



*First United Methodist  
Church of Oroville*



# *Golden Feather*

***Following Jesus  
Thriving in Community  
Healing the World***

**Bishop Sandra K. Olewin | District Superintendent Rev. Mike Harrell**

**Pastor Tom Cota**

# AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

A festive birthday graphic featuring a large pink 'Happy Birthday' banner, a blue gift box with a white bow, a red heart, a birthday cake with candles and strawberries, and several colorful balloons (red, green, yellow, blue) and gift boxes (orange, green, blue, purple) with bows. The background is decorated with blue stars and streamers.

Happy Birthday

2 Pastor Yeu Yang

3 Joshua Yang

4 Jim Webster

5 Nouchang Vang

7 Bill Cheek

10 Pastor Tom Cota

11 Benjamin Yang

15 Mina Vang

15 Doug Bell

22 Melissa Yang

24 Joan Azevedo

30 Fue Khang Yang

# Co-operating Christian Churches News

## CCCO NEWS

We are winding down the year and will be concluding our monthly meetings in May. In September we will resume our meetings which are always held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at noon at various churches. Anyone is welcome so let me know if you are interested in attending. It's a great way of meeting people from other churches and finding out what other congregations are doing. Our final meeting of the year will be held at our church on Thursday, May 29th at 7 pm. This will be an Assention Day service. Part of the service will be the presentation of funds received from the hunger walk and pancake breakfast to the various organizations. Please plan to attend.

After our summer break I will resume updates to the CCCO.

Janet Short



# ***Alarming Info***



Just a friendly little nudge! If you accidentally trigger the alarm at church, make sure to ring the number on that handy paper next to the alarm panel and give Accularm a heads-up that you're at church and hit the panic button. If the alarm goes off and no one calls, Accularm starts dialing up our church crew to spread the alarm news. Lately, our heroes Jim Webster or Micah Buis have been on the scene to save the day and check things out, so we don't end up footing the bill for a police visit to a non-emergency. Let's keep it smooth and simple!

# 2025 Ross-Harmon Educator of the Year



2025 Ross-Harmon Educator of the Year Honorees and those who took the time to nominate them.

## **2025 Honorees**

### **Oroville Union High School District**

**Keely Fraizer    Mary Lynch**

**Sammy Burnett    Angelina Navarro**

### **Oroville City Elementary School District**

**Carlota Diaz    Brianna Stanley**

### **Palermo Union Elementary School District**

**Tami Wood**

### **Stream Charter School**

**Kelly Thao**

## **Special Honorees**

**Gail Leonard    April Boling (not pictured)**

## **News and Announcements**

1. We are looking for people to help serve during coffee hour or greet people entering our church. There is a sign up sheet in the back that you can sign up with or you can see Alma Short for more information.
2. We are still collecting recyclables for the Heifer project. You can bring them to church and give to Micah or Jeremy Buis. See the Golden Feather for more info on the recycling.
3. Church alarm if you accidentally set off the alarm please call Accularm right away to notify them that it was an accidental alarm. The number to call is next to each alarm panel.
4. When turning on the thermostats in the Social Hall make sure "fan" is set to "auto" and not "on". Also if the heater or air conditioner is on please do leave exterior doors open. We do not have the finances to cool the outside world in the summer or heat it in the winter. Let's stick to just keeping the social hall cool or warm when it's being used.



# WORSHIP COMMITTEE

**WORSHIP COUNCIL MEETING, March 26, 2025 at 5:30 pm**

Pastor Tom started our meeting with Prayer.

**PRESENT** at the meeting were: Janet Short, Micah Buis, Jeremy Buis, Erin Buis, Alma Short, Pastor Tom Cota and Evelyn Cota.

Note received from Tracy Yang that she was sick and she was unable to be at the meeting. There were no previous Minutes.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**PALM SUNDAY: 4/13.** Janet has the Plastic Palm branches that she will hand out to the kids and adults for a procession down the middle aisle of the church. Pastor will choose some procession songs that he likes and will get in touch with Joline and Patty.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY: 4/17.** There will not be a service that night.

**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE: 4/18,** is at the Congregational Church at noon, and is done by CCCO pastors. Pastor Tom will attend and will be part of the Service if they need him.

**EASTER SUNDAY: 4/20.** there will not be a Sunrise Service. Janet will coordinate the flowers for the cross. Each person can go to the cross and add a flower and then go to the back of the line for the next flower. This procedure will make the flowering much faster.

**FLOWERING THE CROSS FOR EASTER:** Members shall bring flowers from church to cover the cross. There will be receptacles for the flowers up by the cross.

**EASTER EGG HUNT:** the Easter Egg Hunt will be as usual after the Service. Please bring plastic or real eggs before that morning to be used when the eggs are hidden for the Hunt.

**COMMUNION SUNDAY:** There have been requests to move Communion back to the first Sunday of the Month. Decision made by this committee to have Communion on the first Sunday of each month. The second Sunday will be our Potluck after Church Service.

**COFFEE HOUR AND GREETERS:** there is no problem getting Greeters but the Coffee Hour is getting too expensive. A decision was made that we just offer coffee, punch, water, and cookies. Patty Bell, Jim Webster, and Linda Herrick have offered to bring cookies for Sundays. Just let them know. They are unable to do the set up and clean up but will bring what is needed as food.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:** If you would like to do a Children's Message. Let Chamee know. We are all pleased that this is back in our Service

Pastor Tom is loving the translations being done by our Hmong members during the Service. He would like to change our response during the prayer time from the congregation. To make that time smoother we will say "God is Good all the time", only one time at the end of all of our Prayers.

We talked about Bible School. CCCO is talking about one with our cooperating churches. We may be part of it. Wait and see.

There was not another meeting date set. If you feel a need of one let Pastor Tom know.  
Respectfully Submitted by Alma Short

# *Cochran Memorial Scholarship*

Each year a scholarship will be awarded to a member of the First United Methodist Church of Oroville who has graduated high school. The deadline is March 31st.

For the scholarship form go to the website below or scan the qr code to take you straight to the page.

[http://1stunitedmethodist.org/Scholarship\\_App.html](http://1stunitedmethodist.org/Scholarship_App.html)





1. We need to take the caps off the plastic bottles
2. We need to bag plastic, aluminum, and glass separately.
3. **Glass can include wine bottles.**
4. Everything must have CA CRV on it.
5. You can drop them off at church or at Nonie & Micah's house on the carport.
6. Call Micah at (530) 533-1868 and he will meet you in his driveway when you arrive.

I am so glad not to lose this project that we have been supporting for so many years. How exciting it always was to find out how much money we had collected for the year and then what animal we could buy for a family overseas. Thank you Jeremy and Micah for taking it on.

Alma

*If we don't answer when you call just place your recycling next to our garbage bins. Please no milk jugs. Micah and family*



***May Recycling  
\$34.00***

# RECYCLABLES

## RECICLABLES



PLASTIC BOTTLES, TUBS, AND JUGS  
BOTELLAS, BALDES Y JARRAS DE PLÁSTICO



GLASS  
VIDRIO



PAPER AND CARDBOARD  
PAPEL Y CARTÓN



METAL  
METAL



NO  
FOOD  
COMIDA  
NO



NO HAZARDOUS OR  
ELECTRONIC WASTE  
DESECHOS PELIGROSOS  
O ELECTRÓNICOS NO



NO SINGLE-USE  
PLASTIC  
PLÁSTICO DE  
UN SOLO USO NO



NO  
PPE  
EPP  
NO



NO MEDICAL  
WASTE  
DESECHOS  
MÉDICOS NO



## MAINTAINING YOUR ORGANICS CONTAINERS

### KEEPING YOUR GREEN CART CLEAN

Maggots are fly larvae and occur when flies lay eggs on organic materials. This can occur in any cart where organic materials are placed (garbage or organics cart).

Maggots typically have a seven-day life cycle with fluctuations depending on temperatures and other conditions such as moisture.

To prevent maggots from occurring, eliminate odors, and reduce their access to the cart follow these tips:

- Wrap your meat food scraps and bones in a sheet of newspaper before placing them in your green organics cart.
- Freeze your seafood or meat scraps until the day prior to your collection day.
- Put a layer of yard trimmings, food-soiled paper (napkins or paper towels), or baking soda on top of your food scraps.
- Rinse your organics cart with a mild detergent and water.
- Keep the cart lid closed.
- Spray the rim of the cart with bleach, ammonia, or bug spray weekly.



### MAGGOTS IN YOUR GREEN ORGANICS CART?

If you end up with maggots in your green organics cart, the following can help:

- Spray the top and inside of the cart with vinegar.
- Cover the maggots with lime, salt, or vinegar.



### HOW TO MINIMIZE ODORS

If you would like to minimize odors from your green cart, the following can help:

- Mix food scraps with materials that are dry and absorbent (and also organic) such as plant debris, shredded bills and sensitive documents, and paper napkins or towels. Sprinkling baking soda in the cart can help for smaller amounts of food scraps too.
- Store your cart in a cooler, shady area so the heat doesn't increase the decomposition (and smell) of the contents of the cart.



### HOW TO CLEAN YOUR GREEN ORGANICS CART

If you need to clean your green organics cart, do not use soap and other "cleaners" that could damage local ecosystems. Instead use natural methods and ingredients such as:

- Leave the cart lid open on a rainy day or rinse out the cart with a hose. Make sure to dump the used water and organics debris in landscaping (not into the storm drain).
- Try lime or lemon, baking soda, and vinegar inside the cart to clean and scrub away odors.

#### CONTACT US

Recology Butte Colusa 530.533.5868  
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Oroville, CA 95965

#### OTHER RESOURCES

CityOfOroville.org  
CalRecycle.ca.gov

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## DO NOT RECYCLE OR COMPOST THESE ITEMS

These items are often mistakenly put in the recycling bin. Placing them in the compost or recycling container is a contamination violation.

1. All plastic bags, packaging, utensils, and straws are garbage. Even if they have a "recycling symbol" on them they are not recyclable.
2. Polystyrene packaging, cups, plates, block, or to-go containers are not allowed in the recycle or organic cart.
3. Clothes/textiles cannot be recycled in your recycling cart. They can be recycled/down-cycled by donating them to a non profit.

Batteries are hazardous waste and can cause a fire in our trucks and/or the processing facility if disposed of incorrectly. You can dispose of batteries at most home improvement stores or visit the Hazardous Waste Facility at the Recology Transfer Station at 2720 South Fifth Avenue, in Oroville, Monday to Friday 8 AM to 4 PM and Saturday 8 AM to 4:30 PM. For more information, please see our website, [Recology.com](http://Recology.com).

## FREE MATTRESS DROP OFF

Residents can drop off up to 3 mattresses and/or box springs free of charge all year long at the Recology Transfer Station at 2720 South Fifth Avenue, in Oroville, Monday to Friday 8 AM to 4 PM and Saturday 8 AM to 4:30 PM.

## BENEFITS OF COMPOSTING

Composting is nature's way of recycling and is one of the most powerful actions we can take to reduce landfill waste, combat climate change, and build healthy soil. It supports the environment by:

- **Reducing methane emissions:** Composting organic waste lowers methane output from landfills.
- **Decreasing waste:** Diverts organic material from landfills.
- **Recycling nutrients:** Compost transforms organic waste into nutrient-rich soil.

Using compost in your backyard, local farms, schools, parks, and other green spaces replenishes the soil with essential organic matter.

Scan the QR code to watch our 3-minute video "Back to the Core: A Compost Story".



Scan to watch:  
"Back to the Core: A  
Compost Story"

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## HOW TO PREPARE FOOD SCRAPS FOR COLLECTION

1. Collect food scraps while preparing meals, scraping plates, and/or cleaning out the refrigerator of spoiled food. Include paper towels, napkins, paper plates, and pizza boxes (make sure to dispose of any plastic in the garbage).



2. Empty your kitchen compost pail, including soiled paper, and any vegetative waste into your green compost cart. No plastic bags are allowed in the green compost cart.



3. We'll take it from here! We haul your compost to a local facility and within 60 days, it is made into rich compost that is used throughout the community and beyond to help regenerate the soil.



## FREE INDOOR FOOD SCRAP PAILS

Free indoor compost pails are available to Oroville residents (one per household) for the collection of food scraps in your kitchen. Please contact City of Oroville at [recycle@cityoforoville.org](mailto:recycle@cityoforoville.org) to request a pail.



**Remember those in our church family  
in need of prayers:**



Prayers for **Gail Leonard** as she is taking a leave from our church at this time to focus on her family and her health. Pray

for healing and that she will be back with us soon; **Jim Webster** has been recently hospitalized in Gridley with low blood pressure and a minor infection. Pray for healing; **Reidun McGrath** asks for prayers for her 85 year old sister who fell & has broken ribs & needs rehab; Prayers for **David Dewey's** back pain to subside; Prayers for **Larry Ott**, who was hospitalized recently with internal bleeding, but is home now & doing better; Prayers for **Glenda Ott's sister** who was recently hospitalized; **Gail Leonard** asks for prayers for her **sister Rachel's husband William**. William was diagnosed with skin cancer. Please include prayers for **Phinnize & Garret**, their disabled adult children who depend on them for their care; **Pastor Tom** asks for prayers for his friend who had a stroke & is not in good shape; **Gail Leonard** is asking for prayers for herself as she is struggling with diverticulitis; Prayers for **Emily Fancher** as she is going through a hard time with her health; Prayers for **Patty Bell** as she has injured her ankle & is recovering, but able to walk now; Prayers for **Janet Short's neighbor Della** who is going through the loss of her great grandchild; **Zoua Yang** ask for prayers for her **sister in Thailand** as she had a stroke; **Keith Felice** asks for prayers for his **brother Jerry**; **Ka Vang** asks for prayers for her sister-in law as was recently hospitalized; **Gail Leonard** asks for prayers for her **sister Rachel** as she still struggles with arthritis and recently fell & is bedridden for a couple of weeks. Pray for healing; Prayers for **Doug Bell's friend in Willows** who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer;

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Prayers for **Sharon & Bill Cheek** as they have moved to Chico and for **Sharon** who suffers from neuropathy & **Bill** suffers from digestive problems; **Gail Leonard** asks for prayers for her **friend Sue**. Due to declining health, she had to have part of her leg amputated. Pray for **Sue's husband Tom** as he struggles with cancer; Prayers for **John Fowler** as he suffered some small strokes & is having PT to help recover; Prayers for **Gail Leonard's husband Troy** as he is on a new medication but is doing well on it, so she is joyful about it; **Gail** asks for prayers for her niece **Nicole** who was recently diagnosed with uterine cancer and is facing surgery; **Sue Fredericksen** asks for prayers for **Jesse Brown**, the father of her great grandson. Jesse has kidney cancer & is waiting to see a kidney cancer doctor; **Carol Anderson** asks for prayers for her **brother Steve**; Prayers for **Reidun McGrath's brother & sister** who are both not doing well; **Sue Fredericksen** is asking for prayers for her **niece Serenity Deliz** who has long Covid and pulmonary hypertension. She recently found out she is stage 8 of heart failure at age 47. Pray for healing; Prayers for **Susan Sharon** as she is having vision problems in one eye; Prayers for a friend of **Doug Bell's, Roger**, who has terminal cancer & is in hospice care at home; **Sue Fredericksen's friend Rick** is battling cancer & is having chemo. **Sue F** asks for prayers for **Brandi Marshall, her daughter-in-law** who has MS; Keep **Erin & Jeremy Buis** in your prayers as they deal with **Jeremy's** fibromyalgia and **Erin's** chronic back issues and multiple out of town doctor's visits; **Sue Fredericksen** asks for prayers for **family friend Chuck Kraft** who has pancreatic cancer; **Gail Leonard** asks for prayers for her **sister-in-law Cynthia Gonzalez** who is in end stage liver disease and is in Hospice Care; **Carol Anderson** asks for prayers for her **friend Leanna Felardo**; **Patty Bell** asks for prayers for her **friend Becky** who has lymphoma;

Prayers for **Carol Anderson** as she is suffering from Parkinson's; Prayers also for **Sue F.** as she is tolerating her chronic pain and COPD and prayers are very much appreciated; **the Hmong Congregation** asks for prayer for all those who are ill & need healing; **Ka** asks for prayers for all to be healthy & happy; Continue to pray for **Jeremy & Erin Buis** for better health for Jeremy & less back pain for Erin.

Prayers for our **Pastor Yeu Vang & his wife Michelle** as **Pastor Yeu** suffered a stroke in October. Pastor Yeu & Michelle have moved to Marysville to be close to family & his doctors. Continue to pray for a complete recovery for **Pastor Yeu**. We will miss them both!! So please continue to pray for a miracle!

Pray for those with ongoing concerns: Jeannie Long, Pat Gray, Louise Weitze; Wayne Smith; Pastor Chuckua Vang; Jeremy Buis; Steve Ewalt; Nancy Jacobsen, Stephanie Couris, Cody Fredericksen, Rhylan Fredericksen, Chuck & Marie Bailey, Haydon Wyman, Diane Becerra, Phil Azevedo, Connie Longshore, Frank Johnson, Josiah Hayden, Mitchell Kenneth, Nick Butrix, Connie Myers, Linda Perry, Wang Her Vang, Pastor Joseph Vang, Erin Buis, Derek Cheek, Joan Azevedo, Joe & Cathie Mooney and Bill & Sharon Cheek.

Pray for our military at home & abroad and for the families of our missing ones, our POW's & MIA's who never came home and for those suffering from PTSD and are suicidal. They serve, so we can be free.

Pray for Peace in the Middle East & all of our service personnel who are there to help with peacekeeping.

**Continue to pray** for our overall church finances. We are having a tough time paying our bills now that the preschool is gone, and we no longer receive any funds from them. Please continue to help the church become debt free! "You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in Thanksgiving to God." 2 Corinthians 9:11.

**JOYS:** **Alma Short** is thankful for the Hmong community who got to go camping & still make it back to church on Sunday. **Tracy Yang** reports she had a great time camping & worshipping while at camp. **Patty Bell** is grateful for the prayers while she recovers from her injury. She is getting around better & will be seeing a specialist; **Ka Vang** wishes to thank all the Hmong community for cooking for her mom's funeral & everything done to support them during this time. And thanks to the Anglo Community for their prayers & visits.

Death: Prayers for **Ka Vang** and her family as they mourn the loss of **Ka's mom Kou Yang Chang**, who passed away on July 8<sup>th</sup>. A service was held at the Southside Community Center.

Sue Fredericksen's new email is [suef@hmo.org](mailto:suef@hmo.org). You can email her any prayer requests that you want to put on the prayer chain or email directly to [oroumcprayer@gmail.com](mailto:oroumcprayer@gmail.com) or text or call at 530-854-3599. You can leave a voice mail.

**NOTE:** As you read the above, please let us know if there is anyone who needs to be removed/added to the prayer list or ongoing concerns, please email

## EMERGENCY EVACUATION – ITEMS TO GATHER

No. of vehicles \_\_\_\_\_ Drivers \_\_\_\_\_ Trailers \_\_\_\_\_ Motorcycles \_\_\_\_\_

### 15-minute warning:

1. Wallet, purse, keys, glasses
2. Cell phone(s), charger(s)
3. Emergency cash, credit card
4. Pets, carriers, leashes, meds
5. Clothes, shoes, hats for season
6. Hearing aids, medications
7. Flashlights, extra batteries
8. Safety deposit box key(s)
9. Checkbooks, bills to pay
10. \_\_\_\_\_
11. \_\_\_\_\_

### 30-minute warning:

(The above, plus):

1. Pillows, sleeping bags, blankets
2. Address book, phone list
3. Jewelry & most-valuable personal possessions
4. Personal hygiene items
5. Other meds, supplements
6. First aid kit, medical items
7. Pet food, dishes, bedding, litter
8. Children's items, toys, books
9. Battery radio, extra batteries
10. Toilet paper, hand wipes, soap
11. Clothing for 3 days, shoes
12. Computer, monitor, laptop
13. Gal. jugs of drinking water
14. \_\_\_\_\_
15. \_\_\_\_\_

### 1-hour warning:

1. Take or safeguard guns, ammo
2. Ice cooler w/ice, food, drinks
3. Genealogy records, files
4. 3 days food, special diet items
5. Gloves, dust mask for smoke
6. Paper plates, cups, utensils
7. School items, homework, pen, pencil, books, calculator, paper
8. Licenses, vehicle titles, deeds
9. Insurance, financial, medical data; Wills, Powers of Atty.
10. Personal property list, photos & appraisals, documentation
11. \_\_\_\_\_
12. \_\_\_\_\_

### 2-hour+ warning:

1. Albums, photos, home videos
2. Albums, photos, home videos
3. Family photos on display
4. Military decorations, records, mementoes, plaques
5. Luggage (packed)
6. Valuable items, cameras
7. Heirlooms, art, collections
8. Primary cosmetics
9. Secondary vehicles, RV
10. Camping equipment, tent
11. Journals, diaries, letters
12. \_\_\_\_\_

# **POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR COFFEE HOUR**

## **Policy:**

1. A coffee hour is provided after the 10:30 AM service by volunteers of the church.
2. The church will provide coffee, tea, creamer, and sweeteners.
3. The church will provide cups, plates, napkins, and silverware.
4. The church will provide drink concentrate(?) and ice.
5. Those who volunteer for running the coffee hour will provide snacks.
6. Volunteers will make the coffee, tea, and punch and set it out on the table provided along with snacks. Please make both Reg & Decaf (Some members can't have the caffeine).
7. Volunteers will remove all items, clean up the dishes and table, and place items used in their normal storage areas.
8. They will also wash towels used and bring them back to the church towel drawer.

## **Procedure:**

Randy Fowler will purchase the provided items listed above and place these supplies in their appropriate areas for coffee hour access.

Alma Short will set up a sign up sheet for volunteers to run the coffee hour on each Sunday throughout the year, remind volunteers of their designated coffee hour Sunday, and orient new volunteers on the policies and procedures regarding coffee hour responsibilities including where supplies are kept.

Volunteers on their designated coffee hour Sunday will:

- A. Turn on the coffee maker to warm the water.
- B. Make a pot of hot water with the coffee maker for tea, and place it on an activated warmer plate.
- C. Make a pot of regular and decaf coffee and put them on an activated warmer plate.
- D. Make the punch in a punch bowl with water and ice, and place it on the serving table.
- E. Place the plates, cups, napkins, silverware, creamer, and sweeteners on the serving table.
- F. Place their snacks on plates on the serving table with appropriate serving utensils.
- G. Monitor the table as people come through the serving line and assist as needed.
- H. After serving is completed clean the coffee pots, punch bowl, and other utensils and dishes used for the coffee hour and return them to their storage areas.
- I. Turn off the coffee maker and warmer plates.
- J. Clean the Serving table and counters used.
- K. Notify person in charge of purchasing what coffee hour supplies need to be replenished.

# Mobile App for our Church

We now have a mobile app for our local church. There are still items being added to it and suggestions are welcome (there's a spot on the app for suggestions). One thing about this app is you have to close it after use to be able to see any new info on the app. iPhone's you swipe up from the bottom then swipe the app screen towards the top. I believe the other phones are similar in closing apps. You can also access the online church directory from this app.



## **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 [orovilleumc45@gmail.com](mailto:orovilleumc45@gmail.com) 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 third Sunday of the month. Any questions please check with Jeremy Buis. He will be happy to help you.

### **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 without 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. Go to [cvli.com](http://cvli.com) to see the list of movies available.

**Keep an eye out for Family Movie Nights coming soon as a fundraiser for the church.**

### **Prayer Chain**

If you would like to be put on the email or phone list to be informed of Prayer Chain requests for prayers please let Sue Fredericksen know (530) 854-3599.

You may also send an email to [oroumcprayer@gmail.com](mailto:oroumcprayer@gmail.com) new additional prayer line <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1stumcoro/>

*(Facebook group is a closed group so only members see postings)*

# Flowers on the Altar

**The flower calendar is located as you enter the church on the bulletin board. If you have a special event or someone you would like to honor or remember by bringing flowers for the altar please sign up on the date and your name. The information regarding who or what you are bringing flowers for can be printed in the bulletin if you let Janet or Jeremy know prior to the Sunday you are bringing flowers. Remember you do not have to purchase flowers. Something from your yard is always nice. It's always lovely to see flowers on the altar so I hope you will consider bringing some for a special occasion.**



# HELLO

**my name is**

Please  
remember to  
wear your name  
tag on Sunday.



With new people attending our church name tags are the best way to help everyone remember names. If you're in need of a new name tag or need yours replaced see Jeremy Buis (guy in the sound booth).

# Oroville First United Methodist Church

## Prayer Chain Team

Sue Fredericksen

(530) 854-3599

You may also send an email to

[oroumcprayer@gmail.com](mailto:oroumcprayer@gmail.com)

Helen Beall

(530) 589-3149

Ellen Felice

(530) 533-8879

Susan Sharon

(530) 353-5839

**\*\*Please contact Sue Fredericksen if you would like your prayer request to go to the prayer chain.**

**You may also send an email to [oroumcprayer@gmail.com](mailto:oroumcprayer@gmail.com)\*\***

# First United Methodist Church of Oroville

## 2023 Church Officers & Committees

### 2023 CHURCH ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL

Pastor Tom Cota

Position	Servant Leader
Co-Chair/Lay Leader (English)	Gail Leonard
Co-Chair/Lay Leader (Hmong)	Tyler Yang
Secretary	TBD
Membership Secretary	Bill Cheek
Local Member to Annual Conference (English)	Gail Leonard
Local Member to Annual Conference (Hmong)	TBD
Trustees' Chairman	Jeremy Buis
SPRC Chair	Chamee Yang
Finance Chair/Treasurer	John Fowler
Stewardship/Outreach Chair	Randy Fowler
Worship Chair	Pastor Tom Cota
Sunday School Director	Shoua Lor
Youth President	Michelle Vang

### Recommendation for Pastoral Candidacy

Pastor Tom Cota

### Certified Lay Servants

Gail Leanord  
Davi Vang  
Mai Yang

Jim Webster  
Shoua Kong-Yang

Tracy Xiong  
Sue Frederickson

Chamee Vang  
Hlee Vang

### Church Historian:

### Publicity Director:

TBD

### Enduring Gifts Director:

Alma Short

## 2023 COMMITTEES

### Worship Committee

Position	Servant Leader
Worship Chair	Pastor Tom Cota
Sound & Visual	Jeremy Buis
Usher's Coordinator	Erin Buis & Micah Buis
Greeter's Coordinator	Alma Short
Organist	Patty Bell
Chancel Choir Director	Jolin Hibbert
Liturgist Coordinator	Bill Cheek & Sharon Cheek
Altar Flowers	Janet Short & Sharon Cheek
Wedding Coordinators	Alma Short
Communion Stewards	Erin Buis, Sem Xiong, Tyler Yang
Funeral & Memorials	Erin Buis and Micah Buis
Paraments & Altaware	Micah Buis, Janet Short
Anointing Coordinators	Som Xiong

### Hmong Ministry Committee (2024-2026)

Position	Servant Leader
Pastor	Pastor Tom Cota
Chairperson	Tyler Yang
Secretary	Mai Yang
Treasurer	Jay Vang
Men's President	Davi Vang
Women's President	Tracy Yang
Youth Director	Penny Xiong
Youth President	Michelle Vang
Sunday School Director	Shoua Lor
Song Coordinator	Ka Vang (N. Vam Choj Vaaj)

### Finance Committee

Position	Servant Leader
Finance Chair/Treasurer	John Fowler
Secretary	Betty Ledford
Financial Secretary	Sharon Cheek
Hmong Representative	Som Xiong
Stewardship Chair	Randy Fowler
Committee Member	Bill Cheek
Pastor	Pastor Tom Cota

## **TELLERS**

Jeremy Buis  
Jim Webster  
Bill Cheek

## **Outreach Committee**

Chair: Randy Fowler

Bill Cheek	Sem Xiong
Sharon Cheek	Joe Mooney
Som Xiong	Xeng Lee

## **Prayers & Visitation Team**

Chair: Sue Fredrickson

Helen Beal, Ellen Felice, Susan Sharon, Zoua Thao-Yang, Ka Vang

## **Staff/Parish Relations Committee**

Chair: Chamee Yang

Vice-Chair: Mai Yang

Secretary: Mai Yang

Pastor: Pastor Tom Cota

Ex-officio member: Gail Leonard, Tyler Yang

2024	2025	2026
Randy Fowler (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Joe Mooney	Glenda Ott
Mai Yang (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Chamee Yang	
	Wendy Lee	

## **Nominations & Leadership Development Committee**

Chair: Pastor Tom Cota

Ex-officio member: Gail Leonard (Lay leader), Tyler Yang (Hmong Lay Leader)

2024	2025	2026
Bill Cheek (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Ellen Felice	Sem Xiong
David Dewey (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Penny Xiong	Mai Yang
Linda Dewey (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)		Nan Yang

## **Board of Trustees (Officers elected by Board of Trustees)**

Chair: Jeremy Buis

Vice-Chair: Gail Leonard

Secretary: TBD

Treasurer: Jim Webster

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Louise Weitze	Jim Webster	Gail Leonard
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		Jeremy Buis

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send and support Christians for daily witness and service.**

**Sunday Service Schedule**

Adults & Children's Sunday School.....8:45 a.m.  
Chancel Choir Practice(Sept - May).....9:45 a.m.  
Hmong Adult's Sunday School .....10:10 a.m.  
Hmong Youth Sunday School. ....10:10 a.m.  
Combined English/Hmong Service.....10:30 a.m.  
Communion Service is the 2nd Sunday (All are welcome).....10:30 a.m.  
English Service.....10:30 a.m.  
Coffee Hour & Fellowship.....Following Service  
Trustees Meeting 4th Sunday of the month .....Following Service

**Wednesday Schedule**

Finance Meeting (Second Wednesday ).....5:30 p.m.

**Thursday Schedule**

Bible Study & Breakfast.....7:30 a.m.

**Friday Schedule**

Sonwalkers Youth Group Meeting.....6:00 p.m.  
Young Adults.....6:00 p.m.  
Hmong Women's Choir.....6:00 p.m.