



"IN-TOUCH" with MUMC
April 9, 2025.....Coming Events.....



HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday—April 13th 10:00 AM

Worship and Confirmation Service in sanctuary

Monday—April 14th 6:00 PM

Brief service of reflection in sanctuary

Tuesday—April 15th 6:00 PM

Brief service of reflection in sanctuary

Wednesday—April 16th 6:00 PM

Brief service of reflection in sanctuary

Holy Thursday—April 17th 6:00 PM

Soup supper in Fellowship Hall followed by worship

Good Friday—April 18th 6:00 PM

Brief service of reflection in sanctuary

Easter Sunday—April 20th 6:00 AM

Sunrise Service outside by front doors of sanctuary (dress appropriately)

Easter Sunday—April 20th 10:00 AM

Celebration Service in sanctuary

Spring Classes

SPRING LEARNING & GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES AT MURRIETA UMC

Intro to Murrieta UMC/New Member Class

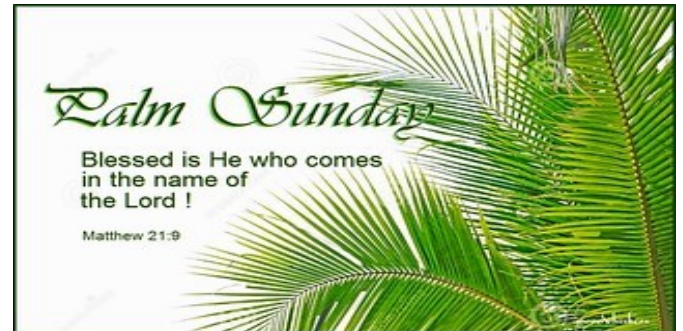
4 weeks starting May 4th 11:45 AM to 1:00 PM

Spiritual Gifts Workshop

3 weeks starting June 1st 11:45 AM to 1:00 PM

Lectio Divina with Mark Medin

Ongoing after Easter



Our Vision:

To build a community where ALL are welcome to grow in faith in Jesus through study, worship, prayer, and an invitation to serve God, our neighbor, and beyond.

Palm Sunday

Join us for worship **Sunday, April 13, 2025 at 10:00 AM.**

Rev. Melissa Rusler will share the message:

The Message of Jesus
"The Stones Would Shout!"

The scripture reading is Luke: 19:28-40.

Below are links to the praise songs for this Sunday if you would like to listen this week:

Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

https://youtu.be/0flzm_oISng?si=GljyRqKIZA8Baowz

Gratitude

<https://youtu.be/dQdfs5S6jyA?si=svWeZVUGPvdyTmw8>

If you wish, you can join us for worship online.

Go to our website – www.murrietaumc.org – and then click on the link titled "Worship Live Stream".

LAST DAY TO ORDER EASTER LILIES IS THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 13TH Cost is \$9 each.

Please complete the form in the bulletin or email officeadmin@murrietaumc.org



EASTER BASKETS FOR FOOD PANTRY CLIENTS

Remember as a kid how exciting it was to dig into your Easter basket filled with goodies? Well, here is a fun opportunity to bring that same excitement to some children in

need. The Food Pantry is asking folks to build an Easter basket for the children of the families who depend on the Food Pantry. We currently are serving 176 families each week. We are hoping to get 100 filled baskets. If you would like to provide a basket or two please bring them to the church no later than April 13th. The Food Pantry will distribute the baskets on Good Friday.

DONATIONS FOR EASTER EGG HUNT

It's almost time for our ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT! Your donations are welcomed and needed. Please bring either prefilled eggs, empty eggs, or goodies for the eggs...or all three! Bring your donations to the church.



With Deepest Sympathy

Our prayers of condolence are given to the family of beloved church member John Dechert, who passed into heaven on March 30, 2025. A funeral service will be held in the sanctuary **tomorrow, April 10th, at 11:00 AM** with visitation starting at 10:30 AM. A graveside service will follow at Murrieta Valley Cemetery District, with a reception in our Fellowship Hall afterwards.

In lieu of flowers please donate to California Native Plant Society on line at <https://www.cnps.org/give>. You may select "Donate" and the "Honor or Memorial Gift" section and add John's name, "John Dechert", to the appropriate fields.



A memorial service will be held in the sanctuary **April 12th at 1:00PM** for beloved church member Nina Schrader. The family has asked that we all wear Hawaiian or other colorful shirts in memory of Nina. After the service, a reception will be held in the Fellowship Hall.

Pages Circle



PAGES Circle: Praise And Gratitude for Every Season

PAGES Circle will be meeting via **Zoom on Thursday, April 10th at 10:30 am**. The book we will be discussing is "A Little Book of Joy" by His Holiness The Dalai Lama & Archbishop Desmond Tutu. For information, please contact Helen Johnson by email htjohnca@gmail.com or phone 951-599-9001.



UNITED METHODIST MEN

We will be having our study on **Wednesday, April 16th at 6:30PM in the Fellowship Hall**. We will also simulcast on Zoom for those unable to attend in person. Rev. Rob Calderhead will continue leading us in a study of the Gospel of John. All men of MUMC are invited. Contact Carl Noblitt at carl@thenoblitts.net for more information.

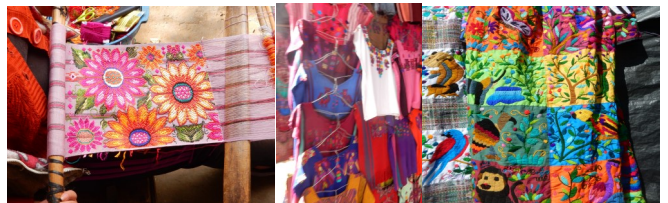


SONRISERS FUNDRAISER

Please join SonRisers on May 4th in The Fellowship Hall after the church service for a Baked Potato Bar. Suggested donation is \$10/person or \$25/family. Money received supports the campership fund for our youth to go to camp. This is also a good way to enjoy the fellowship of other church members. Tickets will be available at coffee fellowship starting April 13th. Any questions, feel free to call Donna Dewey at 951-541-6499

SONRISERS MEETING APRIL 19TH 9AM

In Fellowship Hall—all women are invited.



GUATEMALAN ART SALE APRIL 27TH

Please join us on the patio for the sale of the wonderful hand made clothing, tablecloths, jewelry, and carved items made by the Artisans in Guatemala. The proceeds go to support the women who make the items as well as funding the stoves that are installed in support of healthier living conditions for the folks in the Chichicastenago area of Guatemala.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Wednesday, April 9

- 9:00 AM Food Pantry Prep
- 10:30 AM Lenten Bible Study~ Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 PM Sea Scouts~ Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Practice~ Sanctuary

Thursday, April 10

- 9:00 AM Food Pantry Prep
- 10:30 AM Pages Circle~ Zoom
- 11:00 AM John Dechert Funeral~ Sanctuary
- Reception at 1:00 PM in Fellowship Hall

Friday, April 11

- 7:00 AM Food Pantry

Saturday, April 12

- 1:00 PM Nina Schrader Memorial~ Sanctuary
- Reception to follow in Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous~ Sanctuary

Sunday, April 13

- 10:00 AM Worship~ Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Sunday School Pre K-5th-FH
- 10:00 AM Youth Sunday School~ Youth Room
- 10:00 AM Presbyterian Church of Ghana~ Fellowship
- 11:15 AM Sunday Study & Discussion Group~ FH Rm 4
- 11:15 AM Fundraiser ticket sale~ Coffee Fellowship
- 6:30 PM Lenten Bible Study~ Zoom

Monday, April 14

- 6:00 PM Board of Trustees~ Zoom
- 6:30 PM Women's 12-step Meeting~ Youth Room
- 7:00 PM Venture Scouts~ Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, April 15

- 9:00 AM—1:30 PM Tax Prep~ Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM Women's Alcoholics Anonymous~ Youth Rm
- 7:00 PM Toastmasters~ Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, April 16

- 9:00 AM Food Pantry Prep
- 10:30 AM Lenten Bible Study~ FH
- 6:00 PM Sea Scouts~ Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM United Methodist Men~ Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Practice~ Sanctuary

Thursday, April 17

- 9:00 AM Food Pantry Prep
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts~ Fellowship Hall

Friday, April 18

- 8:00 AM Food Pantry

Saturday, April 19

- 9:00 AM Sonrisers~ Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous~ Fellowship Hall



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please email prayer requests to mumc@murrietaumc.org and your prayer will be forwarded to Pastor Melissa, Pastor Tom and our email prayer team. You can also leave a prayer request on the church office voicemail, 951-677-6174. Thank you.

If there is a **pastoral emergency** please call or text Pastor Melissa at 714-856-6817 or Pastor Tom at 714-478-9266.

Church office hours are 9:00 AM—1:00 PM Monday-Thursday.



TITHES & OFFERINGS

We are grateful for your continued support of the ministries of our church. There are three ways to donate to the church. First, you can mail in your donations to the church post office box

Murrieta UMC
PO Box 602
Murrieta, CA 92564



Second, donate online at www.murrietaumc.org or scan the QR code above to set up your donation.

Third, put your donation in the offering plate on Sunday morning. Thank you.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1-Apr Julia Rivera
2-Apr Eula Anyiwo
4-Apr Marsha Ellingboe
6-Apr Kimberly Holcomb
7-Apr JC Hansen
9-Apr Faafetai Faaiu
9-Apr Judy MacDonald
9-Apr Carol Scott
13-Apr Mallory Barr
13-Apr Afi Noa
13-Apr Brandon Noa
15-Apr Elizabeth Nyan
16-Apr Candace Saxman
18-Apr Elva Kopplin
20-Apr Debbie Hanlon
22-Apr Tommy Boone
24-Apr Rosalie Hornbuckle
25-Apr Nicole Kohrmann
30-Apr Bob Laugalis

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

9-Apr 65 years Bob and Sandee Beam
16-Apr 48 years Bruce and Anette Lecair
22-Apr 53 years Alvaro and Adeline Jackson
22-Apr 19 years Rob Russell and Marlene Stewart