# Galt UMC This Week

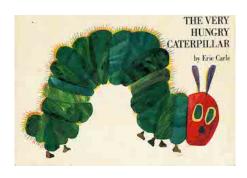


Galt UMC is a warm welcoming family who worship, pray, learn, and love one another by serving our community so that everyone can encounter the Risen Lord and experience transformation through God's Grace.



April 11, 2022

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



The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle is one of my all-time favorite children's books. I can't even guess how many times I read it to John and Zola when they were little, with their little fingers primed to poke thru the holes as I read about the foods the caterpillar ate thru – one apple, two pear, three plums, and so forth – until we got to the really funny page. At that point my son John would shout out, "That's funny cuz caterpillars don't eat ice cream and cake, people do!"

and ending with a Sunday. On the first Sunday he is a very hungry caterpillar, on the last Sunday – after a brief time in a cocoon – he becomes a beautiful butterfly! That's our journey this week, isn't it? We are that very hungry caterpillar, feasting on the greatest story ever told, in anticipation of being raised with Christ on Easter.

The book covers eight days in the life of a caterpillar, starting with a Sunday

How exciting that through God's amazing grace, we can be BUTTERFLY PEOPLE, beautiful inside and out!



In the Resurrection Spirit, Pastor Mary



#### **Upcoming Worship - Easter Sunday**

<u>Sunrise Service 6:00am</u> Courtyard in front of church

**Morning Worship 10am** Singing favorite Easter hymns, a gift at the door, a short message by Pastor Mary, Jenny Silvestri on keyboard AND Earl Arrants on organ – a wonderful service to invite your friends and family to attend! .









April 14 - Holy Communion - 6:00pm Remembering the Last Supper, and Christ's betrayal, and abandonment in the Garden of Gethsemane



April 15 - **Community Service** - 12 noon Galt Baptist Church,
A and Palin Streets





April 17 - Front Court Yard - 6:00am

#### Alleluia! HE IS RISEN!

## Morning Worship

In person at 10:00am; Online at <u>galtumc.org</u>





#### Town Hall Potluck

#### **April 24 after Worship**

By now you should have received your letter and pledge card from Council Chair Mona Stratton inviting

you to our Town Hall "State of the Church" Potluck to hear a presentation on the finances of the Church. If you did not receive a letter, please email Pastor Mary at <a href="mailto:mjzmaaga@yahoo.com">mjzmaaga@yahoo.com</a> and she will make sure you receive one.

Please put your PLEDGE cards in the offering plate or mail to us.

Inquiring minds want to know, what should I bring to the potluck? Please use the first letter of your last name as a guide:

Salad: A-F Main Course: G-M Dessert: N-Z

Dear Friends,

I am so glad that Galt UMC is donating to Ukraine. The church is vibrant and busy! Thank you for all you do for the needy and sick.

We miss all of you and the great times we had there. Keep up the good work.

Blessings,

Char and Dan Malloy





On Palm Sunday the Lord Jesus made His triumphant entry into Jerusalem! But do you know what He did on Monday? Join us for Worship and Pastor Mary Maaga will take you on a journey into the first and second days of Holy Week.

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# Continuing Weekly

Wednesdays - 6:30pm, on Facebook Live



This Bible Study will continue on Wednesdays through the end of April. After that we will have this Bible Study on ZOOM

on Sundays at 4pm starting May 15<sup>th</sup>.We studied the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter of 1 Corinthians which focused on RESURRECTION. The timing felt like a God-Thing with Easter being this week. Instead of returning then to the narrative of Paul's journeys in Acts we will go ahead and read 2 Corinthians. Pastor Mary just couldn't resist as she thought about all the wonderful teachings and poetic passages of 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians that need to be studied and enjoyed!



Tuesday, April 12, 8am-10am: Dennis Yoder and Pastor Mary will be recording Online Worship in Pastor Joe's backyard.



Tuesday, April 12, 10:00am in the church office.



Tuesday, April 12, 6:30pm, Building Committee in Church Office



Wednesday, April 13, 8:00-10:00am - Getting ready for distribution

Thursday, April 14, 8:00-10:00am — Public Food Distribution.



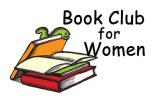
Wednesday, April 13, 11:30am - 3:15pm Bruceville Point Ministry



Saturday, April 16, 9:00am at Old Town Diner on Lincoln Way.



Saturday, April 16, 9am – 11am, drop off Easter Flowers in Sanctuary



Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00pm, on ZOOM

We are nearly finished with reading <u>All That She</u> <u>Carried: The Journey of Ashley's Sack, a Black</u>

<u>Family Keepsake</u>. We have three more sessions, then will take a break until the fall. Many tears have been shed as we remember the suffering of enslaved people and the powerlessness of mother's attempting to protect their children as best they could without legal power to prevent the sale of sons and daughters. This book has stories within it that show the resilience of love, and remind us that fierce love is a power to be reckoned with.

My mother taught me about HYPOCRISY:

"If I told you once, I've told you a million times.

Don't Exaggerate!"

My mother taught me about JUSTICE:

"One day you will have kids, and I hope they turn out just like you!"



City Council, 6pm on Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> – Members of our Exploratory Committee will be making public comment at the Council meeting. If you can plan to come that would be awesome. The public statement we will make will be published in the newsletter before the 19<sup>th</sup>.



Many of you comment on how lovely and inspiring the decorations are on the altar and in the Sanctuary. We have Leesa Klotz and Beverly Sigafoos to thank for their artistic and deeply spiritual arrangements. As most of

you know, Beverly has been busy taking care of her husband Jack and Leesa is undergoing cancer treatments. But guess what? The Lord always provides workers for the harvest! We are blessed that Pam Carmichael and Mark King have stepped up to decorate for Easter. On behalf of all who Worship at Galt UMC we thank you!

### Giving Possibilities



We love getting checks

571 C Street Galt, CA 95632





The United Methodist Church is a 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.

April 17: Pray for ministry at UOP

April 24: Pray for the ministries of the Central Valley District and for our superintendent, the Rev. David Niu



Sack Supper & Scripture on Wednesday, May 18th and all following Wednesdays. Supper and fellowship at

5pm, Bible Study from 5:30-6:30pm. No prior knowledge of the Bible is needed. We will start with John's Gospel.

ZOOM Bible Study on Sundays at 4pm starting Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. This will take the place of Facebook Live Bible Study.



**Maundy Thursday** - It's also known as Holy Thursday, Covenant Thursday, Great and Holy Thursday, Sheer Thursday and Thursday of Mysteries! Whew . . but what exactly is this important day in the holy week?

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**Good Friday** - It's also known as Holy Friday, Great Friday, Black Friday or Easter Friday. We all know the terrible events of this day, but why is it called "good"?

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March 27 : In person -56; On line -62



<u>April 17</u>

Mariah & Mercedes Diego April 24

Eva Roach Faye Gaines





# Bruceville Point Methodist Fellowship & More

Each Sunday the residents of Bruceville Point Senior Living Community play our Galt UMC Online Worship in their theatre. Last week TEN people attended. On the second Wednesday of each month Pastor Mary leads a Grief Group. Last month NINE people attended. Now there are people who want to have fellowship with her, so she is heading up early to visit with those who are attending Worship online. This is a wonderful outreach, and we are grateful for the enthusiasm of Bob and MaryAnn Janes (friends of the Malloys) who have been growing this ministry.





Galt UMC and the Sunshine Food Pantry had a booth at the 2022 Eggstravagaza at the MacFarland Ranch this past weekend. On hand to meet the public were Earl Arrants, Pastor Mary Maaga, Faye Gaines, and Mark King.

Pastor Mary was surprised when she actually won these colorful boots. She promises to wear them on Easter Sunday.

#### **Easter**

O day of new beginnings for the world

and me; today the Savior — crucified, entombed in Joseph's grace, with flag

was raised again to life by God. He'd died

that we might live — that was the Father's plan,

a proof of God's redeeming love. He rose:

the promise of eternal life for man, the surety from which our own hope flows.

O day of resurrection — Easter morn; you bring us life, and hope, and joy! We sing

our grateful song of praise, for God has done,

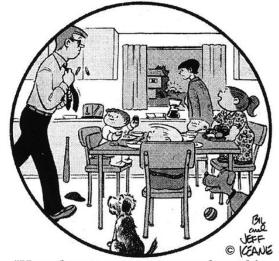
this day, what we could not — made us new born

to life and love. Our Savior lives to bring

us all to God in heaven — Love's battle's won!

—By Doug Ridley Cambridge, MD

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil and Jeff Keane



"How do you want your egg done this Easter morning, Daddy? Purple? Green? Yellow? ..."

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