# The Messenger



October 2021 Issue

#### PLACENTIA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

#### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

"Jesus looked at him carefully and loved him. He said, 'You are lacking one thing.

Go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor. Then you will have

treasure in heaven. And come, follow me."

Mark 10:21

Dear Friends,

The joint service with Cornerstone UMC and our new District Superintendent, Pastor Saia, was amazing! I appreciate all who participated, attending and/or working behind the scenes.

Pastor Saia left saying these words, "Thank you for I have been blessed."

What a wonderful way to begin our fall season. We received visitors, toured the newly remodeled bathrooms and nursery in the education building, were encouraged by a pastoral message and encountered opportunities to invite people to join us, connect to groups and ministries and engage in the work of ministry in our community.

What's next? There are a lot of ways for you to get involved. From a new prayer group to Bible reading to missions activities to choirs to services, we are seeing our cupboard beginning to fill. I hope you find a way to connect with others. You'll be glad when you do.

I believe in empowering laity to do the work of ministry outside the walls of our church building. Worship and ministry happen in households, neighborhoods and places in our community each day. After all, that's where you are and we are all part of the ministry of believers.

I have a "permission giving certificate" from Bishop Hagiya. I'm officially passing it on to you. It says this:

"The holder of this certificate is given a free pass to experiment or innovate in Christian Ministry, especially in the areas of Mission Field Engagement and Disciple-Making with the approval of the Bishop and Cabinet."

There is a footnote: please let us know what you are doing in advance so we know how to support you and contact you.

What do you want to do to serve people and help them discover faith? We support you. We may not be able to join in all activities as a congregation, but we do support you.

The harvest is plentiful ....



To God be the glory, Pastor Eric umcpastorschmidt@gmail.com mobile phone: 714.271.3698

# Join us for worship Every Sunday

Worship In Person & Live Stream on Facebook Service: 9:30am

Afterward, you are invited to join us for Coffee Fellowship.

## **Coffee Fellowship:**

10:30am - 11:00am Fellowship Hall

Communion Service First Sunday each month In the Fellowship Hall

#### **PLACENTIA**

#### UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2050 Valencia Avenue Placentia, CA 92870 (714) 528-1483

#### **Church Office Hours:**

Tuesday - Friday 9am to 1pm

#### Visit us:

website: placentiaumc.org/ facebook.com/placentiaumc/ instagram.com/placentiaumc

#### **Senior Pastor**

Eric Schmidt (714) 271.3698 umcpastorschmidt@gmail.com **Office Hours:** 

Tuesday & Thursday 9am to 12pm Please call or email to schedule an appointment.

#### **Music Director**

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# **Church Administrator**

Izzy Velasco pumcsecr@gmail.com

## **PRAYER REQUEST**

Contact the Prayer Line at pumc-prayerline@att.net or visit us at www.placentiaumc.org/prayer

Or

Contact: Pastor Eric Schmidt umcpastorschmidt@gmail.com

Or

the church office, pumcsecr@gmail.com

# Do have a JOY you would like to share?

We would love to hear about it. Please contact Pastor Eric with details

Join us Sunday Mornings
Prayer Service
8am in Sanctuary
Bible Reading
Conference Room
8:30am to 9:15am
Hosted by Bob McKinnell

Upcoming Meetings:
Via Zoom
Nurture Group 10/24
10:45am Conference Room
"Coffee Klatch"

Please call the church office to schedule your meeting for the Master Calendar

## LOOKING AHEAD

**All Church Gathering** Sunday, October 31st after the service to hear about the plans for Placentia UMC for 2022.

All Saint's Day memorial and celebration service Sunday, November 7th, we will light candles, play the bell and remember those who have died. As we remember our loved ones who have gone before us... please send a photo of your loved one by Friday, October 29th to be included in the slideshow.

**Hanging of the Greens** Sunday, November 28th after church 1:30pm, time may change.

**Charge Conference** Saturday, December 4th at 2pm, via Zoom

Family Sing-a-Long During service on Sunday, December 12th.

**Christmas Eve** service at 6:00 pm, a joint candlelight service with Placentia & Cornerstone UMC.

**Christmas Day** service at 10:00 am, a simple, quiet service with communion.

**Jesus Birthday Party** service on December 26th with balloons, party hats and more - fun for the family and everyone.

## ANNUAL CHARGE CONFERENCE

It's that time of year again for the Annual Charge Conference. The date for our Charge Conference is on Saturday, December 4th at 2nm

The latest Charge Conference Forms are now available online at calpacumc.org/ chargeconference.

#### FORMS

The church office has the 2021-2022 Charge Conference forms printed out so you may review and write on them ahead of time; before filling out the online forms, if needed.

#### 2020-2021 Annual Report Charge Conference

If you would like a hard copy of the 2020-2021 Charge Conference Annual Report, please contact Izzy Velasco and she will have them ready for pick-up or mail.

# MASKS ARE REQUIRED DURING SERVICE

If you forget your mask, do not worry, we have extra ones available. Like you, we want to get through these times safely and quickly. That's why, at Placentia UMC, we are proactively adopting the use of face coverings indoors as a precaution based on the recommendation from the CDC, state, county, city and church. It is one small step we can all take to help out.

We look forward to the day we can see you without a mask again.

# WHAT IS AN ALL CHURCH GATHERING?



The leadership of our congregation are planning for an All Church Gathering during our fellowship time on Sunday, October 31st. Yes, Halloween Sunday. We promise no tricks, only treats!

You may wonder what an All Church Gathering is and why we are offering one. It's an opportunity for the congregation to come together with the

leaders of our church to look ahead at our goals and plans for the next year. I believe it's an important part of getting ready for Charge Conference.

There are two parts to an All Church Gathering. First is a brief review of our ministry goals for next year. This includes presentation of a narrative budget. Sharing highlights from the current year is something we can do together.

The second part is an open conversation on the goals and opportunities we envision. I believe it's important for your representative and prospective leaders to listen and hear what you are saying. We want to discern where God's Spirit is already at work so we can join in.

An All Church Gathering is NOT a time to air grievances. It's not a time for line-item budget discussions. It's not a time for culture wars. It's also not a walk-through of all our charge conference forms.

An All Church Gathering IS a time to hear what excites our leaders and you, our members and regular participants. It's a time of celebration and looking forward to what God has planned for us. It's a time of affirmation and building each other up. God is doing a good work with Placentia UMC.

Please come and join us.



# DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

Sunday, November 7 at 2:00 A.M. On Saturday night, set your clocks back one hour (i.e., gaining one hour) to "fall back."

It's Coming, Time Change: Get Ready! Don't forget to set your clocks back.

# FELLOWSHIP HALL USAGE

Please continue to clean and wipe down tables in the Fellowship Hall after use. Cleaning supplies can be found on top of cabinets in this room.

Thank you, CUMC/PUMC Churches

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Worship in-person & Live on Facebook Service: 9:30am

Afterward, you are invited to join us for Coffee Fellowship.

#### **Coffee Fellowship:**

10:30am - 11:30am In the Fellowship Hall. Bottled Water—YES Coffee—YES Donuts—YES Fellowship—YES

Please continue to follow us on Facebook to help you stay engaged.



Our page which can be found by searching our name or typing in: facebook.com/placentiaumc/

Follow us and stay engaged.



Look for us on instagram.com/placentiaumc

# Church Campus Life

## RESIDENT READERS

October Book: "The last bookshop in London" by Madeline Martin

Host: Margaret Johnson house Discussion Leader: Margaret Johnson

November Book: On Break December: Book and Time TBD

We are looking for readers interested in reading for fun in a wide variety of genre. Join us you'll be glad you did! Everyone is welcome. The group is open to anyone. We meet on the fourth Tuesday evening of the month @ 7pm. This is not a "Club" in the usual sense. If a book title looks good to you, get it, read it, and join us for a 2-hour discussion.

# Check out the **"New Remodel" bathrooms** in the Education Building













In the Narthex, check out all of the activities we have on church campus and get involved!!

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY! OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER DIRTHDATS

Faith Virgil - 7

Karen Richards - 11

Wendy Elliott- 14

Jean Redman - 15

Margie Simmermacher - 15

Anita Carson - 19

Alan Wirth - 24

Reese Adams - 29

Birthday List is located in the back of your 2021 Church Directory

# **Photos Needed**

Please send in photos: Fun photos/selfies/fellowship pics to share for our newsletter and website.

Send to pumcsecr@gmail.com



Join us for Coffee Fellowship after service.