

CHURCH CAMPUS LIFE



2026 Stewardship Campaign || October 5th - 26th

“YOU ARE THE POTTER, I AM THE CLAY “

This year's campaign invites all members to consider how their time, talents, and treasures are being shaped by God for His purpose. Just as clay must be pliable in the potter's hands, so must our lives be in God's hands.



All Saint's Day

If you have a loved one who has died this past year you are welcome to provide a photo and information to Pastor Soomee. We would be honored to include them in the celebration on

Sunday, November 2, 2025 at 10:30am service, and your attendance will be welcome.

Please send information to Pastor Soomee - pastor.lahabra631@gmail.com & Izzy - lahabraumc@frontier.com.

“Shout for joy to God, all the earth! Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious”. Psalm 66: 1-2



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MESSAGE “GIVING AND RECEIVING”

In his book, *The Song of the Bird*, Anthony de Mello introduces a fable of the Arab mystic Sa’di. The title of the story is “The Disabled Fox,” and it goes like this:

A man walking through the forest saw a fox that had lost its legs and wondered how it lived. Then he saw a tiger come in with game in its mouth. The tiger had its fill and left the rest of the meat for the fox. The next day God fed the fox by means of the same tiger. The man began to wonder at God’s greatness and said to himself, “I too shall just rest in a corner with full trust in the Lord and he will provide me with all I need.” He did this for many days, but nothing happened, and he was almost at death’s door when he heard a voice say, “O you who are in the path of error, open your eyes to the truth! Follow the example of the tiger and stop imitating the disabled fox. (page 79)

There are times we follow the example of the tiger, and there are times we will receive the support like the disabled fox. The challenge is to know when to actively engage in providing generous charity and when to receive charity with grace and humility. I believe that one can never be a genuinely generous giver unless one experiences the humility of receiving. Also, all the giving we have made will not amount to anything if we resist our own receiving. In that sense, generosity and humility are the two sides of the same coin. Here is another story that gives us a whole new perspective on our giving and receiving:

An old Jewish parable tells of a father who traveled with his son for many miles. Each time they reached an obstacle, such as a river or mountain, the father lifted his son on his shoulders and carried him through the difficult terrain. Finally, they came to their destination – a walled castle. But the gate of the castle was shut and there were only narrow windows on the sides of the wall. The father said to his son: “My son, up until now I have carried you. Now the only way we can reach our destination is if you will climb through the windows and open the gate for me from within.”

“The Disabled Fox” ends with another story:

On the street I saw a naked child, hungry and shivering in the cold. I became angry and said to God, “Why do you permit this? Why don’t you do something?”

For a while God said nothing. That night he replied, quite suddenly, “I certainly did something. I made you.” (page 80)



Rev. Dr. Soomee Kim

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Looking Ahead

UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

LHUMC Church office & Preschool Closed Monday, October 13th

Wednesdays, LHUMC 5pm G.A.P. Bring Your Own Dinner and Games || Lounge

Thursdays, LHUMC 2:30pm Exercise Class || Fellowship Hall

Sundays, LHUMC 9:00am Study Class - Library || 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Sundays, Church Project 8am-1pm Fellowship Hall, Kitchen, Classrooms 14,15, 24,25

Fridays, LHUMC 10:30am Choir Practice, Sanctuary

Newsletter Please send your articles and photos for the November newsletter by

Wednesday, October 22nd to the church office at Lahabraumc@frontier.com

PRESCHOOL NEWS

The La Habra United Methodist Preschool During the month of October the children will be learning about Harvest and Fall. Important Dates for October: 1st Picture Day || 13th Columbus Day School Closed
29th Halloween Parade 9:30am

Join us Sunday, October 12th | 10:30am
for the Community Folk Choir
performing during service.



IT'S CHARGE CONFERENCE TIME!!!

Our Charge Conference will be held on **Sunday, November 16th | 2 p.m.**

Location:

Placentia United Methodist Church,
2050 Valencia Avenue, Placentia.

This year we will be part of a "Joint Charge Conference" where each of our neighboring UMC Churches will share stories and events in their church. Save the date and join us for this special time.

During October, if you need help preparing your Charge Conference forms, please call and make an appointment to meet with Izzy, (562) 691-1797.

All Charge Conference forms are due by
Monday, November 3rd.

NEW CENTURY SINGERS WHITTIER PRESENTS

AMERICANA

Plains, Trains & Other Things



Saturday, October 25, 2025
3PM
First Friends Church
13205 Philadelphia St., Whittier, CA

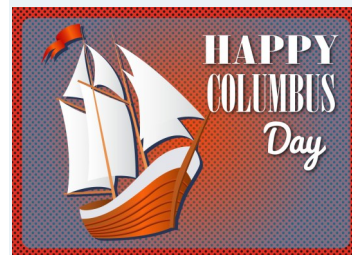
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Chancel Flowers

Available to Order

Please place your Chancel Flowers order when celebrating a special occasion or friend/family member. An order form is available to be filled out and can be dropped in the offering basket during our service. Thank you!!!



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La Habra

United Methodist Church

Life Events affect each and every one of us. We are born. We grow. We live and we pass away.

Our church family is with us and beside us for many of these sacred life transitions.

"Where two or more are gathered in my name, I am there with them."

~Matthew 18:20



Sydney, our homeless liaison, picking up bags.



Birthdays

16 Don Janeway
28 Nick Buchino

The G.A.P (God's Awesome People)

This is a fun fellowship group that meets **every-other-month** in someone's home. If you would like to host the fellowship group in 2025, please contact Karen Hill (562) 237-1550.

Future Host: November 15 Karen & Jim Hill

Please sign up at the next Gap Wednesday Game Night.

Breakfast Bags for La Habra Collaborative - We will pack breakfast bags on Thursday, October, 16th | 11am | Fellowship Hall

We need granola bars, box juice, and juice cups. Money marked for CRCC will be used to buy cereal, milk, and plastic zip-lock bags.

Bring donations to the church office - Monday - Wednesday: 10am - 1pm or to church on Sunday mornings. Thank you for your help!

Blessings Bags Needed for the un-housed

Sydney, our homeless liaison, requested food bags and water to hand out to her clients. She asked if LHUMC could do 30 bags each month and Susie said "YES"!

Also needed - SOCKS. If we get white or black tube socks they work for everyone because there is no heel. Thank you all for your continued support!!!

You're invited to a Celebration of Life
In Loving Memory Of
LAURA "NANA" JOHNSON



We gather to celebrate the life of our
beloved Nana —
a soul who brought light and love to all.

Date: 12th October, 2025

Time: 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Location: 1001 W Lambert Rd,
La Habra, CA 90631

Food and drinks will be provided

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Celebration of Life
for Laura Johnson

Date:

Sunday, October 12th

Time:

2pm to 6pm

Location:

1001 W. Lambert Road,
La Habra, CA 90631

It is located in the Mobile
Home Park Clubhouse

Food and Drinks
will be provided

