



"IN-TOUCH" with MUMC
January 7, 2026.....Coming Events.....

DISCIPLE
FAST TRACK

Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study

**DISCIPLE NEW
TESTAMENT CLASS**

New Testament class will be starting next week on Thursday, January 15th and will meet for 12 weeks on Thursday morning at 10:30 AM, in person in the Fellowship Hall. Participants read a manageable 3-5 chapters of the Bible daily in preparation for the weekly meetings. Sign up at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings or call the church office if you would like to attend. The church will have workbooks available prior to the start of class.

IT'S TAX TIME

FREE TAX SERVICE AT MUMC

Volunteers from AARP/VITA will prepare and file your 2025 tax returns in the Fellowship Hall beginning in February. Last year several people asked about volunteering to assist others with tax preparation. The training for this is 4 three hour sessions and a certification test which takes place in January. The classes are in the Wildomar Public Library. They sure could use some help, as several volunteers have retired. For more information, please email Tom Hanlon at tdhanlon1974@gmail.com.

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.



Baptism of the Lord

Join us for worship **Sunday, January 11th at 10:00 AM**. Rev. Melissa Rusler will celebrate with us the Baptism of the Lord, and we will have the opportunity to reaffirm our own baptism. The scripture reading will be Matthew 3:13-17

Below are the 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](https://youtu.be/0flzm_oISng?si=GljyRqKIZA8Baowz)

I Speak Jesus

[https://youtu.be/X2wsvQTn5fg?
si=TJK28Oo9VQVD4S_0](https://youtu.be/X2wsvQTn5fg?si=TJK28Oo9VQVD4S_0)

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".



The memorial service for Connie Calderhead will be held in the sanctuary on January 10th at 11AM with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make a donation to the Youth or Young Adult ministries of Murrieta United Methodist Church.

The memorial service for Marlene Stewart will be held in the sanctuary on January 17th at 11AM with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

The memorial service for Carol Wynn-Sandy will be held in the sanctuary on January 23rd at 11AM with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.



This Photo by
Pastor Tom Rothhaar, Wes, and Carol Scott will join a team of 7 others going to Guatemala January 23rd to February 2nd. We would appreciate your prayers for this mission to install stoves in homes in Chichicastenango. One of the most important things we do is interact with the families. It would be nice to have something small to share with them.

There will be a collection box in the church entryway for small toys like fidget spinners, stretchy bracelets, wedding size bubbles for kids and hair scrunchies and hair accessories for the moms. We will be collecting items at church on January 11th and 18th only. You can also drop things off in the office.

Thank you, Carol Scott



SUNDAY FLOWERS

You may provide flowers in honor of your special occasions or in memory of your loved ones by calling Sandy in the office at 951-677-6174.



MURRIETA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WANTS YOU!!

Start the New Year off right by volunteering to serve our community through the many ministries of Murrieta United Methodist Church! In this faith community, we believe that we are all called to serve God and one another. We are fortunate to have many ways in which you can live out that calling.

In Sunday service: Choir & Praise Music, readers, ushers, greeters, communion servers, tech team.

In this congregation: Administrative (facilities, committees, & office help), Caring Ministry (cards, prayers, meals, visits), Education Ministry (children, youth, bible study, small groups), SonRisers (fundraisers to pay for camp)

In our community: Food Pantry, United Methodist Men, & Missions (fundraising for local & global needs, service projects)

For more information, email Sandy in the church office at officeadmin@murrietaumc.org or call (951) 677-6174.

2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Thank you for your generous support of the ministries of our church! Contribution statements were emailed January 6, 2026 to all those who made a contribution to MUMC in 2025. If we do not have your email, your statement will be on the table in the entryway of the sanctuary. For questions or corrections, contact Sandy Selby at officeadmin@murrietaumc.org, or 951-677-6174.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Wednesday, January 7

8:00 AM—4:30 PM Home School~ Fellowship Hall
 9:00 AM Food Pantry Prep
 10:30 AM Lectio Divina~ Sanctuary
 6:30 PM Al-Anon~ Fellowship Hall
 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal~ Sanctuary

Thursday, January 8

9:00 AM Food Pantry Prep
 9:00 AM AA Meditation Group~ Fellowship Hall Rm 8

Friday, January 9

8:00 AM Food Pantry

Saturday, January 10

11:00 AM Connie Calderhead Memorial~ Sanctuary
 Reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall
 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous~ Fellowship Hall

Sunday, January 11

10:00 AM Worship~ Sanctuary
 10:00 AM Sunday School Pre K-5th~ Fellowship Hall
 10:00 AM Youth Sunday School~ Youth Room
 10:00 AM Presbyterian Church of Ghana~ Fellowship Hall
 11:30 AM Study & Discussion Group~ Youth Room

Monday, January 12

8:00 AM—4:30 PM Home School~ Fellowship Hall
 5:30 PM Board of Trustees~ Zoom
 6:30 PM Women's 12-step Meeting~ Youth Room

Tuesday, January 13

10:00 AM Women's Alcoholics Anonymous~ Youth Rm

Wednesday, January 14

8:00 AM—4:30 PM Home School~ Fellowship Hall
 9:00 AM Food Pantry Prep
 10:30 AM Lectio Divina~ Sanctuary
 6:30 PM Al-Anon~ Fellowship Hall

Thursday, January 15

9:00 AM Food Pantry Prep
 9:00 AM AA Meditation Group~ Fellowship Hall Rm 8
 10:30 AM Disciple Bible Study~ Fellowship Hall

Friday, January 16

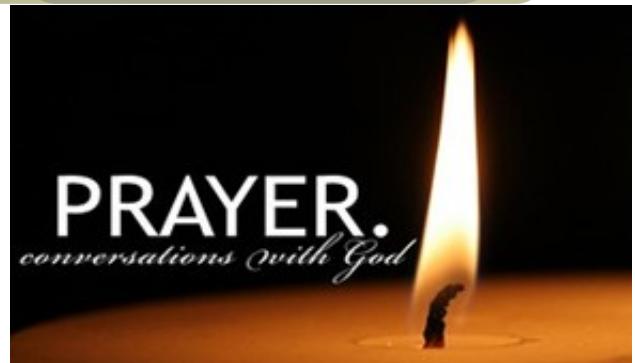
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Saturday, January 17

11:00 AM Marlene Stewart~ Sanctuary
 Reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall
 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous~ Fellowship Hall

Sunday, January 18

10:00 AM Worship~ Sanctuary
 10:00 AM Sunday School Pre K-5th~ Fellowship Hall
 10:00 AM Youth Sunday School~ Youth Room
 10:00 AM Presbyterian Church of Ghana~ Fellowship Hall
 11:30 AM Study & Discussion Group~ Youth Room



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 at Murrieta UMC, PO Box 602, Murrieta, CA 92564

Second, donate online on our website at www.murrietaumc.org or scan the QR code below to set up your donation.

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



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from your phone



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

3-Jan	Tonia Capps
3-Jan	Melissa Scott
5-Jan	Alexis Vogelgesang
6-Jan	Lenore Vogel
7-Jan	George Steele
12-Jan	Fred Smoot
12-Jan	Darcy Sorensen
14-Jan	Kim Boone-Nakase
15-Jan	Chuck Miller
17-Jan	Bruce Hartwig
24-Jan	Scott MacDonald
25-Jan	Christianna Watkins
26-Jan	Sylvia Muse
28-Jan	Lorie Nelson
28-Jan	Jiana Rivera
29-Jan	Felizal Navarro

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

16-Jan	33 years	Mike and Gini Knowles
29-Jan	2 years	Alex Granzow and Rachel Mo