

Galt UMC This Week

Galt UMC is a warm welcoming family who worship, pray, learn, and love one another by serving our community so that everyone can encounter the Risen Lord and experience transformation through God's Grace.



Let's Talk

June 28, 2021

A Word from Pastor Mary mjzmaaga@yahoo.com 530-417-6584

One of my very best childhood memories was the week leading up to the 4th of July 1976!



It was the bicentennial of our nation and our family declared that everything we ate that week would have at least an element of RED, WHITE, AND BLUE – it was so much fun, and lots of blue food coloring was used in the service of our patriotism. We didn't have a lot of money, but I remember my father letting my little sister and I pick out all the fireworks we wanted. I have always been an enthusiastic American. I love our values of equality and freedom of speech – even when equality means I get a little less, or freedom of speech means I don't like everything I hear. I love our diversity of people and our vast variety of landscapes to live in. Yet for all the diversity and variety we

are one nation, under God, indivisible – we are still seeking liberty and justice for all, but for me that's where prayer comes in. I pray that God will give me the courage to live out Kingdom Values, which are even loftier values than American values. I want liberty and justice for all, to be sure, but with all my heart I want FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE for all. That's our mission at Galt UMC: faith, hope, and love for all!

Blessings, Pastor Mary

p.s. Looking forward to seeing all of you this week. I will be back at Church on Tuesday, June 29^{th} .



Lunch Bunch meets this Thursday, July 1, at 11:00am at La Arcoiris Taquiria, 520 N. Lincoln Way (out by the post office). All are welcome. When you come in, place your order at the counter, then join the

group. Arcoiris has an extensive menu board from which to choose. Parking is limited. Carpool if possible.



8:30am and online at galtumc.org Sunday: 4th of July: Front Courtyard at Galt UMC! Patriotic music, readings, prayers, and special refreshments prepared by Candy Marhefka.

Plus a front row seat for the Parade that will come right down our street in front of the Church – including our own Galt UMC "Christmas in July" Float



Church Office Reopening in July!

Thanks to the lifting of pandemic restrictions we can start having Office Hours again! We would like to be open Mondays and Wednesdays from 9am — noon for people to stop by and get questions answered, leave offerings, and make appointments to see Pastor Mary. Betty Bryant has volunteered to be the weekly Wednesday Administrative Assistant. Thank you, Betty! We are looking for someone willing to greet visitors, answer phones, and make phone calls on Mondays from 9am — noon. No computer use will be necessary. You can even job share if you want to find someone to switch out with every other week. Could the Lord be calling you to this great service opportunity??

New Members will Join August 8

Candy Marhefka and Ricky Toynbee will be joining our Church family in August. If anyone else would like to join that day, please let Pastor Mary know. Also, if you have yet to be baptized, please let her know. She will perform baptisms on Christmas Eve.

Annual Conference Representative

We need a member of Galt UMC who is willing to be our Annual Conference Lay Member. This position requires that you be willing to read materials emailed to you by the California-Nevada Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church (some weeks there are quite a few, other weeks none) and also attend IN PERSON the Conference in Sacramento that will be held October 29-31. Pastor Mary will be commuting to the Conference, so is happy to provide transportation. The days are long, but also filled with great Worship, interesting speakers, informative presentations, and a chance to be "in the know" as to what is happening with our Mother Ship (as Pastor Mary likes to call it). We are required to have a representative. volunteering to do this would be a great gift to our Church.

"What we think, or what we know, or what we believe, in the end, of little consequence. The only consequence is what we do."

- - John Ruskin (1819)

THE T-SHIRTS ARE IN!



Please stop by the Church Office anytime between 10 am and 1pm on Wednesday to pick up your pre-ordered t-shirts. Pastor Mary also ordered a few extra in various sizes, so if you didn't pre-order you may still be able to get one. Pastor Mary will also bring

t-shirts to Lunch Bunch on Thursday. If you haven't paid yet, cash is preferred.

The phone rang in Pastor Schmidt's office, and the pastor answered it. "Is this Pastor Schmidt?" the caller asked.

"It is."

"This is the IRS office," the caller said. "Do you know a Fred Maxwell?"

"Yes, he is a member of our congregation," the pastor said.

"Did Mr. Maxwell donate \$15,000 to your church?" the IRS agent asked.

"He will," replied the pastor.

Giving Possibilities



571 C Street Galt, CA 95632



Tell YOUR bank to send us a check EACH month! No cost to do this!





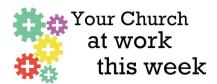
Last Sunday Pastor Joe Carmichael told of the importance of kindness and reminded us of the story about the Good Samaritan. Joe talks about Kindness the other Vitamin \mathbf{K}

On-Line Worship - Available on **Saturdays** each week at GaltUMC.org.



<u>NEW Adult Class</u> Pastor Mary will start a new class in August called "Nature in Scripture." We will explore the mountains, valleys, wilderness, rivers, seas, and trees that enrich the Bible from start to finish. The class will be at 4pm each of the five Sundays in August over ZOOM. Let Pastor Mary know if you would like to be included.

Bible Study "Paul's Journeys and Letters" IS BACK! Wednesday, June 30th at 6:30pm on Facebook Live.



Tuesday, June 29, 8:30am Recording of next Sunday's online Worship,

Tuesday, June 29, 5pm Exploratory Committee on ZOOM



July

3 — Brinda Evans

7 — Judy King

15 - Mark King

19 - Mona Stratton

22 - Wayne Myrick

31 - Betty Bryant



4 — Stephen & Leesa Klotz

8 — Tom & Linda Hulse

10 - Andy & Carolyn Peoples

11 - Jerry & Marina Bruns

14 - Joe & Pam Carmichael

21 - Alan & Michele Weinel



Book Club: We are nearing the end of our journey on <u>The Road Less Traveled</u>. Our next meeting is Monday, July 5 at 11am. Do you have an idea for a book you would like to read and discuss with a group from Church? Let Pastor Mary know your recommendations.

Grace Groups —Tuesday, July 6: on ZOOM

Companions in Faith, 3:00pm

Tuesday's Children. 6:30pm.



From the Editor's Desk

- - By Earl Arrants

This 'N That
From Here and There

Our Exploratory Committee has been meeting regularly. In our explorations it has been decided that instead of one large three story building on the three lots, the project should be divided into two projects - one apartment building on two lots, and one separate building housing the food pantry. This decision came about during our explorations due to separate funding issues.

Christian Church Homes (CCH) is moving ahead with its part of the project. CCH is focusing their efforts on a vacant lot on Lincoln Way (at the end of E Street) and are "crunching" the figures to see if using our two lots and the Lincoln Way lot will be financially feasible. We are waiting to hear from them.

The Committee is now focusing on the food pantry part of the project. As such, we recently met with local builder/contractor Rick Souza and architect Brian Pendley. We had a productive meeting with them and explained what our vision for this building might be. They explained that before they can do anything, we need to know what it is that WE want.

We have been given "homework" to compile a "golden" wish list so they can come up with some preliminary information as to size, cost, and possibilities. Our members have been busy making this list and will compile all the information at our next meeting on Tuesday, June 29.

No decisions have been made! We are still exploring!

July

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| contact | ore info on any Pastor Mary at 5 ga@yahoo.com | | | Lunch Bunch 11:00am El Arcoiris Taqueria 520 N Lincoln Way | Pastor's Day off | 3 |
| In Person worship 8:30am outside in our courtyard only 1 service Galt Parade 9:30am | 5 Book Club 11:00am | Gompanions Grace Group 3:00-4:00pm Tuesday's Children Grace Group 6:30pm | Bible Study Facebook live 6:30pm Set-up for tomorrow's Sunshine Pantry 8:30-10:30am | Sunshine Pantry open 8-10am | 9 Pastor's Day off | 10 |
| In Person 9 & 11 and OnLine Worship Holy Communion | Book Club 11:00am | Exploratory Committee 5:00pm | Bible Study Facebook live 6:30pm | Trustees meet 4:00pm | Pastor's Day off | Men's Breakfast 9:00am at Velvet Grill United Methodist Women 10:00am at church |
| In Person 9 & 11 and OnLine Worship | Book Club 11:00am | Finance Committee meet 10:00am | Bible Study 21 Facebook live 6:30pm Set-up for tomorrow's Sunshine Pantry 8:00-10:30am | Sunshine Pantry open 8-10am Church Council meet 4:00pm | Pastor's Day off Galt UMC & Sunshine Pantry booth at Galt Farmer's Mkt 5-8:30pm | 24 |
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