



# Murrieta United Methodist Church

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.

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Office Hours: Monday– Thursday  
9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Worship 10:00 AM  
Sanctuary  
Sunday School Pre K-5th Grade 10:15 AM  
Fellowship Hall  
Sunday School Youth 10:15 AM  
Youth Room  
Sunday Study and Discussion Group 11:15 AM  
Fellowship Hall

### OUR CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Melissa Rusler —Senior Pastor  
Rev. Dr. Tom Rothhaar—Visitation Pastor  
Reagan Allen—Director of Children, Young People, & Family Ministries  
Michelle Dewey—Nursery Coordinator  
Desiree Gonzales—Learning Support Assistant  
Bryce Russell— Accompanist  
Parker Russell—Tech Team Leader  
Liz Sabicer—Worship Leader  
Sandy Selby—Office Administrator  
Joe Wilson—Custodian  
Scott Woodbury—Worship Keyboard & Vocals

### SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Laura Rothhaar—Liturgist  
Tom Hanlon, Mike Knowles, & Eric Rusler—Tech  
Shirley Ricky & Pat Turner—Greeters  
Eula Anyiwo, Guy & Patricia Jenkins,  
& Shirley Ricky—Ushers  
Mark Medin & Abby Ruckdeschel—Praise Team  
Wes Scott—Choir Director

### RESPONSE CARD

Please print & place in the offering plate.  
Thank you.  
Today's Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Children \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ First Time Attendee  
\_\_\_\_ Member(s) of MUMC  
\_\_\_\_ Regular attender(s) not members  
\_\_\_\_ Guest of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ I'd like to be on your mailing list  
\_\_\_\_ I'd like more information on becoming a member

### CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

\*SONG "The Gift of Love" #408

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER  
Silent Prayer – Pastoral Prayer – The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

MUSIC BY THE CHOIR "Go Ye Into All the World" by Don Besig

THE WORD OF GOD James 1:22-25

THE WORD APPLIED "The Joy of Doing" Pastor Tom Rothhaar

### OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES

Gift of Music "Give Me Jesus" arr. by Paul Johnston  
\*Singing Our Praise "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" #94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving (All Voices)  
**Gracious and loving God, as we come before you in worship today, we bring these offerings with grateful hearts. We recognize that all we have is from you, and we acknowledge your abundant blessings in our lives. May these gifts we offer be used to further your kingdom here on earth—to spread love, hope, and compassion to those in need. Bless the hands that give and the hearts that receive, that your love may be made known through us. Amen.**

\*SONG OF DEDICATION "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" TFWS 2153

### \*BLESSING

CLOSING MUSIC "Oh Happy Day" arr. by Paul Johnston

Be a blessing to someone today!

**Next Week at MUMC:**

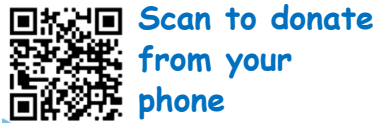
Rev. Melissa Rusler

“Called to Serve”

Romans 12:4-6  
1 Peter 2:9

Fourth Sunday of Easter  
April 26, 2026

Worship Service 10:00 AM



Prayer requests/Comments:

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**GUATAMALAN CRAFTS SALE TODAY!**

Please join us **TODAY after the service on the patio** as the Guatemala Project sells jewelry, clothing and other items made by craftsmen from Guatemala. For over 20 years the Guatemala Project has provided stoves and school supplies for the people of Chichicastenango, Guatemala. Only \$150 pays for EITHER a stove or school supplies for a year. Whether purchasing crafts or just donating to the cause, be sure to mark your donation for the Guatemala Project.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS MEETING**

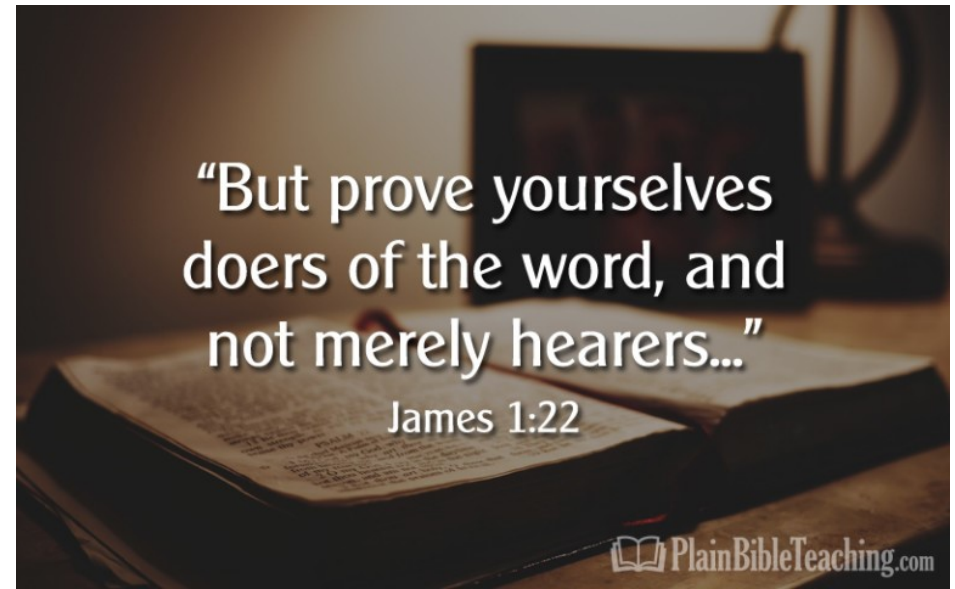
There will be a Sunday School volunteer meeting on **Sunday, April 26th**, after church at **11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall**. All current volunteers are encouraged to attend, and if you're interested in helping with Sunday School, please come!

**U.S./MEXICO BORDER IMMERSION EXPERIENCE**

UMC Pastor Joel Hortiales is planning a daytrip to Tijuana to point out the needs in our neighboring city. We are looking at a Saturday in May. If Interested, please contact:  
Pastor Tom Rothhaar: rotom4283@gmail.com or  
Carol Scott: wcscott6@verizon.net

**OCEANSIDE HALF DAY RETREAT MAY 23RD**

The Murrieta United Methodist Men would like you to come with us to enjoy a 1/2 day spiritual Retreat on the Beach. Alex Alcazar will be leading us in a spiritually and physically refreshing walk among the waves and the sea air like Jesus breathed in Galilee. We will meet at the church at 7:00 AM and carpool to Oceanside. We will end our time together with fellowship at Parlor Donuts and be back at church around 11:30 AM. No need to RSVP—just show up!



**Third Sunday of Easter**

**April 19, 2026**

(An “\*” indicates when to stand in body or in Spirit.)

OPENING MUSIC

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Bryce Russell

(quoting Well-Tempered Clavier by J. S. Bach), arranged by Mark Hayes

“God is looking for willing hearts.

You do not have to be special, but you have to be available.”

~William “Winkey” Pratney

WORDS OF WELCOME – MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

\*SINGING OUR PRAISE

“Raise A Hallelujah” CCLI #7119315

“Rescue” CCLI #7247990

Mark Medin, Abby Ruckdeschel, Liz Sabicer & Scott Woodbury

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (One Voice; **All Voices**)

Laura Rothhaar

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and give thanks to God.

**Let us sing for joy and lift our voices in praise, for God has raised Jesus from death and given new life to us.**

With gratitude for what we have received, and for whom we are becoming as new creatures in Christ, let us open ourselves anew to God, who seeks to meet us here. Let us see what God has in mind for us now.

**We give ourselves to this time of worship and to being the people God calls us, through Christ, to be.**