



**FEBRUARY
2019**



THE TRYLON

SIERRA MADRE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

695 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024-2288

Phone: (626) 355-0629 – E-mail: sm_umc@verizon.net

Follow us on TWITTER.com: [@SierraMadreUMC](https://twitter.com/SierraMadreUMC)

FACEBOOK at www.facebook.com/sierramadreumc

Website: www.smumc.net

WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON



PASTOR VISITED THE BRITISH HOME TO SHARE DINNER WITH (clockwise from left) DICK JOHNSON, ELVA JOHNSON, MILLIE SOLURY AND JUNE DRENTEN.

THE COMMUNITY ADVENTIST FELLOWSHIP INVITED US TO SHARE A WONDERFUL LUNCHEON ON JANUARY 19th



PASTOR'S MESSAGE:

Greetings in Christ,

It's already February. Yesterday is past; the future is not yet here, and today is the transition from yesterday to tomorrow. We know we are on a journey, sojourners in temporary dwellings. Adjusting to change is a major challenge and it doesn't get easier with age. We need God's help and thankfully we can receive it together! We all love Psalm 23. I especially love the verse that says, "Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me" (KJV). Because of the old English, the King James Version is little difficult for me to read and understand, but sometimes I enjoy reading it. It is the presence of Jesus that gives us peace in the "Valley of Shadows." We can have peace even as we walk on; we need not fear. Fear is the enemy's tool to make us draw back and bring displeasure to our Father in Heaven, or die in some wilderness. Our Father God wants us to keep walking forward to a much better place! Let's go marching forward to the future.

I am so glad that Montessori school is going well, so too our sister church Community Adventist Fellowship. My wife and I were invited by the CAF to a lunch gathering last month and we had chance to meet many of their members. Our church campus is busy now from Monday to Sunday, so we have to make sure to take care of our campus. The heavy rain last month caused damage, and there are many places we need to have repaired. I want everybody aware, so we can prevent any possible damages. We agreed to merge five different committees into one - the Outreach Committee. I think it has been working well. We plan to have a vision sharing meeting every fourth Sunday, after fellowship. We have been talking together about our past, present and future. I hope everybody will join in these meetings and talk together. This is about us!

Many challenges have arisen in our culture, including the rising control of secularism in communication, education, and every other area of our lives. The impact of that has affected family, identity, economics, accountability, politics, and a host of other spheres in life. It feels like we have more division in our society now. We could add to the list such issues as crime, violence, and the incalculable cost of addictions. Jesus was very clear when calling His disciples: "Take up your cross and follow me." His Cross lay in confronting the culture as recorded in Matthew 23. He was not, and is not, inert. He went beyond confronting to prophesying their destruction unless they repented. He was bold and involved in dealing with their hollow religion and culture to the point of His own Crucifixion. Let us always be reminded that we have hope. The Bible is filled with hope, even the "Blessed Hope" of resurrection when we place our trust in the Lord. If our hope and trust is in the Lord, we will not fear the battle but will become involved, as Gideon, David, and the countless others who won our liberty, protected us in danger, "killed the snake", or preached the real Gospel in the face of criticism and attacks. If so, we will act in faith regardless of cost. Let us be proud of ourselves as faithful families of SMUMC.

Your servant,
Rev. Sangman Shin, Pastor

FROM THE TRUSTEES CORNER:

The Montessori School continues to show excellent growth. As of January 31st, they will have 24 enrollees and are expecting more. Mr. Nandakumaran has asked permission to begin preparation of classrooms 307 and 308 in order to be ready for State inspection. New approval by the State would allow up to 60 students. The Board has given approval to commence work in the rooms beginning the first of February.

God is Great and works in Mysterious Ways!



TEAM UPDATE

On January 5th the new Outreach Ministry Team had a well-attended meeting to discuss dates and plans for 2019. Thanks to all who participated.

These are our current plans, subject as always to changes and additions as the year progresses. We will:

- continue to provide and expand our ministries to shut-in members
- regularly offer help to other Family Promise hosting churches. Two teams went to Friendship Baptist on January 11 and 12 and our presence was gratefully received. One of the families, Lori Ann and her two children, has found a place to live. Lori Ann has worked hard to achieve this.
- continue with our first Sunday food collection for local food pantries
- look for ways to volunteer on site at Friends in Deed in Pasadena
- provide back-to-school materials and Christmas presents for low income families through Foothill Unity Center
- participate in Foothill Unity's Thanksgiving and/or Christmas distribution of food
- make care packages for deployed troops and veterans through Operation Gratitude
- provide fellowship brunches on special occasions such as Fat Tuesday Sunday and Rally Day
- hold our annual Alternative Gift Fair & Boutique in December
- explore having Adult Forums with guest speakers following worship several times a year
- acknowledge the youth who are part of our extended congregation
- support the UMW events such as the Fashion Show, Rummage Sales and the Christmas Luncheon

Last Sunday we sang hymn 2241 *"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"* which, I think, sums up what we hope to do: "We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed and, all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed"

Jill Schofield, Lay Leader – Outreach Ministry Coordinator



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

FAT TUESDAY PANCAKE BRUNCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, AFTER WORSHIP

COME ENJOY PANCAKES!

MUSIC BY BIG BAND THEORY!

GREAT FELLOWSHIP!



**HANDS
ONLY
CPR**

Everyone Can Save A Life

**PRESENTED BY
COMMUNITY ADVENTIST
FELLOWSHIP**

**Saturday, February 16
3:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

Hartzell Fellowship Hall



You are invited to tea!

Community Adventist
Fellowship

will host a tea party

Saturday, February 23, 2019

4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Hartzell Fellowship Hall

MISSION COMMITTEE NOTES:

SUNDAY, February 3
First Sunday
food collection



GOLD ITEMS

FOR FIRST SUNDAY DONATIONS

peanut butter, canned tuna/chicken, cereal,
rice, cooking oil, sugar and flour.

MAYBE NEXT YEAR?



The New England Confectionery Company (NECCO) went bankrupt last year, and Spangler Candy Co., the buyer, hasn't had time to gear up production of Sweethearts for this Valentine's Day. I heard you can look on EBay if you are bound and determined to find the conversation hearts!



KNEEDLE ARTS GROUP

Watch your midweek updates for
information about the next meeting!



Fellowship Refreshment Teams

FIRST SUNDAY:

Leader Jill Schofield

Ann DeChairo-Marino

Amy Crismer

Maria Luna

Annie Shin

SECOND SUNDAY:

Leader Cindy Crismer

Joyce Travis

Jo Ann Williams

Dee Suzuki

Kim Evans

THIRD SUNDAY:

Leader Liz Mackie-Peterson

Marna Korell

Margaret Herndon

Peg Schuster

FOURTH SUNDAY:

Leader Sally Follett

Jan Bender

Connie Wortham

Joe Schuster

Candace Taylor

FIFTH SUNDAY –

Leader June Drenten

Joyce Kenyon

Rich Snyder

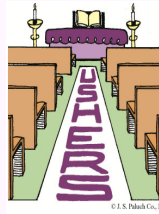
Sadie Vannier

Barbie Bevington

FEBRUARY WORSHIP HELPERS

Lead Ushers

- 3 Liz Mackey-Peterson
- 10 Peg Schuster
- 17 Dee Suzuki
- 24 TBA



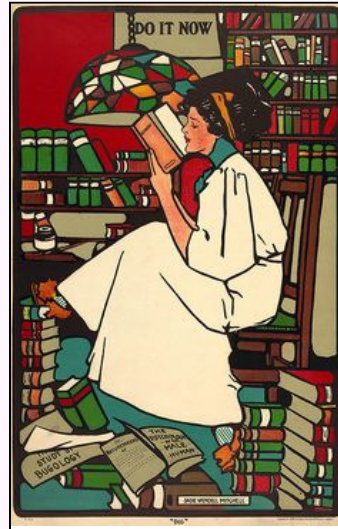
Cart Drivers

- 3 Peg Schuster
- 10 Joe Schuster
- 17 Bob Travis
- 24 Cindy Crismer



Fellowship Team Leaders (see page 6 for team members)

- 3 Jill Schofield
- 10 Cindy Crismer
- 17 Liz Peterson
- 24 Sally Follett



SARAH CIRCLE

Will be meeting on
Friday, February
22nd at 12:30 p.m.
Sierra House
Conference Room
Come join our book
discussions!

CARD CREATION

meets on
TUESDAY
February 26th,
6:30 p.m. at Connie
Wortham's house.

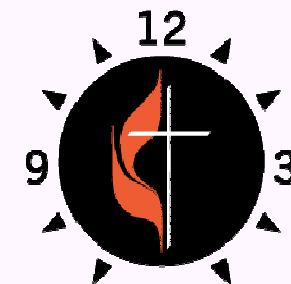


We make cards to send to shut-ins, and to charities like Operation Gratitude, which supports our troops, veterans, first responders and their families.

Contact Connie at (626) 351-9260
Her address:
510 Pembroke Drive, Pasadena



- 2 Rose Hernandez
- 9 Amy Crismer
Tracy Crismer
- 18 Millie Mittleman
Annie Shin
- 19 John Snyder-Walkiewicz



Church
Office Hours

**MONDAY
through
FRIDAY**

**9:00 a.m. to
1:00 p.m.**

**(626) 355-0629
Email: sm_umc@verizon.net**



**Sierra Madre
United Methodist Church
695 W. Sierra Madre Boulevard
Sierra Madre, California 91024**



**“ . . . God is love, and those who abide in love abide in
God, and God abides in them.” 1 John 4: 16**

FEBRUARY

Sierra Madre United Methodist Church

695 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

<p>Abbreviations LL = Library Lounge SH = Sierra House SHCR = Sierra House Conference Room HH = Hartzell Fellowship Hall WC = Wesley Chapel AFM = Adult and Family Ministries</p>					<p>1  1893 – Edison completes world's 1st movie studio</p>	<p>2  GROUNDHOG DAY</p>
<p>3 Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany 9:30 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary 10:30 a.m. – Fellowship – LL 11:00 a.m.- Trustees – SHCR</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5  LUNAR NEW YEAR</p>	<p>6 5:00 pm – British Home</p>	<p>7 1812: 8.2 magnitude earthquake hits New Madrid, Missouri</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9  PIZZA PIE DAY</p>
<p>10 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany 9:30 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary 10:30 a.m. – Fellowship – LL 11:00 a.m. – Church Council - WC</p> <p>BOY SCOUTS SUNDAY</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12  Happy Birthday to me.</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 </p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16 HANDS ONLY CPR TRAINING presented by CAF 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. HH</p>
<p>PASTOR - CONTINUING EDUCATION</p>						
<p>17 Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany 9:30 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary 10:30 a.m. – Fellowship – LL</p>	<p>18  Happy Presidents Day</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 CLERGY & SPIRITUAL LEADERS LUNCHEON FID – 12 noon 5:00 pm – British Home</p>	<p>21 DEADLINE FOR TRYLON SUBMITTAL Finance Committee 4:00 p.m. - SHCR</p>	<p>22  Sarah Circle 12:30 p.m.</p>	<p>23 RUMMAGE WORK DAY 9:00 a.m. - SH CAF TEA PARTY 4:00 p.m - HH</p>
<p>24 Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany 9:30 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary 10:30 a.m. – Fellowship – LL 11:00 a.m. – Monthly Vision Sharing Meeting – WC</p>	<p>25  National Chocolate Covered Peanuts Day</p>	<p>26 Card Creation 6:30 p.m. at Connie Wortham's house</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28  1784 – John Wesley charts Methodist Church in U.S.</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>

