November 2019

Down Home Country Bazaar
SATURDAY, 11/9/19
8:00 - 3:00
Montrose UMC
19 S Park Ave, (970) 249-3716
The past few months we have held dinners and lunches where 8-10 people have gathered to speak and listen. These Listening Dinners have reminded me of the importance of timing. In Ecclesiastes chapter 3 we read about there being a time for everything, “a time for keeping and a time for throwing away, a time for tearing and a time for repairing, a time for keeping silent and a time for speaking.” (6b-7b). With this time gathered around a table, each person takes a turn to speak and the rest listen, so that they in turn have listeners for when they speak.

Dialogue is important for us as we continue this journey with our United Methodist Denomination. “We are currently in a situation where General Conference 2020 will design our future through its action or inaction. The one certainly is that the United Methodist Church will no longer continue it is current form indefinitely.”
To be sure that the delegates who are attending General Conference 2020 represent the churches of our Conference well, they are traveling to every district and sub district to hear from its members.

We will host the Montrose Circuit and surrounding areas for one of our delegates to join us for a potluck. Gathering around a meal, breaking bread, is holy.

We will have time to hear from our delegate and time for them to hear from each of you. Listening to one another will be important as we move forward in this process of learning who God is calling us to be as a church. And...we will eat!

Mark your calendars for **Tuesday, November 19th at 5 p.m.** for a potluck and time together with one of our delegates.

May we each make space and time to hear one another as we gather together.

If you haven’t signed up for a Listening Dinner yet, we have more coming up this month, AND in January we will start round two as we discuss questions that revolve around the future of the church.

I look forward to hearing more about each of you, and where your passions are in this world, so together we can joyfully serve all, love all and share Jesus Christ with the world.

See you in worship,

Pastor Lisa

**SUB DISTRICT POTLUCK DINNER**

**November 19th at 5 p.m.**

Join us in breaking bread and sharing our hopes and dreams for the United Methodist Church we know and love. (For more details, read Pastor Lisa’s Lines above!)
You’re invited!
Sign up to have your voice heard!

How well do you know your neighbors within the congregation? Do you know the people you sit down the pew from? Do you know which service each person goes to? Do you know how they feel about the issues in our church, our community or our world? Probably, we all could use some time to learn and listen to one another and get to know one another a bit better.

So, you are invited to a meal! There is a limit of 8 people per meal and we’re asking that you sign up with the “stranger” in mind. Feel free to sign up with a friend or a spouse, but generally sign up with people you don’t know well from the congregation. Call the office to sign-up, or stop by the welcome table in Baldridge Hall on Sunday!

November Listening Dinner Dates

November 11th at 6:00 p.m. in the house next door
November 14th at 11:00 a.m. in Baldridge Hall

Shepherd’s Hand Lunchees

Shepherd’s Hand has been using Park Ave Hall for three months now to serve 60 to 100 lunches each day, Monday through Friday. From what we have seen and heard, this is developing into a beneficial partnership. The Board of Trustees has agreed to extend the facility use agreement for six months, until May 1, 2020. Thank you for extending a hand to help!
The Brown Bag book Club will be meeting in the alcove (back of the sanctuary). This month’s meeting will be November 19, 11:45 a.m. This month’s selection:

“Louisiana Longshot”

By Jana DeLeon
2025 VISION TEAM UPDATE

The Montrose UMC Church Council has approved the formation of the 2025 Vision Team to recommend the Vision for the church continuing thru 2025. The team will use the current 2020 plan as the basis but will expand it to reflect on projected opportunities and challenges the church, our members and the community will face.

The team consists of a cross-section of church members led by Marshall Pendergrass, Barbara Sharrow and Pastor Lisa and includes Andrea & Danny Wood, John Pavlich, Nancy Johnson, Elaine Baker, Lee Elliot, Emily Vigil, Craig Wolverton and Sarah Seymour. The team meets monthly and is accumulating data on demographics, successful programs, community and city needs, etc. in addition to the valuable input we will seeking from the church members.

We will be canvasing and meeting with the established church committees and staff over the next three months and provide preliminary reports and a plan of 2020 activities at the January Church Council meeting. Please feel free to contact any of the team members with new ideas, concerns, suggestions, etc you feel would be an important part of the church’s future vision and programs.
**Bible Sunday**

Join us on Sunday, November 17th, as we present Bibles to all of our 3rd Graders and older kids who have never received a Bible from the church. The Bible presentation will be before children’s time during the 9:45 service.

Please let Sarah know if your child or youth in 3rd grade or older has never received a Bible. We want to support all of our kids and youth in their spiritual journey!

**November Village Event**

Join us on November 20th from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm as we enjoy a potluck and create a string art project. Please bring a dish (or 2) to share. All supplies for the string art will be provided.
Join us for **Parent’s Night Out** on the 2nd & 4th Friday of the month. The price is as follows; $15 per child or $30 Family Max.

**November’s Themes:**

11/8 Exploring Autumn
   - Hot apple cider, caramel apples and leaf peeping!
11/22 Thanksgiving
   - Come enjoy a KIDS style thanksgiving “feast”

Please RSVP for all events, to Debby @ (714) 824-7475

Quick Care & Parent’s Night Out are open to the community!
Quick Care runs every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Drop your child(ren) off for developmentally appropriate activities while you run errands, attend doctor’s appointments or enjoy a morning of relaxation.

Price: $15 per child
Ages: 6 Months– 6 Year

November’s Themes

11/4 Leaf Hunting
11/11 Apple Painting
11/18 Corn Art
11/25 Gobble Gobble
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Birthdays

Bowden Vigil 11/01 Mary K. Richardson 11/15
James Kintner 11/03 Austin Besler 11/17
Keith Krickbaum 11/03 Steve Loesch 11/17
Dean Martinson 11/06 Bill Dickey 11/20
Karen DeJulio 11/07 Cynthia Reiss 11/20
Lillian Hadley 11/07 Vicki Moen 11/23
Mark Evans 11/09 Caroline Evans 11/24
Marsha Pittman 11/09 Richard Halverson 11/24
Sandy Whitley 11/09 Jubilea Coddington 11/26
Brekin Hutto 11/10 MaryAnn Langley 11/26
Cathalee Nielsen 11/14 Jonathan Becker 11/29

Anniversaries

Nancy & Paul Zaenger November 02
Becky & Bill Dickey November 11
Bill & Cynthia Reiss November
Lessons & Carols 2019

“All I Want for Christmas…”

A Choral Jazz Celebration of the Season

Jazz ensemble & Celebration Voices directed by Kelly Thompson

Friday & Saturday
December 6th & 7th
7:00 p.m.
(Doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

FREE Tickets available, starting November 11th in the church office to guarantee seating.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

There will not be a formal, church wide campaign this year to fill shoeboxes as in the past.

However, you are encouraged to participate if you believe this is a worthwhile effort and you would like to do so. Plastic boxes are available along with any information you might need. Please see Stan Hayes for a box or assistance.
Sunday School

Each week kids will learn about a few books of the Bible along with some simple hand motions to help them remember what each book is about. The goal is that by the end of the 12 weeks, kids will be able to say all 66 books of the Bible from memory and have a general idea of what each book is about.

November 3rd Books of the Bible Lesson 7– The Books About Jesus

November 10th Books of the Bible Lesson 8– History Again

November 17th Books of the Bible Lesson 9– Dear Pastor

November 24th Books of the Bible Lesson 10– Paul’s Pen Pals

We will have classrooms for the following ages:

Infants & Toddlers, Location: Nursery

Preschool (3-years-old) - Kindergarten, Location: Room 12

1st Grade to 4th Grade, Location: Room 10

For complete information on the Children’s Ministry please see the ”November MUMC Kids Newsletter”
Children & Youth

Christmas Pageant 2019

Join us on Wednesday afternoons from 3—4:30 as we prepare our annual Christmas pageant. This year’s pageant is being written by Tayllor Pittman, a former youth who is currently in college studying theater! There is a place for everyone, ages 3-18. Snacks will be provided. Please let Sarah know if your child/ youth will be attending as well as any food allergies.

Rehearsal Dates:

November 13th 3—4:30 p.m.
November 20th 3—4:30 p.m.
December 4th 3—4:30 p.m.
December 11th 3- 4:30 p.m.
Dress Rehearsal December 14th 10 a.m.—12 p.m.
Performance December 15th 9:45 a.m. in Worship

Santa’s Cabin 2019

Santa’s Cabin is our biggest fundraiser of the year for youth missions. Sign ups will be located in Baldridge Hall on November 10th. **All families will need to take a training and help set up the cabin on November 24th from 12:30-2:30.**

The cabin will run on the following dates;
November 29th— Tree Lighting 6:15-9:15
December 13th—Timberline Bank (3:45-6:15)
December 14th & 15th @ the Cabin (3:30-6:00 & 5:45– 8:15)
December 20th—Timberline Bank (3:45– 6:15)
December 21st &22nd @ the Cabin (3:30-6:00 & 5:45– 8:15)

We will need people to help run the fire/ outside area and taking pictures inside. Each family will be asked to help in both areas, in order to make it fair.
UMYF (Youth Group)

United Methodist Youth Fellowship
12:30-2:30 Every Sunday
Baldridge Hall

Divergent Faith & A Social Media Christmas

November 3rd— Divergent Faith—Amity (The Peaceful)

November 10th— Divergent Faith—Abnegation (The Selfless)

November 17th— Divergent Faith—Factionless

November 24th— A Social Media Christmas—Facebook

Granny’s Attic/ Bazaar Set Up

Join us as we help the United Methodist Women carry and move all of the Granny’s Attic donations from the garage into the rainbow room on Wednesday November 6th. We will meet at Starbucks, grab a drink and then head to the church. Parents, please drop off at Starbucks at 3 pm and pick up from the church at 5 pm. If you are able to stay and help, we could use as many people as possible. The more hands we have on deck the quicker it will go!

Please RSVP to Sarah, she will bring the bus but we will need to check numbers to make sure everyone has a seat!
High School Lunch Bunch

Hey High Schoolers! Join Sarah bi-weekly for lunch during the school’s lunch hour. Every other week we will meet at a restaurant near campus for lunch at little to no cost to you! The lunch hour is from 11:45-12:20.

Please let Sarah know if you are coming!

November Dates:

November 7th— Jimmy Johns Free!
November 21st— Subway Free!

Bibles & Board Games

Who: All Youth

When: Every Wednesday from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Rotates Between Starbucks & Sonic

Join us on Wednesdays, when the youth get out of school early, for a yummy treat, short devotional and some board game fun! Due to popular demand, we will rotate between Starbucks and Sonic every other week. To keep drop off and pick up simple we will all meet at Starbucks each week. On weeks that we will go to Sonic, we will meet at Starbucks and walk over as a group, then walk back in time for pick up at Starbucks.

Please let Sarah know if your youth is planning to attend.

November 6th- Starbucks ** Special Day See Granny’s Attic on Pg. 18

November 13th— NO Bibles & Board Games- Christmas Pageant Rehearsal at church

November 20th— NO Bibles & Board Games- Christmas Pageant Rehearsal at church

November 27th— NO Bibles & Board Games- Fall Break/ Thanksgiving Holiday
Middle School Lock In

Who: Middle School Kids (5th-8th Grade)

What: Middle School Lock In

When: November 15th, 7 pm into November 16th, 9 am

Where: Meet in Baldridge Hall. We will go offsite for an activity, otherwise we will be in the church.

Cost: $10 per person

Join us for a middle school lock in! Bring your sleeping stuff, $10 and a snack to share. We will head offsite for cosmic bowling, so make sure you bring (or wear) a pair of socks! Bring a 1st time friend & earn a prize.

Please RSVP to Sarah by November 14th.

Save the Date

High School Lock In

Who: High School Kids (9th-12th Grade)

What: High School Lock In

When: December 6th, evening through December 7th after Sunday School.

For complete information on the Youth Group please see the “November Youth Ministry Newsletter”
United Methodist Women Upcoming Happenings:

Mon November 4, 9:00 a.m., Executive Board Meeting

Saturday November 9, BAZAAR (see front page)

Wed., November 13, 11:30 a.m. World Thank Offering
(Hostess Faith Circle)

No Meeting — Mary & Elizabeth Circle, Hostess:
No Meeting—Mary Olive Circle

Thursday November 21, 9:00 a.m. –Hope circle,
Hostess: Joan Dunham

No Meeting– Faith Circle,

We welcome all newcomers!

For more information about the United Methodist Women, or any of our Women’s circles, please contact the church office. We’d love for you to find the right circle for you.

The Purpose of United Methodist Women: The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is: To know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; To develop a creative supportive fellowship; and To expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.
Thank You

Dear Friends of MUMC,

We, the family of Bob Nielson, want to thank you all for the prayers, love and support you provided and poured out, through so many gestures, to us during Bob’s illness and since his untimely death.

The prayers, card, meals, visits and the provision of family luncheon, wonderful celebration service, and reception were outstanding and so appreciated.

We are so thankful to be a part of such a caring and loving congregation.

Our Sincere Thanks,

The Nielson Family

Music @ Noon

will be returning again this year

Wednesday, December 4
Wednesday, December 11
Wednesday, December 18
Musicians TBD

December Newsletter Deadline is Monday, November 18
Submit a Publicity Form (found taped to Rachael’s desk, or emailed upon request) with details of an upcoming event to Rachael in the church office via email to: secretary@montroseumc.org