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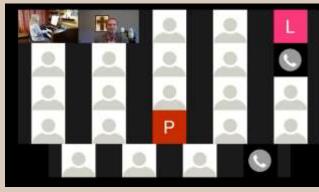


Bishop Minerva G. Carcaño joined the California Industrial Area Foundation (IAF) leaders for a virtual statewide action on Tuesday, May 5, 2020.

The IAF press release stated that the May 5 action would engage key legislators, bishops, and a representative from Governor Newsom's office. The agenda included brief teaching, stories, commitments, and next steps.

"Apostle Peter" made a guest appearance on Easter Sunday on Zoom.





May 3, 2020. People attending Worship on line using Zoom. There were 51 in attendance.

# Pastor's Parable

I have always loved the saying "April showers bring May flowers". I must say that we did get some wonderful rain and the blooming that is happening is absolutely gorgeous! It is definitely a God thing!

It is also a God thing that our church has been worshiping live stream via Zoom for two months now, and it is starting to feel like a wonderful church home is blossoming—just online.

We've added back into Sunday Worship our Congregational Blessings and Joys and Concerns, and it feels great! We are now able to share with each other what is going on in our lives and to be in prayer for one another and our world. It is awesome!

I must say, if you had told me this time last year that this year we would have the Easter service while in our homes, I would have said you were crazy—no way. But yes way, and even the disciple Peter joined us for the Easter celebration!



In the past few years, we moving did some to different church buildings. The moving was difficult, but I think it was a blessing for all of us at Trinity. Through our moves, we began to realize that the church is the people and that the building is where Well, who we gather. would have thought that our gathering of our church ministries would be online, via a thing called Zoom. We are now gathering over Zoom for Worship, Youth Group, Small Group, committee meetings...you get the picture. And we are planning to add other ministries. such as children's Sunday school, which would be taught by our teachers over Zoom. I did not see this coming, but in April we actually surpassed 50 in attendance in our live stream Worship service, and that was not on Easter! Hallelujah!

One of our annual traditions this time of year is the celebration of our church's graduates. Well, we will not miss a beat on this important tradition. June 7 will be Graduate Recognition Sunday at Trinity for our graduates. We will announce and bless graduates in our that Sunday's worship service. There is a section in this May Trumpet that requests all graduates provide information regarding their graduation so that we can bless their achievements on June 7. Please be sure to email this information to Ken R. or Jane D. and to the church office.

Finally, the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF), of which our church is a member, had a California statewide action on May 5 via Zoom to urge our Governor and other legislators to continue support of our most vulnerable workers. Bishop Carca**ñ**o, our California-Nevada Bishop, was one of the speakers at this action. I am so pleased with the strong engagement from our Trinity members as we partner with numerous IAF faith communities and other organizations, such as Sunnyvale Community Services, to provide faith in action for those in need.

I look forward to worshiping and doing ministry together with all of you in this gorgeous month of May. Enjoy the May blooms!

Blessings,



Pastor Jay

# **In Our Prayers**

Meeting with email 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 D. 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, Mark L., Ardys S., Rebekah S., and Ruth W.

We continually pray for:

those who are suffering deep and crippling loneliness in their isolation;

those who are ill due to serious illnesses and have not been able to obtain medications;

persons who are dying without their loved ones;

those without the hope for food to feed their families;

persons who lack access to clean water, children living in poverty, outdoor citizens, victims of domestic violence, and victims of elder abuse;

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

those whose lives are impacted by the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic as new ways of being together are realized;

doctors, nurses, Early Responders, disaster coordinators, and volunteers who risk their lives to save others;

give us confidence and patience as we shelter in place that we are able to care for the health and wellbeing of all people;

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

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

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;

patience and listening for God's will for the global United Methodist Church as it waits for the rescheduling of the 2020 General Conference;

guidance and strength for the pastor and lay delegates to the California-Nevada Annual Conference as they plan to meet September 18-21, 2020, that their discussions 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 our El Camino Real District Superintendent, The Reverend Shinya Goto;

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

Holy Spirit, guide us to recommitting to the common good for all people. Give us courage to follow the directives of our public health officials. Help us keep our eyes, ears, minds and hearts open to your teachings and prodding us to be Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the World. Amen.

# ONE WARM SCARF & PROJECT DAYS

These work days continue while participants are sheltered at home. Contact Jane D. for more information.

### TIME TO BE COUNTED

April 1, 2020, was National Census Day!



It isn't too late to complete the census online at <u>2020census.gov</u>. Please take a few minutes to be counted.

#### **CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY** PAGE

New on our website is the Kids Activities page. Something new is added every week. Kids and adults will find puzzles, coloring pages, Bible lessons, a heshero certificate, placemats to color and more. These pages have been distributed with special permission given by Communication Resources, Inc., www.ComResources.com at no charge to the church. Adults will enjoy the puzzles too!

# NEW ARRIVAL

Oliver James Snyder Born: April 21, 2020 Weight: 7 lbs. 10 oz. Parents: Nick & Danielle Sister: Caroline Great Grandmother (7): Jane D.



# UM CONFERENCES POSTPONED



The 2020 UM General Conference has been postponed. New dates will be announced



The 2020 CA-NV Annual Conference was rescheduled from June and will meet at the Doubletree in Modesto from September 18 to 21, 2020.

1,000 FAITH & COMMUNITY LEADERS MEET-FIX THE HOLE

Bishop Minerva Carcaño of the United Methodist Church CA-NV Conference convened on Zoom

with state legislators and called on Governor Newsom to

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do much more for essential workers during the pandemic. As a member of IAF, Trinity participated in this State-wide event on May 5 All organizations are nonpartisan, multi-issue and multilingual. One of several asks from the meeting was to expand the CA Earned Income Tax Credit to all workers who pay taxes, including a large number of undocumented immigrants. According to Maria Elena Manzo, a Sacred Heart leader, "A huge number of our essential workers – immigrants – have been left out of federal and state relief (less than 7 percent will receive small cash payments). Without them, we literally could not feed ourselves or care for our families during this crisis."

# GIVING RESOURCES

Trinity's Finance Team has established a Giving page on the church website. To make a monetary donation to TUMC, you are invited to link to the PayPal account at www.trinityumcsunnyvale.org.

You can mail a check or set up your bank to send a check to Sunnyvale Trinity UMC and mail it to Sunnyvale Trinity UMC, PO Box 70199, Sunnyvale, CA 94086.

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

# UM SPECIAL SUNDAY GIVING

Make a note of it: June 7 is Peace w/Justice Sunday. Your gift helps spread the gospel of peace.

# ZOOM TO WORSHIP EVERY WEEK

Join Trinity family and friends for on-line Worship every Sunday at 9:15 am. Please contact the church office for meeting information. Zoom is available on line and on your phone.

# JUNE 7, 2020, GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY

Trinity's Education Team is hosting all graduates during Worship on June 7. Trinity members and friends who have a graduate in their immediate family or extended family are invited to send info to Jane D. or Ken R. and the church office no later than May 22, 2020. During worship the name of the graduate, grade completed, name and location of school, and relationship to graduate will be recognized. Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors. The people of The United Methodist Church

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# Sunday On-Line Worship

begins at 9:15 am

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SHELTER IN PLACE

# Weekly Schedule ON HOLD OR ON ZOOM

#### Sunday

Worship & Celebration, 9:15 am (On Zoom) Holy Communion (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday) Sunday School, 10:30 am (On Hold) Youth Group, 11:00 am (1st & 3rd Sunday, On Zoom) Treblemakers (On Hold) Small Group w/Josh A. & Lyn I. 10:30 am (On Hold) Small Group w/Ken R. & David I. 1 pm (On Zoom)

Monday Education Team, 7:30 pm (1<sup>st</sup> Monday, On Zoom)

#### Tuesday

Fellowship/Welcome Team, 7:30 pm (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, Odd Months, On Zoom) Administrative Council, 7:30 pm (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, On Zoom)

Wednesday Men's Breakfast Fellowship, 7 am (On Hold)

Thursday Prayer Fellowship, 7 pm *(On Email)* 

Friday Project Day, 10 am-3 pm (On Line) Small Group, w/Bob and Chris C. 3:30 pm (On Hiatus) Free Friday Flick, 8 pm (On Hold)

Saturday Kuddles for Kids Workshop, 9:30 am *(3rd Saturday, On Hold)* 



