



**SEPTEMBER
2025**



THE TRYLON

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SUNDAY RALLY DAY!!!

SEPT. 7th



- ❖ **SPECIAL LIVE MUSIC DURING AND AFTER WORSHIP!**
- ❖ **BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS, BRIEFCASES, TOOLS OF YOUR TRADE!**
- ❖ **FUN & GAMES!**
- ❖ **FABULOUS PRIZES!**
- ❖ **FOOD & FELLOWSHIP!**
- ❖ **CELEBRATE THE SEASON!**
- ❖ **ALL ARE WELCOME - BRING A GUEST!!!**



A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR JOHN

Dear Church Family,

September is here! I can hardly believe it has already been two months since Mina and I arrived in Sierra Madre. In that short time, we have been thoroughly blessed by our Sunday worships and times of fellowship with you.

We've enjoyed two wonderful **"Meet, Greet, and Eat with the New Pastor and His Wife"** gatherings—one at Sally's home and another at Jill's—and we look forward to one more in September. I've also had the joy of sharing meals with some of you in local restaurants. Truly, these first weeks have been a graceful beginning, and once again, I thank you for making us feel so warmly at home.

Rally Sunday – September 7

Now, as we step into fall, we do so with renewed energy and anticipation. **Rally Sunday on September 7** (see flyer on front page) will bring us together as one body of Christ—celebrating *Back to Church, Back to School* with joy in worship, learning, and service.

It is a time to reconnect, to welcome friends and neighbors, and to embrace the opportunities God places before us.

More Than Just "Busy"

As our fall schedules fill with gatherings, bible study, mission projects, and worship, let us remember that this season is about *(continues next page...)*

more than getting busy again. It is about continuing our journey with Christ, who walks with us every step of the way.

“His love surrounds us, and His grace sustains us, no matter what we face.”

I encourage you to make room this season not only for programs and activities, but also for **deeper faith, new friendships, and renewed hope in Christ**. Let us walk together in trust and joy, knowing that the One who calls us is faithful.

Our Church Needs U

We cannot spell...

Ch_rch without **U**

Ad_It without **U**

Yo_th without **U**

M_sic without **U**

S_nday without **U**

Ch_rch Co_ncil without **U**

S_ccess without **U**

✧ Truly, we cannot spell **Ch_rch** without “**U**.” ✧

This church loves “**U**.”

Have a wonderful September, and we look forward to seeing “**U**” at church!

With joy in Christ,

Pastor John

SEPTEMBER Lectionary Readings:

September 7 – **13th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST/COMMUNION SUNDAY**

Jer 18:1-11; Philem 1-21; Luke 14:25-33

September 14 – **14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Jer 4:11-12, 22-28; 1 Tim 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10

September 21 – **15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Jer 8:18-9:1; 1 Tim 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13

September 28 – **16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Jer 32:1-3a, 6-15; 1 Tim 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

PSALMS for SEPTEMBER:

September 7 Psalm 139

September 14 Psalm 14

September 21 Psalm 79

September 28 Psalm 91



FROM ELSA'S PORCH TO OUR CHURCH!

Elsa Yue shared her love of plants and brightened up the front of the sanctuary with these beautiful, colorful Coleus and Hawaiian Ti plants.

She even brought one for the church office! Thank you, Elsa!





FALL RUMMAGE SALE

Moving Day: Sunday, October 12.

Volunteers needed most days until the Sale Date: Saturday, Oct. 25.

Workdays will be announced.

Helpers needed for day of sale.

Please contact Cindy Crismer.

Rummage Sale donations wanted! We have plenty of room for clothes in good condition – nothing torn, stained, faded or with broken zippers – we have a reputation to maintain! Jewelry and handbags/backpacks are big sellers, so clean out those jewelry boxes and closets! Please – **NO MORE BOOKS!**

We will need a volunteer to run a cash register on the sale date, as Dee will be recovering from knee surgery.



Connie Wortham's son, Brent, says that getting cards means a lot to Connie.

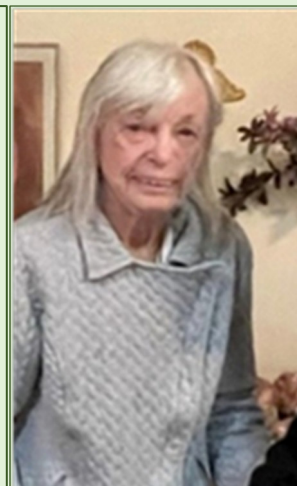
So, if you are inclined....

the address is:

**Connie Wortham
c/o Brent Wortham**

320 SW 16th Court

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315



WE NEED U!!! PLEASE CHECK THE EASEL BOARD IN THE NARTHEX AND SIGN UP TO HELP IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING WAYS:

Usher Duty – See Peg Schuster for details

Coffee Fellowship – See Liz Mackey-Peterson for details

Altar Flowers – See Sue Behrens for details

Scripture Reader – See Jill Schofield for details

MEET, GREET & EAT WITH PASTOR JOHN & MINA

The first two evening gatherings were held at the homes of Sally Follett and Jill Schofield and provided an intimate setting for Pastor John and his wife Mina to break bread with, and get to know our congregation a few members at a time. Another one is planned for late September/early October that will include our younger families and their children.



← Sally's tablescape was adorned with fruit and flowers from her garden, including a big magnolia blossom for our southern lady, Margaret Herndon, who turns 101 this month!

If you are interested in hosting one of these events in your home or at a restaurant, please contact Jill Schofield or Sue Behrens in the office to work out the details.

The event below is being held in our Hartzell Fellowship Hall on Saturday, September 20th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Life Line is not affiliated with SMUMC, but this is a great opportunity for anyone who is interested in these health screenings. You may schedule an appointment by calling the number in the flyer.

Special screening package for \$129 for our members includes:

- ♥ Carotid Artery Disease Screening
- ♥ Atrial Fibrillation Screening
- ♥ Peripheral Artery Disease Screening
- ♥ Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening

Call to schedule an appointment near you!
800-324-9458 and use code: **HABC001**



Thank You Again for Supporting Our School Supply Drive!

Thanks to your generosity, we were able to contribute several boxes of supplies to Friends In Deed and \$300 to Foothill Unity. Friends In Deed reports that they distributed over 400 backpacks filled with supplies and Foothill Unity Center helped over 600 students from low-income families. We are proud to be a small part of this outreach effort.

John
Werthwein
in his
element at
Kalapaki
Joe's on
the island
of Kauai!



CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!

It's time to start making items for this year's Alternative Gift Fair that takes place in December.

It'll be here before we know it!



13 REASONS TO JOIN OUR SARAH CIRCLE BOOK CLUB:

- 1. Meet people outside of your usual circle**
- 2. An inexpensive activity**
- 3. Reading is good for brain stimulation and health**
- 4. You read differently when you're going to discuss it**
- 5. Prompts discussion with others**
- 6. Reading offers choices, expands horizons**
- 7. Read a book you might not have chosen – adds diversity**
- 8. Fun to meet and chat**
- 9. Pushes you to finish a book by the gathering date**
- 10. Encourages background reading**
- 11. Makes you a better conversationalist**
- 12. Increases vocabulary**
- 13. Dinosaurs did not read – look what happened to them!**

SARAH CIRCLE BOOK CLUB

The **SEPTEMBER** meeting will be held
on Friday, **SEPTEMBER 26th**,
at 12:30 p.m.

at the residence of Sally Follett.

This month we are reading
"We'll Prescribe you a Cat"

by Syou Ishida. "Bestselling Japanese
novel; utterly charming, vibrant
celebration of the healing power of cats."
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**

CARD CREATION

meetings will be
announced.

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



- 13 Christopher Schofield
- 16 Paulianne Werthwein
- 17 Fred Copeland
- 23 Connie Wortham
- 25 Laura Snyder
- 26 Peg Schuster
- 29 Margaret Herndon – 101!



- 9 Jill & Tim Schofield
- 20 Leticia & Steve Bridal

If you would like to add a birthday or
anniversary to an upcoming Trylon,
please email Sue:
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The Church
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Monday through
Friday 9:00 a.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

31	1 LABOR DAY – Church Office Closed	2	3	4  NATIONAL WILDLIFE DAY	5	6 CAF Bible Study till 2:00 p.m.-LL
7 9:30 a.m. – Worship/Communion 10:45 a.m.-Coffee Fellowship-LL RALLY DAY!!! FOOD COLLECTION SUNDAY	8	9  CALIFORNIA ADMISSION DAY	10	11  PATRIOT DAY	12	13 CAF Bible Study till 2:00 p.m.-LL
14 9:30 a.m. – Worship 10:45 a.m.-Coffee Fellowship-LL	15	16 FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING 2:30 p.m. - SHCR	17	18	19  NATIONAL CONCUSSION AWARENESS DAY	20 CAF Bible Study till 2:00 p.m.-LL LIFE LINE HEALTH SCREENING - HH 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
21 9:30 a.m. – Worship 10:45 a.m.– Coffee Fellowship-LL Hartzell Hall - MTAC Rental 3:00-7:00 p.m.	22  Fall Equinox Day	23	24  BLUEBIRD of HAPPINESS DAY	25	26 SARAH CIRCLE 12:30 p.m. Sally's Follett's House	27 CAF Bible Study and Potluck-HH
28 9:30 a.m. – Worship 10:45 a.m.– Coffee Fellowship- LL	29	30  EVERY CHILD MATTERS	1	2	3 Abbreviations LL = Library Lounge SH = Sierra House SHCR = SH Conference Room HH = Hartzell Fellowship Hall WC = Wesley Chapel	