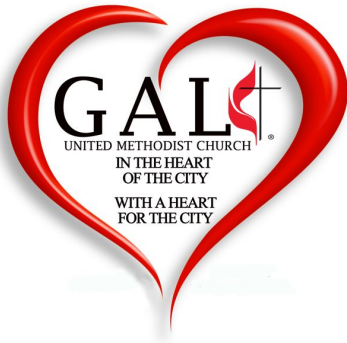


Galt UMC This Week



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.



September 12, 2022

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



**FOR EVERYTHING THERE
IS A SEASON, A TIME
FOR EVERY ACTIVITY
UNDER HEAVEN.**

ECCLESIASTES 3:1, NLT

What a blessing it has been to have Dennis Yoder as our Online Worship director and producer! When I arrived just over two years ago, he was assisting Pastor Joe in making the recordings, with help from Dan Mitchell and Mariah Diego. But it wasn't long before it was "Dennis Yoder Presents" with the two of us spending hours on a Tuesday morning recording the Online Worship elements, followed by many more hours of Dennis editing and distributing the finished product. I know that you want to join me in thanking him for making his many talents available to us. We were blessed to have a grant from the Central Valley District Union, as well as several generous private donations, that helped to underwrite the cost of his salary.

During the worst of the pandemic all of us were watching online. I thank God that when we needed it most, the Lord provided the talent in Denny and the resources so that we could continue worshipping at Galt UMC from the safety of our own homes. Now we are in a new season. With Dennis's health challenges, and without the financial underwriting, we are not able to film a worship service specifically for our online worshippers. The past several weeks Earl Arrants and I have tried to film on Sunday mornings for Dennis to edit together, but the technology has been a distraction for me in giving my best to those who are able to attend worship in person. For now we are pressing pause on producing our own Galt UMC online worship. Let us pray together that the Holy Spirit will lead us someone who has the skills and faith of a Dennis Yoder, that we might get back to providing online worship to our beloved Church family members who are not able to attend in person. In the meantime, Rev. Debra Brady has a wonderful live streamed service at 10am on Sunday mornings that can be accessed either live or after the fact at firstumcmodesto.org

Blessings, Pastor Mary

p.s. If you would like to send Dennis a thank you note his address is 700 Second Street, #27, Galt 95632



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NEWS & Notes



September 18 – Gospel According to Disney

If we have “Kingdom Eyes” as Pastor Mary described last week, we can find the Gospel message of hope almost anywhere. This month we are on a journey to find the Christian message in several of your favorite Disney movies. This week is “Beauty and the Beast.” We will be blessed by this message of transformation, AND by the piano music of Betty Metzger. Scripture: Romans 12:1-3 Sermon: “Transformation: A Tale as Old as Time”

Lord’s Lambs Calendar!

Next month the children of our Church are invited to wear their (non-scary) costumes to worship on October 16 and stay around for a craft activity after worship. Hey, Church family, maybe you’d like to bring some goodies for “trick or treating” by our Lambs after worship?

Stone Soup is coming to Galt UMC! What???? Stone Soup??? - - Yep!!! We are going to have a Stone Soup Sunday for fellowship on Sunday, November 13.



In Memoriam



A Celebration of Life for Case Klooster will be held in our sanctuary on Thursday, September 15 at 11am, followed by refreshments, and then a graveside service at Galt Cemetery at 1:30pm. Darla invites all who know and love them to attend.

History of the Fable of Stone Soup - - The first published version of the fable about Stone Soup appears in 1720; it is a story that takes place in Normandy, France about two travelers who come to a village seeking food. They decide that to convince people they are not beggars, they will entertain people by making stone soup for them. The next published version is in 1771, also in France, and the moral of the story is “On thousands of occasions, to get oneself out of a problem, A little spirit is necessary.”

As the story evolves over time and various publications, the center continues to revolve around a stranger coming to a town and needing help, but the people in the town do not have much to give. The stranger brings everyone together to offer what little they have and together they make a nourishing meal for all to enjoy.

The epiphany of the story is that it is not about soup or about feeding strangers at all; it is a story about hope and the power and strength of the community coming together to overcome challenges that can be too much for any single person to do alone.

In that spirit we will have our own Stone Soup Sunday for Fellowship on Sunday, November 13.



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Coming
This Week



Finance
Team

Tuesday, September 13, 9am
Finance for 2023 Budget Discussion,
Church Office *Any interested
Church members are welcome to
attend



Tuesday, September 13, 6:30pm
Building Committee for Sunshine
Food Pantry, Church Office



Community
Outreach

Wednesday, September 14,
11:30am-3:15pm Bruceville Point
Ministry.



Thursday, September 15, 11am
Case Klooster Celebration of Life.



Men's
Breakfast

Saturday, September 17, 9am
Men's Breakfast at Old Time Diner on
Lincoln Way.

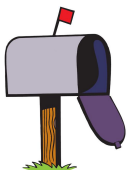


United Women in Faith

Saturday, September 17, 10am
Women's Meeting at Heritage Park
Clubhouse

Welcome to Worship

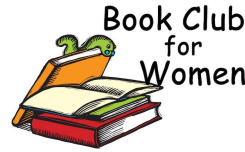
Sunday, September 18, 10am
Worship – Gospel According to
Disney: Beauty and the Beast.



You can now send checks directly to the
Sunshine Food Pantry address:

Sunshine Food Pantry and Resource Center
P.O. Box 1265
Galt, CA 95632

Continuing Weekly



Book Club
for
Women

Book Club for Women has begun!

"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. **Ten women
are meeting in person on Mondays at
11am and ten women on ZOOM at 5pm
on Wednesdays!** Not too late to join! Ask
Pastor Mary for a link, or show up on
Mondays. **In-person class meets
upstairs.**



Bible
Study

TWO Ways to Grow

**John's Gospel every
Tuesday, 10am, in the
Church Social Hall.** No

previous Bible Study or knowledge
required. Come and hear the Gospel from
a fresh and inspiring perspective and have
a chance to share and discuss.

**Paul's Journey's and Letters every
Sunday, 4pm on ZOOM.** Currently we are
studying Ephesians, then will dip back into
Acts of the Apostles, and then on to the
letter to the Romans. The people who
attend this class are from various
Churches Pastor Mary has served, plus
some people from our UMC Conference, as
well as friends of friends. The discussion
is always rich and powerful. Why not give
it a try from the comfort of home?



Sunshine Food Pantry

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

Congratulations!

Mariah Myrick-Smith, granddaughter of Mazie
and Wayne Myrick, has completed her Nurse
Assistant Training Program. We are so
proud!!



United Women in Faith

Dear Galt United Women in Faith,

It's an honor and privilege to serve as your president for the coming year!! In addition to myself, congratulations to Sabrina, Mercedes and Faye for taking key leadership

responsibilities required to run our organization.

I am sure many of you have seen or read information about our group and somehow felt it is not for you! I want to assure you sisters that, things are going to be different with this new leadership. We would like you to please come and share with us your ideas/thoughts/suggestions on how we can make our gatherings exciting and most importantly give us a platform to show our LOVE in ACTION! We are all fearfully and beautifully created and bring with us our unique gifts and graces that will be leveraged to keep our calendar filled with new and exciting activities every month. Our group is going to be about bringing us closer to each other and blending us into a beautiful sisterhood in Christ where our actions will seek louder than words.

Well, to make it really exciting we need to become creative with what we will call our group. It will be fun to see what all you come up with!

The main focus for our September meeting will be to draw up a plan for the coming year. We would like to hear your ideas.

Our plan will be to gather at different locations/homes as well as taking tours around our community in order to extend our physical boundaries and exploring opportunities for mission work. Our plan would also include visiting the local service organizations (Fire, Police, etc.) to show our support for the life threatening work that they do for the safety of our friends and family . We encourage you to share your special gifts (cooking/drawing/painting/dancing, etc.) as team building exercises.

We plan to carpool so that those who do not drive or do not have transportation are accommodated for.

Our first gathering will be a brunch meeting at HERITAGE PARK Fellowship Hall on September 17, 2022, at 10:00am

This is a rough draft to get us started. It is my sincere prayer that God will lead us along with way!

Looking forward to seeing you there.

In your service,
Rosie Kumar



Heat Warriors

Many thanks to all of you who battled the heat volunteering for the Sunshine Food Pantry, painting the Sunday School room, and providing lunch for Monte Nelson's celebration of life. It will take a lot more than an historic heat wave to keep the people of Galt UMC from doing what the Lord has called us to do!



The mother of Mariah and Mercedes Diego is looking for someone to sew a quilt for her. She is willing to pay for time and materials. If you would be willing to take on the job or know someone that would, please call Mercedes at 209-426-6689. Thank you!

Hospitality Host



September 18
Madeline Powell

September 25
Dave & Debra Herburger

GREETERS SCHEDULE

September 18
Mercedes & Mariah Diego

September 25



Our District Prayer focus this week:

September 18: Pray for Lodi First UMC
September 25: Pray for Salem UMC, Lodi



The Work of the Church – How Our Church Works

Church Council is made up of the Chairs of all our Committees, plus several other positions that are appointed by the Nominations Committee, which is chaired by the pastor. Here are those “extra” voting positions on Church Council: Membership Secretary, Lay Leader, Lay Servant, Treasurer, Finance Secretary, Lay Member to Annual Conference. More on these positions next week!



Website – new and improved launching September 8

Please log on to galtumc.org this Thursday to see our new and improved website. Go through it with a fine-tooth comb and let Pastor Mary know any changes, mistakes, or improvements. It has been a steep learning curve for Mary to be both our Pastor and Web-Master, but she is working on being both. Prayers desired and required.



Linda Seashore presents Raley's manager with their Plaque.

To Show Our Appreciation

Six days a week volunteers from our Sunshine Food Pantry pick up excess food from Raley's and Save Mart supermarkets. To show our appreciation, managers from these stores were recently presented with appreciation plaques to display in their offices. These stores are both members of the larger organization - *Feeding America*.



Betti Welch, Faye Gaines, and Hazel Hicks presents SaveMart manager with their plaque.

