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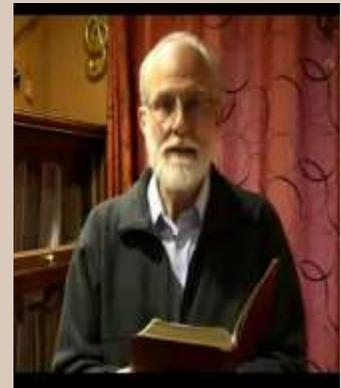
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**On-Line Worship Services
Begin March 15, 2020**



**Kids' Time with Bridget
Walking in Big Shoes**



**Scripture Reading
Bob McG**



**Benediction, Pastor Jay
March 15, 2020**



**Hymn Sing Accompanist
Lea McG**

Pastor's Parable

I hope this Trumpet finds you safe and well! You are all in my prayers, as we are definitely in more difficult times with the Coronavirus. There are many on the front lines caring for us during the pandemic, such as the medical staffs, emergency teams, our police officers, and many more essential workers that are enduring long hours in tense situations.

Even if you are not on the front lines, easily one can become weary both physically and emotionally. Therefore, I felt it would be helpful to be reminded of **God's strength that is supporting us** during this challenging time. The following scripture comes from Isaiah 40: 29-31 NRSV.

*29 He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the
powerless.*

*30 Even youths will faint and
be weary,
and the young will fall
exhausted;*

*31 but those who wait for the
Lord shall renew their
strength,
they shall mount up with
wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be
weary,
they shall walk and not
faint.*

We are all learning new ways to be in the world. As

I write this Trumpet article, we just completed our third live-stream worship service. As you probably are aware, the first live-stream worship occurred in our Sanctuary. The next two and those to follow are happening from my home **and the McGowan's home**. Thank you for giving Bridget and me a good reason to make sure our house is picked up at least once a week!

A nice surprise has come from our live stream services, as we have had extended family from as far away as Oregon sign into the live stream Zoom service each week. I love it!

If you are receiving this Trumpet and would like to join us at 9:15 am on Sunday morning for worship from your computer, we would love to have you join us. For security purposes, we are not posting the directions to get onto the Zoom account for worship on our Trinity website as it is password protected. There have been security breaches on Zoom, so we want to be mindful of the access. Therefore, if you are not receiving the weekly email from me regarding worship and the Zoom access password, please email the church

office and we will place you on the email list.

As for Holy Week, of **course, Trinity's Palm Sunday and Easter** will be live streamed on Zoom.

Bishop Carcaño, our Conference Bishop, is hosting a Good Friday Memorial Service on-line at noon on April 10. Conference Lay Leader Micheal Pope will join in leading the 30-minute service to commemorate those who have succumbed to complications from COVID-19. To view this Good Friday service go to the Conference Facebook page: facebook.com/California.Nevada.Conference.

Just remember, in-person worship may be canceled at this time, but church is in full swing with new ways of connecting through technology. Also, be sure to connect with your Trinity sisters and brothers with a phone call, text or email. God is good!

Happy Easter.

Blessings,



Pastor Jay



In Our Prayers

Meeting on line during the shelter-in-place order, the Prayer Fellowship prays for many people whose names are not published. You are welcome to join this small group to pray for spiritual growth and healing through prayer for others. Please contact Jane Dredge or Pastor Jay to add anyone to the prayer list.

We pray for friends of Trinity United Methodist Church including:

Lori D. P., as she begins new cancer treatments, Ardys S., Rebekah S., and Ruth W.

We continually pray for:

all those who suffer that they find relief from their physical and mental pains, that God fill their hearts with hope and assurance for the future;

our far-away friends, nursing home residents and staff;

persons who lack access to clean water, children living in poverty, outdoor citizens, victims of domestic violence, victims of elder abuse, and those without enough food;

workers who are not treated fairly, the unemployed, those seeking employment and housing;

those whose lives are impacted by the coronavirus COVID-19 and natural disasters throughout the world, including doctors, nurses, Early Responders, disaster coordinators, and volunteers;

empowering the church with grace, hope, and healing, in nations experiencing turmoil or unrest, and those living under oppressive leadership;

refugees, orphans, immigrant families and their children, those seeking asylum, and immigrants terrified for their own safety;

families and victims who suffer as the result of war, violence, and terrorist attacks, and those who willingly serve others;

persons experiencing the effects of hate, bigotry, and harassment, that we hear their fears and see their wounds so that we are able to take action;

people who have lost their way and put others in danger;

the global United Methodist Church as it waits for the rescheduling of the 2020 General Conference;

guidance and strength for the first elected delegates of the Western Jurisdiction to General Conference 2020 that discussions with those around the globe may be built on trust, compassion, listening, and grace;

for the people of The United Methodist Church, that they may be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ;

leaders throughout the world, those in positions of authority, including Governor Newsom, President Trump, and all those in local, State, and Federal government positions;

strength for our church leaders, including UMC Bishop Minerva Carcaño and The Reverend Shinya Goto, our UMC El Camino Real District Superintendent;

guidance for the missions of Trinity United Methodist Church and Sunnyvale First UMC.

God of Hope, we give you thanks for providing for our needs. Guide us in discovering new ways of doing church together. Give us patience as we shelter in place and take care of our families and neighbors.

Amen.

ONE WARM SCARF

There will be a few scarves and blankets needing fringes and ends finished. Scarves will be available on Project Days. Please let Jane D. know if you have extra yarn for making scarves.

TIME TO BE COUNTED

April 1, 2020, is National Census Day!



Most people have received instructions in the mail from the National Census Bureau on how to complete the census online at 2020census.gov. Please take a few minutes to get counted.

DID YOU KNOW: Census data informs federal funding for more than 100 programs, including school lunches, highway construction, and education. The United States population grew 9.7% between 2000 and 2010, from 281,421,906 to 308,745,538. As a result of population changes between 2000 and 2010, eight states gained seats in the House of Representatives and 10 states had fewer seats in the House of Representatives. Census results have a direct impact on how revenue from a gas tax are allocated across the state.

Bishop Carcaño writes, "It is crucial for all of us to be counted." Click on the link above if you have not been counted.

NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES SUNDAY (NAMS)

NAMS serves to remind United Methodists of the gifts and contributions made by Native Americans to our society. With more than 20,000 Native Americans within the denomination, this special Sunday helps to ensure that Native American United Methodist leaders are recognized.

Officially recognized in 1988, NAMS has been celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of Easter since 1989, on April 19, 2020. In 2019 you gave \$541,784



toward the ministries funded by NAMS. Your gifts will go to develop and strengthen Native American ministries in our Annual Conference, Native American rural, urban, reservation ministries and communities relating to the General Board of Global Ministries.

It also provides scholarships for Native Americans attending United Methodist schools of theology distributed by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry. Give on line **through our website's Home page.** Look for **"Special Sunday Giving"** in the dark blue box.

GIVING RESOURCES

We are encouraged to continue supporting our church family by giving in support of the many ministries of Trinity and the United Methodist Church. Our Finance Team has provided a link to PayPal at www.trinityumcsunnyvale.org.

Go to our Giving page where you will find instructions for gifting by check or through PayPal.

Other ways to make a monetary donation include mailing a check or setting up your bank to write a check to Sunnyvale Trinity UMC and mailing it to Sunnyvale Trinity UMC, PO Box 70199, Sunnyvale, CA 94086. Be aware that during the County orders to shelter in place due to the COVID-19 pandemic, office closure, and delay in mail delivery, deposit of your check might be delayed.

We give grateful thanks for your continuing faithfulness, courage, and your generosity during these last few days and weeks ahead as we live into our new normal.

THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT

Under the new law, the individual charitable contribution limitation of 60% of adjusted gross income for the 2020 tax year is suspended. It creates a \$300 charitable contribution deduction for taxpayers that do not itemize deductions.



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SAVE THE DATES

April 5: Palm Sunday, Communion, 9:15 am *(on line)*

April 10: Good Friday, 12 Noon *(see Pastor's Parable)*

April 12: Easter Sunday, 9:15 am *(on line)*

Weekly Schedule ON HOLD OR ON LINE

Sunday

Worship & Celebration, 9:15 am *(on line)*

Food Collection S'vale Community Services
(ON HOLD)

Holy Communion *(1st Sunday)*

Sunday School, 9:30 am *(Classrooms 1 & 2)*

Youth Group, 11:50 am

(1st & 3rd Sunday, on line)

Treblemakers, 10:50 am *(Choir Room)*

Small Group w/Josh A. & Lyn I.

10:50 am *(Pastor's Office)*

Small Group w/Ken R. & David I.

1 pm *(Fireside/Library)*

Monday

Education Team, 7:30 pm

(1st Monday, Fireside/Library)

Tuesday

Fellowship/Welcome Team, 7:30 pm

(2nd Tuesday, Odd Months, Library)

Administrative Council, 7:30 pm

(3rd Tuesday, Fireside/Library)

Wednesday

Men's Breakfast Fellowship, 7 am

(1st & 3rd Wednesday, Johnson-Shaner)

Choir & Praise Singers Rehearsals, 7:30 pm

(Choir Room)

Thursday

Prayer Fellowship, 7 pm *(Classroom 1)*

Friday

Project Day, 10 am-3 pm *(Choir Room)*

Small Group, w/Bob and Chris C.

3:30 pm *(C. Residence)*

Free Friday Flick, 8 pm

(2nd Friday, Nick's Hall)

Saturday

Kuddles for Kids Workshop, 9:30 am

(3rd Saturday, Fireside/Library)

Sunday On-Line Worship

BEGINS AT 9:15 AM

SIGN ON TO ZOOM

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