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AUGUST EVENTS

Every week
Tuesdays @ 11:15 exercise in choir room
Tuesdays @ noon golden agers in fireside room:

Fridays @10:00 PLEASE NOTE: Bible Study in fireside room will continue this fall.

August 4: Paper Drive @ 8:30
August 5: Trustees in Room 7 @ 11:30
August 12: Finance Committee Mtg @ 11:30 in Lounge
August 18: UMM breakfast @7:30 in FH, followed by work day
August 18: UMCOR Yard Sale
August 18: APDM Car Wash
August 28: Admin Council Mtg @7:30 in Fireside Room
August 30: UMW Executive Board Mtg @ 10:00 in Fireside Room

Upcoming in September:
Sept. 4: SPRC @ 6, followed by Trustees in Lounge @7
Sept. 6: UMW Unit Mtg in FH @10:00
Sept. 8: paper drive @8:30

In 1539, the act of Six Articles was passed. This Act defined what heresy was and anyone who was against the Catholic church was deemed a heretic. It outlawed the distribution of any items that were against the Catholic Church. The Act required just two accusers to deem a person a heretic. Because Anne insisted that the sacraments of communion were not transformed into the real body and blood of Christ, as the Catholics believed, she was doomed to death. Anne was tortured on the rack and 17 days later burned at the stake. Today she is considered a Protestant martyr and best known as the only woman to be tortured in the tower and burned at the stake. Would we be willing to go through all that to proclaim our own faith?

"From the book “50 Women every Christian should know”

Answers to Quiz: 1-d, 2-c, 3-d, 4-c, 5-b, 6-d, 7-d, 8-b, 9-b, 10-b
Anne Askew  
(1521–1546)

Anne was born in England during the reign of Henry VIII. Her father was a knighted member of Parliament and a high sheriff of Lincolnshire. She could have lived a life of luxury, but she instead chose to follow her heart.

At an early age, 15, she was forced to marry the fiancé of her deceased sister. She chose to not take his name, a sure sign of rebellion. Too little else is known of her early life, except that she had a good education, as witnessed by her writings.

Anne eventually sought a divorce in London, which was not granted. However, she elected to remain in the city proselytizing against the Catholic church and handing out papers which touted the Protestant Reformation. She had gained quite a following by the time she was arrested the first time on a charge of heresy. This following included among others none other than Katherine Parr, wife of the King. It is said that the Queen was rumored to have sent her clothing and other supplies while Anne was in prison.

While Henry VIII established the Church of England so that he could divorce his first wife, he remained a devout Catholic and hated the Protestant REFORMERS.

August Birthdays

1 Kathi Welker  
6 Rayden Brard  
8 Crystal Martinez  
9 Mary Lou Downey  
14 Erma Manley  
16 Homer Hummel  
Chloe Tran  
19 Anil Singh  
24 Pearl Hoover  
Shirley Malorzo  
26 Matthew Palmer  
Mercedes Velasquez  
27 Beaulah Waller  
28 Linda Christensen

Anniversaries  
4 John & Mickie Fornadley (45)  
30 Walt & Barbara Harris (60)
**United Methodist Communion Quiz**

1. The official United Methodist name for this sacrament is:
   a) The Lord’s Supper
   b) Holy Communion
   c) Eucharist
   d) All of the above names are used by United Methodists

2. The word “Eucharist” is derived from the Greek word(s) for:
   a) Bread
   b) Meal
   c) Thanksgiving
   d) “Let’s eat!”

3. The term “open communion” means everyone is invited to the communion table if they:
   a) Love Jesus
   b) Earnestly repent of their sins
   c) Seek peace with one another
   d) All of the above

4. Which drink became popular because it was suitable for alcohol-free communion?
   a) Florida’s Natural Grape Juice
   b) Tropicana Red Grape Juice
   c) Welch’s Grape Juice
   d) Lucy & Ethel’s Freshly-Stomped Grape Juice

5. Persons responsible for the preparation of the bread, wine and Communion ware are called:
   a) Communion servers
   b) Communion stewards
   c) Communion ministers
   d) Communion hosts

(Answers elsewhere in this issue)

Reseda 1st gave a warm welcome with open arms to our new Pastor, Pastor Harris, on July 8 after church service. Cake was offered to all who came.

Pastor Harris has made a new friend already in Ryan Davis, as shown here.
The UMW has gone dark for the months of July and August. However, in the background we will be planning our annual Country Store. So...

SAVE THE DATE!

OCTOBER 13th

The annual Country Store is coming! It’s time to start saving those items for Grandma’s Attic, start new plants for the Garden Shop, plan baking for the Bake Shop, and more! See Sheryl Meadows or Elane Pierce for details or to donate items.

Come to the next UMW meeting on Thursday, September 6, to learn about all that happened at Mission u and at Assembly.

6. The act of dipping bread into the wine during Communion is called:
   a) Blending
   b) Dunking
   c) Intermingle
   d) Intinction

7. Monthly and quarterly communion are popular in the U.S. because?
   a) Pastors riding the circuit could not visit every church every Sunday
   b) When pastors were not available, laity (who cannot give communion) led worship
   c) Methodists got used to the irregular schedule of communion
   d) Of the above

8. In the formative years of the Methodist Church, John Wesley took communion:
   a) Just on Sundays
   b) Four or five times a week
   c) Whenever Charles took communion
   d) Whenever the bread was fresh

9. Why were the tops of 19th century communion cups cut at an angle?
   a) Manufacturing of plastic cups was still decades away
   b) To avoid looking like shot glasses
   c) Glass blowers could never cut straight lines
   d) That’s how people drank grape juice back then

10. There is a minimum age to receive communion in a United Methodist church
    A. True
    B. False
JOYS AND CONCERNS

The entire church on the celebration of our new pastor! We are looking forward to making the church grow with her help.

Pray for Marissa Johnson as she tries to qualify as a foster parent.

Pray for Jennifer Boyd, wife of John Boyd who is the grandson of Fran Wildroudt, has her cancer has returned.

Pray for healthy growth for our church.

Please call the Sheryl (818) 521-2032, email at curlylocks13@att.net, or the church office with your joys and concerns to be included in the next Circuit Rider. If we do not hear about them, we cannot include them.

Food Pantry

The Food Pantry continues to need donations of non-perishable food items (cans or packages). They are sending a plea to PLEASE do not donate clothing. They have to turn around and give it to another organization, taking up time better used for the Food Pantry. Thank You.

IMPORTANT!

First, I Want to apologize for the lateness of this issue. When one is busy for 3 weeks seeing God’s country it is easy to fall behind on other things, such as the Circuit Rider. Sorry!

Do you have suggestions for articles for the Circuit Rider? Please let Sheryl Meadows or the office know.

If you do not want your birthday or anniversary to be published, please call the office or let Sheryl Meadows know.

The same holds true if you are unsure if we have the correct dates and you wish them to appear.

Have you got a hidden talent or are willing to help out the church in some way? Talk to Sheryl Meadows (818-521-2032) if you have any questions or think you might be willing to help the church out in some way. I am sure we can a job for any volunteer. NOT, I repeat NOT a fulltime job.