

# Campbell



# CONNECTIONS

NEWS AND VIEWS FROM CAMPBELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MARCH, 2011

## Have you seen the new mural?



**work in progress . . .  
on Education Building**

**← the final  
depiction**

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## CIRCUIT "CELEBRATION" WORSHIP

By now you have heard that there will be no worship services, Sunday school classes or any church activity at Campbell UMC on Sunday, March 13th. There will be a gathering at Leigh High School of over a 1,000 local United Methodists to celebrate our beliefs and unity as Christians with Bishop Brown as the guest preacher. Having been involved in the planning stages from the beginning, I would like to explain how this tremendous event came about and why you should plan to be there.

In June, 2010, the District Superintendent, Kristie Olah, invited the pastors and lay members of the seven local United Methodist churches, fondly known as the Integrated Circuit, to a retreat in the Santa Cruz mountains. The mission of the retreat was to see if there were any common areas where the churches could collaborate and share their connectivity – besides the combined Charge Conferences. Some action items were listed and the lay leaders met again in September.

At this meeting, the action items were refined and it was agreed that members from individual church committees should meet. The first meeting was with the worship teams of the seven churches in October. Once again, the mission was to discuss possible areas of collaboration. I was present at this meeting and was struck

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**3/13/2011  
Campbell UMC  
Worship Service  
at Leigh High School**

**NO SERVICE  
at Campbell  
UMC Sanctuary**

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**Sunday Worship: 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.**

**Adult Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.**

**Children's Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.**

**African Fellowship: 10:30 a.m.**

*(1st & 3rd Sundays)*

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## Pastor's Point of View



Part of what contributed to the success of Methodism right from the beginning was that it saw itself as a movement rather than a church. John Wesley wasn't interested in adding another split to the history of the church. He was interested in seeing people's lives changed and conditions in his society improved. The first Methodists were given the nickname Methodists because they were so careful in balancing prayer and Bible study on the one hand, and community action on the other. The movement was focused in personal and social change in the name of Jesus Christ.

On the American frontier, the Methodist movement was led by the Circuit Riders who rode around to different small towns and farms to preach and bring spiritual and social change. As well as planting the seeds of churches, they planted the seeds of hospitals and schools and many other institutions that brought positive social change.

Over the decades the Methodists have become much more institutional. We are now clearly a Christian church –one denomination among many, but I like to think that we can still reclaim our sense of being a movement.

We talk about being connectional. This means that we are part of a network across the nation and around the world, and we are all accountable to each other. We in Campbell are deeply concerned about what happens to congregations in Sierra Leone, in Cambodia, in Russia and in Brazil. We share spiritual values and trust each other, even though we may not speak each other's language. We invite others to join a movement that brings together people from all around the world singing one song of praise to God!

Many of us are saddened by the fact that we, as a congregation, are not paying our United Methodist apportionments in full. This means that we are not accepting our fair share of supporting the church regionally, nationally and internationally. Our spiritual DNA causes us to feel deep pain when we are not upholding our connectional commitment. We have trimmed our local church budget back to the essentials, and miraculously God has called individuals to step up and shoulder the work of ministry in this church, for which I say Thanks be to God!

Part of our connection is our new-found relationship with our circuit – the Integrated Circuit. We are eight congregations. On March 13th we will all be worshipping together at Leigh High School, and Bishop Warner Brown will be here to celebrate with us. Please make sure that you plan to be present, and bring all your friends and family. It will be a great day of celebrating what makes our movement great. The great thing about movements is that they move people, move institutions, and something new and beautiful is brought to life.

Thanks be to God for the movement we call the United Methodist Church!

Pastor Alan

**FOCUS on African Fellowship**



Please continue to pray for the Jigba family who lost Willie Jigba. He was reported missing on the 14th of January and declared dead in the Tempe river in Arizona on January 28th, 2011.

# In the COMMUNITY

## Let's Volunteer at Second Harvest Food Bank

Have you ever wondered what happens to your Second Harvest Food Bank (SHFB) donations once they leave our church? Wonder no more! Check it out for yourself by volunteering to help in their San Jose Distribution Center on Curtner Avenue. The Church and Society Committee has arranged for 15 volunteer slots on Saturday, March 19, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity to not only learn more about this organization but to also work alongside your Campbell UMC friends for a few hours.

According to SHFB's website, between July 2009 and June 2010, Second Harvest distributed "over 45.5 million pounds of nutritious food to low-income people in need in every zip code of our service area from Daly City to Gilroy, and from the ocean to the bay..." Your donations have gone a long way in helping provide food for those in need. But the Food Bank also relies on volunteers once they receive those donations, and volunteering is another great way we can help.

As Second Harvest Food Bank says, "Nothing else matters when you're hungry." Let's help do something that matters! Since we could only get 15 spaces, volunteers will be signed up on a first-come, first-serve basis. Let's do some good and have some fun at the same time! If you're 14 years of age or older and would like to help, sign up between services on February 27 or March 6. You can also send an email to Gail Jacobs at gailj\_2000@yahoo.com. More details will be provided to the volunteer team.

Gail Jacobs, Church and Society Committee ✕

## Appreciation for 2010 Alternative Gift Faire Giving

Letters have been received from Family Supportive Housing, Inc., Heifer International, EMQ Families First, and Wildlife Center of Silicon Valley for contributions made from the Alternative Gift Faire in December 2010. Mank thanks for all the support. The letters are in the church office for anyone interested in more information. ✕

### A Recant of Sadness (1920's or 30's)

*Sad is the heart of the convict,  
Sad is the wanderer, too  
Sad is the heart of the orphan  
child,  
So utterly wretched and blue.*

*But e'er that sadness be spoken,  
The dark clouds drift apart,  
And the sun shines through the  
crevice  
To the depth of a weeping heart.*

from Peg Ingle's Poems

## HISTORY HELPERS

"snippets from our past"

from the April 2, 1974 edition of the "Spotlight News"

### MEMORIALS

For years we have wanted HANDBELLS but have not seen our way clear to purchase them. We have decided to order a "Three Octave-37 Bells" as a Memorial. If there are any who desire to place the name of a loved one on the list "In MEMORY OF" you can send your contribution to the church with the information needed.

The "HAND BELLS" will be used by our older children, youth, and adults. We are confident they will enhance many a service and will involve more people in our program. Bill Palmatier has experience and will be able to instruct HANDBELL CHOIRS.

If you desire to contribute in memory of a loved one, give us the following information:

Donor \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Relation \_\_\_\_\_

(Bring or mail to church office.)

(Note--Bill Palmatier was a music staff person at the time)

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## Introduction to United Methodism

Spiritual health, like physical health, requires a certain amount of exercise if you want to maintain an optimal level. When was the last time you gave your spirituality a good work out? Of course, to practice the qualities of Christian life you have to know the foundations and basics to obtain that optimal state.

United Methodist 101 classes are for anyone who wants to know more about what it means to be a United Methodist here at Campbell UMC. The classes are designed for long time church members, seeking recent developments in the church and to practice Intentional Faith Development; newcomers, who want to get better acquainted with the United Methodist Church and those who feel ready to become a full member of the church.

Here are some of the questions we'll spend time exploring...to name just a few:

1. *Why is John Wesley important?*
2. *What is communion and why do we serve communion the way we do?*
3. *Why are babies baptized? Is there such a thing as re-baptism?*
4. *How do we use and understand the Bible in the UMC?*
5. *What is the Book of Discipline?*
6. *Who are the Bishop, the District Superintendent, the Annual Conference and the District and why does this matter?*
7. *What types of 'grace' touch of lives?*
8. *Why do we sing so much?*

Each class is taught by members of Campbell UMC who give a personal account of each of the six topics covered.

Classes are held each Sunday at 10:30-11:30 a.m. beginning March 6, 2011.

Schedule:

- March 6 - *History of the United Methodist Church and our Interfaith Connections*
- March 13 - *NO CLASS, Combined UM*

worship at Leigh High School

March 20 - *The Books of Methodism (Bible, Hymn Book, Discipline)*

March 27 - *The Sacraments (Baptism/ Communion) and Worship*

April 3 - *The way Methodists think (Means of Grace, Quadrilateral)*

April 10 - *Social Principles*

April 17 - *Our own Campbell United Methodist Church*

Those persons who decide to join the Church will be brought into full membership on Saturday, March 23 at the Easter Vigil service.

Call the church office at (408) 378-3472 or e-mail suefoyle@sbcglobal.net to register. Contact Pastor Alan Jones or Sue Foyle, with any questions. ✕

## Altar Flower Dedications

As you well know, the cost of everything has gone up in the last few months. We of the Flower Committee have found that this is true for our flowers and supplies also. We are told by the suppliers that the cost of transportation is the major reason for the higher costs. Because of this situation, we will need to raise the amount of donation requested for dedication (in honor or in memory of a person or occasion) to \$50.00. The change in this cost will take effect at the end of February 2011. We hope this is not too much of a burden on anyone and you need to know how much this gift to the church is appreciated by the congregation which enjoys the arrangements at every Sunday Service.

Thank you. Linda Kropff, Flower Steward. ✕

## 50+ Group

The 50+ group will visit Natural Bridges State Park in Santa Cruz on Friday, March 18, carpooling from the church at 9:00 a.m. Walk to the butterfly grove, see the demonstration milkweed patch, visit the beach and tidepools, and enjoy a potluck picnic lunch (bring own beverage and food to share). For more information or to sign up, contact Dave or Susan Sargent, 378-1232. ✕

## 50+ Group Invitation for 2011

50+ has a year of exciting excursions planned and led by different members each month. The invitation is out for anyone to come join in the fun & fellowship! Bob Renfer, 248-8756 has a schedule of the events for 2011. Watch the weekly Addendum for upcoming activities to sign up for. Watch for interesting reports of the activities in upcoming "Connections".

This group visits museums, gardens, sport events, nature spots, to name a few - and they also know how to throw a party! ✕

## Hikers Share Leadership

On December 30, 2010, Dave Krahl led a small but mighty group of High Road Hikers on an exciting loop in Uvas Canyon County Park. The creeks and waterfalls rushed with rapidly flowing water surrounded by bright green ferns and moss covered tree trunks.

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## UM Men

### California High Speed Rail - Taking the lead or just playing "catch up"

Inspired by successful high-speed train systems worldwide, California's electrically powered high-speed trains will help the state meet the ever growing demands of our state transportation infrastructure. With speeds of up to 220 mph, these trains can make the trip from San Francisco to Los Angeles in 2 hours and 40 minutes.

On Monday, March 14 at 6:30 p.m. the United Methodist Men will meet for their monthly dinner meeting. Following the meeting, MMC will host an informative presentation in the Fireside Room at 7:30 P.M. Representatives of the California High Speed Rail Authority will provide a general overview of this 21st Century statewide project with an emphasis on sections of the project relevant to the Bay Area.

The presentation will be open to Campbell Methodist Church members and guests. A sign up roster will be available during Sunday services on March 6th and 13th. ✕

# Methodist C.o.n.n.e.c.t.i.o.n

## Care-A-Vaners

Elaine and Eugene Hill, and Marv and Ina Tanner will be joining the Conference Volunteer in Mission Team, Care-A-Vaners, in May as they travel to Salt Lake City to work at the United Methodist Committee on Relief Depot, and volunteer in the community.

You have plenty of time to prepare your kits, or assemble supplies for the warehouse. The Tanners and Hills are willing to save you shipping costs by taking your supplies with them. In alphabetical order the kits are:

- Bedding kits
- Birthing kits
- Cleaning buckets
- Health kits
- Layette kits
- School kits
- Sewing kits
- Bulk materials.

In order to find out what is currently to be included in each kit look on the world wide web at UMCOR.org. Put your cursor on the "how to give" box. Scroll down to "relief supplies" and click. Find the kit that you are interested in, put the cursor on the red "kit page" and click. You now have a list of the correct supplies that are needed for that kit. Please do NOT include any extra items. If you want to buy in bulk only one item requested for that kit, that is fine. All items must be new and have never been washed.

- Most needed items at this time are:
1. hand towels 15"x25" to 16"x27" (no kitchen towels)
  2. nail files or finger nail clippers (no toe nail clippers)
  3. children's blunt scissors (no plastic blades)
  4. hand held pencil sharpeners (minimum size 1 inch)

We will be collecting these items sometime in April in order to make certain that we have enough space to easily transport them.

Elaine Hill

## UM Women - San Jose District

"It takes a 1000 positive comments to offset one negative comment" was the provocative presentation of Ann Bromnell at the Leadership and Membership Training Event of San Jose District United Methodist Women on Saturday, January 29th at Alum Rock United Methodist Church.

Amanda, Ann's daughter was bullied by a so-called friend over the internet when a junior in high school. After attempting suicide, she now lives in a near vegetative state. Ann has started the Amanda Network to stress the importance of bullying, most recently recognized as prevalent and of prime importance to all age levels. Her goal is to inform and direct action on combatting this serious negativism, centering the attention of women on this subject.

The key speaker, Lisa Jacobs, who has been the Director of the San Jose Youth Ministry for eight years, stressed the importance of developing contact with teenagers who are reluctant to approach those with more experience. Lisa - using Jesus as the example who "went to the people" - noted that teens live in a culture far different now than in the 90's, and need the opportunity to grow in direct, personal communication. Relationships are important, she stressed, and person-to-person contact without the presence of family should be the challenge of each United Methodist Women member. Programs do not accomplish what is desired, but personal experience shared with one teenager gives opportunity for individual input.

The 5 hour inspirational day also included a panel on the changes in mission from yesterday, today, and planned for coming days; nominations and voting for officers for the coming months until San Jose District becomes El Camino District; workshops for current officers; and a conversation during a substantial lunch served by Alum Rock UMW. The importance of all women having access to Response Magazine, New World Outlook, and San Jose District's Mission Link, was also stressed.

Myra Wight, attendee from Campbell UMW

## Wonder-Full Worship Workshop

**Saturday, March 12, 2011**



***The combined enthusiasm and commitment of the Integrated Circuit group has resulted in an extraordinary opportunity which will inspire you to create and participate in meaningful & memorable worship.***

All are invited and encouraged to be a part of this exciting time together: Those who participate in worship, those who wish to learn more about worship, those who design weekly worship.

On Saturday, March 12 from 9-5, our eight local Circuit Churches will host this worship workshop with Dr. Marcia McFee. Marcia is a worship professor, consultant, designer and leader. She travels extensively to teach workshops aimed at equipping local churches with resources for worship. She was recently named Director of Worship and Music for General Conference 2012. And, she is a truly charismatic dynamo! The workshop will be held at Los Gatos UMC, 111 Church Street Los Gatos, CA 95030.

For questions & additional information, contact Elaine Bondonno (ebondonno@earthlink.net). Registration forms are available on our website: [www.campbellunited.org](http://www.campbellunited.org)



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We ended our trip in the picnic area enjoying hot cocoa carried by Dave.

In 2010, hikes were coordinated and led by Dave Krahl, Joyce and Jack Hocker, and Andrew and Heather Reynolds, and Dave and Susan Sargent.



## Bright Days Annual Auction

Dear CUMC Families,

Bright Days Preschool is gearing up for the **Annual Silent Auction Fundraiser** to raise revenue for our Playground and Financial Aid Funds. We hope to repeat last year's performance in which we raised over \$8,000 to remodel the Asbury Room patio and increase our Financial Aid funds. Our goal this year is to add a climbing structure to the large playground and add to the Financial Aid Fund.

This is the solicitation stage of our fundraising project and Bright Days needs your support. Think of the Bright Days Auction for:

1. *Re-gifting items that don't suite your style or needs,*
2. *Clearing out gently used items that aren't needed, or*
3. *Purchasing two of that super-reduction-sale item that is going for pennies and donate one to the auction.*
4. *Donating your time and talents as an item for the auction.*

The auction donation deadline is April 18, 2011. The auction display begins in Fellowship Hall on May 1st and closes on May 11th at 6 p.m. during our Spaghetti Dinner. All are invited to take part in each stage of our fundraising effort from donating to bidding and taking home your final bid purchases.

You may bring your donations to either the CUMC or Bright Days office.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely, Mary Smith, Director  
Bright Days Preschool

408-378-8422, Bright\_days@earthlink.net ✂

## ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

As this New Year begins, I reflect back to the many exciting things that have happened over the last year. We have been blessed with all that takes place in and through our church family. Many of you have shared your time, talent and resources to make Campbell alive for Christ's work in our community.

**"Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place!"**

As I reflect on the past I find myself thinking about our future ministries as a congregation. There are so many opportunities for ministry unfolding, and so much generosity in the people of our church.

**"Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place!"**

I know this is true because a gift from a generous joyful giver was reported to me last In January... The Endowment Fund was the recipient of a \$15,000 gift that is placed in the Unrestricted Fund. This gift along with a large gift in 2009 helps ensure the life of Campbell UMC in the future. These and other gifts ensure that Christ's work will continue in this place. This gift along with others in 2010 brings the Endowment Fund total to over \$106,000.

I thank God for generous and joyful givers.

Terry Johnson, Vice-Chairperson ✂

## from the Editor:

*This month I would like to share my experience with "Podcasts"!*

*Yes, I've moved into the 21st century with my iPod and I have discovered these wonderful Podcasts that can be subscribed to from iTunes - then you can listen to interesting stuff while you are gardening, painting, washing dishes, or whatever!*

*The other day I found a podcast on BBC Local Radio, called "Faith in England" and it has really interesting discussions on faith issues that are as pertinent here as over there.*

*Give it a try...*

*Heather Reynolds*



# Reflections from a Retired Pastor



**Explaining Faith  
to a 7 Year Old**

*Rev. Larry LaPierre*

I have always had great admiration for people who do teaching moments for children during worship and do them well. Why do I admire this talent so much? It's because I've done many teaching moments, and they haven't always worked out so well. Sometimes it was because I failed to understand just how complex a particular concept was. Try explaining why someone should be happy when they are "poor in spirit." The children don't get to the "spirit" part. They're stuck trying to understand why anyone would be happy if they were poor—if they understand what it means to be poor.

Why is this so important to me that I would devote a column to it? It's because I have always felt that if I/we couldn't explain our faith to a 7 year old child, then something important was missing. Why do I hold myself and others to such a high standard? It's because my faith was real to me by the time that I was 7 years old.

Perhaps some of you have had the experience that I had as a child. I grew up in an alcoholic and sometimes violent home. Yet, I was more than fortunate. I was blessed to have a priest and a nun (I was Catholic in those days) who taught me about Jesus. The three most important things they taught me about Jesus were these: 1) Jesus is a real person who is also God; 2) Jesus loves me; 3) Jesus comes to me in the sacrament of Holy Communion.

Perhaps those of you who have had a course in developmental psychology want to take me aside and remind me that a 7 year old child can't possibly understand abstractions like "God," "sacrament," "holy" or "communion." Indeed! Well, whatever my level of understanding at that point in my life was, of this

I am certain. Jesus was real enough to keep me coming back to worship and to Communion and to keep me as sane as I could be under the circumstances.

Do we still teach children the song, "Jesus Loves Me This I Know?" I didn't learn it until I was an adult going to a Congregational Church with Jane and our children. As a pastor I used to sing it with the children, especially when I led a separate Sunday School worship service with them. I wanted them to remember the song so they could remind themselves that, when all else was crumbling around them, Jesus loved them!

It is not easy for me to explain abstract concepts of faith, hope and charity. Sunday School teachers who do this well deserve special recognition. Perhaps their and our greatest asset in helping our children and young adults grow in faith is to make our own faith, hope and love more visible in the life of our church community as well as at home. That requires that we be willing to ask for and accept help in both educating our children about God's love for us and becoming more visibly people of faith, hope and love ourselves. Is that too much to ask? ✘

*The people brought children to Jesus, hoping he might touch them.*

*The disciples shooed them off.*

*But Jesus was irate and let them know it: "Don't push these children away. Don't ever get between them and me. These children are at the very center of life in the kingdom.*

*Mark this: Unless you accept God's kingdom in the simplicity of a child, you'll never get in.*

*"Then, gathering the children up in his arms, he laid his hands of blessing on them.*

*Mark 10:13-16 (The Message)*

## Spiritual Stories

### My Favorite Song

None of you have asked, so I'll tell you. My favorite hymn is: "I Love to Tell the Story" (UMC hymnal page 156). It was published in 1869 based on the poem "Tell Me the Old, Old Story" by Katherine Hankey.

I love to tell stories and none is better to tell than the one, in Hankey's words, of "Jesus and his love." This is a song that I never get tired of singing and a story I never tire of telling.

I even like the story of how this hymn came to be:

Katherine (Kate) Hankey was born in London in 1834 and was a devout Christian and member of the Anglican Church and greatly influenced by John Wesley. She organized Sunday School class to teach children in the factories to read and write along with a good dose of Bible teaching. In her thirties she fell seriously ill and was confined to bed for over nine months. During this time she was unable to teach. It was during this illness that Hankey wrote a long poem, "Tell Me the Old, Old Story." The poem was first published in 1866 and several different versions were published in the next few years. The hymn was taken from the second half of the poem and set to music by William Fischer in 1869. Her need to tell the story couldn't be contained by illness.

Hankey recovered and continued her teaching and severed as a missionary in Africa.

She never lost her need to tell the story.

Andrew Reynolds

**Everyone has a story of faith and hope to tell. You are invited to share your story of faith in this space.**

**Please send your story of up to 250 words to the editor at [hreynolds63@gmail.com](mailto:hreynolds63@gmail.com)**

# LENTEN STUDIES – 2011

Telling Our story to a World that Doesn't Understand Church – Lent /Holy Week

The season of Lent and Holy week will be here soon. This year the tradition of the weekly soup suppers continues. Each Tuesday during Lent dinner starts at 6 p.m. followed by a speaker. This is a great time to meet in fellowship, learn and discuss the theme of "Telling the story." Mark your calendars and be sure to read the Bible passages before church:



## Ash Wednesday

March 9, 7:00 p.m. – Joint service with New Creation UMC

## First Sunday of Lent

March 13th  
Integrated Circuit Joint Worship,  
10 a.m. - Leigh High School (see page 1 for article).  
March 15th: Soup Supper 6-8:00 p.m.  
How Do We Know What Is What is Good News for Others?

## Second Sunday of Lent

March 20th  
Telling the Story in a Divided World,  
*Galatians 3:23-29*  
March 22nd: Soup Supper 6-8:00 p.m.  
How do we speak across the divisions of age,  
race and culture?  
Rev. Justin Ryu

## Third Sunday of Lent

March 27th  
Telling the Story so that Everyone Can Understand,  
*Acts 2:1-13*  
March 29th: Soup Supper 6-8:00 p.m.  
How Do We "Connect" in the Emerging Realities of  
Community and Communication  
Daniel Pickens-Jones

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

April 3rd  
One Great Hour of Sharing  
Telling the Story in a "Virtual" World,  
*Acts 2:43-47*  
April 5th: Soup Supper 6-8:00 p.m.  
How Do We Create New Forms for the Future  
Church?

## Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 10th  
Telling the Story With Confidence,  
*Matthew 28:16-28*  
April 12th: Soup Supper 6-8:00 p.m.  
How Do We Get There From Here? Rev. Alan Jones

## Palm Sunday

April 17th  
Engaging the Journey,  
*Matthew 21:1-11*

## Maundy Thursday

April 21st  
*John 13:1-17, 31b-35, I Corinthians 11:23-26*  
(Joint service with New Creation UMC)

## Good Friday

April 22nd  
12 noon, and 7 p.m.  
*John 18:1-19-42*  
(Joint service hosted by New Creation UMC)

## Easter Vigil

April 23  
7:30 p.m.

## Easter Day

April 24  
*John 20:1-18, Acts 10:34-43*

*There will be more information close to the start of Lent.*



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### CIRCUIT "CELEBRATION" WORSHIP

by the enthusiasm and ideas that were generated. By the end of this meeting, it was decided to investigate the possibility of a combined Integrated Circuit Sunday service. The spirit was alive in that room. At the next meeting of the Worship teams, a Saturday workshop had been added to the Sunday worship and the scope of the event was now starting to take shape. It was decided to seek a venue that was central to the seven congregations, had adequate facilities and could seat the estimated one thousand worshippers. References were made to the Wesley hymn, "O! For a Thousand Tongues to Sing!"

By early January, Marcia McFee, the widely respected author, worship designer, professor, preacher and artist had been secured to lead the Saturday Workshop and assist in the Sunday Worship preparation. This was a major step for the program. Marcia McFee has been the worship consultant for a number of United Methodist Annual Conferences including last year's Northern California/Nevada Annual Conference and the General Conference International Gathering in 2008.

When Bishop Brown heard of the plans, he asked if he could lead the celebration of the eight churches, which now included the New Creation congregation.

After surveying a number of facilities, the pastors found an available (and affordable) venue in Leigh High School. The Lay Leaders went about organizing the event logistics, while the worship team prepared for the workshop and service. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help. The final touches are now being added so the eight local United Methodist churches of the 'Integrated Circuit' can join in one Sunday worship. Much planning and effort have gone into this event. You are strongly encouraged to come together with fellow United Methodists to express our unity and connectivity as Christians and of course to be one of the Thousand Tongues To Sing!

Bruce Hallinan, Integrated Circuit Lay Leader

## ONE Celebration Worship Service for all Eight Circuit Churches

(Almaden Hills, Cambrian Park,  
Campbell, Evergreen Valley,  
Good Samaritan, Los Gatos,  
New Creation, Willow Glen)

**Sunday, March 13, 2011  
10 a.m.**

at  
**Leigh High School**  
5210 Leigh Ave. (Los Gatos Almaden Rd  
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San José, CA 95124

<http://www.leigh.cuhd.org/about/map.htm>

*Lunar New Year - thanks to New Creation UMC  
for the invitation to share the Celebration they hosted in late January.*





### MONTHLY FINANCIAL NEWS

We ended 2010 on a positive note with an excess of \$12.2K. Income was slightly below budget, but expenses were considerably below budget (due to decrease in staffing costs). Our Sharing God's Gifts financial campaign for 2011 ended successfully with \$362K in pledges versus a budget of \$360K. Thus, we have a good foundation for accomplishing our church's goals in 2011. We are off to a good start in 2011 in meeting our pledge commitments. Giving for January was \$0.3K above estimate.



#### Income & Expenses thru December 2010

	December	Year to Date	YTD Budget
Income	\$67.3K	\$553.6K	\$585.0K
Expenses	\$59.6K	\$541.4K	\$585.0K
Excess	\$7.7K	\$12.2K	

Thank You Mary Ann and Hector for 20 Years!  
 Thanks to UM Youth Fellowship, PSPR, Chancel Choir and Gathering of Men for a fun Souper Bowl Luncheon Celebration



## SUPER PARTY!

On February 6, the youth hosted their annual "Souper" Bowl Party. There was a great turnout with lots of delicious food, fun and games, and the added bonus this year is we celebrated Mary Ann Gee and Hector Estrada for 20 years of service at Campbell United Methodist Church.

UMYF hosted the party and decorated, PSPR provided the food (tri-tip, salads, beans & rolls), and the Gathering of Men manned the BBQ's. Several members of the choir read a song that was written by Sue Sargent for Mary Ann.

After lunch, the youth and our head referee Jack Norris led us in some games. Each table set up represented a NFL team and competed against each other in a football relay (eggs on spoons). The winning tables then proceeded to the playoffs. In honor of Mary Ann's music and Hector's set-up work around the church the playoffs consisted of musical chairs with the winning team getting their cake first.

The youth had encouraged everyone to bring a "can of soup" on Sunday to put in the Second Harvest barrels we have on campus. You may have also noticed some youth standing around with soup pots collecting donations. They collected \$814.21 that will be used to send a group to Sierra Service Project this summer. Thank you to everyone who brought some food and/or made donations for SSP.

We would like to thank the following for all their hard work buying and making food, cooking it, providing thank you grams, cleaning up and sound: Ken Starr, Ed Chirco, John Finzel, Jenny Martin, Sheri Woodhouse, Sue Edson, Michael McDavid, Dave Foyle and Sally Wenzel.

Greg & Melinda Knepp, CUMYF ✂

## Creek Cleanup!

UMYF is planning to head out to Oka Pond on March 27 to pick up trash. We would love to have you join us. It's a great way to provide community service and enjoy nature. Keep an eye out for more details as the date gets closer.

## UMYF TALKING "LISTEN UP"

### CALENDAR

**sunday, feb 20**  
no meeting

**sunday, feb 27, 5-8:30 pm**  
pizza & movie, youth room

**sunday, march 6, 11:45-1:30 p.m.**  
vbs planning

**saturday, march 12, 7:30-9:30 pm**  
planetarium u2 laser show

**sunday, march 13**  
no meeting

**sunday, march 20, 11:45-1:30 p.m.**  
easter planning

**sunday, march 27, 11:45-2 p.m.**  
easter planning

## summer camps!

The California-Nevada Conference offers some great camps for kids from 3rd grade through High School. These camps offer kids the opportunity to have fun, grow spiritually and make new friends. I've heard the food is pretty good too! If your kids haven't gone to camp yet, sign them up. If they have, I'm sure they are (or will be) asking to go again.

Below are the dates for camp. You can also check the conference website at <http://www.cnumc.org/pages/detail/1620> for more information and registration forms.

### 2011 CAMP DATES

#### MONTE TOYON CAMPS:

Toyon Kids (3rd - 6th grade), Camp Quest (7th - 9th grade), and Toyon LIT (ages 14-15 years old)

July 10 - 15, 2011

Monte Toyon Sr. High Leadership Camp (9th - 13th grade)

July 5 - 9, 2011

#### LODESTAR CAMPS:

Super Kid Camp (3rd - 6th grade), Super Camp (7th - 9th grade), Lodestar LIT (ages 14-15 years old)

July 17 - 23, 2011

#### SHASTA FAMILY CONFERENCE CAMP:

July 23 - 29, 2011

#### ADULT & FAMILY CAMP:

July 19 - 26, 2011





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Dear Members of Campbell  
United Methodist Church,

Thank you for your thoughtful, caring  
gift to Heart of the Valley.

It is because of continued support like  
yours that we will be celebrating our 24th  
year of volunteer services to seniors living  
in the community.

With Appreciation,  
Glenda Cresap, Director



To Our Campbell UMC Family,

We feel very blessed to have such  
wonderful friends in our church family.  
The loving care I have received by visits,  
calls, cards, gifts, flowers, food and prayers  
is greatly appreciated. My recovery from  
surgery is progressing well and I look  
forward to being on top of things soon.  
Marvin joins me in thanking all of you,  
Ina Tanner

*Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!!!  
Dear CMMC Congregation,  
Please accept my deep appreciation for that  
surprise celebration of my 20 years od service  
as your organist. It truly was a surprise as I  
did not have an inkling of it until 8:30 a.m.  
that Sunday (Feb 6th) when I read the blue  
Addendum. I appreciate your many words of  
congratulations. It is a joy for me to provide  
the organ music that I hope lifts, soothes, and  
inspires your spirits and imaginations as you come  
for worship. Soli Deo Gloria!!!  
Mary Ann Gee*

Dear Church Friends,  
Bill & I do appreciate being  
remembered by our church  
friends with the pretty Poinsettia.  
We also thank Sue Edson for  
her time in delivering the plant.  
Sorry we weren't home to offer  
you a cup of tea.  
Sincerely,  
Bill & Elizabeth Hawkins