## 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.

February 21, 2022

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



In the past couple of weeks we have been exploring our United Methodist slogan: **Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors.** This week we will look at OPEN DOORS, which reflects our two-pronged approach to faithful living: an emphasis on personal holiness AND social transformation. Our United Methodist mission statement reflects this: <u>To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.</u> Our founder John Wesley famously said, "The world is my parish" reflecting his belief that salvation is both for the benefit of the individual soul and for the world. One who claims Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior will have a living faith

that will make an impact for good in the world that "the healing and redeeming work of God might be present in our words and deeds." In practical terms this means that we are always looking outward into our community and the world, asking: What good may we do? Who might we include? Are we proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ to the Galt community (and the world) through our thoughts, words, and deeds? The people of Galt UMC do an excellent job of living our slogan OPEN HEARTS, OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS and I am proud to be your Pastor.

Blessings, Pastor Mary

p.s. All the quotes are from <u>The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist</u> <u>Church</u> (2016)



#### February 27:

Scripture: Mark 9:2-8 Pastor Mary is back from vacation with a sermon entitled "Only Jesus: Three Lives Transformed by Baptism" as we remember our baptism and celebrate the baptism of Sabrina Curlee, as well as welcome Richard Farhat, Randle Catron, perhaps others too, who will be taking membership vows during in person Worship. Guest musician Dion Jerga will bless us with his talent! This is a great service to invite your friends to attend.



Pastor Mary will be back from her vacation and at the Church on Tuesday, February 22nd

Book Club for Women

On ZOOM every Tuesday in March and April at 4pm All That She Carried: The Journey of Ashley's Sack, a Black Family Keepsake by Tiya Miles We will meet for 9 weeks

starting on March 1st. Our Book Club will meet for an hour each Tuesday - from 4-5pm - with a half hour of fellowship before each meeting for those who want. Any woman, whether in Galt UMC, or not is All That She Carried can be a warmly invited. challenging read - it includes some scholarly analysis that you can certainly skip over - but it is also challenging in ways that will give rise to amazing conversations among the Book Club members about race, gender, family, women's arts & crafts, and how we think about American history. Please order your own copy of the book scholarships available if cost is prohibitive. Pastor Mary know if you would like to join our Book Club and she will send you a link. 530-417-6584 maagamary5@gmail.com

THANK YOU.

### <u>Dianne Trotter – a blessing!</u>

Dianne's last day with Galt UMC as our Administrative Assistant for Finance will be on

Monday, February  $28^{\rm th}$ . If you would like to give her a card to express your gratitude for her faithfulness and steadfast commitment to the mission and ministry of Galt UMC, feel free to put it in the offering plate, or mail it to the Church attn. Dianne.

Sign outside St. John's Episcopal Church, Kingsville, MD:

"What sort of lights were on Noah's Ark?
"Flood lights!"

Masks are optional if you are fully vaccinated starting Sunday, Feb 20 - if you have chosen not to be vaccinated please wear a mask to keep others safe

Long ago, three laughing Buddhist monks lived in China. Together the three monks would visit a village square and do nothing but laugh.

Crowds gathered around them and joined in the laughter. Soon the laughter spread to the entire town.

Then the laughing monks left the village and went to another village and did nothing but laugh in the village square. Again men and women from the entire village joined in the laughter.

The laughing monks were loved and respected all over China because they helped people laugh their problems away.

Some ancient statues of Buddha depicted him with a huge smile on his face.

Sign seen in a nursing home:

"Remember, old folks are worth a fortune -- silver in their hair, gold in their teeth, stones in their kidneys, lead in their feet, and gas in their stomach."





Rev Becky Goodwin is the guest pastor for today. Her message is about how God helps us stitch pieces of our lives together to make peace. Something like a "crazy quilt". Her sermon title is "Pieces for Peace".

Click Here

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





### Continuing Weekly



Tuesday, February 22, 8am-10am: Dennis Yoder and Pastor Mary will be recording Online Worship



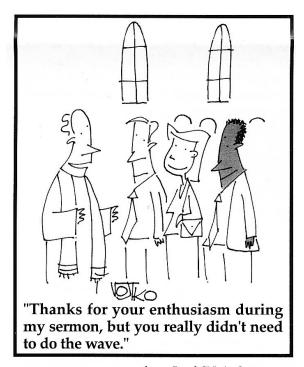
Getting ready for distribution: Wednesday, February 23, 8:00-10:00am.

Food Distribution Day: Thursday, February 24, 8:00-11:00am. Extra help always welcome.



Sunday, February 27, Church Council immediately following Worship in social hall. All are invited to sit in on the meeting and learn how your Church leaders are working together to make disciples of

Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.



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### <u>Facebook Live,</u> Wednesdays at 6:30

February 23<sup>rd</sup> Pastor Mary continues guiding our journey through Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. This week the study includes Paul's famous line, "Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up."



# Adult Class: "Lines in the Sand: Scriptures That Divide" starts next Sunday!

If you like vigorous respectful conversations around difficult subjects, this is the class for you! "Lines in the Sand: Scriptures That Divide" is a six part class that will meet every Sunday at 4pm from 2/27 - 4/3. In this class we will address divisions within Christianity about women in leadership, homosexuality, and our relationship with other religions and religious practices. It is sure to be a powerful experience. The class starts at 4, but you are welcome to log on to ZOOM at 3:30 for a time of fellowship.

Mary Maaga is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Adult Class: Lines in the Sand

Time: 3:30 PM Pacific Time

Every week on Sun, until Apr 3, 2022, 6 occurrence(s)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85693870607

Sign outside Church of the Risen Christ , Denver, CO.

"Wash your hands and say your prayers because Jesus and germs are everywhere."



### <u>Lead Like Jesus - free books</u> available

Years ago "Lead Like Jesus" was offered as a study opportunity. Galt UMC owns many copies that are looking for a home, as well as its

companion workbook. Feel free to pick up your copy from the cabinet in the social hall, and take extras for friends and family.



### **Let Them Know You** Care

Each week we will include the names and addresses of 3 people to send a card or note to - even if you don't know them personally and would like to sign it as "Angel Friend"

or "Member of Your Church Family" know that your love and prayers will be very welcome! This week let us focus on three couples who have had heavy burdens to bear

Marina and Jerry Bruns 700 Second Street, #17 Galt 95632

Beverly Sigafoos-Hornor and Jack Hornor 10305 Spring Street Galt 95632

Mattie Shepherd and JP Krachunis 10018 Arabesque Court Elk Grove 95624 Mattie's husband JP is not known to many of you since his ill health keeps him from attending in person Worship - JP is retired law enforcement and a retired WWE wrestler.



The United Methodist Church i s connectional Church. which means we have organizational and prayer based connections with other United Methodist

Churches in Lodi and Stockton. Each week a prayer focus is given.

February 27: Pray for Central UMC, Stockton

March 6: Pray for all the churches/ministries.

### **Special Opportunities During Lent** - FACES AROUND THE CROSS

The Christian religious season of Lent is a special time to deepen your relationship FACES AROUND THE with the Lord. CROSS will be our theme. You are invited to participate in two wonderful experiences that will enrich your 40 day/40 night journey to Good Friday and Easter.

- 1) Ash Wednesday (March 2) We will begin our journey with a spiritual creativity workshop in which we will make a decorated mask that reflects our desire for greater closeness with God. The workshop will be from 10am - noon on March 2nd. Please r.s.v.p. with the Pastor by February 23rd so we have plenty of craft supplies. This will be followed by a short Worship service at noon. Everyone is welcome to come to Worship, whether or not you come to the workshop.
- 2) Every Monday at 7am during the six weeks of Lent we will be having Sweet Half Hour of Prayer. You are invited to come silently into the Sanctuary where we will have chairs around the cross and the altar. Pastor Mary will begin prayer promptly at 7am, with words being spoken, or silence, as prompted by the Holy Spirit. At the end of the half hour we will close with the Lord's Prayer and leave silently. No need to r.s.v.p. The Mondays of Lent are March 3, 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11.



January 23:51 Online, 45 In person



February 27

Dottie & Kim Farhat Mark King

March 6 John & Cindy Borgerding





Our Finance Committee, chaired by Ann Mitchell, wants every member of Galt UMC to have access to the budget YOU are supporting through your generous giving. In addition to your offerings on Sunday morning, our Church also receives gifts from people who Worship with us online, as well as students in Pastor Mary's ZOOM Adult Class, Book Club for Women, and Facebook Live Bible Study. If you have any questions about specific items, please feel free to ask the Pastor, or any of the members of the Finance Team: Faye Gaines, Earl Arrants, Eva Roach, Pearl Silva, Ann Mitchell. We are happy to educate you on what each item means and what it covers.

Category	Annual Budget
Ministerial Expense:Pastor's Utilities	3600
Ministerial Expense:Pastoral Salary	55000
Ministerial Expense:Reimbursable	3365
Ministerial Expense:Retirement/Pension	12089
Operating Expense:ADP	720
Operating Expense:Insurance-Building	9000
Operating Expense:Maintenance	9000
Operating Expense:Marketing	1000
Operating Expense:Office Expense	5000
Operating Expense:Utilities	15000
Program Expense:Adult Education	500
Program Expense:Annual Conference Lay Member	500
Program Expense:Children's Education/VBS	1000
Program Expense:Hospitality	1000
Program Expense:Worship/Music/Pulpit	6000
CES Loan Repayment	5540
Staff:Administrator	8000
Staff:Custodian	4800
Staff:Online Worship	17400
Staff:Worship Sound Tech	1440
Staff:Worship Visuals Tech	4600
Expense Categories Total	164554



### **Galt United Methodist Church**

Mary Maaga, Pastor Church telephone - 745-4133 Morning Worship In person, 10:00am Online at galtumc.org

