#### **Dixon United Methodist Church**



# Outreach

### **News About People**

**April 2019** 

Our prayers of healing are with Robert Scott who was in the hospital for several weeks. Prayers of blessing are with Lynne and Scott deBie who have moved to their new home in the foothills. The Currey family has had some recent celebrations. John was awarded the 2019 Crystal Clear Award for his efforts to protect and address water quality in the Sacramento Valley. And, the adoption of their daughter Eleanor Opal Currey was finalized in March.

### **Upcoming Events**

## Holy Week Worship Schedule Palm Sunday, April 14

8:30 am Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 a.m. Procession with Palms

# Holy Thursday Communion April18, 5:00-6:00 p.m. Family Hour 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Prayer Stations

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be served as a part of **Journey to the Cross.** At Station 5, the Last Supper, participants will receive the bread and the cup. This moving prayer experience allows time to reflect on Jesus final days, and the gift of love they represent.

#### Tenebrae Service April 19, 8:00 p.m.

There will be a Good Friday Tenebrae Service in our sanctuary starting at 8:00 p.m. Candles are extinguished through the service as the story of Christ's Passion is read from the Gospel of John. The readings will be interspersed with hymns and other musical offerings. The service ends in complete darkness.

# Easter Sunday Schedule April 21

8:30 a.m. Easter Service with Holy

Communion

9:30 a.m. Children's Easter Egg Hunt

10:00 a.m. Easter Service

11:00 a.m. Children's Easter Egg Hunt

#### **Easter Egg Hunt**

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt after the 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. worship services on Easter Sunday. Adult and youth helpers are needed for this activity. A collection basket for treats will be available.



# Sunrise Service at Hall Park Amphitheater April 21 - 6:30 a.m.

The celebration of Easter will begin with the Dixon Ministerial Association Sunrise Service at the Hall Park Amphitheater. The amphitheater is located behind City Hall at 600 East "A" Street.

### **Church News**



# Journey to the Cross Holy Thursday, April 17th 5:00p.m.-6:00 p.m. Family Hour 6:00p.m.-9:00 p.m. Prayer Stations

The United Methodist Youth Fellowship invites members of the congregation and community to Journey to the Cross through thirteen stations commemorating Jesus final days. Each station has prayer exercises and activities that will help participants focus on Jesus journey to the cross.

1) Outer Noise, 2) God in the Flesh, 3) Mary Anoints Jesus, 4) Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus, 5) The Last Supper, 6) Gethsemane, 7) Jesus' Arrest, 8) Jesus' Trial, 9) Jesus' Crucifixion, 10) Jesus' Death, 11) Jesus' Burial, 12) Jesus' Resurrection, 13) Crossroads.

This year, there will be an additional hour, starting at 5p.m. for journey to the Cross for families with children. The stations will have kid friendly activities that help children and parents learn about Jesus' journey to the cross, and beyond. Then, children will be welcome to go upstairs while the parents have their own time to visit the stations and do the prayer exercises.



#### **Easter Lilies**

Congregation members are invited to bring lilies to the church for Easter Sunday. Lilies may be dropped off at the church during Holy Week, or on Easter Sunday morning. On **April 7th** and **14th**, there will be inserts in the bulletins for congregation members to name those they are remembering or honoring with a lily. Then, on Easter Sunday, there will be an insert listing all of the names.

#### **Easter Invitation**

Please invite family and friends to join you for worship on **Easter Sunday, April 21st.** We would love to see everyone at one of our Easter Services, 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

## Wednesday Evening Service for Lent 7:00 p.m.

The last of the evening worship services is on Wednesday April 3rd, at 7 p.m. This service will provide a time for quiet contemplation, reflection, and prayer on the theme of "The Storm of Perfect Love"

There will be a soup supper at 6 p.m.

# Ross and Gladys Hanna Community Concert Series City of Trees Brass Band Sunday, March 14th at 6 p.m.

City of Trees covers a wide variety of musical styles, from bold and breezy blues to bouncy show tunes, even gospel. There is an unmistakable energy and passion in every song they play. It is music that fills the space and holds you captive. There is no way to listen with out smiling.

Tickets are now available.

Adults: \$10 Children: \$5

#### Live Scan Sunday April 28th

Churches should be safe sanctuaries for everyone who walks through our doors. Creating and maintaining safety, especially for children, youth, and vulnerable adults, requires effort and a system that identifies people who may not be safe. Over the last several months, the church has been developing its system for back ground checks and training in best practices. The church has received authorization to send people for Live Scan Fingerprinting and to receive reports from the State Department of Justice and the F.B.I. On Sunday, April 28th during the Fellowship Time, Angelman, a Live Scan service, will come to the church. Everyone in the church has access to children, youth, and vulnerable adults. Therefore, we hope to get as many people as possible to participate in the Live Scan Screening. The cost is \$39. If you are not able to pay this fee, church funds are available. If you would like to make a special donation to cover the cost for others, your support will be greatly appreciated. While Live Scan is particularly important for the safety of young people and vulnerable adults, it is also an important aspect of disaster response. People responding to a disaster situation also need to go through a background check.



#### **Going to Kansas City Barbecue**

Join us on April 28th during the fellowship time for the Going to Kansas City Barbecue. This luncheon will support the youth and adults who will be participating in Youth 2019. 5,000 youth and their leaders will be gathering in Kansas City July 10-14th. There will be a free will donation for the barbecue. The goal is to raise \$606. to cover the expense of one of the hotel rooms.



### Children's Ministry

#### **Sunday Morning Schedule for Children**

**10:00a.m.** Worship with Children's Story and Children's Songs in Community Singing

11:00 a.m. Fellowship Time

11:30 a.m. Sunday School: Deep Blue

**11:45 a.m.** Kids Choir **12:15 p.m.** Dismissal

#### **DIVE INTO DEEP BLUE**

Deep Blue, is a Sunday School curriculum for children. Based on the award-winning Deep Blue Kids Bible, this new awe-inspiring resource for children includes adventures, exciting experiments, arts and crafts, animated video storytelling, and active games, all combined into a living faith experience that will help discover what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ today!

#### **Children's Sunday School Themes**

April 7 Peter Pretends

April 14 Jesus Enters Jerusalem

April 21 Jesus Lives April 28 Feed My Sheep

#### **Palm Sunday Procession**

On April 14th there will be a procession with palm branches for the 10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday worship service. All children are invited to attend and be a part of the procession.

## To Mars and Beyond: VBS 2019 June 10-13th

Mark your calendars and plan to join the fun of VBS 2019! To Mars and Beyond VBS invites Voyagers of all ages on a space travel adventure to explore where God's power can take them. A long the journey, Voyagers discover a new realm of possibilities as they reach for the limitless power and love of God. At To Mars and Beyond, Voyagers will

- Explore where God's power can take them.
- Experience exciting stories from the Bible
- Encounter God's limitless love and power
- Discover ways to serve God and others

To Mars and Beyond helps Voyagers and Leaders go deeper in a relationship with God through Jesus Christ. To Mars and Beyond is based on the Bible and the gospel of the living Christ. For more information, speak with Pastor Cathy Morris

#### **Easter Egg Hunt Donations**

There will be a donation tub available in the hallway for treat bag items for this year's Easter Egg Hunt for children.

# Youth Ministry Youth Sunday School: 11:30 a.m. Sunday School Class Connect

Connect takes youth on a journey through the Old Testament and into the New Testament, exploring the connections between stories each week. Each lesson follows a three-part sequence: See, Explore, and Make. Each week, youth will focus on and reinforce a theme by watching a witty video, exploring Bible stories, and creating things.

April 7 Caesar

April 14 Annunciation

April 21 Nativity

April 28 Consecration

#### **Servers Needed for Spring Tea**

On **April 13th** the annual Spring Tea, **April in Paris.** Youth are needed to serve the luncheon. Contact Pastor Cathy Morris if you are available to help.

#### Journey to the Cross

The UMYF will once again present Journey to the Cross on Holy **Thursday**, **April 17th**, set-up will begin on **Wednesday**, **April 16th**, **at 3:00 p.m.** On Thursday, arrive as close to 5p.m. as possible. Dinner will be served both Wednesday and Thursday.



## UMYF Movie Outing The Avengers End Game

The youth of the church will have a movie outing on April 26th. They will meet at the church at 5 p.m., and then have snack at Mel's Diner after the movie.

## Adult Ministry



#### Adult Sunday School

Some excellent studies are on tap for the upcoming season of Adult Sunday School. The classes listed in this article will meet on **Sunday mornings** at 11:30 a.m. and are open to all interested adults.

#### Simon Peter-Flawed but Faithful Disciple March 10-April 7 (Lent)

How would you describe Simon Peter? He has been called a faithful disciple who left everything to follow Jesus and whose passion for his Master helped change the world. He can also be seen as bumbling, short-tempered, and full of doubt and fears. In fact, Peter had all these traits. God gifted this ordinary man with a unique call and repeatedly set him on the right path whenever he failed to answer that call faithfully. Adam Hamilton helps each of us discover our own unique gifts, talents, and abilities that God can use to make a difference today.

#### **Short Stories by Jesus-Enigmatic Parables** of a Controversial Rabbi April 28-May 26

Jesus' parable are still puzzling, sometimes frustrating and definitely still relevant for contemporary readers. Amy-Jill Levine guides students through several favorite parables of Jesus using historical insights that will help us see how the original Jewish audience understood them. She explains the economic realities, morality, customs and agricultural methods of the first-century as well as connections to Jewish scriptures and the Roman occupation. All of these factors are reflected in the parables. Then she relates the stories to our time, so that we see ourselves and our world in them, grasp their meaning for us.

#### **Adult Faith Formation**

#### Weslevan Fellowship Groups

Wesleyan Fellowship Groups of four or five people are forming. Groups members encourage one another in a life of faith. The groups will work together over a period of two years engaging in spiritual reflection and developing lives of service and generosity. These Wesleyan Fellowship Groups are for those who have completed an in-depth study and are ready for a new type of faith formation experience

#### The Wesleyan Way

This study of the core beliefs and practices of Christian faith in the Wesleyan tradition will conclude on April 2nd at 9:30 a.m. the topic for the last session is-Christ No Matter What.

#### **DUMM Think Tank**

DUMM Think Tank is a time for the older men (actually we use the term: OLD GUYS) to gather around the coffee pot and reminisce how great we were in our younger days and to support each other in our quest to continue to be and feel relevant in the "NOW."

> When: Mondays @ 10:00 a.m. Location: Fellowship Hall

#### Faith and Frappuccino

Join a lively group of women who gather once a week for tea, coffee, and conversation about daily spiritual living. Drop in as you can.

When: Wednesday@ 4:00 p.m.

Location: Starbucks Leader: Audrey Madden

#### **UMW Thank You**

A big Thank You to everyone who helped make our UMW St Patrick's Day luncheon a success. In addition to a delicious lunch and good conversation, we received over \$500 in donations towards the New Flooring for the social hall.

#### **New Position of Director of Youth Ministry**

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee is delighted to announce that Savannah Playford has joined the church staff as Director of Youth Ministry. Savannah has been an active member of the church since she was a child. She studied vouth ministry as a part of her bachelor degree from William Jessup University. Savannah has a passion for Christ and for youth. We look forward to her leadership as we extend our ministry with youth in the community.



#### **Adult Choir**

During these last weeks of Lent, we focus on the sacrifice Jesus made for the forgiveness of our sins. The first week of April, Grateful Hearts will be singing Jesus, Priceless Treasure, a song that invites us into relationship with Christ. April 14th is Palm Sunday when we will experience both the Palms Service and the Passion Service during 10 o'clock worship. The choir, accompanied by piano and string quartet, will be singing a compilation of Lenten anthems for the Passion Service which is always deeply moving. On April 21st, we will say Happy Easter! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! For this celebration of Christ's resurrection, the choir will present Crown Him the Lord of Life, a song of jubilation. In honor of the love Christ has shown to us, we will sing *O Christ, the Same* on April 28th. Rehearsals have begun for the Passion Service, but if you are interested in ioining us, there is still time! Please let me know if the Spirit moves you to help us commemorate the most precious gift God gave to us by surrendering the life of God's only Son. And if the Spirit moves you to become a regular member of the Adult Choir, we would love the addition of your voice. ALL are welcome to make a joyful noise! Our rehearsals are Thursday evenings from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the sanctuary.

#### **Handbell Choir**

In April, the bells will ring in spring! For Easter on April 21st they will present *Christ the Lord is Risen Today!* which speaks of the joy of our Redeemer King for He is alive! If you would be interested in joining us in our ringing, our rehearsals are **Sunday afternoons from 12 p.m.** to 2 p.m..

#### Kids' Choir

The Kids Choir will be singing a great anthem for Easter called *Rejoice, It's Easter Day!* on April 21st. It is a rousing piece celebrating that "Christ has risen from the dead!" Children will need to arrive at 9:45 that morning to get in a quick rehearsal. Encourage your kids to come up and sing during community singing at the 10 o'clock services and build their confidence! Kids Choir music rehearsals are at 11:40 a.m. Sunday mornings at the end of Sunday School.

#### **April Worship Readings**

April 7th Isaiah 43:16-21

Psalm 126

Philippians 3;4-14

John 12:1-8

April14th Liturgy of the Palms

Mark 11:1-11 Psalm 31:9-16

Liturgy of the Passion

Isaiah 50:4-9 Psalm 31:9-16 Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 22:14-23:56

April 21st Acts 10:34-43

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 I Corinthians 15:19-26

John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-12

April 28th Acts 5:27-32

Psalm 150 Revelation 1:4-8 John 20:19-31

#### Memorial Service for Larry Simmons

There will be a memorial service for Larry Simmons on Saturday, April 6th at 1 p.m. at the church. Following the service, there will be a reception in the fellowship hall. Please bring a plate of cookies to share.



# <u>Appreciation Reception for Dawn King,</u> <u>April 7th</u>

The Rev. Dawn King has been serving on the church staff. In the position of Pastoral Associate. With the addition of a Director of youth Ministry, the tasks Dawn has been caring for will be assigned to others. Dawn will remain an active part of the congregation and continue to serve in any ways. The Staff-Parish Relations Committee will host a reception on April 7th during the fellowship time to thank Dawn for her service over the past few years, and for her service in years to come.



## **UMW News**



#### **UMW Tea**

#### April in Paris Tea Saturday April 13, 2019

By the time you read this Outreach it will be almost time for our annual UMW tea. This year's theme is April in Paris. The tea and luncheon is on Saturday April 13, 2019. After a delicious luncheon and dessert entertainment will be provided by the Dixon HIgh School jazz band followed by a drawing for door prizes. Tickets are on sale for \$25 so plan to come and bring a friend! Tickets can be purchased from Suzanne Galloway 678-9397 or jsgalloway51@gmail.com. Help is still needed with set up, clean up, serving, setting tables, door prizes, etc. Sign up sheets are available in the social hall.

#### **Easter Baskets**

UMW is going to provide an Easter basket for each of the residents at Solano Life House (formerly Cherry St.) We are collecting donations of candy and personal items such as lotion, chap stick, tissues, toothpaste, etc. There is a basket in the hallway on the mission table for your donations. We need all donations by Palm Sunday so that we can package and deliver the baskets.

## Fairy Garden Workshop Wednesday April 24th, 2019

UMW is hosting a fairy garden workshop on Wednesday April 24th at 6:30 p.m.. All supplies to create a delightful fairy garden will be provided although you are welcome to bring any additional items you wish to add to your fairy/ gnome home. This would be a cute activity for a parent and child to share. A sample fairy garden is on display on the mission table in the hallway. The price of the workshop is \$25 and the profit will go towards the new flooring in the social hall. Only 1 ticket is needed for a parent/ child pair as long as you are only making one fairy garden together. Of course snacks will be provided also! Only 25 tickets are available so be sure to purchase your ticket soon! Get tickets from Suzanne Galloway.

#### **Grace Circle, April 8th**

Grace Circle & UMW will meet Monday April 8th at noon in the fellowship hall. Hostesses are Marge Litsinger and Dot Theissen. Soup or salad, & dessert, provided.

We need hostesses for May and June.

#### Jubilee Circle, April 3rd Location: Thai E-San 1440 Ary Lane

The women of the church, all ages, come together to dine at a local restaurant on the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m.



- 1 Colleen Mitchell, Audra Lacey
- 2 Megan Villasenor, Virginia Valdez
- 5 Lindy Johnston, Katie Polik, Wade Schroeder, R.K. Van Every
- 6 Jessica Franceschi, Wayne Johnson Nancy Worden
- 7 Joshua Galindo
- 11 Anne Morris
- 12 Jonathan Brothers
- 13 Madison Ngoy
- 15 Grace Gabby, Charlie Jeannot Erik Polik
- 16 Rocky Bair
- 18 Johanna Hoagland
- 22 Harvey Robinson
- 23 Danica McGreevey
- 24 Karen Robinson
- 25 Rebecca Large
- 26 Olivia Stringer
- 27 Bruce Burr
- 28 Mike Galindo
- 29 Jocie Bair



- 11 Tom & Julie Skuag
- 19 Harvey & Anita Robinson

### Resources



#### **Monthly Food Offering**

Remember! The **first Sunday of the month** is Food Offering Sunday. Please bring food items, laundry detergent, paper products, and toiletries on April 7th and place them in the offering bin in support of Dixon Family Services.

#### **Flowers**

April 7th Feliciano Hernandez

April 14th Dennis Walther

April 21st Easter Lilies

April 28th Sharon Burr

Sign up for Flowers, Fellowship or Liturgist in the Fellowship hall or online at: http://vols.pt/XcRuzr

#### Liturgist

April 7th Anne Morris

April 14th Nancy Blankenship

April 21st Sharon Burr

April 28th K.C. Baltz

#### **Fellowship**

April 7th Reception in honor of Dawn King

April 14th

April 21st Easter

April 28th Going to Kansas City Barbecue

#### Lawn Mowing Schedule

April 7th Stuart Davidson

April 14th Eric Warnken

April 21st

April 28th Kevin Heeney

#### **Meeting Schedule**

Sunday April 7th @ 11:15 a.m.

Finance Core Team

Wednesday-April 10th @

6:00 p.m. Board of Trustees 7:00 p.m. Church Council

#### **Income for February 2019**

Building Use	\$528.00
Pledges & Offering	\$13,746.88
Designated Giving	\$2,320.00
Total Income	\$16,594.88

#### **Expenses for February 2019**

Administrative Expense	\$1,606.64
Ministries	\$376.31
Staff	\$6,142.31
Non-Budgeted	\$2,175.00
Total Expenses	\$10,300.26

#### **Building Fund Report for February 2019**

Current Amount \$1,907.36
Original Loan Amount \$34,300.00

Maturity Date 3/05/2025

Last Payment 02/12/2019 \$400.00

#### **Vital Signs Recording for February 2019**

	Attendance	Small Group
February 3	127	35
February 10	126	42
February 17	120	48
February 24	124	43
Average Worship Attendance:		124.25
Average Small Group Attendance:		: 42
Average Weekly Mission Outreach:		h: 3.00

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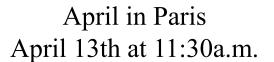


#### **STAFF HOURS**

Pastor
Cathy Morris
Mon, Tue, & Wed
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Carrie Senecal Secretary Mon, Tues, & Thurs 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.







Palm Sunday, April 14th, 8:30 & 10 a.m.

Journey to the Cross, April 18th, 5-9 p.m.

Good Friday Tenebrae, April 19th, at 8 p.m.

Easter Sunrise Service, April 21st, at 6:30 a.m.

Easter Services, April 21st, 8:30 & 10 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt, April 21st, 9:30 & 11a.m.