

El Camino Real District United Methodist Women 2018 Leadership Training Events

Saturday, Jan. 27, 2018 – Fremont First UMC 2950 Washington Blvd, Fremont, CA

Saturday, Feb. 3, 2018 – Watsonville First UMC, Watsonville 229 Stanford St., Watsonville, CA

9:00am Registration 9:30am – 12:30pm Program

The Power of Bold: Taking a Stand on Immigration

Guest Speaker: Pastor Robin Mathews-Johnson

Immigration. Immigration Reform. Where do we stand? Where does God call us to stand? As United Methodist Women, what can we do? In her keynote presentation, Pastor Robin will explore this topic with us as sisters in Christ.

Following the keynote, breakout groups will be offered to prepare women for leadership roles in UMW, and to explore what UMW is about. The following breakout groups will be offered: *President; Secretary; Treasurer; UMW in Mission; Program Planning; Teaming Up to Grow UMW;* and *Knowing God.*

All women are invited and encouraged to come. Whether you are an officer, curious about UMW, or interested in the topic of immigration, there will be something here to rekindle your spirit.

No registration fee. Register by **January 20** (Fremont) or **January 27** (Watsonville) Please send registration form below to:

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Check event you plan to attend:Fremont, Jan. 20Watsonville, Feb. 3
Your Church (name and city):
For each person attending, please provide the following information: name, email, phone number, office held in UMW (if any): (use additional page if needed)
If you will need childcare, please provide names and ages of your children. Please, remember to bring a snack for each child. (use additional page if needed)

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"Love Our Neighbor — All our Neighbors"

Rev. Robin Mathews-Johnson graduated from Pacific School of Religion in 1999, and she loves her work in the church. She is "la pastora" of Watsonville First United Methodist Church, has a heart for the poor, and

not a lot of tolerance for BS. Her work is influenced by her growing up a US Navy brat, and moving with her family all around the country, including the south during integration in the '60s. She attended 13 schools before high school, and studied anthropology at Sonoma State to try to figure it out. She still practices law as a California workers' compensation specialist, which was her first career, and she likes meeting challenges head on.

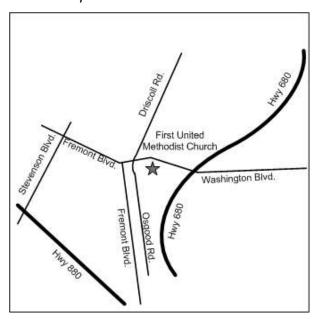
Robin is blessed by a patient husband, two amazing adult daughters, two perfect grandchildren, two dogs (which she and her husband walk almost every day, twice a day), one cat, three birds, two rabbits, and her backyard is a certified wildlife habitat. She doesn't have much time for housecleaning, and she likes to eat.

Robin is willing to take a personal stand on issues, but is afraid (at least some of the time) of preaching on what is actually going on in the world, especially some of the more controversial topics. She hopes to get over that soon.

Robin believes that we are called to a ministry of reconciliation, and she celebrates our human family's diversity of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, faith, history, economic status, marital status, physical and mental ability, and education. Robin strongly affirms that all people are created in the image of God and as beloved children of God, all are worthy of God's love and grace. To her, all means all.

Locations of the two Training Events

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Fremont First United Methodist Church
2950 Washington Blvd., Fremont, CA
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