



Keeping in Touch at SMUMCHH

Week of May 4, 2025



Prayers for our Church Family:

Prayers for Eileen Casterline as she is slowly recovering from reconstructive surgery on her foot and has been in a lot of excruciating pain.

Frank Boua (son of Ruth Barnes) had an accident while riding his E-bike. He is still in the hospital. He is now receiving physical therapy after having surgery on his hip and a rod inserted in his leg. There is a possibility he will have surgery on his neck as well.



Prayers out into our World:

Prayers of peace and condolences to all the families of the 11 people who were killed in that horrible car ramming in Vancouver, BC during the Filipino Festival.

Prayers of condolences and prayers of peace and comfort for all those still dealing with the recent shooting at Wilmer Hutchins High School in Dallas and another shooting at Florida State University.

Continued prayers to all those in the United States who are affected in many ways, by all of the recent and current severe weather conditions – wildfires, tornados, winds, flooding, and snow and rain storms, to include the earthquakes.

Condolences and prayers to those who have lost their loved ones and friends in these storms. Thanks to those who are helping with the recovery efforts.

Prayers for resolutions and peace for each and every conflict happening within the U.S.A.

Prayers for peace and resolutions for all the World's conflicts!

Continued prayers for our Members, Family, and Friends:

Terry Feulner (and Joy too), Donna Lilly, Ruth Feick, Jean Logan, Doris Sachs, Dorothy Tarvin, Chris Kozak (son of Rich and Denise Kozak), Diane Crawford (daughter of Shirley Butler), Jeff Graves (son of Joe and Patty Graves), Ted Williams (and Betty as well), Lisa (daughter of Orlen Willoughby).



8:00 a.m. Informal Service
10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship



Liturgists for our 10:00am Worship Services are urgently needed.

If you would like to be a Liturgist, please give Olga Baker a call or see her after church service.



Coffee Fellowship

Coffee Fellowship Hosts and Hostesses

May 4	Donna Peterson
May 11 (Mother's Day)	Bob and Diane Hernandez
May 18	Alice Cheng and Family
May 25	Shirley Butler and Dorothy Persinger
June 1	?
June 8	?
June 15 (Father's Day)	?

If you would like to host our Coffee Fellowship Time after Worship on any Sunday, please contact or see Carol Rogers.



Those whose names are printed **in red**, have a special celebration this coming week:

May Birthdays

May 1	Linda Hall
May 2	Eleanor Brown
May 3	Donna Matsumura
	Howard King
May 11	Shelley Aney Sanders
May 19	Janet Shoop
May 25	Marilyn Lutjens
May 26	Rev. Phil Hartling
May 30	Judy Vroman
May 3	Larry & Judy Vroman



Coming Up in May at St. Matthew's UMC:



Honoring Our Mothers

Mother's Day is Sunday, May 11th.
Donna Hauck Peterson and
Lauren Hauck O'Connor are
the Guest Speakers for the Mother's
Day Service.



Children's Choir Concert
Sunday, May 18th
3:00pm in our Sanctuary



May 25 – Memorial Sunday.
The Church Office **will be closed on Monday, May 26th**
for the Memorial Day
Holiday.

CONTINUING OUTREACH PROJECT - HYGIENE KITS !!!



In the early years of housing the homeless here at St. Matthew's UMC, we would bring in a "shower wagon" to our campus giving the homeless an opportunity to shower. We also gave those wanting to shower a bag containing hygiene items to use, as well as to keep when they were finished showering.

I've been informed of the need of hygiene items to be provided at the Annual Reach Out Program in Whittier Narrows Park where portable "shower wagons" are brought in and items for personal hygiene kits are distributed.

As we journey in Spring and Summer, **Let's Consider a New Project – "Hygiene Kits"!**

Suggested items needed for the kits (note: *Dollar Tree Stores* and those "travel size items" at *Walmart* and *Target* and some Drug Stores are a great place to purchase any of these items) are:

small bottles of shampoo, bath soap (bars or liquid), tooth paste, toothbrush, teeth floss or floss pics, comb, deodorant, band aids, q-tips, small bottle of body powder, body lotion, or sunscreen, washcloths and/or towels are welcome too.

*Please – NO razors or disposable razors, or any type of scissors.

Please bring items to Church on Sundays, or . . . drop items by the office during the week. This will be an ongoing project for a few months. Let's spread our Lord's love and care! Any questions, please see Morgan Matthews after Worship or call the Church Office.

-Morgan Matthews, Outreach Coordinator, St. Matthew's UMC



Pastor David continues to offer Free Music Lessons to our community. Learn how to play the keyboard, guitar or drums. Call the church office at 626-333-6656 or email the office at smumchh@gmail.com for more information.

A Thought from Louise, Office Administrator . . .

"It is the living Christ, the practical Truth, which makes Jesus 'the resurrection and the life' of all who follow him in deed."

Mary Baker Eddy





ST. MATTHEW'S UMC'S GET TOGETHERS

THE ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS meets Sunday mornings at 8:30am via Zoom.

Go to <https://zoom.us/join>
Meeting ID: 832 3700 6446
Password: 778913

THE SHALOM GROUP meets in the Church Office, beginning at 10:00am each Monday morning. Call Sharon Kline for more information.

PHASE 10 GAME DAY meets on the third Tuesday of every month at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Call Eileen Casterline or Shirley Butler for more information.

CARD MINISTRY gets together to create beautiful greeting cards on the first Wednesday of each month. They meet at 11:00am in the Church Office. Contact Janet Shoop for more information.

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST gets together by Zoom at 8:30am each Wednesday. Any questions, please contact Chris Gallagher.

If you are coming by phone
Dial: 1-669-900-6833
Meeting ID: 638 574 0531#
If asked for a second ID: #
Password: 118405#

If you are coming by computer, tablet
Go to <https://zoom.us/join>
Meeting ID: 638 574 0531
Password: 118405

THE MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP meets each Thursday morning at 8:00am in person at IHOP. Phone David Crain for further details

The first Thursday of each month **OUR LADIES GET TOGETHER IN-PERSON FOR LUNCH AT CASA BLANCA**. We meet for lunch starting at 11:30am.

THE BOOK CLUB meets the third Thursday of each month. We meet in the Church Office beginning at 12:30pm.

NAOMI CIRCLE meets on the second Wednesday of each month. We meet at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Call Dorothy Persinger for more information. New members will be welcomed!

*If you have any further questions or need a group leader's phone number,
be sure to contact the Church Office at 626-333-6656
or email to smumchh@gmail.com.*



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