

The Friendly Visitor



November 2026

Sunday Mornings

Hymn Sing – 9:20 am

Worship – 9:30 am

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**Fellowship Coffee Time  
with Conversation**

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Invite a Friend to Church!

*Share the warmth
of our church family.*

NOVEMBER FUN FACTS

- “November” comes from novem, meaning nine, because it was the ninth month in the early Roman calendar, before January and February were added. Instead of changing November to Unidecember (Latin for 11), they kept the name.
- Seasonal Transitions: Northern Hemisphere is experiencing the end of fall, colder weather, last leaves falling; Southern Hemisphere is experiencing late spring moving into summer.
- This is the last month of the Atlantic hurricane season (ends Nov. 30).
- Meteor showers: Taurids (early November) and Leonids (mid-November).
- November’s Full Moon (Nov. 24) is traditionally called the Beaver Moon. In the colonial era, this was the month to set one’s beaver traps before the swamps froze and beavers retired to their lodges, to ensure a supply of warm winter furs.
- Gardening Tip: Use small stakes or markers where you’ve planted bulbs or late-starting plants in the perennial garden to avoid disturbing them when you begin Spring soil preparation.
- Winter Tree Trimming: Check the trees around your house for weak branches before snow, ice, or wind can cause damage.

HOLIDAYS AND OBSERVANCES

- All Saints’ Day: Nov. 1; End of Daylight Savings Time: Nov. 1; Election Day: Nov. 3; Veterans Day/Remembrance Day: Nov. 11; Thanksgiving Day: Nov. 26; First Sunday of Advent: Nov. 29.
- November is “Banana Pudding Lovers” month. (Reference: The Old Farmer’s Almanac)
- Wacky celebrations: National Cook for Your Pets Day (Nov. 1), Zero-Tasking Day (Nov. 1); Button Day (Nov. 16) and World Hello Day (Nov. 21). (Reference: The Old Farmer’s Almanac)

Greetings, y'all, at the House of Faith!

I'm deeply grateful for the love you've shown through your presence, cards, gifts, and the delicious luncheon. As I shared, I felt a little uncomfortable receiving such a generous celebration because I'm simply carrying out the calling God has given me here in Yucaipa; the praise belongs not to me, but to God for the many blessings he has given the church over the past decade. I'm also truly thankful for the opportunity to serve you. Your appreciation will bring me joy when I look back after reaching the finish line of more than four decades in parish ministry.

We have a wonderful schedule planned for the next two months! Sunday, November 22, will be a special day as we come together for our annual Thanksgiving Meal. We'll share a traditional meal featuring turkey and salmon. Dale and Deena sent wild salmon from Alaska for our meal; we're so thankful for their generous gift of salmon, a wonderful delicacy! Please feel free to invite your family and friends to the celebration; turn in your completed Meal Order Forms by November 16. It will also be Consecration Sunday, when we ask God to bless our pledges for the new year. We are delighted that we will also welcome new members to our church on that day.

Four churches are part of the Redlands Mission Area: Redlands First UMC, University UMC, Banning UMC, and our church. The Mission Area Charge Conference will be held on December 6 at 3:00 PM in our church's Fellowship Hall, with Rev. Lynn Reece presiding. Committee chairs, please submit your annual reports by Thanksgiving. We'll review and vote on the 2027 annual budget at the November 24 Administrative Council meeting, then hold a final vote at the Charge Conference.

November 29 marks the first Sunday of Advent. After worship, we'll decorate our sanctuary for Christmas and make it even more beautiful. Poinsettia order forms will be available soon. If you'd like to donate a poinsettia in honor or memory of a loved one, please fill out a form.

Do any of you recognize this lovely couple? They're Douglas Rice and Barbara Elaine Dillon, who were married in our beautiful sanctuary in February 1965. They also helped build it. The history page on our website shares: "Church members collected and hauled over 100 truckloads of river rock from Mill Creek before construction work was started. All ages took part in this effort, combining work with picnic meals." Isn't it wonderful that they were married in the sanctuary they helped build? Their grandson, Austin, from Eugene, Oregon, is currently stationed at Pendleton

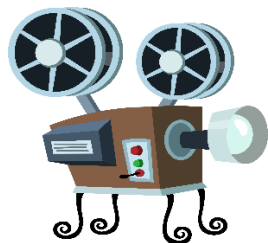


Military Base. He visited us and shared some of their wedding photos. As you can see, apart from the organ at the front right of the sanctuary, the absence of a divider before the choir pews, and the addition of handrails on the staircase to the choir loft, the sanctuary looks much as it did back then. I was delighted to hear that some of the people who built the sanctuary are still with us. And on November 11, the church will celebrate its 115th anniversary. I pray that our beautiful church will continue to stand until Christ returns.

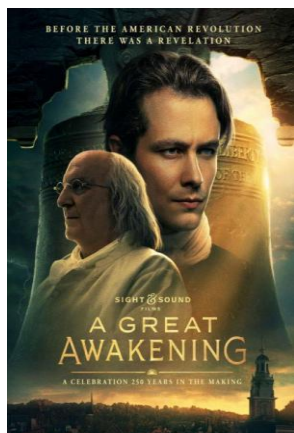
With thanksgiving for over a century of the church's ministry,

Phillips

Free First Saturday Movies



The Sheep Detectives Shows on November 7, 2026 11:00 am in Faith Theater 2



A Great Awakening Shows on December 5, 2026 11:00 am in Faith Theater 2

Free Saturday Movies offer a hearty refreshment menu with 1/4 lb. all-beef hot dogs, pizza, popcorn, candy, chips, cold and hot drinks, baked goods and more.



Doors open at 10:30 am.

For ramp access, use the Acacia Street door by the parking lot, open from 10:30 until 11:00 am.

Happy Birthday and Anniversary to...



Birthdays

Austin Barrett	November 2
Brian Porter	November 6
Rebecca Harps	November 10
Ray Wilson	November 16
Ron Faux	November 18
Jerri Pittsenburger	November 24

Anniversaries

No known anniversaries

Upcoming Events @ UMC OY

December

- 5: Free Movie: *A Great Awakening* @ 11:00 am
- 6: Charge Conference @ 3:00 pm
- 9: Pastor's Lunch @ 12:00 pm
- 15: Book Club @ 10:00 am
- 18: Parent's Night Out – *Christmas Party* @ 6:00 pm
- 24: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service @ 7:00 pm

January

- 1: HAPPY NEW YEAR!
- 2: Free Movie @ 11:00 am
- 13: Pastor's Lunch @ 12:00 pm
- 19: Book Club @ 10:00 am
- 22: Parent's Night Out @ 6:00 pm
- 26: Administrative Council Mtg (Zoom) @ 7:00 pm

February

- 6: Free Movie @ 11:00 am
- 10: Pastor's Lunch @ 12:00 pm
- 14: Happy Valentine's Day
- 16: Book Club @ 10:00 am
- 23: Administrative Council Mtg (Zoom) @ 7:00 pm
- 26: Parent's Night Out @ 6:00 pm



PASTOR APPRECIATION LUNCHEON



On October
11th Pastor
Phillips was
celebrated for
his 11 years of
dedicated
service.

Thank you!

CHRISTMAS IN NOVEMBER

Last chance to fill your Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoebox! Small toys, school supplies, hats and hair things, personal grooming items, soccer balls with a pump, yo-yos, fishing kits, sewing kits, clothing, and more! There are lots of wonderful ideas at samaritanspurserg.org under **Operation Christmas Child**.

Boxes are due November 15!



YUCAIPA COMMUNITY EVENTS

Every Thursday @ 4:30 – 8:30 pm:

Farmers' Market
Yucaipa Community Center

November 7 @ 9:00 am – 12:00 pm:

Pancake Breakfast
Fire Station #3
34259 Wildwood Canyon Road

November 11 @ 11:00 am

Veterans Day Ceremony
Yucaipa Community Park
(Yucaipa-Calimesa Veterans Committee)

November 21 @ 8:00 am

Free Compost & Mulch
13273 California Street
(Across from Equestrian center)
First-come, first-served

November 24 @ 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Blood Drive
Yucaipa City Hall

November 26:

5th Annual Turkey Trot 5K & 1 Mile
(Register at Yucaipa.gov/turkeytrot)

November 28 @ 12:00 – 8:00 pm:

Winterfest
Historic Uptown Yucaipa

Donations

Bring cereal and other non-perishable food to the Narthex any time during the month, and we will deliver it at the end of the month to **ICSC (Interfaith Community Support Center)** to distribute to families in need.

We also encourage you to bring donations of food, clothing, and household goods to the **Yucaipa Calimesa Family Assistance** at 35075 Avenue B, Yucaipa. They are open to the public MWF from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, and are a wonderful support for our elderly and disadvantaged neighbors, as well as the unhoused in our community.

Thank you!

October Parent's Night Out

Scripture consistently portrays children as **divine blessings**, rewards from God, and sources of joy and spiritual growth. They are to be valued, nurtured, and guided, reflecting God's love and the continuation of His promises through generations. (biblestudyforyou.com)



Next Parent's Night Out
November 20 - 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Thanks Feast



Autumn
 Blessings
 Christian
 Gratitude
 Prayers
 Gobble
 Pumpkin
 Friends
 Gathering
 Respect
 Grateful
 Holiday
 Platter
 Turkey
 Feast
 Cranberry
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 November
 Family
 Apple

Christian Thanksgiving Word Search



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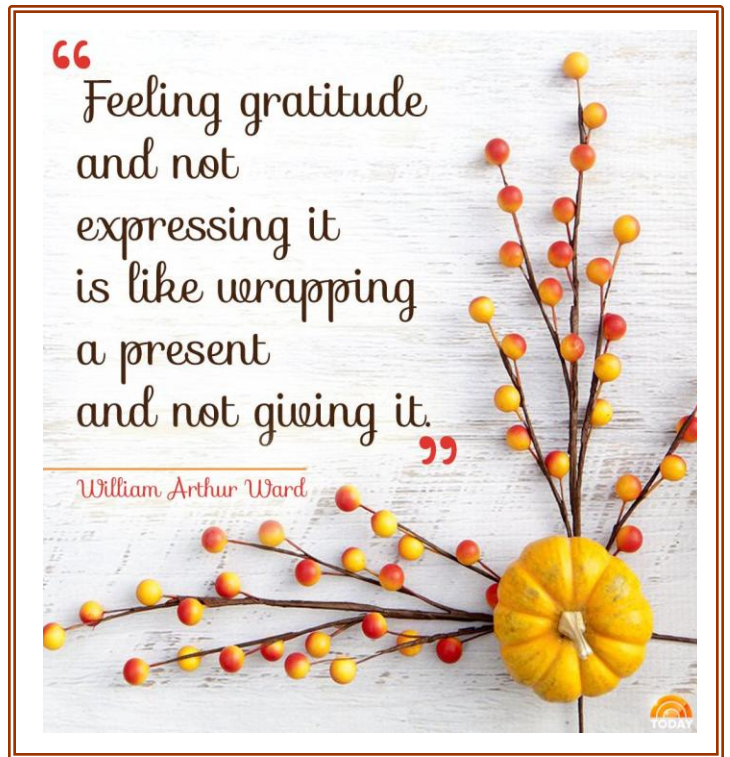
“November is the month that reminds us to be thankful. For the big things, for the small things...”

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Sunday Services start at 9:20 am with a Hymn Sing, continuing with Worship at 9:30 am, followed by Fellowship Time and an Adult Discussion Class in Camellia Room.

Please visit www.yucaipamethodist.org for more information.





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