



Keeping  
in Touch

## Keeping in Touch at SMUMCHH

Weekly Newsletter – Week of February 22, 2026



*Let's Worship Together!*

**8:00AM - Informal Worship Service    10:00AM - 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



**May everyone in our country affected by the all the severe winter storms, tornadoes, and wildfires, now happening across our entire country, be surrounded by God's protection.**

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.

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 Henness, 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

### *March Birthdays*

March 3	Patty Graves
March 4	Jerry Casterline
March 20	Ruth Feick
March 23	Carol Rogers
	Morgan Matthews
March 25	Judy Menefee
March 28	Jack Weatherford
March 31	Dolores Gonzales Hayes
	Steve Straub

### *March Wedding Anniversaries*

March 8	John and Ester Elliott
March 16	Todd and Donna Peterson

\* 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***

March 1 - Bob Hernandez  
 March 8 & March 15 - Diane Cline  
 March 22 - Bob Hernandez  
 March 29 (Palm Sunday) - Bob Hernandez



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

March 1 – Rodney Kurimoto  
 March 8 – Alice Cheng  
 March 15 – Scout Pancake Breakfast  
 March 22 – ??  
 March 29 (Palm Sunday) – Boy Scout Fundraiser

*If you would like to host our Coffee Fellowship Time after Worship please contact Carol Rogers. If you would live to serve as Liturgist, please contact Olga Baker.*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Louise, our Office Administrator, will be on vacation from **Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>** and returning to the Church Office on **Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**. Thanks to Pastor David and Mary as they will be handling any office and worship service needs that week.

**St. Matthew's UMC has scheduled a Special Charge Conference on March 3rd at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.** It concerns an After-School Program seeking to rent Dodrill Hall. *Please attend.* Thank you.

Our dear member, **Joyce Schlitt's Memorial Service** will be held on **March 21<sup>st</sup>** at the **United Methodist Church in Yucaipa**. Her daughter, Diane, contacted us to let our know of her service. Diane will give us more information about Joyce's service within the next few weeks as Diane informed us the service will be available to all via Zoom. We will certainly get you that information as soon as possible.

**During March, the Boy Scouts will be holding several a special celebration and fundraisers at St. Matthew's UMC.**

- March 8<sup>th</sup> - 10:00am Worship - celebrating Boy Scout Sunday
- March 15<sup>th</sup> - Boy Scouts host their Pancake Breakfast
- March 29<sup>th</sup> - Scout Fundraiser during Coffeetime

BSA Troop 710 & Kiwanis Club of the Heights Pancake Breakfast 2026

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**Pancake Breakfast**  
Sunday, March 15, 2026  
8 AM to 12 PM  
St Matthews United Methodist Church  
15653 Newton St., Hacienda Heights  
**Donation \$10**

Serving the Children of the World  
Kiwanis Club of Hacienda Heights Foundation is a Registered 501(C)(3) Non-Profit Organization



### Lent and Easter Season 2026

**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>.**



## 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.

### CALENDAR - WEEK OF MARCH 1 TO MARCH 7

March 1	March 2	March 3	March 4	March 5	March 6	March 7
8:00am - Early Worship 8:30am - Adult Sunday School (Zoom) 10am - SMUMC Worship	10:00am - Shalom (Office Library)	<b>7:00pm – Special Charge Conference (Fellowship Hall)</b> 7:30pm – Trustees Meeting	8:30am Women’s Breakfast (Zoom) 3pm - Worship at La Mirada Heights	Men’s Breakfast @IHOP 11:30am – Women’s Breakfast @ Casa Blanca 3pm-8pm – Free Music Lessons 4pm-Bells 5pm Choir 6pm- Children’s Choir	3pm-8pm Free Music Lessons	



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