



JULY 2025



THE TRYLON

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WELCOME, PASTOR JOHN YOHAN YOON AND FAMILY!



A Message from **PASTOR JOHN YOON**

As I write my first article for The Trylon, I want you to know how much I am looking forward to saying “Hello” to you in-person and begin to get to know you. I am longing to see you and to love you and to be loved. I am honored and privileged to be your pastor and friend.

I know it's impossible to tell you all about myself and my family in the next few sentences but let me try. I am an ordinary person who, like you, loves Jesus Christ and tries to follow His ways, loves his family and his church. You will soon discover that I also make mistakes. I enjoy playing golf (when I have time!), exercising, and going to see ball games. I like eating most kinds of food: Korean BBQ, good hamburgers, hot dogs, pasta, potlucks, sushi, etc. My wife and I have been married 35 years. Her name is Mina, and I am pretty sure you will like her a lot. We have two wonderful sons: Christopher and Joshua. Chris is MD, finishing his residency at UCLA Reagan Hospital and Joshua is Pharm D, working as a pharmacist at Scripps Hospital in La Jolla. I am truly blessed with wonderful wife and sons.

I have served as youth pastor for Woodland Hills Korean United Methodist Church and as associate pastor at Staten Island KUMC in New York, and the last 27 years as solo pastor at Del Rosa UMC, Yucaipa UMC, First Riverside UMC, Thousand Oaks UMC, and Shepherd of the Hills UMC in Monterey Park.

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I was born in Seoul, Korea to a Methodist Pastor's family. Our family immigrated to the United States when I was 14 years old, as my father became the pastor of a small Korean Methodist Church in Detroit, MI. Living here in Los Angeles area, I have quickly become a loyal fan of the Dodgers, Rams, and Lakers, but please forgive me when I put on a Tigers cap or the Lions cap, when they play LA Dodgers or Rams, and root for my hometown teams. I am a Diehard Tigers and Lions fan!

As you can see, life has been a journey for me and my family. In fact, at my introductory meeting with SPRC, I compared myself to a journeyman in sports (an analogy used for a player late in their career and have played for several teams), which is why the story of Abraham and Sarah always speaks to me at times like this. Also, because as an ordained minister of the United Methodist Church, I am required to move whenever the call comes. I know we are called to move at various times in our lives. We make many moves, going off to school, a new job, a new relationship, a new pastor, new church, etc.

There is another kind of move we are all called to as people of faith. It doesn't have a definite destination or time of arrival. It is a journey of faith. We are called by God to move, to go where He tells us to go with our faith and with our lives. And so, Abraham and Sarah were asked to pack their bags, leave their home and country, and venture off to a land unknown, and to trust their future to God's guidance. They were asked to simply journey by faith in God's grace alone. And so, we -you and I- are asked to venture off to a land unknown, simply by faith, trusting God's Grace. I pray that I will be a good pastor to you, and I hope to be your good friend. I am a firm believer in *(continues next page...)*

relationship-driven and team-driven ministry to make the gospel of Jesus Christ relevant to all people. And I truly look forward to joining the wonderful family at Sierra Madre UMC in July.

With much anticipation and as always, in Christ! Pastor John

JULY Lectionary Readings:

July 6 – **4th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST/COMMUNION SUNDAY**

2 Kings 5:1-14; Gal. 6:(1-6) 7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

July 13 – **5th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Amos 7:7-17; Col. 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

July 20 – **6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Amos 8:1-12; Col. 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42

July 27 – **7th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Hos. 1:2-10; Col. 2:6-15 (16-19); Luke 11:1-13

PSALMS for JULY:

July 6 Psalm 30

July 13 Psalm 82

July 20 Psalm 52

July 27 Psalm 85

Pastor John's Sermon titles and Worship Scripture for JULY

July 6 **4th Sunday After Pentecost/Communion Sunday**

"Whenever We Have an Opportunity"

Galatians 6:1-6

July 13 **5th Sunday After Pentecost**

"Life You Always Wanted"

Luke 10:25-37

July 20 **6th Sunday After Pentecost**

"Choosing the Better Part"

Luke 10:38-42

July 27 **7th Sunday After Pentecost**

"Lord, Teach Us to Pray, Again"

Luke 11:1-13



On Sunday, June 8, 2025, Sheila Carr and Rebecca Davis (pictured here with Pastor Jae and Jill Schofield) were welcomed into the membership of SMUMC thru the sacrament of baptism. Welcome, Sheila and Rebecca! We are so happy to have you join us!



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP W/PASTOR JAE: JADEN MILLER, ETHAN LOMBARDO, JOANNE SEAMAN & SALLY FOLLETT, JOE SCHUSTER & JADEN MILLER

PASTOR JAE'S LAST SUNDAY WORSHIP AT SMUMC ON SUNDAY, JUNE 15th WAS ALSO FATHER'S DAY. MANY FRIENDS TURNED OUT TO HEAR HIS WORDS AND SAY GOODBYE, AT A DELICIOUS FAREWELL BRUNCH IN HARTZELL FELLOWSHIP HALL. HE AND YANG AND SHIRLEY WILL BE GREATLY MISSED!



NING (L) & SCOTT BASINGER (R) W/YANG & PASTOR JAE



**SMUMC PIANIST STEPHANIE LAN (ABOVE)
PLAYS "HEY JUDE" BY THE BEATLES, A SPECIAL
REQUEST FROM PASTOR JAE!
THE MESSAGE ON THE CAKE (LEFT) SAYS IT ALL!
YANG AND PASTOR JAE POSE WITH NEW MEMBERS
SHEILA CARR AND REBECCA DAVIS (BELOW)**

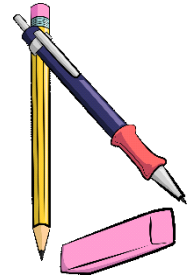
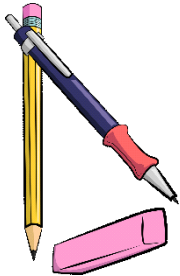


JOSH LOCATELL WEARING HIS DASHING NEW SUIT!





Bring your donations to Church
through Sunday, July 20th for this
Combined Drive!



SCHOOL SUPPLIES 2025

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, washable (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 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 20, 2025

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

SARAH CIRCLE BOOK CLUB

The **JULY** meeting will be held on Friday, JULY 25th, at 12:30 p.m. at the residence of Sally Follett.



This month we are reading
“*The Book of Awesome Women*”
by Becca Anderson. Short synopses of
"Boundary Breakers, Freedom Fighters,
Sheroes, & Female Firsts.”
NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!
Please see Sally or Jill Schofield.



**Sarah Circle
Book Club meets
on Fourth Fridays
12:30 p.m.
Sally Follett's
house**



- 7 Susan Ross
- 11 Jan Bender
- 13 Pam Ferguson
- 14 Tom Evans
- 16 Ann Dechairo-Marino
- 17 Bill Brassfield
- 17 Candace Taylor
- 24 Robert Taylor
- 27 Bob Ross

**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY**

- 27 Joan & Corky Taylor

If you would like to add a birthday or anniversary to an upcoming Trylon, please email Sue: sierramadreumc@gmail.com

CARD CREATION

meetings will be announced.

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



The Church
Office is open
Monday through
Friday 9:00 a.m.
to 1:00 p.m.
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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. Thank you very much!



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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

29	30	1 WELCOME, PASTOR JOHN AND FAMILY!	2	3	4  Church Office closed for Independence Day	5 CAF POTLUCK-HH
6 9:30 a.m. – Worship/Communion 10:45 a.m. – Welcome Reception for Pastor John & Family-LL FOOD COLLECTION SUNDAY	7 	8	9	10	11	12  MALALA DAY
13 9:30 a.m. – Worship 10:45 a.m.-Coffee Fellowship-LL	14	15 FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING 2:30 p.m. - SHCR	16 	17	18	19 CAF POTLUCK-HH
20 9:30 a.m. – Worship 10:45 a.m.– Coffee Fellowship-LL	21	22 	23	24	25 SARAH CIRCLE 12:30 p.m. Sally's Follett's House	26
27 9:30 a.m. – Worship 10:45 a.m.– Coffee Fellowship- LL	28	29	30	31	1 Abbreviations LL = Library Lounge SH = Sierra House SHCR = SH Conference Room HH = Hartzell Fellowship Hall WC = Wesley Chapel	