

THE GOLDEN FEATHER



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March Dinner at 6 \$7.00 Donation

March 1st

Breaded Pork Cutlets, Mashed Potatoes, Country Gravy, Vegetable, Dinner Roll, Salad, Dessert
Chef Randy Fowler

March 8th

Pasta with Homemade Sauce, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert
Chef: Trustees

March 15th

Meatloaf, Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable, Salad, Bread, Dessert
Chef: Randy Fowler/SPRC

March 22nd

Hmong Cuisine
Chef: Hmong Ladies

March 29th

Chicken Cacciatore, Vegetable, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert
Chef: Randy Fowler/Outreach

Save the Date

March 1

Ash Wednesday Worship, after the Wed night dinner.

March 5

Potluck, Communion, Council Meeting & the Hmong Praise Team along with Patty will be leading worship for combine service for the first time.

March 18

Hunger Walk
Riverbend Park

March 25

Dinner and Auction
6:00 pm

April 16

Easter Sunrise Worship
Service at 6:30am

Breakfast served by
Outreach Committee from
8am-10am

Easter Service from
10:30am-11:30am
Easter egg hunt at church.
Bring the KIDS!

April 24

Ross-Harmon Educator of
the Year Dinner
6:00 pm

Pastor's Message

Cheng Yang

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Hi everyone,

Well, I just celebrated the completion of my six months here with the church. It's been a joyful experience filled with lots of new friendships and learning experiences. Yet, this also means that it's getting closer to that time of year again for the Methodist pastors to start making their transitions. Most pastors will likely stay where they are while others may move on to a different church. Regardless, I look forward to working closely with the SPRC Chair and SPRC Committee to ensure that there's a shared vision in the church that will provide direction for both the Hmong and Anglo congregation to ensure that the right pastoral leadership is in place to help the church grow.

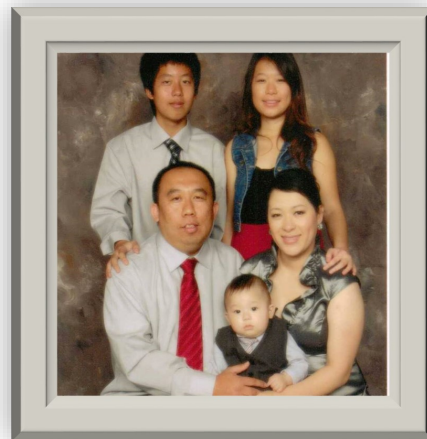
Not only will I be working with the SPRC, but, some of my goals for the next few months is to help the young couples develop a worship team that can help grow their faith. I also want to provide opportunities in the church for them to serve as according to the gifts that God has blessed them with. I will also take a look at the youth ministry and do my best to explore different ways that we can help the youth of our church.

As I end this message, I want to point out that as March arrives, we will be going into the season of Lent. This is a time of self-reflection for all of us. For this reason, I am reminded of the two greatest commandment which calls us to love God with all our heart, soul, and mind and to love our neighbors as we love ourselves (Matt. 22:37-39, Mark 12:30-31, Luke 10:27). I ask that we take the time to reflect on these two commandments and ask ourselves what we can do to better our relationship with God and with our neighbors. Once you reflect on these things, please share your thoughts with at least another person and have them pray for you.

Prayers for all in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

In Christ,

Pastor Cheng Yang
(*Xh. Txawj Tsheej Yaj*)
First United Methodist Church of Oroville



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

for updates please give the information to Erin or Jeremy Buis or
send to: umc@1stunitedmethodist.org

1 Wa Soua Vang
3 Lor Pao Vang
3 Sharon Cheek
4 Alie Cha Yang
6 Yee Khang Yang
6 Mel Love
6 Tong Ge Xiong
8 Abraham Xiong
9 Paull Xiong
12 Mong Zong Vang
12 Joan Jacobsen
13 Michelle Vang
13 Randy Fowler
14 Koen Vang



16 Alma Short
16 Joseph Yang
16 Janet Short
16 James Xiong
18 David Dewey
18 Penny Vang
19 Mathew Xiong
19 Neng Vang
20 Linda Dewey
20 Cecilia Reinhardt
21 Mai Vang
24 Douglas Jacobsen
29 Cari Erwin

MARCH WORSHIP

March 5th

Pastor Cheng Yang

Greeters: Pat Gray

Coffee Hour: Bill & Sharon Cheek

Lockup: Sem Xiong

March 12th

Rev. Dr. Robert Biehler

Greeters: Pat Gray

Coffee Hour: Jim Webster

Lockup: Gladeen Leboeuf

March 19th

Pastor Cheng Yang

Greeters: Sharon & Bill Cheek

Coffee Hour: Betty Ledford

Lockup: Jeremy Buis

March 26th

Pastor Cheng Yang

Greeters: Emily & Richard Fancher

Coffee Hour: Emily & Richard Fancher

Lockup: Susan Sharon

Dinner @ 6 Schedule 2016 - 2017

September

7th Randy
14th Trustees
21st Randy/SPRC
28th Hmong Ladies

October

5th Randy
12th Randy/Finance
19th Randy/Outreach
26th Hmong Ladies

November

2nd Randy
9th Randy/SPRC
16th Trustees
23rd No Dinner
30th Outreach/Disci

December

7th Randy
14th Randy/Finance
21st No Dinner
28th No Dinner

January

4th Randy
11th Trustees
18th Randy
25th Hmong Ladies

February

1st Randy
8th Randy/Finance
15th Outreach/Disc
22nd Hmong Ladies

March

7th Randy
14th Trustees
21st Randy/SPRC
28th Hmong Ladies

April

5th Randy
12th No Dinner
19th Randy/Finance
26th Hmong Ladies

May

3rd Randy
10th Randy/SPEC
17th Randy
24th Hmong Ladies

**If anyone needs any help with
your dinner or advice please call
Randy 533-5921**

March 2017

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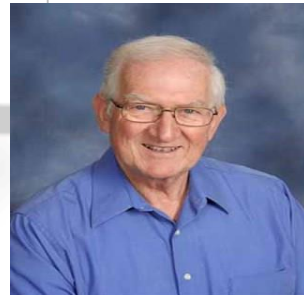
One Church - Two Languages

English Worship Service

Sunday @ 10:30am



Pastor Cheng Yang



Rev. Dr. Robert Biehler
(Guest Pastor)

Preaching Schedule

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
Rev. Dr. Robert Biehler	*March 1 st (Ash Wednesday Service)
Pastor Cheng Yang	**March 5 th
Rev. Dr. Robert Biehler	March 12 th
Pastor Cheng Yang	March 19 th
Pastor Cheng Yang	March 26 th



Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.
The people of The United Methodist Church™

*Ash Wednesday Worship Service will take place after Wed. night dinner

**Combine service, potluck, communion, and church council meeting

Ross-Harmon Educator of the Year

Monday, April 24, 2017
Nominations deadline March 27, 2017

Nomination forms are online:
<http://ross-harmon.org/>

2016 Award Honorees

Andree Earley & Sandra Dysart – Oroville Union High School District
Catherine Diaz & Tabitha Vangunda – Oroville City Elementary School District
Sara Smock & Diana Noyer – Palermo Union School District
Ed Gregorio – Thermalito Union School District

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

There is a calendar in the Nathex on your left as you are going into the Social Hall to sign up for flowers for the altar. If you would like to have them in honor, memory etc. of someone or a special occasion, please note this in the space following the Sunday you signed up for. It will be announced in the church bulletin.

A plant, flowers from your yard etc. would be great. If you have questions, please contact Janet Short @ 589-1483 or Emily Fancher @ 589-5219.



Ross-Harmon Educator of the

It's time to start planning the annual Ross-Harmon Educator of the Year Award and Dinner. The first meeting will be Sunday, January 22nd, during Coffee Hour in the Social Hall. If you are not able to make the meeting and are interested tell Erin Buis

We welcome any and all who would like to participate in this event. Come join us and hear about this great event honoring a certificated and classified person from Oroville High School District, Oroville City Elementary District, Palermo Union School District and Thermalito Union School District. Check out our plaques listing the past honorees in the Social Hall.

We have a web page ross-harmon.org, Facebook page and email ross.harmon.ed.of.yr@gmail.com

This has also turned into a nice fundraiser for the church. In the past we purchased bells for the Sunday School children.



LOW VISION SUPPORT GROUP

FEATHER RIVER SENIOR CITIZENS
ASSOCIATION
1335 MYERS ST
3RD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
11 AM TO NOON
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
PAT GRAY
530-712-1144

COFFEE HOUR & GREETERS

Emily Fancher is now in
charge of
coffee hour and greeters.
Please see her to sign up



Greetings from Sacramento! It is with great joy that we can share with you, the arrival of our son, Presley Wukong Tswvfeej Yang. He was born on January 14, 2017 at 7 pounds 1.2 ounces. We want to thank the congregation, our friends, and family for your support, your gifts, and prayers for our new little family. Presley can't wait to meet you all. Stay blessed! – *Toua, Lei, and Presley*



Note from Shisha Yang

Hello Church family, I just wanted to let everyone know that I am doing well in South Korea. I am adapting very well here, and Korea is such a beautiful place. See you all in the summer

Pumpkin Curry Soup
Georgia Nelson

- 1 large onion, sliced
- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/2 tsp. Curry powder
- 2 cups canned pumpkin (Libby's is best)
- 1 1/2 tsp. Salt
- 2 cups cream, half and half, or nonfat half and half
- 2 1/2 cups chicken broth

Saute sliced onion in butter until limp. Sprinkle with curry powder and sauté an additional minute or two. Put curried onions, pumpkin and salt in blender. Process until mixed, then quickly pour in cream and blend again. Transfer purée to large saucepan and heat slowly with chicken broth. Serve steaming hot. Makes 1 1/2 quarts. If you double the recipe, make in two separate batches in order to fit in blender.

**Email or drop your favorite recipe with Erin or Jeremy Buis
so it can be shared in the next Feather!**

SPRING SALAD
Merriam Nussbaum





- 1 lge pkg Peach Jello
- 1 lge can sliced peaches
- 2 C vanilla ice cream

Drain peaches, reserving juice. Add enough water to juice to make 2 cups liquid. Bring to a boil in small saucepan; add Jello, stirring well. Add ice cream and stir until melted into Jello. Stir in sliced peaches. Let set. You can substitute thawed frozen strawberries and strawberry Jello.

Month	Recycling \$\$\$
June	
July/Aug.	
Sept	\$60.35
Oct.-Nov.	\$48.80
Dec - Jan.	\$49.27
Feb.	
Mar.	
Apr/May	
Year to Date	\$158.42

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 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.

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 Rod know. 782-0486. You can also send an email:

roumcprayer@gmail.com or our new additional prayer line <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1stumcoro/>

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



Remember those in our church family in need of prayers: Ginger Ewalt's friends pray for healing for **Larry & Kathy Grundmann**, who were injured in the same wreck that killed Pastor Cheng's sister-in-law's family; per Cathy Santos – **Ginger Diver is doing well**, but will be immobile for a few weeks; **Cathy Santos** will be going in for a procedure to help with an infection, pray for healing; prayers for both **Cathy Santos & Joe Mooney**, as their garage burned up, which made the house unlivable and they had one day to get moved to a new place, just two doors

down. No one was hurt, so praise God for that; Pastor Cheng asks for prayers for his cousin **Cha** in Stockton, who suffered a heart attack; prayers for **Georgia Nelson** as she recently went in for a thyroid biopsy, pray for a good result; Alma Short asks for prayers for **Doug Jacobson**, as he has cancer and also **Joan**, his wife, will be entering a care facility; Linda Dewey asks for prayers for **Sally Casner** as she had a mini stroke and is in the hospital; prayers for **Jeremy Buis** as he is going to Stanford for an appointment to see if they can help him with the pain he is experiencing; **Bruce Barton** – continue to pray for him & his son **Troy**; **Reidun McGrath** – continue to pray for **Tim** as he is undergoing treatment for cancer; Nonie Buis – her recovery is going very well, continue to pray for healing; **Connie Scherer – her grandson's wife** was diagnosed with breast cancer; **Chet Ainsworth** – still dealing with cancer, waiting for results soon, pray for healing; **Mee Xiong** – has some TIA's recently, pray for healing; Ginger Ewalt ask for prayers for **Steve Ewalt** – he still has cancer, pray for healing; **Georgia Nelson** – prayers for her friend **Truly**, who is in the end stages of cancer and is in hospice care; **Helen Beall** – prayers for **Ted's** general health.

Pray for those with ongoing concerns:: Emma Spencer; Gary Azevedo; Bruce Barton; Jeremy Buis; Pastor Chuckua & Poyee Yang; Luisa Shaner; Buz Manwell; Chris Barnes; Steve Ewalt; Norman Rieck; Chris Christian; Jeffery Felice; ; Joan & Doug Jacobsen; Adrienne Hoke; Chet Ainsworth, Rick Roath, Dave & Nancy Jacobsen, Stephanie Couris, Debbie Mays, Cody Frederickson, Rhylan Frederickson, Chuck & Marie Bailey, Haydon Wyman, Ted Beall, Diane Becerra, Phil Azevedo, Sandra Hays, Connie Longshore, Cathy Santos, Frank Johnson, Elaine Klein, Molly & Randy, Junior,



Pray for our military at home & abroad and for the families of our missing ones, our POW's & MIA's who never came home. They serve, so we can be free. Also, pray for all law enforcement and firefighters, who daily put their lives on the line just to keep us safe. Please continue to pray for all the families who are impacted or feel anxious due to the evacuation and the Oroville Dam Spillway crisis.

Our hearts & prayers go out to those in our church family who have lost a loved one in the recent weeks: Pray for the family of Joan Smith who passed away on January 20th. Joan was a long-time member of our church, but had moved to Chico several years ago. She is missed by many of us who remember her fondly. Prayers for the family of Pastor Cheng's sister-in-law. Four members died in a tragic car accident on Hwy 70 on February 2nd. The names of the deceased are: Maikaoneng Thao, age 6; May Vang, age 42; Yer Thao, age 48; and Zoua Hang, age 56, all of Olivehurst. Per Pastor Cheng, they were his sister-in-law's older sister and her husband and their child, and a friend.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Adrienne Hoke as she celebrated her 90th birthday. Per Joan Azevedo, Adrienne is feeling well.

Continue to pray for our overall church finances. "Remember this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9: 6-

Thursday Morning Bible Study

For more information
you can call or speak to
Joan Azevedo, 589-5509.



Pray Request Information

Call Rod at 782-0486

or

email, oroumcprayer@gmail.com

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589-5440

If you have a prayer request for the Prayer Chain you will call Rod. Rod will send out an E-mail to those on the email list, he would then call the first person on each list and they would in turn call the next person on the list. If the person you call is not available please call the next person on the list.



**Welcome to
First United Methodist Church of Oroville
Celebrating Over 150 Years Serving
the Oroville Community**

45 Acacia Ave, Oroville, CA 530-534-9455 <http://www.1stunitedmethodist.org>

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.

Sunday Service Schedule

Adults & Children's Sunday School	8:45 a.m.
Hmong Service	8:30 a.m.
Chancel Choir Practice	9:45 a.m.
Hmong Adult's Sunday School	10:10 a.m.
Hmong Youth Sunday School	10:10 a.m.
Combined English/Hmong Communion Service 1 st Sunday	10:30 a.m.
English Service	10:30 a.m.
Children's Church (after Children's Sermon)	11:00 a.m.
Church Council (First Sunday)	Following Service
Trustees (Second Sunday)	Following Service
Coffee Hour & Fellowship	Following Service.

Monday Schedule

Finance Committee (Second Monday)	5:30 p.m.
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Wednesday Schedule

Chancel Choir Practice	6:45 p.m.
Dinner @ Six each Wed. Sept. to May	6:00 p.m.

Thursday Schedule

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

Community Prayer Service (room L/M)	6:00 p.m.
Sonwalkers Youth Group Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Young Adults	6:00 p.m.
Hmong Women's Choir	6:00 p.m.