

# Get Connected

## JAVA JOY – 10:30am, Creekside

Come enjoy a time of fellowship, a cup of coffee, and some goodies.

### ADULT CLASS BEGINS NEW BOOK

Today, 9:30–10:30am, Live Oak Room

All are invited today (and any week) as the adult class begins a study and facilitated discussion of Henri J. M. Nouwen's *The Return of the Prodigal Son*. Nouwen was inspired by Rembrandt's painting on exhibition in the Hermitage in St. Petersburg and is highly acclaimed for the depth and readability of his books.

### ALL-CHURCH DINNER: REV. BRIAN ADKINS

Tonight, 6:00pm, Creekside

Come to the Creekside Crossings service and stay for dinner to hear incredible stories from the Rev. Brian Adkins, a local Methodist pastor who is on the denomination's Commission on The Way Forward. Dinner includes Italian sausage-flavored baby back ribs, Cajun rice, roasted asparagus, BLT salad, cornbread, fruit, and dessert. Dinner costs \$12 for adults, \$8 for children 10–17, and free for children under 10. All are invited!

### THURSDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP

Thursday, October 26, 7:30pm, Garden Room

Women are invited to come discuss *Remarkable Creatures*, by Tracy Chevalier. Contact Sandy Montoya ([smsmontoya@gmail.com](mailto:smsmontoya@gmail.com)) with questions.

### ESTATE PLANNING FOR UNCERTAIN TIMES

Sunday, November 5, 12:30–2:30pm, Creekside

The Endowment Committee invites you to come hear Scott Haislet, CPA and Esq., speak on estate planning techniques that can help you avoid common mistakes, reduce your estate tax exposure (especially in this uncertain political climate), and go over some common tools that you or someone you know can benefit from. Complimentary lunch will be provided at 12:30pm, with the presentation starting at 12:45pm. There will be time for questions at the end. RSVPs are appreciated at [www.laumc.org/estate-planning](http://www.laumc.org/estate-planning) by **Wednesday, November 1**, will help the committee order sufficient food quantities.

For a calendar of events, please visit our website: [www.laumc.org](http://www.laumc.org)

### MEN'S RETREAT REGISTRATION REMINDER

Friday–Sunday, November 10–12, Mount Hermon

Men of all ages are invited to the annual LAUMC Men's Retreat for relaxation and reflection with a group of men led by the Rev. Dr. Dale Weatherspoon. This retreat will challenge you to think, question, and reflect. Registration costs \$275 and is due **this Tuesday, October 24**. Scholarships are available. Get details and sign up at [www.laumc.org/mens-retreat](http://www.laumc.org/mens-retreat). Contact Retreat Coordinator Jeff Jenks ([jeffreymjenks@comcast.net](mailto:jeffreymjenks@comcast.net) or 408-470-9754) with any questions.

### FIRE RELIEF DONATIONS

We are collecting donations for Northern California wildfire relief and sending them to the California-Nevada United Methodist Conference. Please make checks payable to LAUMC with "wildfire relief" in the memo line or give online.

### DONATE YOUR CAR TO LAUMC

Would you like to get rid of an old car and make a donation to LAUMC at the same time? The process is simple: visit our website ([www.laumc.org/give/ways-to-give/#cardonation](http://www.laumc.org/give/ways-to-give/#cardonation)) for details. Any proceeds are tax deductible for you.



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October 22, 2017

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# PASSIONATE *Worship*



Visitors, please come by the Connection Point to receive a gift.

Please turn off all cell phones and pager alarms.

Hearing assist devices are available: see an usher.

In addition to the offering plate, donations may be made online (<https://laumc.onlinegiving.org/>) or by texting a gift amount to 650-229-5200.

Info cards are in the pew pockets.

† Those able are invited to stand when indicated with this symbol.

FWS: *The Faith We Sing* | UMH: *United Methodist Hymnal*

**Gathering Music** - *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* arr. Diemer  
Stephen Boniface, organ

**Opening Music**  
8:00 - *Ye Followers of the Lamb* Ferguson  
Morning Glory, Bill Golden, Director  
9:30 - *What Can It Possibly Mean?* D. Damonte  
Chancel Choir, Dr. Shulamit Hoffmann, Director  
11:15 - *Use Me* Jones  
Starfire Singers, Carol Damonte, Director

## Centering Moment

† **Song** - *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* (v. 1-3) UMH 384

## Greeting

† **Song** - *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* (v. 4) UMH 384

## Invitation to Prayer

## Choral Prayer Response

## Prayers & Pastoral Prayer

## Lord's Prayer

**Song** - *Into My Heart* FWS 2160

## Third Grade Bible Presentation (9:30)

**Bible Reading** Mike Beamer, Nancy Roslund, Raymond Lockley  
Philippians 3:12-16 CEB; pew Bible, p. 198 (NT)

8:00am, 9:30am, & 11:15am

## Special Music

8:00 - *Nothin' Gonna Stumble My Feet* Parker/Gilpin  
9:30 - *Universal Rhythm* Ochoa  
11:15 - *Upward Call* Damonte

## Message

Rev. Dirk Damonte

## Response to Our Generous God

**Offering** - *Aria on Jewels* Root

## † Song of Praise

## † Prayer of Dedication

† **Song** - *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* FWS 2153

## † Sending Forth

## † Song of Blessing

**Closing Music** - *Fanfare* Wills

# CREEKSIDE *Crossings*

5:00pm

*Today Is the Day*  
*Oh We Praise You*

## Welcome

*Shout to the Lord*

## Prayer

*Redeemed*

## Message

Rev. Dirk Damonte

*Upward Call*

# Prayer Concerns

## IN SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD:

Please pray for those who are hungry, displaced, sick, or in poverty because of natural and human-made disasters, and for the workers who minister to them.

We lift up prayers for all those impacted by the fires in the Santa Cruz Mountains, Napa, Sonoma, Santa Rosa, and surrounding areas.

**SPECIAL CONCERNS:** Mike Beamer, Andrei, Rosalie, and Emanuel Bostan, John Dodson, Lou Ercoli, Nicolas Ferrari, Jim Giulie, Gregory Jones, Livi, Reen, Duncan MacVicar, Paul S., Bill Schatz, Tom Schlemmer, Michele Simmons, Marty S., Matt Sears, Seta Tcherkoyan, Joel Wood

We continue to pray for comfort and peace for the family of Marilyn Coe, whose memorial service was held at LAUMC on October 21.

**MEMORIAL:** A memorial service for Gary Princeau will be held in Creekside on Saturday, October 28, at 1:00pm.

## MEN & WOMEN IN UNIFORM AROUND THE WORLD:

Ryan Bernacchi & all the Blue Angels pilots (USN), Rachel Z. E. Sheridan (USAF), James Dobson (USAF), Tyler Elgin (USA), Devin Kenny-Hernandez (USA), Phillip Lyman (USA), Kelly McCoy (USA), John Principe (USA), Jared Vallner (USA), Daniel Wood (USA), David Wood (USA), Jeffrey Wood (USA).

To view an extended Prayer Concerns list, or to request prayers, please visit [www.laumc.org/prayers/](http://www.laumc.org/prayers/).



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