WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES... Mark Your Calendar!

Unless noted, events take place at our activity center: **The Community House**, **24973 Washington Ave** in Historic Downtown Murrieta (across from the Post Office)

TODAY: 10:00 am Worship (here)

11:30 am Lunch Bunch – **BJ's Brewhouse** (26500 Ynez, Tem)

5:00 pm St. Petersburg Men's Ensemble (see insert)

7:30 pm Sunday AA

MON-FRI 7:00 am Morning AA

MONDAY 2:15 pm Homework Club

3:30 pm Music Makers

7:00 pm English Learners Class

WEDNESDAY 7:00 pm AA Men

THURSDAY 7:00 pm UCV Choir Practice

FRIDAY 12-6 pm Yard Sale Drop-off & Pricing

SATURDAY 8 am-1 pm Church Family Yard Sale

NEXT SUNDAY 10:00 am Worship (here) (May 4) 11:30 am Lunch Bunch

7:30 pm Sunday AA

MISSIONS AND OUTREACH

Thanks to all who brought offerings for the Food Pantry this morning

You are challenged to give \$1 each week (a wooden box is on the literature table for your gifts).

Due to increased needs, donations of non-perishable food are also welcome EVERY Sunday.

BIBLE LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35

PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER:

Lowana Benedict, Betty, Susan Borenkamp, Dorothy Burrows, Ana Calvo, Chris and his family, Kate Cottingham, Mikulas Cylek, Debbie Davidow, Mary Debus, the Elwoods, Steve Falgout, Gisele, Louanne Heidman, Katie, Noel Miller & family, Ted Mohler, Marya Moore, the Nagle family, the Nicola Family, Pat Proud, Frank Read, the Richards family, Brooke Searles, Bree Turner & her mother, Nancy Webb, Wil+ & Ruth Willard, Florence Wolfe, people who are jobless, families in transition, Habitat for Humanity, Chacraseca & UCV, as we continue on our journey of faith

SERMON ON THE AMOUNT... LAST WEEK'S NUMBERS

Attendance: 76 Pledges/Loose Operating* \$834 Food Pantry* \$9
DOC Easter* \$126 Lilies* \$75 Nica \$1500

Avg. amt. needed for operating each week: \$2241 Avg. amt. needed each month \$9,711 *Total received operating last week: \$1044 Received month to date: \$5,808.24

Thank you for your gifts to support the ministries of United Church of the Valley!





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Welcome to:

United Church of the Valley

A United Church of Christ and Disciples of Christ Congregation

An Open & Affirming congregation...called to continue the work of Jesus Christ..., seeking ways to love and understand all people...establishing the ways of peace, hope, healing and justice...

Living in mystery on a journey of faith

April 27, 2014 10 am

Please enter your prayer requests in our Prayer Book located at the welcome table at the entrance. Requests will be lifted during the service.

Hymnals are available for those who wish to use them. Ask an usher.

* Indicates to please stand as you are able

Announcements

Dennis Wolfe, Moderator

Prelude Susan

Miyamoto

Bell Toll (summoning awareness of the Spirit of God in our presence)

*Hymn Halleluja Pg 236

(chorus) Halle, halle, halle-lu- ja (3 times) Halle-lu- ja, halle-lu- ja.

2) Everything that breathes now praise; sing your song let voices raise. Come, make joyful music to the Lord. Play the cymbals, play the lute; play the timbrel, play the flute. Come, make joyful music to the Lord. (chorus)

The Call: God is Good. Response: All the time!

Welcome Caroline Hamilton-Arnold

Call to Worship: Leader: Let us sing....

People: Alleluia!

L: For Christ lived in human flesh and dwelled among us;

P: Alleluia!

L: Was willing to face the pain of rejection and death for the sake of love and rose by the power love to new life;

P: Alleluia!

L: And continues to dance through our lives even now.

ALL: So we join in the unending song of Alleluia!

Prayer Response (sung)

(chorus) Halle, halle, halle-lu- ja (3 times) Halle-lu- ja, halle-lu- ja.

Anthem Show the Way Jamie Barnett

Sharing of God's Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you Response: And also with you

Children's Conversation

During the next song, children are invited to go to Sunday School.

Those who celebrated a birthday in **April** are invited to come forward and put a thank offering in the Birthday Bank during the song. Bird House Bank or loose coin offerings may also be brought forward at this time.

*Hymn

We Live By Faith and Not By Sight Pg 256/Tune 395
Henry Alford, 1844, alt; Tune: St. Peter

We live by faith and not by sight; no gracious words we hear From Christ who spoke as none e'er spoke, who still we know is near.

- 2) We may not touch Christ's hands and side, nor follow where Christ trod; But in confessing we rejoice: our Savior and our God!
 - 3) Help then, O Christ, our unbelief; and may our faith abound To call on you when you are near and seek where you are found:

Scripture Acts 2:41-47, John 14:15-31 Kate McGrath

Sermon Meghann Robern

Pastoral Prayer and Prayer of Our Savior

(We pray in unison and yet individually to the God that gives us comfort. Please feel free to pray any form of the Lord's Prayer that connects you to your Creator.)

Our Beloved, who is in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

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Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer Response (sung by all):

I cast all my cares upon you. I lay all of my burdens, down at your feet. And anytime, that I don't know what to do, I will cast all my cares upon you.

Our Gifts and Offerings

Offertory

Susan Miyamoto

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God for all that love has done. Creator, Christ

and Spirit, One. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

* Closing Hymn Lead on Eternal Sovereign Shurtleff/Smart Pg 573
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Lead on eternal Sovereign, we follow in your way; loud rings your cry for justice, your call for peace this day; Through prayerful preparation, your grace will make us strong, to carry on the struggle to triumph over wrong.

- 2) Lead on eternal Soveriegn, we follow not with fear, for in each human conflict your words of strength we hear; That when we serve with gladness, you will not let us fall, our trust is in your promise that love will conquer all.
- 3) Lead on eternal Sovereign, till sin's fierce war shall cease, and all your saints together will sing a hymn of peace;
 Then all in your dominion will live with hearts set free, to love and serve each other for all eternity.
- *Invitation
- *Alleluia
- *Benediction

*	Please	stand	as	you	are	able	?
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*** For those who wish to receive it, Communion will be served following the Benediction. ***

<u>Please stay after the service</u>...

Everyone is invited to stay after worship for coffee and refreshments provided today by **Anne Grim**.

Thank You to Our Worship Contributors:

Ushers: Barbara Boardway & Kate McGrath

Flowers: **Anne Grim**

Stone Ministry PowerPoint Graphics: Lynne Bradley
Worship Space Setup: Donna Richards, Marie Orillion, Archie
Aitcheson, Barry Koch, the Wolfe Family and the Worship Committee

There are many opportunities for each of us to be a part of worship experience at United Church of the Valley! **Sign your name on the board** in the courtyard. Helpers are needed to put away worship materials following our coffee fellowship.

Please Welcome ...

Meghann Robern is currently an M.Div. student at Claremont School of Theology and in the ordination process through the Unitarian Universalists. A storyteller at heart, Meghann loves exploring how stories in all forms help us shape our world and our identities. She is passionate about justice issues, especially regarding issues of gender and sexuality. She's also pretty fond of her spouse, her two adorable children, nerd-culture, and Disney.

Transitional Pastor: Caroline Hamilton-Arnold

Director of Music Ministries: Lynne Bradley Accompanist: Susan Miyamoto

Minister Emeritus: Rev Dr. Randy Leisey Secretaries: Beth Elwood, Julie Stevens



United Church of the Valley

Multi-Family

Yard Sale Saturday, May 3

(weather permitting)

8 am - 1 pm

at The Community House,

24973 Washington Avenue, Murrieta

(across from the Historic Downtown Murrieta Post Office)

We can't offer storage for sale items,
but please set sale items aside as you do your Spring Cleaning
Drop-off and Pricing - Friday, May 2, 12-6 pm
We need help with:

Publicity * Make signs * Set out signs Saturday morning
Price and/or sort items (Friday and/or Saturday morning)
Set up and/or take down * Pick up donations
Work the day of the sale

Thank You!

United Church of the Valley and Menifee United Church of Christ

invite you to an <u>incredible</u> performance by



Sunday, April 27 5:00 PM

at **Menifee (Sun City) United Church of Christ**26701 McCall Blvd, Menifee
Free Will Offering