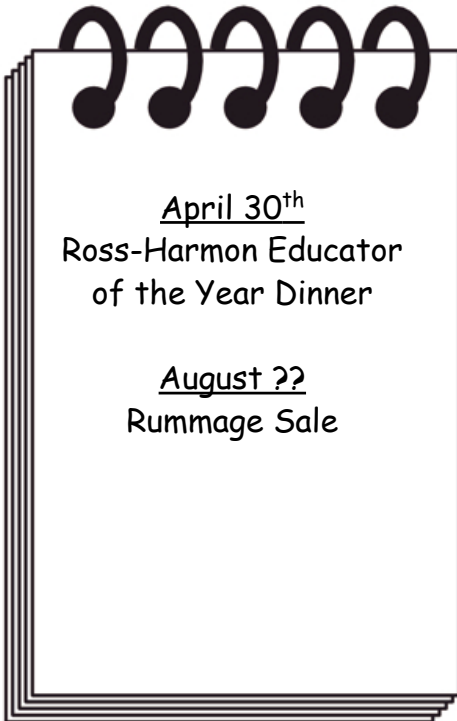


Golden Feather



Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Doors

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April Worship

April 1st

Greeters: Pat Foster & Betty Ledford

Coffee Hour: Doris Ludolph & Alma Short

Liturgist: Communion Sunday

Lockup: Chuck Bailey

April 8th

Greeters: John & Randy Fowler

Coffee Hour: Richard & Emily Fancher

Liturgist: Richard Fancher

Lockup: Richard Fancher

April 15th

Greeters: Gerry Miller & Helen Beall

Coffee Hour: Pat Foster & Betty Ledford

Liturgist: Yee Lang Vang

Lockup: Susan Sharon

April 22nd

Greeters: Tyler Yang & Nan Vang

Coffee Hour: Stu & Lynn Shaner

Liturgist: Vicky Thao

Lockup: Jeremy Buis

April 29th

Greeters: Crystal Yates & Robin Rich

Coffee Hour: Louise Weitze & Vivian Grainger

Liturgist: Harriett Steiger

Lockup: Stu Shaner

April

Dinner @ Six Menu Donation

\$6.00 - 13 years to adult

\$3.00 - 6 years -12 years

Free - 5 years and under

April 4th

Holy Week - No Dinner

April 11th

Jambayla, Salad, Bread & Dessert.

Chefs: SPRC

April 18th

Spare ribs, baked beans, cole slaw, rolls & dessert.

Chefs: Outreach

April 25th

Hmong Cuisine

Chefs: XF. Chuckua Yang and Hmong Congregation

TREASURER REPORT

03/31/2012

BEGINNING MARCH 1ST 2012		227.22
DEPOSITS THRU 3/31/12	+	17509.03
CHECKS THRU 3/31/12	-	<u>17633.76</u>
ENDING BALANCE 3/31/12		102.49

MOST BILLS DUE WERE PAID IN MARCH, EXCEPT FOR THE CHURCH PGE ELECTRIC BILL & IT WILL BE PAID AFTER THE 1ST OF APRIL. APRIL HAS SOME BIG BILLS DUE, INCLUDING THE SR. PASTOR'S HEALTH INSURANCE, THE LIABILITY INSURANCE PAYMENT & THE ANNUAL SEWER TAX BILL ON BOTH THE CHURCH & THE PARSONAGE. PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR OUR FINANCES. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO GENEROUSLY DONATE THEIR TIME & MONEY TO KEEP OUR BEAUTIFUL CHURCH FUNCTIONING.

BETTY LEDFORD

TREASURER

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



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

6TH ANNUAL GOURMET DINNER & AUCTION



On March 10, 2012 our 6th Annual Gourmet Dinner & Auction was held at the church. Money taken in Spaghetti and Meat Ball Dinner \$630.00, Live Auction \$1,065.00, Silent Auction \$878.00, Raffle \$320.00, for a total of \$2893.00. After total expenses of \$749.56 we will show a profit of \$2,143.44. \$200.00 of the profit is being given to our youth that helped so much on the dinner toward a trip to Santa Cruz sometime next summer and the remainder will remain in the general fund to pay church bills and expenses.

The Finance Committee would like to thank everyone that helped on the dinner and auction. We want to thank Randy Fowler for doing the shopping and cooking the delicious Spaghetti and Meat Ball Dinner. We thank all of the kitchen help that helped Randy to prepare the dinner. A new member to our church family Rodric Clay was great help in the kitchen and we want to thank him for helping us.



Cynthia Slattery did such a great job as usual going all over town getting donations of auction items for the live and silent auction. We want to thank Cynthia for all of her hard work and everyone that donated and purchased our auction items.



We thank Kevin Benedict for donating his time once again to be our auctioneer. Kevin always does such a great job. I just love to hear him do the auctioneering. And we thank Lisa Benedict for helping Cynthia to set up all of the auction items. We thank the Benedict children for selling so many raffle tickets so we could make such a good profit.





So many people worked so hard to make this fundraiser such a success. Cathy and Sandy do such a great job year after year collecting the money from the people that buy the auction items. They get everything together so quickly.

We have a special thank you to Nonie Buis for doing the beautiful program for our auction again this year. And we thank Jeremy Buis for taking pictures and running the sound system.

I can't say enough about our wonderful youth for decorating The Fellowship Hall

and making it look so nice. Then coming in and helped with final preparations for the auction and then did such a great job serving the dinners. They got the food right out there on time. After all of that they helped with the cleanup afterward. We thank Susan Sharon for working with the youth and making sure all of the tables were served on time.



I want to thank Pat Foster for making the coffee and Joan Keller for helping me with the tickets and the money at the door. Alma Short for the decorations for the Fellowship Hall.

We thank our Stewardship Team for putting this all together. Cynthia Slattery, Seng Yang, Cindy Yang, SEM Xiong, and Randy Fowler.

Thank you everyone that helped in any way. Whether you worked on the dinner, the auction, purchased, or sold tickets, donated items for the auction, purchased auction items, or raffle tickets. Thank you for making our dinner & auction such a success.

Thank you everyone
John S. Fowler
 Chairman
 Finance Committee



Citizens in Oroville put on their walking shoes for a good cause

By **ROBIN EPLEY - Staff Writer**

Posted: 03/25/2012 12:00:00 AM PDT

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Ginger Ewalt, Gerry Miller and Randy Fowler (left to right) walk along Montgomery Street in...

OROVILLE -- More than 50 walkers took to the streets of downtown Oroville Saturday morning to raise awareness and funds for the homeless and hungry in the town.

Participants in the third annual Oroville Hunger Walk made a 3.5-mile loop around Riverbend Park and through downtown before returning to the park, beginning at 9 a.m.

The event was sponsored by the Cooperating Christian Churches of Oroville and the Salvation Army. Walkers raised nearly \$10,000 last year, according to a press release.

Participating churches included the First Congregational Church, Oroville Rescue Mission, Raven Ministries, First United Methodist Church, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, Trinity Bible Church and Trinity Presbyterian Church.

Laura Heffernan, a member of First United Methodist Church in Oroville, said she has walked all three years.

"It's a good cause," she said. "We've got a lot of hungry people in town."

Heffernan said she likes to walk with the group through downtown because people wave at them.

"It's a wonderful way for the community to get together and support these organizations," she said. "It shows that we really do have a lot of hungry people here."

Coupon Heaven

While handing a 25 cents-off coupon to the supermarket clerk at the checkout counter, a woman inadvertently missed her hand, and the coupon slipped beneath the scale and was gone.

The checker looked distressed so the woman said, "That's OK- it's in coupon heaven now."

"Coupon heaven?" the checker said.

"Yes," the woman said. "That's where coupons go when they die."

"Only the redeemed ones!" said the checker.



April 24, 2012 - May 4, 2012

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General Conference App

The app is now available for free download for iPhone and iPad users, with an Android version soon to follow. To download the free app, go to your device's app store and search for United Methodist General Conference or visit gc2012.umc.org/app to find the link.

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General Conference App Launched

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 6, 2012

General Conference App Launched

Nashville, Tenn.: Mobile device users will be able to access information about The United Methodist Church's [2012 General Conference](#) through a new, free mobile application from United Methodist Communications. This comes in preparation for the quadrennial meeting of the denomination's top policy-making body in Tampa, Fla. April 24-May 4.

The app was developed in order to give users instant access to General Conference information without the need for a computer and Internet connection. Features of the mobile app include scheduling, legislative tracking, a map of the Tampa Convention Center and surrounding areas, information about display areas, news, photos and videos.

"Where Internet access is limited, the mobile app makes General Conference more accessible," said the Rev. Larry Hollon, chief executive of United Methodist Communications. "It also provides greater convenience and relevance for those on the go, ensuring that all United Methodists, no matter their location, have up-to-the-minute information as it unfolds at General Conference 2012."

The app is now available for free download for iPhone and iPad users, with an Android version soon to follow. To download the free app, go to your device's app store and search for United Methodist General Conference or visit gc2012.umc.org/app to find the link.

The denomination released a separate [United Methodist app](#) in October 2011 with daily devotions, news, videos, photos, social media sites and a searchable index of United Methodist churches by geographic area.

About General Conference

The General Conference is the top policy-making body of The United Methodist Church, and meets once every four years to consider revisions to church law, as well as adopt resolutions on current moral, social, public policy and economic issues. It also approves plans and budgets for church-wide programs for the next four years. The 2012 meeting will take place April 24-May 4 at the Tampa Convention Center.

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- iOS 3.1.2 and up
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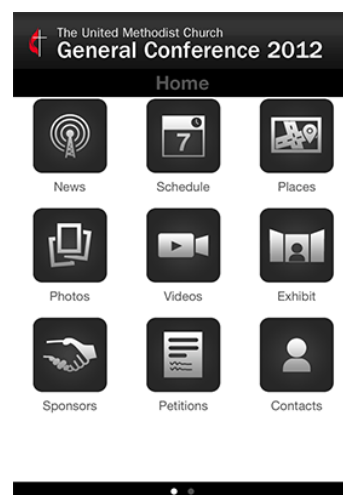
[Download the app from the iTunes App Store](#)

Android

Requirements:

- Android 2.1 and up
- Internet connection

[Download the app from Google Play](#)



Remember those in our church family in need of prayers:

Erik Pieper - his mom **Beverly** had a bone marrow transplant & **Erik** is in Tennessee with her; **Lou Haney** - in hospice with cancer; **Barbara & Harley Thompson - Harley** is at Prestige Assisted Living; **David Jacobsen** - meeting with a cardiologist; **Mike Grainger** - recovering from losing his remaining foot, please pray for him & his mom **Vivian**; **Joan & Gary Azevedo - Gary** has started radiation; **Pastor Donna** requests prayers for **Michael R** - visiting him in jail & has been granted rehab, pray for success; **Robin Rich** - pray for **Sem's** family & also **Robin** is experiencing liver problems due to medication; **Doris Henneker** - still battling cancer; **Linda Perry** - her cousin **Laramie** & healing between sisters, mother & daughter & for forgiveness; **Rachel & Vincent** - their house burned, they were not home at the time so they are okay; **Gail** - upcoming medical procedures; **Pastor Laura's** nephew **Alex** - has a friend who is suicidal, please pray him & the family; **Jackson Vang** - at home now, still faces future procedures, that will need to be treated when he is stronger; **Jackson's** father **Nha Lue Vang** - diagnosed with untreatable lung cancer;

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; Doris Henneker; Betty Ball; Mee Lee & Tong Xiong; Emma Spencer; David Jacobsen; Gladys James; Karen & Newt Green; Gary Azevedo; Nha Lue Vang & family; Jeremy Buis; Harley & Barbara Thompson; Dan Fredericksen; and Laura Heffernan.

Pray for those at Prestige Assisted Living:

John & Katie Voos, Garnet Bessey and Harley Thompson.

Pray for the Japanese people who suffered losses one year ago due to the tsunami.





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Thoughts
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are with
You...*



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 \$56.20 Macen Buis donation from his home recycling
July \$67.60 Church 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.

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.

Dear Friends,

It's time to think about the Rummage Sale!!!

Larry and I were complete novices at the last Rummage Sale. We did many things wrong and a few things right. We did learn a lot and I want to share that with you.

To all of you that told us, you can now say I told you so... electrical appliances do not sell. We gave away but did not sell dishwashers, stoves, coffee pots and waffle irons...all of that genre.

Wood pieces, cherry, rosewood, teak, (anything) in pieces do not sell. You could probably advertise them or use Craig's list, and sell them but not at a rummage sale.

Furniture in good repair or easily repaired sells. Furniture that needs more than a well applied nail does not sell. For example, two bedsteads side by side...one could stand on its own but in need of paint or varnish sold. The very same kind in need of a nail to hold it up did not sell. (In that vein, Larry says if you have an easily repairable item to call him early (not the week of the rummage sale) and he will come by and put the nail (etc.) in...the easy remedy job.)

If you have a garage that needs to be cleaned out but you do not have a truck, strength, or fortitude to do it, call us, soon to come help you. There is a catch, we will tell you what will be rummage sale quality and what you (we) should probably take to the dump.

We are trying to cut down on the amount of the things that are left over after the sale. That was our biggest headache and personal expense. We think that 'weeding out' the unusable, unsellable items before-hand will help us on that account. Also, if you have a "free dump card" – that card that every homeowner gets for a free dump every six months – you might donate one to the church. That would help on that clean up expense. We also will volunteer to make dump runs for members...using your free pass.

Start now with your clean up. We will try to have a room ready for you but it will more than likely not be available until June 1, when school is out.

Larry and I also have a conflict. We have a granddaughter getting married the first weekend in August in Texas, so the rummage sale will probably have to be the second weekend – Thursday, Friday, Saturday, August 9,10,11, with set up on the 7th and 8th. With that in mind, most of your items that you want Larry to pick up will need to be done in July.

Again and again, I thank all of you workers from last year, you were the back bone of this operation. As chairmen, Larry and I are only the organizers...the ones who say "on your mark, get set, go". We need Everyone to make this as successful as it was last year.

With Christian love and prayers,

Larry and Glenda Ott



SIGN ON THE CORNER COMPLETE

If you notice the sign now has information placed inside the window. This has been done so when the window is announcement free, there will be information instead of a blank spot. The inside dimension of the window is 33” h x 36”w. When placing information in the window area please **do not** use staples or tape. This also goes for the main sign. As you can see by the photos above the letters are not painted. There are eyebolts under the roof of the sign that you can attach your banners or other items. (See Jeremy Buis if you have a question.)



Last Sunday at Sunday School the children were learning about the Resurrection. We made Resurrection Rolls/ Sometimes called the Empty Tomb Rolls. We also served them at coffee hour and I was asked for the recipe many times, so here it is published. I am also giving you the story as I found it on the Internet, so you can share it with your children and grandchildren on Easter morning.

Resurrection Rolls

Ingredients: (in the refrigerator case) package biscuit dough (or crescent rolls)

Enough marshmallows so that you have one for each biscuit

Cinnamon and sugar mixed together

Melted butter

Roll each marshmallow in melted butter and the cinnamon sugar mix. Wrap the marshmallow with the biscuit, sealing the edges so that the marshmallow does not melt out all over the pan. (They do somewhat, anyway.) Bake in a 350 degree oven for about 15 minutes...just golden brown. Remove from the pan. When they are opened they are empty sweet shells.

The marshmallow represents the body of Christ. The cinnamon/sugar/butter represents the oils and spices used in embalming. The dough is the cloth in which the body was wrapped. Pretend the baking time is 3 days. When you open the rolls, the body is gone.

Glenda Ott

April Birthdays

- 1 Shirley Valder
- 2 John Vang
- 10 Fang Vang
- 10 Nou Sene Vang
- 11 Sem Xai Xiong
- 13 Helen Beall
- 16 Mai Yang
- 17 Pat Foster
- 17 John Fowler
- 18 Patricia Blissenbach
- 19 Emma Spencer
- 21 Kyle Buis
- 23 Zoua Vang
- 30 Maureen Blair
- 30 David Jacobsen
- 30 Carolyn La Jeret



FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR



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



April 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 SUNDAY SCHEDULE	2	3	4 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE	5 THURSDAY SCHEDULE MAUNDY SERVICE TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 6:00 PM	6 FRIDAY SCHEDULE GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 12 - 2 PM	7
8 SUNDAY SCHEDULE 	9 FINANCE 5:30 pm	10	11 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE	12 THURSDAY SCHEDULE TRUSTEES 7:00 PM	13 FRIDAY SCHEDULE	14
15 SUNDAY SCHEDULE	16	17 CCCO 12:00 PM 1ST UMC OF OROVILLE	18 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE	19 THURSDAY SCHEDULE	20 FRIDAY SCHEDULE	21
22 SUNDAY SCHEDULE	23 MARLYS CIRCLE 7:00 PM HELEN BEALL'S HOME	24	25 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE	26 THURSDAY SCHEDULE	27 FRIDAY SCHEDULE	28
29 SUNDAY SCHEDULE	30 <i>Educator of the Year Award Dinner 6:00 pm</i>	1	2 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE	3 THURSDAY SCHEDULE	4 FRIDAY SCHEDULE	5
6 SUNDAY SCHEDULE	7	8	9 WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE	10 THURSDAY SCHEDULE	11	12

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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.

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.

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**



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