



# Worship

*The heart of a church is its intimate, ongoing relationship with God. It is expressed as the church gathers in worship to celebrate the grace and presence of the divine and to draw strength for the future.*

Each Sunday morning the people of Tigard United Methodist Church gather to lift our hearts in praise and find strength for the journey.

**8:30 a.m.** The worship service features traditional and modern hymns, prayer and a message.

**10:45 a.m.** is a traditional service with choir, organ, hymns, a children's time, and preaching. Three choirs, bells, brass and a marimba ensemble add to the worship.

The music program is directed by Kevin Love. Our organist is Donna Parker. (For more info on the music program see pg.4)

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is offered monthly. The table is open to all who are seeking to be one with Christ and their neighbors. Baptism may be arranged with the pastors. **The nursery is available for all services for children ages 4 and under.**

**Special worship experiences emphasize the important festivals of the Christian year: Christmas Eve, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter.**

**We invite everyone to join us as we experience the presence and power of God through worship.**

# All-Church Events

*Celebrating all-church intergenerational events through out the year brings people of every age together to celebrate as a church family.*

## Monthly Family Nights

Once a month the church gathers for fun activities. Including a Harvest Festival on Oct.29, a Broadway Musical review, the Advent Festival in Dec. , an outdoor Clean-Up Day and others. These events help people to make connections with their family and with church friends.



## Family Camp

The first weekend in March, people of all generations, families and singles, gather at Camp Magruder on the Oregon coast for a weekend of fellowship, worship, and adventures. This is one of the highlights of the year.

# Advanced Studies

Disciple Bible Studies begin each fall. This year we offer Disciple 1. It is an 8 month study to help lay people deepen their knowledge of the Bible and Christian Beliefs. Class is held Monday evenings. We also are offering 8 week classes on the Old and New Testaments. This class is Friday mornings. If you are interested contact a pastor.

# Covenant Groups

*Small Groups which gather to support each other in the walk with Christ.*

Members agree on what spiritual disciplines or practices they will try to keep and regularly share their progress and failures with each other in an atmosphere of prayer and support for each other. New people are always welcome. Check for meeting times.

# Children's & Family Ministries



**Sunday School is 9:30 to 10:30 am for all ages.**

Children in grades K-5 are experiencing a multi-dimensional approach to learning using the

Cokesbury, "PowerXpress" curriculum. In this approach, children study the same Bible story each week but through different media such as art, drama, music, science, games, etc. Our Fall unit focuses on the story of Mary and Martha and the different gifts we each have been given. That unit will be followed by one on Elijah and the Advent unit is titled "The Gift of Jesus." The Preschool class is self-contained and they are using the "Exploring Faith" curriculum.



**Middle School & Sr. High** classes are from 9:30 am. -10:30 am Sept -June

Two **Adult classes** are offered each Sunday at 9:30. The topics change periodically and more information is available in the Sunday bulletins and in the newsletter.

**During the 10:45 am Worship**

Children in first grade and younger may leave after the Children's time to participate in an activity time downstairs.



## **Tigard Cooperative Playschool**

Located on site provides morning and afternoon classes for 3's, 4's, pre K, and mixed. Contact 503-639-8110.

## **Children's Music Opportunities !**

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## **Moms in the Morning**

A daytime group where moms can build relationships, share stories, and grow in faith.

Weds. mornings 9-10:30 am.

Childcare available.



## **Summer Vacation Bible School**

Morning classes enrich the children's faith development and have high energy volunteer adult participation. Dates for 2007 will be announced in the spring.

## **Scouting**

Tigard UMC sponsors Boy Scout Troop #299 and a cub scout troop which meet on Weds. Evenings. Their activities teach outdoor skills and build character. The church also provides a home to many eagle review boards for the District.

## **TRA Indoor Play Park**

A supervised program where parents and pre-school children can play together in the gym with a variety of safe toys and equipment. Planning to open soon, contact the office for details.

**For more info on family and children's programs contact Rev. Mary Ann at 639-3181 or [revmaryann@tigardumc.com](mailto:revmaryann@tigardumc.com)**

# Music Ministry at TUMC

## Sing to the Lord A New Song!



Where do you fit in TUMC's  
Music Ministry?

### Choirs and Choral Ministry

#### **Sanctuary Choir...high school and up.**

Tigard UMC's Sanctuary Choir is one of the finest choirs in the city of Tigard. The choir rehearses on Wednesday evening from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. September through June. Auditions are not necessary to be a part of this fine choral group, although a love of singing is required.

Email interim director Kevin Love at [kcharleslove@yahoo.com](mailto:kcharleslove@yahoo.com) or phone 503-639-3181 for more information

#### **Treble Ensemble.....grades: 6 — 8**

Contact Jane Reid, director of more information or e-mail:  
[Jane@BasicallyMusic.org](mailto:Jane@BasicallyMusic.org)

#### **Cantate Domino..... Grades: 2 — 5<sup>th</sup>.**

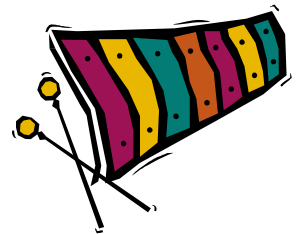
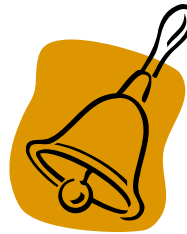
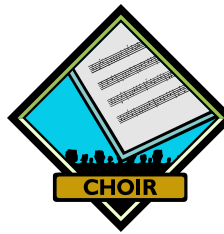
Children in grades 3 through 5 learn choral anthems to present in worship every 4 to 6 weeks. Music reading skills and healthy vocal technique are part of this choir program.

Jane Reid, Director. 4:30-5:30

#### **Good News Choir... ..Pre-K - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade**

Children in Kindergarten through Grade 2 learn basic music concepts (for example, high and low), and basic Christian concepts (for example, God loves me). Movement and group interaction are an important part of the Good News Choir. Thurs. 4-4:45 pm  
Jane Reid, Director.

#### **Music Together—— infant through age**



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Weekly music and movement classes for children infant to age 5 with the adults who love them.

### Instrumental Music Ministry

#### **Marimba Band**

Tigard UMC is unique in that it offers two **Marimba Bands** for marimbists of all skill levels, or no skill level at all. Our marimba bands play on an ensemble of authentic African marimbas and typically perform traditional African marimba music. Our marimba bands share their talents not only in worship but in a variety of venues throughout the Portland area. Marimba Band is an inter-generational ministry involving children as young as 4th grade all the way up to older adults. Be a part of this exciting and unique ministry!

**Marimba Ministry I-*all ages, Beginners Meets on Wednesdays at 5:00-6:00***

**Marimba Ministry II- *Advanced. Meets Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30***

Jeff and Jill Nave-Powers, Directors. Call church office (503)639-3181 for more information.

### Handbell Choir

#### **Wesley Ringers....high school and up.**

Wesley Hand bell Choir produce beautiful melodies during worship services using two

For more info on small groups contact Rev. Carol at 639-3181

# Small Groups

*Small groups are places to make friends, grow spiritually, serve Christ, and find support for life's challenges. Small groups may center around fellowship, study, service or prayer or have a combination of these. All it takes to form a group is some leaders and an interest that is shared by others. If you have an idea share it with us.*

## Fellowship Groups

**Book Group** –Women's book group meets monthly.

**Tables of Eight**-Singles and Couples meet in groups of eight, (more or less), to share a meal once a month. A spiritual fellowship to build new friendship and strengthen relationships.

**Potluck and Game Groups**-Couples and singles gather in existing groups, a vital part of the supportive community of our church.

**Scrabble**-Word lovers challenge each other on Friday afternoon 1:30- 3:30 pm. All welcome.

**Bridge Night**-Group members gather once a month.

**Warm and Fuzzy**-Meets to knit and enjoy other needlecrafts at 7pm on the first Monday and fourth Tuesday each month.

**Young at Heart**-Age 60 +) Meet for lunch, sometimes a movie on the third Thursdays of the month @ 10:30 am. All are welcome.

**Sr. Trekkers**-Day trips to fun locations through out the year. Trips include transportation and involve eating. Sign up for individual events.

**Young Couples Fellowship**—A monthly gathering for young parents. Childcare provided. Contact Rev. Carol T.

## Men's Groups

**Tuesday Morning** Meets 10:00 to 11:00 am for donuts / discussion led by different members.

**Friday Breakfast** Meets Friday mornings 7:30-8:30 at Davidson's Restaurant.

**Men at Night** Meets in homes Tuesday evenings 9-10:15pm to discuss men's spiritual issues.

## United Methodist Women

The purpose of UMW is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop creative, supportive fellowship, and to expand concepts of mission by participating in the global ministries of the church.

A **General Meeting** with lunch and a speaker is held the second Thursday of the month at noon. In addition, smaller circles provide fellowship and growth for members.

**Polygon Circle** - meets the 4th Tuesday at noon at the church. .

**Marjorie Circle**—meets the 3rd Tuesday at 10:15 at church. .

**Circle of Friends** - meets the 4th Tuesday at 7:30 pm at the church.

**Moms in the Morning**— Wednesday mornings at 9am. Moms build relationships, share stories, and grow in faith.

## Support and Study Groups

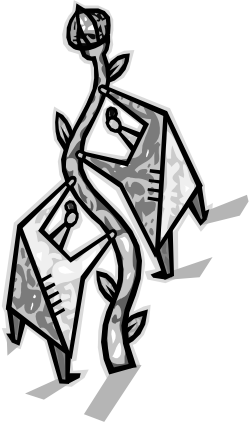
**Women's Retreat**-Women of all ages spend a weekend at Collins Retreat Center building relationships and growing in faith. January 13-15 2006.

**Thursday Morning Bible Study**-Meets Thursday mornings 10:00 to 11:00. Bible studies focus on sharing and prayer for one another.

**Moms in the Morning**-Wednesday mornings 9-10:30 am. Childcare provided. Moms build relationships, share stories, and grow in faith.

**Caregiver Support Group**-Are you providing physical and emotional care for a loved one. Meet with other caregivers for encouragement and support 7pm the third Thursday of each month.

**Grief Support Group**-A small group shares the experience of loss and healing. Begins October. Contact Rev. Carol T.



# Youth Fellowship

Tigard UMC Youth are energetic and dedicated young Christians who want more than anything to know God, make friends, and make a

difference to the world around

Youth

Fellowship

Contact Kevin Love 503-639-3181 or email [kcharleslove@yahoo.com](mailto:kcharleslove@yahoo.com)

## Sunday Evenings 5:00-7:30.

Youth Fellowship means games, fun, a meal, conversations about God, lasting friendships, hanging out in the youth room, getting to know new people, rearranging the couches, creating ways to serve others, beating the Youth Director at Ping-Pong, following God's call in our lives, and anything else we can dream up!

Youth in 6th to 12th grade welcome  
Contact Kevin for more info

### Mission:

Every year both the Sr. High and Middle School youth go on mission trips. In 2006, many of our Sr. High Youth went to New Orleans to help with hurricane Katrina relief with an organization called Project NOAH. Our Middle school youth went to Seattle Washington to help with the Compass Center, an organization which feeds and houses the homeless.

### Retreats:

In the fall the group attends ReMix, an annual Oregon-Idaho youth retreat. In addition, during the winter they travel to Suttle Lake for snow camp, and in the spring they attend the Metro District spring weekend event. Our youth also attend various district and conference summer camps and other outings and retreats throughout the year.

## Health and Fitness

### **Softball**

Co-ed team plays in Church league  
June -Aug.

### **Women's Exercise**

Tuesday and Friday 9:00- 10:00am. This is a Low impact workout appropriate to seniors and others.

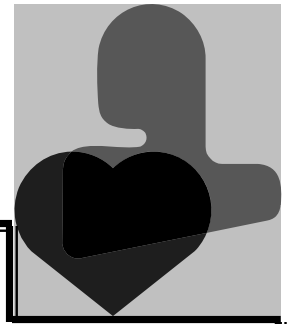
**Hikers**-Monthly hikes for members / friends.

## Camping

Our Church offers a wide variety of full year Christian Camping for all ages and interests. We have three nearby camps: Camp Magruder at Rockaway on the Coast, Suttle Lake Camp near Santiam Pass and the Alton L. Collins Retreat Center in Eagle Creek.

To find camping and retreat opportunities visit our Website at [www.gocamping.org](http://www.gocamping.org) or contact the Church Office.

# Places to Serve



## ***L.O.V.E. Ministry***

*Reaching out to become friends with new comers, to offer prayer support and to aid people as they seek to find how God is calling them to be involved in the Church.*

Teams of love ministers work together in a ministry to people who visit the church. Close fellowship and the opportunity to serve others in a significant ministry draw people to work with LOVE. Each team works one Sunday a month during one service. New ministers are welcome. Training is provided.

## ***Grocery Bags***

On the first Sunday of the Month, members take grocery bags home to fill for distribution to hungry people. The bags come back on the second Sunday. We work with our local FISH food bank at St. Anthony's Church.

## ***Good Neighbor Shelter***

Tigard UMC has a long relationship with our neighborhood family shelter. Volunteers provide meals and other services.

## ***Volunteers in Mission***

Opportunities to serve in mission across the USA and around the world. Volunteers may be involved in building or providing more specialized services. Trips can be two weeks and longer. For info go to [www.umoi.net](http://www.umoi.net) and click on UMVIM.

## ***Helping Hands***

Members need help from time to time with rides, meals, and other needs. Those who sign up are called as needed to reach out in love to others. To sign up contact the office.

A related ministry, ***Care Cadre***, meets the first Tuesday @ 10:15 am to send out cards and to plan

## ***Prayer Chain***

Prayer for one another is a ministry to which all members are committed. This team focuses on needs that are phoned into the office. Contact the

## ***Prison Fellowship***

Prisoner's need contact with people outside. Prison Fellowship assigns people in this ministry to write to someone in prison. Contact the office for information.

## ***Greenburg Oaks***

TUMC seeks to support this housing project. The **Angel Tree** provides gifts for children at Christmas.

## ***ESL***

Help others learn to speak English. Orientation and training for tutors provided. Classes Mondays and Wednesdays from 1 to 2:30 pm.

## ***Habitat For Humanity***

H/H is an emerging ministry at TUMC. Two workdays are planned for 2006-07. Dates TBA.

## ***United Methodist Committee on Relief***

UMCOR is at work on our behalf whenever a disaster happens in the world. They work with people from the area and other relief agencies to avoid duplication of services. UMCOR also works on world hunger issues and with refugees. Members support UMCOR with special gifts marked for the project they want to support. 100% of every dollar given goes to help at that emergency. See

## ***Office Volunteers***

Volunteers help in the church office by answering the phone, folding bulletins and a myriad of projects that come up during the year. Contact the office.

# Who Are United Methodists ?

United Methodists profess the historic Christian faith in God known as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. At the heart of the gospel of salvation is God's incarnation in Jesus of Nazareth. Scripture witnesses to the redeeming love of God in Jesus' life and teachings, his atoning death, his resurrection, his sovereign presence in history, his triumph over the powers of evil and death, and his promised return. Because God truly loves us in spite of our willful disobedience, God judges us, summons us to repentance, pardons us, receives us by the grace given to us in Jesus Christ and gives us hope of life eternal.

We believe the United Methodists are a part of the Universal Church. That means we believe Christ is at work in many denominations. We come to be a part of the church through baptism, receiving the promise of the Spirit that re-creates and transforms us. Through the regular celebration of Holy Communion, we participate in the risen presence of Christ and are nourished for faithful discipleship.

The United Methodist Church is:

- **A Church not based primarily on doctrine but on a commitment to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ.** This emphasis practically leads to toleration and diversity of thought and faith.
- **A Church focused on the work of grace in the believer and the Church.** The emphasis of our teaching is on God's love and our responsibility not on fear.
- **A Church that teaches that individual faith leads to mission.** United Methodists are activists in mission and in the social and political realms.
- **A Church with a strong central organization and a representative form of government.** All united Methodist Churches are part of one organization ( a connection) through which we work together in mission.

**You can find more information on Tigard United Methodist Church at our website:  
[www.tigardumc.com](http://www.tigardumc.com).**

## **How Can I Join Tigard United Methodist Church?**

All people are welcome into our church. If you are currently a United Methodist contact the office and we will transfer your membership. If you are new the United Methodist Church or just searching spiritually Rev. Jim, offers a monthly class to learn about our faith or membership in the church. **If you wish to join contact the church office.** New members are welcomed on the fourth Sunday each month.

