Golden Feather

A Monthly Newsletter Vol. 55 March 2012

Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Doors

Save The Date

March 10th
Italian Dinner & Auction
March 18th
One Great Hour of Sharing
March 25th
Hunger Walk
March 31st
Schmoozy Purse
April 30th
Ross-Harmon Educator of the Year Dinner

March Worship

March 4th

Greeters: Pat Foster & Betty Ledford
Coffee Hour: Cathy & Louise Weitze
Liturgist: Communion Sunday
Lockup: Chuck Bailey

March 11th

Greeters: Richard & Emily Fancher
Coffee Hour: Pat Foster & Emily Fancher
Liturgist: Richard Fancher
Lockup: Richard Fancher

March 18th

Greeters: Cathy & Valerie Weitze
Coffee Hour: Stu & Lynn Shaner
Liturgist:
Lockup: Susan Sharon

March 25th

Greeters: Betty Ball & Virginia Bias
Coffee Hour: Betty Ledford & Gladeen LeBoeuf
Liturgist:
Lockup: Jeremy Buis

March

Dinner @ Six Menu Donation

$6.00 - 13 years to adult
$3.00 - 6 years -12 years
Free - 5 years and under

March 7th

Roast Pork, Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Bread & Dessert.
Chefs*:* Finance Committee

March 14th

Pulled Pork Sandwich, Green Bean Tater Tot Casserole, Cole Slaw & Dessert.
Chefs: Discipleship Committee

March 21st

Daddy "O's" Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Salad, Bread & Dessert.
Chefs: Worship Committee

March 28th

Chicken or Pork, Steamed Rice, Bok Choy, Spring Roll & Dessert
Chefs: XF. Chuckua Yang and Hmong Congregation

TREASURER REPORT

03/01/2012

BEGINNING March 1ST 2012		53.50
DEPOSITS THRU 3/1/12	+	14663.94
CHECKS THRU 3/1/12	-	14490.22
ENDING BALANCE 3/1/12		227.22

I WAS ABLE TO PAY MOST BILLS IN FEBRUARY. I STILL NEED TO PAY THE CHURCH PG&E ELECTRIC BILL OF $761.03. IT IS ALSO A STRUGGLE TO PAY THE FULL PENSION DIRECT BILL, AS IT IS AROUND $1200 PER MONTH. JANUARY HAS BEEN PAID, BUT NOT FEBRUARY. PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FINANCES.

BETTY LEDFORD

TREASURER

FAX MACHINE

We found a great deal on a fax machine. So we purchased it and donated it to the Church.

The Buis Families

Have a need for additional media for a Sunday Service or special occasion?

soundbuds@att.net

Please contact Jeremy Buis by leaving a message at the church or email at the above address.

Please have a list of media items you will need and the date(s) and time(s) you will have a need for this service. If you are not sure what you will need, he or an associate will meet and go over it with you.

We need at least one week's notice to prepare and set up the equipment .

Easter Adopt-A-Family Easter Basket

Our congregation has supported the Easter Adopt-A-Family Easter basket program through the Wings of Eagles organization for the last few years. Wings of Eagles assists families with a disabled child in a variety of ways. Our church members have helped to fill the Easter basket with gifts for each child in the family and also items for the whole family (i.e.: gift cards for food, gas, entertainment etc).

If you are interested in participating in this worthy cause, please let me know. The basket needs to be delivered by March 31st so please let me know if you are able to participate by March 1st.

Thank you for your willingness to reach out to a family in need in our community.

Janet Short
Outreach and Witness

OUR RALEY'S & FOOD MAXX SHARE CARDS

Our Food Maxx share cards made the church $167.33 and the Raley's share cards made $130.78 this year so far. So remember to use your share cards when you go shopping at Raley's and Food Maxx. This is such an easy way to help our church budget. In 2011 the Food Maxx share cards made a total of ***$727.49*** and the Raley's share cards made a total of ***$609.42*** for our church budget. If we all remember to use our share cards I think we can make more for our church budget in 2012.

John S. Fowler
Chairman
Finance Committee

PASS ON THE GIFT
HEIFER®
INTERNATIONAL

Heifer Project

Bring your CRV recyclables to church and place them in the boxes in the Social Hall. The Buis Family take the bottles and cans to Fair Street Recycling and then turn the proceeds in to be sent to Heifer Project. Bring them to church instead of putting them in your recycling can at home.

JANUARY - FEBRUARY

$66.59

When You Give to OGHS, You Help "Keep the Lights On"

UMCOR receives no World Service funds or any other apportionments. Your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing help to "keep the lights on" and cover UMCOR's costs of doing business.

That means that 100 percent of every dollar you give to designated UMCOR programs goes to help some of the world's most vulnerable people. UMCOR does not take anything from designated gifts to cover home-office administrative costs – which it can do only because of the continued widespread support United Methodists provide through this annual offering.

UMCOR's ability to respond and remain until the job is done is in direct proportion to the generosity of United Methodists during One Great Hour of Sharing.

This year One Great Hour of Sharing will be celebrated on March 18th.

Inspiring stories:
http://www.umcgiving.org/site/c.qwL6KkNWLrH/b.3837967/k.DB3F/Special_Sundays__One_Great_Hour_of_Sharing__Inspiring_Stories.htm

HEIFER PROJECT RECYCLING

January-February
$66.59
Church recycling

December
$63.30
Church recycling

December
$57.00
Macen Buis donation from his home recycling

October/November
$60.50
Church recycling

September
$46.01
Church recycling

August
$48.48
Church recycling

July
$67.60
Church recycling

July
$56.20
Macen Buis donation from his home recycling

June
$68.00
Church recycling

SUBMITTING ITEMS TO THE GOLDEN FEATHER

An article can be submitted to the Golden Feather in many ways. Here are a few:

- in the body of an email and sent to

umc@1stunitedmethodist.org

- a picture in jpeg form and emailed to address above
- written on a piece of paper and left in the office for Jeremy Buis
- if more information concerning your article please include the link.

All articles must be submitted on or before the 25th of the month previous to the next month. ie: February 25th for the March Feather.

Any questions please check with Jeremy Buis. He will be happy to help you.

Bishop Announces Cabinet Change

1/25/2012

Bishop Warner H. Brown, Jr. has announced a Cabinet change, effective July 1, 2012. After six years, the Rev. Jerry Smith (upper right) will be completing his service on the Cabinet. Rev. Smith is superintendent for the Great Northern District.

"I am extremely grateful for Jerry's faithful leadership during some challenging years for the California-Nevada Conference," the bishop said. "He has led the formation of the Great Northern District and has a deep love for that region of our Conference. We have benefited greatly from his service on the Cabinet and look forward to what he will bring to the Conference in the next phase of his ministry."

Six years is generally the standard term of service for a district superintendent.

The bishop has asked the Rev. David L. Samelson (lower right), pastor of First United Methodist Church of Eureka, to become the new superintendent to the Great Northern District on July 1.

Rev. Samelson is a graduate of Pacific School of Religion and Asbury Theological Seminary and has been a member of the California-Nevada Annual Conference since 1988. Before being appointed to Eureka First in 2006, he served at Greenville, Taylorsville, and Yreka UMCs. He currently is a circuit leader in the Great Northern District.

"I am delighted to welcome Dave Samelson to the Cabinet," Bishop Brown said. "He has a passion for the local church. His unique gifts of ministry will serve the Conference well in this role, as we continue to work toward a goal of more ably carrying out our mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We look forward to his leadership."

http://www.cnumc.org/news/detail/3042

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1040 .....$100
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For more information, please contact us.

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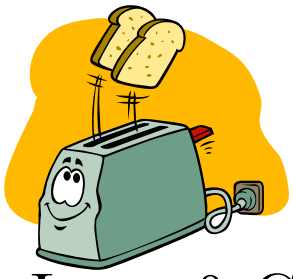
Rev. 1/26/12

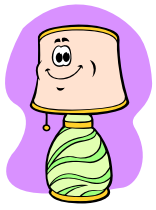
Custodian, part-time position.

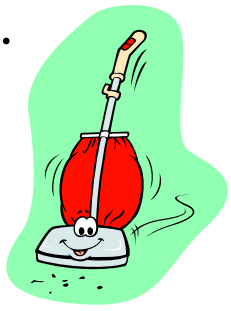
The First United Methodist church is taking applications for an extra help custodian position. Duties include cleaning State Pre-School classrooms and kitchen. This is an on call position and a background check must be taken and passed. Pay is $8 an hour. Please contact Church office Monday thru Thursday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm for job application.



Church Rummage Sale

Larry & Glenda Ott have volunteered to be in charge of our Rummage Sale for this year. It will be in early **August** with a date to be announced. Please keep your good used items for our sale.





Remember those in our church family in need of prayers:

Joline Hibbert - requests prayers for her daughter **Kristen** - possible loss of her job; **Pastor Chuckua** - reported feeling sick early in February & on top of that, the family had several cars vandalized; **Glenda & Larry Ott's son-in-law John Barnett** - having sinus problems; **Pastor Laura** - biopsy found no lymphoma, everything is benign, waiting for possible treatments; **Sue Fredericksen** - diagnosed with severe pernicious anemia, and will be having infusions; **Tyler's friend's father Ching Ge Xiong** - has been given only a short time to live; **John & Katie Voos - Katie** was hospitalized recently with the flu, and **John** also had the flu; **John & Katie's daughter Linda** - continue to pray for her as she deals with the loss of her husband; **Lisa Benedict** - still undergoing tests to find out what is causing her illness; **Linda Perry's borther Calvin Perry** - lost both feet now, needs prayers; **Betty Ball's daughter-in-law** - facing surgery, also, **Betty** needs prayers for family issues; **Robin Rich** - asks for prayers for all our church family; **David Jacobsen** - not feeling well & recently hospitalized; **Erik Peiper** - his mom is very ill with cancer & Erik is in Tennessee with her, pray too for **Malena & the girls; Mike Grainger - Vivian** reports he came through surgery just fine & is very upbeat; **Harriett Steiger's mom** - sick with possible pneumonia;

the Klein family - grandson Jared Bunn is heading back to Afghanistan; **Scott** - pray for courage in the middle of a difficult situation; **John & Margaret Brown** - continue to pray for them; **Auntie Shannon & Grandma Debbie** - prayers requested; **Jim & Doris Henneker - Doris cancer** has returned & she will be having more treatments; **Rev. Carl Berner** from the Congregational Church - diagnosed with a brain tumor & facing radiation treatments; **Joan & Gary Azevedo - Gary** is finishing chemo and will be starting radiation; **Jackson Vang** - at home now, has appointment at UC Davis to discuss future procedures; **Jackson's father Nha Lue Vang** - diagnosed with untreatable lung cancer, is tired & weak, continue to pray for a miracle; **Joan Jacobsen** - receiving radiation treatments for breast cancer; **Thai Vang's father** - ill with cancer, needs prayers for healing.

Pray for those with ongoing concerns:

John & Margaret Brown; Michael Grainger; Jim & Doris Henneker; Betty Ball; Mee Lee & Tong Xiong; Emma Spencer; David Jacobsen; Gladys James; Lisa Benedict; Karen & Newt Green; Gary Azevedo; Nha Lue Vang & family; Harley Thompson; Dan Fredericksen; and Jeremy Buis

Pray for those at Prestige Assisted Living:

John & Katie Voos & Garnet Bessey.

Those suffering loss of a loved one:

Carol Walden - recent passing of her husband Richard, pray for Carol & her family.

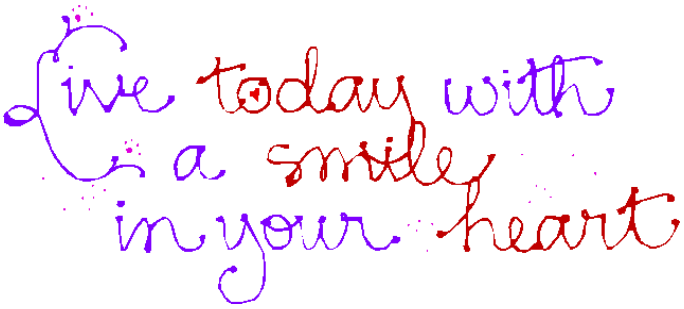
Prayers for the Hmong people in Laos who are being tortured & killed for trying to get the word out about the atrocities going on in their country.

Many Thanks!!
to the youth for all their work on the Valentine's Day Brunch! All of the proceeds went into the General Fund to help with church expenses.

Happy Birthday!!! to Katie Voos.
Katie celebrated her 104th birthday on February 12th. Happy Birthday Katie!!!

Congratulations!!
to Stu & Lynn Shaner upon celebrating 40 years of marriage on February 20th.

New Address:
Barbara Thompson has moved and her new address & phone # is: 2440 Mitchell Ave., Oroville, CA 95966, PH. 534-3193.



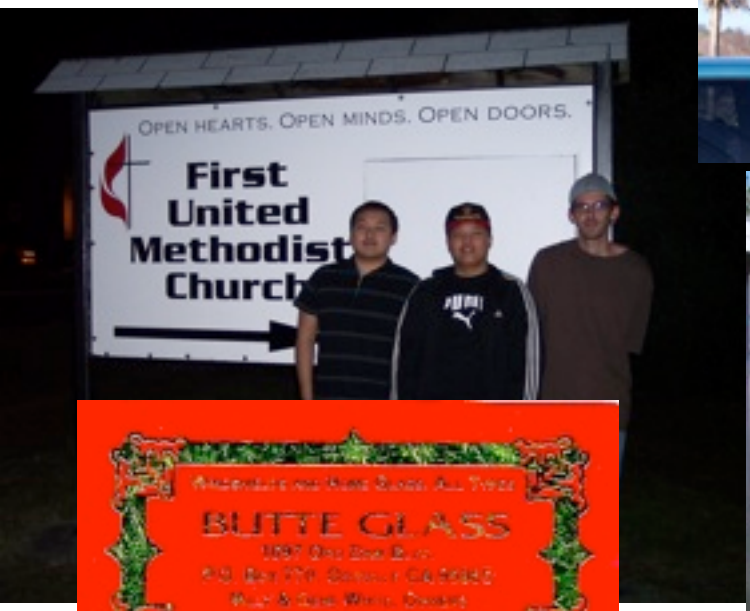
THE SIGN ON THE CORNER

You may have noticed the sign was there, then it wasn't and now it has a new look.

Thanks to Sean Johnson, Macen Buis, Micah Buis for helping me take the sign down and put shingles on the "roof" of the sign.

Thanks to Udom Vang, David Vang and Pastor Donna for helping me put up the new sign Friday night.

Jon at Latitudes worked with myself and Pastor Donna with the lettering on the sign and even applied it for us. I purchased the plexiglas for the window from Butte Glass. Both of these business were forthcoming with advice to make the sign better.



FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

Contact:

Pat Foster & Emily Fancher to sign up for a Sunday.

Italian Dinner & Auction

First United Methodist Church
Of Oroville
45 Acacia Ave
Oroville, California
530-534-9455

Saturday, March10, 2012
6 PM
Tickets
$10.00

- Antipasto
- Spaghetti
- Meatballs
- Salad
- GarlicBread
- Dessert
- Sparkling Cider
- Coffee
- Punch/Water

Tickets/reservations/information
Call Randy
530-533-5921

To benefit Our Food Program for those in need and Church Programs Open to the Oroville Community

The Official Mobile App of The United Methodist Church

The UMC app brings The United Methodist Church community to your mobile device. The "Find A Church" feature allows you to find a United Methodist church in a specific geographic location, as well as UMC conferences, agencies and administrative offices. In addition, you can access UMC news, daily devotionals, videos, resources and pictures.

http://www.umc.org/site/c.lwL4KnN1LtH/b.7792449/k.8BA7/UMC_Mobile_App.htm

Need help contact Jeremy Buis

Memorial Wreaths

The ladies from Eastern Star make Memorial Wreaths to place on Veterans graves at the Memorial Park Cemetery at Christmas. There are 3000 Veterans buried at the cemetery, last year they placed 1000 wreaths. They are inviting anyone interested in helping to make the wreaths to join them on Thursday March 15th at 1:00 pm in the basement of the Masonic Hall on Bird St. For more information you can speak to Vivian Grainger, Pat Foster or call Kathy Hardy at 370-0624 or khgst@yahoo.com .

BE __ SEE __ DO WHAT MATTERS TO GOD: A SERIES OF DISCOVERY EVENTS

February 25, 2012 **Photos by Linda Perry**

March Birthdays

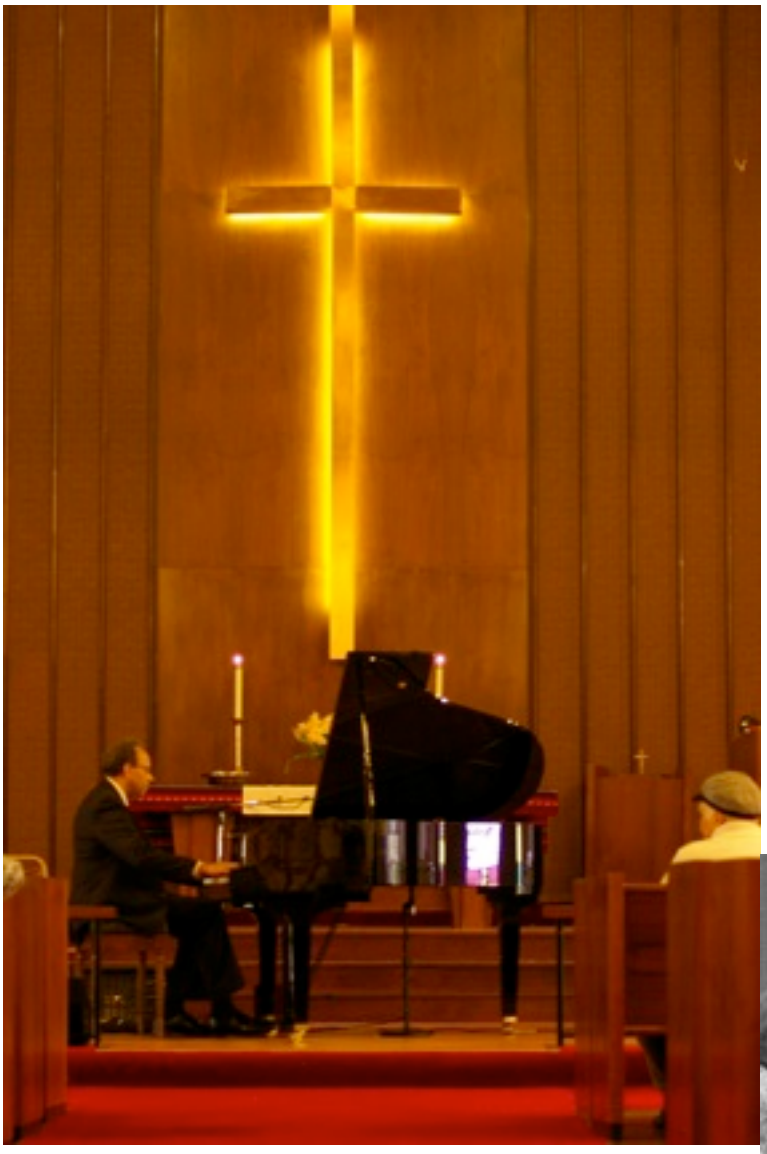
1 Wa Soua Vang
3 Pao Vang
4 Alie Cha Yang
6 Yee Khang Yang
6 Tong Ge Xiong
8 Abraham Xiong
9 Paul Xiong
11 Gail Eatough-Smith
12 Joan Jacobsen
13 Randy Fowler
16 Alma Short
16 Janet Short
16 James Xiong
18 David Dewey
18 Penny Vang
19 Mathew Xiong
19 Neng Vang
19 Donna Van Maanen
20 Linda Dewey
20 Cecilia Reinhardt
21 Mai Vang
24 Douglas Jacobsen
29 Cari Erwin

FIRST ANNUAL VALENTINE BRUNCH

On Saturday February 11, 2012 the first annual valentine brunch was held at the church. This brunch fundraiser was put on by our Hmong youth in our church. The beautiful brunch made $446.00 for our church general fund. There were no expenses because the brunch was sponsored by Mai Yang. The money made will be used to pay church expenses and bills.

The Finance Committee would like to thank all of our Hmong youth for working so hard to put on this beautiful brunch and we want to thank Mai Yang for sponsoring this event and covering the expenses of the brunch. We will look forward to this brunch again next year.

Thank you so much.
John S. Fowler
Chairman
Finance Committee



CALVIN TAYLOR

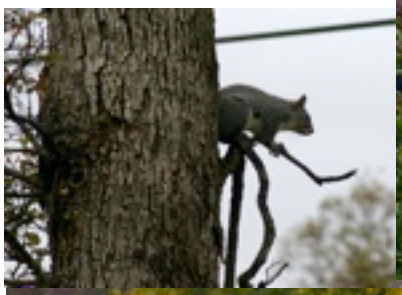
CALVIN TAYLOR
FEBRUARY 19, 2012

http://calvintaylormusic.org/

DAFFODIL HILL &
THE VEGETABLE GARDEN

On Nov. 20, the youth sunday school class planted daffodils over by the road. The day was very rainy, wet, and cold. while we planted daffodils the other sunday school kids planted vegetables for their garden, so please take a look at the beautiful garden on the right of the church. This is our second time planting daffodils. Our first ones have already sprouted. Next time we hope to get even more daffodils so we can make it even more colorful out by the road. To see the beautiful daffodils look to the right of the church. Please donate even more daffodils this time.

Macen Buis



April 24, 2012 through May 4,

GENERAL CONFERENCE WEBSITE:

http://www.umc.org/site/c.lwL4KnN1LtH/b.6171105/k.1E2E/General_Conference_2012.htm

FOLLOW THE CONFERENCE ON FACEBOOK:

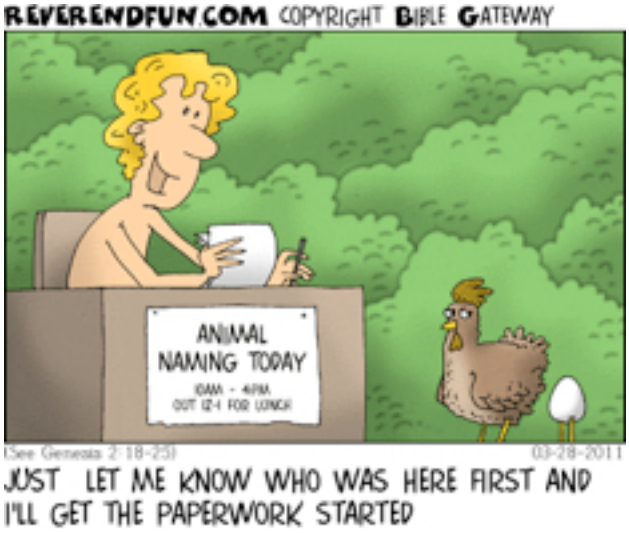
https://www.facebook.com/pages/2012-UMC-General-Conference-Prayer-Ministry/286622198062423

OR JOIN TWITTER:

http://twitter.com/#!/umcommunication

ADOPT A THERMOSTAT

There are ten classrooms and one sanctuary in serious need of having their thermostats updated. In the next Feather there will be a form for you to "adopt" one or more thermostat(s). Along with lockable covers for each thermostat. The cost of each thermostat and cover will be stated on the form. Hopefully this will help make the classrooms and sanctuary more energy effective.



SHOWING VIDEOS AT CHURCH

There has been a form submitted so we will be able to show videos on the church site. If this form was not submitted there would be a strong fine for showing videos with out the form.

By having this form, we could show family films during the summer with a BBQ or just popcorn. Admission would be by donation.

THE NEW LOOK OF THE GOLDEN FEATHER

As you may have notice the Golden Feather has a new look. Jeremy Buis is responsible for the new look. With the changes he made, it will make it easier for him to put the print version together. The online version will also have the same look.

If you do not have access to a computer and would like to see the online version, Jeremy would be happy to show it to you on one of the Church's computers.

BRUCE HARMON MEMORIAL PLAQUE AT HARRISON STADIUM

Donations for the plaque can be sent to 7 Oak Park Way, Oroville, CA 95966 or give it to Micah, Jeremy or Erin Buis. Please make checks to: OASIS with "Harmon Memorial Plaque" on the memo line

3rd Annual Ross-Harmon Educator of the Year

http://www.1stunitedmethodist.org/OFUMC/ROSS-HARMON.html

Each year the Ross-Harmon Educator of the Year Committee hosts an awards dinner to show our recognition of, and appreciation for, individuals who have provided significant contributions to the education of Students in the Oroville City Elementary School District and Oroville Union High School District. We rely on community members, staff, and parents to identify those individuals who deserve recognition.

Enclosed is a form you may use to nominate deserving individuals. The categories for nomination are:

- Teachers and other certificated staff
- Classified Employees

Recognition could be for innovative programs, years of volunteer service, or some other outstanding achievement by an individual who has added to the quality of life of students.

Please take the time to fill out the attached form so that deserving people will receive recognition for their efforts. The deadline for submission of nominations is Friday, March 30, 2012.

Online registration form:

http://www.1stunitedmethodist.org/OFUMC/FORM.html

March 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**	27	28	29 **WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**	1 **THURSDAY SCHEDULE** **TRUSTEES 7:00 PM**	2 **FRIDAY SCHEDULE**	3 **WORK DAY 9:00 AM**
4 **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**	5	6	7 **WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**	8 **THURSDAY SCHEDULE**	9 **FRIDAY SCHEDULE**	10 ***DINNER AND AUCTION***
11 **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**	12 **FINANCE 5:30 PM**	13	14 **WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**	15 **THURSDAY SCHEDULE**	16 **FRIDAY SCHEDULE**	17
18 **SUNDAY SCHEDULE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING**	19 **CHURCH COUNCIL 6:00 PM**	20 *CCCO 12:00 PM TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN*	21 **WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**	22 **THURSDAY SCHEDULE**	23 **FRIDAY SCHEDULE**	24 *HUNGER WALK 9:00 AM*
25 **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**	26 *Marlys Circle 7:00 PM Parsonage*	27	28 **WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**	29 **THURSDAY SCHEDULE**	30 **FRIDAY SCHEDULE**	31
1 **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**	2	3	4 **WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**	5 **THURSDAY SCHEDULE** **Maundy Thursday**	6 **FRIDAY SCHEDULE** *GOOD FRIDAY 12:00-2:OO PM FIRST CONGREGATION CHURCH*	7

DAILY SCHEDULES ARE ON THE LAST PAGE OF THE GOLDEN FEATHER

Welcome to

First United Methodist Church of Oroville

Celebrating Over 150 Years Serving The Oroville Community

Sunday Service Schedule

1st Sunday of each month
English/Hmong Communion Service

Adults & Children's Sunday School	8:45 a.m.
Hmong Service	8:45 a.m.
Chancel Choir Practice	10:00 a.m.
Hmong Adult's & Youth Sunday School	10:10 a.m.
English Service	10:30 a.m.
Children's Church	11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Schedule

Men's Bible Study & Breakfast @ Hofbrau	8:00 a.m.
Bible Round Table & Prayer	1:30 p.m.
Community Prayer Service	6:00 p.m.
Chancel Choir Practice	6:45 p.m.
Dinner @ Six each Wed. Sept. to May	6:00 p.m.

Thursday Schedule

Bible Study & Breakfast @ Cassidy's	7:30 a.m.

Friday Schedule

Sonwalkers Youth Group Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Young Adults	6:00 p.m.

Our mission is to know Christ and make Christ known: to nurture our relationship with God and our commitment to Jesus Christ, to invite others into the community of faith, to equip, send and support Christians for daily witness and service.

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Donna VanMaanen
XF. Chuckua Yang, Hmong Ministry
Rev. Laura Heffernan

Great Northern District Superintendent

Jerry Smith

Bishop of Cal/Nevada Conference

Bishop Warner H. Brown, Jr.

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