



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.



November 22, 2021

Let's Talk – A Word from Pastor Mary mjzmaaga@yahoo.com 530-417-6584

What a wonderful day of distributing Turkey Baskets for Thanksgiving! Dozens of volunteers worked extremely hard over the past week to make it possible. The people who received turkeys, all the feast fixings, and more, were delighted and grateful. Vishal Mishra, Field Representative for Assemblymember Jim Cooper, came to see what we are all about and to meet with representatives of your Exploratory Committee to discuss possible funding sources for our vision of a

free-standing Sunshine Food Pantry and Resource Center. Vishal is a Galtonian and was in the first graduating class of Liberty Ranch High School. As Vishal was walking around meeting volunteers he met high school students from Liberty Ranch, including the little brother of his best friend! What a small world! He was very impressed with us and promised that he would bring back a larger team from Assemblyman Cooper's office to see us in action again, possibly for our Christmas Box distribution on December 18th. Look at all the ways that God's Grace is opening up the possibility of greater works of faith, hope, and love in our community.

Let our hearts be full of both thanks and giving as our Holy Days unfold before us.

In Comfort and Joy, Pastor Mary

p.s. Thank you Faye Gaines for your outstanding leadership of our Sunshine Food Pantry!



Vishal Mishra, Pam Carmichael, Mark King



Vishal Mishra, Pastor Mary, Pam Carmichael, Faye Gaines

NEWS & Notes



November 28 at 10am

Scripture: Isaiah 11:1-10
Sermon: "The Prophets Foretold"

We welcome our talented and beloved Adam Gates back to the piano this Sunday!

Thank you, God, for dirty dishes;
they have a tale to tell
While others may go hungry,
We're eating very well!
With home, and health,
What right have we to fuss?
By the stack of evidence,
You've been so good to us!
- - Author Unknown



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This week Pastor Mary asks if you want to be Home for the Holy Days, then courage will be required of you. The courage to face that much of what ails you is within - your choices, your attitude your character - and is the result of too much YOU and not enough GOD! Ask yourself WHAT IS WRONG WITH ME THAT ONLY THE LORD CAN MAKE RIGHT?

On-Line Worship - Available on **Saturdays** each week at GaltUMC.org. - Give us your email address and these services will arrive in your inbox automatically.



Come Home for the Holidays!

10am Sunday Worship

Advent is the four weeks leading up to the Birth of our Savior. The Latin word *adventus* means "coming" and during Advent we anticipate THREE "comings" of Jesus Christ: His birth in Bethlehem, His continual rebirth in our hearts through God's Grace, and our anticipation of His return in final victory.

First Sunday of Advent (Nov 28) – HOPE & the Promise *The Prophets Foretold*

Second Sunday of Advent (Dec 5) – LOVE & the Christmas Star & Holy Communion *The Wise Men Set Out*

Third Sunday of Advent (Dec 12) – PEACE & Angelic Song *The Angels Sing*

Fourth Sunday of Advent (Dec 19) – JOY & Exuberant Shepherds *The Shepherds Went with Haste*

Christmas Eve (5pm) – Christ is Born! Candlelight, Music, Scripture *Mary Treasured and Pondered*

Top Ten Favorite Christmas Carols & Songs (Dec 26) – Pastor Mary will share the stories behind the writing of these Top Ten, with a recorded performance of each by pianist Betty Metzger. It will be a fun, Casey Kassem style countdown from 10 to 1!

Please invite loved ones to attend with you. There is nothing better than experiencing the reason for the season. All Sunday morning services are at 10am.



8:00am Tuesday, November 23, Recording Online Worship. Dennis Yoder and Pastor Mary record Online Worship – please avoid coming into the Sanctuary and Social Hall during this time if at all possible



Tone Chimes

Our “Dingalings” will be rehearsing every Tuesday at 7pm in anticipation of our debut performance at Worship on December 19th. It's not too late to join if you would like to be a part of us. For more information show up or contact our director, Don Ross at 209-639-2179.



DVD Players and DVD's of Worship Available

Do you have a loved one or neighbor that would like to borrow a DVD player from Galt UMC and have weekly delivery of a Worship DVD?

We have three remaining DVD players available through the United Methodist Women Beulah Fund Grant. Currently we have 6 people who are making use of this wonderful ministry. Thank you Margaret Luginbill, Mona Stratton, and Dennis Yoder, for making this ministry possible.

Holiday Tamales



At last week's United Methodist Clergy Circuit meeting, Pastor Mary learned that one of the ways that Salem Lodi UMC is keeping its doors open is by the UMW selling tamales. If you are interested in purchasing some, please contact Veronica at 209-898-3528.

Continuing Weekly



Bible Study on Facebook live
Wednesdays at 6:30pm

No Bible Study this week. Our next class will be on December 1st. Already we have over 80 views for last week's Bible Study.

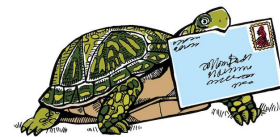


Will We Be Singing Christmas Carols During Worship?

Yes we will! Please plan to keep your masks on while singing, and we will stay seated too. If that makes you nervous, please plan to sit in the chairs at the back. Some Pastors don't allow the singing of Carols until after Christmas, but Pastor Mary is a falalala, gloria, alleluia kinda Pastor, so we will be singing two Carols every Sunday through Advent, and more than two on Christmas Eve.

A country preacher in Georgia came to the pulpit Sunday morning and declared: “My job is to preach and your job is to listen. If you get finished before I do, please raise your hand.”

Giving Possibilities



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We regularly receive checks from banks. Tell your bank to send your contribution regularly. It doesn't cost anything to do it that way.



Thank you!

How wonderful to celebrate the beginning of the holiday season with a FUN fundraiser. Many people made Home for the Holidays possible:

Decorations: Leesa Klotz, Pam Carmichael, Tom Hulse, Ricky Toynbee

Food: Linda Hulse, Candy Marhefka

Tickets: Pearl Silva

Show: Dennis Yoder and all our participants Betty Metzger, John Miller, Don Ross, Jebby Moates, Pastor Joe Carmichael, Earl Arrants, Mark King, and Mattie Shepherd

Thank you for blessing us with your time, talent, and resources. Your love of the Lord and our Church family shines through!



Dennis Yoder would like to train someone as a backup for running the microphones/sound system during Worship on Sunday mornings. If you are

interested, please contact him at 916-747-8771. It is a wonderful way to volunteer in our Church and will give Dennis the support he needs so he and Betty can travel from time to time.



The Galt UMW group thanks so many congregation members for your donations of 109+ pairs of socks for the Mary Elizabeth Inn. As you know, this is Jesus' love and generosity in action. And special thanks to all who wrapped those socks! Many yarn crocheted items which did not sell at the holiday bazaar, will be given to the Gum Moon Center. Thank you, Manoj and Rosie Kumar for volunteering to drive them to SF for us instead of spending money to ship all donations. Galt UMC is a blessed, warm and wonderful congregation!

- -Madeline Powell

GREETERS SCHEDULE

November 28 - -

10:00am -

Colleen Hurley
Faye Gaines

December 5 - -

10:00am -

Mark King
Sharon Drake



Would love to hear from you - -

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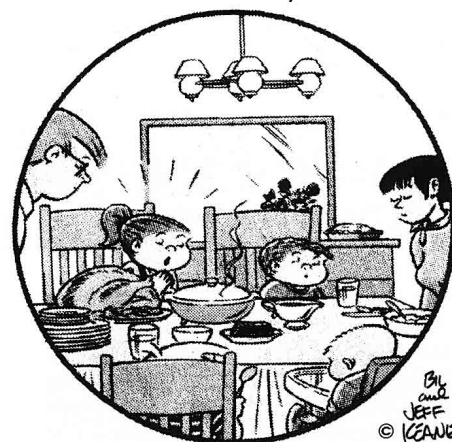


Four candles in a circle with a big one in the middle? Yep, take a moment and learn the basics about the advent wreath. Chuck introduces you to what those candles symbolize.

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THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil and Jeff Keane



"...and please make Jeffy keep his eyes closed while I'm praying."

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From the Editor's Desk

*This 'N That
From Here and There*

-- By Earl Arrants

*I dug deep in my files and found this story
that brought a smile to my face. Thought I
would share it once again with all of you.*

A Turkey's View of Thanksgiving

When I was a young turkey, new to the coop,
My big brother Mike, took me out on the stoop.

Then he sat me down, and he spoke real slow,
And he told me there was
something, that I had to know.

His look and his tone, I will always remember,
When he told me of the horrors, of Black November.
"Come about August, now listen to me,

Each day you'll get six meals instead of just three."
"And then comes the worst part,"
he said not bluffing,
She'll spread your cheeks, and pack
your rear with stuffing."

Well, the rest of his words were too grim to repeat,
I sat on the stoop, like a winged piece of meat.
And decided on the spot, that to avoid being cooked,
I'd have to lay low, and remain overlooked.

I began a new diet, of nuts and granola.
High-roughage salads, juice and diet cola.
And as they ate pastries, chocolates and crepes,
I stayed in my room, doing Jane Fonda tapes.

I maintained my weight, of two pounds and a half,
And tried not to notice, when the
bigger birds laughed.
But T'was I who was laughing, under my breath,
They chomped and they chewed, ever closer to
death.

And sure enough, when Black
November rolled around,
I was the last turkey, left in the entire compound.

So now I'm a pet, in the farmer's wife's lap.
She held me today, while sewing and humming,
And smiled at me and said, "Christmas is coming."

--Author unknown

During a service at an old synagogue in Eastern Europe, when the Shema prayer was said, half the congregants stood up and half remained sitting.

The half that was seated started yelling at those standing to sit down, and the ones standing yelled at the ones sitting down to stand up.

The rabbi, though learned as he was in the Law and commentaries, didn't know what to do. His congregation suggested that he consult a housebound 89-year-old man who was one of the original founders of their temple.

The rabbi hoped the elderly man would be able to tell him what the actual temple tradition was, so he went to the nursing home with a representative of each faction of the congregation. The one whose followers stood during Shema said to the old man, "Is it the tradition to stand during this prayer?"

The old man answered, "No, that is not the tradition."

The one whose followers sat, said, "Then it must be the tradition to sit during Shema!"

The old man answered, "No, that is not the tradition."

Then the rabbi said to the old man, "But the members of the congregation fight all the time, yelling at each other about whether they should sit or stand."

The old man answered, exclaiming, "THAT is the tradition!"

-- via Rev. Harry Mahoney

PHILLIP'S FLOCK

by Doc Goodwin



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