

Confirmation Class of 2015



Top Row: left to right

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Our Pastor's News



Greetings to all the saints of God in FFUMC!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have helped in achieving sets of goals of ministry under my pastoral leadership for the last two years. You have been my true partners of ministry to build up this body of Christ together. Please forgive me for I cannot name you all in this limited space.

I was clearing up the computer in my office the other day and found the letter I wrote soon after I arrived here. It was the letter addressed to the previous preschool director. It was quite a daunting task to dismiss a staff member as a new pastor. With many serious questions about the future of the preschool, appointing new directors was almost like an act from a blinded faith. Two years later the preschool has completely turned around and next year looks even more promising. I sincerely thank all three teachers for diligence and steadfastness and for rewarding my trust in you.

Many of you would not have noticed that the beautiful stained glass windows right above the choir loft illumine their beauty with all colors vibrantly standing out. The centerpiece of our sanctuary was dull when I saw it first. With my request, Richard Quackenbush labored for weeks to brighten them up with less costly light bulbs to shows the full magnificence. Thank you, Richard.

Thanks to you all for your participation and sharing your passion and vision for FFUMC. You have worked together with me to envision revitalizing the Church through "Envisioning Dinners" and identified characteristics of different generations and evangelism approaches accordingly. It was very heart-warming and encouraging to see your hearts were like-minded. The Revitalization plans were proud products of sharing visions, which I have strived to follow step by step.

Thanks to a generous contribution, we turned our fellowship hall into a multi-function and multi-media room. This enabled us to launch the new evangelism programs targeted for community movie nights. This new addition has benefited meetings, fellowships, and programs for Sunday School and the Preschool. We completed this project at a fraction of the cost thanks to those gifted volunteers.

My first Sunday in July two years ago was steaming hot, which led me to hold Christmas concerts to raise funds for A/C system in the sanctuary. The funds from the concerts became the seed money and now with enough funds raised, the new A/C system is about to be installed. Our beautiful sanctuary is going to be a more comfortable place of worship and now can hold larger scale events and programs. I thank all volunteer musicians who had helped raise funds, those who came to the concerts, and those of you who have given generously to the project.

In this day and age of internet, the web is a common tool to reach out

and stay connected to the community. The times of yellow and white pages have gone away. The Church's website is critical to let the community know about FFUMC's presence and ministries. My last project is to put a new face on the website of the church with a new design. I hope to complete it soon. I thank those who are working with me on this.

Thank you who are in the leadership, having agreed to my request to fulfill FFUMC's mission obligation to pay 100% apportionment for two consecutive years.

Thank you to those who attended and supported the Alpha course. It was offered first time at our church and was successful.

Thank you to both old and young families for making the series of "Family Breakfast" successful.

Above all things, I thank God for your faith and love. Thanks to so many of you who have sustained my ministry through supports and encouragements.

I would like to thank Barbara Winter once more. She welcomed me genuinely to FFUMC and has been the backbone of my revitalization plans with her generous contributions. Barbara has said to me repeatedly, "I love this church. I am not going to be here long but sure hope that the church will." What Barbara has in her heart has been my sincere prayer as well. Keep up with your vision and God will reward you richly.

May the Lord bless and make the ministries and mission of FFUMC prosper. May the good Lord bless your new pastoral leader, Rev. Phil Wood. He is an outstanding and highly respected member of our annual conference serving parishes over four decades and providing expertise in leadership in copious ministries.

Godspeed,
Phillips

Update on proposed A/C



GOOD NEWS: THE NEW A/C IN THE SANCTUARY

As it has been over a century, FFUMC was, is, and will continue to be the place of worship for the saints of the Lord Jesus. The main purpose behind installing the new A/C is to make our sanctuary a more comfortable place of worship. With this new addition, we aim to be more inviting and create more programs to bring people in from the community regardless of the weather conditions.

Benefits

It will help everyone including visitors to worship. Fanning will no longer need to be a part of worship activity. Also, the cool air will assist worship leaders such, choir members, musicians, liturgists, and preachers on the higher platform. The outside temperature will no longer be a deciding factor to host programs such as concerts and weddings during the summer.

Issues with the existing furnace

The furnace is reaching its life span after having worked over half a century. The current furnace has long been out of production and repairing it would not be possible at some point. Bids that the Trustees have received show that replacing it with a new HVAC using the existing ducts would cost over \$100,000.

The new A/C system comes with a built-in capability for heating. In case the current heating system fails, we will have an instant replacement.

Finances and Financial Impact

The Trustees have studied different options and pricings and decided to go with a split system, of which energy efficiency is very high. The cost of it is \$53,700. Enough funding for the project has come from various sources such as Christmas concerts, the Foundation, personal contributions, and the Conditional Donation from the Annual Conference. It means that for this superb addition to the life of FFUMC does not hamper with the on-going ministries and mission.

Operating Costs

If we decide not to use the old furnace, we could save \$2,300 for maintenance immediately, plus gas to heat the furnace and electricity which turn two massive fan motors. By using the new system, the actual increase for heating and cooling would be less than \$1000 a year including maintenance. Running the A/C during hot summer months would cost about \$1800.

Some said that FFUMC is the hottest church in town but may be the coolest one starting this summer.

Pastor Phillips Whang

Did you know that....?



With the abundance of World War II novels hitting the bookstores this year, Rosellen Gates could easily fit her experiences into a memoir. Instead, the 93-year-old Fullerton grandmother is taking her reminiscences to Santa Rosa where she will share some of her stories in her new

home: a retirement community.

"At this age, I've learned you have to start downsizing early, maybe even two or three years ahead of time," says Rosellen, still packing a week before leaving the home she's loved for 65 years. "I'm about to wear down."

But she still has the mental strength to recall a life filled with adventure, music and first and foremost, a loving family.

Born in New Mexico, Rosellen's family moved to San Jose, California when she was in high school. She graduated from San Jose State College with a degree in piano and a minor in education. "I clearly recall when our football team traveled to play Honolulu right before Dec. 7, 1941. No one from the team died, but many signed up for service training."

After a year of teaching, the winsome brunette and her best friend decided in 1944 to join the Navy WAVES (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service). The division, established in 1942, consisted entirely of women eager to participate in the World War II effort to preserve freedom.

"We were sent to New York City for six weeks of intense training, and then for one month to the big Navy Exposition in Chicago where people could learn more about the Navy," Rosellen recalls. "I was assigned to a booth where I had to show-and-tell visitors in one sentence about the new radio models invented for use on our naval ships."

She suspects her booth was the most popular because sailors figured out she really didn't know about the terminology in the printed script and it was fun to tease her.

Then, it was on to Washington D.C. where she was trained in cryptanalysis in a secret communications department that worked in support of the national intelligence gathering effort.

When the war ended, Rosellen volunteered for an extra six months to help send Purple Heart Medals to families of men who were injured or killed on the battlefield or at sea.

While waiting to head home from Washington, D.C., two Navy pilots offered Rosellen and her friend flights in two-seater planes to circle above the nation's capitol.

"Little did we know, they would demonstrate all their high-flying tricks," she says with a chuckle. "And we later found out, they didn't strap us into our parachutes!"

Eventually, the women caught a free flight to San Francisco with "the first United Nations delegation on board."

Back in San Jose, Rosellen was reunited with her college sweetheart, Bob Gates, who had completed naval duty and was headed to Stanford University for his master's degree. The two married in 1947, and in 1950, Bob applied for a teaching job at a town of 11,000 "which we had never heard of."

The destination? Fullerton College in Fullerton, California where Bob would begin a 35-year career teaching physical science and working in administration. The couple purchased a home on Union Avenue overlooking orange groves and "their wonderful, heavenly scent." They also watched a tract of homes spring on the next street, and decided to buy a three-bedroom, two-bath abode for \$25,500.

The neighborhood was called Faculty Row, with many of the residences purchased by Fullerton College instructors and administrators. And many of the residents were members of the Fullerton Methodist Church where the Gateses became very active.

"Right away, we found a family in the church," says Rosellen, who through the years, taught Sunday school and for 40 years sang in the adult choir. In 1975, she persuaded 18 church members to help form a recorder group. Word spread, and the first night 50 people arrived to learn to play classical music.



UMW GENERAL MEETING
June 4, 2015, 10:00 a.m. South Lounge

GUEST SPEAKER - JULIE GRIFFITH
David and Margaret Youth and Family Services

David and Margaret Youth and Family Services is one of four Cal-Pac mission projects supported by United Methodist Women. They have expanded their facility and their services over the many years of their existence. We will learn about the many ways they help the most vulnerable in our society.



POTLUCK SALAD LUNCHEON FOLLOWING PROGRAM



YWCA - Masseth Jones

United Methodist Women past and present have received a huge compliment! Ms. Jones spoke at the May Wesley Ann Circle meeting and brought us up to date on the various programs the YWCA now offers. She also told us that if it wasn't for the support of United Methodist Women at Fullerton First there would not be a YWCA in North Orange County. In fact, her office is the only one left in all of Orange County. So if you thought your mission offerings, volunteer activities, and advocacy efforts don't make much difference, just talk to her!

MARY MARTHA FELLOWSHIP GROUP

TUESDAY, JUNE 2ND AT 7:00 PM
SOUTH LOUNGE
HOSTESS
ELLIE BOHALL

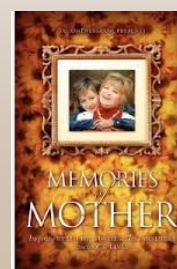
THEME
"FAVORITE SUMMER VACATION"



WESLEY ANN CIRCLE

THURSDAY, JUNE 18 AT 11:30 AM
AT
EILEEN JACKSON'S HOME
SALAD POTLUCK LUNCHEON

THEME
"Mothers: Photos and Memories"



Good News

Connie Pilling awarded 50 year pin for Girl Guide and Girl Scout!

A 50 year tenure pin will be presented to Connie at the Disneyland Hotel on June 7, 2015.

Connie began her tenure with Brownies in 1944; then graduated to Girl Guide, first as member, then as a Girl Guide Leader - Lieutenant, then Captain. She completed her service in Leeds, England in 1962. She had built the Girl Guide company from 23 to 65 members. This same company formed a Guard of Honor at her wedding.

She came to the U.S.A. in 1962 and resided in Riverside, CA for three years. Connie continued to immerse herself in the Scout programs. She was a camp director in 1964 for the summer with the San Gorgonia GS Council at an established site near Jenks Lake. There were 200 girls who came every two weeks for a six week stay. Connie also started a troop at Cresthaven School for mentally handicapped children while being a Cadette Troop Leader. While running both troops, she instituted a once a month day camp with both troops, to the benefit of all the girls.

Connie returned to England for the years 1966-67 as a Girl Guide Badge Trainer and Tester.

In 1978, she was appointed as a Brownie Troop Aid. In 1980 Connie led a Junior Girl Scout Troop. This was in Fullerton, CA where she has since resided.

In 1990 to 2015 Connie became a member of "OWLS" along with being a speaker. She would give slide presentations to Brownie, Junior and Cadette Troops in Fullerton and the surrounding cities on "British Girl Guiding". During this time Connie has participated in all the "OWLS" functions and activities.

Congratulations, Connie!

Prayer Ministry Group

On special days our church is invited to take part in a prayer rally, where one can spend a half-hour praying in the sanctuary non-stop from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Another opportunity is to join a weekly group in our church and spend about an hour or more studying and praying together. This group began many years ago with a pastor and 12 people. There were many requests from the congregation and the community. Some days we had 20 or more people. They left feeling fulfilled. There were men and women, and now we have six. Our church needs a continuing group such as this. We join in the prayer rallies also, but are glad to have the weekly time. There are times when we cannot meet and take our lists of needs and pray at home, but it is more fulfilling to meet together.

We meet at 1:30 p.m. every Monday in the South Lounge. If you have a request for prayer, bring it. Everyone needs the Lord's help!

"Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you."
James 4:8

Call Sandy Neisess for more information (714) 525-5035



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JUNE UPCOMING EVENTS



Sunday, June 7
First Sunday OUT at
Wahoo's Fish Taco's
CINEMA SUNDAY at 5:00 pm

Sunday, June 14
Youth Group
5:00-6:30 pm in the Youth
Lounge

Sunday, June 21
Youth/Graduation Sunday led
by YOU!!!

Sunday, June 29
Youth Group
5:00-6:30 pm in the South
Lounge



Here and There

Member Update - Zack Zarow

Zachary Zarow is currently serving on the USS Normandy, which is part of the Theodore Roosevelt strike group. They are deployed to the Persian Gulf until October or November. If you would like to send him a card or letter, I'm sure he would love to hear from his church family.

His address is:

Lt. Zachary Zarow
USS Normandy
Unit 100263 Box 2042
FPO AE 09580



Address Updates



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"Did You Know? (continued from page 4)"

"Our group, Windsong is still going strong," says Rosellen. "More than 60 people have come through the group."

At home, Rosellen taught private piano lessons while raising her two daughters, Laurie and Joan. Ironically, the A.B. Chase piano "born in 1922, the same year as I," will be left behind when Rosellen moves. Her piano tuner explained the life span of the instrument is the same as humans and it, too, is ready to retire. The Realtor has been instructed to include the piano in the sale of the home.

In her final days in Fullerton, Rosellen says she is looking forward to a new adventure, new home and new experiences. She's already checked out the Methodist Church to which she will transfer her membership, and has learned of a recorder group in Santa Rosa.

"The church has been an integral part of my life for so long, and I send best wishes for continued growth," says Rosellen as she contemplates sorting more items between the waste basket and shredder.

(To keep in touch with our beloved member, send correspondence to 3585 Round Barn Boulevard, #234, Santa Rosa, CA. 95403. Phone: 707-523-1821.)

Interviewed and written by Barbara Giasone

Member News and Updates



- ◆ **Pray for women and children captured by ISIS.**
- ◆ **Pray for the thousands of earthquake victims in Nepal.**
- ◆ **Pray for all persecuted Christians around the world and peace in the Middle East.**
- ◆ **Pray for mothers in Syria where nearly two million children are refugees.**

For those bereaved:

*The family and friends of **Vera Castillo**; The family and friends of **Cay Lutz**, one of FFUMC's faithful quilters passed away Sunday, May 24. She will be missed greatly.*

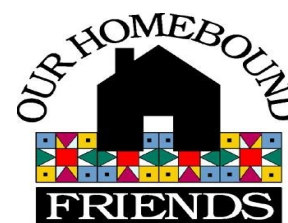
For those who are ill:

Steve Van Dine (per Lilia Milloy), who is recuperating from surgery due to esophageal cancer. Prayers of healing for him and his family. **Mary Harless**, in Anaheim Memorial Hospital for surgery; **David** (Nora Lehr's son), recuperating after being bitten by a hobo spider.

For those who are in care facilities:

Fran Mueller, in a care facility; **Patricia Bueker** (Cindy Ellis' mother).

Our members and friends who are not able to get out and come to church



would be cheered up to receive a note card.

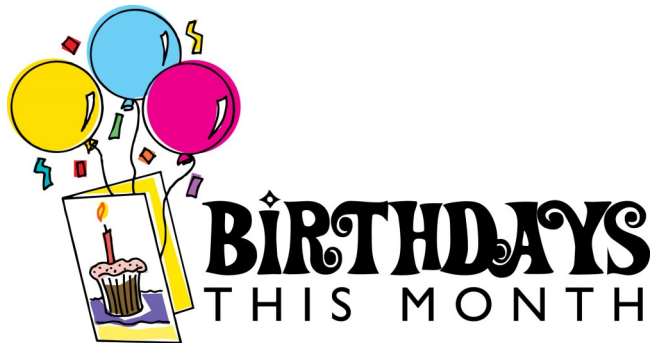
Our Homebound Members

These are our homebound who appreciate prayers, phone calls, and notes. Call the church office if you need an address.

- Edna & Mary Ann Brown
- Margaret Christensen
- Mary Harless
- Beth Hill
- Ben Johnson
- Marjorie Knouse
- Betty Launer
- Letha Little
- Lois Madley
- Wanda Monroe
- Ruth & Harry Musser
- Betty Omalev
- Lois Reade
- Dora May Sim
- Edith Strevy-Kent

submitted by Carolyn Beauchamp

Birthdays in May






<u>June</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>Date</u>
Amy Smith	June 1	Larry Orr	June 22
Kathy Jackson	June 3	Jim Smith	June 24
Ella Casto	June 4	Kurt Boghmle	June 25
Faith Jimenez	June 5	Zachary Hargrave	June 25
Joanne Garrisi	June 6	William Keig	June 25
Robert Monroze	June 6	Don McFarland	June 26
John Sperling	June 7	Kathy Norris	June 26
Beth Hill	June 8	Logan Eaton	June 27
Perry Miller	June 8	Ethan Jackson	June 27
Lynn Rogers	June 8	Blake Smith	June 27
Evie Fiske	June 12	Nancy Woods	June 27
Rosellen Gates	June 12	Suz Currie	June 29
Rosie Mosher	June 13	Louise Green	June 29
Gracie Ribble	June 14	Donal Ruth Robison	June 29
Don Barter	June 17	Brian Galza	June 30
Marglou Miller	June 17		
Carolyn Walter	June 18		
Greg Fowler	June 19		
Linann McDonald	June 21		





2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>DESPICABLE ME</p>	<p>1 9:15am - Storytime (BR) 10:30am - Care Ministry (Conf) 1:45pm - Prayer Group (SL) 3:00pm - Windsong (SL)</p>	<p>2 7:00pm - Mary/Martha Fellowship (SL) 7:00pm - Trustees Meeting (Conf)</p>	<p>3 9:30am - Quilters (SL) 7:30pm - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>4 9:00am - UMW Board (SL) 10:00am—UMW General Meeting Followed by potluck salad lunch (SL)</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 7:00am - Men's Breakfast (OS) 7:30am - FFUMC Comm. Feed the hungry breakfast (SL) 3:00pm - Showers/Laundry</p>
<p>7 9:00am - S.S (BR) (SL) 10:00am - Worship 11:30am - Bells 11:30am - Worship Comm. (Conf) Youth - 1st Sunday Out 5:00pm - Cinema Sunday "Despicable Me"</p>	<p>8 9:15am - Storytime (BR) 1:45pm - Prayer Group (SL) 3:00pm - Windsong (SL)</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 9:30am - Quilters (SL) 7:30pm - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>14 9:00am - S.S (BR) (SL) 10:00am - Worship Reception for Phillips following worship 11:30am - Bells Rehearsal 5:00-6:30pm - Youth</p>	<p>15 9:15am - Storytime (BR) 1:45pm - Prayer Group (SL) 3:00pm - Windsong (SL) 6:00pm - Movie Monday "Long, Long Trailer"</p>	 <p>16</p>	<p>17 9:30am - Quilters (SL) 6:00pm - Hot Meals Ministry at 1st Christian 7:30pm - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>18 11:30am - Wesley Ann Circle at Eileen Jackson's home - potluck salad luncheon No FISH meetings June, July, August</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 7:00am - Men's Breakfast (OS) 7:30am - FFUMC Comm. Feed the hungry breakfast (SL) 3:00pm - Showers/Laundry</p>
<p>21 Father's Day 9:00am - S.S (BR) (SL) Youth Sunday 10:00am - Worship 11:30am - Bells Rehearsal No Youth Group</p>	<p>22 9:15am - Storytime (BR) 1:45pm - Prayer Group (SL) 3:00pm - Windsong (SL)</p>	<p>23 6:00pm - Invitational Committee (Conf) 7:00pm - Council Meeting (Conf)</p>	<p>24 9:30am - Quilters (SL) 7:30pm - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28 9:00am - S.S (BR) (SL) 10:00am - Worship 11:30am - Bells Rehearsal Youth Group - TBA</p>	<p>29 9:15am - Storytime (BR) 1:45pm - Prayer Group (SL) 3:00pm - Windsong (SL)</p>	<p>30</p>	 <p>Preschool Summer Program June 1 through June 19</p> <p>Fullerton First United Methodist Church P R E S C H O O L</p>			



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Return Service Requested

TO:



***Our Sunday Worship Service
begins at 10:00 a.m.***

FFUMC GROUPS and MINISTRIES

- Adult Sunday School
- Aldersgate Chorale
- Handbell Choir
- Book Study Groups (Short & Long Term)
- Bible Study Classes
- Care Ministry
- Families & Children's Ministries
- Family Ties
- Community Outreach
- Men's Breakfast Group
- Quilters
- Bible/Prayer Group
- United Methodist Women
- United Methodist Youth Group

FFUMC OFFICE HOURS

***Monday through Thursday
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Office is closed Friday***

SUNDAYS AT FFUMC

9:00 a.m.—Searchlight — Adult Sunday School
9:00 a.m.—Pathfinders — Adult Sunday School
10:00 a.m.—Worship Service †††
10:00 a.m.—Children's Sunday School
11:15 a.m.—After Worship Fellowship Time
5:00 p.m.—United Methodist Youth Fellowship
(6th Grade thru Sr. High School)

FULLERTON FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH'S MISSION STATEMENT

Fullerton First United Methodist Church is a community of faith that seeks to be a growing and dynamic church in Fullerton with an outreach to this region of Orange County and beyond. We are a part of a world-wide communion who believe in God's transforming love as demonstrated by the life and teaching and living influence of Jesus. Believing that we are undergirded by God's presence through God's Holy Spirit in our daily living, we serve God as we endeavor: to reach out and receive persons into the faith family as they are; to help persons relate to God and grow in their commitment to the values exemplified in Jesus; to provide opportunities for persons to grow and deepen their faith as Christian disciples; to send persons into God's creation as faithful disciples. As God's people we seek to bring a fresh vision of hope as we minister to one another and the larger community in which we reside. We seek to faithfully live out these four foundational missional principles. We shall endeavor to be a place of grace in today's world.