

**Shepherd of the Hills  
United Methodist  
Church**

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



# HAPPENINGS

## May 2019

Pastors:  
Rev. Karl Stuckenberg  
Rev. Jon Waterson

### May Worship

#### May 5

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know  
*We Are Family*  
Matthew 12:46-50

#### May 12

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know  
*God Bless the Child*  
Matthew 18:1-5

#### May 19

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know  
*All You Need Is Love*  
John 15:9-17

#### May 26

In Remembrance  
Luke 22:14-20

### Sunday Worship Schedule:

#### Mission Viejo Campus

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship  
11:00 a.m. Modern Worship

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

#### Rancho Santa Margarita Campus

9:30 a.m. Relaxed Traditional  
Worship  
11:00 a.m. Modern Worship

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

## Make Your Summer Plans Now!

### Music Camp 2019

"The Not So Terrible Parable" is the story of the Good Samaritan like you have never heard it before. It's a mystery. It's a comedy. It's set in the 1930's at a historic inn, but has cool music that will make you tap your feet. Whodunnit? You'll have to figure that out this summer!

Music Camp is open to kids who have completed kindergarten through 12th grade. The cost is \$80 per child. Scholarships are available.

\*\*Please note that the parent meeting is coming up in May, and the auditions are two weeks before our first rehearsal so that we can get a jump on making the costumes.\*\*



**Sunday, May 5, 1:00 p.m.**  
Parent Information Meeting —  
RSM Sanctuary (kids are welcome  
to attend)

**Sunday, May 19**  
Deadline for Registration

**Sunday, June 2, 1:00 p.m.**  
Music Camp Auditions for all kids,  
RSM campus

**Monday - Friday June 17 - 28, 9:00 a.m. -  
noon, RSM campus**  
Rehearsals

**Friday, June 28 at 7:00 p.m.**  
First performance, followed by ice cream  
social

**Sunday, June 30 at 10:00 a.m.**  
Second performance, during special Sunday  
morning worship

### "Roar!" VBS is July 22-26

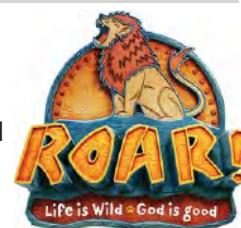
July 22 - 26, 2019 • 9:00 am - 12:15 pm

Join us as we go on an adventure to learn about how life is wild, but God is good!

VBS is open to everyone from age 4 up to 5th grade. Students entering 6th grade in the fall can register as youth helpers.

\$55 first child, or \$95 two children, or \$125 max for family of three or more children (fee includes camp T-shirt for each child and music cd for the family)

Stay tuned for more info to come! Registration begins in May. Questions? Contact Laura Arciniega (larciniega@sothumc.org)



### Lazy W Camps: Beyond Belief – The Universe of God

Now is the time to be thinking of summer camp. If you plan on attending summer camp or are interested in helping to supplement the cost, please call the church office or contact David Enger or Laura Arciniega. The cost of each camp is \$445.00. Registration:  
[www.lazywranch.org](http://www.lazywranch.org).



Elementary Camp / July 7-12/ 3rd - 6th grade  
Junior High Camp/ July 14-19/ 6th - 9th Grade  
Senior High Camp/ July 21-27/ 9th-  
Graduated Sr.

# Around the Church



## ALL CHURCH WORKDAYS

*Save the dates:*

M.V. Campus: Saturday, May 4, 2019

RSM Campus: Saturday, June 15, 2019

**8:00 a.m. to noon.**

There are opportunities for all to serve.

Many hands make light work.

Sign up on the MV patio

## Save the Date for Church Picnic

Mark your calendars NOW for Sunday, June 23, for the annual Shepherd of the Hills Picnic. It will be held at the Flo Jo Park in Mission Viejo following the last church service, 12:30 – 3:00 p.m.. We will have the softball field again this year, and the church will provide hamburgers and hot dogs, condiments and water. We encourage you to bring an item to share.



## Between the Lines Book Group

Join us to discuss *Collaborator of Bethlehem* by Matt Beynon Rees on Sunday, May 5 at 6:00 p.m. For questions and to RSVP, contact Mary Beth at [mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com](mailto:mary.beth.mcgowan@sce.com).



## UMW Fashion Show Luncheon Tickets on Sale

May 11, 12:00 noon, MV Shepherd Hall. UMW's Annual Fashion Show Luncheon, "Music in the Air," Features clothing and accessories from SteinMart. Adults are \$25, youth 12 years and under are \$15. Tickets on patio, or contact Charlotte Mabes at (770) 314-9606.

## UMW Activities for May

The merry merry month of May brings our Annual Fashion Show and luncheon, May 11 at noon in Shepherd Hall. Theme this year is "Music in the Air." Tickets are on sale on the patio at MV campus, or contact Charlotte Mabes at [crmabes@bellsouth.net](mailto:crmabes@bellsouth.net), or 770-314-9606 for reservations. Tickets are again this year adults \$25, Children \$15.

We hope you will each invite a friend to come with you and enjoy the day. We appreciate donations of baskets for silent auction, and small, wrapped door prizes. Contact Gloria Rose for more information at 949-837-4000.

Leadership Team will meet at 10:00 a.m. in Aldersgate on May 2. Guests are welcome.

Deborah Circle will collect for Operation Gratitude this month. This organization supports deployed military. Please bring any of items to AJ Lane on the patio during the month of May: lip balm, sunscreen, deodorant, gum, hand wipes, single serve drink mix. Any questions, contact AJ at 949-680-9495.

Sarah Circle will meet at 1:00 p.m. on May 21 at the home of Sheryl Mitchell. We continue to use the book *50 Women All Christians Should Know*. You are invited to join us. Any questions, contact Jinny Pape at 949-586-4228.

World Thank Offering Suggestion: 780 million people do not have access to clean water. Because you do, add \$1 (or more!)



# Give Ministries

## Community Table Is Every Wednesday at RSM

Community Table provides a free meal to anyone whose budget is stretched or who wants to share a meal with others. Meals are served every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. See [www.sothumc.org](http://www.sothumc.org) and follow the link on the home page for information on all the ways you may get involved.



## Hunger Sunday, May 5

South County Outreach has asked us to bring "Meal Helpers" and condiments for the month of May. Here is the list for May 5: Tuna or Hamburger Helpers, taco and Italian seasonings, salt and pepper, salad dressings, mayo, mustard, ketchup, and 5 lb. bags of sugar and flour. South County Outreach is planning on offering easy budget friendly recipes using items from their food pantry.



## SCO Food Drives at Stater Bros.

We will host food drives for South County Outreach on Saturday, June 22 and Saturday, July 20 from 9:30 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. at Stater Bros. in Lake Forest. We need volunteers willing to pass out flyers at these drives. If 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).

## Join the Meal Train

The Care and Nurture Team provides meals to those who are ill, suffered an injury, death in the family, recovering from surgery, birth of a child, etc. through the Meal Train. You can become part of the Meal Train by contacting Kathe Enright at 949-735-1939 or [katheenright4@gmail.com](mailto:katheenright4@gmail.com). After you have contacted Kathe, you will be put on the list of those who are willing to provide a meal in time of need and will be contacted when a need arises.

## AIDS Walk Team Forming

A Shepherd team is forming for AIDS Walk Orange County on Saturday morning, June 1 at Huntington Beach Boardwalk. Go to <https://give.classy.org/SOTH> to register as a walker. For questions, contact Michelle Williams at (949) 254-5214 or [rgcs625@gmail.com](mailto:rgcs625@gmail.com). Also, volunteers are needed to staff Shepherd booth. To sign up, please visit the MV campus Give table or contact Alicia Riding at [alicia.bursonriding@cox.net](mailto:alicia.bursonriding@cox.net).

# This 'N' That

## Shepherd Seniors Brunch on May 19

Shepherd Seniors will meet for brunch on the third Sunday, May 19 at 11:00 a.m. at the Sizzler, 23501 El Toro Road, Lake Forest. Hostess: Wanda Slowiaczek (for Sandra Killian). For reservations contact Jean Lehman at [jlehman2@cox.net](mailto:jlehman2@cox.net) or (949) 713-2025.

## God's Creation- Flowers/Butterflies

What a beautiful array of flowers adorned our sanctuaries for Easter. Our thanks to everyone who purchased a flower/palm or butterfly for our Easter Celebration. The sanctuaries at both campuses truly reflected our Glory to God, as did the releasing of the butterflies at the RSM campus.

# Around the Preschool

## Art Faire Month at Preschool

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. 1  
Colossians 3:15

May at the preschool is all our "Moms and the Ocean." We will also be holding our annual Art Faire (Open House) where our yard becomes a spectacular sea of color and imagination! Our teachers mount and display several of each of their children's masterpieces. It is a chance for the whole family to share in the creative talent of each of our wonderful students.

Shepherd of the Hills  
United Methodist Preschool



Registration for the 2019-20 school year is ongoing. If you know anyone with a preschooler, please have them give us a call for a tour!

In HIS Service,  
Becci Lukes, Preschool Executive Director MV/  
RSM

Sarah Galliver, Preschool Site Director RSM  
Shepherd of the Hills Preschool  
Mission Viejo & Rancho Santa Margarita Sites

### CONNECT Wed nights @ MV

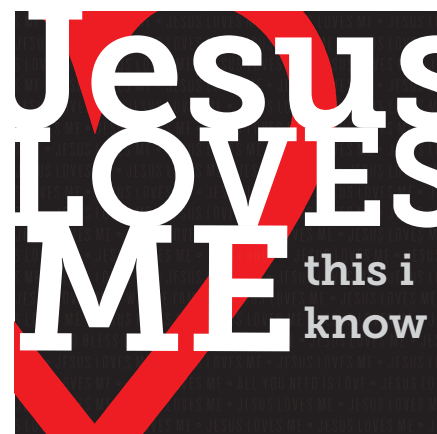
5:30 - 7 pm

A gathering of kids and adults that includes a shared meal, activities for kids, and adult education.



*Watch for information on the next Wednesday  
Night Connect Session this summer!*

NEW SERIES BEGINS MAY 5



### MONDAY NIGHT HUDDLE @ RSM

5:30 - 7 pm

A gathering of kids and adults that includes a shared meal, activities for kids, and adult education.



### 'Happenings' Deadline...

The monthly *Happenings* deadline is generally the 10th of every month. (June *Happenings* deadline is Friday, May 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:**

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*Tithing • Service • Sharing • Sabbath*

### Shepherd Activities Calendar Is Online

For up-to-date information on church events, see the online calendar at [sothumc.org](http://sothumc.org).



# Prayer Ministry

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Knit Wits are busy knitting and crocheting scarves for the AIDS walk, which will be held on June 1 in Huntington Beach (a new venue this year). We have colorful scarves ready for distribution to the participants in the walk.

We are also working on shawls and prayer squares. We have squares with crosses, which people seem to love. They can be kept in your wallet. We also make heart shaped designs, which can be given to people who are not Christian. You are welcome to come to the prayer shawl table on Sunday and pick out your favorite color and pattern. They can be put in a letter or card to tell a friend you are praying for them.

It has been a gorgeous spring in our area due to the rains of March. Enjoy the beautiful weather and the colorful landscape, all gifts to us from God.

If you would like to become a Knit Wit, just drop in on the third Monday of the month in the Aldersgate Room on the Mission Viejo campus at 7 p.m. Call Marilyn at 714-821-9634 for further information.

HAPPY SPRING!!!



## Centering Prayer at Shepherd

### Centering Prayer - Sunday Mornings 8:30 a.m

In preparation for Sunday morning worship, try stopping by the MV Prayer Room for a Centering Prayer sit. We end in plenty of time for the 9 a.m. service. Questions? contact Jill at the church office (949) 837-2941 or see our Sunday Morning facilitator, Bob Olson.

### "A Taste of Centering Prayer" - Sunday, June 2 at 8:30 a.m.

Join us the first Sunday of the month in the MV Prayer Room for a brief introduction to this Christian meditation practice and short 5 minutes of quiet. Learn how easy the method is building our relationship with God and benefits to mind, body, spirit and soul. "Be still and know that I am God". Ps. 46:10

### Wednesday Centering Prayer Group & "The Wisdom Jesus" by Cynthia Bourgeault

We gather at 11:45 a.m. and center for 20 minutes in the MV Sanctuary and end with shared prayers and joys. After prayer time, join us for the book study, unfolding the richness of "The Wisdom Jesus". Bring a sack lunch.

### Friday Centering Prayer Group

Every First and Third Fridays in MV Sanctuary 6:00 p.m.

### Third Friday Centering Prayer and Book Study of "Open Heart, Open Mind" by Fr. Thomas Keating

We begin at 6:00 p.m. for Centering Prayer followed by the study at approximately 6:30 p.m. "Open Heart, Open Mind" is the handbook of Centering Prayer and a must read into the contemplative life. Questions? contact Leah Rose Smith at leahrosesmith1@gmail.com.

### 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 and Third 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).

Anyone 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

# Resource Team

## Resource Committee

### Estimate of Giving Cards

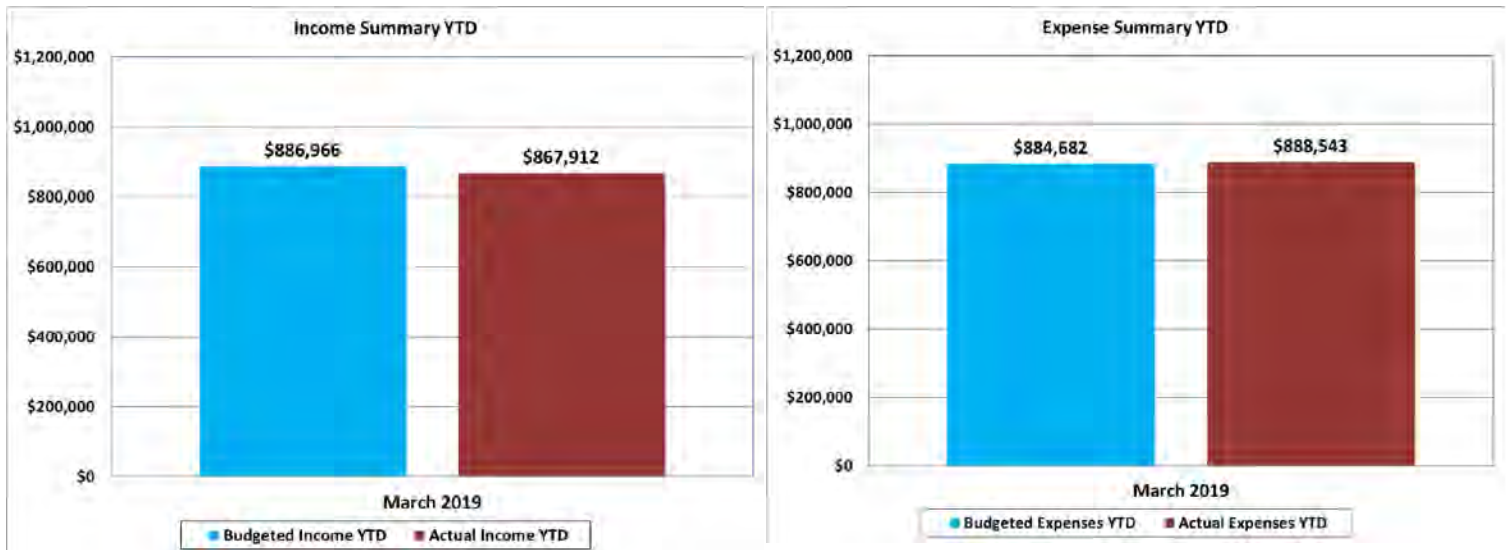
Remember to turn in your Estimate of Giving (Pledge) card on Sunday, May 20. The amount received from the estimate of giving cards is what determines the amount of our

budget for our fiscal year, July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

### Financial Statements

The financial statements for the third quarter were mailed the first part of April to those who pledge. If you did not receive your statement or have any questions regarding your

statements, please contact the Mission Viejo campus office at (949) 837-2941. We encourage you to use your offering envelopes to assure correct accounting of funds. Remember, our fiscal year ends June 30. All donations received after June 30, unless specified, will be applied to the new fiscal year.



Giving through March has dropped off from projection; we anticipate that as we enter the final quarter of the church year many households will “catch up” to the committed pledge made last year. Expenses are being maintained well by the team, a significant amount of roofing work was done this season due to major leaks, much of the work had been deferred and could no longer wait.

## 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 2018-2019.

- AmazonSmile – Shepherd of the Hills UMC  
Our unique charity link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/95-2698839>

## Did You Know You Can Get Statements Online

An easy way to keep track of your giving is to log onto MyShepherd, and go to your name. Across the top, click on “Involvement” and it will give you a variety of choices. Go to “Financial” and click on it. You will find 3 dots on the side of the word “Financial.” Click on the dots and a variety of options will come up. Click on either “giving” or “pledge” to activate your giving record. The next screen lets you put in the dates you want to view for your statement. Select the date and then hit the “run report” button. Your statement or giving record will appear.

*On the first day of every week, each one of you should put aside money as you have been blessed. — Mark 14*

# Birthdays and Anniversaries



MAY

## May Birthdays

May 1	Catherine Blackmore Debbie Howard Mike Kravitz Kristi Morse Peggy Rutherford
May 2	Connor Van Winkle
May 5	Isla Foellmi
May 6	Tom Major Susan Schwartz
May 7	Matthew Harris
May 8	Sydney Foote Cliff Shimizu
May 9	Jeanne Haynes
May 11	Blake Doppenberg Ray Klaus
May 12	Chase Arredondo Caroline Driver Eleanor Mansfield

May 15	Joanie Burt Vietta Cantrell Ellen Munn
May 16	Chris Pearce Bill Rose
May 17	Erin Foellmi Anthony Thorson
May 21	Rochelle Ambrose Dan Gandy
May 22	Jenske Johnson Jeanne Roach Haley Serfas
May 23	Nancy McGuire Alex Westcott
May 24	Gary Brooks Tom Derby Barbara O'Donnell
May 25	Elizabeth Schoettger
May 27	Thelma Hoffman Annabelle Mavros Jenn Olmstead Virginia Pape Sandy Stark Spencer Widen
May 28	Arllys Oesterling
May 29	Norma Graves
May 31	Peggy Dutcher Jody Kick

## May Anniversaries

May 3	Randy and Kit Tisdale
May 5	John and Jacki Roberts
May 12	Stan and Sandra Green
May 16	Bill and Gloria Rose
May 18	Karl and Kristin Stuckenberg
May 19	Michael and Stephanie Foundoulis
May 20	Mark and Lauren Burke Mark and Lisa Van Winkle
May 21	Richard and Kathy Toon
May 28	David and Yoshimi Enger Tim and Carolyn Johnson
May 30	Charlie and Janet Keller Mark and Jenine McQuaid Dick and Wendy Wasley

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

## Shepherd of the Hills UMC Staff

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## **Happenings**

**Issue 5 Volume 52**



### **Vacation Bible School**

Registration opens  
in May  
See page 1



### **Church Workday**

Saturday, May 4  
See page 2



### **Music Camp**

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### **Follow us online:**

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### **Facebook Groups:**

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