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"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control." Galatians 5:22-23





We are here for you



In Our Prayers

The Prayer Fellowship prays for many people. 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:

- 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 and unable to find work 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;
- equitable distribution of the COVID-19 and flu vaccines to all children and adults;
- 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;
- justice for detained immigrants and their families who suffer from the cruel impact of inhumane treatment;
- 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.
- O great and gracious God, hear our prayers. Hear the needs of your people and be the promise of our fulfillment. Come to us, and may we recognize your coming. Help us to open ourselves to your gifts of love. Amen.

Pastor's Parable

Happy November! If you are like me, it is hard to believe we are in the month of November. I think our ministry-filled October at Trinity helped November get here quickly. First, I so enjoyed the Halloween Party for our Trinity children on Saturday, October 23 via Zoom. A big thanks to our Education Team for a fabulously frightful and fun time together!

On Sunday, October 24, we had our Annual Church Conference held in hybrid fashion over Zoom and in person. We were honored with our DS Samuel Hong presiding in person for the conference. DS Samuel shared the Bishop and Conference Cabinet's blessing on our merger progress. He likened the merger to a marriage, explaining the importance of having the important conversations prior to the merger (marriage) so that once merged (married), we have a good, agreed-upon relationship framework for moving forward.

The First Sunnyvale and Trinity Sunnyvale leadership teams have continued each month to discuss the merger framework. These leadership meeting discussions have been quite positive and fruitful! DS Samuel shared the expected timeframe for final merger approval to be early Spring 2022.

Prior to the finalized merger, there will be opportunities for the two churches to come together in combined ministries. It is an exciting time for Trinity Sunnyvale and First Sunnyvale as we begin to come together as a newly merged church. Praise be to God!

And on Sunday, October 31 at 11:15 am we joined the C a l i f o r n i a - N e v a d a Conference worship service in hybrid fashion, both streaming online and in person. This service was held jointly with our sister church, soon to be our merged church partner, First Sunnyvale. Yes, we are on our way to being a newly merged church!

Looking to November, which of course includes Thanksgiving, Trinity has much to be thankful for. As we begin our Stewardship campaign on Sunday, November 7, I ask that you prayerfully consider what you are thankful for at Trinity and what it means to you to give to the church. Each of you should have received a Stewardship packet in the mail that includes a pledge card. If you did not receive this packet, please let the church office know so we can remedy this and provide one to you.

On Sunday, November 21, we will bless all of the pledges received and have a celebration following the service. Since we cannot have a church-wide lunch celebration due to the your pandemic, mark Sunday, calendar for November 21 at 10:15 am (following Worship) for a special celebration and dedication of pledge cards.

I look forward to continuing in ministry with all of you throughout the month of November.

If you are traveling for Thanksgiving, God speed and stay safe and well!

Happy Thanksgiving!

Blessings,





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ANNOUNCING TRINITY ACTIVITIES

WORSHIP AT 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 happens in the Library and on Zoom following the Benediction and Closing Music. People on Zoom are invited to open 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 taxdeductible financial contribution. Click <u>SCS Donation</u> 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 <u>WVCS</u> to make your donation directly and note for "Laundry Program."

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW) invite all women to gather for their Holiday Party on November 21 at 2:30 pm at Gloria C's home. Watch for your invitation or contact Gloria for more information.

MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP will gather on Zoom at 7 am on Wednesday, November 3 and 17. 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 <u>available on our website www.trinityumcsunnyvale.org</u>.

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 **tume-stjohns-1601-totomundo**. Please contact Bob McGowan should you have questions.

UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY NOVEMBER 28, 2021. This offering is collected the last Sunday in November. The funds received award United Methodist scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students to support students in achieving their educational goals with more financial freedom. Together our reach is beyond measure. United Methodists have been investing in our students for more than 100 years. The UMC's special giving structure ensures your generosity blesses as many people as possible in sustainable, strategic ways. Your donation changes the world one life at a time. Send your gift to Trinity and note "Student Day" in the memo line.

Meetings and Projects





UMW HOLIDAY PARTY November 21, 2:30-4:00 pm at Gloria C.'s home. Invitations will be sent with details.

OVE IN ACTION

Executive Board 2022 Planning Meeting – November 30 at 10:00 am. Location to be announced.

October General Meeting Agenda

- 1. Approved 2022 Budget
- 2. Year-end giving
- 3. Merging with FUMW

We thank our members who helped FUMW with their Holiday Faire and Nancy K. for coordinating. The day

This 'n That

HELPING HANDS The Brown Bag Bunch

Volunteer Monday the 8th of November for a shift at Sunnyvale Community Services

Grab a bag and grab another... let's make it one. Must wear gloves and a mask. Bring proof of vaccination. Work is outside under an awning and we'll social distance. The double bags will be filled with food by others. No heavy lifting on this job. Meet in the back parking lot at church at 9:30 am. Ken R. was beautiful and the wonderful handmade items were plentiful.

ONE WARM SCARF

We delivered 133 scarves earlier this year to Afghan Refugees, San Jose City Team, and Glide Memorial. We currently have 153 finished scarves waiting to be photographed, blessed and delivered. This is all due to the nimble fingers of Anne M., Carol W., Chris C., Patricia R., and Jane D. Contact Jane D. if you want to participate in this project. The scarf work is done either in our homes or at Project Day. The Area Coordinator reported that they are out of yarn. Donations would be appreciated.

PROJECT DAY

Next meeting dates: November 5 and 19

in Room 2. Bring your own project, supplies, water, snack, and mask. We will not meet in December. Watch for an announcement in January regarding a new location for Project Day.

KUDDLES FOR KIDS

Cindy G. has over 300 stuffed animals ready, but currently Lucile Packard Hospital is not accepting any donations, so our workshops are on hold for now.

Gloria C.

CA-NV ANNUAL CONFERENCE

This year the Annual CA-NV Conference of the United Methodist Church met the last weekend in October in person in The conference Sacramento. was livestreamed all three days culminating in a conferencewide worship service on Sunday. Pastor Jay attended in person and Bob and Lea McGowan represented Trinity online. The conference offering supports students working under the temporary protection of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. You are invited to send your check to Trinity and add "DACA" in the memo line or text "GIVE" to 916-238-6854.

STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS

Our Stewardship Drive begins November 7 and culminates with a celebration and pledge service on November 21. We ask that your pledge be returned before November 16 to be



included in the dedication of pledges. Your prayers and participation are important for Trinity as we move forward in the coming year. Please contact the church office if you have not received your pledge card in the mail.

Lloyd McB., Stewardship Chair

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

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)
Stewardship Celebration, Nov. 21, 2021 10:15 pm (Library & On Zoom)

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 (Nov.5 & 19)

Saturday No Events Scheduled



Worship on Zoom & in person – hybrid.

Worship on Sunday 9:15 AM PDT

IN-PERSON HYBRID WORSHIP AT 9:15 AM

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GROUP MEETINGS IN PERSON & ON ZOOM



