

2011 Summer Movie of the Week

The Summer Movie of the Week class will begin today, July 10, and feature *Stand by Me* (1986) with discussion lead by Marsha Strode. View the movie at home in advance of the class session and note any moral, ethical or religious issues and whether the movie did a good job with them. Come prepared to discuss your favorite scenes or big beefs. Though there is some "homework," it's also fun! The class will be held in Room E-26 (Fireside) at 9:30am on Sunday mornings. The movie for July 17 will be *The Social Network* (2010) with discussion lead by Paul Trauger. Check the church website for a review of each movie. Below is an overview of the upcoming movies so that you can prepare for class.

Date	Leader	Title	MPAA Rating
7/10	Marsha Strode	<i>Stand by Me</i>	R
7/17	Paul Trauger	<i>The Social Network</i>	PG-13
7/24	Marsha Strode	<i>The King's Speech</i>	PG-13
7/31	Don Fado	<i>The Adjustment Bureau</i>	PG-13
8/7	Linda Bond	<i>The Conspirator</i>	PG-13
8/14	Paul Trauger	<i>Black Swan</i>	R



Layette Kits for UMCOR Needs Contributions

UMW is sponsoring the collection of layette kits for UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) and invites you to help in this endeavor. These kits are needed in places that have been affected by natural disasters, such as Haiti, Japan and US flood and tornado zones and other countries as well. Many women do not have swaddling clothes with which to welcome their child into the world. Layette kits provide basic supplies for their baby's needs. Look for a "collection cradle" in the narthex. The goal is to have our kits ready to be sent with the UMW Conference Mission Team to UMCOR's distribution center in Salt Lake City early in September.

Below is the list of items needed in each kit. You may donate an entire kit or one item, anything listed would be welcome. If you'd prefer, a check or cash may be given in any amount and UMW will do the purchasing for you. Make your check to: St. Mark's UMW and designate UMCOR layette kits and place in the offering plate. Thank you.

- **6 cloth diapers** pre-folded or plain diapers only; no disposable diapers
- **2 shirts** undershirts or onesies
- **2 wash cloths** infant size only; no adult wash cloths
- **2 diaper pins** must have protective plastic closures no regular safety pins
- **2 gowns or sleepers**
- **1 sweater or jacket** must open from the front; may be hand knitted, crocheted or sewn hooded sweatshirts are acceptable
- **2 receiving blankets** no crib blankets please 30" x 30" or 30" x 32" sizes only;

Important Notes: All items must be new. Do not wash any of the items as they will be considered used.

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Welcome, Pastor Alan and Linda!

We welcome Rev. Alan H. Jones to the pulpit today in this his first Sunday of ministry with us. The Staff Parish Relations Committee has provided receptions after each service so that Pastor Alan and his wife, Linda, will begin to get to know the congregation. Please be sure to stop by to welcome them!



TODAY at St. Mark's

Sunday, July 10

- 9:30am **Worship Service-SA**
- 9:30am Faith Pilgrimage-E25
- 9:30am St. Mark's Singers-CR
- 9:30am Summer Movie Class-E26
- 9:30am Sunday School-E1-4, 21-23
- 9:30am Youth Sunday School-GC
- 9:45am Worship Band Rehearsal-E26
- 11:00am **Worship Service-SA**
- 11:00am Sunday School-E1-4, 22-23
- 4:00pm Youth Group-GC

Blood Pressure Screening

Health Ministries is offering free blood pressure screening today, from 10:15 to 11:00am in the Prayer Room. All are welcome.

Vacation Bible School Coming Soon

Vacation Bible School (VBS) is just around the corner: July 25-29 from 9:00am to 12:00pm. This year's theme is *Island Odyssey*. Registration forms are in the July issue of *Markings* or the church office. A \$10 discount will be applied to those registered by July 11. If you're available to serve as a teacher or helper, please contact Lily Andrews or Boni Fields. It will be a great week for all who are here.



Summer Brunches

Our annual Summer Brunches begin next Sunday, July 17, and are served from 10:15-11:00am in MacMurdo Hall, for \$4 per adult; \$1.50 per child. Come for great food and super company.



Health Committee News

The Health Ministries Committee will meet Tuesday, July 12, Room E-5 at 7:00pm. We will be making plans for the next year. If you have any thoughts about what you would like us to be focusing on, please join us. We are always looking for input and new members to the committee. Contact Joyce Estes, 481-0418.

This Week at St. Mark's

Monday, July 11

Office Closed

7:30pm Home Bible Study-Offsite

Tuesday, July 12

9:00am UMW Executive Board-E5

9:43am UMW July Meeting-MH

7:00pm Bell Choir-CR

7:00pm GMBC Meeting-SR

7:00pm Health Care Ministries-E5

7:00pm Trustees-E21

Wednesday, July 13

9:00am UMW Sewing & Craft Circle-E5

6:30pm St. Mark's UMM-GC

7:00pm Family Ministries-E25

7:30pm Prayer Group-PR

Friday, July 14

10:00am VBS Teacher Training-E5

7:00pm Underground Circle-A2

Friday, July 15

11:00am Membership Care Team-SR

Saturday, July 16

8:00am Youth leave for SSP

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Fair Trade Goods Available Next Sunday

Fair Trade Products available for sale next Sunday, July 17!! Continue to support small farmers globally when you purchase coffees and exotic teas perfect for icing this summer. Last chance for the chocolate bars until Fall!!!

Remember in Prayer

Susanna Aaltonen
(Blythe's friend)

Nancy Aldrich

Paul Allen

Sue Bailey

Vern Bailey

(Joyce's father)

Ginny Baldauf

Batten Family

Maurice Brown

Celina Davin

Frank Davin

Carolynn Goetze

Jennine Jones

Olivia Jones

Mary Kasai

Bob Kelgord

Agnes Lappia

Dave MacMurdo

Dorothy MacMurdo

Dorrie Moon

Bill Moore

Deanna Paulo's
sister

Jimmie Poxon

Florence Ruddig

Dick Smith

(Anne's husband)

Tiffani Spencer

Whitmore Family

Youth to Sierra Service Project

This Saturday, July 16, these members of our youth and their sponsors will leave for this year's Sierra Service Project: Youth: Emily Estes, Shannon Lingren, Audrey Marin, Fiona Ogren,

Liam Ogren, Chris Parsons, Emily Perry, Conner Potts, Olivia Sarro, Nick Stanton, Amanda Weinland; Sponsors: Lily Andrews, Stephen Ogren, Sally J. Weinland.

They will be gone July 16-24. If you are interested in writing a letter of encouragement, please be sure it's addressed to the following and in the mail by July 21.

Camper Name
c/o Sierra Service Project
General Delivery
Fort Hall, ID 82303



UMW July Meeting

UMW (United Methodist Women) is celebrating Christmas in July at our meeting on Tuesday, July 12. Come to MacMurdo Hall for refreshments at 9:43am; the meeting and program will follow.



Three of our talented crafters, Boni Fields, Johanna Brownell and Marsha Jaske will present a "hand's on" program by sharing Christmas projects and giving us a chance to work on some.

In addition to getting inspired with seasonal craft ideas, there will be an opportunity to exchange decorations on a sharing table. Attendees are invited to dig out and bring their surplus Christmas decorations and that could include anything from ornaments to greenery or even lights that you no longer use. No reservations are necessary this month, and newcomers always welcome. Please come and join the fun of Christmas crafts in the summer sun.

The executive committee and activity group leaders will meet prior to the unit meeting at 9:00am in Rm. E-5 (Library)

Bereavement Group

St. Mark's Bereavement Group will be meeting on Saturday morning, July 16, at 10:00am in the Prayer Room. The group meets every third Saturday of the month from 10:00am to 12:00pm. Some of



you have experienced your losses very recently (spouses, children, parents, family members...), and for others, it has been awhile. But there is no timeline on the grief experience. Ruth Reynolds, a trained Spiritual Director, is the coordinator of this group, offers a great deal of experience and compassion. If you are able to attend or if you have questions please e-mail her at: ruthbranch@sbcglobal.net.

Help for Seth Parker

Recently Seth Parker, a young, unemployed gay man, was severely beaten while leaving a bowling alley in Elk Grove with two friends. Local police have listed this as a hate crime.



Seth is still in need of support and is struggling emotionally. He is a makeup artist, cannot drive and must have reconstructive facial surgery. UC Davis has agreed to provide medical treatment but he is in need of money to pay legal fees and daily living expenses. As followers of Christ, the members of St. Mark's UMC attempt to live out our calling to be open to all persons, especially those who have been intentionally harmed or are in need in any way. If you would like to assist Seth, you may write a check payable to "Seth Parker" and mail it to the following address: Ted Ross, President, Ross-Campbell, Inc., ATTN: Seth Parker Fund, 1912 F Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. You may also write checks payable to Seth and place them in the Sunday offering plate and they will be forwarded.

-John McCormack, Chair, Ministry in Action Commission

Wednesday Night Prayer Group

St. Mark's is starting a weekly prayer and praise group to pray for and with each other. The format will be informal and no one is required to "pray out loud!" This group will meet on Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm in the Prayer Room, and is led by Rev. Pat Pitzer. You can come every week, once a month, or drop in as you are able.



If you have concerns for which you would like the group to pray, please stop by the Prayer Room and write them on the cards provided.