

**Shepherd of the Hills
United Methodist
Church**

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



HAPPENINGS

October 2018

Pastors:

Rev. Karl Stuckenberg

Rev. Jon Waterson

October Worship

October 7

*I Am the Resurrection
and the Life*

John 11:21-25

October 14

*I Am the Way, the Truth, and
the Life*

John 14:1-6

October 21

I Am the Vine

John 15:1-5

October 28

All Saint's Sunday

The Cloud of Witnesses

Hebrews 12:1-2

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

PASTOR KARL'S MESSAGE

Dear Church Family,

In my Pastor's Bible Study class we are currently studying the ten commandments. The Israelites were in the beginning phase of figuring out what it meant to be a community. Now that they had left Egypt, God was helping them build a new community focused on their relationship with God and one another.

On September 23, 2018, the people of Shepherd of the Hills recommitted ourselves to be one church on two unique campuses. Seven years ago two churches become one and a journey began. During that journey we had to figure out what it looks like to be a faith community in this newly merged relationship. There have been great celebrations and there have been challenging struggles. But like the Israelites, we have continued to be committed to our relationship with God and each other.

Below are the words your lay leadership team have put together to express our recommitment to this relationship and the guidelines by which we will move forward. Please take a moment to read them as we begin this second portion of our journey as Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church.

Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church Merger Commitment

On May 20, 2012, Santa Margarita United Methodist Church in Rancho Santa Margarita, CA and Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church in Mission Viejo, CA agreed to merge together into one multi-site United Methodist Church known collectively as Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church. Shepherd of the Hills became one United Methodist Church operating on two unique campuses.

Exactly six years later on May 20, 2018, this unified faith community made a decision to clarify their understanding of this merger and the expectations of each individual campus. The following statements represent this new commitment to Shepherd of the Hills as one church on two unique campuses.

1. Shepherd of the Hills recommits itself to being a multi-site church with one faith community experienced on two campuses.
2. Each campus community is expected to fulfill our United Methodist mission as expressed in ¶ 120. of the Book of Discipline which states:
The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.
In order to do this, each campus community is responsible to grow in attendance, participation, discipleship, and giving.
3. Each campus community is free to pursue the ministries they feel called to create and is expected to respond to the needs of their unique local communities. These ministries are to express the overall vision of Shepherd of the Hills as cast by the Lay Leadership Team, which has equal representation from both communities.
4. Each campus community is expected to support and participate in the joint ministries of Shepherd of the Hills. These ministries include, but are not limited to, the Preschool, joint mission projects, all-church worship events, all-church fellowship events, etc. Church members are encouraged to participate across the campuses. All events and activities at both campuses are always open to all of the people of Shepherd of the Hills. If a direct invitation to an event or activity is not given, it is assumed.

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Mexico Mission 2019: January 17-21 • Ensenada, Mexico

Interest Meeting: November 11, 2:00 p.m., MV Sanctuary

The Mexico Mission trip is January 17-21, 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 17, at 10:30 a.m. (suggested for construction teams), or 2.) You can come with the team leaving on Friday, January 18 at 7:30 am (VBS teams). Both teams return Monday, January 21 around 1:00 pm.

There is an **Interest Meeting** on Sunday, November 11 at 2:00 p.m. in the MV Campus Sanctuary--bring your questions!

Orientation Meeting December 9, 2:00 p.m. in the MV Campus Sanctuary.

Registration deadline is December 9.

More information and sign-up form is available on the church website, www.sothumc.org, as well as in the Mexico Mission brochure.

Merger Commitment *continued from page 1*

5. While we celebrate the uniqueness of each campus community, the Lay Leadership Team of Shepherd of the Hills is tasked with discerning the overall vision and ministry direction of the church. In order to do this, this team will create a "dashboard" of metrics that help them to see what is happening across our church in areas such as attendance, worship, giving, discipleship, new members, and can include any other areas deemed helpful to *making disciples for the transformation of the world*.
6. Shepherd of the Hills will be structured according to the Reset plan adopted at an all-church meeting in November of 2017 shown below. According to this structure representatives of both campus communities oversee centralized vision, ministries, support, and resourcing. Specifically, the centralized teams will be:

The Lay Leadership Team made up of the Gather, Grow, and Give Lay Leaders of each campus, Church Council Chair, Church Council Vice-Chair, and the appointed pastors.

The Resource Team made up of equal representation from both campuses and tasked with oversight of physical and financial resources of the church.

The Pastor Parish Relations Committee in accordance with the Book of Discipline and made up of equal representation from both campus communities.

These three teams will comprise **The Church Council** responsible for providing accountability, transparency, and information on a quarterly basis to the congregation.

The Missions Team, which will coordinate the different mission outreach projects of Shepherd of the Hills whether joint, or campus specific.

Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Preschool Board that controls and governs the Preschool ministry on each campus. Each campus community will have their own Lay Leaders in the areas of Gather, Grow, and Give ministries who will work closely with the campus pastors and staff to coordinate the unique ministries of each community.

7. Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church's operational budget will be divided into three sections. There will be a Shepherd of the Hills Centralized Budget, which will record income and expenses related to Apportionments, central staffing, debt, joint ministries, centralized operations, etc. There will also be Campus Budgets for each site that will record income and expenses related to campus ministries, campus staff, and campus operations.

Give Ministries

Hunger Sunday – October 7

The first Sunday of every month is designated as “Hunger Sunday.” For the month of October, we will be collecting PASTA AND PASTA SAUCES. Please any shape of pasta except for spaghetti. The collection barrels will be out in front of the entrance to the sanctuary at MV campus and in the lobby at RSM campus. Help us alleviate hunger in South Orange County by donating to this worthwhile cause.



Blood Drive October 11

Our next blood drive will be Thursday, October 11, 2:00-8:15 p.m. at the MV campus. To make an appointment to donate:

Contact Avis French at (949) 830-1167 or eavisf@cox.net

Contact Mary Beth McGowan at 949-702-7286 or mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com

Register online at www.redcrossblood.org and follow the instructions

Sign up on the church patio between services on Sundays

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



Operation Christmas Child Begins in Late October –

Operation Christmas Child brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations worldwide through simple, gift filled shoe boxes.

What can you do to help?

Pray. Pray that God will touch the heart of every child who receives a shoe box.

Pack a Box: It's that time again to start collecting items to fill shoeboxes full of love, caring and fun! These boxes will be shipped worldwide sending a message of God's love. We will distribute pre-printed cardboard boxes on October 28 and November 4 with the final collection day November 11. There will also be a limited supply of plastic boxes with a charge of \$2.00 each. Once you have decided the age of the child you will be shopping for, include the following: “WOW” gifts (one bigger thing to really catch the child's eye, like a doll, stuffed animal, car, truck, or deflated soccer ball and pump). Then items like toothbrushes, comb or brush, school supplies, toys and flash lights with extra batteries. Sunglasses, socks and flipflops are also good ideas.

Discover the destination of your box(s) online. When you pay your \$9.00 shipping fee online, you can print out a special barcode/label so that you can find out the final destination of your box.

If you are unable to pack a box: The first thing you can do is pray for these children and all the volunteers that make this “labor of love” happen. Next you can help cover the shipping costs, \$9.00, by donating cash or checks written to “Samaritan's Purse” with OCC written in the memo line. Turn your donations in at the GIVE Table or the church office.

Join the SOTH “Packing Team”. We will be putting together teams to go to our local OCC Processing Center in November and December.

For questions, please contact Kathy Toon at kathymtoon@gmail.com.



Southwest Community Center – Friday, October 26

Stop by the Southwest Community Center table on the patio at the Mission Viejo campus on Sundays, October 14 and 21 and sign up to donate one or more items to help us provide a hot-noonday meal at the Southwest Community Center on Friday, October 26.

The center is located in Santa Ana and feeds men, women and children who need food. We serve a hot noonday meal to the people at the center bi-monthly. The meal consists of a hot casserole, toss green salad, buttered whole wheat bread, cookie or sweet bread and a drink. Due to new health regulations, casseroles need to be store bought. If you can donate items or would be able to go to the center to help serve 10:30 – 1:30 p.m., please stop by the table on the patio at the MV campus. For additional information, contact Barbara Mosher at (949) 582-8263.

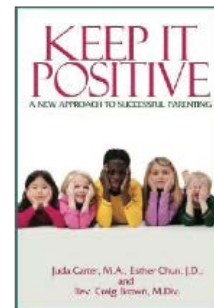
Family Ministries

Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 28

4:30 - 6:30 p.m. RSM Campus, \$5.00 per person
Join us in a fun-fill evening for the whole family!

- Activities: Games, Crafts, Live Music, Dinner
- Trunk Decorating Contest:
 - ▶ Win a prize if your trunk is the Cutest, Funniest, Most Elaborate, Best Themed or the Grand Prize
 - ▶ Decorate the trunk of your car from 2:00 - 5:30 p.m.
 - ▶ Pass out your goodies to the children from 6:10 - 6:30 p.m.
 - ▶ Sign up at either campus to let us know how many cars to expect
- Children's Costume Parade

For additional information or to volunteer, please contact Vicki Faivre at vfaivre@earthlink.net.



Tired of giving time-out for the same thing over and over?
Tired of yelling at your kids all day long?
Feeling like nothing you do works?

Join us for a class based on the book "Keep It Positive", taught by Jada Carter and Esther Chun.

October 14, 21 & 28 with an optional follow-up class on November 4
1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Sign up at sothumc.org. For questions, contact Laura Arciniega at larciniega@sothumc.org

Contact Us!

For Children's Ministry information, contact: Laura Arciniega, Director of Family Ministries and Discipleship, at larciniega@sothumc.org; Cristina Flores, Children Coordinator at RSM, at cflores@sothumc.org or Amy Strawn, Childcare and MV Sunday School Coordinator, at astrawn@sothumc.org.

Children's Ministry

Monday Night Huddle - RSM

We are back in action!! Our RSM Children's Ministry has partnered with Monday Night Huddle to provide an enhanced evening for children. Join the fun as we explore stories from the bible in a 4-week series. Special evenings also will have games, crafts, music and movie night. Contact Cristina Flores at cflores@sothumc.org for more details.

Children's Ministry Rancho Santa Margarita

Our Sunday Kick Off Day was a success!! We had face painting, crafts, volunteer sign-up and registrations for Sunday School. Our program will be full of great events, so stay posted.

Our NEW Children's Ministry groups are:

Steps in Faith- Pre-K- 1st
Sunday Friends-2nd -5th grade
LIGHT Group (Life in God: Hope for Tomorrow)-Youth Group



Sunday Afternoon Groups Meet Weekly - MV

The following Sunday Afternoon Groups meet from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the MV campus:

- **Bible Explorers** (3rd-5th grade) and **Junior Explorers** (ages 3-2nd grade) meet in Shepherd Hall.
- **Sunday Afternoon Small Group** (for adults) meets in the Music Room.

Acolyte Training This Fall - MV

Coming this fall we are planning an acolyte training class. Acolyte training is for anyone in 3rd grade – Sr. High. During the training, acolytes are trained to bring the light of God into the service, and then, at the conclusion of the service, bring the light of God out into the world. The acolyte ministry originated from Old Testament times. The scripture tells us of the prophet Samuel assisting Eli the priest and of Elijah being assisted by Elisha. If you are interested in becoming an acolyte, please contact Mary Jo Colwell at colwells@cox.net.

Joyful Noise Practice Sunday Mornings

The Joyful Noise Children and Youth Choir practices on Sundays at 10:15- 10:45 a.m. in the MV campus Youth Lounge. All ages 4 years through high school are welcome to join in the fun! For more information, please contact Schehera McKasson (sfmckasson@gmail.com) or Alicia Riding (alicia.bursonriding@cox.net).



3rd Grade Bible Study Begins in October - Both Campuses

This group is for 3rd through 5th graders who have not yet received Bibles from Shepherd. We meet on Sundays during the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The Bible study is from October 7 to October 28 at the RSM campus, and from October 14 to November 11 at the MV campus. The children learn why the Bible is important, how to properly look up a verse, Bible sections and what they represent, and more. The children are presented with their own Bibles during the church service on their last class. To sign up your child or grandchild, contact Laura Arciniega at larciniega@sothumc.org (MV campus) or Cristina Flores at cflores@sothumc.org (RSM campus).

Preschool

A Busy October for Preschool

Blessed are those who hear the word of God and obey. Luke 11:28

Our Spiritual Emphasis is Self-Control.

All the children have settled in really well. They are meeting new friends, exploring their classrooms, the playground and getting to know their teachers. In October the children will be learning all about our Community Helpers, and what's real and what's pretend to get them ready for Halloween. There also will be our Parent/Teacher Informational Meetings, Chapel, Motor Development, planting vegetables in the school gardens, Pumpkin Days, and our ever so fun booth at Trunk or Treat! Happy Fall Y'all!

Shepherd of the Hills
United Methodist Preschool



Music Camp

Music Camp Dates Set for 2019

We have set the dates for next summer's Music Camp production at Shepherd of the Hills, RSM. Please save the dates: June 17-30.

Music Camp is open to kids who have completed kindergarten through 12th grade. Registration forms will be available in the spring. Hope to see you there!

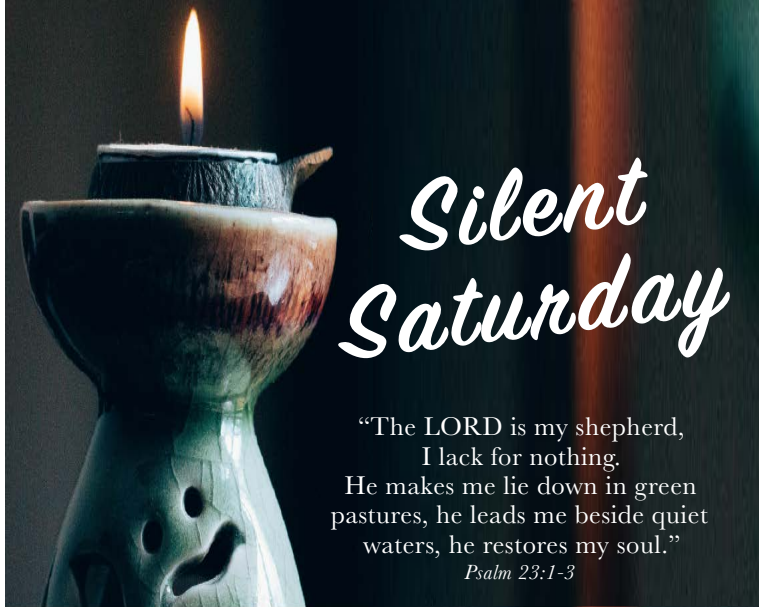
Sierra Service Project



During the summer, 20 youths and 4 adults from Shepherd of the Hills spent a week with the Klamath Tribes in Chiloquin, Oregon, as part of the annual Sierra Service Project. The group worked on roof replacement, awnings, porches, replacing stairs, and painting.

Prayer Ministry

Shepherd of the Hills UMC Centering Prayer Ministry



Silent Saturday

"The LORD is my shepherd,
I lack for nothing.
He makes me lie down in green
pastures, he leads me beside quiet
waters, he restores my soul."
Psalm 23:1-3

November 10 • 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
MV campus

*Join us for a quiet day of prayer and
reflection*

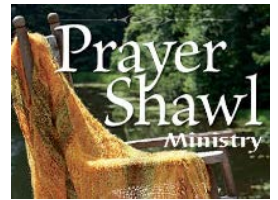
New to Centering Prayer? No experience required,
simply the desire to "Be still and know that I am God" Ps 46.10

Breathe in the Living Spirit of God with Centering Prayer,
journaling, walk a labyrinth, view an inspiring video, and take time
to just "be" in the presence

\$25.00 donation includes breakfast & lunch. Register online:
www.sothumc.org, email: jyamada@sothumc.org or call church
office: (949) 837-2941

Prayer Shawl Ministry

"When I put my prayer shawl on, I feel like angels have their arms around me." This is a quote from someone who received one of our prayer shawls. We have hundreds of similar messages from the recipients of a shawl. The prayers that are knit or crocheted into each shawl and prayed over by our pastors and our congregations really mean something.



Would you like to give a prayer shawl to someone who is hurting, has lost a job, is facing divorce, has lost someone, just needs a hug or is hospitalized? Would you like to receive a thank you such as the one above? If so, stop by the prayer shawl table and give a prayer shawl to someone you know who could use the prayers of our congregations to lessen their burden.

It's a simple process: Pick out a shawl in the color and pattern of your choice, fill out a request form and we will put your shawl in a bag decorated by the Sunday school children. We will include a little information about our ministry and a prayer to hopefully ease their burden. The shawls are made and given with love. The only cost to you is thinking of and praying for the individual who needs one. There is no money exchanged.

This is a unique gift which is full of prayer.
What could be more meaningful?

For more information call Marilyn at (714) 821-9634.

Prayer Chain:

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 or
cbohmholdt@sothumc.org.

If you have a confidential prayer
request or concern, please email it to
pastoralcare@sothumc.org.

Anyone interested in becoming a
part of Prayer Ministry, please
contact Diana Annett at
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.

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

--1 John 4:16

Around the Church

All Saints Service Sunday, October 28

Part of the worship service on Sunday, October 28 will be a remembrance of those who have died during the past year, November 2017 – October 24, 2018. All Saints Day has been established as the day of remembrance for the saints, with the New Testament naming of all Christian people of every time and place.

We will remember those who have died in our church this past year, as well as in the Church universal. As a way of ministering to our church families, we are extending an invitation for our members to submit names of relatives who have died between November 2017 and October 24, 2018, but are not members of Shepherd of the Hills. Please contact the MV office at (949) 837-2941 and give us the name of the deceased, relationships, date of death, etc. Forms are available at the office table at the Mission Viejo campus and at the Informational Center at the RSM campus on Sunday mornings and in the church office.

Holy Communion (Eucharist) World Communion Sunday, October 7

On Sunday, October 7 we will observe World Communion at both campuses. World Communion Sunday is always the first Sunday in October. Your gifts support World Communion scholarships. Will you give generously on World Communion Sunday to make education and vocational impact possible for more students, like Mary Grace? Will you equip gifted and qualified students from around the globe to become the world-changers God created them to be? Nelson Mandela said, "Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world." Because the people of The United Methodist Church believe that all of God's children have been created and gifted to build the kingdom Jesus ushered in, we are resourcing them to do just that. Because of your giving on World Communion Sunday, the most powerful tool to change the world is in more hands. A communion offering envelope will be placed in the *Weekly Happenings* on Sunday, October 7.

Community Table is coming to Shepherd

Community Table is a weekly meal that will be hosted at the RSM site that is available to anyone and everyone who wants to join us. People who are homeless, people who cannot afford dinner, people who are lonely and would like some company, and people who just want to come and be part of the fellowship are all welcome. The target launch date is November 7. Anyone interested in participating is encouraged to attend a training session/trial run on Wednesday, October 3 at RSM at 6:00 p.m. In addition to sharing a meal, we will hear from Lara Fisher of South County Outreach, providing insights on how to make this program more effective. Join us for the training session and learn how you can be involved in the newest ministry of Shepherd of the Hills – Community Table.



Stephen Ministry at Shepherd

If you would like information on how to become a Stephen Minister or if you could you use the one-on-one care and support of a Stephen Minister, please contact Ane Franchello at (949) 322-4920 or Debbie Chawner at (949) 292-5709. Stephen Ministry leaders will be wearing blue name badges on Sundays.



Holy Land Pilgrimage Meetings

We have scheduled three meetings to prepare us for our pilgrimage to the Holy Land in January. Please mark your calendars to meet from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the RSM campus on October 14, November 4, and January 13. There are two books—*The Land and the Book* and *Simply Jesus*—that will be discussed and can be picked up at the MV church office or can be mailed to your home. Please contact Carla Beddome for travel-related questions at cbeddome@cruisesinc.com or (949) 350-5447.



This 'n' That

UMW Activities for October

Happy Fall! UMW is pleased to announce Sharon and Gary Mason and Patrick Snedeker will be recognized at the **Cal Pac United Methodist Women's Annual Meeting on October 27** as people who are Bold and Courageous in their service to the Lord. The Masons for years visited other churches helping with upkeep and restoration projects, and they went to Houston with Pastor Karl to help clean up after the hurricane. Patrick has courageously undertaken overseeing our youth on their week long Sierra Service Project for years. A gift to missions has been given in their names.

Anyone who wishes to attend that meeting should let Marcia or Charlotte Mabes know before Oct. 10. The meeting will be in Gardena from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. We will carpool from the church. Registration is \$15 and includes lunch. The speaker that day is from our National UMW office.

Back at home, our **Leadership Team** will meet **October 3, 10:00 a.m. in Aldersgate at the MV campus..** Our **General Meeting** will be **October 25 at 10:00 a.m. in Shepherd Hall.** Our program will be a dedication of our World Thank Offering Gifts. Count up those coins you have collected all year and bring them to the meeting.

Charlotte would appreciate if you count them and bring bills or checks, but will accept coins as well. For October, add a coin for each time you ate out this month.

Sarah Circle will meet October 17 at Peggy Rutherford's.

Deborah Circle is collecting new t-shirts for Alabaster Jar, a rescue house for women from human trafficking. Bring them to AJ on the patio.

We are looking forward to our Fall Boutique November 11 on MV campus.



Shepherd Seniors Fellowship for Fall

- Join us for a luncheon and "Mind and Memory for Seniors" on **October 23** in Shepherd Hall. Lunch is at 12:30 p.m., and then hear Tom and Karen Roberts discuss mind and memory. Come in a Halloween costume for our costume parade. Cost for the luncheon and meeting is \$15. Last day to sign up and pay \$15 for lunch is October 14.

- The **Festival Singers** present "The Many Moods of Winter" on **Sunday, December 9, 3:00 p.m.** at the Lake Forest Sun and Sail Club. (Our own Maureen Ong Vanderbosch is a member of the chorale.) Tickets are \$12.50 per person for 10 or more paid by October 22, includes a reception with holiday confections.

- For any of these activities, RSVP to Sunny Hartman at sunesue3@yahoo.com, Wanda Slowiaczek at slowiaczek@sbcglobal.net, or Avis French at eavisf@cox.net.



Between the Lines Book Group

All are welcome for a delightful dinner and discussion of *The Girl with 7 Names* by Jyeonseol Lee. We will discuss this extraordinary, true story of a young woman's escape from North Korea on **Sunday October 14 at 6 p.m.** at Debbie and Jeff Hulbert's home. Please contact Mary Beth at (949) 702-7286 or mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com with questions or to RSVP.

Shepherd Seniors Brunch on October 14

The Shepherd Seniors will meet for brunch on **Sunday, October 14 at 11:00 a.m.** at Olive Garden, 24256 El Toro in Laguna Hills. RSVP to Jean Lehman at jlehman2@cox.net or (949) 713-2025 by **Saturday, October 14 at 4:00 p.m.** Newcomers welcome.



*Daylight Saving Time ends on
Sunday, November 4, at 2:00 a.m.*

Remember to set your clocks back one hour
before going to bed Saturday night, November 3.

Resource Team

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Financial Statements

Quarterly statements will be mailed the first week in October. Please review your statements carefully. If you note any item(s) that need correction, please contact the church office at (949) 837-2941. Remember, you also can view your statement online at MyShepherd. Go to the Financial section click the dots and click My Pledge.

Offering Giving

Thank you for your continued support of Shepherd of the Hills UMC through your financial giving. Your support makes it possible for the work of God to encompass, to reach out and to serve those in need in our church and community. Please continue to strive to keep your pledge current.

Pledging Vs. Giving

The amount you pledge helps us to determine our budget and set our goals for the year.

When you give to a specific fund, other than the budget, on a Sunday morning, using your pledge envelope, that amount is credited to the fund you designated. When you receive your statement, it will reflect all areas you have given to in the past 3 months. If your pledge is short and you have given to a specific fund that fund will be reflected and the difference noted on your pledge.

Your Dollars at Work

Praise to God for the generous donations of the families of Shepherd of the Hills UMC! the Youth Lounge at the MV campus and the Sanctuary at RSM have been renovated. The Youth Lounge at Mission Viejo Campus has a new look. There are new couches with pillows, carpet removed and a concrete floor polished, new windows, two new TV's, the entire area painted, two new cubicles for offices, new wood siding, and much more. Come and look at the Youth Lounge on Sunday morning. The Youth Lounge is used by our Youth, Preschool, Sunday School and community groups. At RSM new carpet has been installed in the Sanctuary.

How to Give to Shepherd Online

Select one of these options:

- From your Mobile Device - Select a campus and Text the following:
 - Mission Viejo - Key Word: SOTHMV to 77977
 - Rancho Santa Margarita- Key Word: SOTHRSM to 77977
- Visit MyShepherd at sothumc.ccbchurch.com and click on Give, located in the left column of the home page.
- Visit the church website at sothumc.org and click on the Giving link.

Shepherd of the Hills

Seven Grace Disciplines:

Celebrate • Devotion • Development

Tithing • Service • Sharing • Sabbath

'Happenings' Deadline...

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

(November *Happenings* deadline is Wednesday, October 10.)

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

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

Shepherd Activities Calendar Is Online

For up-to-date information on church events, see the online calendar at sothumc.org.

MV:

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

RSM:

Rancho Santa Margarita Campus
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Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688
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Birthdays and Anniversaries

October Birthdays

October 1	Mark Burke Korina Kannedy
October 6	Mia Walsh
October 7	Mary Jo Hitchner Neal Patcha Claudia Short Scott Syler Cameron Thorson Adam Van Winkle
October 8	Lila Betty
October 9	Riva Binder Daniel Croft Ane Franchello
October 10	Diana Annett Myra Hunter
October 11	Damian Buessing Alex Van Winkle Veta Zarifis
October 12	Sandy Binder Glenda Lindahl Dick Otto Diana Weir
October 13	Pat Brewer Robin Burrow Jennifer Figarotta
October 14	David Gibson Mildred Holmes Christina Lackey JoAnn Minnig Olivia Zapotny
October 15	Charlotte Runyan



October 16	Ryan Arroyo Derejo Buessing John Hoffer Jo Hutheson Neal Hutchinson Micky Scholte Lauri Schutz
October 17	Ray Apodaa John Lindegren
October 19	Sophia Croft
October 20	Sydney Boone Gerry Easton Jack Leggett Pam Wolf
October 21	Derek Mills
October 22	Shelley Cummings Jamie Foundoulis
October 22	Brian Fues Peter Lindegren
October 23	Candi Hutchinson Nancy Rabbitt
October 25	Bob Bone
October 27	Tom Gramlich Jim Shotwell

October 29	David Beaman Roland Bender Carrie Callen Bill Greenfield, Sr.
October 30	Luke Schoettger Renne Schuttera
October 31	Caitlin Heinly Janet Keller Laura Witczak

October Anniversaries

October 3	Terry & Jane Wright
October 4	John & Glenda McNeill
October 6	Tim & Judie Bertolino
October 15	David & Marian Cummings
October 20	Aaron & Erin Foellmi Jeff & Debbie Hulbert
October 26	Jack Leggett & Marybeth McGowan
October 27	Scott & Kimberly Harris

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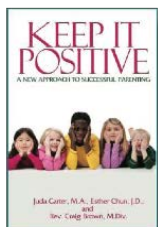
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Sunday, October 28
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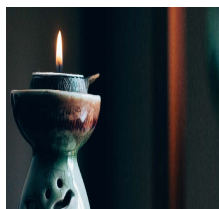
Positive Parenting Class

Begins October 14
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Mexico Mission

Interest Meeting November 11
2:00 p.m.
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Silent Saturday

Saturday, November 10
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11:00 am Modern Worship

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

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