

The Messenger



VALENCIA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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It's Block Party Time!



**Sunday, August 15th
4:00—7:00 p.m.**

**We're inviting the neighbors, your friends and you!
Our parking lot will be filled with food, music
(our praise band, the youth praise band, and The Phunky Pharisees)
games, bouncys and water slide for the kids, climbing wall for
youth and adults and crafts. We've even got door prizes!
Best of all...it's FREE!**

**This is a great opportunity to invite friends and neighbors
to "check us out" and experience the grace and hospitality
of our VUMC community.**

Live Music! Food! Fun Activities!



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Off the Blocks with Pastor John



Dear VUMC Family,

As you read about the Block Party in the newsletter, this is a way that we can truly live out the commandment Jesus gives to us. Last year we had an incredible first Block Party at VUMC! There was so much excitement on campus and so many new faces. I pray that we use Block Party 2010 as a way to multiply the excitement from last year. Here are a few ways we can all work together to make it another great year!

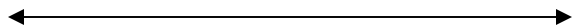
Invite, Invite, Invite... Research continues to say the best way to invite someone to church is through a personal invite. I hope you'll pray about someone you know that would be open to an invitation and ask them to be your guest.

Take a walk... Walk around your neighborhood or the neighborhoods around the church and hang up some block party door hangers. First, take a walk around your neighborhood or one by the church and pray for the homes and the families and then go back and hang the doorhangers.

Serve with a gracious heart... I'm sure you're like me and along the way you haven't received the best customer service at one place or another. So instead of complaining about bad customer service let us show others how Christ-centered service happens. We can use people and groups to serve throughout the block party and I hope you'll find a way to reach out to share that VUMC hospitality!

Invite, Walk and Serve... I hope you'll carry these words with you over the next few weeks. I know it's surprising but there are so many people who don't have a church family and so many people waiting for an invitation. Join with me and live out the commandment to love our neighbors and share the many blessings God has given us as a church family!

See you in Worship and at the Block Party!
Grace and Peace, John



"A NEW COMMANDMENT I GIVE YOU: LOVE ONE ANOTHER. AS I HAVE LOVED YOU, SO YOU MUST LOVE ONE ANOTHER. BY THIS EVERYONE WILL KNOW THAT YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES, IF YOU LOVE ONE ANOTHER."
(JOHN 13:34-35)

Valencia United Methodist Church

Vision Statement

We are a community of faith where lives are continuously transformed through Jesus Christ.

Mission Statement

Our Church exists to:

Invite people

Nurture them with Christ's love and the Word of God

Send them out to serve others

Our Core Values:

Worship—Public and private

Small Groups—Building relationships

Service—Using God given gifts

New Small Groups Forming



Are you looking to “get connected” and form new friendships here at VUMC? Are you seeking to better understand the scriptures and how they relate to your life? Are you looking for a safe place to wrestle with the desire to be “transformed” and the demands/ pressures of life that seem to work against transformation?

Small Groups at Valencia United Methodist Church are designed to be a place where you can experience all of the above. Small Groups are varied in time commitment and focus but provide a sense of community that goes beyond that which we experience in weekly worship. Beginning August 8th, sign-ups will be taken for new groups starting in the Fall. We will offer couple’s, men’s, women’s groups, and mixed groups. We encourage you to consider joining a Small Group. Please stop by the tables during coffee fellowship to check out the offerings and get the information necessary to find just the right group for you.

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Chancel Choir—New Season

After a well-deserved rest, our Chancel Choir will be “back in action” beginning August 12th. You are encouraged to consider joining this great group of “servants” who lead our 9:00 worship each week. Rehearsals are Thursday at 7:30, no audition is required and all are welcome. We’d love to have you join us, no need to call ahead, just show up Thursday, August 12th at 7:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Steven at applemusic@earthlink.net.



We're getting married!

Mike Barber and Anne Jerina are going to tie the knot on
Sunday, September 5, 2010
at 4:30 p.m.
at Valencia United Methodist Church!

God has blessed us with love and friendship both in our church family and with each other. We are so blessed to be a part of VUMC and would like to extend an invitation to our church family to share in the joy of our wedding ceremony. Please come celebrate with us!

~Mike and Anne

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YOUTH HAPS....The REFRESH Ministry

Love God—Love Others—Serve—Repeat



Refresh Ministry Babysitting Night

On July 9, the youth held a baby sitting night to help raise money to "refresh" the youth room. Thank you to all those who helped us out.

We are grateful.



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VBS

VBS was a splish-splashing success! Almost 200 people (kids and youth & adult leaders) spent the week here on campus learning about God's mighty love. A great big Thank-you to everyone who helped to make it a great week!



Sunday School News

Kids who will be entering Kindergarten – 6th grade will move to their new Sunday School classes on Sunday, August 8th. Congratulations on starting a new school year and to a new year of Sunday School! We will be recognizing our new 3rd graders by giving them a Bible during Worship on Sunday, August 15th.

Youth Fall Kick-Off

*Calling all Youth!
(Jr. and Sr. High School)
Join us on
Sunday, August 22, 4-7 p.m.
Food, fun, games etc.!*

*\$10 per student, or \$5 per member who brings a guest.
Free for guests.*

Teaching Teams

A few of our 9:00 Sunday School teaching teams need some youth and adult leaders. We promise that it isn't as scary or daunting as it sounds. It really is a lot of fun, and you'll get more out of it than you can imagine.

Please talk with one of the current teachers or Michelle Andrews for more information on where the help is most needed.

To My Valencia United Methodist Church Family

I want to thank you for supporting me with your prayers and financial gifts as I completed the Eagle project requirements. If you haven't had the chance to look at the cabinets in the Youth Room or sit on one of the playground benches, I encourage you to do so. My Board of Review was held on July 7th, and I am pleased to tell you that I am officially an Eagle Scout. I am so fortunate to be a member of a church in which the congregation is so kind and supportive. Thank you, once again.

Patrick Bowman

It's a Girl!

Amelia Joyce
Born Friday, July 23
5 lbs. 10 ounces

Proud Parents are
Praveen and Christina
Chellakumar



UMC Family Dodger Night

Friday, August 20th, at 7:10 pm
Dodgers versus Cincinnati Reds

Tickets are \$20.00 each.
(a \$32.00 value on the 3rd base side in the Infield Reserved section)

Parking is an additional \$15.00 per car.

Order your tickets on the patio after church
Last day to order and pay for tickets is
Sunday, August 8th.



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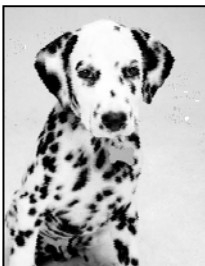
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Upcoming Events

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
August 8 Promotion Sunday	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
August 15 3rd grade Bibles	8 <i>Promotion Sunday</i>	9	10	11	12	13	14
August 15 Block Party	15 <i>Bibles Block Party</i>	16	17	18	19	20 <i>Dodger Night</i>	21
August 20 Dodger Night	22	23	24	25	26	27	28 <i>Angel Food Distribution</i>
August 22 Youth Kick-Off	22 <i>Youth Kickoff</i>						
	29	30	31				

Body & Soul *

Meets every other
Wednesday 9:00 am in
Room 1. Contact Suzanne
Bowman 513-0683

Chancel Bells *

Tuesday 7:30 pm in the
Choir Room.
Contact Barb Hauge
259-2899

Chancel Choir *

Thursday 7:30 in the
Sanctuary
Contact Steven Applegate
284-1866 ext. 101

Contemporary Praise Band

Rehearses every Tuesday
night at 7:30 pm in the
Sanctuary. Contact Paul
Anderson 259-7224

F.I.S.H.

Every Thursday
6:30 pm in the Kitchen
Sign-up on the FISH
calendar posted on the wall
in the kitchen

Men's Bible Study

Every Thursday
6:30 am in Room 1

Men's Ministry Breakfast

Meets periodically at
various locations and
times. Contact Pete
Brosnan 263-8991

MOPS *

Mothers of Preschoolers
meets the 2nd and 4th
Tuesday of each month at
9:00 am. Contact Corrie
Nibarger - 253-1121

Prayer and Share *

Women's Prayer Group
1st and 3rd Thursday of
each month (starting again
in Sept) at 10:00 am in
Room 1. Contact Vicki
Cranmer 424-0289

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Meets the 1st Tuesday of
each month at 7:00 pm.
Contact Maria Sears
259-4142

Senior Service Ministry

Plans luncheons, sends
cards, provides rides, makes
visitations and calls. If you
can help in any of these
activities, contact Ron Kari
at 799-3808 or Dick &
Maria Sears 259-4142.

Youth Prison Ministry

Every Wednesday.
Held at youth prison
Training materials, and
childcare are provided.

Carpool departs from church
at 5:30. Contact the Church
Office for more information.

* on hiatus for the summer
and will start again in Sept.

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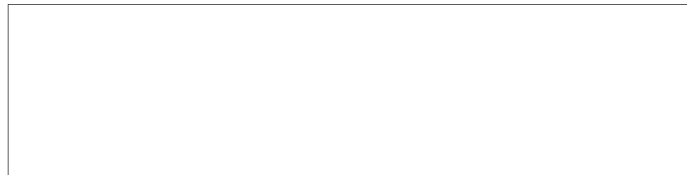


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Believing is Only the Beginning



Pioneer Clubs Kick-Off



After the rousing success of Vacation Bible School, we can't wait to see what joy and energy God brings to Pioneer Clubs this year.

Pioneer Clubs kick-off is right around the corner on September 8th. We are excited to already have over 120 children signed up this year, with ages ranging from 2 year olds through 6th grade.

We are thrilled to have added at least 1 new class to each Group, however with this influx of wonderful children, we are now short on teachers. Please prayerfully consider adding your individual skills to our fantastic crew so this year will be even better. Please contact Ellen Fagan or Stephanie Eckelman at the following email addresses:
dscaeckman@sbcglobal.net
or ebf@pacbell.net



*Dine and Donate!
Habit Sunday
is August 1st
and September 12th*

Help support our Pioneer Clubs Program by having lunch or dinner at The Habit (located in the Granary Square). It's so easy! Just present your Sunday Bulletin to the cashier when you place your order and a portion of your total bill will be returned in support of our children's programs.