TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

TRINITY VIEW

April 2023













April begins with Holy Week. Let us come together to experience the power of the Good News of Jesus Christ as a worshiping community.

We begin with Palm Sunday, April 2. There will be a procession with palms, celebratory music and praise, the celebration of the Lord's Supper, and an anticipatory glimpse of what the rest of Holy Week has in store for us. This year we will read the story of Jesus' triumphal entry from the Gospel of Matthew.

It is just in this Gospel that we hear of the "Children's Band" shouting "Hosanna to the son of David" in the Temple, which gets a stern response from Temple officials who perhaps feel the children are not keeping proper decorum. I will be telling a child-friendly story about what it might have been like to be a child in the Temple that day, defended by Jesus who reminded the Chief Priest that it is quite appropriate from God's praise to come "out of the mouths of babes."

The controversy of Palm Sunday reaches the dramatic climax of Good Friday. We will have a Tenebrae service at 7 pm on Friday, April 7. *Tenebrae* comes from the Latin word for "shadows," and is a service symbolizing the gathering darkness as Christ, the Light of the world, is temporarily shut out by his crucifixion and burial. This service involves a lot of preparation on the part of dramatic readers, musicians, and lighting technicians coming together to effectively tell this powerful story. We are not used to coming to church on a Friday night, but I encourage you to make a special effort this year to do just that. The brightness of Easter morning dawns more powerfully having fully experienced the darkness of Good Friday.

Easter Sunday will dawn with Trinity UMC worshipers gathering at Sweet Springs Audubon Preserve for an "Estuary Easter." Mike Eggleston is preparing this creative and interactive Easter Sunrise service with music led by Sarah Jane Scott.

Lots of preparation is also going into our Festival Easter worship at 10 a.m. on April 9. I have reached out to some of my wind orchestra friends and coordinated with our Director of Music Sarah Jane Scott to include brass, timpani, handbells, marimba, maracas, and castanets in a glorious morning of Easter praise. Cathy Bonnet has stepped up to plan Sunday school and an Easter egg hunt for families with children on Easter morning.

Invite your friends to come and gather our community of faith for this time of reflection and renewal that we know as Holy Week.

- Pastor Rich



Palm / Passion Sunday – April 2 Worship Service 10:00 am **Maundy Thursday** – Again, this year Trinity is invited to attend a Maundy Thursday service at St. Ben's, 7:00 pm.

Good Friday – April 7 Evening Worship Service, 7:00 pm

Easter Sunrise Service – April 9, 6:30 am at Sweet Spring Nature Preserve

Easter Celebration Service – April 9 Worship Service 10:00 am



Easter lily sign-ups are available in the fellowship hall. Easter lilies should be delivered to the church by noon on **Saturday**, **April 8**. Thank you! Please have your dedication requests filled out on the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall, by **Thursday**, **April 6**th, to be printed in the Easter Bulletin.

Also, please remember to bring loose flowers to church on Easter Sunday to help decorate the cross! Altar Guild

Honoring Our Elders Rose Robertson



Born during a turbulent time in what is now known as the Ukraine, Peter and Martha Kosmina married around 1914. Shortly after, the couple welcomed the first of 9 children. However, their happiness was interrupted by the Polish Ukraine war, where Peter served as an officer. Shortly after, in an effort to escape the ravages of war, the couple immigrated to Canada to homestead.

Upon their arrival to Canada, Peter and Martha, in June 1930, welcomed Rose to the world, in Fernie, British Columbia. Rose was the first of their children born in Canada. Shortly after, the family moved to Vernon, British Columbia where Peter began farming crops and raising dairy cattle on a 350-acre parcel.

Growing up, the children all had to help milk the cows twice a day and help with other farm chores. In addition to the family's farm chores, the kids were paid ten cents an hour to work in the neighbors' gardens during the summer.

They would give their earnings to their father, who would turn around and donate ten percent of the wages to the orphanages back in the Ukraine, returning the rest to the kids. They were raised in a devout Christian home where the children witnessed their father, Peter, tithe for all of his life.

Rose attended high school in Vernon, British Columbia. She was an active member of the Youth for Christ group, which is where she met her future husband, Robert. Rose and Robert were not strangers, as Robert would pick up the milk from Peter's dairy and take it to the processing plant. Eventually, Robert asked Rose out and the rest is history.

Robert and Rose married in 1948. Robert worked in a body shop while Rose worked as a nurse in a hospital for the aged. Their first son, Terry, was born in 1951. A few years later, in 1956, they welcomed their second son, Ronald. They now have several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Robert and Rose loved to travel and loved to hike and camp. On one of their trips, they went as far as Whitehorse in Yukon Territory. This trip led them to discover a small town which would end up being their future home: Clinton, British Columbia. The town was small but Robert saw a need for a body shop. Shortly after, they moved their family to Clinton and started their new business venture.

At first the couple stayed in the modest Blue Goose Motel but soon found a small house close to the forestry department and local police station. They never locked their door and it was always a surprise for Rose, as to who would be sleeping on their couch in the morning or show up for a meal. In addition to love of cars, Robert loved airplanes and received his pilot's license. He became somewhat of a bush pilot and loved to go out exploring the land.

The people in Clinton were wonderful and the family enjoyed living there. However, their sons were becoming school age and the area lacked an appropriate school. They sold the business in Clinton and moved back to Vernon where Rose resumed working in the hospital. Robert, however, ventured further north to Whitehorse to work in another body shop.

After a few years, they decided to leave the minus fifty-degree winter weather and venture south to sunny, Whittier, California. With Robert's knowledge of the automotive industry, he easily got a job as an insurance appraiser with Allstate, later switching to Farmers Insurance where he worked until he retired. Rose went to school and pursued a successful career as a real estate agent where she met many celebrities such as Tom Selleck and Dan Blocker, of the Bonanza series.



Just before Robert retired, they came to the central coast to look for property in order to build a body shop. However, there seemed to be no real commercial properties for sale. They finally found the perfect spot located on 11th Street in the sleepy town of Los Osos. After two years of construction, the business was completed and opened in 1984. Robert was still working in the Los Angeles area but Rose and their son, Ronald, ran the business until he retired a few years later. In 1989, Rose and Robert bought their house on Pecho and began renovations.

Rose and Robert loved to travel but also enjoyed being involved within their community. Rose was involved with the Business Women's Network and both she and Robert have worked with several other businesses and community organizations over the years.

Rose gives thanks to her parents for her success in life. They set an example of a hard work ethic, perseverance through difficulties, good morals, and leading a life based on faith in God. This is still a huge part of her life today.

Submitted by Alta Hall



Open Invitation. Linda Quesenberry from Los Osos Cares will be the guest speaker for UWF's April 13th meeting, at 2:00 pm. It's a wonderful opportunity to learn about this program which benefits so many in Los Osos.



85 meals were served at the Community Center, Wednesday night, March 29. Big thanks to: Jim Stanfill, Donna Asire, Susan McMickell, Eileen Murta, Elizabeth Clover, and Wendy Porter for making the delicious tuna noodle casseroles and one tofu noodle casserole.

Big thanks to Scott Danielson who serves every Wednesday and to Bob Crizer and Everett Shong for helping. Patrons can now eat inside together or do takeout. Seeing people socializing and eating together was the highlight tonight. Our Los Osos community is amazing! Submitted by Beth Crizer

Editorial Note: Beth deserves a big thank you as well, she is the main organizer of the Community Dinner when it is Trinity's turn to take over. She's the one that makes the magic happen! Thank you, Beth!



UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH APRIL 2023

We often think of April as the month of showers, "bringing the flowers that bloom in May." We are at least a month ahead this year. The rain has been welcomed after several years of drought, but it has also created problems, with flooded roads, homes, businesses, and farms. The emotional and financial losses are enormous. We are grateful for all the resources that have been made available, but it will take time to recover.

Easter, the most holy season of the church, is upon us. Easter week, beginning with Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and the drama of Maundy Thursday, the crucifixion on Friday, ending with Jesus' resurrection on Easter morning is cause to celebrate. We of UWF will co-host the celebratory potluck brunch on Easter after church.

We will start collecting for the annual layette project on Sunday, April 23rd and continue until Sunday, May 21. As a reminder, the collected items go to the San Luis Obispo Health Department's program for low-income women and their babies.

UWF's next board meeting is Monday, April 10 at 1:00 in the social hall. The next general meeting is Thursday, April 13 at 2:00, also in the social hall. **The program will be presented by Linda Quesenberry of Los Osos Cares/Los Osos Community Center** and is open to everyone. Please see the notice in the bulletin and Trinity View.

If you need more information or a ride, please call me—805-528-2021.

Peace,

Alta Hall



Home Church "Devotional Studies" April 2023

Tuesday Home Church during the month of April will continue meeting each Tuesday from 3:30 - 5:00 PM, via Zoom.

We'll continue discussing "The Upper Room Devotional" each Tuesday in April Submitted by Mike Eggleston



Trinity's Income/Expense Report		
	February 2023	Year to Date 2023
Income	\$19,806.	\$49,759.
Expense	\$22,556.	\$45,961.
Net	-\$2,750.	\$3,798.



Easter Sunday for Kids!

Sunday School or Childcare will be available for children 6th grade and under. There will also be an Easter Egg hunt right after church in the preschool playground. Donations of plastic eggs and anything to fill the eggs, are appreciated. Please have the donations to the church by Thursday, April 6th. "He is Risen"

Submitted by Cathy Bonnett



Easter Brunch Potluck!

An Easter Brunch Potluck will be held after our Easter Service on the patio, to observe our beautiful view! (Weather permitting, otherwise in the Fellowship Hall). Coffee, water and lemonade will be provided, as well as sliced ham, and condiments for mini ham sandwiches.

The following would be great potluck suggestions:

salads - macaroni, potato, fruit etc. small sandwiches - egg salad, tuna salad, etc. chips and dip, crudités, cheese and crackers, rolls for the sandwiches, cookies and easy to serve desserts, and of course, deviled eggs/Angel Eggs! See you there!



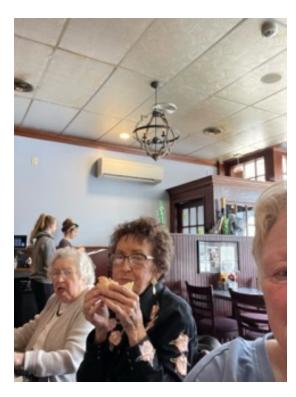
Our Missions Committee is a very busy group. They are responsible for the Food Pantry that provides food to needy families in our community every Tuesday and Friday. The committee has hosted a local Hunger Walk to support the food pantry in the past years. They distribute Thanksgiving Baskets each year in November and so much more. Although only a few people are on the committee they receive help from many volunteers in the church and our community. Talk to any volunteer during coffee hour to find out how you can volunteer to help with one or more of their programs.

Take a moment to say hello to these wonderful people who give freely of their time, helping to feed the hungry in our community: Chairperson Mike Lindsay, Rob Mills, Linda Wagner, Lisa Purcell, Cheryl Dove, Joanne Coghlan, Elizabeth Clover, Debbie McKay, Ron Rose, Eillen Murta, Mike Eggleston, Kathy Lindsay, Karen & Everett Shong, Bob and Beth Crizer, Scott Danielson, Sandy Green, Sabra Lodge, and Colleen Powers.





Fellowship Hour 3-12-2023 Photo Credits: Mike Lindsay



Judy Anderson recently took a trip to her hometown of Gettysburg, PA.

She visited with her mom, who is 95 and lives independently. She was happy she was able to see four sibs, nieces and a 90-year-old aunt who dresses like a cowgirl and was driving to South Carolina to go to the beach. Crazy old women in my family, with any hope I'll be one too.

Submitted by Judy Anderson

Cheryl Dove and I are busy planning a trip to Italy in June. We will be traveling with 13 other singers along with our director, Colleen Wall, from our Singing for Hope choral group. We will join with other groups to sing in Rome for two concerts. Our combined choirs, numbering over 250 singers, will only practice together twice before we sing at a Mass in Saint Peter's Basilica at the Vatican.

We have been practicing the music for many months. We are singing nine songs, mostly in Latin. One of those pieces is in seven parts and 43 pages long. There are 11 other friends and family members joining our tour. Cheryl's daughter, Chelsea, and her husband, John are among those traveling with us. After singing in Rome, we will be traveling to Naples, Pompeii and the Amalfi Coast.



When our singing group returns to Rome, part of the group is returning home. Cheryl, her daughter and son- in-law, and I will be staying and joining another tour for 10 more days.

We will see more of Rome then travel to Florence, Venice and return home from Milan. Look for travel stories and photos from our trip in the July Trinity View. Submitted by Patti James



FAIRBANKS' NEWS MARCH 2023

On the March 4th Carole, our son Bill, and I saw Cal Poly lose its last home basketball game in overtime, 69-70 to extend their losing streak to 18.

Rev. Rich Bolin preached an excellent sermon on March 5th, explaining how at various times, he was born again. It reminded me of the comments Kathy Lindsay, Scott Danielson and I made on Laity Sunday last year, concerning events that brought us closer to Jesus.

On the 12th we knew a woman was going to preach but didn't know it was Pastor Paula Hulet. Had we known we would have alerted our son Bill, who knows her.

My cousin Debbie was born on Saint Patrick's Day, but we decided to celebrate her birthday with a dinner on Sunday the 19th. Janet, another cousin was going to be visiting her on that day. Eleven of us had a joyous birthday dinner of corned beef-and-cabbage and carrot cake.

When making carrot cakes I make two, one for Rose and Bob Robertson, which Bob really likes. Our daughter Chris and her son Garrett deliver them. Our son-in-law, Gary, knew their son Ron before they opened Los Osos Auto Body and Gary worked there since day one. Since Gary passed away, they have been extremely supportive of Chris and Garrett. Rose told Chris she plans to attend church on Easter Sunday, the first time since COVID.

On the 19th I put corned beef in the slow cooker and shortly after 9:00 am the power went out. I moved the corned beef to pots on our gas stove. We didn't feel we should leave with them unattended on the stove, so we missed church. When the power came back on the corned beef was returned to the slow cookers.

That afternoon I received a call from Evelyn Kane. She enjoys reading the *Trinity View* every month *and* is doing well. Her daughter Paula, grew up attending Trinity, has a new job and hearing she is doing well was good news!

I will be making a presentation on April 7-8, at the Southwestern Anthropological Association's (SWAA) Annual Conference in Long Beach. Between now and then I have to reduce my presentation to 20 minutes. It deals with how the situation of ethnic groups has changed since World War II and how changes in American culture after World War II, changed the discipline, causing anthropologists to miss many opportunities to do relevant work.

On the first day of Spring, I received an email, suggesting I should organize a session at this year's American Anthropological Associations' (AAA) Annual Conference in Toronto, November 15-19.

What I am doing for the SWAA and contemplating for the AAA was influenced by an assignment I had as a graduate student in a seminar. Dr. Charles Erasmus assigned a paper titled, "What are Neo-Evolutionists Really Doing." We knew what neo-evolutionists said they were doing. We knew Dr. Erasmus was a neo-evolutionary theorist and he would assign us grades. We had to analyze beyond the obvious. Somehow, I made it and Dr. Erasmus and I bonded. He became the chairman of my committee and directed me through the Ph.D. process. From Rev. Bolin's perspective the assigned was a born-again experience. It taught me to analyze, which made me a much better teacher. Now I am being asked to organize a session on, "What are Cultural Anthropologists Really Doing?" for the AAA. As Trinity is transitioning to a new minister, and to help us be "born again" we too might ask ourselves: "What is Trinity Really Doing?

Submitted by Bill and Carole Fairbanks



Thelma Randolph, one of our most beloved members, loving wife to Joe, mother to Bruce and Diane (Jeff), Grandmother to Joseph and Johnathan (Carolyn), Great Grandmother to Joie and Elio, passed away peacefully at French Hospital at 12:12 am on March 12.



In life, in death in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.

A Memorial Service is being planned for Saturday, April 15 at 2:00 pm, here at Trinity. To protect the health of everyone, the family has requested that masks be worn during the service. Masks will be made available in the narthex.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made to the Trinity Scholarship Fund. Cards are most welcome.



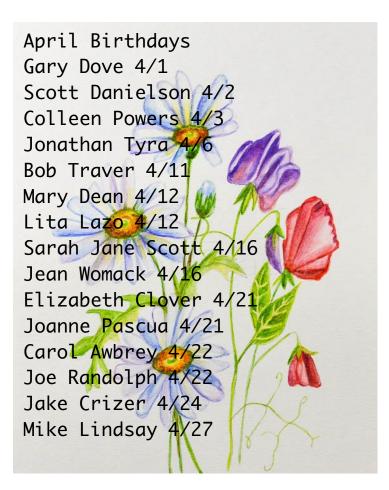
Don Rivers, husband to Betty, a well-known member of the Los Osos and Morro Bay Community, passed peacefully at home on March 14th. Memorial plans are pending.



Please join us for another **Turri Road Clean-Up**Saturday, **April 22**nd, at 10:00 am. Wear sturdy shoes, and bring water and gloves. We'll provide the trash bags and pickers. We're usually done by 11:30, depending on how many volunteers show up.

This is a fun outing and a chance to beautify a very well-traveled scenic road along with getting in some good exercise.

See you at the corner of Turri Road and South Bay Boulevard on the 22nd. You may contact Maureen (805-234-6468) or the office for further details or just to let us know you'll be there. If it rains we will cancel the clean-up and we'll reschedule for another day.



Flyer Submitted by Donna Hoff



Prayer List

Asking for your continued support in prayer for those in need. If you or someone you know needs to be included on the prayer list, please email or call the office. To be removed from the list, please contact the church office.



We Pray For:

Charlotte Dietzel
Mollie Devine
John Green
Rob Mills
Clytis Pitzer
Family of Thelma Randolph
Family of Don Rivers
Rose Robertson
Alice Stone
Gilbert and Rachel Stones
Upton Family
Donna Vrooman
Elizabeth Wilcox



Family of Levi Baca
Bonnie & Vance Baldwin
Lisa Burbank
Ed Cappola
Family of Dennis Cowan
Family of Lois Cowan
Alvah Davis
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Stella Dueck
Heidi Eri
Bob Gale
Susie Gale
Daniel Gittens
Anna Gospodareva

Elizabeth Hair Joan Landis

Debbie Olson

Gary & Irina Manata

Matthew & Family

Adrian Jane Shong Tessa Shong Barbara Stankovits Duane Stone Family of Leatrice Thurston

Contribute to Donna's GoFundMe campaign at:

Save and Reopen Yarn Shop gofundme.com/f/save-and-reopen-yarn-shop



Scholarship Applications are Available Online or in the TUMC Office Applications are Due Friday, May 19, 2023

Trinity UMC offers scholarships for post-high school education in a college, university, business, or trade school. Applications and information are available by visiting our website at www.trinitylososos.org/get-involved/scholarships. Applications must be turned in to the church office or postmarked by Friday, May 19.

Who May Apply:

An applicant shall be an active member or constituent of Trinity United Methodist Church at the time of application or if away at school, be active in another church or campus ministry. By active, we mean participation in worship services, youth group, and/or other church activities.

Applicants must, by their family or community relationships, scholastic abilities, or church participation record, have displayed qualities of leadership and good citizenship, and must indicate, by their acceptance in the school of their choice, sufficient ability to do satisfactory work.

How to Apply, and Responsibilities of the Applicant

- Obtain application form and instructions from the church office or church website.
- Arrange for most recently attended school to send a transcript of your grades to the church.
- Provide two letters of recommendation to be sent directly to the church: one from school faculty or an employer, and one from your Youth Director, Pastor, or Campus Minister.
- Submit to the committee, via the church office, the completed application form, with attached biographical sketch as specified in the application.
- Appear for an interview with the scholarship committee when requested.

You may also visit these UMC-related sites to access information and applications for available scholarship funds. Eligibility requirements and award amounts vary.

<u>Annual conferences</u> may offer scholarships for members. Contact your conference for more information. General Board of Higher Education and Ministry

- All in One United Methodist Scholarship Application
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