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Lent Begins Wednesday, February 17, 2021,  
a time to practice greater spiritual focus.

## Pastor's Parable

Happy February!

Can you believe that we are just days away from beginning our Lenten season in preparation for Easter? Yes, the beginning of Lent is Wednesday, February 17, with the culmination being Holy Week and Easter.

Lent is a Christian time to commit to some form of sacrifice, such as fasting or giving up a luxury in our life so that we may have greater spiritual focus. This greater spiritual focus is practiced through daily devotion and prayer. Now is a good time to begin thinking about what kind of sacrifice you might want to make during the Lenten season.

The past three years we have held an Ash Wednesday service that marks the beginning of the Lenten season. Due to the Ash Wednesday service **being more of an 'in-person' event, (with a blessing that includes repentance ashes being placed on the forehead) we will forego this year's Ash Wednesday service** due to COVID health guidelines. This year we will continue our tradition of having a Good Friday service the Friday prior to Easter Sunday. And of course, these services will be live streamed via Zoom.

I have heard that many of you are starting to get vaccinated for the COVID

virus. Hallelujah! It is uncertain how long it will take for everyone to have the opportunity to receive a vaccination. Therefore, it is also uncertain when we will be back together in person for worship. When we are able to again worship in person, the live stream worship option will continue to be available.

I look forward to journeying with you through the Lenten season as we prepare for Holy Week and a glorious Easter Celebration!

Blessings,



Pastor Jay



### FRONT COVER—Salvation Mountain

Leonard Knight has been building Salvation Mountain for over fifteen years. Using his **unique method of "splooching" to paint manmade mounds of clay and straw**, Mr. Knight simply wants to spread the good news that **"God is Love."** As your eye travels from the base of the mountain to its peak, you discover a multitude of images and slogans that express the complexity and **comprehensiveness of God's presence.** A slogan about Jesus begins your journey up the mountain, and it concludes with a single

white cross at the top that represents the risen Christ. The image of Creator God is embodied in every painted flower and tree. From doves to fruit, representations of the Holy Spirit cover generous portions of this labor of love. Every inch of Salvation Mountain represents Mr. Knight's experience of the living God, the Trinity.

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# In Our Prayers

*Meeting on Zoom 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 to the prayer list.*

We pray for friends of Trinity United Methodist Church including:  
Marsha B., Mark L., Mickey L., Linda M., Ken R., Ardys S., Rebekah S.

We continually pray for:

all those who work to end racism;

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

peace for families who have lost loved ones;

those unable to obtain medications, and those who are dying alone;

people without hope for housing and food to feed their families;

the millions of people on unemployment whose benefits are pending for fraud allegations without cause;

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;

concern for public safety personnel, first responders, business owners, and essential workers;

confidence to shelter in place for the health and well-being of all people;

equitable distribution of vaccines to all who need them;

empowering the church with grace, hope, and healing throughout the world as people experience 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, and those being bullied, 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;

support of parents, teachers, and students as they continue learning in virtual classes;

**listening to God's will for the global United Methodist Church as plans are made for the 2021 General Conference;**

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

leaders throughout the world, those in positions of authority, and all those in local, State, and Federal government positions, that the well being of people is put first;

strength for Bishop Minerva Carcaño and for D.S. Samuel Hong, as he leads the churches of El Camino Real District;

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

Ever loving God, we give thanks for your unfailing grace in our lives. Amen.

# ANNOUNCING TRINITY ACTIVITIES



**WELCOME TO SUNNYVALE TRINITY UMC.** Worship is held every Sunday at 9:15 am on Zoom. A weekly email is sent by Pastor Jay on Friday to all members and friends and includes the worship program. Please contact the church office to be added to the mailing.

**FELLOWSHIP TIME** will happen on Zoom following Worship.

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL** is held virtually for boys and girls through high school age and is available at 10:45 am using Zoom meeting ID 631 664 6240; PWD 5350202. Treblemakers meet with Lisa during Sunday School at 10:45 am. Youth Group meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 10:45 am with Pastor Jay using ID 797 769 8229; PWD 525536.

**SUPPORT SUNNYVALE COMMUNITY SERVICES.** You can support SCS through your fully tax-deductible financial contribution. Click [SCS Donation](#) to make your donation directly or mail your check to Trinity UMC, PO Box 70199, Sunnyvale, CA 94086, with a note to donate to SCS.

**WEST VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES** continues its laundry program with donations from Trinity. Checks written to Trinity UMC noting WVCS in the memo line will be forwarded. Click [WVCS](#) to make your donation directly and note for "Laundry Program". WVCS just announced that the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Chefs of Compassion: Cooking for a Cause will be a virtual gala on March 5, 2021, at 6 pm. Please mark your calendar for this special event. Three master chefs will be competing to bring their creations to your doorstep the night of the gala. Ticketing and more information is available at <https://www.chefsofcompassion.org/>

**MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP** gathers on Zoom on Wednesday, February 3 and 17 at 7 am. Bring your coffee, cereal, homemade bread, pancakes, waffles, OJ—your treat—and sign on to Zoom while eating your breakfast and catching up. All men are invited to join in the conversation. Remember to set your alarm and join the Fellowship. Meeting ID 429 049 2043; PWD 583535.

**PRAYER FELLOWSHIP** meetings are on Zoom on Thursdays. You are invited to join this Fellowship every week at 7 pm. Meeting ID 220 379 4382; PWD 7831552. Please contact Jane D. or Pastor Jay to request prayers. When you need immediate spiritual support, please contact Pastor Jay at 408.621.1418 or Bob McGowan at 408.420.0637.

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW)** invite all women to gather on Zoom for the next meeting on February 9 at 9:30 am. The theme for the program is "World Thank Offering: The Give and Take of Gratitude" presented by Jane D. Meeting ID 220 379 4382; PWD 7831552.

**FUND FOR HUMANITY.** Do you need a special gift for friends and family? Remember Trinity's project for alternative giving is available all year. The Fund brochure with instructions and suggestions for recipient organizations is [available on our website](#) [www.trinityumcsunnyvale.org](http://www.trinityumcsunnyvale.org).

## LENTE DEVOTIONS

You are encouraged to set aside daily time to spend with God and receive encouragement for your faith journey through use of *The Upper Room*. Included are daily meditations that have been written by readers from all around the world.



Each devotion includes a suggested Bible passage, a personal story relating the message of the scripture to daily life, a thought for the day, a prayer, and a prayer focus. You are invited to strengthen your faith and deepen your relationship with God through use of this devotional magazine. Copies of the March-April *The Upper Room* will be available soon.

## HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY February 14



## COVID-19 DISTRICT PROJECT

Supporting the most urgent needs, the COVID-19 Project helps many undocumented families in the El Camino Real District whose income sources evaporated as a result of the pandemic. Link to [Trinity's website](#) and continue to give out of our abundance to provide enough for all.

## CHURCHWIDE SPECIAL SUNDAYS

DO ALL THE GOOD WE CAN IN ALL THE PLACES WE CAN

To meet the needs and unite the work of the church, Trinity UMC participates in giving to Special Sundays six times each year. Offerings can be designated on line, by sending a check to the church, or by using the Special Sunday Give Now link on our website.



Human Relations Day  
January 27, 2021.

U M C O R     S u n d a y  
March 24, 2021.

Native American Ministries  
Sunday April 18, 2021.

Peace with Justice Sunday.  
May 30, 2021.

World Communion Sunday.  
October 3, 2021.

United Methodist Student  
Day November 28, 2021.



## KNITTED TOGETHER FOR GOD'S GOOD WORK

2021 Theme

UMW will meet February 9 at 9:30 am for the business meeting on Zoom. Stay on Zoom for the program "World Thank Offering: The Give and Take of Gratitude" to be presented by Jane D. Reminder: please return your 2021 Pledge cards. Pledges may be mailed to Jane D. March 9 will be "Get Together Time" at 10:00 am on Zoom. No agenda, just conversation. Please mark these dates on your calendar.

## ONE WARM SCARF PROJECT

There are now almost 100 finished scarves! Carol W. has been busy finishing scarves and adding fringes. There was a "Ginormous Yarn Sale", so I had to go and buy enough yarn to fill my empty shelves again and keep myself busy!

## KUDDLES FOR KIDS

No workshops are scheduled. Cindy G. reported that the hospital is still not accepting any donations at this time. Cindy has more than 200 handmade stuffed animals finished for the children at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital. There are many more animals in the finishing process.

## PROJECT DAY

Postponed until further notice.

Jane D.



Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.

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**Pastor's Office Hours:**  
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BEFORE SUNDAY

Zoom to Worship on Sunday  
9:15 AM

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FOR ZOOM ACCESS CODE  
SHELTER IN PLACE

GROUP MEETINGS ON ZOOM

## Weekly Zoom Schedule

### Sunday

Worship & Celebration, 9:15 am (*On Zoom*)  
Holy Communion (*1st Sunday*)  
Adult Small Group w/Josh A., Lyn I., Erika S.  
10:45 am (*On Zoom*)  
Youth Group, 10:45-11:45 am  
(*1st & 3rd Sunday, On Zoom*)  
Sunday School and Treblemakers  
10:45 am (*Weekly on Zoom*)  
Adult Small Group w/Ken R. & David I.  
1 pm (*On Zoom*)

### Monday

No Events Scheduled

### Tuesday

United Methodist Women Meetings, 9:30 am  
(*2nd Tuesday, On Zoom. January, February, April, June, September, October*)  
UMW Get Together Time, 10 am  
(*2nd Tuesday, On Zoom, March, May, July, and August*)  
Administrative Council, 7:30 pm  
(*3rd Tuesday, On Zoom*)

### Wednesday

**Men's Breakfast Fellowship, 7 am**  
(*1st & 3rd Tuesday On Zoom*)

### Thursday

Prayer Fellowship, 7 pm (*On Zoom*)

### Friday

Project Day, 10 am-3 pm (*On Hold*)

### Saturday

No Events Scheduled

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