

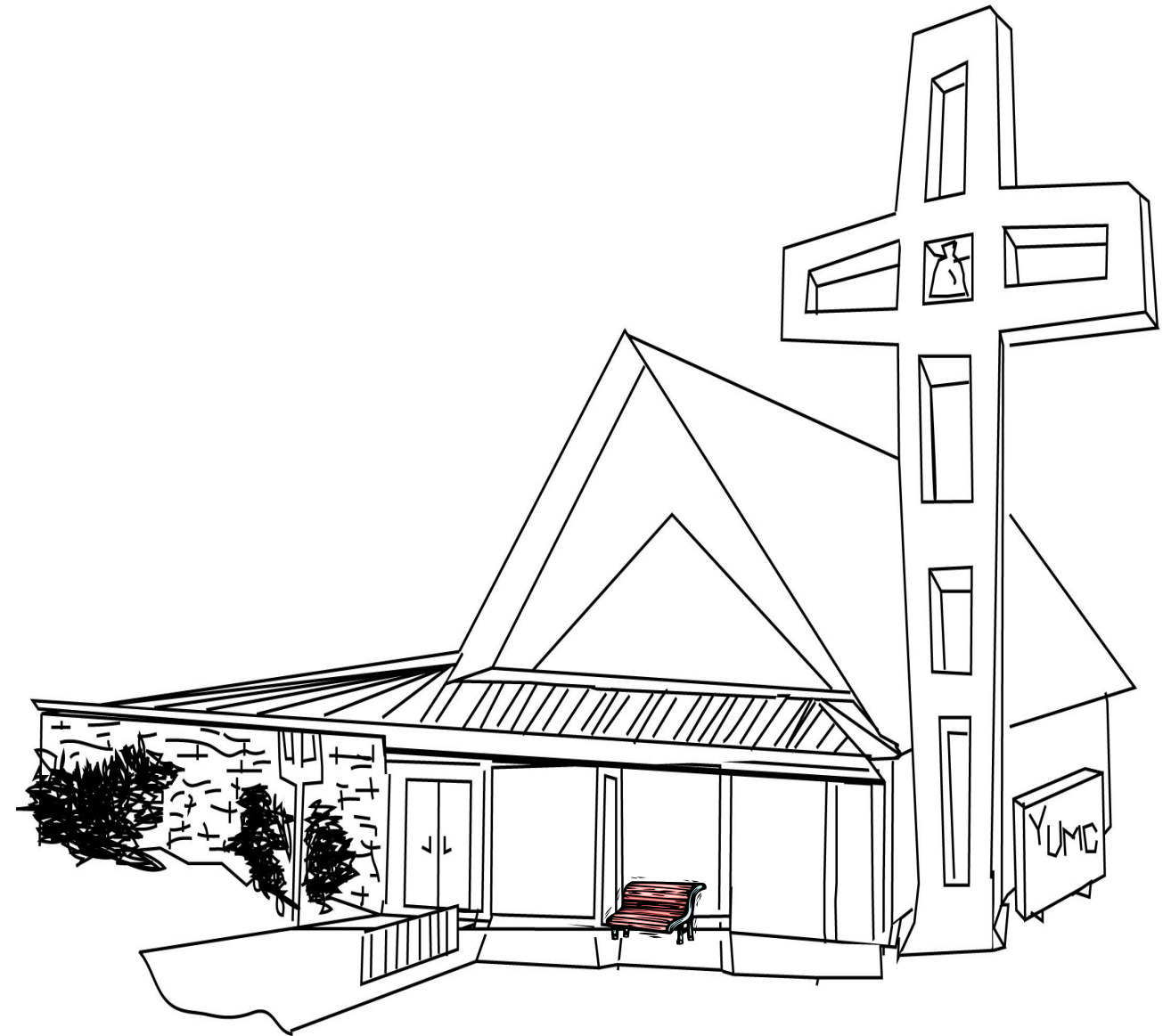


March 2018 Bridge

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A Note from Pastor Toni

In this season of Lent I encourage you to deliberately choose to spend time daily with the Lord in His word. We are Jesus followers given the privilege of sharing the good news with those who are lost. Jesus came to earth on a rescue mission for the people He created; to bring them to Himself and provide an eternity with Him. We too are on a rescue mission; we are His ambassadors of that good news!

I so enjoyed the series called *BELLS!* It was a simple reminder of how we can reach out to those who do not yet know the saving grace of Jesus Christ in their lives. That series taught us to bless people, invite people to eat with us, listen to God, learn from His Word and be available to be Sent to whomever God puts in our path.

Maybe this Lenten season you can choose to improve on your “*bell-ringing*” and reach out to the people God places on your path each day. Walk in the awareness that you are a child of God and a person of worth and give that away to others! Be a forgiver. Be an encourager. Be an atmosphere changer! Be a listener. Be whatever it takes to share Jesus with someone. Your community, your family, your co-workers, your neighbors need you more than they know and maybe more than you know!

We serve a risen Lord! Our Creed states that:

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from

heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

I’m certainly relieved that the Creed doesn't end there! Up to this point it’s just a remarkable story of creation and sacrifice, but that’s it.

If Jesus had *just* suffered, and was *just* buried, there would be no hope. But the story does not end there, and neither does the Creed:

On the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He rose again! He ascended to heaven and today-right now as you read this – Jesus is sitting at the right hand of the Father. And we are His ambassadors of that Good News!!! That is everything! As the Apostle Paul wrote to the Corinthians:

“And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith (1 Cor. 15:14).

We have the BEST news ever for a world that is suffering, struggling, hurting, shocked by heinous acts of indifference and evil, and constantly questioning why? What we experience in our lives and see in our world is not the end of the story. NO matter how down I get that is what keeps me going. *No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has imagined, what God has prepared for those who love Him! 1 Cor. 2:9*

Let’s be sure no one misses that good news. Let’s be sure that everyone hears about the great love of a great God who never gives up on anyone!

Between now and Easter would you please take some time to be an Ambassador for Jesus. Invite someone to worship with you on Sundays. Spend time with them and let them see the light of Christ in you.

On Mission together,

Pastor Toni



March 2018

Birthdays

Abigail Alvarez	3
Jennifer Villani	7
Keith Callison	8
Lynne Schafer	12
Gail Broske	15
Teri Callison	16
Alejandra Alvarez	19
Linda Thornburg	20
Shawn Cortright	25
Wendy Carr	26



Anniversaries

Frank and Shawn Cortright	4
Charles and Paula Cook	16



Want to be in a small group?

Wednesdays in the
Wesley Room at 6pm

A weekly study of the prior Sunday's message with questions written by Pastor Toni.

This class will be facilitated by
Allison Leal.

Come on out and see
what it's about.

YUMC Prays Together

SACRED SPACE
Thursdays 6:30 pm
In church sanctuary

Prayer for the service
Sundays 8:00 am
In church sanctuary

Thank You for Preparing Meals

Thank you to those who have provided dinners to Janette and Marilyn and Doris! Meals will be continuing into March so if you haven't been called you will be. Please keep these ladies plus Marjie Bley and Liz Hockaday in prayer. We may also be helping our sisters Marjie and Liz, with dinners as well; just not sure at this time. If needed, we will be sending around a clip board.

If you know of a brother or sister within our congregation who is having surgery or are in need PLEASE let me know! Don't hesitate!!

Thank you for your servant's heart.
God Bless each and everyone of you!
All Glory, Honor and Praise to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!!!
In His Service,
Your sister in Christ,

Debby Whipple

Matthew 25:37-40

The office will be closed the
day after Easter, 4/2/18.

I'm sure the kids will need
my help finding all the lost
Easter eggs in the yard.

Praise Jesus, He is Risen!

Saints Alive!

3/6/17 @ 5:00 pm
Dream Team Meeting
Rm 8 in Ed Building

3/13/17 @ 11:30 pm
Lunch a Bunch
At Bella Art Works

3/17/17 @ 2:00 pm
Movie Matinee:

Visual Bible Movie
Matthew 15-28



The Book Club

Meeting the third Thursday of each month at 4:30 p.m.

Our March 2018 Selection

Wait Till Next Year is the story of a young girl growing up in the suburbs of New York in the 1950s, when owning a single-family home on a tree-lined street meant the realization of dreams, when everyone knew everyone else on the block, and the children gathered in the streets to play from sunup to sundown. The neighborhood was equally divided among Dodger, Giant and Yankee fans, and the corner stores were the scenes of fierce and affectionate rivalries.



The author, Doris Kearns Goodwin won the Pulitzer Prize in history for *No Ordinary Time*, and was also the author of such bestsellers as *The Fitzgeralds and the Kennedys* and *Lyndon Johnson and the American Dream*. She has made frequent appearances on *Today*, *Good Morning America*, *CBS Morning News* and *Nightline*.

1949 – 1957 were good years for baseball and good years to be a child. Join us in the nostalgia (or in a history lesson if you were born post 1960)!

Thursday, March 15
4:30 p.m. at Strings



Saints Alive! At the Cabaret

MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET

April 7, 2018

Who: Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis
What: "Million Dollar Quartet," Brunch/Matinee OR Matinee only
Where: Oregon Cabaret, Ashland OR
When: Saturday, Apr. 7, 2018

Why: One of the greatest jam sessions ever! Don't miss this Tony Award-winning musical, a tale of broken promises, secrets, betrayal and hit songs like "Blue Suede Shoes," "Walk the Line," "Sixteen Tons," "Hound Dog," and "Great Balls of Fire!"

Seating limited. Tickets are going fast! See flyer at the SA table for details.

Must sign up and pay for ticket by Mar. 16, 2018.

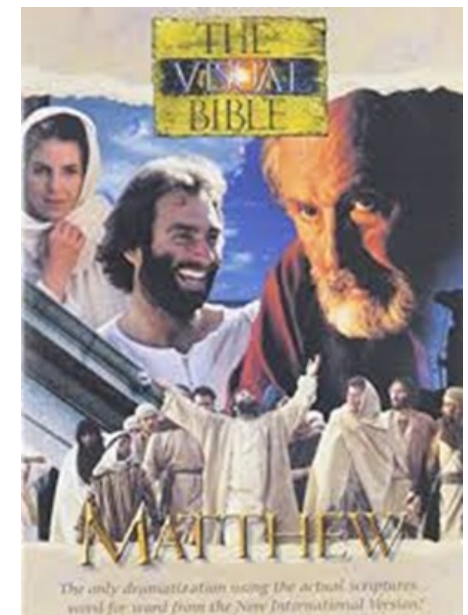
Saints Alive! Movie Matinee

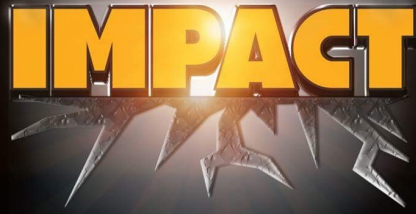
The Gospel of Matthew

March 17th at 2 pm in the Ed Building

Anyone and everyone is welcome!

Experience the Gospel through these powerful and entertaining films! Taken word for word from the text of the New International Version and Good News translations, *The Gospel of Matthew* appeal to all ages and offer educational, spiritual and entertainment value.





As we enter into March with the pure white snow fall, mountain's capped in God's beauty and praising God for the moisture sent, I am reminded to stay in communion with God, His instruction, the warmth of His Holy Spirit and the goodness of God's love. As Jesus Followers, we have many ways to connect in communion with God. A few examples are prayer, reading your bible, the prophetic act of drinking from the cup, eating the bread & worshipping to music. IMPACT Youth Team had the opportunity to go to Sacramento in February to attend Jesus Culture's "ENCOUNTER" event. This event consisted of profound speakers, bonding, fellowship and powerfully anointed WORSHIP! !

For the youth and many believers worshipping to music is a direct communion with God, the Son & Holy Spirit. It is the tangible presence of the Trinity touching and speaking to His children, in the form of relationship. Relationship requires "Encounter" to help solidify, bond and grow any relationship into depth, transparency, and strength.

Many followers of Christ sing, play instruments, wave flags and dance putting their worship into action. David was not still when he worshipped with all his heart in the streets and later condemned by his wife! (2 Samuel 6)

King Jehoshaphat appointed men to go out in battle without weapons singing "Give thanks to the Lord for his love endures forever" the Lord set up ambushes against their enemies. It took them three days to collect their plunder. This was an "Encounter" for King Jehoshaphat and his

people to trust blindly in faith through worship and praise where God fought the battle!

**IMPACT Youth Team
attend Jesus Culture's
"ENCOUNTER" event.**

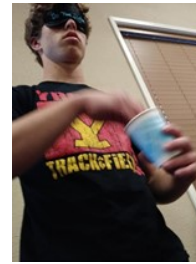
As we go into this Passover season, let's go in with Praise & Worship with what God has done and with great expectations of what He is going to do!!

Much love,

Colleen Alvarez



Ready for Jesus Culture Conference

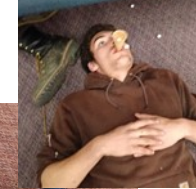


TRUST?

Ha ha ha



BOMBS AWAY!



This is the only picture of the kids in a relay race that wasn't a blur. The thing about teens, always moving.



Youth sends Hunter off to Job Corp in prayer



T-SHIRT FUNDRAISER

Help support our youth team and
We can make an IMPACT together!

On the back is JBN in gold
Which stands for:

JUST BE NICE

T-Shirts will be for sale in March,
Contact any of the youth members,
Colleen Alvarez, any of the youth leaders
or the office to order your t-shirt!

\$20 each

Funds will go toward their
Future missions.

CONGRATULATIONS YUMC

Four years ago, on March 2, 2014, the Tailgater Ministry took 30 brown sack lunches, great expectations, and much prayer to the streets of Yreka. For two hours we walked the streets, hills, and creek looking for people who were hungry. Thirty thousand lunches later, we continue to look for ways to help those less fortunate.

During this time we've learned a lot about ourselves and our community. We've met people from diverse backgrounds, built amazing relationships, and prayed with our sisters and brothers through the joys and sorrows of life. Hopefully we have shown the face of Jesus to all we have met and brought church to the streets of Yreka.

The Tailgater Ministry belongs to the whole church not those on the "front line". This ministry would not work without the support, donations, and prayers of the entire congregation. Thank you! You are making a difference in our community.

Pete & Deb Bein



Give with a
grateful heart

John replied, "If you have two shirts, give one to the **poor**. If you have food, share it with those who are hungry."

Luke 3:11



When God's people are in need, be ready to **help** them. Always be eager to practice hospitality.

Romans 12:13

SECRET SISTERS

Please turn in applications to Lisa Raffaelli or the office.

Deadline for applications Is March 11.



3-11-18 Daylight Savings






Walk to Emmaus

Joint Team: 3/23

Men's Walk: 4/12-15

Women's Walk: 4/19-22

**MTWTE still needs both
Pilgrims and workers,
Deadline is March 8**

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
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4 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Service Noon Tailgaters 4:00 pm IMPACT Youth		5 12:30 pm Crafting/Cause 2:00 pm Strong Women 5:30 pm WOW 6:30 pm Beacon of Hope		6 9:00 am SA Quilting 5:00 pm SA Dream Team 5:30 pm Worship Team 6:30 pm Choir Practice 6:30 pm Beacon of Hope		7 2:00 pm Strong Women 6:00 pm Sermon Study		8 2:00 pm SA Fun & Games 5:30 pm WOW 6:30 pm Sacred Space		9 11:30 am Small Group 2:00 pm Strong Women 10 8:00 am Tailgaters 9:00 am Women Veterans Spa Day @ YUMC 9 am	
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