

Wade in the Water Wade in the Water, Children...

Baptismal Class to Meet Online

We are delighted to be welcoming young families into our midst! Part of our delight in the presence of the young ones is their wide-eyed wonder at the discovery of the world around them. And we have tremendous opportunity to share the gifts of our experiences with them, to give guidance and contextual parameters for their understanding of the world they are a part of, and to share how our faith journey has impacted each one of us during our life cycles here on earth.

Preparations are underway for baptismal waters to flow in our sanctuary. That means its time to learn about the meaning of baptism and the community we call the United Methodist Church. This is a good time for our community to renew our baptismal covenants and membership vows, too.

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Are you interested in joining our baptismal class? Please contact Pastor Wynne or our church office!

503-842-2224

Jammin' for Jesus!

*Join us on Thursday mornings at 10:30 am
in the sanctuary to make a joyful noise!*

We welcome people who are currently playing, or who have dabbled in the past with instruments and vocals, just for fun. Dust off your ukelele, restring your guitar or work out your fingers for piano or bass and come along for this musical journey. If you know a few chords, you can follow along. We'll have a great time!

Wade in the Waters, continued...

Please offer your prayers for all who are sharing their heart space and seeking for the Spirit's guidance as they discern whether baptism into the Christian Church is their calling at this time.

We also join together in searching our own intentions as we invite the children and their families here.

You are invited: Spend some time in the sanctuary here at church, sitting in the little pews by the doors where the children's area is. What do you see? What do you hear? What do you notice about the space? Who is here? Who is waiting to be invited? And what can we do as a church body to support those who will yet arrive in this space of playfulness and prayer?

If you are interested in exploring your baptismal covenant, or your membership vows, please let Pastor Wynne know!

We make very clear declarations, whether through our confirmation, (if we were baptized as children) or through our membership vows, when we express our desire to be a part of the United Methodist Family. While the families are discovering more about the UMC, you are invited to renew your own covenant with this community and with the larger Body of Christ.

Worship with TEC

Join us on **Sunday, July 31st** for an experiential service renewing Our Covenant of Creation with our Tillamook Ecumenical Community. **Worship begins at 11 am.** Arrive a little bit early to connect with our siblings in Christ over coffee. **Bring your favorite summer dish** to share for a potluck lunch. And **bring your gardening gloves** to spruce up our church grounds after lunch!

Offering collected in person and online on July 31st will go to ***TEC's Helping Others Fund***, which is part of the Charitable Works we collaborate on through our Ecumenical Partnership.

TEC raises funds to assist people with emergency housing needs, coordinate the "Christmas Basket" program in Central Tillamook County to provide food and gifts for needy families, and participate with other churches and agencies to meet the needs of the poor in our community through our "Helping Others Fund" which assists people in

Tillamook County with needs, such as: rent & housing, electric & other utilities, transportation, and medical fees.



Tillamook Ecumenical Community

Tillamook Ecumenical Community (TEC) News

We are delighted
to welcome
**Rosemary
Zimmerman**

As our new TEC
representative
for Tillamook
UMC!

Thank you for
answering the
call to serve our
extended
community and
connectional
ministries with
our Ecumenical
partners nearby!

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TEC resumes
regular meetings
in September.

Worship & Word

**Sunday Mornings
@ 11 AM!**

**August 7th
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Humanity”
(Genesis 1:26-31;
2:4-7; Psalm 139)**

*** Communion ***
Pastor Wynne
preaching

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Animals”
(Genesis 1:20-25;
Genesis 8:1-12)
Rosemary
Zimmerman
preaching**

**August 21st
“Inspired by
Creation”
(Genesis 2:1-3,
Psalm 104:1-13,
24, 31)
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**Sunday, August
28th – “Service by
the Sea”**

Service by the Sea! - Sunday August 28th

**** Weather permitting ****

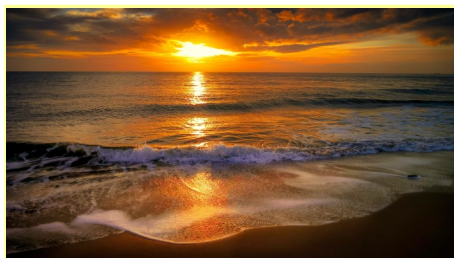
On the last Sunday of August, we will gather at Oceanside for an informal service with guitar music and sharing from the heart. We have been speaking about creation. Now it's time to gather in the midst of it!

Bring your camp chairs or beach blankets and your joy of living near the shore.

Share a favorite poem, story or (clean) joke to share between musical offerings.

We will read psalms and prayers to honor God's presence in the creation around us, giving thanks for the joyfulness of the land and forest and sea.

Bring your favorite sack lunch, or plan to walk up to a local restaurant/café after worship!



The folx who read our Scriptures, lead in the Call to Worship and assist with Offertory are called liturgists. We are in need of a few new voices in our liturgist rotation! Can you help?

Please call Wally Nelson to volunteer! 503-812-1163

GRUB CLUB Needs Drivers!

**Have you volunteered
for Grub Club yet?**

~ Call or text ~

Sara Ayers:
503-812-1677

or Scott Wenzel:
503-812-9134

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Donate a few hours of
your time to
nourish our community
with the Love of Christ!



Jesus called for them and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs." (Luke 18:16)



August Birthdays at TUMC:

Judy Coleman 8/5

Wally Nelson 8/6

Bill Farnum 8/13

Cheryl Dawson 8/20

Georga Dorsey 8/22

Bob Favret 8/23

June Olsen 8/24

UMCOR response: Church members slain in Ethiopia



By Gad Maiga

July 20, 2022 | GAMBELLA, Ethiopia (UM News)

A \$10,000 grant from the United Methodist Committee on Relief was announced July 11 after 37

people, including some United Methodists, were killed during an attack in Gambella in western Ethiopia.

The clash between separatists and government forces last month lasted for three days. At least three of the deceased were members of Ethiopia United Methodist Church.

The UMCOR grant will provide food and hygiene kits and address other immediate needs of people affected by the civil unrest. Late in 2021, the Ethiopia United Methodist Church received an UMCOR grant to address flooding. Plans are also underway for a larger-scale relief project there.

Southwestern Ethiopia has experienced an upsurge in violence in recent months with kidnappings and attacks being reported. More than 7,500 church members are faced with uncertainty and instability due to the continuing fighting in Gambella.

During the fourth session of the Kenya-Ethiopia Annual Conference held in Nairobi March 10-13, Ethiopia became a district, having been a mission area for a few years under the conference. Currently, the church in Ethiopia has five mission areas: Jimma, Nekemty, Awassa, Addis Ababa and Gudare.

The Rev. Gezu Mossissa, Ethiopia District superintendent, said the church needs to show agility as it seeks stability.

After visiting the bereaved church families and the hospitalized survivors of the vicious attack, Mossissa said that children were among the casualties.

Mossissa urged Christians in Gambella to be determined and ready to take an active part in the needs of the people around them.

"We are being situationally aware, biblically faithful and culturally astute as we seek to overcome obstacles arising from the attack and leverage limited resources in these trying times," he said.

The United Methodist Committee on Relief announced it is giving a \$10,000 grant to help provide food and address other immediate needs for people affected by civil unrest in the Gambella Region of western Ethiopia. Map courtesy of Google Maps. To view larger, [click here](#).

The Rev. Obang Olamo, senior pastor at Ethiopia United Methodist Church, said the attack forced thousands of people to run for their lives and seek refuge in bushes, church compounds and public buildings.

"The rebels used everything they could get (in) their hands, ranging from ammunition and weapons to vehicles, to attack people," Olamo said. "Many people have been left with no place to call home, including hundreds of our church members displaced during the weeklong attack," he continued. "People are dying of hunger after spending a whole week in bushes with hundreds seeking refuge in our church compound."

The Gambella Liberation Front/Army and the Oromo Liberation Army had earlier declared that they were undertaking a coordinated offensive on the Gambella region's capital city, as verified by the regional state's announcement. The OLA also said its fighters were battling with government forces in two towns in western Oromia: Dembidolo and Gimbi.

The attack preceded a Gambella regional state's security council meeting held on June 6 that gave priority focus to "illegal and lawless" forces operating in the region. The security council also agreed that the development of

the Gambella region will not continue unless these shortcomings, both in urban and rural areas, were addressed in a short period of time.

Describing the current state of the city, Olamo said, "People have been released from church and school compounds but the situation is still very tense." Olamo said the critical problem is that people are suffering from hunger and distress due to the loss of property through destruction and vandalism.

"Communities in Gambella need food support, as many children and the elderly have become very weak after spending days without food," Olamo said.

Okani Ojulu, Ethiopia United Methodist Church's project coordinator, said that heavy exchange of gunfire could be heard around town and continued for days while residents remained home with no movement aside from government military vehicles.

"We woke up to sounds of heavy gunfire," Ojulu said. "We were not able to leave our homes. All we heard was an exchange of gunshots. We didn't know what was going on."

Ojulu noted that people are still living in fear of another attack.

"The suburbs resembled a battlefield with row after row of burned-out homes and the scorched remains of cars and market merchandise," Ojulu said.

"There is still war in neighboring towns of Gimbi and Dembidolo, 10 kilometers from our town," he continued.

"We request your prayers and encouragement as we seek lasting peace in Gambella and neighboring towns."

Mossissa said humanitarian aid is needed to "cushion our church members against the impact of the war."

"We believe that in crisis, God glorifies himself and uses the church to do it," he said. "The tension in our cities is real; you can feel it in this frozen air."

"Should there be more chaos and confusion, the United Methodist churches could be lighthouses of hope and security in their communities."

In addition to the immediate needs, the church leaders said they need development funds after temporary church structures were overwhelmed by survivors seeking refuge.

Mossissa reiterated that the unity of the church is vital amid continuing rebel invasions in Gambella and other parts of Ethiopia.

"The Gospel will provide relief, hope and healing to broken, fallen and terrified cities in Ethiopia," Mossissa said.

"We have God's power to achieve this. We can do it by God's grace, and we shall do it for God's glory."

Gad Maiga is a communicator for the Kenya-Ethiopia Conference.



The Rev. Obang Olamo, senior pastor at Ethiopia United Methodist Church in Gambella, shares a sermon during Sunday worship service. A clash between separatists and government forces in western Ethiopia in June left 37 dead, including at least three members of Ethiopia United Methodist Church.

Photo by Gad Maiga, UM News.

Council Meeting Minutes

July 21, 2022

Members present: Pastor T. Wynne, Rosemary Zimmerman, Steven Kershaw, Betty Hickey. Absent Debbie Henrickson, Debra Klumph, Diane, and Wally Nelson

1. Opening Prayer: (Pastor Trista Wynne)

Holy God, you have called us together as leaders for this church body, which is a part of your larger Body, the United Methodist Church, which itself is even only a part of the Christian Church worldwide. We have many responsibilities as leaders in our local community, as members in our households, and even hold many responsibilities in our own hearts and souls today. We ask you to help us to bring balance to our inner and outer lives, especially the aspects that overlap in this community of faith. Guide us as we gather together through this virtual tool of the internet, and help us to feel connected to You, to one another and to the larger Body of Christ which is here as a connecting point with the worldwide peoples that are the human dirt creatures that you call humanity. May we always remember that we are hand-shaped and infused with Your Holy Spirit. Help us to be good stewards and leaders of this church body, so that we may hear and honor your calling and guidance at this time. Help us to honor the relational aspect of Your calling, especially as we go about the business of Your holy church. Make us one with each other, one with the Spirit and one with the worldwide community of saints as we meet together this night. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

2. Finance report. (Betty Hickey, Council Chair or Deb Hendrickson, Finance Team Liasson)

- a. Finance **updates** were emailed this month.
- b. Finance **reports** show there were \$6600 in pledges paid in April and only \$1400 paid in June. We are currently \$12,000 in the red for the month of June, \$6000 when looking at expenses vs. income reported.
- c. **A new contract for a color copier** was researched by Debbie Klumph. The cost

analysis indicates it would save us \$471 a year in copier expense. The copier usage will be monitored. Please contact Isabella before using the copier.

d. **Wesley Room Updating:** It was noted that the fireplace in the Wesley Room needs to be replaced in the future. This room is ideal for small groups and bible study, but it needs repair and updating. Revamping the Wesley Room is not in our financial plan anytime soon. Debbie K is looking into grant information.

3. **Trustee/Building Maintenance** (Steven Kershaw)

a. **Bob Teran** is taking care of outside maintenance/grounds.

b. Inside building maintenance was overseen by **Steven Kershaw**. We are *seeking someone to take over as Trustee* of the building.

c. The **Raise the Roof** fund is at \$56,200. We have a loan through CDES to pay the current repairs.

4. **Worship** (Pastor Trista Wynne) Creation Speaks! (joining with UMC Camp and Retreat Ministries) continues through August 21st.

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sea. Bring your favorite sack lunch, or plan to walk up to a local restaurant/café after worship!

a. **5th Sunday Worship** (Pastor Wynne)

+ **TEC service** – July 31st will be hosted here at TUMC. Potluck and sprucing up the church grounds to follow. Rosemary Zimmerman has stepped up to be our new Congregational TEC rep.

+ Barbara Richmond and the Holy Ruckus will be playing music at this service.

b. **Pulpit supply** (Pastor Wynne)

August 14th – Rosemary Zimmerman will offer her first sermon!

September 25th – Open; yet to be filled. – Does anyone in the leadership want to work with Pastor Wynne and share from the heart on this day or do we need someone beyond our congregational leadership?

*** Pastor Wynne will lead September 4th , 11th and 18th . ***

5. **Outreach:**

a. **Grub Club** (Steven Kershaw) The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) Children's Nutrition Program (CNP) held an audit of our Summer Food Program. There were a few deficiencies noted. We are so pleased that the program received 3 commendations (very rare to get even one) and we know this is due to Sara Ayers leadership and organizational skills. Bravo Zulu Sara! (Navy speak "Good Job!") NOTE: April 2023 is the deadline for identifying Grub Club staff and setting up authorization for signatories on the Grub Club accounts.

b. **Garden** (Pastor Wynne / Betty Hickey)

+ Fencing is in process of being purchased. T-posts were donated from a previous garden endeavor. Our neighbor across the road has committed to scraping the sod for us to expand the garden. We need help tilling the soil afterwards.

+ **Young Professionals Community Service project** (through our local Chamber of Commerce) is scheduled for Saturday, August 20th. BBQ to follow! Come and share in the joyfulness in the garden, a BBQ lunch, and get to know some of the small business owners and young professionals here in Tillamook County!

c. ***NEW* Puppet Ministry!** (Pastor Wynne) Old business, follow-up: VBS postponed to next year due to Covid. Troy Taylor and Pastor Wynne have begun conversations about possibility of Camp

Magruder staff coming to lead a day camp / VBS style gathering next summer.

We will give updates as we get closer to the wintertime.

6. **Administrative Business** (Betty Hickey)

- a. ***Account Signer Change Follow-up.*** TLC has received the reactivation of our Churches Incorporation paperwork. Debby K has been asked to determine who the current authorized signatories are so that we can update that.
- b. ***Approval of Pastor T's salary update.*** The new Full-Time compensation package for Pastor Trista Wynne was submitted to the council. Betty Hickey made a motion to accept, seconded by Steven Kershaw and the motion was passed.
- b. **Small Board Model** -- Let's speak more about this in September. We want to review the process of leadership in a single board governance and United Methodist roles and responsibilities as we begin the next season together.
- c. **Charge Conference Approval:** Pastor Wolff has requested to be under our care as his charge conference. A retired minister is required to affiliate with a nearby congregation while they are connected to the UMC. Pastor Wolff's affiliation request was accepted.
- d. **Building Use Policy Review:** Isabella is the keeper of the calendar and Pastor Wynne watches over the building and grounds. If anyone has a special service, rehearsal or gathering, the administrative and pastoral staff must be contacted in writing (email is fine) so the room is reserved, and we can be sure there are no conflicts with space usage or concerns raised regarding people in the parking lot or grounds at unexpected times.
- e. **Review of Roles/Open positions/Rotating out at the end of the Year:** Council is actively recruiting to fill positions in finance, Staff Parish Relations, and council leadership. Let your voice be heard. We have been without a Lay Leader to represent us at Annual Conference for three years.

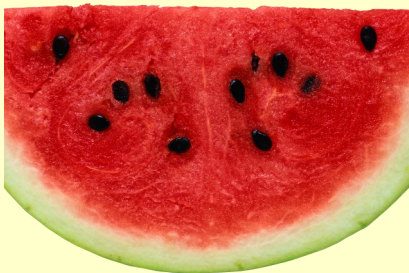
Next Meeting—August 18. (Third Thursday) via ZOOM at 5PM

Garden Parties

The Chamber of Commerce Young Professionals Program is having a Garden Party on **Saturday August 20th** here at TUMC!

We invited them for a picnic/BBQ as well.

Feel free to bring your picnic blankets and outdoor yard games!



We are delighted to be welcoming new additions to our church family! Join us on an adventure - a puppeteering adventure! Keep your eyes out for our next newsletter, and let the office know if you would like to offer your time and talents with our furry new friends! Thank you, kind folx from Park Rose United Methodist Church, for gifting these to us! Pastor Wynne is filled with joy and bubbling over with ideas for the future!



**DIRECTED BY:
DIANE NELSON**

**July 29, 30 and August 5, 6, at 7:00PM
July 31st and August 7th at 2:00PM**



A Note from Pastor Wynne

Beloved ones in Christ,
As we enter into August and enjoy traveling and family visits, and join together in community events, such as TAPA's Broadway in Concert, we have many opportunities to cultivate compassion, to plant seeds of hope, and to grow the love that is already presenting itself in our lives. In other words, we get to practice in the world what we learn about, and share together on Sundays.

The world around us is thirsty for the nourishing love of Jesus the Christ and hungry for the gifts of the Holy Spirit. We can be like a healing stream for those we encounter everyday. How might you bring forth the waters of grace this month?

"Like a Healing Stream" is one of my favorite worship songs by Bruce Harding

"Like a Healing Stream in a baren desert, Spirit water bringing life to dusty earth,
God is trickling through our lives as in a dream unfolding,
promising revival and rebirth—like a healing stream."

"Like a gentle rain on a thirsty garden, Spirit water come to nourish tiny seed, God
is bubbling through the soil to coax a new creation,
yearning for an end to want and need—like a gentle rain."

"Like a river strong with a restless current, Spirit water rushing on to distant shore,
God is carving out a channel in a new direction,
calling for an end to hate and war—like a river strong."

"Like a mighty sea, reaching far horizons, Spirit water with a love
both deep and wide, God is working in our hearts to shape a new tomorrow:
God will always challenge and provide—
like a mighty sea, like a river strong, like a gentle rain, like a healing stream."

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Nourishing our Community
with the Love of Christ

We journey together in the Christian tradition where everyone is welcome! TUMC is a safe place to explore your faith. We want you to ask questions, to bring your wonder, to bring your inspiration, to bring your creativity, to become curious about your existence, and to join with fellow seekers as we work together to bring healing, comfort, wisdom and hope to a hurting world. We pledge in our baptismal vows to resist evil, oppression and injustice in whatever forms they may be found, and we invite you to join us.

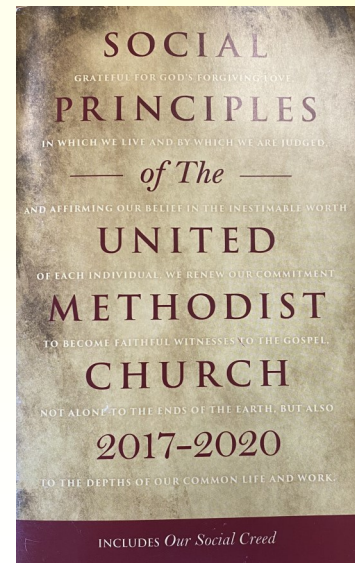
Nourish your Soul—Coming in the Fall !

Qoheleth - the Ecclesiastical Teacher — (co-led by Rosemary Zimmerman and Pastor Wynne)

* and *

The Social Principles
(led by Pastor Wynne)

Both courses will be in-person with Zoom options available.



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