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HOW ARE WE LIVING OUT OUR MISSION?

Here's a question for all of us: How are you living out the mission of "making disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world?" What does that look like for you? What is YOUR vision for living out this mission of our church?

For some, it may be working with kids, teaching and/or mentoring them. Maybe, like Jerry Jensen, your teach or help kids learn about something other than Christian faith (like physics), but at the same time, you demonstrate the character of a Christian to the kids and enable them to see what being a Christian looks like.

Maybe you're retired, and your vision for living out this mission is inter-relating with neighbors and friends, sharing your life and your faith in the process. Maybe you are purposely mentoring a person who is younger in faith than you are, helping them to negotiate the challenges of life as a follower of Jesus. Or maybe you are working with neighbors to help keep each other safe and to improve the lives of the people in your neighborhood. Always remember that as a follower of Jesus, you are "always on" in witnessing to what Jesus has done in your life. You can't take a "day off" from that!

Or maybe you are involved in one or more of our ministries here at the Fount— everybody should be! Do you work with Welcome Home or at the Preschool at The Fount? Are you involved in the worship ministries? Maybe you help usher, or sing in the choir, or lead as a worship host? Whatever you do, it isn't just about the work, it is also about the witness. Each person you meet deserves to see what Jesus has done in your life to transform you into the Christian you are and are becoming.

If we can all start to think in these terms, we will find that our church's life will deepen and thrive. We are a small congregation, but our God is a Great, Big God!

How are you "making disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world"?

Easter Blessings,

Pastor Glen



A United Methodist Community

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- 9:00 am—Classes
- 10:15 am—Awakening Hymn Sing (second Sunday of Month)
- 10:30 am—English Service & La Cima Service
- 10:50 am—Children & Youth Sunday School



GIVING UPDATE

Listed below is the financial data for The Fount. This data is as of February 28, 2018

Actual Envelope Giving in February	\$	31,275
Budgeted Monthly Envelope Giving	\$	23,285
Actual Loose Plate Giving February 2018	\$	305
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Actual Envelope Giving Jan. & Feb.	\$ (51,014
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APRIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Messy Church Team	April 8	10:00 am
Physical Resources	April 8	12:00 pm
Preschool Board	April 17	5:00 pm

The events above are currently listed on the church calendar. Please check with the team leaders to confirm the dates/times of these meetings.



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AMERICAN SEWING GUILD YARD SALE

Once again the American Sewing Guild will be holding their annual yard sale on The Fount's front lawn beginning at 8:00 am to 2:00 pm on April 28th.

A FIRM FOUNDATION

This is a new study concerning the future of The United Methodist Church. This seven-week study, featuring various leaders in the evangelical tradition of the UMC, will discuss important topics as the denomination faces possible division and certainly reorganization. Below is a list of topics and speakers to be included in this seven-week study.

- 1. "Commitment to Transformation" by Jeff Greenway
- 2. "When Jesus Is Lord" by David Watson
- 3. "Faithfully Engaging the Scriptures" by Chris Ritter
- 4. "When the Holy Spirit Comes with Fire" by Carolyn Moore
- 5. "Loving God with an Undivided Heart" by Maxie Dunnam
- 6. "The Dynamism of Discipleship" by Andrew Forrest
- 7. "The Church's Global DNA" by Kimberly Reisman

A video segment will accompany each session of the study. Cost for the study is \$10 per book (couples and friends can share). Contact the church office (ph. 714-962-2593 or email office@thefount.church) to reserve your spot or for more information. Pastor Glen will lead this study beginning Tuesday, May 1st at 7:00 PM in Room 205.



PASTOR GLEN AND CYNDY TO GO ON VACATION

For a week in April (18-24), Pastor Glen and Cyndy Haworth will be going to Texas to visit their daughter and grandkids (Liam is turning three!) and to spend time with friends. On that Sunday, April 22nd, our guest preacher will be

Ken Nehrbass! So no playing hooky while the pastor's away!









MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT— JULIE GREEN

I am doing well. I have finished chemo and radiation and I'm past the fatigue and drag that came with treatment. So I'm back working full time with SIL Int'l and Wycliffe Bible Translators. Fortunately I am working with a multicultural and virtual team that is spread from Hong Kong to the UK. So I'm able to work from Huntington Beach and while it requires some travel, it's not a lot. I am so grateful to be back to work!!!

The project I'm working on is called Relational NGOs or ReNGOs. It's a joint effort between SIL Mainland Asia and SIL International Anthropology. We believe that relationships make a difference in everything we do. Because of this, our aim is to help leaders recognize multicultural differences within their relationships and measure, monitor, and improve the quality and health of organizational and interorganizational relationships.

ReNGOs uses an innovative, people-centered, data-driven method to help multicultural teams and organizations understand the complex cultural dynamics within their team or organizational relationships. These robust metrics give organizations/teams tools to measure the actual quality of their internal and external relationships. This provides a common way to talk about multi-cultural relationships, thus enabling leaders to monitor and affirm good relationships or discover keys to their sticky relationships. It gives them new insights into ways to move forward in a safe and respectful environment because relationships matter.

Last month we were able to help an Asian board and western senior staff of an international school in Hong Kong reconcile and come back together to continue working at the school. It was an amazing time of seeing humble Christian workers talk through their differences, apologize for their frustration and anger and commit to work together again. In many ways it feels like being in the front row, watching God move and bring people together. It's pretty fun! We're currently gearing up for 3 more engagements in Asia over the next 4 months. We will be busy and I'd have it no other way.

Trust you all are well. I was driving down Bushard the other day and saw you all had changed your name to The Fount. It's a lovely name and wonderful reminder of the life giving water we find in Christ.

Blessings,

Julie

COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY

April 21st has been designated Community Service Day in Huntington Beach and Fountain Valley. There will be volunteers on campus to do work around the church grounds and assist with the Welcome Home program as well.

The Surf City Church, with the assistance of The Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council, will be hosting their event from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM that same day. Their services will include:

- First Harvest Food Truck Distribution
- Replacement Clothing
- Haircuts
- Orange County Agency Support for:
 - ♦ Medical
 - ♦ Dental
 - ♦ Veteran
 - ♦ Social Service needs
 - ♦ and More!

You can volunteer to assist with this Community Service Day on the JustServe organization's website by clicking on the link below. The website also has a list of the projects volunteers will be focusing on plus a list of participating organizations.

https://ghbic.org/day-of-community-service/







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MESSY CHURCH Creatively build your family's faith

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Messy Church

Our God is a God of second chances. He welcomes us home to him no matter what we've done. It's hard to believe that God even loves "bad guys" as kids like to call them. When Jesus was punished for crimes he didn't commit he gave the criminal next to him the chance to receive eternal life, even at the very last possible second. We made some cross necklaces with Nancy Whitmore to remind us of how Jesus showed his love for us and practiced some chemistry with Jerry Jensen to exemplify how allowing the Holy Spirit into our lives creates power to do God's will. Join us in April to celebrate "New Life, Just in Time!" and learn how Jesus timing was perfect for one man's sick daughter.



Palm Sunday

It was such a blessing to see so many kids join us for this year's Palm Sunday service. This year we decided to create another point of spiritual connection for our kids. Rather than use some previously cut palm branches, we assisted them in choosing and trimming a palm branch off of our very own trees at The Fount! Now, whenever they're on campus and pass by those trees hopefully they'll be reminded that those were the trees that provided the branches we used to celebrate Jesus triumphal

entry into Jerusalem!



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PRESCHOOL NEWS

March was a very busy month for the preschool. Not only did they celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday, they had their school pictures taken and the month concluded with the students performing at their annual Spring Sing. The student pictures taken in March will be available to the children the week of April 11th.

April is starting out with the staff and students enjoying an Easter vacation begining March 30th. Everyone will return to school on April 9th.

April 19th and 20th will be *Pajama and Pancake Day* at the preschool. All children are encouraged to come to school wearing their PJ's where they and their friends will have a great time eating pancakes together!!





The preschool has a new member on its staff—a part-time teacher named Melissa Griffin. Melissa comes to us with great experience working at other preschools in our area.



There is still time to register children for 2018-2019 preschool year that begins September 10, 2018. The classes are filling up fast! If you know anyone who is interested in registering a child, now is a good time to do so.



PASTOR'S RETREAT DAY AWAY

Did you know that Pastor Glen takes a day each month to go away and pray, ponder and read (scripture and books) to deepen his spiritual life? It usually occurs on the fourth Monday of the month. He goes to a retreat center, a park or some other quiet place to concentrate on his relationship with God. This is in addition to his daily devotional time. It is very important that our pastor take the time to nurture his spiritual life so that he can continue to minister with us in making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

We invite you to pray for Pastor Glen as he seeks a deeper walk with the Lord.





EASTER OFFERING

As is our tradition, we are encouraged to give a special offering at Easter over and above our regular offerings and tithes. Mark your gift "Easter" either on the envelope, on the check (in the memo section) or designate it as you give online. These special gifts go into our operating budget to provide staffing, programs, newsletters (like this one), our online presence and much more! They even help to pay for the lights and heat on Sunday morning!

Consider a special gift this Easter!



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SAVE THE DATE!

Mark Your Calendars "Busy" for Saturday, May 12, 2018 8:00 am to 10:00 am

The annual Applebee's Pancake Breakfast to benefit
United Methodist Men's activities will be held again this year
on the Saturday of Mother's Day weekend
(May 12, 2018) from 8:00 to 10:00 am.

Tickets are available on Sunday mornings.

Thanks in advance for your support!

Mark your calendars now for this great annual event by the UMM and come and enjoy breakfast with friends!



This event has been moved to Saturday, April 14th at 2:00 PM, Animal lovers from the whole community are welcome to participate in this special worship time of blessing the animals! Bring your pets, farm animals, and any other animals and let's ask God to bless them! What a perfect thing to invite your neighbors to come to, especially if they love animals too!

We will gather in the front yard of The Fount, so be sure to bring whatever will keep your animal(s) and other people safe (leashes, harnesses, cages, etc.). We will sing a couple of songs, pray together, read Scripture and invite God to bless the animals for good health, fertility (if appropriate). This will be a part of our way of caring for God's creation!







CULTURE FEST: FAITH FROM ALL NATIONS

The ongoing experiment called SANTA ANA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, is committed to bringing unity to the whole congregation by creating opportunities for folks to get to know each other's names and cultures in a more intentional and relaxed environment. CULTURE FEST: FAITH FROM ALL NATIONS is one of these opportunities!

The main driving ideas behind CULTURE FEST are culture, education, and faith. Each of our five language ministries--Cambodian, English, Taglish (Tagalog-English), Spanish, and Tongan--have been asked to showcase:

- 1) **culture** through food, dance, and song presentations;
- 2) **education** through displays/presentation boards highlighting significant characteristics of the cultures of origin represented in the congregation; and
- 3) **faith** by highlighting snippets of history, values, practices, etc. of the Christian faith within each of our cultures of origin.

DATE: Saturday, April 21st, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. **LOCATION:** Santa Ana United Methodist Church 2121 N. Grand Avenue, Santa Ana

VOTING DAYS AT THE FOUNT

We still need someone to assist with scheduling volunteers to man the hospitality tables we have provided in the past. Volunteers will also be needed to assist with setup and clean up on these two dates. By volunteering to take on this task, it does **NOT** mean you have to be here the whole time/day, but you would need to check in periodically. The scheduling of the volunteers and request for food items will be circulated during Sunday service closer to the election dates once a member has agreed to run this event.

The dates for the two upcoming elections are the Statewide Direct Primary Election on June 5, 2018 and the Statewide General Election on November 6, 2018.

Any assistance you can provide in this worthwhile community service will be greatly appreciated and is another way for you to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

PRAYER REQUESTS

We have received requests for prayer for the following people: John Stambol, Peggy Jensen, Li Garvin, Joan Drake, Becky Lucia, Linda Donley, Bill Speicher, Merna Young, Mercedes Friedrich, Grace Yamashiro, Kathleen McFarland, as well as friends/family/coworkers of many of our church and staff members.

Please also pray for our church, La Cima, the Vietnamese Evangelical Church of Fountain Valley, those serving in the armed forces, the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts, the church staff, the preschool staff and the small groups meeting at The Fount.





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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

THE FOUNT IS

A Biblical family of joyful servants, sharing the love of God in a broken world.



Olivia Seaver	01
Merna Young	01
Pauline Henning	02
Mercy Friedrich	03
Li Garvin	04
Bill Speicher	06
Mandy-Lea Martin	14
Nancy Whitmore	21
Beth Silvers	24
Don Wood	30

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The ministers of our church are its members. They are assisted by:

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Lead Pastor

Jonathan Kupper

Worship and Music

Ric Seaver

Family & Children

Coleen Kaae

FVUM Preschool Dir.

Stephanie Parsons

Childcare

Pat Stoaks

Administrative Assist.

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