

First United Methodist Church of Lompoo August 2025 Forecast

Eric Scott, Pastor

Love, Not a Time Card, Carries the Day

One fact about life in the church community is that almost all the work done around here is accomplished by volunteers. These are people who never pick up a paycheck, but who have love in their hearts and exhibit kind, caring spirits.

There are at least 10-15 people each Sunday who volunteer their time to lead worship, prepare Communion, welcome worshipers, serve as ushers, work the A-V system, teach Sunday School, prepare refreshments, and handle other chores. That's just a regular Sunday. Even more pitch in on a special Sunday, such as the day of our "welcome back" luncheon on July 13. During the week, it stays busy. Offering is counted and deposited. Bills are prepared and checks signed. Appointments have to be made with plumbers and roofers and others. Volunteers do spot checks for security and cleanliness. Bible studies, Feed the Hungry, United Methodist Men and other programs take place all around town. I know I have missed lots of other things, too.

Each one takes place only because people like you put in effort so that the love and grace of God flow through the church family and into the community. Thank you! I am grateful for each one of you. In ten thousand ways--big and small--you make our church the special community that it is.

Grace and peace, Eric

Eric's email is escott@lompocumc.org. Urgent messages are best by text message or his mobile phone. Please contact Barbara in the office if you need Eric's number. Thank You.)



In-person and live stream worship is 11am. To subscribe or be notified of new videos, previous sermons and celebrations, please click the link below: https://www.youtube.com/@lompocfirstunitedmethodist8922. Thank you.

Thank you to Barbara Dameron for August Something to Think About "Good Things Happen in Your Life when You Surround Yourself with Positive People"

Roy Bennett

Please Pray for our Church Family & Friends: Lezlee Hurtado asks to pray for her godson, Daniel as he faces a recurrence of cancer; Carolyn Terrones asks for prayers for their son and for her husband who is seeking employment; we pray for the family of Fran Cooper Materra as they mourn the loss of their beloved Fran; Glenna and Arlis Yingst request prayers for their niece Jen and her husband, James Antonelli. James had a successful surgery and we pray for his recovery; Greg Honnold asks to pray for his neighbor's dear friend, Erik Horvack, who lives in Washington; for Greg Honnold's family friend Lalo Salazar and his continued remission; continued prayers for Dick Anderson's sister Shirley as the family mourns the loss of Dick's brother-in-law, Mark; Jack Jones's family: his ex-daughter-in-law, Denise has passed; for his daughter-in-law, Judy, in North Carolina, has multiple health issues and also for Jack's son, Doug, who is improving, but is recovering from COVID and has a long way to go physically; Yolanda Reyes as her July 31st surgery has been delayed; for the homeless and all those without food, medical treatment or shelter; Pastor Eric and Desiree as Desiree continues medical treatment; for Jody Barnard and family as they mourn the loss of their beloved Ed, who has recently passed; John and Phyllis Engelbosch are requesting prayers for their dear friend, Susan Batson, who is dealing with serious health issues. Please pray for healing and a full recovery; Barbara Dameron as she continues treatment and for Em Peacock asks that we pray for Bud LaRue as he continues his treatments. We also celebrate all answered prayers and new joys in our lives. To send a card to those we pray for or if you want to be removed from our prayers, please call our office. If you want to add a prayer or a joy, please write on the back of your Sunday I Am Here card (in the pews) or notify the office. Please let us know if you prefer your comments to be private.

What's Happening

<u>Leadership Team Meetings.</u> The next Leadership Team meeting is August 13th at 4pm (there was no July meeting). For a copy of the June 2025 minutes, please call the office.

Tenting of the Church. Notice that we will be tenting the church August 26th thru August 28th.

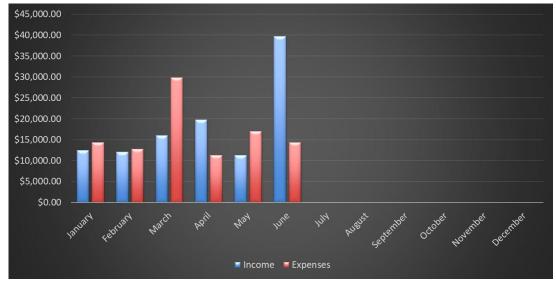
<u>Community Conversations</u>: We hope you can join us on Sunday, August 17th after Worship for a potluck and conversations. All are welcome to share thoughts and ideas on ways to grow our church, advise on any current events that might relate to us and be involved in all areas of discussion. Bring your questions (and your amazing recipe if you like). We are all in this together as a church family and want to hear your input.

<u>Texas Floods:</u> Have you been affected by the Floods? Do you need help or know someone who does? People still need lots of help. For more information, please click here to be guided on how to help. Thank you. https://us7.campaign-archive.com/?e=8f22e3d9bb&u=d2c482bb256eb67999c796c8f&id=22ce2ea570

2025 Expense Report

 June Income: \$39,732.74
 Year To Date Income: \$107,366.39

 June Expenses: \$14,297.48
 Year To Date Expenses: \$99,860.77



Lahaina Church Update

As Lahaina was one of our sharing trees in 2023 and in 2024, we thought it would be a good idea to update everyone on their progress. With loving effort from the community and with the help of contributions, we are happy to watch as the church rebuilds from the ground up. Please see the update below from Pastor John at Lahaina Methodist Church as posted on their website April 9, 2025. We continue to pray for everyone in Lahaina and thank everyone who donated to help our sisters and brothers on Maui. If you would like more information, please follow this link to see how their plans are unfolding in Phase I, II, III and beyond: https://lumcmaui.org/pastors-blog

Church Rebuild Update By Pastor John, April 9, 2025

Aloha Beloved Ohana,

On behalf of all of us at Lahaina United Methodist Church, I want to express our deepest gratitude for your ongoing support of our church. Your prayers and donations have given us great hope for our future. I would, therefore, like to share some updates regarding our progress and the exciting plans ahead. Maui County has finally opened up our area, allowing access to our property once again. We have already submitted a permit application to set up our pavilion and portable office and have the materials ready. We have also found a general contractor interested in the project, who will provide a bid soon. Water and electricity have been reconnected at our campus. We are currently cleaning out the parsonage and making necessary repairs, and we hope to move back in by the end of May or early June. This space will serve as our base of operations, allowing us to host Bible studies, leadership meetings, prayer gatherings, and fellowship events in the large living room. We anticipate resuming services on our church property sometime this summer, marking an important milestone in our return home. We have applied for a FEMA grant to help fund the reconstruction of the church and preschool. We continue to meet with representatives from FEMA and the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA) every two weeks to monitor the grant status and provide any additional information they require. While the grant is currently on hold, it remains in process, and we are praying for good news soon. If we don't receive the grant from FEMA (and with the current federal austerity measures, this is a possibility we should prepare for), we have received money from our insurance settlement, and with the donations we have received from you, we believe that we will be able to rebuild our church and start restoring our campus. With your continued support, we have faith that we can make our sacred space a place of hope for our entire Lahaina community in the following ways. We are working with our consultant, Kim Willenbrink, to identify dependable surveyors and architects to develop plans for our church and preschool. We had a very successful preschool on our campus, Children of the Rainbow Preschool, which was beloved by our Lahaina community for many years. We are working on ways to bring the preschool back for classes while we are rebuilding their school. Meanwhile, we are working with the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) and Ho'ōla iā Maui Long Term Recovery Group (Maui LTRG) to provide temporary lodging space for volunteers who will help Lahaina residents rebuild their homes. Many residents have

Long Term Recovery Group (Maui LTRG) to provide temporary lodging space for volunteers who will help Lahaina residents rebuild their homes. Many residents have found that their insurance payouts are insufficient to rebuild fully, and these volunteers—working alongside Habitat for Humanity, Mennonite Disaster Services, Samaritan's Purse, and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance—will help put up walls, hang doors, mount drywall, and paint at no cost to help lower construction costs and make reconstruction more feasible. We will need funding to help support this effort. When we return to our church campus, we will begin Sunday School classes for children, youth, and adults. We will have a base of operations to host worship services, fellowship gatherings, bible studies, children and youth ministry, and outreach ministries. With the return of our preschool, volunteers on our campus, and a place to hold meetings and outreach ministries, we will be a vibrant space of hope in a rebuilding town, and we are excited to see all the ways God will use us. Your continued donations to Lahaina UMC will help us thrive and play an important role in the rebuilding efforts in Lahaina.





AUGUST SHARING TREE THE TEXAS FLOODS - CAMP MYSTIC

Campers and counselors were sleeping as a disastrous storm approached and washed away many of the buildings and cabins of Camp Mystic. Adults and children were trapped inside and some unable to escape. We have all heard of this disaster, but have you heard how the United Methodist Church played a significant role?

Kerrville First United Methodist Church in Texas opened one of the first shelters available early July 4 as the Guadalupe River rose 26 feet within 45 minutes. Church leaders have been providing respite for families waiting to hear about the fates of loved ones at the inundated Camp Mystic, about 18 miles away. Church leaders are asking for prayers to bring comfort to those affected, as well as financial donations to begin relief efforts. There was a total of 108 lives lost, many of them children attending the Christian Camp Mystic. As of this writing, only two individuals have not been accounted for.





The very capable Rio Texas Conference Disaster Response Team has been leading the effort on behalf of the UMC to help in clean-up, recovery and aid to the victims and their families of this terrible flood. They have experience in this type of recovery having dealt with hurricanes arising in the Gulf of Mexico. We hope you can aid in this effort by donating to this effort. We will be sending the funds we receive to the Rio Texas Conference Disaster Response Team using their advance # so that the funds get to where they are needed the most. Thank you for your giving to our sharing tree and bless you for what you can do

Feed the Hungry – July 2025 "THE HOTDOG CREW"

Volunteers for July Feed the Hungry dinner arrived and were ready to prepare a summer picnic for our guests who come to St. Timothys on the third Tuesday of each month.

A new chef was in town, Pastor Eric! Eric demonstrated his cooking skills and in fact, he even showed up earlier in the day when Bob was preparing the lunch bags with peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, cookies and a cutie.



In the kitchen the hotdogs were baked in the oven, transferred to the bun and put in hotdog wrappers to stay warm (and for easy serving at St. Timothy's.) As the dogs were baking, watermelon was cut into wedges and thank you to Lynda who provided the macaroni salad. The chips were added to make this an all-around summer picnic. To quinch their thirst, the guests were served lemonade.

About 35 people enjoyed this meal and there was plenty left over for seconds. Any of the volunteers who wanted some were able to take some home. We want to thank Myron and Donna who provided a good portion of this meal, along with Larry, Bob and Lynda and Pastor Eric for joining us.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Matthew 25:35

CONCERTS COMING UP AT OUR CHURCH

LOMPOC CONCERT ASSOCIATION

2025-2026 SEASON





Grupo Bella

Fronted by GRAMMY Award-winning vocalist and GRAMMY-nominated composer Vanessa Ramirez, Grupo Bella elegantly expands the styles of traditional Mexican folk music. Mariachi Instrumentation is thrown for a loop with an enticing fusion of Mexican Pop, Boleros, Huasteco, and even an American Classic influence. The band's style pays homage to music of the past while pushing the boundaries of a sound with a vibrant history.



Texas Guitar Quartet

Friday, November 7, 2025

Friday, September 26, 2025

The GRAMMY-nominated Texas Guitar Quartet has been hailed as "Impeccable in every respect" by Classical Guitar Magazine. Throughout the United States, Central America, Spain, and China, audiences have embraced the quartet for their daring programs, dazzling virtuosity and joyful music making. The group continues to push the boundaries of the guitar quartet medium by premiering exciting new works and creating daring arrangements of orchestral works by Mozart, Beethoven and Ravel.

txg.net



Quarteto Nuevo

Friday, January 30, 2026

Quarteto Nuevo merges western classical, eastern European folk, Latin and jazz with an organic feel that packs a wallop! The ensemble's razor-sharp precision is enhanced by jazzy interludes, lightly rumbling percussion motifs and mesmerizing rhythms. They effectively meld the music of ancient worlds and faraway places with a contemporary groove that enchants audiences of all ages!

QuartetoNuevo.com



Mt. Lowe Chamber Players - Woodwind Quintet

Friday, April 17, 2026

The Mt. Lowe Chamber Players is a powerhouse musicians' collective whose members perform with the LA Philharmonic, the LA Opera, the Hollywood Bowl Orchestra and more. Their Woodwind Quintet brings the rhythmic and energetic sounds of clarinet, flute, oboe, bassoon, and horn vibrantly to life in their wide ranging program from classical composers to Fats Waller.

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Concerts held at First United Methodist Church, 925 N. F St. ★ Concerts 7:00pm ★ Doors open 6:30pm For more information: 805-588-5971 ★ lompocconcertinfo@gmail.com ★ lompocconcert.org

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... and Speaking of Concerts <u>Master Chorale & Youth Chorale Rehearsals are back!</u>

Do you love to sing? Master Chorale rehearsals are starting up again beginning August 25th at 6:30pm and Youth Chorale rehearsals are starting September 8th. At 3:45pm. If you know anyone interested in joining the Chorale, please call our office and we are happy to pass on the information and if interested, please follow this link for their website: https://www.lvmasterchorale.org/
It's so much fun for everyone and the community loves the concerts. We hope you can join in.

Connections and Gatherings

Women's Devotional

Thursdays at 11am. We are now studying the July - August Upper Room. We meet in the Fireside Room. There will be no meeting on August 21st or August 28th. Hope to see you there.

Scribblers

Love to write? Scribblers meets every third Saturday at 11am with a new topic every month. Next meeting is August 9th (changed from August 16th). Every month is a new topic. Fireside Room.

Paper Crafting with Cindy

The next Paper Crafting classes are Friday, August 22nd at 2:00pm and Saturday, August 23rd at 10:00am. Both classes are in the Fireside Room.

Weekly Bible Studies

Bible Studies: (Zoom meeting Number 946 705 060)

In Person & Zoom: Thursdays, 7:30am / Dave's Place

(Village Inn/Vandenberg Village) ("Genesis")

In-Person & Zoom: Thursdays 7pm / Myron Heavin's home ("Revelation")

Zoom only: Sunday Morning Sunday School, 8:30am ("Micah")

Outreach to Care Facilities:

Sundays at 10am is weekly worship at Skilled Nursing and Rehab. 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 10am hymn songs at CCC

United Methodist Men: Saturday, August 9th at 9am / Tom's Restaurant. Please contact Myron Heavin at mgheavin@me.com



August Auniversary

Happy Anniversary to

Ehrhardt and Cheryl Lang

Hugust 6, 1966

Attendance	In-Person	Online	Total
June 1st	35	9	44
June 8 th	45	15	60
June 15 th	34	9	43
June 22 nd	34	6	40
June 29th	37	9	46

August 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
July 27	July 28	July 29	July 30	July 31	1	2
11:00 Worship, Children's Sunday School In-Person and Live Stream				11:00 Women's Devotional Study (Fireside Room)		
3 11:00 Worship Holy Communion &, Children's Sunday School In-Person and Live Stream	4	5	6	7 11:00 Women's Devotional Study (Fireside Room)	8	9 9:00 United Methodist Men (Tom's Restaurant) 11:00 Scribblers (moved from Aug. 16 th) (Fireside Room)
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
11:00 Worship, Children's Sunday School In-Person & Live Stream			4:00 Leadership Team	11:00 Women's Devotional Study (Fireside Room)		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
11:00 Worship, Children's Sunday School In-Person & Live Stream 12:30 Potluck / Community Conversations (after worship)		3:00 Feed The Hungry		(Cancelled) 11:00 Women's Devotional (Fireside Room)	2:00 / Paper Crafting with Cindy (Fireside Room)	10:00 / Paper Crafting with Cindy (Fireside Room)
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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31	September 1	September 2	September 3	September 4	September 5	September 6
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August 2025
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We Hope to See You at Worship!

Return Service Requested

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First United Methodist Church of Lompoc

Welcome August 2025!



Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am to 12pm and 12:30pm to 2:30pm