

November 2019 Caller



Pastor Diana's Letter

The best stories in our lives are the ones that teach us something about love. I enjoyed working with all the volunteers in our church to hold the rummage sale in September. It was wonderful to see so many people working together. One story stood out to me. Two women came looking for a bargain. I approached them and we started a conversation that led me to invite them to noon Sunday service. Our encounter went like this:

Women: Gracias. "We are Roman Catholics."

Me: "We love Roman Catholics!"

Women: Responded with sincere laughter

Me: Offered them a hug and they reciprocated

Women: Smiled

The next day was Sunday and they came to church with two children! Our congregation welcomed the visitors and explained more about the building, the church's beliefs and ministries. Since that Sunday the visitors have attended every Sunday and are even attending the Thursday night discipleship class. They were in the service for Hispanic Heritage Month celebration and right after the service I asked them how they feel. They responded: "We love this church." "We simply feel loved." Our church is indeed giving small steps to re-connect to the community. Perhaps the rummage sale didn't make all the money that we were hoping, however when we work together, reach out to the community, and welcome newcomers, then it makes it all worth it.

Looking ahead, we are making plans to blend our children in Sunday school.

Las mejores historias de nuestra vida, son aquellas que nos enseñan algo sobre el amor. Me encanto trabajar con todo el grupo en el Rummage Sale. Fue hermosos ver los esfuerzos como un equipo. Una historia que tuvo un final hermoso fue que llegaron dos señoras a comprar y me acerque a conversar con ellas. Luego las invité a venir a la iglesia y me dijeron: "Somos católicas" Yo les respondí: "Amo a los católicos". Las abrace y ella sonrieron amablemente. ¡Desde ese día, están congregándose con nosotros los domingos! Talvez la venta del rummage sale no tuvo tanto éxito financiero, pero la meta era ganar vidas para Cristo y lo ¡logramos! Hoy tenemos gente nueva y estamos creciendo.

Mirando hacia adelante, estamos en conversaciones para unificar la escuela dominical de los niños con los niños del primer culto en Ingles. Queremos ofrecer clases de evangelismo para los adultos Hispanos, y tener un tiempo de convivencia con toda la iglesia. Un tiempo de café y chocolate. Necesitamos conocernos más y aprender a disfrutarnos como hermanos y hermanas en Cristo. El servicio en ingles continuara siendo a las 10:00am.

Otro asunto importante fue la conferencia de cargo pastoral celebrada en septiembre 28. Se presentó el

We are discussing the possibility of moving the noon multicultural service to an earlier time and to offer Spanish discipleship during the traditional service. This will provide the opportunity to join our children together, offer class for the adults and have a joint fellowship time every Sunday after the 10:00am service with coffee and refreshments for all. The English language worship service will remain at 10:00am.

In another matter, we cannot ignore the financial challenge that Hughes UMC is facing. There has been a decline in attendance and tithes and offerings for the past ten years. This is not sustainable. On September 28th we had our church charge conference where the 2020 budget and a new church management team was approved. The new management team includes representatives from the 10:00am worship service and the multicultural service. All the chairs of the church committees sit on the management team, and therefore assumes the responsibilities of the administrator council. We will meet once a month to share information from the various committees, address issues facing the church, and make any pending decisions. The team will also help people from both Sunday services to improve the communication, organization and planning of all future church programs and events.

Stewardship Sunday is November 17th. Christ invites us to continue to be faithful to God and our congregation with our pledges. We need to keep God's house always beautiful!

In Christ's service,

Pastor Diana Wingeier-Rayo

Luke 1:37 "For there is nothing impossible for our God."

presupuesto de la iglesia del año 2020 y el nuevo equipo de administración ejecutiva de la iglesia. Hughes UMC desde hace 10 años ha estado decayendo en asistencia de las personas y financiera. Muchos diezmadore ya no están. Por eso, el domingo 17 de noviembre es el día de nuestro compromiso financiero para tener un presupuesto para el año venidero. Les exhortamos a ser parte de esta campaña de la iglesia y que sigamos sosteniéndola con mucha fe.

El nuevo equipo de administración está formado por personas de los comités y hermanos Hispanos. Tomará la responsabilidad del antiguo concilio de la iglesia. Con este nuevo equipo estaremos orando y planeando estrategias de crecimiento de la iglesia.

Sigamos unidos y que nuestras oraciones lleguen al corazón del Padre.

Sirviendo a Cristo,

Pastora Diana Wingeier-Rayo

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November 2019 Preaching Series

REAL

November 03 (All Saints Sunday)..... The Power of being REAL”

Psalm 100:1-5

Joel 2:23-24; 28-29

REAL church has to do with four elements: Relevant, Enthusiastic, Authentic, Loving. When these four elements are visible, and evident within the life of the congregation, that congregation is transforming lives and being transformed in the regular basis. People in the congregation and the community are being saved from their sins, finding their basic needs met, identifying with their dreams, and achieving God’s purposes for them.

November 10Confirming our Call

Philippians 3:12-14

Jeremiah 1:4-10

There is a point in our lives that we need to be sure what we are doing is what God wants us to do. With any opportunity given to you, you must ask yourself two questions: Is God calling to serve in this place? Does it have my name written all over it? When your call is clear for you as a Christian, you can then be the catalyst to help others in the pews and in the streets, with power and conviction embrace their own call. Without a clear call, doing transformational ministry is impossible. It is only possible with God!

November 17 (Stewardship Sunday).....The Main Thing, is the Main Thing

Acts 2:43-47

Habakkuk 2:1-3

As we know, the discipleship journey is a thread that weaves through our lives. It is not always predictable, nor do two people experience or describe it in the same way. Some of us describe it as an inward experience while others talked of an external expression. Some of us see it as the relationship with God, other see it as the relationship with others. That is the richness of the journey.

November 24Increasing our Relationship Capacity

Timothy 3:8-14

Philippians 2:15-18

Great ministries take place, because great leaderships system is in place to make it happen. Poor ministry happens when there is poor or no leadership to make it happen. So, what becomes imperative for any congregation seeking to be relevant, enthusiastic, authentic, and loving congregation within its community and the world is the presence of effective spiritual leadership. It is important to develop an overarching process for identifying, placing, equipping, and providing feedback in a way that naturally develops people into being servant leaders; more than just leaders of different ministries.

Our Church Family

New Members Welcomed Oct. 13:



(L-R): Pastor Diana, Oscar Wettstein, Megan Moyerman and Shawn Magnuson



Wishing much happiness and love to **Louise and Larry Hill** as they celebrate on November 9, 2019

In Remembrance as we Observe All Saint's Sunday on November 1, 2019



Bill Duvall was an amazing brother, wonderful son, beloved uncle, father, deeply loving husband and a friend to all who knew him.

Photos from the Gathering in the Narthex After Church on October 13th



The Giving Tree will be placed in the Narthex on November 24th! Hughes will once again work with TESS and assist three needy families with gifts and food. All articles will need to be returned and separated by December 15th. Delivery will be later that week. More info about the families will be in the December issue.

Financial Snapshot

September Income

\$38,088

Year to date Income

\$369,047

September Expenses

\$38,974

Year to date expenses

\$421,785

November 2019



Sun

Mon

Tue

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Fri

Sat

<p>*Sunday services: 9:30—10 a.m. Fellowship Time; 10:00 a.m. Traditional Service and Sunday School; Child Care provided 10 a.m.—2 p.m.; Bi-Lingual Multi Cultural Service 12:00 Noon</p>						<p>1 6 pm AA Meeting 6:30 pm Schizophrenics Anonymous (Conf. Rm.)</p>	<p>2 8:30 am FA Meeting 9 am Portuguese Class 8 pm AA Meeting</p>
<p>3* All Saints Sunday 9:15 am— Choir practice 3 pm— Al Anon</p>	<p>4 6 pm Soccer Academy 7:30 pm Trustee Mtg.</p>	<p>5 10 am FA group 8 pm Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>6 6 pm Soccer Academy 7 pm Life Skills Classes 7:30 pm Loyalty Study Group</p>	<p>7 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm EBS Disicpulado</p>	<p>8 6 pm AA Meeting 6:30 pm Schizophrenics Anonymous (Conf. Rm.)</p>	<p>9 8:30 am FA Meeting 9 am Portuguese Class 8 pm AA Meeting</p>	
<p>10* 9:15 am— Choir practice 3 pm— Al Anon</p>	<p>11 6 pm Soccer Academy 7:30 pm Staff Parish</p>	<p>12 10 am FA group 6:30 Girl Scout Mtg. 7:30 pm SALT 8 pm Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>13 10 am Prayer Shawl 6 pm Soccer Academy 7 pm Life Skills Classes</p>	<p>14 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm EBS Disicpulado</p>	<p>15 6 pm AA Meeting 6:30 pm Schizophrenics Anonymous (Conf. Rm.)</p>	<p>16 8:30 am FA Meeting 9 am Portuguese Class 8 pm AA Meeting</p>	
<p>17* Stewardship Sunday 9:15 am— Choir practice 3 pm— Al Anon</p>	<p>18 2—8 pm Blood Drive 6 pm Soccer Academy 7 pm Worship Mtg</p>	<p>19 10 am FA group 6 pm Pot Luck Dinner (meet Missionary) 8 pm Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>20 6 pm Soccer Academy 7 pm Life Skills Classes</p>	<p>21 6 pm Bell Choir 7 pm Finance Com. Mtg. 7 pm EBS Disicpulado</p>	<p>22 6 pm AA Meeting 6:30 pm Schizophrenics Anonymous (Conf. Rm.)</p>	<p>23 8:30 am FA Meeting 9 am Portuguese Class 8 pm AA Meeting</p>	
<p>24* 9:15 am— Choir practice 3 pm— Al Anon</p>	<p>25 6 pm Soccer Academy</p>	<p>26 10 am FA group 7:30 pm SALT 8 pm Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>27 10 am Prayer Shawl 6 pm Soccer Academy</p>	<p>28 HAPPY  THANKSGIVING</p>	<p>29 6 pm AA Meeting 6:30 pm Schizophrenics Anonymous (Conf. Rm.)</p>	<p>30 8:30 am FA Meeting 9 am Portuguese Class 8 pm AA Meeting</p>	