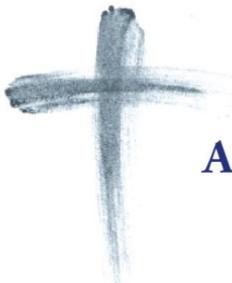




"IN-TOUCH" with MUMC

February 18, 2026.....Coming Events.....



Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 18TH

Early Christians observed the Lord's passion and resurrection with great devotion, and it became the custom of the church that before the celebration of Easter there should be a forty-day season of spiritual preparation.

Come and begin your journey to Easter this year with a worship service and imposition of ashes in the sanctuary **TONIGHT, February 18th at 7:00 PM.**



INTRO TO MURRIETA UMC

The Introduction to Murrieta UMC class **begins Sunday, February 22nd, at 11:45 AM in the Fellowship Hall** and runs for four consecutive Sundays. The classes aim to foster conversation and fellowship while teaching about church membership. Interested individuals should contact the church office to RSVP for lunch, provided. Please call 951-677-6174 or email officeadmin@mumc.org.

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.



First Sunday of Advent

Join us for worship **Sunday, February 22nd at 10:00 AM.** Rev. Melissa Rusler will bring the message:

Drink from the Fountain of Grace
"The Broken Cup"

The scripture reading is
2 Corinthians 4:5-11

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

Mighty to Save

<https://youtu.be/-HLVnPjbSaI?si=F2mQkSdWUI-40vU1>

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

https://youtu.be/DXDGE_IRI0E?si=AYU94W7mYUg0T5n-

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".



**CHOIR REHEARSAL NOW ON
THURSDAY NIGHTS AT A NEW
START TIME OF 6PM**

All voices welcomed! We hope you can join us!



UNITED METHODIST MEN

We will be having our study on **Thursday, February 19th at 6:30PM in Room 4 of the Fellowship Hall.** We will also simulcast on Zoom for those unable to attend in person. All men of MUMC are invited. Contact Carl Noblitt at carl@thenoblitts.net for more information.

MISSIONS

MISSIONS MEETING FEBRUARY 23RD

Please join us for our missions team meeting at a new time and day. We will be meeting on **Monday, February 23rd, at 10:00 AM via Zoom.** For the Zoom meeting information, please email Carol Scott at wcscott6@verizon.net

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. This free drop-in service is open to all; you DO NOT need to be a retiree nor a church member to use this service. Bring your documents to the **Fellowship Hall on Tuesdays from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM, from February 3rd until April 14th.**



SONRISERS will meet **Saturday, February 21st at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.** All women are invited. Any questions, feel free to call Donna Dewey at (951) 541-6499.



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.

In Touch

Do you know someone who might be interested in the events happening at Murrieta United Methodist Church? Send them the link below to subscribe to our newsletter.

<http://eepurl.com/dCKIEb>

Know someone who is not getting the "In Touch" because they don't have email? Contact Sandy at 951-677-6174 for a copy to be mailed.

NAME TAGS

To order a name tag, contact Sandy at 951-677-6174 or officeadmin@murrietaumc.org.

WEEKLY CALENDAR**Wednesday, February 18 ASH WEDNESDAY**

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 Ash Wednesday Service~ Sanctuary

Thursday, February 19

9:00 AM Food Pantry Prep
 9:00 AM AA Meditation Group~ Fellowship Hall Rm 8
 6:00 PM Choir Rehearsal~ Sanctuary
 6:30 PM Men's Bible Study~ Fellowship Hall Rm 4

Friday, February 20

8:00 AM Food Pantry

Saturday, February 21

7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous~ Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 22

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
 11:45 AM Intro to Murrieta UMC~ Fellowship Hall

Monday, February 23

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

Tuesday, February 24

9:00 AM—1:30 PM AARP/VITA Tax Prep~ Fellowship Hall
 10:00 AM Women's Alcoholics Anonymous~ Youth Rm

Wednesday, February 25

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, February 26

9:00 AM Food Pantry Prep
 9:00 AM AA Meditation Group~ Fellowship Hall Rm 8
 10:30 AM Disciple Bible Study~ Fellowship Hall
 6:00 PM Choir Rehearsal~ Sanctuary

Friday, February 27

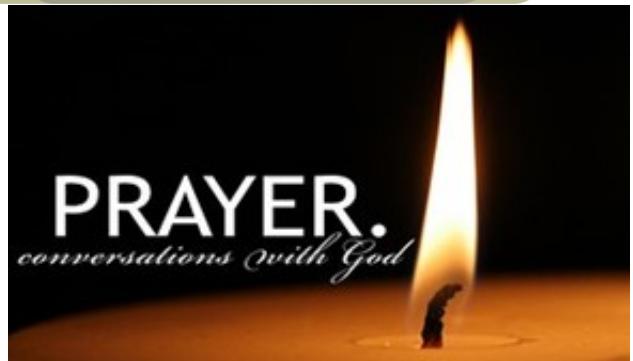
7:00 AM Missions Breakfast
 8:00 AM Food Pantry

Saturday, February 28

7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous~ Fellowship Hall

Sunday, March 1

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
 11:45 AM Intro to Murrieta UMC~ 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 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.



Scan to donate
from your phone



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

18-Feb David Jeffries
19-Feb Belle Geibel
21-Feb Dawn Rhodes
22-Feb Ina Mae MacAfee
24-Feb Sandra Andert
24-Feb Suzie Hogan
24-Feb Michael Saffell

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1-Mar Paz Alcazar
1-Mar Tresha Shaw
2-Mar Patrick Navarro
3-Mar Nancy McNally
4-Mar Tai Noa
5-Mar Eric Rusler
7-Mar Arabella De Los Reyes
7-Mar Jaden De Los Reyes
7-Mar Darla Halker
8-Mar Tom Hanlon
9-Mar Sandee Beam
10-Mar Steven Robertson
10-Mar Ryan Rosete
15-Mar Linda Yankie
18-Mar Jeff Berkey
18-Mar Michelle Quinn
18-Mar Pat Turner
19-Mar Alex Alcazar
21-Mar Bryan Glassman
21-Mar Annie Stricker
24-Mar Alicia Dauz
25-Mar Arlene McCleary
27-Mar Timmy Parks
28-Mar Karen Shumate
31-Mar Kathleen Navarro
31-Mar Jacob Rivera

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

3-Mar 53 years Faafetai and Tagi Faaiu
13-Mar 33 years David and Alicia Dauz
16-Mar 63 years Ron and Roberta Smith