



Keeping in Touch with SMUMC

*Weekly Newsletter –
Week of April 12, 2026*



LET'S WORSHIP TOGETHER!

8:00am - Informal Worship Service
10:00am - Traditional Worship



PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE AT SMUMC

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



Eleanor Brown continues to recover from surgery.
Prayers for peaceful resolutions for all the "wars" and conflicts happening in our World.
Prayers for peaceful resolutions to the current political and societal conflicts now happening in America.
Compassion for all immigrants in the USA who are now living under the cloud of fear.
Continued prayers of safety and recovery for those in our country dealing with extreme weather conditions.

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

Michael Yang, Terry Feulner, Don and Linda Pastrana, Shelia Henness, 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), 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

April Birthdays

April 16	Todd Peterson
April 22	Lucille Householder
April 25	Bianca Ault (Hernandez)

April Wedding Anniversaries

April 3	Joe and Patty Graves
April 27	Pastor David and Mary Choi

* 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

April 5 - Donna Peterson
April 12, 19 & 26 - Jerry Casterline



Coffee Fellowship Hosts/Hostesses

April 5 (Easter Sunday) - Rodney Kurimoto
April 12 - Todd and Donna Peterson
April 19 - "Music Appreciation Sunday" - Choir and Bells
April 26 - Pastor David and Mary Choi

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS



During Worship on Sunday, April 19th, we celebrate Music Appreciation Sunday. And . . . at 3:00pm there will be a concert in our Sanctuary. More information coming soon.



Our church is currently seeking to hire a Custodian. Our current custodian has accepted a fulltime position and will be leaving St. Matthew's employ on April 17th. *Thank you, David for your service to St. Matthew's UMC!*

Anyone interested in this position, please contact our church's office at 626-333-6656 or email the church at smumchh@gmail.com.



A Note from Our Music Director, Elaine Ono

The OBS system is the platform for which St Matthew's UMC livestreams on Facebook. Unfortunately, this doesn't do justice for the sound from all the performing groups. Sometimes the piano is louder than the singers or the bell ringers, or sometimes all one hears is Elaine versus the choir. The balance has been horrible, but unfortunately Morgan says he is not able to directly adjust levels to Facebook; he is only able to adjust the sound in the sanctuary.

I recorded the choir and bells on my phone at the Good Friday and Easter service. I encourage you to go onto the church Facebook page and listen to all the performances so you can truly hear all parts and hear all the hard work that is given by each performing member of Carillon Ringers and Chancel Choir. These videos give a more accurate sound.

I also want to let you know that our annual Music Appreciation service and 2pm concert will be on April 19th. We will also be celebrating the bells 50th anniversary at the concert! Thank you to all performers for their hard work and thank you to the congregation for your support!

CALENDAR - WEEK OF APRIL 12 to APRIL 18

April 12	April 13	April 14	April 15	April 16	April 17	April 18
8:00am - Early Worship 8:30am - Adult Sunday School (Zoom) 10am - SMUMC Worship	10:00am - Shalom (Office Library)		8:30am Women's Breakfast (Zoom) 3pm - Worship at La Mirada Heights	8:00am – Men's Breakfast @IHOP 12:30 Book Club (Office) 3pm-8pm - Free Music Lessons 4pm-Bells 5pm-Choir 6pm- Children's Choir <i>* 7:00pm – Trustees Meeting (DH)</i>	3pm-8pm Free Music Lessons	



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