

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# TRINITY VIEW

June 2023



## SUMMER SOLSTICE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

*To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:*

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*A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;*

*A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;*

*A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;*

*A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;*

*A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;*

*A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;*

*A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.*

**Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**



Dear Trinity family,

My brief and unexpected tenure as your interim pastor is entering its fourth and final month. It has been a privilege to serve during this time. We have a few important things to do together before moving on.

June is always an eventful month on United Methodist Calendars. The California-Pacific Conference of the UMC will convene at a hotel near LAX June 14-17. United Methodist conferencing began to recover from Covid restrictions a year ago, and this year there will be still more of us gathering in person, though there is still an option to participate online. We will greet our new Bishop, Dottie Escobedo-Frank; set priorities for our common mission in Southern California, Hawaii, Guam and Saipan; celebrate newly ordained and retiring pastors; and many of us will renew lifelong friendships as we sing together, "And Are We Yet Alive."

United Methodist Conferences cannot ignore the splintering that plagues our denomination in this current season. You may or may not have seen news reports of congregations disaffiliating from the denomination. This is having a small impact in our own region and a more significant one in the southeastern US. At our fellowship following worship on June 11, I will take time to make a brief presentation on the present state of the United Methodist denomination and take time for questions and answers.

On June 25th we will celebrate and give thanks for the ministry of Gilbert Stones. Gilbert is retiring after 43 years of pastoral ministry, including the last 8 years here at Trinity. This is an important milestone in Gilbert's ministry and in the life of our congregation. Especially because Gilbert has not been able to be with us these recent months I hope we will make a special effort to be present for this event.

Pastoral transitions happen rather abruptly in United Methodist Churches. It is important for us to be attentive to good goodbyes and healthy hellos. We will welcome Pastor Les Lungren and his wife Daniele into our church family on July 2nd. Please have your name tags ready.

Finally, on the last day of this month, Kay and I are going to Dulcimer Camp in Wallowa, Oregon. We'll be back, and I will go back to just being the bell choir director.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Rich



Trinity's Income/Expense Report		
	April 2023	Year to Date 2023
Income	\$22,059.	\$91,208.
Expense	\$24,301.	\$97,527.
Net	-\$2,243.	-\$6,320.



United  
Women  
in Faith

## UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH NEWS JUNE 2023

We are leaving Gray May and entering the glorious month of June Gloom. Life here on the Central Coast is certainly not the sunny California depicted in tour books. But, we love the coolness and it beats the summer heat of the central valley. June seems to be the month of endings with schools of all levels finishing their semester or quarter. Graduations trigger the thought of new beginnings. For some, it is looking forward to college days ahead; for others it is stepping into the next stage of their lives. We wish them well.

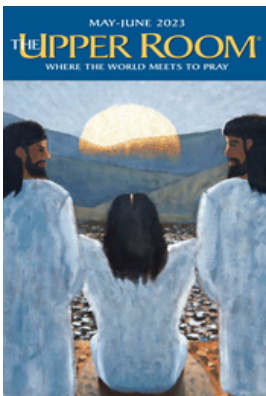
The layette project is over and we will soon be taking the collected layette items to the county health department's program for low-income mothers and babies. Thank you so much to all who contributed.

The next UMW/UWF meeting is Thursday, June 8 at 2:00 in the social hall. All interested women are invited. You do not need to be a member of the church to attend.

Peace to you all.

Alta Hall

## ***"Honoring Our Elders" Column will return in July***

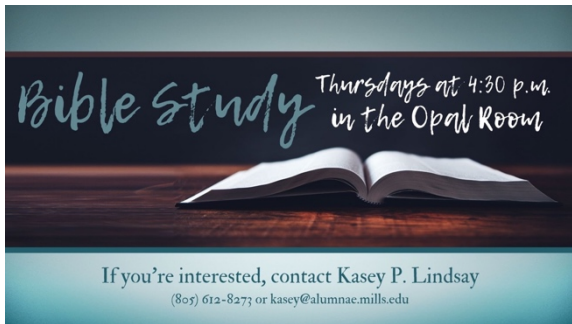


The May / June edition of the Upper Room is available in the narthex for a suggested donation of \$3.00. There are large print copies as well as small print copies available.

### **Peace with Justice Sunday**

There will be "Special Offering Envelopes" available during the worship service on Sunday, June 4.





## THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Each Thursday we meet to study the corresponding Sunday's scriptures and reflect on the past Sunday's service. When we have time and there is interest, we will take a look at The Upper Room Daily Bible devotional. Join us in the Opal Room at 4:30 PM on Thursdays! You can drop in anytime! Send Kasey P. Lindsay your email address for notifications and announcements at [kasey@alumnae.mills.edu](mailto:kasey@alumnae.mills.edu)

## Home Church Visits Seven Short Prophets June Schedule

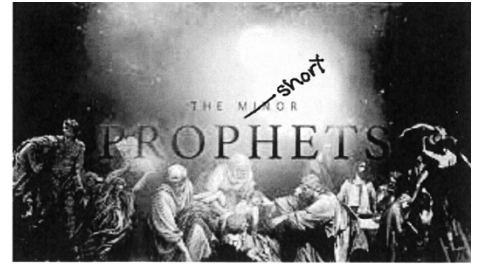
Several Tuesday Home Church members are dispersed about the country in early June. But Zoom still works, and the following of the shorter 12 Prophets still await us for Zoom studies.

Haggai on June 6, at 3:30 - 5:00 pm. Haggai prophesized in about the year 520 BCE.

Joel on June 13, a prophet from perhaps 500 BCE. Malachi on June 20, likely the most recent of the Old Testament prophets, perhaps between 360 - 400 BCE.

Either on June 27 or July 11, we'll start a summer series of videos from the third season of "The Chosen".

All are invited: Contact Mike or Eileen Murta for Zoom Numbers



## We Need Your Help



We are looking for people who want to join the team of camera people to live film the worship services on Sundays. We will train you. Please contact Kasey P. Lindsay, [kasey@alumnae.mills.edu](mailto:kasey@alumnae.mills.edu), if you are interested. Teenagers are welcome!

We are also in need of people wanting to join the sound board/slide show operator team. We will train you. Contact Mike Lindsay [mjlindsay49@yahoo.com](mailto:mjlindsay49@yahoo.com). Teenagers are welcome!



The Food Pantry has run out of cardboard boxes. Small boxes (approximately one cubic foot) or large boxes are needed. Boxes must have flaps to close or bankers' boxes with a lid. You can just drop them off at the church anytime. Thanks for your help! Call Mike L. at 520-334-7880 if you have questions.





The Barbara Hoff memorial stained-glass windows were dedicated during the worship service on May 21. Thank you to the Stained-Glass Memorial Committee; Marian Kaser, Alta Hall, Elizabeth Clover, Jora Landis, Sandy Green, and of course the artist Melissa Campbell.

The entire May 21 service was recorded live and is available on our web page and I encourage you to watch this special service in its entirety.

[trinitylososos.org/worship/05-21-2023](http://trinitylososos.org/worship/05-21-2023)



The UWF had a very successful Annual Layette Drive during the month of May.

So many lovely and useful baby items will be delivered in June to the babies of low-income mothers.

Thank you everyone, for your generosity.



### **2023 Vision - Ending Spiritual and Physical Hunger: Nourish!**

Pastor Rich will be attending the California Pacific Conference June 14 through June 17. Our lay leader, Scott Danielson will be attending the conference via Zoom. Information regarding the conference and a link to view the conference can be found at [calpacumc.org](http://calpacumc.org).



The Board of Trustees will be hosting Fellowship Hour for the entire month of June. The Trustees manage the resources of the congregation. They ensure that the buildings and grounds are in good repair and remain neat and clean. This is a big job for a few volunteers. Talk to the Trustees during coffee hour to find out how you can help with projects on the Tuesday Crew or All Church Cleanup days. Members of the Board of Trustees are John Kersten (Chair), Bill Rodenhi, Ray Purcell, Jim Stanfill, Bob Crizer, Karen Shong and Rob Mills.



We would like to make sure that everyone has a nametag before Pastor Les arrives on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you need a name tag, please email or call the office. Please wear your name tags beginning July 2<sup>nd</sup>. We only have one name to remember, but Pastor Les will have many names to learn. Let's make it a little easier for him.



## Going Green

Trinity is going green with our quarterly financial statements. Beginning in July everyone with email addresses in our system will receive digital copies of their financial giving statements.

This new system saves paper, postage, and staff time, plus it allows you to store your statements electronically.

If you would prefer to continue to receive hard copies of your statements and/or opt out of the electronic delivery, or if you have any questions, please contact Mary Anne in the church office at 805-528-1649 or [church@trinitylososos.org](mailto:church@trinitylososos.org).

**Debbie Livingston**  
Finance Committee Chair



## CALLING ALL CHILDREN!

Sunday school will be available for children up to 8th grade from June 4<sup>th</sup> - August 28th. If you know of any children who will be attending church ahead of time please email **Cathy Bonnett** at [lovetoteardrop@gmail.com](mailto:lovetoteardrop@gmail.com) with their ages so I can plan accordingly.



Emily Wong, is graduating from Stanford University with a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering and a Minor in Modern Languages.

She was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship and will be in Germany this next year.

(She took a gap year so is graduating the same year as Katie)

Katrina (Katie) Wong is graduating from University of Washington with a degree in Neuroscience. Katie is a pre-med student but plans to take a year off before going to proceeding into a med school. She is presently working in an orthopedic surgeon's office.

Submitted by Emily and Katies' proud grandmother, **Alta Hall**

### Dear Trinity Family,

As a year goes by since we lost Tom, The Upton family is thankful for this church for so many things.

I, Maureen, am grateful and wish to thank each of you for carrying me through this past year of grief. Thank you for lifting up the kids who seem to be thriving. We were comforted by you all for reaching out, sending cards and gifts, sharing words of wisdom and for all of those wonderful meals.

Grieving has been quite an experience. I found a grief share group at the Church of Christ in Morro Bay. It may be something we could offer at our church. Check it out online at [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org) and see if there's an interest.

We thank you for surrounding us with the love of Jesus our Savior.

Tom is in good hands and so are we.

With our Love

**Maureen, Cole, Dorothy & Brandon Upton**



The Los Osos Community gave generously on May 13 to the Post Office Food Drive!

The letter carriers delivered over 5,000 pounds of food donations to Trinity United Methodist Church. Volunteers sorted the food, and it was shared with four local food pantries: People Helping People, El Morro Church of the Nazarene, Trinity United Methodist Church, and Estero Bay Kindness Coalition.

A big thank you to the letter carriers, volunteers, and the generosity of our local community.



Just a few of the dedicated volunteers, there were many more community members not included in this picture. Thank you to all of the hard-working volunteers.







“We got to visit our nephew again this week! Jaxsen is working on expanding his palette, potty training, and being the best human he can be. He’s already the best person we know.”  
Submitted by **Kasey P. Lindsay**



### FAIRBANKS’ NEWS MAY 2023

On the ninth Carole fell, our son Bill and I got her up. She said she was OK. After a couple of days, a big black-and-blue spot appeared on her hip. Then on the night of the 11th she was in a great deal of pain which continued on the 12th. On Sunday the 14th I agreed to bring a dip and chips to church for Social Hour, but Carole was in so much pain I didn’t want to leave for any length of time. I took the chips and dip to church. Tom Tatton and Bob Clover were in the parking lot and took them in, so I immediately returned home.

On the 21st Carole thought she would go to church, got dressed to go, but at the last minute decided she better not, but insisted I should, so I did. Since then, she has had some pain free days and some with moderate pain. A hip x-ray indicated no bone was broken, the pain was likely due to pulled muscles and tendons.

Bill and a friend, Guy Mandella, who grew up in a house diagonally behind ours worked on repairing our dining room table which opens to take six leaves. Built in the first decade of the 20th century the years have taken their toll. We doubt any of us will be around to see how it fares after another century, it is a gorgeous piece of furniture, we wish it the best.

We had a family dinner on the seventh. We have three rhubarb plants in our garden and this year they are going crazy. The recipe for rhubarb crisp calls for four cups of rhubarb; from one plant and I harvested eight cups so our daughter, Judy, made a double recipe. Then on the 20th the family was here for our son-in-law, Rick’s birthday. On the 28th seven members of our family saw *The Cemetery Club*. It was an extremely powerful performance about three widows who had lost their husbands about four years previously and were each dealing with their grief in different ways. It included an episode of malicious gossip now, if transmitted electronically called social engineering, still the three maintained their friendship as their attitudes regarding to how best to remember their deceased husbands changed.

**Bill and Carole Fairbanks**



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

6/2 Kelley Weir  
 6/3 Bill Winstanley  
 6/7 Sage Clokey  
 6/8 Carly Danielson  
 6/11 John Green  
 6/13 Evan Rochte  
 6/14 Rose Robertson  
 6/16 Mike Eggleston  
 6/20 Maureen Upton  
 6/22 Vaughn Kaser  
 6/24 Zyra Pascua  
 6/25 Daniel Eggleston



### *June Anniversaries*

June 12 Joe and Donna Asire  
 June 14 Ed & Jean Womack  
 June 14 Bob and Beth Mott  
 June 18 Mike Eggleston & Eileen Murta  
 June 20 Bill and Linda Fortin



*Sunday, June 18*

## 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:**

Mollie Devine  
 John Green  
 Phyllis Harwell  
 Clytis Pitzer  
 Rose Robertson  
 Al Schiebelhut  
 Alice Stone  
 Rachel Stones  
 Linda Wagner  
 Donna Vrooman  
 Elizabeth Wilcox

Lisa Burbank  
 Ed Cappola  
 Alvah Davis  
 Chris Dicus  
 Stella Dueck  
 Bob Gale  
 Susie Gale  
 Rocky & Liesel Juarez  
 Joan Landis  
 Edward McKenzie  
 Debbie Olson  
 Marilyn Rogers  
 Elias Schiele  
 Adrian Jane & Baby Shong  
 Barbara Stankovits  
 Duane Stone





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