

United Methodist Chapel of the Valley
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**STRONGER
THROUGH PRAYER**
National Day of Prayer



Prayer Ministry

Pray Service

On May 3rd, National Day of Prayer, we are having a prayer service at 6:30 p.m. It will be a quiet, meditative prayer time. Come and worship God and pray for our country and world.

Pastor's Day of Prayer

The next Pastor's day of Prayer will be May 22. Make sure to get prayer concerns to Pastor Julie by May 20th. And pray for her as well for the time to be fruitful and a blessing to our community of faith.

If you would like to be a part of the Prayer Team, please call the office or tell Pastor Julie. If you have a prayer concern, please call the office.

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From Julie's Journal

What a beautiful day it was. The church courtyard was filled with families playing and eating and having a good time. The kitchen was full of activity, there was artwork scattered around and all to celebrate God's beautiful creation. The earth day celebration put on by the Children's Choice was great! And I got to talk with families and friends and community members. I am grateful and blessed! I also look back to the first of last month and our glorious Easter celebration. I do want to thank all of those behind the scenes that helped to make our Holy Week and Easter services and the meals that accompanied the worship services a wonderful time to praise our Risen Lord! We have some wonderful volunteers here that make our small church seem so big with heart and love! Thanks again from a grateful and blessed pastor. I also, am still full of being blessed to have a day away to pray for all of you by name. It was such a blessing to spend that time with God.

I look forward to the many events that are happening for me and for our church this May. I will be attending a church conference with some amazing speakers and workshop leaders. Then there is National Day of Prayer – a day for all people here in this country to pray for our country and the leaders that are making decisions that affect us all. We will be having a prayer service to take time out and to pray. And of course, Mother's Day – a day where we honor and remember those women (and men who sometimes fill in) who help mother us. The anniversary of my daughter's birth – the day I became a mother for the first time. Change Our World weekend for the United Methodist Church and we can make a difference in our community and be a real presence here in El Cajon. And finally Memorial Day. – a day where we remember all of those who died serving others and our country and for their families who also served their country in a different way. May is a busy month, yet it is a time to remember some special people and to be the face of Christ in our community and the world. See you around town!
Together on the Journey!
Pastor Julie



United Methodist Connectional News

It is the anniversary of when the Methodist Church and Evangelical United Brethren Church joined

together in Dallas on April 23, 1968 to become the United Methodist Church. So Happy anniversary to our denomination becoming United. And in celebration of this, we wanted to help you discover our connections.

District Conference for the South district is scheduled on May 5 from 9 am—12 noon at Escondido United Methodist Church. All are invited to come and hear about what is going on in our district.

Annual Conference for Cal-Pac Conference (for which we are a part) is scheduled for June 13th—16th in Redlands . Rev. Julie and Paul Elkins will be attending. Others are invited to attend as observers and attend worship services. Please let Pastor Julie know if you are interested.

Websites— You are encouraged to visit the denominations website at www.UMC.org . There you can learn about different areas the church is involved in. It also links you to sign up for a newsletter, so you can stay on top of all of the UM news. There are also links where you can take web classes on various topics.

The web address for our church is www.umchapelvalley.org. On it there are links to the Upper Room for daily devotions and information of the Global ministry of the church. Plus the Chapel Challenges for the year, information about our prayer ministry and upcoming events. Plus if you are on Facebook, find our page, Chapel of the Valley, and like it and become friends. There you can hear some of the sermons (still trying to get them up weekly but have run into technical difficulties for some of them.)

Building the Church, Growing As Disciples

We are continuing our campaign “Building the Church, Growing as Disciples” We have put in a new heater for our sanctuary, we have put a roof on our parsonage, and we are in the process of putting a new roof on the sanctuary. We have received a grant and a loan to accomplish all of this. We need to pay back the loan, so we are having this capital campaign to do just that. We are looking for pledges of second mile giving to help pay for all of this deferred maintenance. You will be receiving a letter and pledge card soon. Please read and pray about how you can help in this endeavor. Thank you



PASTORAL CARE

Please remember in prayer our members who are homebound and our many members and families dealing with illness, treatments, and transitions

Please pray for

Henry Brown

Becca McLachlan

Kay Roberts

Ilene Davis

Patsy McKinney

Rosner Family

Robert Draper

Steve and Joyce Mohr

Vera Skulavik

Jeanette Kincaid

Vi Moore

Dennis and Kathryn McCreary



The Church office has new office hours. The church office will be open from Monday through Thursday from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm



May Meetings

May 14 Finance 6:30 pm
Trustees 7:30 pm



Faithful Disciples who are Answering the Call to Serve during the month of May.

Liturgists and Scripture Readers

May 6: Candyce Schauer
May 13: Stuart Harvey and Del Owen
May 20: Paul Elkins and Arnie Aranico
May 27: Kay Roberts and Del Owen
June 3: Candyce Schauer

COTV Staff

Pastor: Pastor Julie Elkins
Ushers: Mike Magnuson and Diane Wellman
Organist: Mary Ellett
Choir Director: Elaine Harvey
Secretary: Talia Guerrero
PowerPoint: Delyth Owen
Lay Leader: Paul Elkins



The Church office will be closed on Monday, May 28 for Memorial Day Observance.

Worship Themes for May 2018



Sunday, May 6:
 Holy Communion
P.O.D. Community
 John 17:20-24; John 13:34-35

Sunday, May 13: Mother's Day
P.O.D. Generosity and Service
 2 Corinthians 9:6-8; Philippians 4:10-13;
 1 Corinthians 12:4-13,27-31; 1 Peter 4:9-11



Sunday, May 20: Pentecost
 Wear Red
Building the Church
 Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27; John 16:4b-15;



*Here am I
 Send me*

Isaiah 6:8



Sunday, May 27: Memorial Day Weekend
Send Me!
 Isaiah 6:1-8; Matthew 28:16-20



Sunday, June 3: Holy Communion
Wonderfully Made
 Psalm
 139:1-6,
 13-18



The American Cancer Society (ACS) Relay for Life is an annual event in over 4,000 communities worldwide. Relay for Life raises much-needed funds for American Cancer Society research, education, advocacy, and patient services.

This year, for our third year, we are having a team, "Methodists in Motion" (made up of members of our church and all of the United Methodists in our mission area) to join the East County event on June 23-24 from 9:00 am until 9:00 am. This year it will be held at Cuyamaca College. There are a number of opportunities for you to take part in this important outreach ministry of our church.

Support our team at Relay for Life June 23 by...

- 1) Sign up as a team member. If you would like to sign up, see pastor Julie or call the church office. You do not have to be there the whole time, you can sign up to represent our team by walking around the track during a certain time slot.
- 2) Purchase a luminaria in honor of or in memory of a loved one who has battled cancer. You can order one by filling out a form following church services through June 17th or by calling the church office.
- 3) Sign up to volunteer at our booth at the Relay event at Cuyamaca College. If you feel you can not walk the track, you can still come and help at the booth. We are again having a prayer wall and need people to help be there to pray for those who list names on the wall.
- 4) If you are a cancer survivor, participate in the Survivors' Reception and Walk at Relay on June 23 at 9:00 am. If you are a caregiver, attend the Survivors' Reception and Walk. You can register for this on the Relay website or by filling out a form available following the worship service during the Sundays of May.
- 5) Make a donation to the American Cancer Society through our team.
- 6) Invite your friends, neighbors, and coworkers to join us on June 23rd at Cuyamaca College. Come help us cheer on our survivors at the opening ceremonies on Saturday at 9:00 am, be there for the luminaria ceremony at 8:30 pm or come when you can!
- 7) Pray for our Relay events and for those in our church family who have been impacted by cancer.
- 8) Come to our fundraiser in the early part of June. Watch for the details.

If you need additional information about Relay for Life, contact the office.



Pentecost

Pentecost is the 50th day after Easter and when we celebrate the birth of the Christian church. This year, it is May 20th and we are going to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and birthday of the church in grand style. Wear red to church celebrate the day and participate in the story of the church. See you there!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1  Happy May Day!	2	3 Bible Study 3:00 pm Prayer Service 6:30 pm Choir—7:30 pm Steve Mohr and Janelle Matzdorf  	4	5
6 4th Sunday of Easter Bible Study 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Fellowship Time 11:30 am Darlene McKinney 	7	8	9	10 Bible Study 3:00 pm Choir—7:30 pm 	11	12
13  Bible Study 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Fellowship Time 11:30 am	14 Finance Committee 6:30 pm Trustees 7:30 pm	15	16 Claire Crise 	17 Bible Study 3:00 pm Choir—7:30 pm Steve Mohr  	18 Jenee Harlow 	19 Card making with Del 2:00 pm—Craft Room
20 Pentecost Bible Study 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Fellowship Time 11:30 am	21	22 Pastors Day of Prayer Joyce Leuders 	23	24 Bible Study 3:00 pm Choir—7:30 pm 	25	26
27 Bible Study 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Fellowship Time 11:30 am	28 Office Closed  MEMORIAL DAY Allen Copeland 	29	30	31 Bible Study 3:00 pm Choir—7:30 pm Victor Brown 		