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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31
11:15 am

In Our Prayers

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 weekly prayer list.

We continually pray for:

continuing strength for families who have lost loved ones;

healing for those struggling with illness;

people without hope and who live in fear of being evicted from their homes;

the millions of people on unemployment whose benefits have expired;

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

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

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

hope for people who are impacted by fires and hurricanes;

equitable distribution of the COVID-19 and flu vaccines to all children and adults;

teachers and students who have returned to school or continue distance learning;

protection for our AA/PI Asian-American/Pacific Islanders who live in fear for their lives;

humanitarian protections and greater support for Afghans and Haitian people in danger;

empowering the church with grace, hope, and healing throughout the world as people experience turmoil, unrest, and oppressive leadership;

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

people who have lost their way and endanger others;

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

finding ways to believe, trust, and actively share our faith in God that we may be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world;

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 California-Nevada Bishop Minerva Carcaño and for District Superintendent Samuel Hong as he leads the churches of El Camino Real District;

guidance for Pastor Jay as he leads the missions of Sunnyvale Trinity and First United Methodist churches.

Creative God, we thank you for the blessings of the seasons so freely given and your amazing grace that enables us to minister to others. Amen.

Pastor's Parable

One of the many blessings God provides is the wonderful seasons of the year. As we enter the Fall season, let us take time to gaze at the beautiful autumn colors and enjoy the cooler breeze.

October also brings great joy for our children and youth with Halloween. I am happy to say that Trinity will again be having a Halloween Party for our children and youth over Zoom. The Education Team will send out invitations to each child. See more information on Page 4.

So let's talk about our merger progress. I am excited to share with you that our church leadership teams at both First Sunnyvale and Trinity Sunnyvale have been meeting extensively over the past many months to outline what a new merged church would look like. First, we have unanimously agreed upon a name for the merged church—Sunnyvale United Methodist Church. Second, we agreed upon a new merged church mission and vision statement.

The mission statement comes from First Sunnyvale's Mission Statement:

*Our Mission
Building an open and
authentic international
community of Christ for the
21st century.*

This is a wonderfully succinct and powerful mission statement that both church leadership teams unanimously embraced.

The Vision Statement comes from Trinity Sunnyvale's Vision Statement and was also unanimously embraced by the two leadership teams.

*Our Vision
Sunnyvale United
Methodist Church is a
Christ-centered family
celebrating faith, growing
spiritually, serving God
and inviting all to share
God's love.*

We aim to...

*Be pillars of support for
one another;*

*Nurture and affirm
children and youth;*

*Understand faith and
grow in our spiritual lives;*

*Enrich and expand the
ministries within our
congregation;*

*Extend our gifts and
resources to those in need
in our community and
beyond;*

*Reach out and spread the
Good News of Jesus Christ*

*...for the joy of bringing
people closer to God.*

The next area of agreement needed for the merged church was how we would accomplish the new church mission and vision. Our two church leadership teams agreed that we **would use the "Five Practices of a Fruitful Congregation" by United Methodist Bishop Robert Schnase as our guide.** The Five practices are:

- Radical Hospitality
- Passionate Worship
- Intentional Faith Development
- Risk-Taking Mission and Service
- Extravagant Generosity

The next area of agreement was how to organize our two church leadership teams into one. Again, we had unanimous agreement with the melding of each church committee into one with the two chairs becoming co-chairs of the committee. This approach will provide excellent balance and ministry sharing that facilitates a joining of like ministries teams into one.

And finally, both leadership teams agreed that it would bring great energy to worship by combining the two worship services into one service. We chose the one morning service time of

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Pastor's Parable

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10 am so that each church would modify their current service time by the same amount—45 minutes.

The next exciting news is that this merged church outline was presented to Bishop Carcaño and her Conference Cabinet in September. The Bishop and Cabinet were quite pleased and fully supportive of the new merged church outline. There was one further request for our two church leaderships to work before finalizing the merged church. The Bishop and Cabinet would like us to provide further detail

regarding the plan to **rollout the “Five Practices of a Fruitful Congregation”**. Over the next two months the two leadership teams will meet to come to agreement on that plan rollout. Once this is completed, it will be brought back to the Bishop and Cabinet for final merger approval. Once we have that approval, each church will have a Charge Conference to approve the merger at the local level.

I know that is considerable detail regarding the merger, but I think it is important to share at that level as we

move forward into the new merged church. On the first Sunday of each month, Communion Sunday, I will continue to hold the **“Coffee w/Pastor Jay”** session during Fellowship Time to answer any questions you may have.

Have a wonderful October and I look forward to doing ministry together!

Blessings,



Pastor Jay



Children and Youth Halloween Party

The Halloween party for children and youth will happen! How? Why, over Zoom, with crafts, music and decorating a miniature haunted house and pumpkins. You can even wear your Halloween costume!

So, save Saturday, October 23, from 1:00–2:30 pm.

NOTE to parents and grandparents: The Education Team will send out invitations to each child who is currently attending Sunday School, Youth Group and children connected to Trinity. Please RSVP by October 16, so we can prepare a bag with the crafts needed for the party.

RSVP to:

jane.dredge@att.net

or

marion@marionredler.net

ANNOUNCING TRINITY ACTIVITIES

WELCOME TO SUNNYVALE TRINITY UMC. Worship is held every Sunday morning at 9:15. We welcome in-person and Zoom worshipers in a hybrid environment. A weekly email is sent on Friday by Pastor Jay to all members and friends and includes the worship program. Please contact the church office to be added to the email.

FELLOWSHIP TIME will happen in the Library and on Zoom following the Benediction and Closing Music. If you are on Zoom, open your audio/video options and join the conversation after worship.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL is held in-person and on Zoom for boys and girls through high school age and is available at 9:15 am using Zoom Meeting ID 631 664 6240; Passcode 5350202. Treblemakers meet along with Sunday School with Lisa. In-person Sunday School is in Room 2 in the Education Building. Youth Group meets each first and third Sunday at 12:30 pm in the Library and on Zoom using ID 797 769 8229; Passcode 525536.

ADULT SMALL GROUPS. We offer two small groups on Sundays, one meeting at 10:45 am using ID 207 473 9152 , Passcode 905898 and one at 1 pm using ID 631 664 6240, Passcode 5350202, both in the Johnson-Shaner Room and on Zoom.

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 are forwarded. Click [WVCS](#) to make your donation directly and note for "Laundry Program."

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW) invite all women to gather for their hybrid meeting, in person and on Zoom, in Room 2 in the Education Building on October 12 at 9:30 am. Melva I. will be leading the program, "A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial." You are welcome to contact Jane D. for more information. Meeting ID 220 379 4382; Passcode 7831552.

MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP will gather on Zoom at 7 am on Wednesday, October 6. 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; Passcode 583535.

PRAYER FELLOWSHIP meetings are on Zoom at 7 pm on Thursdays. Meeting ID 220 379 4382; Passcode 7831552. Please contact Jane D. or Pastor Jay to request prayers. If you need immediate spiritual support, please contact Pastor Jay at 408.621.1418 or Bob McGowan at 408.420.0637.

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).

Wi-Fi HOT SPOTS NOW AVAILABLE ON CAMPUS. When you have meetings on campus and need access to the Internet, you will find hot spots in the Johnson-Shaner Room (jsroom or jsroom5G), Education Building (Nick's Hall/Education), and the Fireside-Library Room (fireside or fireside5G). The passcode for all locations is tumc-stjohns-1601-totomundo. Please contact Bob McGowan should you have questions.

TRINITY'S CHURCH CONFERENCE is scheduled for 3:40 pm on October 24, 2021. This Annual Church Conference will be hybrid, in the Johnson-Shaner Room and on Zoom. District Superintendent Samuel Hong will preside. Trinity's SPRC members will meet at 3:00 pm with the D.S. prior to the Church Conference.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY will be celebrated Sunday, October 3, 2021. On World Communion Sunday, our giving helps provide scholarships for national and international graduate students whom God has gifted to learn and to serve. Your giving will make it possible to change the world. Use PayPal or send your check to Trinity and write "WC Sunday" in the memo line.

Meetings and Projects



KNITTED TOGETHER FOR GOD'S GOOD WORK
2021 Theme

The October UMW meeting is scheduled for the 12th at 9:30 am in Room 2 in the Education Building. The meeting will be hybrid, in person and on Zoom using meeting ID 220 379 4382 and Passcode 7831552.

The agenda for the business portion of the meeting includes the UMW merger and 2022 budget. An offering will be taken to improve the lives of women, children and youth of the world. Melva I. will present the program, "A Prayer and Self-Denial" at 10:15 am. Please RSVP to Melva if you plan to attend the meeting and program so seating can be arranged to

accommodate everyone. A meal will not be served this year.

First UMC's UMW is hosting a Holiday Faire on campus from 10 am to 2 pm on October 16. Please contact Nancy K. if you can help with the Faire or come and shop.

The UMW Holiday Party will be held in person at Gloria Castor's house from 2:30-4:00 pm on November 21. Invitations will be sent.

ONE WARM SCARF

Busy fingers keep knitting and crocheting scarves that will be distributed to street people throughout the area. Chris C., Jane D., Anne M. and Patricia R. provide the scarves that keep Anne M. and Carol W. busy weaving in ends and attaching

fringes to complete the scarves. Over 100 scarves are ready for a blessing prior to the next delivery. Please let Jane D. know if you would like instructions to make a scarf.

PROJECT DAY

Bring your own project, snack, water, and wear your mask on the first and third Fridays from 10 am until 2:30 pm in October and November. It's time to get started on Christmas gifts!

KUDDLES FOR KIDS

Workshops for making stuffed animals are on hold as we wait for Lucile Packard Children's Hospital to begin accepting donations again. Cindy G. reports there are almost 300 stuffed animals waiting to be delivered.

Gloria C.

This 'n That

HELPING HANDS The Brown Bag Bunch



Grab a bag and grab another...it takes two and now it's one. Must wear gloves and a mask. Bring proof of vaccination. Work is outside under an awning. We'll social distance. The double bags will be filled with food by others for SCS clients. No heavy lifting on this job. Call Ken R. to volunteer.

CONFERENCE OFFERING

This year the CA-NV Conference offering will support students working under the temporary protection of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program. Bishop Minerva G. Carcaño said, "DACA protects young people in this country who were brought here as children, and thus, with absolutely no say in the matter. They are young people already contributing to the future of our communities and congregations." Help us confirm the hope of these Dreamers in our midst and support this special offering. You are invited to send your check to Trinity and add "DACA" in the memo line.

STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS

Our Stewardship Team is gearing up for our annual Stewardship Drive beginning October 17 and culminating with a celebration and pledge service on November 21. We

FAITH...GENEROSITY: CONNECTING THE DOTS
In grateful recognition that all of my (our) time, talents and abilities come from God, I (we) gladly join with others in support of Trinity United Methodist Church.

I (we) agree to give \$_____ per week or \$_____ per month, which is a total of \$_____ per year.

ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARD
Name _____ Date _____
Address _____ Apt. _____ Home _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Email _____

ask that your pledge be returned before November 16 to be included in the celebration. Your prayers and participation are important for Trinity as we move forward in the coming year. More info available soon.

Lloyd McB., Stewardship Chair

52nd
PROGRESS PRIZE

Holiday Boutique

New and Reimagined!!

October 16, 2021

Saturday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Boutique and Silent Auction

Handmade Quilts, Seasonal Décor, Aprons, Placemats, Dish Towels, Baby Items, Wall Hangings, Greeting Cards and more as well as Homemade Jams, Jellies and Other Goodies.



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Sermon Series Continues

Pastor Jay Parr

Wesley's

General Rules

As a Guide for

Christian Living

A Blueprint for Discipleship

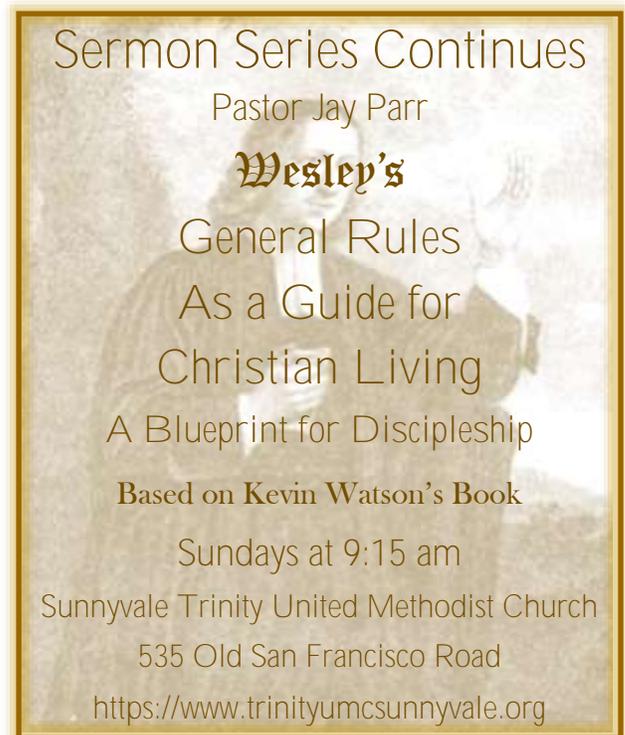
Based on Kevin Watson's Book

Sundays at 9:15 am

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<https://www.trinityumcsunnyvale.org>



REMINDER

RSVP for the
Halloween
Party by
October 16,
2021





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CONGREGATIONAL BLESSINGS
PRAYERS OF JOY & CONCERN

EMAIL OFFICE@TRINITYUMCSUNNYVALE.ORG
TEXT 408-420-0636
BEFORE SUNDAY

Worship on Sunday
9:15 AM PDT

IN-PERSON HYBRID WORSHIP AT 9:15 AM
GO TO WWW.TRINITYUMCSUNNYVALE.ORG
FOR ZOOM ACCESS CODE

GROUP MEETINGS ON ZOOM

Weekly In-Person & Zoom Schedule

All Times PDT

Sunday

Worship & Celebration, 9:15 am
(Sanctuary & On Zoom)
Holy Communion *(1st Sunday)*
Sunday School and Treblemakers
9:15 am *(Room 2 & On Zoom)*
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am *(Library & On Zoom)*
Adult Small Group w/Josh A., Lyn I., Erika S.
10:45 am *(Johnson-Shaner Rm. & On Zoom)*
Youth Group, 12:30-1:30 pm
(1st & 3rd Sunday, Library & On Zoom)
Adult Small Group w/Ken R. & David I.
1 pm *(Johnson-Shaner Room & On Zoom)*
Church Conference October 24 at 3:40 pm
Hybrid: Zoom & in Johnson-Shaner Rm.

Monday

No Events Scheduled

Tuesday

United Methodist Women Meetings, 9:30 am
(2nd Tuesday, Hybrid, January, February, April, June, September, October, November)
Administrative Council, 7:30 pm
(3rd Tuesday, On Zoom)

Wednesday

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

Thursday

Prayer Fellowship, 7 pm *(On Zoom)*

Friday

Project Day, 10 am-2:30 pm, Room 2
(Oct. 1 & 15, Nov.5 & 19)

Saturday

FUMC UMW Holiday Boutique, 10am to 2 pm
October 16, 2021

