



Keeping  
in Touch

## Keeping in Touch at SMUMCHH

Weekly Newsletter – Week of February 15, 2026



*Let's Worship Together!*

**8:00 a.m. Informal Service**

**10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship**



Planting Seeds  
for the Future  
at  
*St. Matthew's UMC*

*St. Matthew's United Methodist Church's Finance Campaign happens year 'round. We welcome your financial support throughout the year. You may give weekly, monthly, quarterly or annually. We sincerely appreciate and thank each of you for your giving in support of St. Matthew's UMC.*

### IN OUR PRAYERS



Prayers for peaceful resolutions to the current political and societal conflicts now happening in America.

Compassion for those people in the USA who are living under the cloud of fear because of the color of their skin.

May all those who are affected by the severe winter storms happening across our country, be surrounded by God's arms of protection; and prayers of peace and love to those who have lost loved ones in these winter storms.

Prayers for peaceful resolutions to all the conflicts happening in our World.

#### ***Continued prayers for our Church Members, Church Family, and Friends:***

Jean Howe, Don and Linda Pastrana, Shelia Hennes, Terry Feulner, Ted and Betty Williams, Ruth Feick, Doris Sachs, Dorothy Tarvin, Hailey Lowell (granddaughter of Dick and Diane Cline), Stephanie Lowell, (daughter of Diane and Dick Cline), Evan (little baby of Eleanor Brown's family), Frank Bouma (son of Ruth Barnes), Sharon Dutton (daughter of Ruth Barnes), Chris Kozak (son of Rich and Denise Kozak), Diane Crawford (daughter of Shirley Butler), Jeff Graves (son of Joe and Patty Graves).



## BIRTHDAYS & WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

### *February Birthdays*

Feb. 1	Donna Peterson
Feb. 2	Diane Hernandez
Feb. 7	Yuet Yun
Feb. 9	Cindy Fallgren
Feb. 23	Alice Cheng
Feb. 25	Jerry Lutjens
	Sarah Cui

### *February Wedding Anniversaries*

Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> Larry & Jean Howe

\* If your birthday or wedding anniversary, do not appear on our Birthday or Anniversary list, please be sure to contact the church office. We do not want to miss your special day!

## SERVING OUR CHURCH ON SUNDAY MORNINGS



### ***Liturgists***

February - Rich Kozak  
 March - Bob Hernandez & Diane Cline  
 April - Jerry Casterline

**\*\*\* *Liturgists are needed! If you are interested in serving as a Liturgist, please see Olga Baker after worship or give her a call.***



### ***Coffee Fellowship Hosts/Hostesses***

February 1 - Rich and Denise Kozak  
 February 8 - Pastor David and Mary  
 February 15 - Robles Family  
 February 22 - Steven Hill

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



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Church Office will be **OPEN** on President's Day, February 16<sup>th</sup>.



# Wednesday Lenten Service

**February 18 (Ash Wednesday)**, 7 P.M. Guest Speaker: Mike Gallagher.

**March 11**, 7 P.M. Guest Speaker: Patty Graves

**March 25**, 7 P.M. Guest Speaker: Rich Kozak

Join us for a **Lenten supper** from 6 to 7 p.m.  
Bring your favorite appetizer or dish. The church will provide drinks.



**Did you know there are greeting cards available in the Narthex?**  
On your way out of Church today, pick one up and send it to someone who could use a paper hug. Cards are free but your donation does help buy more cardmaking supplies.



*Lent and Easter Season is approaching soon . . .*

**Ash Wednesday is February 18<sup>th</sup>.**

**First Sunday in Lent is February 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Palm Sunday is March 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**Good Friday Service @ 5:00pm on April 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

**Easter Sunday is April 5<sup>th</sup>.**

## CALENDAR - WEEK OF FEBRUARY 15 TO FEBRUARY 21

<p><b>Feb. 15</b>              8:00am - Early Worship              8:30am - Adult Sunday School (Zoom)              10am - SMUMC Worship</p>	<p><b>Feb. 16</b>              10:00am - Shalom (Library)</p>	<p><b>Feb. 17</b>              10:30am - <i>Phase 10</i> Game Day (FH)              7:30pm - Staff Parish Meeting</p>	<p><b>Feb. 18</b>  <b>Ash Wednesday</b>              8:30am Women's Breakfast (Zoom)              3pm - Worship at La Mirada Heights  <b>6:00pm - Lenten Supper (Bring your favorite appetizer/dish)</b>  <b>7:00pm - Lenten Time Together (Reflection) with Mike Gallagher</b></p>	<p><b>Feb. 19</b>              8:00am- Men's Breakfast @IHOP              12:30pm - Book Club (Office)              4pm-Bells              5pm Choir              6pm- Children's Choir              3pm-8pm - Free Music Lessons</p>	<p><b>Feb. 20</b>              3pm-8pm Free Music Lessons</p>	<p><b>Feb. 21</b></p>
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## CALENDAR - WEEK OF FEBRUARY 22 TO FEBRUARY 28

<p><b>Feb. 22</b>  <b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent</b>              8:00am - Early Worship              8:30am - Adult Sunday School (Zoom)              10am - SMUMC Worship</p>	<p><b>Feb. 23</b>              10:00am - Shalom (Office Library)</p>	<p><b>Feb. 24</b></p>	<p><b>Feb. 25</b>              8:30am Women's Breakfast (Zoom)              3pm - Worship at La Mirada Heights  <b>TBD in Evening - Mayne Wedding Set-up (FH)</b></p>	<p><b>Feb. 26</b>              8:00am- Men's Breakfast @IHOP  <b>10am - ? Mayne Wedding Set-up (FH)</b>              4pm-Bells              5pm Choir              6pm- Children's Choir              3pm-8pm - Free Music Lessons</p>	<p><b>Feb. 27</b>              3pm-8pm Free Music Lessons  <b>Time TBD - Mayne Wedding Set-up (FH)</b></p>	<p><b>Feb. 28</b>  <b>11:00am Katy Mayne Wedding and Reception to Follow (Sanctuary and FH)</b></p>
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