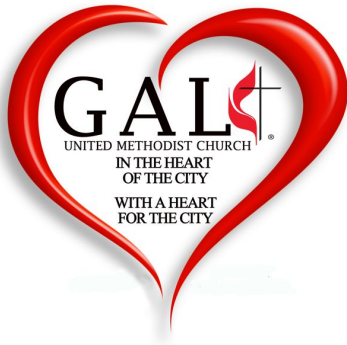


Galt UMC This Week

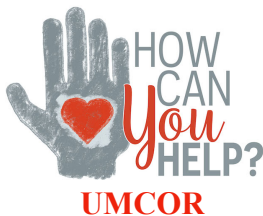


Galt UMC is a warm welcoming family who worship, pray, learn, and love one another by serving our community so that everyone can encounter the Risen Lord and experience transformation through God's Grace.



October 10, 2022

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



Earlier this summer my adult children and I went to our lawyer to put in writing some decisions we had made. Among the questions we had to answer was: "Who would be the beneficiary of your estate should all of you perish at once?" There was no hesitation. We knew exactly who would carry our legacy forward: UMCOR, which is short for United Methodist Committee on Relief. For my family, UMCOR is the thing about which we are proudest as United Methodists. Since its founding in 1940 in response to displaced and vulnerable populations impacted by WW2 it has

fulfilled its mission as the "voice of conscience among Methodists to act in the relief of human suffering without distinction of race, color, or creed." With so much suffering going on in our world, it is more important than ever that we support UMCOR in the work they do on our behalf. Once a year, local United Methodist Churches are asked to designate an UMCOR Sunday so that offerings can be received to help support the work of UMCOR. UMCOR Sunday will be October 30. Through your gifts UMCOR workers are always among the earliest to arrive at a disaster and last to leave. How to give? Make out a check to Galt UMC and put UMCOR on the memo line. Or you can make out a check directly to UMCOR and we will send it on your behalf. You can also go online to umcmmission.org and follow the prompts for giving.



Help those in need

Blessings, Pastor Mary



What is a person like who has devoted him or herself to following Jesus Christ? Scripture is FULL of stories and descriptions from both Jesus and Paul that help complete the

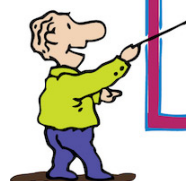
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October 16: *Discipleship is Like Being a WELL ARMORED SOLDIER:* Ephesians 6:10-17.

October 23: *Discipleship is Like Being LIGHT:* Pastor Joe Carmichael is preaching this Sunday. Pastor Mary will be at Valley Springs. Matthew 5:14-16.

October 30: *Discipleship is Like Being A DANCER* Psalm 150. Betty Metzger and her student Gianna Compagno will be playing special music – come at 9:30am for a hymn sing! UMCOR special offering being taken. *Potluck to follow worship!*

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NEWS & Notes



UMCOR SUNDAY OCTOBER 30

Support disaster relief around the world with your generous gift that makes God's love tangible to survivors of all kinds – be it from war or conflict, hurricane, famine, earthquake or flood. You will be invited forward during Worship on October 30 to bring your gift to bless vulnerable people around the world! Did you know that UMCOR is rated among the best charities in the world? This is because our offerings on UMCOR Sunday underwrite all administrative expenses so that 100% of all giving for a specific disaster goes to the people and communities affected.



Sunshine Food Pantry Kick-Off Event

Remember Landes and Cassel Dung who came and played for Worship last Pentecost? They are coming to play music for our Kick-Off Mixer for the building expansion of our Sunshine Food Pantry and Resource Center! It will be a great evening to show our Church's enthusiasm for our community. **When? Friday, October 21st What time? 6pm – 7pm Where? At the Fire Station right across the alley from our Church.** This event is sponsored by Galt Sunrise Rotary. Enjoy music and refreshments and rub shoulders with community leaders. RSVP text or call 916-662-6915

What????



Our District Prayer focus this week:

October 16: Pray for Island Ministry at Holy Cross
October 23: Pray for Central UMC, Stockton



It's almost here! 'What?' you ask. Pastor Mary's meet and greet "Hallow You Do?" We will be



**Yearly Meeting with
our District
Superintendent –
Monday, October 24,
6pm**

All members of the Church are invited to meet with our Central Valley District Superintendent David Niu, as the representative of our California-Nevada Conference of the United Methodist Church, for our yearly Church Conference. It is important to have abundant participation at this meeting. The District Superintendent is Pastor Mary's direct supervisor, and his experience of our annual meeting is part of how he will form an opinion as to whether she is a good pastoral appointment for Galt UMC.

Continuing Weekly



Coming This Week



Bible Study Offered Weekly

Did you know that when Methodists first organized, every Church member was required to belong to a "class" that met weekly for Scripture study and prayer? John and Charles Wesley required this "method" of discipleship because they knew that faith grows as we think about and discuss what Jesus said and did. While you are not required, you are certainly warmly invited to attend either one or both of these Bible Studies. One hour a week is like miracle gro for the soul.

John's Gospel every Tuesday, 10am, in the Church Social Hall. Our group that meets to study John's Gospel is a very special group of people, including newcomers to our Church and people who have been at Galt UMC for a long time. We learn a lot together and are growing to know and love each other deeply.

Paul's Journey's and Letters every Sunday, 4pm on ZOOM. This week we are learning what Paul had to say to the Roman Governor Felix, who has the power of life or death over Paul. No matter who Paul speaks to or writes to, his goal is the same: share the Good News of Jesus Christ! We are in Chapter 23 of Acts. You are always welcome to join us. Log on at 3:30 for a time of getting to know the rest of the class.



Tuesday, October 11, 9am in the church office.



Tuesday, October 11, 6:30pm:



Wednesday, October 12, 11:30am -3:00pm Bruceville Point Ministry.



Wednesday, October 12, 8:00 — 10:00am Sunshine Prep. for Distribution on **Thursday, October 13, 7:30-10:00am:** Public distribution.



Saturday, October 15, 9:00am at Denny's Restaurant.

Welcome to Worship

Sunday, October 16, Worship 10am *Discipleship is Like Being A Well-Armored Soldier – wear your non-scary Halloween costumes! Costumed visitor from the Bible will be in worship.*

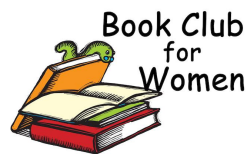
Sunday, October 16, following Worship LORD'S LAMBS Halloween coloring activity!

Hospitality Host



October 16
Faye Gaines
Pearl Silva

October 23
Ross Family



"Separated by the Border: A Birth Mother, A Foster Mother, and a Migrant Child's 3000-mile Journey"

by Gena Thomas is our book for fall. **The ZOOM class is on Wednesdays at 5pm. Our IN PERSON class is on Mondays at 11am in the upstairs of our Sanctuary building.**

GREETERS SCHEDULE

October 16
Tina Barlet
Eva Roach

October 23
Colleen Hurley
Sharon Drake



Wednesdays, 8:00-11:30am: Sunshine Food Pantry delivers food to senior apartments.



The Work of the Church – How Our Church Works by Pastor Mary

For the past several weeks you have seen an invitation to attend our annual Church Conference (also known as a “Charge” Conference) on Monday, October 24 at 6pm. So what is that? And why should you leave your comfy home to come? This yearly meeting with our District Superintendent is an opportunity to show our “connection” – which is to say the Bishop and Cabinet – our work in fulfilling the mission of the United Methodist Church, which is making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. It is our chance to share with our denominational leaders how we are fulfilling our sacred duty to be the body of Christ redeemed by His blood. As part of the lead up to this yearly meeting, I am working on putting together a Charge Conference Booklet that includes reports on membership, on mission, on ministry, as well as the budget and pastoral salary documents. Even if you don’t come to the meeting you are welcome to have a booklet! The most important thing that happens at the Church Conference is the election of a slate of leaders who will serve our Church in the coming year, starting January 1, 2023. Next week I will share with you those leaders who are leaving positions and those that are stepping into new roles. I hope you will mark your calendars to attend on Monday, October 24 at 6pm. Our District Superintendent David Niu is a faithful Christian and a good leader, who is very supportive of Galt UMC. He hears from me all the time about your enthusiasm for the Gospel, but it would be good for him to hear that from you directly!



Our Lord’s Lambs will be gathering for worship in their Halloween costumes this coming Sunday, October 16. Following worship we will have two fun activities and a snack. Join us for extra fun that morning!

Today we had five children in worship, and two adult members have offered to become Sunday School teachers. Let Pastor Mary or Madeline Powell know if God is asking you to be a teacher for 30 minutes per month on Sundays. We have purchased lesson plans to help guide us and our children to know and become close to God.



New Members – Delayed to October 16

We are blessed to have three people joining our Church family! We are delaying it a week since one of our new members was away this past weekend. That means that if you would like to join it’s not too late. Just let Pastor Mary know.

Galt Community Thanksgiving Baskets



The annual Thanksgiving Basket project is about to get underway. For the past number of years our church has been a part of this community ministry. These baskets are a project of several Galt area churches, as well as businesses, schools, and other interested persons. This year we have been asked once again to provide canned chicken.



Last year we provided 120 families in need with a Thanksgiving meal and a week’s worth of food. Names of families are supplied by outreach consultants through our Galt schools. We are starting a little early this year, but we can start collecting the chicken now. We have until early November when a collection will be made. More details as the time gets closer.

During the potluck dinner on the fifth Sunday of October, October 30, the children will be creating another craft in the fellowship hall as their parents socialize. We thank God for blessing this Sunday School project so richly.



We would like to thank Rob Seibel, Jim Parrish, Richard Farhat, helpers who have drawn, glued and cut little decorations, AND our whole group of trustees for working so hard with painting, cleaning and repairing our upstairs room for future Sunday School meetings. The decorations are nearly ready to be installed, and I will be sewing valances for two of those windows upstairs. Our first lessons upstairs will occur after worship on Sunday, November 13. Thanks to God for all of your help! —Madeline Powell

The Roving Camera Eye

Activities from around Galt UMC



Going
Going
Gone

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A physical reminder that our Affordable housing/Food Pantry project is underway



Jebbie Moats and Pastor Mary join together for "Let There be Peace on Earth" during our World Communion Service a couple weeks ago.



Faye Gaines, Director of Sunshine Food Pantry, presents Mona Stratton, Galt UMC Church Council chair, a plaque of appreciation for all the church has done to help the Pantry grow.



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