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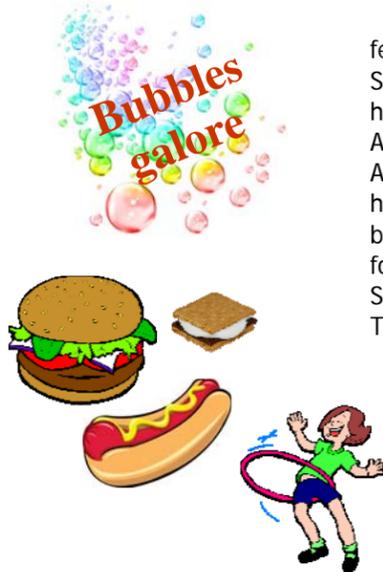
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All Church Picnic & Camp Fire Sing Saturday, September 10, 3:00-9:00pm

Come join friends and family for a day of fun and fellowship with games for all ages on Saturday, September 10, 3:00pm to 9:00pm. Barbequed hamburgers, hot dogs and s'mores will be served. Activities will include lots of bubbles, (including an Australian Bubble Maker) parachute games, jump house, Mexican Train Dominoes, tailgate toss, bean bag toss, hula hoops and more. Bring your games and food to share too. Sign up in the Courtyard on Sundays. Sponsored by the Intergenerational Activities Team. Call Boni Fields, 485-3154, for info.



Games
for all



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MOON LECTURE FALL 2016 SERIES

BARRY SCHECK

Attorney, DNA Expert and Co-founder of the Innocence Project.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 7:00PM

Barry Scheck is an American lawyer who received national media attention while serving on O.J. Simpson's defense team, helping to win an acquittal in the highly publicized murder case. Scheck is the director of the Innocence Project and a professor at Yeshiva University's Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in New York City.

Scheck was born in Queens, New York, and grew up in Port Washington, New York. He graduated from the Horace Mann School in Riverdale, New York, went on to receive a B.A. from Yale University, majoring in Economics and American Studies, and a J.D. and Master of City Planning (MCP) from UC Berkeley's School of Law.

Before becoming nationally known, Scheck became the personal lawyer for the Hedda Nussbaum case, in 1987. He both defended her and assisted in getting the charges against her dropped, while also assisting in ensuring Joel Steinberg's arrest and suing him in the civil case, Nussbaum vs. Steinberg. Scheck was part of the team that defended O. J. Simpson in his 1995 trial. He was associated with clearing in 1999 of Dennis Fritz and Ron Williamson who had spent 11 years in prison of wrongful murder convictions. He was lead lawyer who defended British au pair Louise Woodward in her 1997 murder trial.

More recently, he served as attorney of the wrongly accused Duke University lacrosse player Reade Seligmann to

represent him in a civil lawsuit against the city of Durham, North Carolina, and its former district attorney, Mike Nifong. He also was responsible for clearing John Restivo, Dennis Halstead, and John Kogut after 18 years in prison for the 1985 Lynbrook rape and murder of Theresa Fusco, when DNA evidence proved them innocent and implicated others.

Scheck co-founded the Innocence Project in 1992 with Peter Neufeld, also his co-counsel on the O.J. Simpson defense team. The Project is dedicated to the utilization of DNA evidence as a means to exculpate individuals of crimes for which they were wrongfully convicted. To date, 343 wrongful convictions have been overturned by DNA testing thanks to the Project and other legal organizations. The Innocence Project does not use legal technicalities to challenge convictions; the Project accepts only cases in which newly discovered scientific evidence can potentially prove that a convicted person is factually innocent.

Scheck is a professor at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law. He is Director of Clinical Education for the Trial Advocacy Program and the Center for the Study of Law and Ethics, and a former staff attorney at the Legal Aid Society of New York. In 1996 he received the Robert C. Heeney Award, the "NACDL's most prestigious award... given annually to the one criminal defense attorney who best exemplifies the goals and values of the Association, and the legal profession"



Seating is limited, so reserve early!
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TICKETS (available in the Courtyard)	
General	\$30
Student	\$20
Series (all 4)	\$100



Harvey Cox tells the story of being arrested and put in jail, in 1963, during a civil rights demonstration. The blacks and whites are separated and put in different cells. Apparently the warden is bemused that some of the young black arrestees have asked for a Bible so that they can "have church" on Sunday. He makes a flip comment, "Can't do no harm, I guess." But Harvey Cox realizes that for the group in question, the Bible isn't something to study, or even a book to venerate, it is rather a book that is a call to action, a book that "was a summons for them to be all that they were meant to be."

The teaching of Dr. Martin Luther King had helped the community to find their experience reflected in the stories told in the Bible, so the Bible was no longer an archaic document inviting "study," but rather a handbook inviting the human family to embrace freedom and justice for all, and providing a road map for giving dignity and status to those who have been the victims of exclusion and oppression.

The Bible is a treasure trove of story, poetry and active imagination. Encountering the bible is engaging an adventure that will probably lead to destinations unknown. "Bible study" can be simply an intellectual exercise... but for people of active faith it must also be an encounter with the spirit of God alive and active in the world. As you and I read the Bible, we are invited to bring our lives and open spirits with an expectation that we will be healed and changed by its words.

As a preacher who is required to encounter the Bible on a weekly basis, I am constantly caught off guard by the powerful life truths that suddenly emerge from its ancient writings. I invite you to be ready to be surprised.

Some in the St. Mark's community have been regular Bible readers who know the power of the book to present both challenge and comfort. Others think it is boring and unknowable. Some hold it in very deep respect and so ask few questions while others delight in dismantling its texts and wrestling with foreign ideas.

Whatever your starting point, you are invited this fall to enter into a season where you engage the Bible... or perhaps more specifically, where you allow the Bible to engage you. Between Sunday, September 4, and Saturday November 12, you are invited to spend some time alone, every day, with the Bible. You will be provided with a guidebook that will give you scripture readings for each day and questions to explore. There are no "right answers." This is not a class or a test, but rather an opportunity to allow the bible to resource your walk of faith.

This series is called *The Bible as Experience: Using Scripture as a Handbook for Life*. Rev. Wendy Weller and Rev. Mahsea Evans have worked closely with me in preparing the guidebook which you can pick up at church. Please make a commitment now, to take a few minutes

each day in which you allow the ancient words to inspire and educate your walk of faith. My two colleagues will also be preaching regularly during the season so that we are all experiencing different perspectives on the experience of encountering the bible's wisdom.

Again during this series I am asking that every group in the church... whether you meet as Trustees, a choir, to play Mexican Train, a UMW circle or whatever... to take some time, each time you meet to read something from the Bible and say a prayer. The booklet includes simple guides for a five-minute option as well as a twenty-minute option. No group should have a problem in setting aside at least 5 minutes for this purpose.

I am also asking that everyone make a point of joining a small group during the season, so that you can "process" your experience with your sisters and brothers in the church family. Your faith will be more authentic and alive if you share your insights with your fellow travelers on the road of faith. The purpose of the group is not to study the readings, but to share experiences of how the readings have spoken to our lives. There are sign-ups available each week in the Courtyard. If none of the times and locations works for you, feel free to host a group yourself—at home, at church, at Starbucks, or in the park. No prior skill or knowledge is needed to convene a group. All the information you need is included in the handbook.

May God bless us all as we enter into a great adventure together, exploring our holy scripture, and discovering what it holds for us.

Endersnight Concert Invitation

Endersnight will present a concert of ancient and modern choral works, on Saturday, September 24, at 7:00pm, at the Episcopal Church of St. John the Evangelist, 1661 - 15th St., San Francisco.

Endersnight is a chamber vocal ensemble performing choral works at Compline, a service of evening prayers, at St. John the Evangelist on the third Sunday each month.



The group was founded in 2015 by Daniel Pickens-Jones (son of Revs. Alan and Linda). Admission is free; donations are gladly accepted. The choir consists of some of the best voices in the Bay Area. If anyone is interested in going and sharing in a carpool (or a rented van) contact Linda at lpickensjones@gmail.com. Some might want to go early enough for dinner before the concert.

Needed: 9 Sunday School Teachers

Sunday School is growing! St. Mark's has a wonderful group of children! The next step in our growth is to provide two classes at 9:30 and 11:00. The older students, grades 4-8, need a class that addresses their growing capacity to explore the Bible and Christianity, as well as to ask deeper questions about their faith. The younger students need an environment with more movement and activities as they begin their faith journey.



Are you a person who could commit to teaching one Sunday a month? You have your choice of age group. You are sure to have a rewarding experience getting to know our young people. Consider whether this might be something God is calling you to do. You can either volunteer, or you can say, "Yes!" when you get a telephone call or email. Curriculum and teacher training is available to you. You're part of a team!

Need more information? Contact Rev. Wendy Weller, 837-3706 (text or call) or wweller@stmarksumc.com.

Volunteers Needed

There is a need for volunteer Church Office telephone coverage on Tuesday mornings and afternoons and Friday afternoons. If you enjoy front desk work and are available, please call the Church Office, 483-7848.



Men's Coffee and Conversation

The next meeting will be September 15 (third Thursday), same time (9:30am), same place (Room E-24) after a summer break. See you then!



With Sympathy



Please extend your condolences to: ...the family of Dr. Milo Nittler, who died on August 6. Milo has been a member of St. Mark's since 1961. Services have not yet been planned. Please keep his family in your prayers. ...Bill Borah, in the death of his mother, Mary Lu Borah, who died August 22 at the age of 102. Please keep Bill and Linda in your prayers.

Worship Ministries for All

The Worship Ministries at St. Mark's are supported by the contributions of several groups including: the Bells of St. Mark's, Chancel Choir, St. Mark's Singers, Visual Arts Team and Worship Team. With the change in personnel this fall, new and different ideas and approaches are being considered. If you haven't been part of one of these groups, this is the perfect time to join the teams.

On Friday, September 9, members of the Bells of St. Mark's, Chancel Choir, St. Mark's Singers, Visual Arts Team and Worship Team will kick off the fall season with a time of worship, reflection and planning. The evening will begin at 6:00pm in Wesley Hall with a time for fellowship with a light dinner.



At 7:00, there will be a time of worship, team-building, and discussion about the future. About 8:30, the individual groups will meet for rehearsal/application, to conclude the evening.

Anyone interested in these ministries is invited to attend, if only for this one time event. Please RSVP to the Church Office, 483-7848, to indicate your attendance.

Reminder: Literacy Little League

Come for coffee, tea, cake, scheduling and training on Thursday, September 8, 2:30pm, Room E-26. You can sign up as a reading tutor for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or as a substitute, for less than 1 hour per week. You will work with the same third grader for the entire school year. Contact Dorothy Marshall, 488-2578 or dorothy@csus.edu.



Notes of Thanks

Thank you to everyone for your prayers and cards during my recent surgery and recovery. A special thanks to Shalom Circle for the wonderful meals. Thanks again.

Sally J. Weinland



Thank you, friends, for your cards during the loss of my son, Edward F. Vorous.

Barbara Schroeder and family

The End of Elections as We Know Them

United Methodist Women (UMW) and interested visitors will meet Tuesday, September 13, at 10:00am in MacMurdo Hall to consider the fall election season. Karen Humphrey will discuss how American elections are changing dramatically—and it isn't just the nomination of one of the most controversial presidential candidates in history running against the first woman nominee of a major party in history.

Those challenges are brand new in 2016, but many recent and not-so-recent trends are reshaping elections: outside "independent expenditure committees" and "super-PACs" (often funded by "dark money"); the Citizens United court decision opening the door to unlimited corporate spending; the impact of social media; intense partisan polarization and its impact on reapportionment and nonpartisan local government; and an electorate that is increasingly diverse but with large gaps in participation. These and other factors are changing how we look at candidates and issues, make decisions on how to vote, and even cast our ballots (mail in ballots, anyone?).

This talk will consider the pressures affecting American voters—especially in California—and how to cut through the chatter to understand what the stakes are. It will look at some of the issues facing voters on the November ballot and what one might think about in deciding how to cast your ballot.



How Does the Bible Speak to You?

During the fall, St. Mark's will again have a season of shared reflection and renewal, *The Bible as Experience: Using Scripture as a Handbook for Life*. A booklet has been compiled with daily Bible readings for personal use, as well as guidelines for every group in the church to take some time to reflect together regularly on the life of faith.



Booklets are available in the Courtyard on Sundays (donations accepted). Pastor Alan is again asking that every group in the church take some time as you gather, to reflect on one of the verses provided during meetings in September, October and November. Please plan now to make time for 10 weeks of reflection and personal spiritual growth, starting on Labor Day Sunday.

Sign-ups for small groups are available in the Courtyard today. Every active participant in the church community is invited to join with others in this journey of exploration.

A companion reading during the series is the book, *How to Read the Bible*, by Harvey Cox. Copies of this book are also available in the Courtyard for \$13.

St. Mark's member Karen Humphrey had a multi-faceted career: television news reporting in Eureka and Fresno; elected City Councilmember in Fresno for two terms, followed by a term as Fresno's first woman Mayor; advisor to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and administrator in the California Department of Education; and, finally, as Executive Director of the California Postsecondary Education Commission. Following her retirement in 2011, Karen has been active at the local and state levels in the National Women's Political Caucus and is a member of the Social Justice Advocacy Team at St. Mark's. She and her husband, Ken Clarke, live in midtown Sacramento.



In addition, the World Thank Offering will be received. The World Thank Offering is a part of United Methodist Women's Mission Giving that supports national and international programs working with women, children and youth in the United States and around the world.

Newcomers are always welcome at the general meeting and luncheon following. Lunch reservations can be made by calling Sally J. Weinland at 489-1039. Sally will arrange for child care, if requested in advance.

The Executive Committee and activity group leaders will meet at 9:00 am in Room E-5 (Library).

Women Studying the Book of Genesis

The United Methodist Women's Bible Study group will begin a new study on the Book of Genesis starting September 20, at 10:00am, in the Room E-5 (Library). The group meets on the third Tuesday of the month and will continue through June, 2017.

The Bible Study is led by Rev. Linda Pickens-Jones. If you would like to attend or have any questions, please call Lori White at 487-8714. The books will be available at the first meeting. Please bring your favorite Bible, too.



Super Seniors will begin its "new year" of food and fellowship at 12:30pm, on Thursday, September 8, in MacMurdo Hall. Come and take part in a delicious potluck lunch and sharing of *what I did on my summer vacation*. Bring a dish to share and your own table service, and come ready to start the "new year" with a bang!

Important New Medicare Information *by Pam Taylor, R.N., Faith Community Nurse*

In recent years, more hospitals are admitting patients in a status classified as "observation." This status is considered to be the same as being an out-patient. Even if the patient is receiving extensive tests, medications and treatment the observation status can be in place for a number of days. If the patient is never formally admitted as an inpatient to the hospital, and then needs to be discharged to a nursing care facility, Medicare will not cover the care. Under Medicare guidelines, a patient must spend three consecutive days in the hospital as an inpatient before Medicare will cover any costs of a Skilled Nursing Facility. Medicare will cover up to 100 days in a skilled nursing facility at a time. Medicare has criteria that must be met to have continuous coverage. The 100 days of Medicare benefit is not guaranteed.

Recently legislation has been passed at the Federal level to ensure that hospitals notify patients when they might be financially responsible for an admission to a nursing home facility. The White House Office of Management and Budget still needs to approve this legislation for it to move forward.

The new law requires hospitals to provide a notice to each individual who receives observation services for more than 24 hours. The proposed language of the notice is:

"You're a hospital outpatient receiving observation services. You are not an inpatient."

It goes on to explain that Medicare will only cover a skilled nursing facility if the beneficiary has been an inpatient for at least 3 days. It is estimated that 1.4 million notices will be issued in a year.

Observation stays can also hold patients liable for substantial hospital bills. "This can be devastating for seniors" said Senator Susan Collins, Republican of Maine and chairwoman of the Senate Special Committee on Aging.

Once a patient is informed that they are in an observation status, they can appeal to their doctor to be reclassified as an inpatient.

Hospitals have been under close scrutiny by Medicare auditors regarding hospital billing practices. The auditors are private companies hired by Medicare to do a review of hospital bills. The auditors have challenged doctors decisions to admit patients saying that the patient could have been cared for in an out patient setting. Auditors then seek to recover improper payments for the inpatient charges.



The median cost for a private nursing home room is \$92,000 a year according to Genworth Financial, an insurance company.

"The new law is an important first step, but Congress and the administration need to do more to protect beneficiaries." Said Judith a Stein, executive director of the nonprofit Center for Medicare Advocacy.

Under the new law, patients can still be in observation status and some of these patients will be responsible for the costs of Skilled Nursing care. Twenty-four senators and more than 120 House members support bipartisan legislation to address this. The proposal is that hospital time in observation status would count as part of the 3 day requirement for Medicare coverage in a Skilled Nursing Facility.

Regarding the proposal to notice patients about their observational status, Senator Benjamin L. Cardin, Democrat, Maryland, the chief sponsor of the Senate version of the legislation, said it would "save seniors from the sticker shock that comes after they are discharged from the hospital and realize that Medicare will not cover the cost of care in a skilled nursing facility."

Source: New York Times – New Medicare Law to Notify Patients of Loophole in Nursing Home Coverage 8/6/2016

Prayer Requests

Betty Anderson
Borah Family
David Coffey
Mary Czech
RuthAnne Dorr
Mike Galyen
Bill Gile
Larry Hinshaw
Paula Jenkins
Mary Kasai
Debbie Kenngott
Deanna King



Kelly Kline
Linda Kuruhara
Mary McCullough
Steve Mitchell
Nittler Family
Doris Olson
Jim Peterson
Frances Phillips
Barbara Schroeder
Celeste Slaughter
Ligaya Vopata

Prevent Falls in 2016

Fall Prevention Awareness Day: September 23
Fall Prevention Screening and Health Fair.
Ready, Steady Balance!



This workshop includes multi-sensory balance assessment, medication screening, home modification consultation, blood pressure checks and more. Light refreshments will be served.

Friday, September 23, 9:00am – 12:00pm
ACC Senior Services
7334 Park City Drive, Sacramento
Contact: 393-9026

Updates

from Chris Harris, Lay Leader & Finance Chair

Faith Challenge

I just wanted to take a moment to say a very big "thank you" to all of you that have made the *Faith Challenge Campaign* a rousing success so far. Your commitment has brought the total commitment to \$50,000 pledged with over \$37,000 received. This is truly amazing with four months left in the campaign. Your faithfulness and commitment to the vision and mission of the St. Mark's Community is truly inspiring.

As you can see, we are still \$10,000 away from the goal of \$60,000. If you have not stepped up to take the *Faith Challenge*, I encourage you to take a moment to pray about it and make a commitment to help reach our goal.

We are still looking for eight (8) givers at the \$500 level, thirty (30) at the \$250, and twenty-four (24) at the \$50 dollar levels, but any amount will get us closer to the goal.



Every time this community has been faced with a challenge, we have always met and exceeded the opportunity it presented and I have faith that this will again be the result for this community.

There is much happening in this community and it is all the result of your **Support** and **Commitment** to the Community of St. Mark's. Again "THANK YOU" very much to all those that have pledged your generosity, it is truly appreciated. To all of you still considering making a commitment I thank you for your willingness to step out in faith.

Fireworks Booth Fundraiser

Good News!! The final numbers are in on the Fireworks Fundraiser this summer and I am very thrilled to announce that we earned \$4,743.23 this year. God is truly awesome and has blessed the Community of St. Mark's.

Special thanks to the following: Nancy and Doug Nos who worked tirelessly the entire week in the booth and drove the U-Haul back to the warehouse every evening; Boni & Chet Fields who decorated and helped get the booth ready for the week; John & Miriam McCormack for driving the U-Haul truck all week during the morning; and banker and carpenter, Jim Eychaner.

I would also like to take a moment to thank all who volunteered, whose names are many, during the week of sales. Thanks to all who worked sales shifts, drove the U-Haul truck, decorated the booth, set-up and tore down the booth every day and most of all just provided great support! It was truly appreciated!



No Summer Vacation for Social Justice Advocacy Team

The Social Justice Advocacy (SJA) Coordinating Committee and team members have been pretty busy during these summer months, and are gearing up for additional work over the next several months.

In June, the team appeared at the Board of Supervisors budget hearings, with Mike Jaske and Pastor Alan Jones presenting a series of recommendations, including: significant increases in emergency shelter capacity over the next three years; release of data on savings in current expenditures that might result from increased shelter capacity; and creation of a specific plan for sufficient permanent supportive housing in Sacramento County. It was disappointing that the Board essentially ignored those recommendations, although they did continue funding added in prior years. Although the team was not actively lobbying the City of Sacramento, it was encouraging that the Council "did the right thing" to fund three existing shelters to operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

The County's budget will not be finally decided and adopted until September, after the Board gets word of the federal and state funds it will receive. The SJA team will ask the Supervisors to consider further steps to increase services, including sufficient funding for a revamped Winter Sanctuary program, possibly at one location, for which Sacramento Steps Forward is considering proposals.

If you can attend the county budget hearings, **please mark September 7 and 8 on your calendars.** As soon as the precise date and time for the part of the budget where homelessness funding is included is known, you'll be notified. A good turnout of supporters is always helpful at board hearings.

As with all public policy work, progress isn't as fast as we'd like, but there is progress. The city and county are participating in "2x2" committee discussions involving two Supervisors and two Councilmembers, exploring what needs to be done. The Coordinating Committee met with 2x2 member Jeff Harris at his city office and will meet with other members in coming weeks. The committee also met with the county's new "homelessness coordinator," Cindy Cavanaugh, about her priorities, and is very hopeful about her collaborative, results-based approach.

The coordinating committee also met with Mayor-elect Darrell Steinberg, who continues to give a high priority to addressing homelessness. He won't take office until the end of the year, but he wants to hit the ground running, and hopes to build a more regional and collaborative approach to ending homelessness. The committee will work to get him to a larger meeting at St. Mark's sometime this fall or winter.

For further information on these and other SJA activities, and/or if you'd like to join the team, please contact Mike Jaske at mike.jaske@gmail.com.



Why Does St. Mark's Want Emergency Contact Numbers from Me?

Throughout September canary yellow *Emergency Contact & Information Forms* will be available for every person associated with St. Mark's to take, complete, and return to the church.

These forms are very short and only take a minute or two to complete. The questions include:

- Your name
- Your current address
- Your home and cell phone numbers
- The names and best phone numbers for two (2) contact persons who do NOT live in the same household with you
- A listing of any special issues, such as using a wheel chair, walker, O² tanks, or other health issues that would be factors if you had to evacuate your home.



So why is St. Mark's being so nosy? There are several reasons.

The most obvious of the reasons is that the church needs to have current names and phone numbers for you and your next-of-kin in the event that you are in a serious accident, have emergency surgery, or die. Many people assume that communications in those situations are one-way, from your family to the church, but the reality is communications are two way and if we have old, disconnected numbers, or names that are no longer relevant, then valuable time may be lost.

A second reason is to help the church track you should there be an unexpected or temporary move (such as after a house fire), or a forced evacuation (such as after a toxic chemical spill or flood).

"Friendly Visitors" & "Communion Visitors"

Did you know that St. Mark's has not one but two different programs utilizing church members to visit those who can not come to church?



"Friendly Visitors" make monthly visits to as many as one to four shut-ins. Visits can be brief check-ins or they can be longer chats over tea and cookies. Short or long, the visits rarely fail to bring smiles to the faces of those who are assured that their church family has not forgotten them.

"Communion Visitors" bring a special extra with their visitations. They come with communion elements to share. Receiving the Lord's Supper from a visitor is a vital link to church fellowship for those who can not attend First Sunday worship services.

Both the "Friendly Visitors" and the "Communion Visitors" are asked to complete a short form about the person they saw and return that form to the Church Office. The information and insight of the visitors greatly helps Pastor Jones and the Faith Community Nurse, Pam Taylor, better plan who they most need to contact.

If you are interested in volunteering for either of these ministries, please contact Kevin Jenkins at the Church Office.

There can be many reasons that force you to leave your home quickly and contacting the church may not be possible or it may not be high on your list of things you need to do in many of those cases, but the church wants to be ready to aid you with spiritual care and other resources that are at our disposal. In order to provide aid to you, St. Mark's needs to know where you went and your contact people are the most likely folks to have that information (or we can share that information with them if you are able to reach us).

Finally, in situations where emergency services, such as the fire department or the police, are stretched thin it maybe your church family that comes to your aid (think major disaster). Knowing who in the congregation is most in need of physical help, and who already has other help available to them, will allow us to direct our resources to person most in need of aid.

These canary yellow *Emergency Contact & Information Forms* will be in the Worship Center lobby and at the Coffee Fellow area during the next few Sundays or in the Church Office anytime. Completed forms can be dropped in the marked box in the Coffee Fellowship area, taken to the Church Office, or mailed to St. Mark's.

P.S. Even if you did one before, please complete a new one. Many times when we pull the form we discover the phone number for the contacts have changed.

A Call for Help

Wesley United Methodist Church (5010 15th Ave, just off Stockton Blvd) is asking for help. A small aging congregation that was close to closing its doors has recently undergone something of a revival and increasing numbers of people are attending. It is also engaging in a number of community ministries. Wesley has been a presence in the Colonial Heights neighborhood since 1910, and the current building dates back to 1913.

The building is not in a great state of repair and needs "sprucing up." The pastor, Rev. Bob Gilberg, has put out a call for people to help with exterior repairs and painting. The plan is to have an evaluation gathering on Saturday August 27 and then do the work on Saturdays, September 10, 17 and 24, with possibly a Friday gathering on September 26, all starting at 9:00am.

If you are interested in helping out, please call Pastor Bob, at 765-7829, or email him bob.gilberg@gmail.com.

