

WELCOME TO ALDERSGATE!

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This Month in Mission: The Missions Team is having a meeting **tomorrow (June 2)** at **6pm**. They're ALWAYS looking for ideas—or suggestions, concerns, questions, you name it—to do with the mission work here at AUMC.

Details of this month's mission project will be finalized at this meeting, and thus will be displayed here as of next Sunday.

If you have any questions (or ideas!), please reach out to Peggy Palmer or to the church office.



Diane Barfield is our **Social Media Coordinator**. Please pass along pictures and announcements so that we can let the community know how active and busy we are! Text Diane at **(917) 447-1708**.

Today's Lesson from Scripture:

JOHN 17:20-26

Jesus Prays for His Disciples

"I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

25 "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

JUNE 1, 2025 ASCENSION SUNDAY

A big Thank You!

to everyone who worked so hard to make my farewell party such a special time. The food was delicious and everything looked so nice.

You are the best!

—Pastor Steve

Plentiful Harvests Take Plentiful Hands: Our next chance to serve God's hungry people in our community is coming up! Please mark your calendars for **Sunday, June 22** at **2 o'clock** in the afternoon; it'll be "our turn" to send volunteers to **Plentiful Harvest Soup Kitchen**. The number of our brothers and sisters who go to bed hungry is ever rising. There is a greater need for help than ever before.

'So,' you ask, 'how can *I* help?' So glad you asked! There are two two-hour-long "shifts;" **2pm to 4pm** to prep and cook food; **4pm to 6pm** to serve said food and clean up after. Please find the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

Questions/etc., please contact Janice Miller.

A gift has been given to the Glory of God, in memory of Fred Johnson, to the A/V fund, by Celia Johnson.

Tell Us Your Preference: The Church Guidelines have been updated, and will be ready for distribution very soon. It is being made available as a physical OR digital copy. Let us know which you would prefer (or, if you'd like, both!) via the sign-up sheet you will find on the bulletin board.

Onward, Mission Soldiers: The AUMC Missions team is meeting tomorrow, June 2 at 6pm to discuss and organize the mission projects for the remainder of 2025. Suggestions are always welcome, and we would **LOVE** for **YOU** to come join us!

Join the Sunday Lunch Bunch...

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519 John Ross Parkway (29730)

A Gift from Us All: As we all know, Pastor Steve is wrapping things up to begin his well-earned retirement. We would like to give him a gift to thank and honor him for his leadership these past eight years.

We are therefore asking for monetary contributions to go toward this gift. Make checks out to AUMC and designate "Pastor Gift" on memo lines/envelopes/online giving/etc.

Please note—Pastor Steve's final Sunday will be **June 15**; therefore, **NEXT Sunday, June 8** is the cutoff for contributions to this gift.

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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Prelude

"SALVE FESTA DIES" by Daniel Burton

("Hail Thee, Festival Day;" hymn tune by Ralph Vaughan Williams)

*Presentation of the Cross and Lighting of the Candles

"Improvisation on BLÆNWERN" by J. Stuart Archer ("Love Divine, All Loves Excelling")

Call to Worship

In the darkest valley, at the banquet table; in the hard work of life, at the moments of ease; in our day-to-day reality at times set aside—like this time, now—for worship, for listening, for paying attention; with every step we take: goodness and mercy follow us; our cups overflow. Thanks be to God. (Written by Joanna Harader)

*Hvmn #550

"Christ, from Whom All Blessings Flow" vv. 1, 2, 6

Reception of New Member

Celia Johnson

*Gloria Patri (#70)

"Glory Be to the Father"

Young Minds Time Audrey Culp

Congregational Response

"Jesus loves the little children—all the children of the world! Red and yellow, black and white; they are precious in his sight. Jesus loves the little children of the world!"

Anthem

"Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burnin'" Traditional, arr. Greg Gilpin

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Offertory "Lift High the Cross" arr. Mark Hayes

*Doxology (#95) "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Hymn #445 "Happy the Home When God Is There" vv. 1, 4

*Psalter #816 Please read and sing responsively Psalm 97 (Response no. 2), led by Brenda Hochreiter.

Scripture Lesson John 17:20-26 (New Testament pg. 111)

Sermon "How Glorious Are You?" by Rev. Steve Holler

*Hymnal #557 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

***Benediction** Rev. Steve Holler

*Congregational Blessing and Amen

"Make us one, Lord, make us one. Holy Spirit, make us one. Let Your love flow, so the world will know: WE ARE ONE IN YOU!"

Postlude	"Benediction Medley" by Mark Hayes
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*Please stand, if able.	Text in "italics & quotes" is read or sung aloud together.		

This Week's Events:

SUNDAY, JUNE 1—ASCENSION SUNDAY

- 9:15am.....Sunday School
- 10:25am Traditional Service
- 6:30pm.....SPRC

MONDAY, JUNE 2

- . 10am.....Coffee & Conversation
- 6pmMissions

TUESDAY, JUNE 3

- 6pmPickers' Jam
- 6pmHandbells

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4

- 9amDorothy Day Soup Kitchen
- 6pmChancel Choir Practice

THURSDAY, JUNE 5

• 1pm Overeaters Anonymous

FRIDAY, JUNE 6

SATURDAY, JUNE 7

• †8:30am...... Seventh Day Adventist Worship

SUNDAY, JUNE 8—DAY OF PENTECOST

- 9:15am.....Sunday School
- 10:25am Traditional Service

[†]Servicios religiosos hispanohablantes (aunque nadie lea estas palabras).

Coming Up:

٠	June 9United Methodist Men	6pm
٠	June 11United Women in Faith	10:30 am
•	June 11-14 UMCSC Annual Conference	
٠	June 22United Women in Faith Sund	lay10:25am
٠	June 22Plentiful Harvest Kitchen	2(/4)-6pm
٠	June 24New Life Grief Support Group	p 2pm
٠	July 2Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen	9am
٠	July 6Musicality Ringers Concert	3pm
٠	July 9United Women in Faith	10:30am
	July 13Church Council	
٠	July 21Trustees	6:30pm
	July 22New Life Grief Support Group	
•	July 28SPRC	6:30pm
	Aug. 6Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen	

As members of this congregation, we will faithfully participate in its ministry by our <u>Prayers</u>, our <u>Presence</u>, our <u>Gifts</u>, our <u>Service</u>, and our <u>Witness</u>.

OUR PRESENCE 5/4/25:

Worship: Online: Sunday School:

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OUR SERVICE TODAY:

Acolyte: Norah Cordle Harry Gibson

Altar Guild: Bruce Farrington Nancy Griffith

Blessing Box: Betty Portis Marilee Hays

Crucifer: Harry Gibson Steve Barfield

Greeters: Cindy Shuff Dave Shuff

Sun. School: Brenda Hochreiter

Ushers: Audrey Culp Please sign up!

ARE YOU HERE?

If so, please let us know! You can do so through our website, using this link:

https://bit.ly/AUMCAttendance

or by scanning this QR code:



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NEW LINKS: GIVING/CHURCH APP

To give online, click here/navigate to: www.aumcrockhill.com/give.

To download the new church app: https://mobile.myamplify.io/landing/xK4J.



The Bible is the most commonly shoplifted book in the world, despite it being the most widely translated and printed, too! 8th commandment, anyone?

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