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

Pastor's Corner

A word from Pastor Tom.....

Greetings Church Family,

Well, March was a month to remember.
We were blessed with two amazing young members. Tony and Aaron, one by Baptism and one by Reaffirmation. They are anxious to roll up their sleaves and get to work in God's service. Tony has already been serving in Children's Moments, as Liturgist, and was voted on as a member of the Trustees. Aaron has also expressed interest in becoming a Trustees member.

I thank our heavenly father every day for our young families and beautiful children. They are the future of our Church.

Jeremy, Erin, and Taylor are still struggling to find a permanent housing solution after the fire devastated their lives. Thanks to all those who have helped with that need.

Continued prayers are needed, not only for Jeremy, Erin, and Taylor, but also for Larry and Glenda Ott as they settle into their new life at Country Crest and deal with Larry's health issues.

Jeremy continues to work tirelessly to make our media system all it can be and we are working to come up with a plan to replace our air conditioning system before the summer heat sets in and think we may see path forward on that front.

We ended the month with a beautiful Palm Sunday Service.
Thank you all for your faithful service to your belovedChurch.
Always remember that Hebrews 10:25 says
25 Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing. Instead, let us encourage one another all the more, since you see that the Day of the Lord is coming nearer. GNT

God Bless you and yours,

Pastor Tom and Evelyn Cota

A Big Thank You from the Heart!

A giant shout-out to everyone who's sent in their church database update form. You guys rock!

- This info is the secret sauce for serving up accurate reports to the conference.
- Plus, it keeps our church directory fresh and fabulous.

Not sure if your details are up-to-date?
No worries!
Just holler at **Jeremy Buis** or **Tracy Yang**.
We're thrilled to help you out with those forms if needed.

Tracy Yang & Jeremy Buis

MARCH FINANCE REPORT

3/1/26

Beginning balance in General Fund account		$8658.26
Deposits in March.	+	$12571.89
Expenses in March.	-	$12026.38
Ending Balance 3/31/26.		$9203.77

March was a better month as you can see. Let's keep up the good work & have money left over at the end of April.

Thank you so much for all of your contributions either money or labor, all given freely as God desires us to do. All Glory to God.

Betty Ledford
Finance Chair

Co-operating Christan Churches News

CCCO NEWS

The Cooperative Christian Churches have begun meeting for the 2025 to 2026 year.

The scheduled activities are as follows:

Pulpit Exchange is scheduled for January 18th.

Pancake Breakfast (to benefit the hunger walk) Feb 7th or 21st at Trinity Presbyterian $10 for adults and $5 for children.

Hunger Walk is scheduled for March 14, 2026

Good Friday Service will be April 3, 2026 from 12 to 2 at First Congregational Church

Unity Service May 14, 2026. The place and time to be determined.

Please remember the cooperating Christian churches meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 12:00 (Sept to April) at various churches.

Everyone is welcome to attend!

Janet Short

UMC representative for the CCCO

APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARYS

2 John Vang
2 Michelle Vang
4 Sem Xai Xiong
10 Nou Sene Vang
12 Zuri Vang
13 Helen Beall
16 Zayna Vang
16 Mai Yang
17 John Fowler
18 Patricia Bell
21 Kyle Buis
28 Pat Gray

Happy Anniversary
29 Dan and Betty

March Birthdays

13 Randy Fowler
13 Michelle Vang
16 Alma Short
16 Joseph Yang
16 Janet Short
18 David Dewey
18 Penny Xiong
20 Linda Dewey

Copper Pipe Thief

He was interrupted in progress due to being obervered on the camerasl When approached he ran off leaving the pipe and his hat! All items were turned over to the Oroville Police Department including the camera footage, The trustees are dealing with the situation

UPDATE: Getting bids for work.

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 Evelyn Cota 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!

16th Annual Ross-Harmon Educator of the Year

Save the Date

Scan this QR Code for website

Scan this QR Code for nomination form

04	27	26
MONTH	DAY	YEAR

THE CATEGORIES FOR NOMINATION ARE:

* CURRENT CERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES
* CURRENT CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES

THE DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS FRIDAY MARCH 27TH 2026

We rely on community members, school staff, and parents to identify those individuals who deserve recognition.

Teachers • Administrators • Paraprofessionals (aides) • Bus drivers • Custodians • Cafeteria workers • Secretaries. They must be currently employed in the Oroville City Elementary, Oroville Union High School, Palermo Union School and the Thermalito Union School Districts along with Hearthstone & Stream Charter Schools. Recognition could be for innovative programs, years of volunteer service, some other outstanding achievement an individual who has added to the quality of life of students.

2026 Ross-Harmon Educator of the Year Honorees

Joel Jenkins
Bus Driver
Oroville Union High School District

Christy Allsup
3rd Grade Teacher - Helen Wilcox
Palermo Union School District

Tom Post
Universal Support Staff
Oroville Union High School District

Blake Friese
Social Science Teacher - Las Plumas
Oroville Union High School District

Tyler Brandt
PE Teacher - Las Plumas
Oroville Union High School District

Seth Bidlack
2nd Grade Teacher - Helen Wilcox
Palermo Union School District

Dave Gnesda
Math Teacher/Girls Soccer Coach - Las Plumas
Oroville Union High School District

Elizabeth Szloch
Instructional Assistant
Thermalito Union Elementary School District

Lisa Kittle
1st Grade Teacher - Sierra Ave School
Thermalito Union Elementary School District

The Honorees are getting their well-deserved spotlight at a dinner bash on Monday, April 27th, at 6 PM!
Join the festivity at the
1st United Methodist Church, 45 Acacia Ave.

Tickets are $25 each or $175 for a table of 8.
To purchase tickets call 530-534-9455 or 530-533-1868

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 accidently 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.

“How do Easter lilies know what date to open up their flowers?”

“Does our daily bread mean crusts too?”

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

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL
1 World Avenue • Little Rock, AR 72202
888.548.6437 • info@heifer.org
Learn more at Heifer.org

THANK YOU!

Donor ID:	00046118I
Receipt Number:	16541186
Date Received:	12/30/2025
Amount:	$160.00

Purchase: Flock of Chicks (20.00), Ducks (20.00), Sheep (120.00)

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Oroville First United Methodist Church
45 Acacia Ave
Oroville, CA 95966-3673

January 8, 2026

Dear Friend:

I'm truly fortunate to witness every day how the giving spirit of groups like yours can change the world. No matter how much circumstances change, one thing remains the same: people continue to show generosity and dedication to the families we serve.

Which is why I want to extend my sincere appreciation for your group's recent contribution of $160.00 to Heifer. Your compassion makes a permanent difference in so many lives. I'm reminded of the quote by Mr. Fred Rogers: "All of us, at some time or other, need help. Whether we're giving or receiving help, each one of us has something valuable to bring to this world. That's one of the things that connects us as neighbors—in our own way, each one of us is a giver and a receiver." **And to magnify the joy of your gift, an additional group of generous donors has matched your donation, doubling the impact of your gift!**

Each day, we witness the need of families in the poorest corners of the world, who are simply trying to figure out how to get by. Hardworking parents wonder if they'll have enough food to feed their children at the end of the day … if they can afford school or medication … if their home can withstand natural disasters.

Thanks to your group of Heifer donors, moms are building businesses and earning steady income to feed their children … dads are running their own family farms instead of having to find work far away … you are providing nutritious food, education and hope for the next generation.

I hope you know how much we, and the families who are touched by your generosity, appreciate you all. Our work would not be possible without you by our side.

With appreciation,

Christy Moore

Christy Moore
Senior Vice President of Marketing

**Thank you again for your contribution. No goods or services were provided in exchange for your gift. Heifer International is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization eligible to receive tax deductible donations. Our EIN is 35-1019472.*

WITH HEARTFELT APPRECIATION,
HEIFER INTERNATIONAL RECOGNIZES

Oroville First United Methodist Church

for your unwavering dedication and support that inspires us all.
Your faith-filled generosity changes lives and brings hope to families around the world.

"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

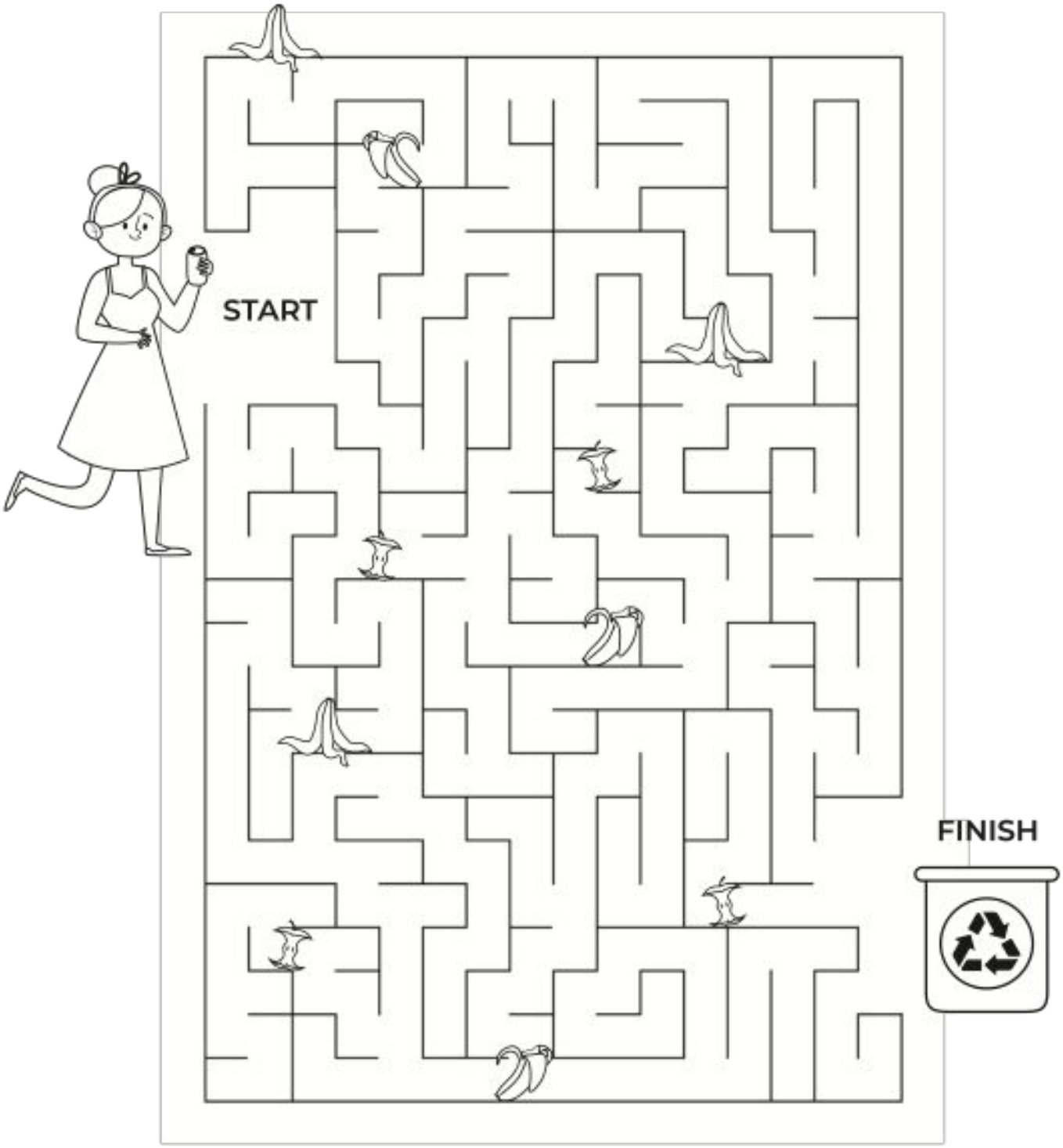
Christy Moore
Heifer International

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL

January 2026
Date

To the Recycling Bin We Go

Help Holly find the path that leads to the recycling bin so she can properly throw away her soda can!



PASS ON THE GIFT
HEIFER®
INTERNATIONAL

1. We need to take the caps off the plastic bottles
2. We need to bag plastic, aluminum, and glass separetly.
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

March Recycling
$65.00

Recology
Butte Colusa Counties
WASTE ZERO

City of Oroville

RESIDENTIAL NEWSLETTER

2025 FALL NEWSLETTER

RECYCLING MISCONCEPTIONS

STYROFOAM PRODUCTS are not recyclable in curbside programs. Foam products can be bulky, lightweight, and easily contaminated with food, tape, and other residues that don't belong in recycling carts.

PLASTIC BAGS AND FILM are not accepted in most curbside recycling programs. This is because they can tangle sorting machinery and are made with materials that cannot be easily separated. Instead, take these items to designated drop-off points at grocery stores or reuse them whenever possible to reduce waste.

SINGLE-USE PLASTICS, also known as disposable plastics, **are not accepted in your recycling cart.** When possible, swap them for reusable options.

2025-26 Holiday Collection Schedule

If your regular collection day falls on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, or New Year's Day, your service will be delayed by one day.

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
11/27 No Service *Thanksgiving, Office Closed*	11/28 Service for Thursday Customers	11/29 Service for Friday Customers
12/25 No Service *Christmas Day, Office Closed*	12/26 Service for Thursday Customers	12/27 Service for Friday Customers
1/1 No Service *New Year's Day, Office Closed*	1/2 Service for Thursday Customers	1/3 Service for Friday Customers

SUSTAINABLE CHEER

Holiday composting tips

PUMPKIN POWER: Nearly 1 billion pounds of pumpkins are tossed in landfills each year. Put your jack-o'-lantern into your green organics cart after removing any candles, wax, glitter, or paint.

LEFTOVERS WITH A PURPOSE: Over 200 million pounds of turkey are thrown out after Thanksgiving. Toss turkey bones, plate scrapings, and meat past its prime in the green cart.

CORNUCOPIA OF COMPOST: Corn cobs, pie crust trimmings, coffee grounds, used paper napkins, and all sorts of kitchen scraps can go into your organics cart — talk about a second helping!

PERFECT MIX: Putting yard trimmings and fallen leaves into your organics cart creates a great seasonal compost recipe.

CONTACT US!

Recology Butte Colusa
3990 South Fifth Avenue
Oroville, CA 95965

530.533.5868
recology.com

OTHER RESOURCES

cityoforoville.org
calrecycle.ca.gov

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OROVILLE TRANSFER STATION

2720 S Fifth Ave,
Oroville

8 AM – 4 PM
Monday – Friday

8:30 AM – 4 PM
Saturday

530.533.5868

https://bit.ly/4nkp7fN

ACCEPTED ITEMS

Appliances, refrigerators, ovens, stoves

Concrete, broken sidewalks, driveways, foundations

Construction and demolition debris

Recyclables, cardboard, plastic, paper

Metal, cans, pipes, metal scraps

Organics, food scraps, grass clippings, leaves

Tires, passenger vehicle tires, truck tires

Green and wood waste, tree branches, untreated lumber, yard trimmings

E-Waste, computers, televisions, cell phones

Carpet and padding

Mattresses and box springs

Sharps

Landfill

Treated wood

HHW ACCEPTED

Drop off items between 9 AM – 2 PM on the first and third Fridays of the month.

Automotive products: Antifreeze, motor oil, gasoline, oil filters

Garden and pest control: Pesticides, herbicides, chemical fertilizers, poisons

Household chemicals: Bleach, solvents, pool chemicals, household cleaning supplies

Paint and related products: Latex and oil-based paints, thinners, stains, varnishes, lacquers

E-waste: Small electronics, computer monitors, televisions fluorescent light tubes

Aerosols

Batteries

Garbage cart know-how

What CAN go in your gray cart:

- ✓ Plastic shopping bags
- ✓ Plastic utensils
- ✓ Straws
- ✓ Broken glass & dishware
- ✓ Wrappers, chip bags, plastic film
- ✓ Styrofoam

TIP: If you're not sure how to dispose of an item, visit whatbin.com to find out.

What CANNOT go in your gray cart:

- ✗ **Recyclables** – plastic tubs, jugs, and containers, glass bottles, metal, cardboard, and paper
- ✗ **Organics** – grass clippings, tree/brush trimmings, and branches
- ✗ **Electronic waste** – TVs, computers, cell phones, batteries, printers, fluorescent light bulbs, thermometers
- ✗ **Hazardous waste** – paint, aerosol or solvent cans, cleaners, pesticides/herbicides, flammables, poisons, fuel canisters/tanks, motor oil
- ✗ **Building and automotive waste** – asbestos, treated wood, antifreeze, tires
- ✗ **Medical waste** – needles, sharps, medicines, biohazardous materials

NEVER PLACE THESE ITEMS IN YOUR LANDFILL BIN

- Sharps and Medication
- Fluorescent Bulbs
- Flammables, Pesticides, or Herbicides
- Electronic Waste

Hazardous waste disposal drop-off:
Recology Butte Colusa Counties
2720 South Fifth Avenue, Oroville 95965
9 AM – 2 PM first & third Fridays of the month

Earth Day Word Search: Air Version

Can you find all the words related to Earth Day in the puzzle below?

S V S N D P L A N T S A P E
T Y F I A U Y E R A E I L Z
Y R S B N A E A R T H H T O
K A O I S A N B E C Y R R C
R I V E R M Z R U V H E O E
G N I V A R M P S T U C E R
Y C B Z I D W Y E S H Y P D
R A T U W R H O F D W C E I
U E I T O F U H S E G L H V
I V S J R X H M W E Z E J Q
K O G P L A N B E S S Y I N
I L E N D M K Y E R H J I Q
A I R V Z C Y W A T E R U E
M G J G R E E N Y E R K K T

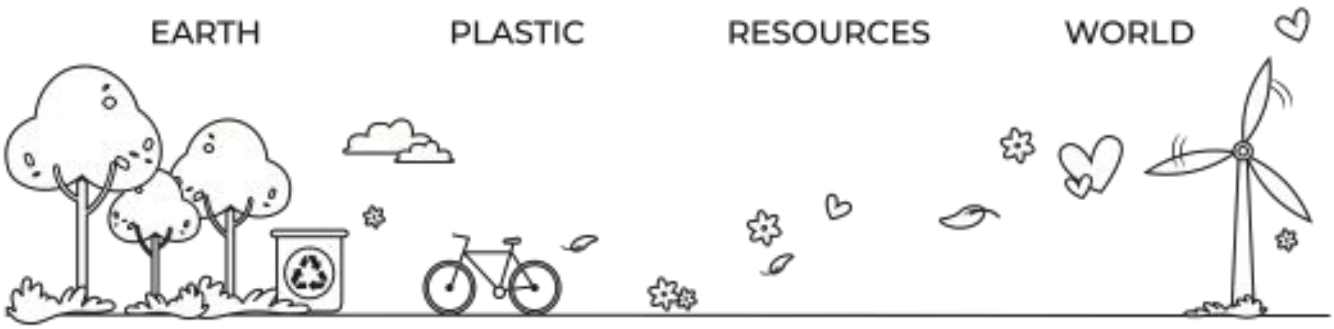
AIR
EARTH
ECO
GREEN
PLANTS
RAIN
RECYCLE
REUSE
RIVER
SEEDS
WATER
WORLD

Earth Day Word Search: Wind Version

Can you find all the words related to Earth Day in the puzzle below?

R	V	S	N	D	L	V	P	D	E	Q	A	P	E
T	E	F	T	A	U	L	E	T	A	M	I	L	C
Y	G	S	B	N	A	E	L	D	W	G	H	C	U
K	R	O	O	S	A	N	A	O	C	Y	R	O	D
X	L	E	T	U	M	L	R	R	V	H	E	M	E
G	J	I	V	A	R	L	P	A	T	U	C	P	R
Y	C	B	Z	I	D	C	Y	C	S	H	Y	O	D
T	D	N	I	W	R	H	E	F	D	W	C	S	I
U	E	I	T	F	F	U	H	S	E	G	L	T	V
I	V	S	J	O	X	H	M	W	E	Z	E	J	Q
K	O	G	P	C	A	N	B	E	S	S	Y	I	N
I	L	E	N	E	R	G	Y	E	R	H	J	I	Q
A	I	R	V	Z	C	Y	W	F	P	Z	A	U	E
M	G	J	L	C	P	C	K	Y	E	R	K	K	T

AIR	ENERGY	RAIN	RIVER
CLIMATE	GLOBAL	RECYCLE	SEEDS
COMPOST	PLANTS	REDUCE	WIND
EARTH	PLASTIC	RESOURCES	WORLD



Remember those in our church family in need of prayers:

Prayers for **Larry & Glenda Ott** as **Larry** was hospitalized March 30th with breathing troubles. They have moved to Country Crest so they can help nearby if needed; **Alma** asks for prayers for friends **Emmett & Jackie Pogue** as **Emmett** has been diagnosed with Lymphoma & facing surgery. Prayers for healing; **Sue Fredericksen** is asking for prayers for her **birth sister Jo's friend Oakie**. He is elderly with diabetes & heart issues & in hospital with double pneumonia. Prayers also for **her sister & niece Jordana** as Jordana is working for TSA in San Jose airport & is not getting paid; **Sue Fredericksen** is asking for prayers for **Tammy Flicker & her husband**; From **Sue Fredericksen** : **Linda Perry** is doing well in her new apartment & is happy there. She asked for prayers for **her friends Donna & Don** as Don has cancer & it is spreading. Prayers for remission; Per **Keith Felice, his mom Ellen** is doing well & is back in church now. **Keith** is doing well following surgery on his face for cancer; **Janice** is a newcomer to our church and has asked for prayers for her **friend Doug** who has severe back pain; **Tony Bearden** asks for prayers for **his grandma** in Texas; prayers for **David Dewey's brother Billy** who had surgery; Prayers for **Jim Henneker** following hip replacement surgery & he is feeling great; **Sue Fredericksen** asks for prayers for **Susan Sharon** as she can no longer drive due to bad eyesight. **Janet Short** asks for prayers for her friend **Mary Pulaski's husband** who was hit by a car. Also, **Janet's son Greg's mother in law** is having memory issues**;** Prayers for **Elaine Klein**, a former member & who comes to Circle, is having knee surgery soon; le, is having knee surgery soon; Prayers for **John Casner** who has cancer of the bladder; **Chamee Yang** asks for prayers for her grandma as she is having dialysis; **Bonnie Clark** asks for prayers for **her adopted daughter CJ**. Her baby is still at UC Davis but is now 3 lb. and can go home when he is 5 lb.; **Chamee Yang** asks for prayers for **Shor Vang her father-in law**; Prayers for **Helen Beall's daughter Kay** as she has had knee replacement surgery; Prayers for **Gerry Miller** as she is living in Texas now and doing well, but is not too happy about living there; Prayers for **Louise Weitze** as she is dealing with lymphoma which she has had before & had surgery for; Continued prayers for **Bill & Sharon Cheek**. Sharon is recovered from her surgery & Bill is home following a short hospital stay. Daughter Stacey is there with them; **Glenda Ott** asks for prayers for **Larry's sister-in-law**, who is having surgery and for **his brother Ron** who has dementia. **Tyler Yang** asks for prayers for his **sister 's health** in Minnesota; Prayers for **Sue Fredericksen** as she seems to be having more problems; **Reidun McGrath** asks for prayers for her 85-year-old sister; **Gail Leonard** asks for prayers for her **sister Rachel's husband William and their two disabled children Phinnize & Garret**; **Pastor Tom** asks for prayers for his friend who had a stroke & is not in good shape; **Keith Felice** asks for prayers for **his brother Jerry**; Prayers for **Doug Bell's friend in Willows** who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer; **Gail** asks for prayers for her niece **Nicole** who was recently diagnosed with uterine cancer and is facing surgery; **Carol Anderson** asks for prayers for **her brother Steve; Sue Fredericksen** is asking for prayers for her **niece Serenity Deliz** who has long Covid and pulmonary hypertension. Prayers for a friend of **Doug Bell's**, **Roge**r, 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 recovery from back surgery** 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 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. Prayers for **Jeremy, Erin & Taylor Buis** as they had a house fire on January 29th; and they are not able to live in their home. Pray for them as they try to build up enough money to help them clean up before they can rebuild. Blessings for **Doug & Patty Bell** as they are housing them now. **Evelyn Cota** has created a Go Fund Me page for them. Please ask Evelyn about it or if you can help them directly, please see Jeremy.

Prayers for our **Pastor Yeu Vang & his wife Michelle** as **Pastor Yeu** suffered a stroke in October 2024. Pastor Yeu & Michelle have moved to Marysville to be close to family & his doctors. An update on **Pastor Yeu** from John Fowler: He is now walking with the help of a walker but still is not speaking . Continue to pray for a complete recovery for **Pastor Yeu**. We 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 & Erin 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, Derek Cheek, Joe & Cathie Mooney, Bill & Sharon Cheek and Gail & Troy Leonard.

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.

Continue to pray for our overall church finances. "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. Prayers that we can somehow pay for a new HVAC system, as vandals have destroyed the old system. We are covered by insurance, but after depreciation & the deductible, not much is available from the insurance company.

JOYS:

It was a joy to witness **the Baptism & Profession of Faith** on Sunday March 8th for **Tony Bearden & Aaron Corona. Hallelujah!!** It was a joy to see their family & friends in church helping them celebrate.

DEATH: From **Gail Leonard** regarding **her friend Cami Anderson** who was a teacher at BCOE & has passed away**.** Prayers for the **family & friends of Cami Anderson** as she died following an accident last month**.** She leaves behind **her wife Debbie Morrison** who is struggling with grief as she recovers from her own injuries in the accident.

NEW ADDRESS: New address for **Bill & Sharon Cheek**: Provincial Care, 2801 Cohasset Blvd #104, Chico, CA 95973. Their phone number is the same. They would love to receive cards from the congregation.

Sue Fredericksen's new email is **suefredericksen@icloud.com.** You can email her any prayer requests that you want to put on the prayer chain or email directly to 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 orovilleumc45@gmail.com.

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. _____

1ST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF OROVILLE

COFFEE HOUR

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

A coffee hour is provided after the 10:30 AM service by volunteers of the church.
The church will provide coffee, tea, water, creamer, sweeteners, cups, plates, napkins, silverware, drink concentrate and ice.

Those who volunteer for running the coffee hour will provide snacks and those who volunteer on the first Sundays will provide cupcakes for that months birthdays

Those who volunteer on potluck Sunday only needs to provide the beverages but are welcome to bring snacks to add to the potluck.

Volunteers will make the coffee, tea, and punch and set it out on the table provided along with snacks.

Please make both Reg(Black coffee maker) & Decaf (gray coffee maker) Some members can't have the caffeine. Coffee maker instructions on cabinet above coffee makers.

Volunteers will remove all items, clean up the dishes and table, and place items used in their normal storage areas. 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. Make a pot of regular and decaf coffee and put them on an activated warmer plate.
B. Make the punch in a punch bowl or glass pitchers (whichever is easier for you) with water and ice, and place it on the serving table.
C. Place the plates, cups, napkins, silverware, creamer, and sweeteners on the serving table.
D. Place their snacks on plates on the serving table with appropriate serving utensils.
E. Monitor the table as people come through the serving line and assist as needed.
F. 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.
G. Turn off the coffee maker. Unplug and put away warmer plates (once cooled down).
H. Clean the Serving table and counters used.
I. Notify person in charge of purchasing what coffee hour supplies need to be replenished after checking the cabinets in the janitorial room, pantry by the handicap bathroom or the cabinets in the handicap bathroom hallway.

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 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 to see the list of movies available.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHTS!!

Please let Jeremy Buis or Tracy Yang know what days and times you would like movie nights.

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
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 alter 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 alter 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

Helen Beall
(530) 589-3149

Ellen Felice
(530) 533-8879

Susan Sharon
(530) 514-8436

**Please contact Sue Fredericksen if you would like your prayer request to go to the prayer chain.
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2026 Church Officers & Committees

Nominations & Leadership Development Committee

Chair: Pastor Tom Cota **Hmong Lay Leader: Tyler Yang**

2026	2027	2028
Sem Xiong	Ellen Felice	David Dewey
Mai Yang	Penny Xiong	Linda Dewey
Nan Yang		

Board of Trustees

Chair: Jeremy Buis **Vice Chair: Tyler Yang** **Secretary: Evelyn Cota**
Treasurer: Tony Bearden **Vice Treasurer: Wendy Lee**

2026	2027	2028
Tyler Yang	Jeremy Buis	Tracy Yang
Evelyn Cota	Doug Bell	Thao Xiong
Wendy Lee	David Dewey	Tony Bearden

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Tellers:

Jeremy Buis **Tracy Yang**

Outreach Committee:

Randy Fowler **Som Xiong** **Sem Xiong**

Prayer & Visitation Team:

Chairperson: Sue Fredericksen

Glenda Ott **Linda Dewey** **Helen Beall**

Ellen Felice **Zoua Thao-Yang** **Ka Vang**

Staff/Parish Relations Committee

Chair: Chamee Yang **Vice Chair: Mai Yang** **Secretary: Mai Yang**

2026	2027	2028
Chamee Yang	Randy Fowler	Penny Xiong
Wendy Lee	Glenda Ott	Tracy Yang
Mai Yang		

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Finance Committee

POSITION	SERVANT LEADER
Finance Chair	Betty Ledford
Finance Treasurer	TBD
Secretary	TBD
Financial Secretary	Tracy Yang
Hmong Representative	Som Xiong
Stewardship Chair	Randy Fowler
Committee Member	David Dewey
Pastor	Tom Cota

Hmong Ministry Committee 2026-2027

POSITION	SERVANT LEADER
Pastor	Tom Cota
Chairperson	Tyler Yang
Secretary	Mai Yang
Treasurer	TBD
Men Chair	Davi Vang
Women Chair	Tracy Yang
Choir Director	Ka Vang
Youth Director	Som Xiong
Youth Chair	TBD
Sunday School	Mai Yang

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Church Administration Council

Pastor Tom Cota

Position	Servant Leader
Co-Chair/Lay Leader (English)	Betty Ledford
Co-Chair/Lay Leader (Hmong)	Tyler Yang
Secretary	Evelyn Cota
Membership Secretary	Jeremy Buis
Local Member to Annual Conference (English)	Evelyn Cota
Local Member at the Annual Conference (Hmong)	Tyler Yang
Trustee's Chair	Jeremy Buis
SPRC Chair	Chamee Yang
Finance Chair	Betty Ledford
Stewardship/Outreach Chair	Randy Fowler
Worship Chair	Pastor Tom Cota
Sunday School Director	Mai Yang
Youth President	Som Xiong

Recommendation for Pastoral Candidacy

Pastor Tom Cota

Certified Lay Servants

Tracy Yang • Chamee Yang

Davi Vang • Hlee Vang • Mai Yang

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Church Historian: TBD • Publicity Director: TBD

Enduring Gifts Director: Alma Short

Worship Committee

POSITION	SERVANT LEADER
Worship Chair	Pastor Tom Cota
Sound & Visual	Jeremy Buis
Usher Coordinator	Erin & Micah Buis
Greeter Coordinator	Alma Short
Organist	Patty Bell
Chancel Choir Director	Patty Bell
Liturgist Coordinator	Betty Ledford
Altar Flowers	Janet Short
Wedding Coordinator	Alma Short
Acolyte	Taylor Buis
Communion Stewards	Erin Buis, Sem Xiong, Tyler Yang
Funeral & Memorials	Erin & Micah Buis
Paraments & Altaware	Micah Buis & Janet Short
Anointing Coordinators	Som Xiong
Hmong Pianist	Tyler Yang
Children Moment Coordinator	Tony Beardon

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Welcome to
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Celebrating Over 150 Years Serving the Oroville Community

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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.
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.