YUMC October 2022 Bridge Newsletter



Pastor Mike Bekstrom

Church Office Hours Monday thru Friday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Office Manager Michael Burleson-Raney

Appreciation Strategy Humility Commitment Responsibility Leadership Honest Communication Values Purpose Determination Passion Principles



YUMC Finance

September 2022

All Methodist men are welcome to join us for breakfast & conversation when we start back in the fall.

On Hiatus until November

Roles of the Leadership Board

Nick Sinnott	Facilities Chair of the Board
Sarah Frey	Congregational Programs Congregational Care
Vurl Trytten	Congregational Programs
Debby Whipple	Staff Parish Relations Chair Personnel
Shawn Cortright	Prayer Ministry
Chris Barre	Lay Leadership
Ed Matthews	Finance
Tracie Lima	Finance
Lisa Raffaelli	Mission Outreach Worship

September giving again fell below the amount needed to cover our annual budget, even though one member donated a significant amount above their regular giving. The board is reviewing the budget for any planned costs that can be cut or delayed. Pastor Mike will be talking to the Conference about any available financial assistance. Your help is needed.

We will keep you informed!

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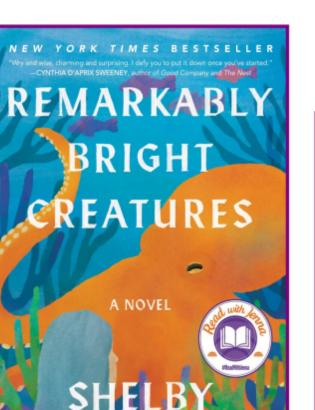
Lay Representative

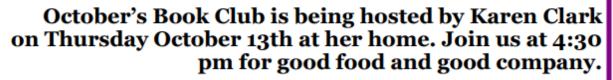
Jim Frey

Thank you for your service!

The Leadership Board meets on the third Thursday of the month at 5:30 pm. Generally they meet in Rm 8 in the Ed Building. All church members are welcome to attend.

October's Book Club Choice is: **Remarkably Bright Creatures** by Shelby Van Pelt





BOOK CLUB

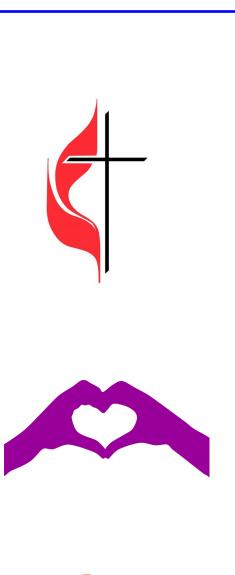
After Tova Sullivan's husband died, she began working the night shift at the Sowell Bay Aquarium, mopping floors and tidying up. Keeping busy has always helped her cope, which she's been doing since her eighteen-year-old son, Erik, mysteriously vanished on a boat in Puget Sound over thirty years ago.

Tova becomes acquainted with curmudgeonly Marcellus, a giant Pacific octopus living at the aquarium. Marcellus knows more than anyone can imagine but wouldn't dream of lifting one of his eight arms for his human captors—until he forms a remarkable friendship with Tova.

Ever the detective, Marcellus deduces what happened the night Tova's son disappeared. And now Marcellus must use every trick his old invertebrate body can muster to unearth the truth for her before it's too late.

Shelby Van Pelt's debut novel is a gentle reminder that sometimes taking a hard look at the past can help uncover a future that once felt impossible.

The Book Club generally meets on the second Thursday of each month at 4:30 PM at varying locales. This club is open to all who enjoy reading and socializing. **Please consider joining us!**





UMCOR's presence

Recently our county has been devastated by fire, the McKinny, Mill and Mountain Fires, leaving many homes totally destroyed, damaged or left with smoke and soot within. People lost tools of their trade, beloved pets, spent their meager savings on temporary housing and everyone lost fond and irreplaceable memories. Those evacuated from areas without electricity for over a week, had freezers and refrigerators filled with major food spoilage. Thankfully, Local Assistance Centers were opened, first in Yreka and then in Weed, each had approximately 38 agencies and organizations present to assist those affected by the fires.

The California-Nevada Conference Disaster Response Ministry, was present with an Early Response Team, from Lynnwood Methodist Church, Pleasanton, California, Michael Burleson-Raney and myself, Liz Hockaday, joined them as volunteers. As we listened, we were a Ministry of Presence, hearing stories of loss, fear and anticipated recovery; hearing about three generational homes lost; an eighty year young lady, who had no other home; the challenges of evacuating a burning home; the horrific pain of losing a loved one, to the invasive fire. We also heard and saw resilience, optimism and hope.

We were able to refer to other agencies as well as offer, gift cards; hygiene kits; cleaning supplies; debris sifting kits; school supplies kit and reusable water bottles, all funded by the support donations and generosity of the churches in the California-Nevada Conference, we were grateful, as were the people we met, for this support and the prayers of hope.

Michael and I are contacting those that lost their homes, to see how they are faring and where possible, offer support, "Since there is no fast forward through grief and starting over. Recovery is one step at a time." Stephen Elliot. I must add, as a volunteer, this was a humbling and yet rewarding experience and if you donate to UMCOR, please donate through the Conference, for their presence and the donations made a difference to many people!

In His Service, Liz Hockaday and Michael Burleson-Raney

We thank Stephen Elliott and Mary Ellen Huey, for their mentoring and generous information.



As the leaves change color and the temperatures drop it is time to give thought to Christmas on the Street. This year the Tailgater ministry will be celebrating **Christmas on the Street** on Sunday December 25th ... yes on Christmas Day.

Each year it is a very special afternoon as we join our less fortunate neighbors to celebrate the season and experience the true meaning of Christmas. For some this will be the only Christmas they have.

To that end, we are starting to gather necessary Christmas gifts for all. If you would like to participate, here is a list of some of the things we will be giving away. Please drop your gifts off at church.

> New warm gloves for both men (L) and women (S,M) Warm socks for both men and women (new) Small flashlights with batteries Handwarmers Candy Canes and Christmas Candy

Thank you for helping to bring the Christmas Spirit to all people.

October Birthdays

Deb Bein	5
Milt DeBuhr	6
Charles Cook	7
Pete Bein	9
Audrey DeAvilla	13
Jodi Aceves	17
Nick Sinnott	23
Dwala Smith	28



October Anniversaries

Dwala and Vern Smith

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