



**JULY 2024**



# THE TRYLON

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## Father's Day Pictures



Thanks to Yang, Shirley and Pastor Jae for creating the ties!

*(more photographs inside)*

## A Message from PASTOR JAE

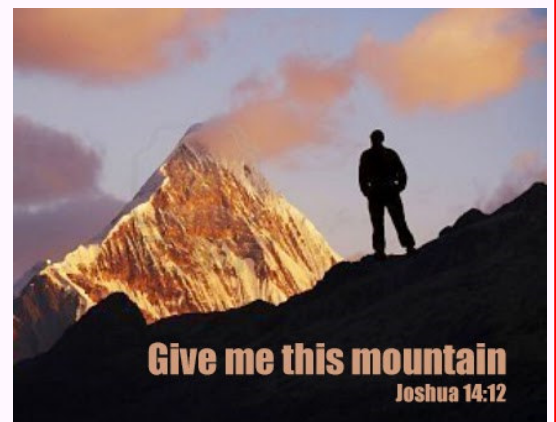
### *“Inspirations from the Alps . . . ”*

When I took a trip to Europe, one of my greatest inspirations was from the Alps. When you think of the Alps, what comes into your view? Mont Blanc, Matterhorn, Dolomite, Jungfrau and Eiger... My trip was primarily organized around the Alps, covering the countries of Germany, Switzerland, Italy and Austria. When I drove over Simplon Pass from Switzerland to Italy, I was not only stunned by their beauty, but also overwhelmed in fear by their robust gravity. Of course, I would not recommend driving over the Alps at all to a person like me who has altitude phobia.



During my trip around and in the Alps, as I enjoyed not only the scenery with majestic snow-capped mountains and fresh green valleys, but also the beautiful villages of people living up on the scary high hillsides of the mountains, I was amazed, and a few questions settled in on me. A spirit of both theologian and an historian kicked in. I was able to see the Alps from the perspective of the people residing there, reserving my perspective as a tourist.

What were and are the Alps to the Europeans? Were they beautiful inspirations or mystic challenges cloaked in fear? What has made these brave people settle on the high hillsides of the mountains? In general, what impact have the Alps brought to the Europeans throughout their history? What if there were no Alps in Europe? I believe that the Alps have grown the Europeans who explored the Alps and settled in them.



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In the book of Joshua in the Old Testament, we meet a man at the age of eighty. He came to Moses, as the Israelites were not able to complete the task of occupying the promised land of Canaan. It was Caleb. He said, “Now give me this hill country that the Lord promised me that day” (Joshua 14:12). The hill country, Hebron, was a strategic place up on the hills of Judea. If Hebron was still in the hands of the Canaanites without being occupied by Israel, and if the Israelites were satisfied staying only on the lower land, the task of the kingdom of God could not be completed in the promised land. The Alps and the hill country of Caleb overlapped in me as examples of challenge and an inspiration. Respect and honor be to Caleb as well as to the people in the Alps!

That is what I see here at Sierra Madre. There are hill countries in our life and ministries like that of Caleb, like that of the Europeans in the Alps. On Friday August 2, we are planning to pitch several tents on our church campus for young families and children. It will be Camp-Out Night! As I think of it, I am already grateful! I can imagine the young families and children enjoying camp food, a campfire with S’mores, family games and movie time on the church campus. Of course, having whole families sleeping in the tents is another memory that we cannot miss.



According to the weather forecast, this summer will be warm to hot. I hope and pray that we will stay cool and safe, because we will continue to explore the hill countries around us, whether they are missions and ministries or our life matters. I am honored to witness that our women’s group has just started workdays for the Fall Rummage Sale. We are also in the process of organizing “Methodist Ubers” for friends to provide rides to Church on Sundays. Blessings to all!

Caleb said, “Now give me this hill country that the Lord promised me that day”  
(Joshua 14:12)

Sincerely yours,

Pastor Jae Lew

## **July Lectionary Readings:**

July 7      2 Sam. 5: 1-5, 9-10; 2 Cor. 12: 2-10; Mark 6: 1-13  
July 14     2 Sam. 6: 1-5, 12b - 19; Eph. 1: 3-14; Mark 6: 14-29  
July 21     2 Sam. 7: 1-14a; Eph. 2: 11-12; Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56  
July 28     2 Sam. 11: 1-15; Eph. 3: 14-21; John 6: 1-21

### **Psalms for July:**

July 7      Psalm 48  
July 14     Psalm 24  
July 21     Psalm 89: 20-37  
July 28     Psalm 14

## **Pastor Jae's Sermon titles and Worship scripture for July**

July 7                      Seventh Sunday after Pentecost  
                                    Communion Sunday  
                                    ***“God’s Grace in Our Weakness”***  
                                    2 Corinthians 12: 2-10

July 14                     Eighth Sunday after Pentecost  
                                    ***“Having a Place for the Ark of God”***  
                                    2 Samuel 6: 1-18

July 21                     Ninth Sunday after Pentecost  
                                    ***“Having a Sacred Place Around You”***  
                                    2 Samuel 7: 1-11

July 28                     Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
                                    ***“What’s in that Small Sharing”***  
                                    John 6: 1-13

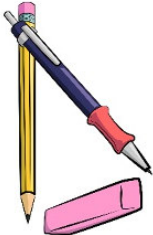
## **FAMILY CAMPING NIGHT!**

**We are planning an overnight camp on our front lawn. Keep an eye out for more updates – we’re looking at an early August Friday night – with food, games, movie night and camping in tents (we’ve got the gear)!**



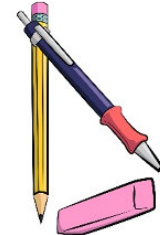


Bring your donations to Church  
through Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup> for  
this Combined Drive!



## SCHOOL SUPPLIES 2024

### FOOTHILL UNITY AND FRIENDS IN DEED



- Brand New Back Packs (NOT BLUE or RED!)
- Calculators – Basic or Scientific
- Colored Pencils and Crayons (prefer Crayola) (24-pack)
- Colored markers (NO sharpies or permanent markers)
- Dry erase Markers
- Composition Books (College and wide ruled)
- Erasers (pencil top and regular)
- Filler Paper (College and wide ruled, 150 sheets)
- Folders - 2 Pocket or 3-prong (prefer poly)
- Binders – 1” to 3” (prefer with clear view pocket on front)
- Tab dividers
- Glue Bottle (Water soluble) or Glue Sticks (many schools prefer sticks)
- Highlighters and Post-It Notes
- Pencil Boxes & Pouches (3-holed to go in binders)
- Pencil (Mechanical, 0.5 mm, bundles of 3)
- Pencils (Standard, bundles) and Sharpeners (must hold shavings)
- Pens (Black, red or blue ink, bundles)
- Rulers (12")
- Student scissors (5" Blunt and Pointed) (Such as Fiskar)
- Spiral Notebook (College or wide)
- Copy paper (for printing on computers)
- 3” x 5” index cards
- Kleenex, Hand Sanitizer, Disinfecting wipes (small sizes for individual use)

Bring supplies to Church no later than Sunday, July 21, 2024

Monetary donations: make checks payable to Sierra Madre United Methodist Church and indicate “School supplies” in the memo area.



# FALL RUMMAGE SALE DATES

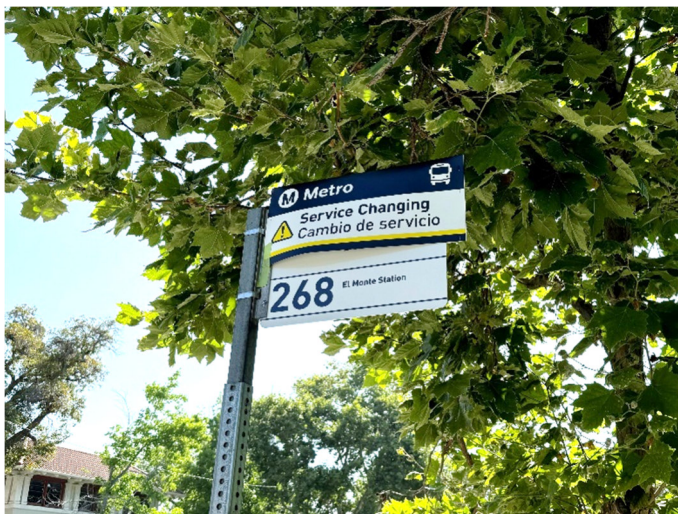
**Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Rummage Move Day**

**Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Rummage Work Day**

**Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**



## The Bus Has Returned!

Metro bus service (Line 268) returned to the City of Sierra Madre on June 23; Metro reinstated bus stops throughout town. Service includes terminus stops at Sierra Madre Villa Station on the A Line (Gold) and El Monte Station.

## City of Sierra Madre FAMILY MOVIE FRIDAY'S

JOIN THE COMMUNITY SERVICE DEPARTMENT ON SELECT FRIDAYS TO ENJOY FREE FAMILY FRIENDLY MOVIES SHOWN AT MEMORIAL PARK BANDSHELL. MOVIES BEGIN AT DUSK.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 626-355-5278



FRIDAY, JUNE 7  
INDIANA JONES



FRIDAY, JUNE 21  
LITTLE MERMAID



FRIDAY, JULY 5  
BARBIE



FRIDAY, JULY 19  
ARTHUR THE KING



FRIDAY, AUGUST 2  
KUNG FU PANDA 4



FRIDAY, AUGUST 16  
HAUNTED MANSION

CHRIST CHURCH SIERRA MADRE  
**WILL BE PROVIDING FREE POPCORN**

Sierra Madre Fire Foundation  
Sierra Madre Events Committee - California  
ISSEI FOUNDATION  
ONLY PLACE IN TOWN  
CORFU  
PIZZA GO Sierra Madre  
Villaggio Pizzeria

CONTACT OUR LOCAL RESTAURANTS FOR PICNIC PACKAGES. MENTION MOVIES / CONCERTS IN THE PARK.

We collect food donations on the first Sunday of every month, to be distributed to local food banks.

### Please Note:

The food banks to which we send your donations **will not accept** food in opened containers or with expired 'use by' dates. Please just throw them away rather than bringing them to First Sunday.



**IN JUNE,** we said farewell to Connie Wortham!



And wished her good fortune  
in her new live in Florida.  
God bless you, Connie!



Visited Bill Brassfield,  
June 19, 2024

Yang, Pastor Jae and Jill Schofield  
attended Annual Conference!



And Pastor Jae got in a few more Father's Day picture!!!

## Are you looking for in-home assistance?

**Maria Luna**, a member of our church, is available. She does personal care for women or men. No housework, and no less than 5 hours a day. Maria's contact info is in your church directory, or you may contact Pam in the church office to get in touch with Maria for her rates and services.



**Sarah Circle**  
Book Club meets  
on Fourth Fridays

**Sally Follett's**  
house



## CARD CREATION

meetings will be announced.

Call Sally Follett if you want to meet her individually to make cards.



- 7 Susan Ross
- Rev. Sharon Snapp-Kolas
- 11 Janet Bender
- Patricia Nieto
- 13 Pam Ferguson
- 16 Ann Dechairo-Marino
- 17 Bill Brassfield
- Candace Taylor
- 24 Robert Taylor
- 27 Bob Ross



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**“For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord?  
Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord,”  
Psalm 89: 6**

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

	1  CANADA DAY	2	3	4 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED  INDEPENDENCE DAY	5	6
7 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. - Worship 11:00 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship	8	9  Cow Appreciation Day	10	11	12  NATIONAL SIMPLICITY DAY	13 CAF POTLUCK HH
14 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. - Worship 10:30 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship	15	16 FINANCE COMM. 4:00 p.m.	17  Hot Enough For Ya Day	18	19	20 CAF POTLUCK HH  International MOON DAY 2024
21 9 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. - Worship 10:30 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship	22	23	24	25  National Chili Dog Day	26 SARAH CIRCLE 12:30 p.m. Sally's House	27  Bagpipe Appreciation Day
28 10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. - Worship 10:30 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship	29  International TIGER DAY	30	31 NATIONAL AVOCADO 31 JULY DAY 	1	2 Abbreviations LL = Library Lounge SH = Sierra House SHCR = SH Conference Room HH = Hartzell Fellowship Hall WC = Wesley Chapel	