journey that reminds us we don't rush right into Easter without first walking the path of reflection about the gift Jesus gives in his sacrifice. Walking a path gives you time to soak in your surroundings. Taking a journey gives you a deeper learning than just arriving at your destination. It's probably the number one reason I would be against the Star Trek transporter technology ever coming to pass. Being able to just teleport from one location to the other would eliminate the journey that teaches so much more than we can imagine.

With Easter just a few weeks away, I want to remind you of all the ways you can take our Lenten journey towards the cross. Here are some of the highlights to the journey.

**Lenten Hikes:** each Saturday during Lent you can join others from our church in taking a literal hike through the surrounding hills of Orange County. Led by our own Doug Nason, these hikes will provide you the chance to slow down in our ever so busy world. Information about the hikes is found on our website, on our Facebook page, and in the weekly *Happenings*.

**Sunday Mornings:** Don't forget the journey of weekly worship. Each week we are digging deep into the book of Revelation to see where the hope of Christ is found. This series has already been a thought-provoking experience and you can join us each week for inspiration and hope.

**Silent Saturday:** March 10th will give you the chance to take time to be silent. In a noisy world, taking time to be still is an important way to open ourselves to God's spirit. Our prayer ministry offers a Silent Saturday focused on Jesus' moment in the Garden of Gethesemene. More information can be found in this publication.

**Lenten Dinners:** Each week at the MV campus we are offering dinner from 6:15-7:00 and a class looking deeper into the book of Revelation. Taught by our own David Enger,

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# Lent & Holy Week at Shepherd

## Walk the Path

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this class has already had record attendance. Don't miss out Wednesday evenings.

**Holy Thursday:** On March 29th at the MV campus, we'll have a service to remember the Last Supper of Jesus. We'll reflect on the last 24 hours of his life and the word he shared with his disciples on this final evening with them.

**Good Friday Art Walk:** Our traditional Stations of the Cross art walk and Choir cantata on the RSM campus is a perfect way to recall the somber moment when Jesus breathed his last. You can contribute art or simply experience the walk itself, but either way it's a night you won't want to miss.

**Prayer Vigil:** From Good Friday through Easter morning, we'll have our MV sanctuary open for prayer. Sign up to hold the vigil for an hour in this powerful event that reconnects us to the stillness that fell upon the earth while Jesus was in the tomb.

**Easter Sunrise Service:** Our Youth will present their traditional sunrise service at 6:00 a.m. on Easter morning. Always a powerful moment and message to share with them.

**Easter Worship:** All our campuses will celebrate the resurrection of Jesus at each service on Sunday April 1st (No fooling!).

We are blessed to walk this journey together. We are blessed that Jesus love for us went all the way to the cross and overcame the power of sin and death for each of us. We are blessed to be the church together.

With God's Peace  
Pastor Karl

## Lenten Suppers on Wednesdays Until March 21

Lenten Suppers have begun. Lenten Suppers are on Wednesday nights beginning at 6:15 p.m. at the MV campus. The following groups/people have graciously volunteered to provide the soup for the evening: February 21- "The Gathering", February 28 - UMW, March 7 - The Mulgrew's, March 14 - Life Group - Mark & Jenny Serfas. Following the dinner, a Bible Study class is held at 7:00 p.m. If you cannot come for the supper, please come at 7:00 p.m. for the Bible Study.



## Lenten Hikes Every Saturday

Our lenten hikes take place at 9:00 a.m. on Saturdays during Lent. For a complete schedule, see the church website at [sothumc.org](http://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.

## Palm Sunday on March 25

Holy Week begins with the sixth Sunday in Lent, March 25. This Sunday observes the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem that was marked by the crowds who were in Jerusalem for Passover waving palm branches and proclaiming him as the messianic king. The Gospels tell us that Jesus rode into the city on a donkey, enacting the prophecy of Zechariah 9:9, and in so doing emphasized the humility that was to characterize the Kingdom he proclaimed. The irony of his acceptance as the new King (Mark 11:10) by the crowds, who would only five days later cry for his execution, should be a sobering reminder of the human tendency to want God on our own terms.

## Holy Thursday Worship

**March 29, MV Campus, 7:00 pm**

Quiet, reflective service with Holy Communion and remembering of the Last Supper. We journey with Jesus to the cross through readings and a multi-media experience of the last hours of Jesus' life.

## Good Friday / Stations of the Cross

**March 30, RSM Campus • 7:00 to 9:00 pm**

Artists' creative talent from Shepherd of the Hills will be on display for the annual Stations of the Cross. Join the choir in the Sanctuary at 8:00 pm for a time of reflective choral selections and Holy Communion.



# Easter at Shepherd of the Hills

## Easter Sunday Celebrations

Come and celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ at Shepherd of the Hills!  
Worship services will feature dynamic music that celebrates the victory of Jesus over death.

**April 1**

### **Mission Viejo campus**

**6:00 am** Sunrise Worship & Breakfast,  
led by Shepherd of the Hills Youth  
**9:00 am** Traditional Worship  
**11:00 am** Modern Worship

### **Rancho Santa Margarita campus**

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

## **The Flowering Cross Easter Sunday/MV Campus**

On Easter Sunday worshippers will have the opportunity to visually witness the very instrument of death transformed into a symbol that represents life and new beginnings. As you enter the MV campus sanctuary on Easter morning, stop and place a flower on the cross. The result of each person placing a flower on the cross is the creation of a beautiful flowering cross that truly represents life and new beginnings. Individuals are encouraged to bring flowers to place on the cross. Carnations will be available for individuals to place on the cross. If you have any ivy that you could donate for the background on the cross, please contact the church office at 837-2941.

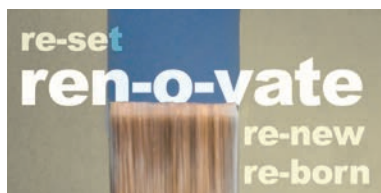
## **Flowers for Easter: Help Decorate the Sanctuary for Easter**

Want to honor or memorialize a family member or friend during the Easter Service? You can purchase flowers to decorate the sanctuary of both sites. You can also donate toward the butterfly release at RSM, or purchase a potted palm for Palm Sunday at the MV site. Please use the envelopes available in the lobby (RSM) or office table (MV). We will start selling them on March 4.

## Around the Church

### **Renovate Campaign Underway**

Renovate means "to make things new again," and is the next phase of our vision of Shepherd reborn. Please prayerfully consider how God is calling you to contribute to this project. You can make your gift by check on Sunday (write "Renovate 2018" in the memo line), by texting "sothmv" or "sothrms" to 779777, or go to [www.sothumc.org](http://www.sothumc.org) and click on the Giving link in the upper right (select "Renovate 2018" in Pushpay).



### **Church Workday March 17**

All Church Workday on the MV Campus on Saturday, March 17, from 8:00 a.m. to noon. The Leprechauns won't do it. We need your help! Projects include plantings on the slope, installing gutters, sanctuary wood treatment, cleaning and organizing, painting HVAC pipes on roofs, and more! Green donuts and coffee will be served! We'll need people for painting, slope planting, gutter installation, cleaning, polishing woodwork, and more. Bring your tools, brushes, vacuums. (Save the date for the RSM Workday on May 19!)



# Preschool News

## Preschool Celebrates New Life and Easter

*For God so loved the world. He sent His only son — John 3:16*

March at the preschool is all about New Life and Easter! We will also be celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday with Crazy Cat in the Hat Days, and looking for leprechaun gold in the sandbox on St. Patrick's Day. The children are learning all about baby animals and how their parents take care of them. They will also be planting seeds (which of course are baby plants) and learning what is needed for the seeds to grow.

Shepherd of the Hills  
United Methodist Preschool



Registration for the 2018-19 school year is now open to the public. If you know anyone with a preschooler, have them give us a call for a tour.

The preschool raises \$ for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital each year at our on-site Trike-A-Thon where the children learn how to ride their trikes/bikes safely. We'll end the month with our Easter Celebrations – making a joyful noise unto the Lord - celebrating His resurrection!

## 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

### SCO Easter Basket Event

SOTH's Explorer's Club will host an Easter Basket Drive to benefit South County Outreach. Please bring donations on Sunday, March 4 and 11. Items needed include Easter baskets, plastic Easter eggs, candy, stickers, crayons, coloring books, bubbles, small toys and games, stuffed animals, and books. Come join us to assemble baskets on Sunday, March 18, from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. in Shepherd Hall at the MV Campus. Everyone is invited!



## YOUTH AUCTION

### Get Ready for Youth Auction!

Sunday, March 18 is our Youth Auction! Come to either worship service and then enjoy some good food and the opportunity to silent bid on auction baskets. All proceeds go to the Youth Ministry at SOTH. It pays for Winter Retreat, Summer Camps, and Sierra Service Project costs. Help love and support our kids!!!



### Explorers

Hey 3rd-5th Graders!! Join us at Explorers for Bible study, games, service projects and fun. March meeting dates are Sundays, March 4 and 11, 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).



# Save Your Summer Dates!



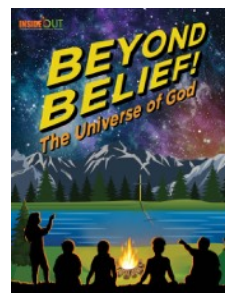
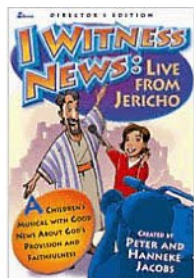
## VBS Shipwrecked

"Rescued by Jesus"  
July 23-27

## 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!



## 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).

# Give Ministry

## Red Cross Blood Drive on Good Friday, March 30

The next blood drive for 2018 for Shepherd of the Hills will be **Good Friday, March 30**, from 1:00-7:15 p.m., at the Rancho Santa Margarita campus, using the Red Cross Mobile Unit. 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.



**American  
Red Cross**

- 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 PM. 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 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.



## South County Outreach Food Drive at Stater Bros.

We will be hosting food drives for South County Outreach on Saturday, March 24 and March 31 from 9:30 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. at Stater Bros. located at 22351 El Toro Rd. in Lake Forest. The Missions Team is looking for volunteers to pass out flyers at this drive. If you would be interested in working a shift, please visit the Give table at the MV campus or contact Alicia Riding at [alicia.bursonriding@cox.net](mailto:alicia.bursonriding@cox.net).

## Update - Operation Christmas Child

We had another fantastic year for the children all over the world. This year Shepherd of the Hills collected and donated 281 Filled Shoebox Gifts and Supplemental Shipping Donations of over \$1300. Pastor Karl put out the request to help cover shipping costs for the 93 Explorers shoeboxes and you came to the rescue and then some. We are all so blessed. A few of us went to the OCC Processing Center to sort through boxes and pack them into crates to be shipped all over the world. What an awesome experience. It was exhausting but fun and very rewarding. All of the boxes packed in Southern California this year are going to Peru, the Philippines and Indonesia. Thank you again for all of your support and generosity.

# Prayer Ministry

## 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."

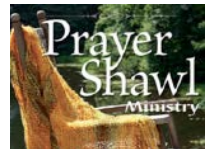
Join us as we explore Gethsemane. \$25.00 per person including breakfast, lunch and prayer journal. This Silent Saturday will include extra time for silent meditation and exploration of your Gethsemane. No Centering Prayer experience required. Those new to Centering Prayer will be invited to attend a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

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is celebrating its seventh year in March giving out shawls to people in need. The shawls reflect God's goodness and grace and His concern for people who need an extra hug due to special circumstances in their life. We hope that a shawl which is full of our prayers is a tangible symbol of God's love and our caring.

Although I organized the team, the 20 members who actually make the shawls deserve all the credit. It takes hours of work to complete a shawl and often the members purchase the yarn themselves which can be quite expensive. They do this out of love. The recipients are grateful as witnessed by the notes of thanks sent to the ministry. They are placed in a notebook which is placed on our table each Sunday.

Thanks to the support of our pastors and our congregation, our mission has been successful. To join us, call Marilyn at 714-821-9634.



### 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 [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."*

*--1 John 4:16*

# Prayer Vigil



## Easter Prayer Vigil

Friday, March 30 (9:00 p.m.) until Easter Sunday, April 1 (6:00 a.m.)

*"For now we see in a mirror dimly but then we will see face to face.  
Now I know only in part; then I will know fully even as I have been fully known"*  
Corinthians 13:12

For Jesus' followers the time between His crucifixion and resurrection was a time of anguish, uncertainty and doubt.

Our lives are not so very different from the disciples.

Beginning at 9:00 pm Good Friday, March 30 through 6:00 am Easter Morning you will have the opportunity to pray in our MV Sanctuary.

Our intention is to have someone physically present during these 33 hours.

This sacred setting with music, candles and scripture will enrich your experience of this Holy Season.

Night Support will be present between 9:00 pm and 6:00 am both Friday and Saturday evenings to open the doors and escort you to and from your car.

Sign-ups will be at both campuses for Prayer Times and Saturday Night Support (Friday is covered)

Those who are physically unable to be present are able to pray from home.

## Prayer Ministry Is Here For You

Have you seen them?? They appear every now and then. They gather. They circle. They take up half the covered patio area on our MV site. They PRAY!!!

Every now and then life gets hard. Diagnosis are given. Challenges comes. Sorrow. Pain. We need not move thru these times in our lives alone!!

Circle of prayer is a time when we, as a church, come together around those in need and allow the Holy to flow through and in prayer.

If you, or someone you know, is in such a time, please let anyone on our Prayer Ministry Team know. To come together in prayer, to surrender our won thoughts, desires, wants and to be open to the movement of the spirit, we draw closer to the Holy, finding comfort, strength, peace and yes even joy!!

"Stand behind me in earnest prayer to God on my behalf" Romans 15:30

## UMW News

### A Busy March Planned for United Methodist Women

Thursday, March 1, Leadership Team meets at 10:00 am in Aldersgate.

March 10, South District UMW is sponsoring a learning opportunity based on a Mission U study: Missionary Conferences of the United Methodist Church in the U.S. It is from 9:00 am to noon, followed by lunch, at the La Mesa Foothills UMC in La Mesa. Registration is \$15 and is due to our treasurer, Charlotte Mabes, by March 1. Make check payable to South District UMW.

Tuesday, March 20, Sarah Circle will meet with Jinny Pape as hostess at 1:00 pm for study and fellowship. We will assist Deborah Circle in collecting items for Skid Row Ministries, as listed below. Guests always welcome.

March 22 is our General Meeting at 10:00 am in Shepherd Hall. Program: A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial. We will share in "stone soup" by each bringing a chopped vegetable to add to the soup pot. There will be a special offering for missions. Everyone welcome.

Deborah Circle is collecting socks and reading glasses (can be purchased at a dollar store) for the Skid Row Ministries. Please give to AJ on the patio during the month of March.

World Thank Offering Suggestion: A coin for each can of food in your cupboard.



# This 'n' That

## Shepherd Seniors Brunch March 11

Shepherd Seniors will meet for brunch on Sunday, March 11, at 11:00 a.m. at the Sizzler, 23501 El Toro Road in Lake Forest. Hostess is Sandra Killian. For reservations, please contact Jean Lehman at [jlehman2@cox.net](mailto:jlehman2@cox.net) or 713-2025 by Friday evening, March 9. Newcomers always welcome.

## Shepherd Seniors Luncheon & Craft March 27

Join the Shepherd Seniors for a catered lunch and an easy wood craft project (guided by Rev. Jerry Carter) on Tuesday, March 27, at 12:30 p.m. at the MV campus. RSVP by March 11 to Sunny Hartman at [sunnysue@yahoo.com](mailto:sunnysue@yahoo.com). Luncheon is \$15, optional project is \$5 per person.

## San Juan Capistrano Historical Walking Tour of Rios Street

Tuesday, April 24, 11 a.m.

Optional Lunch: Trevor's at the Tracks

Limited to 25 people

Take a journey into the past on a tour of our historical town of San Juan Capistrano with our own docent. You will visit adobes built in the 1790s and the Victorian Pryor House. Stroll down Rios Street, the oldest preserved residential street in the state. Learn about the people who lived in these buildings built in the 1880s. Hear the tales of Buchard the pirate, Juan Flores the bandito, Chola Martina the bruja, and much more. Our walking tour covers approximately four city blocks in little over an hour. Carpooling available; Lunch will be 'on your own'. Parking available in the adjacent parking garage; we will meet on the railroad platform by the tracks.

To sign up contact: Carla Beddome at [cbeddome@cruisesinc.com](mailto:cbeddome@cruisesinc.com), 949-350-5447; Sunny Hartman at [sunesue3@yahoo.com](mailto:sunesue3@yahoo.com), 949-291-4585; Avis French at [eavisf@cox.net](mailto:eavisf@cox.net), 949-830-1167.



## Calling All Golden Weds - Sunday, March 25

All those who have been married 50 years or more are invited to join us Sunday afternoon, March 25, at 2:30 p.m., in Shepherd Hall for an Alice in Wonderland Adventure. High Tea will be served. Be sure to wear your top hat, fancy hat and gloves for a trip through wonderland.

## When You Know of Someone in the Hospital Or Ill at Home

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 prohibits the hospital from notifying the church if you or someone you know is admitted. Please ask the nurse, hospital chaplain, friend or relative to call us at 949-837-2941 to inform the church of admittance. We care about you and want to support you in your time of need. So - if you know of someone who is ill in the hospital or not able to attend church, please contact the church at 837-2941, Nancy McGuire, at [nhm5000@aol.com](mailto:nhm5000@aol.com), Marilyn Widen, [widenmad@gmail.com](mailto:widenmad@gmail.com), or Carolyn Bohmholdt, [cbohmholdt@sothumc.org](mailto:cbohmholdt@sothumc.org)

## Financial Peace University

### Starts April 5

Begins Thursday, April 5 - 7:00 pm - MV campus Shepherd Hall. We all need a plan for our money--Financial Peace University is that plan! It teaches God's ways of handling money. FPU presents biblical, practical steps to get from where you are to where you've dreamed you could be. This plan will show you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely, and much more! Information and registration at [www.fpu.com/1061333](http://www.fpu.com/1061333) (for discounted price of \$109). Nine week class through May 31.





# Resource Team

## Resource Team

### Financial Statements

Financial statements are mailed quarterly. The next statements will be mailed in April. We mail the statements to ensure the financial secretaries have properly recorded the amount given. If you find an error in your giving record, please do not hesitate to let Hazel or Carolyn know.

To enable proper credit, please continue to use your offering envelopes. If you do give a loose check, please place your envelope number on it and you are assured of receiving proper credit.

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

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*Good stewardship requires us to think of the future*

## Ways to Donate to Shepherd of the Hills:

- Cash
- Check
- Paypal
- Pushpay

Text sothmv or sothrm to 77977 or go to our website: [www.sothumc.org](http://www.sothumc.org), and click on the Giving Link in the upper right. Make sure you select the correct category you want – Pledge 2017-2018 or Renovate 2018.

- AmazonSmile – Shepherd of the Hills UMC

Our unique charity link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/95-2698839>

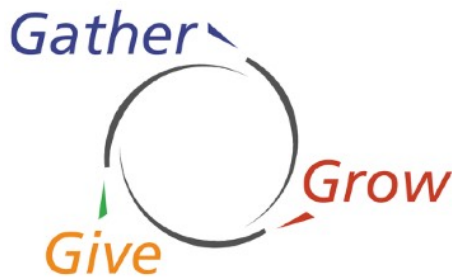
## “Happenings” Deadline...

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

(April *Happenings* deadline is Saturday, March 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*



**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!

**MARCH 11**  
**Turn your clocks  
forward 1 hour**

# Birthdays and Anniversaries

## March Birthdays



March 1 Kai Bush  
 March 2 Beth Holder  
 Tyler Serfas  
 Fern Trausch  
 March 4 Don Ann Dobkins  
 Keagan McKasson  
 Nella McKasson  
 March 5 Kris Andreasen  
 Will Carter  
 Josh Nason  
 March 6 Dick Bushnell  
 Charlie Keller  
 Ruth Marcy  
 Charles Snedeker II  
 March 7 Kayla Stuckenberg  
 Patrick Snedeker  
 Austin Turner  
 March 8 Audrey Herbka  
 Cindie Reilly  
 Carrie Zapotny  
 March 9 Matthew Arroyo  
 Carol Moss  
 Kathy Narasaki  
 March 10 Michelle Domond  
 Jan Newton  
 March 11 Ron Anzair  
 Lee Leatherman  
 Glenda McNeil  
 John Oakes  
 Cal Shores  
 Jonathan Stone

March 12 Julie Major  
 Eleanor McGoldrick  
 March 13 Aileen Morgan  
 March 14 Janet Oliver  
 Jolyon Olmstead  
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 Landon Howard  
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 Brigit Colwell  
 Cindy Hunter  
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 March 30 Michelle Gibson  
 Jana Lu  
 Barbara Steyn  
 Bill Stone  
 Kit Tisdale  
 March 31 Tim Bertolino  
 Noah Patcha  
 Sydney Patcha

## March Anniversaries

March 27 Cal and Ann Shores

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 <p><b>SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS</b> MISSION VIEJO • RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA</p> <h2>March 2018</h2> <h3>Activity Calendar</h3> <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>6p MV First Friday Centering Prayer</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>9a Lenten Hikes</p> <p>10a MV Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Day</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>10:45a MV Joyful Noise Extended 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 RSM Monday Night Huddle</p> <p>6p MV Stephen Ministry Supervision</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>11:45a MV Centering Prayer</p> <p>6:15p MV Lenten Supper &amp; 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>9a Lenten Hikes</p> <p>9a MV Lenten Silent Saturday "Gethsemane"</p>
<p><b>11</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</p> <p>10:45a MV Joyful Noise Practice</p> <p>11a MV Modern Worship</p> <p>11a RSM Modern Worship</p> <p>11a RSM Youth Bible Study</p> <p>11a Shepherd Seniors Sunday Brunch</p> <p>12p MV Joyful Noise Rehearsal in Sanctuary</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 RSM 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>7p RSM Resource Team Meeting</p> <p>7p RSM Chancel Choir Practice</p> <p>7:30p MV Boy Scout Troop 1602</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>9a RSM Pastors Bible Study</p> <p>11:45a MV Centering Prayer</p> <p>6:15p MV Lenten Supper &amp; Study</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>8a MV All-Church Work Day</p> <p>4:30p MV Youth Auction Set-Up</p> <p>6p Lenten "Sunset Hike"</p>
<p><b>18</b></p> <p>8:15a MV Joyful Noise Children's Choir Practice</p> <p>8:30a MV Centering Prayer</p> <p>8:30a MV Youth Auction</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 RSM 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 Bible Study</p> <p>11:45a MV Centering Prayer</p> <p>6:15p MV Lenten Supper &amp; Study</p> <p>7:45p MV Modern Band Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>10a MV UMW General Meeting</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>9a Lenten Hikes</p>
<p><b>25</b></p> <p>Palm Sunday / Holy Week begins</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>12:30p Golden Wed Celebration</p> <p>3p RSM Youth Group</p> <p>4p MV Youth Group</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>6p RSM 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>11:45a Centering Prayer Off site</p> <p>10:30a MV Preschool Easter Program</p> <p>6:30p RSM Preschool Easter Programs</p> <p>7:45p MV Modern Band Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>Holy Thursday</p> <p>10:30a MV Preschool Easter Programs</p> <p>7p MV Holy Thursday Worship Service</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>Good Friday</p> <p>1p RSM Red Cross Blood Drive</p> <p>7p RSM Stations of the Cross Art Walk</p> <p>8p RSM Good Friday Worship Service</p> <p>9p MV Prayer Vigil</p>	<p><b>31</b></p> <p>Holy Saturday</p> <p>12a MV Prayer Vigil continues</p>



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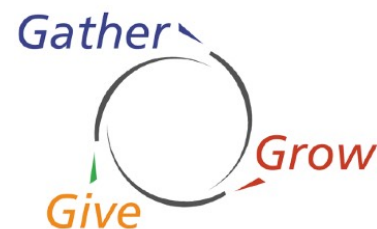


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#### **Rancho Santa Margarita Campus**

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