

**JOIN US FOR WORSHIP
EVERY SUNDAY**

**Worship In Person &
YouTube Service: 9:30am**

Afterward, you are invited
to join us for Social Hour.

Social Hour:
10:30am - 11:00am
Fellowship Hall

**Communion Service
First Sunday each month**

**PLACENTIA
UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH**

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

Church office hours:
Monday/Friday-Closed
Tuesday/Thursday 10am to 2pm
Wednesday 1pm to 4pm

Visit us:
website: placentiaumc.org/
facebook.com/[placentiaumc/](https://www.facebook.com/placentiaumc/)

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The Messenger

Placentia United Methodist Church

November || December Issue 2024

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

"... the people who lived in the dark have seen a great light, and a light has come upon those who lived in the region and in shadow of death." Matthew 4: 16 (CEB)

From that time Jesus began to announce, "Change your hearts and lives! Here comes the kingdom of heaven!" (v17). Can you hear the passion, love and power in Jesus' words? They are as true for us today as they were for the people in Galilee when Jesus first began to say them.

It wasn't easy for the people in Jesus' day. They suffered the oppression of foreign occupation, corrupt leaders, and a temple that had lost its way. It isn't easy for people today. We suffer the trauma of a political system gone awry, leaders who only care for their own power and influence, and a church divided.

What can we do? I invite you to turn to God and remember who you are. You are God's child. You are made in the very image of God. God knows you and loves you. And God sent a Messiah to save us from ourselves, pardoning and healing us, and making us whole.

Jesus' words touch our heart and mind. They comfort our soul. For by his love, our Great Physician offers us a heart transplant. We can accept and allow our heart of stone to unclench and be transformed into a heart which beats with love and life. We are forgiven and healed. We forgive and are set free.

Evil, selfishness and oppression don't stand a chance when faced with Jesus' love and goodness. Jesus shows us God's promises are timeless and steady. Don't be afraid, no matter what happens. Don't be afraid, no matter who wins the election. Jesus is the light of the world, the source of our true life. He can save, restore and transform us. Rest assured and be made whole.

How will you respond to this good news? I hope you are filled with gratitude and devotion. Like Mary, we can trust God to do the impossible. We can wait on Jesus. And we can invite our family, friends and neighbors to join us, sharing our joy with them for God is good.

With love and gratitude,
Pastor Eric



Why are we Here?
"Joyfully sows seeds of Faith, so lives are drawn to God."

Looking Ahead

UPCOMING EVENTS AND SERVICES

Widows once-a-month lunch is back in session. All widows are invited on the fourth Friday of every month at 11:45 am.

In observance of Veteran's Day The church office will be closed in observance of Veteran's Day, Monday, November 11th. If you need pastoral care Pastor Eric will be available by phone (714) 271-3698.

Newsletter Please send your articles and photos for the newsletter by December 20th to the church office, pumcsecr@gmail.com

In observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday The church office will be closed, Thursday & Friday November 28 & 29.

IT'S CHARGE CONFERENCE TIME!!!

Our Charge Conference will be held on Sunday, December 8, 2024 || 2:00 p.m.

Location: Placentia United Methodist Church, we are hosting!!!

This year we will be part of a "Joint Charge Conference" where each of our neighboring UMC Churches will share stories and events in their church. The Conference will be called to order by our District Superintendent Rev. Moonyoung Lee. Save the date and join us for this special time.

Sing Along — December 14th - 2pm to 4pm - Watch for Details!

Activities to enjoy this season:

November 24th – Joint PUMC/CUMC service, lunch and **Hanging of the Greens** as we decorate the church for the holidays.

December 1st – First Sunday in Advent with communion - Hope

December 8th – Second Sunday in Advent - Peace

December 15th – Third Sunday in Advent - Joy

December 22nd – Fourth Sunday in Advent - Love

Our Christmas Eve service is a quiet, in-person gathering with carols and scripture as we celebrate the gift of Christ. The traditional singing of "Silent Night" and candle lighting will close the service. Joint with Cornerstone UMC.

Christmas Day - December 25th – Christmas Day. You are welcome to join us for a simple, "unplugged" service with communion at 10:00 am.

Taking Time to Rest

The church office will be closed Tuesday and Wednesday, December 24 & 25.

The church office will also be closed Tuesday and Wednesday, December 31 & January 1. These are regular holidays.

Bible Study †††

Join us Sunday Mornings

Bible Reading

Conference Room

8:15am to 8:45am

Hosted by Bob McKinnell



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

November

Carlos Fuentes-6

Lillian Blaschke-9

Laurie Cobb-10

December

Wang Zhang-3

Gerry Adams-16



Prayer Request

Contact the Prayer Line at

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

Contact: Pastor Eric Schmidt

umcpastorschmidt@gmail.com

Electronic Waste Recycling Event

Saturday & Sunday
December 14 & 15, 2024
(9:00 am to 3:00 pm)

**Placentia
Town Center**
(Parking Lot)
**160 Yorba Linda Blvd.
Placentia, CA 92870**



Hosted By:



For more information, please call
(714) 528-1483.

What is "E-waste"?

E-Waste is any consumer electronic equipment that has reached its 'end-of-life' or 'end-of-usage,' whether in full or non-working condition. It includes most electronics or electric appliances with a cord or circuit board such as:

Computer Monitors, Television Sets, PC Systems, Printers, Laptops, Copiers, Scanners, Fax Machines, Toner Cartridges, UPS & PDAs, Power Supplies, Main Frame Units, Networking Equipment, Mother Board Systems, VCR/VCD/DVD Players, Home Entertainment Systems, Landline and Cellular Phones, & Small Portable Devices. We also accept Car and Forklift Batteries. **There is a service charge for Major Appliances, including Cooling Units & Microwaves.** We do not accept: Fluorescent Light Bulbs and Household Batteries.

Cornerstone UMC NEWS

PICKLEBALL IS ON!

Come play the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month in the Parish Park after our lunch fellowship. Fall Fun with Pickleball, Puzzles and Paper Projects!



Church Campus Life



Set your clocks back on November 2, one hour before you go to bed Saturday night



A QUIP FROM Sue Lacko — I'm a "friend" of Jonathan Poutney on Facebook. Recently he posted a picture of a tortoise in his back yard. I messaged him that I remember feeding a tortoise with Betty at least twenty years ago. Jonathan wrote back that it was the same one and that he (the tortoise) was about fifty years old. We live on.....

Upper Room Daily Devotional: November/December

Can be picked up in the church narthex.

PLACENTIA UMC SERVICES ON YOUTUBE

Go to YouTube at www.youtube.com

Search for "Placentia United Methodist Church"

Click on the picture of the church sign.

This will take you to the home page.

Click on "Live" to find the most recent video(s). Enjoy!





A Celebration of Life

In our Heart but not Forgotten

Sue Hinshaw

Sue Hinshaw - Celebration of Life Service & Lunch

Saturday, November 9th || 11:00am Placentia UMC

After the church service, the celebration will continue at Sue's home:
514 Tahoe Avenue, Placentia.

Lunch will be served. Please feel free to pass this invitation along to anyone who may have been missed.

6:23

With a big ole Texas hole in my heart, I present the obituary for my one-of-a-kind momma who went peacefully to be with her Lord on 8/17/2024. I miss her so much. I was so blessed to have her in my life for 64 years. You can fly away now, Momma. You did a tremendous and kind job down here. Don't worry, you will find the souls. Just sing.
Bip SchkabodenDanae RebensdorfParker RebensdorfChase RebensdorfTyler GrattanSean GrattanDee HinshawBettye ShirarNancy Cade EdwardsSue A. Hinshaw.



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If you would like an update about One Life to Love in Baja, here is the website address: <https://www.onelifeinbaja.org/>



Volunteer Opportunities

Are you looking for ways to volunteer?

Volunteering is both exciting and rewarding, especially when utilizing your knowledge, skills and expertise to make a positive difference in the lives of others. The reward is a mutual benefit that transcends to generations to follow. Please contact the church or Pastor Eric for more information.

Liturgist for Sunday Service:

Please contact Leon Cheney if you would like to sign up to volunteer.

11/03 Leon Cheney
11/10 Bob McKinnell
11/17 Leon Cheney
11/24 Craig Green

Communion Assistants needed, first Sunday each month. 4 people needed, November || December.

Please contact Pastor Eric Schmidt if you would like to sign up to volunteer.

Greeters for Sunday Service schedule:

Please contact Leon Cheney if you would like to sign up to volunteer.

1st Sunday Shirley Cheney
2nd Sunday Gene and Mary Mishler
3rd Sunday Beverly and Craig Green
4th Sunday Karen Richards
5th Sunday Mel Bond // Alternate

Tellers 2024 schedule:

Please contact Mel Bond if you would like to sign up to volunteer.

1st Sunday Bob McKinnell /Craig Green
2nd Sunday Kay Ressler/Mel Bond
3rd Sunday Bev Green/Leon Cheney
4th Sunday Leisa Luke/Gene Mischler
5th Sunday Mel Bond/Leisa Luke
Substitute Bob McKinnell

Social Hour Clean Up in Fellowship Hall schedule:

Please contact the office if you would like to sign up to volunteer.

1st Sunday Sue Lacko
2nd Sunday Leon Cheney
3rd Sunday Craig Green
4th Sunday TBD
5th Sunday TBD

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Tithes and Offerings

Please give online or place your offering in the basket. Try our online giving service, Tithe.ly, or your preferred electronic means.

If you'd like to tithe online to the church, you may do so at the following link: <https://tithe.ly/give?c=2650083>

Thank you for your faithful and generous support.

Photos Needed

Please send in photos: Fun photos/selfies/fellowship pics to share for our newsletter and website.
Send to
pumcsecr@gmail.com