

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

TRINITY VIEW



ALTERNATIVE WAYS TO CELEBRATE CINCO DE MAYO

*Don't you dare put on that "sombrero."
Try These:*

Educate yourself

Learn about the history of Cinco de Mayo and how it became a part of US popular culture. Acknowledge the stereotypes you have internalized and discover why they are problematic.

Support Authentic Mexican businesses.

No, CHIPOTLE DOESN'T COUNT. Try a family-owned restaurant run by actual Mexican people. (They have better food anyway. We promise.)

Celebrate responsibly.

No serapes. No fake mustache. Avoid every party store. No Cinco de Drinko." No disrespectful use of Spanish. No homogenizing Latinx communities. Oh, and hold your friends accountable when they do any (or all) of the above.

Donate to organizations working for immigrant rights.

If you celebrate this holiday while disrespecting the people whom it belongs to, shame on you. Any day is a good day to start recognizing the quality of all people, no matter where they've come from.

#reclaimcincio

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To the Saints that are in Los Osos,

The fallout of Special General Conference 2019 – Part 2

The Judicial Council of the United Methodist Church completed its three-day deliberations about the constitutionality of the Traditional Plan that was passed at the Special General Conference in February. As many expected, the results are mixed, and it will likely take some time to figure out what all this means.

The Judicial Council ruled nine of the seventeen parts of the Traditional Plan to be constitutional, and the other eight to be unconstitutional. For example, it is unconstitutional to require that prospective members of the Board of Ordained Ministry to certify their willingness to comply with The Discipline (the United Methodist Church's constitution), in its entirety, and it is unconstitutional to require them to "conduct an examination to ascertain whether an individual is a practicing homosexual." However it did rule constitutional the prohibition of bishops consecrating as bishop a self-avowed practicing homosexual, or ordaining or consecrating self-avowed practicing homosexuals as deacons or elders.

In a separate ruling, which I find confusing, the Council ruled on the "Gracious Exit," legislation that would allow local churches to "disaffiliate" with the United Methodist Church. It seems that the provisions would allow a local church to leave the denomination and takes its property and assets... but it is less clear whether a Conference or jurisdiction can Disaffiliate with the General Church.

While all this has been going on the Western Jurisdiction and our Annual Conference have considered how we may move forward. Adam Hamilton, (the highest profile United Methodist pastor in the U.S. pastor of the Church of the Resurrection the largest UM church in the country), a long-time centrist, is leading a movement of moderates who are dissatisfied with the action of the Special General Conference in ways to move forward. There are discussions being held all over the country about how best to respond.

The clergy and laity of our Annual Conference have issued a "Statement in Response to General Conference 2019 from the Undersigned People of the California-Pacific Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church" that you can read online. (You will find a link on our Facebook page).

The bottom line is that we really do not know much more than we did at the end of February. The future of our denomination and our place in it continue to be in flux. Despite all the uncertainty Trinity will continue to seek faithful witness to God in the world. We will continue to welcome the lost, to proclaim the good news that in Jesus Christ God is working the reconciliation of the world, to feed the hungry and preserve the planet, to worship, to pray, and to hope for the fullness of the reign of God.

I don't know much about the future. I do know for certain that God is waiting for us there.

See you in Church,

Pastor L

Spiritual Growth



Monday Night Home Group Continues

Monday Night Home Group (MNHG), which now meets at the home of Mike and Kathy Lindsay and is facilitated by their daughter Kasey, has strongly reestablished itself after the move from Jeff Manildi's home in January. We have been examining Jesus and his message through the lens of social justice and asking, "What does it mean to be a Christian in today's world?" We have also compared Jesus' teachings to those of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. King introduced the concept of the Beloved Community, a representation of Heaven on Earth, where we celebrate diversity and strive to understand our enemies and work with compassion to gain true understanding and consensus in order to combat poverty, hunger, and homelessness. At MNHG we have delved into the Sermon on the Plain/Mount to find guidance in Jesus' word for creating the Beloved Community, or the Kingdom of God, and debated whether this is something that can be achieved on Earth or exists only in Heaven. We've also considered the Golden Rule, comparing its message to similar versions in other world religions, and struggled with how to apply it in a practical sense in our lives.

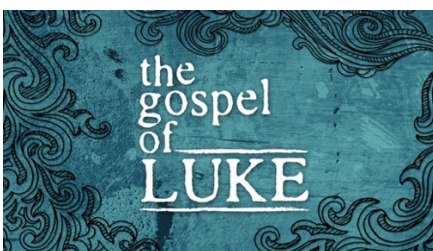
But MNHG is not just a philosophical endeavor. Each week we spend time at the beginning of our meeting to check in with each other and share news, frustrations, and celebrations. We take our time settling in to the space and coming together as a group focused on building relationships between members so that we can tackle some of the difficult issues surrounding Christianity and living as a Christian in today's world. And at the end of each session, we take time for each of us to share a "Grateful," something from the week that we are thankful for.

We have truly crafted a warm, compassionate, and welcoming space in which all of us are eager to gather each week. In the crazy, busy hustle of our lives, it's comforting to come together in love to share and exercise our hearts and minds and work to bring a little bit of Heaven down to Earth.

We invite you to join in any time. We meet from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. every Monday. You can join our email list for updates on each week's discussion topics by contacting Kasey at kasey@alumnae.mills.edu. Even if you can't make it to the meetings in person, videos and links are often shared through email, so you can reflect in your own time on what we present at our meetings. Shalom!

Tuesday Home Group Continues

It's a fine time to join the Tuesday Home Church! April 30th we begin a six-week series on Luke Chapters 13-18. All are invited to the Eggleston-Murta home, 2350 Crest from 3:30-5:00 pm each Tuesday.



GROW OUR GIVING

"Little by little, a little becomes A LOT"

Opportunities abound to create donations to Trinity while going about your normal routine: Drop your change into your little church at the end of each day; ask stores like Ralph's and Amazon to donate to Trinity when you shop. Contact the church office if you have questions about any of these programs.



Trinity's Income/Expense Report		
	March 2019	2019 Year to Date
Income	\$22,722	\$99,780
Expense	\$24,972	\$83,817
Net	-\$2,250	\$15,963

CONGREGATION NEWS



UMW NEWS MAY 2019

As mentioned in last month's UMW News, Trinity's unit of United Methodist Women has a long history in raising funds to support its pledge to missions both locally and globally. In addition to pledges and donations, our major fundraising event is the annual bazaar and bake sale.

Branching out a little, this month we decided to take advantage of VCC's May 18th Parking Lot "Swap Meet" and purchased a spot. We are looking for donations for our booth and are asking for good usable items. Most of us have a few things around our houses we no longer treasure but which are too good to throw away. If you have such items and would be willing to donate them, please contact one of the following people: Alta Hall, 805-528-2021, Kathy Lindsay, 520-975-6269, or Donna Asire, 805-528-0342. Items that are not sold will be returned to their owners. This sale will be in Trinity's parking lot.

UMW will be conducting their annual layette project during the month of May. Layette items gladly accepted.

United Methodist Women May Schedule

UMW Executive Board Meeting: Monday May 13 at 1:00 in Social Hall. All interested members are welcome.

Women of the Bible Circle, Thursday May 9 at 2:00 P.M. in Social Hall. Carol Shupp, hosting
Book Club: Thursday, May 16 at 2:00 in the Social Hall. The book club does not discuss any one book but participants share books they have read. Contact person is Donna Asire 805-528-0342.

VCC Parking Lot Swap Meet, Saturday, May 18th from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm



First Aid Kits

Report submitted by Bob Mott

Using funds from our Little Church Banks, the Emergency Task Force has purchased six First Aid Kits that meet OSHA standards for institutions of our size. Eileen Murta spearheaded our research and decision-making process.

Everett Shong will mount the white First Aid Kits on a red background near the fire extinguishers in the Sanctuary (near the side door to the BBQ patio, by the wheelchair), Upstairs, Fellowship Hall and Opal Room. There is also a kit for the Office, to be mounted in a visible location, and a red kit for the workshop.

Contents will be reviewed annually by the Trustees when fire extinguishers are serviced. Inspection will ensure that expiration dates are current. There is an instruction pamphlet in each kit. If you use any of the contents please bring the kit to the office (noting its location) so that the contents may be replaced.

A SPECIAL SUNDAY

GIVE NOW

Your offering today empowers Native American pastors, congregations and seminary students all over America.

May we be a beacon of love and hope today and every day.

A photograph of a desert landscape with several prominent red rock mesas under a blue sky with wispy clouds.

Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.
The people of The United Methodist Church



**Jim Wagner will be the guest presenter
Sunday May 5th for
Reconciling Ministries Sunday**



Kasey Lindsay and Emilia Bonnett



Adventures in Sunday School

Submitted by Kasey P. Lindsay

Since the beginning of the year, Sunday School has been a one-room affair, with attendees ranging in age from two to fifteen! It has been an exciting adventure for all of us. I have been teaching the kids for a full year now, and watching them really enjoy our time together has been inspiring.

In January we spent a lot of time talking about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Ruby Bridges, and aspects of race relations then and now. A heavy topic for children, but picture books and puppets made the subject more accessible, and the kids thoroughly impressed me with their understanding and compassion. One of the highlights of the discussion for me was relating young Ruby Bridge's decision to pray for the white protesters who every day threatened her as she arrived to school as the first African American child to integrate it to these words from the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew, "...love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

In March we grappled with the General Conference decisions regarding LGBTQIA+ clergy and marriages. Each week a different group and age-range of students end up together in the Sunday School room, so when I have older kids, we discuss these issues more directly. However, with the younger kids we talk more about how God's Love is for all and no one should be excluded from God's Table. We wrote affirmations on a full-sized rainbow flag and decorated t-shirts with messages of love.

And then in April we had our annual Easter Egg Hunt. My oldest student got the honor of hiding the eggs with me, and the rest of the kids, ages two to twelve, were challenged with finding them. It was no easy task (and hints from this Sunday School teacher were required, along with some tree-climbing), but eventually all the eggs were retrieved, including the coveted Golden Egg (stuffed with a five-dollar bill)!

It is a true delight seeing the kids each week, and I've been blessed with their enthusiasm. We have spent time together after Sunday School just sitting in the Opal Room, hanging out while we eat food from Social Hour. And I've even had a child ask why we can't have Sunday School every day! It's such a gift to be able to create a space for the children that inspires them to want to be there!

May Birthdays

5/1 Cynthia McCabe

5/2 Cheryl Dove

5/3 Bill Awbrey

5/3 Wendy Porter

5/10 Sequoia Clokey

5/11 Sofia Steen

5/11 Dawn Tyra

5/13 Janet Nielson

5/15 Jim Holz

5/18 Jean Gandy

5/18 Robert Johnson

5/24 Amber Heffner

5/26 Liz Blake



Happy Anniversary to these
lovely couples:

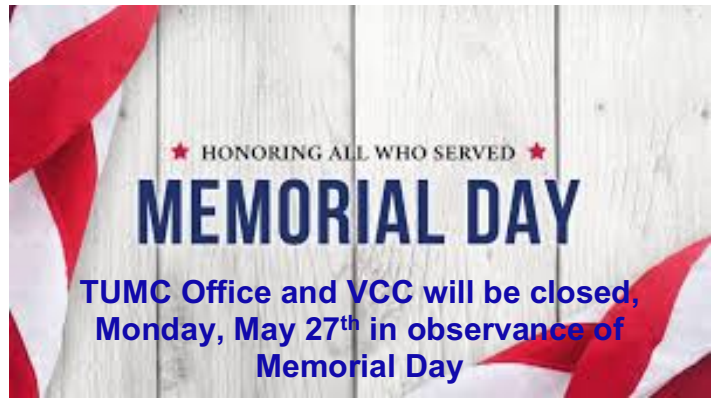
John and Cathy Bonnett May 1st

Ron and Lucia Dickey May 7th

Bill and Emily Rodenhi May 9th



Happy Mother's Day
Sunday, May 12th



The TUMC Board of Trustees consists of these dedicated, hard-working volunteers: John Kersten (Chair), Terri Sidener, Mike Lindsay, Tom Tatton, Bob Johnson, Bob Crizer and Karen Shong. The Board of Trustees is responsible for the property and facility. All are welcome to attend their next Trustee Meeting on May 9th, 7:00 pm

Take a moment to stop by, say hello and learn more about the TUMC Board of Trustees during Social Hour as they provide the snacks and coffee this month.

VCC Swap Meet
Saturday May 18th
8:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Contact VCC Director Bonnie Luther
at 805-528-2504 to sign up. Spots are
still available. Come and support
Village Children's Center**

Church Bridge will be held at Edie and Dick Sandige's home on Friday, May 17th at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to come and learn the game and enjoy the most fun bridge played in the entire nation!



Scholarship Applications are Available Online or in the TUMC Office

Applications are Due Friday, May 17, 2019

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 17.

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.

Annual conferences 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](#)
- [Dempster Graduates Fellowship](#)
- General Commission on Archives and History
- [Awards and Grants](#)
- United Methodist Communications
- [Communications / Journalism Opportunities](#)
- United Methodist Higher Education Foundation
- [UMHEF Scholarship Applications](#)

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Cub Scouts Fundraiser



Whole Tri-Tip and Bread

Pick up Sunday, May 5
from 5 pm to 7 pm

Trinity United Methodist Church
490 Los Osos Valley Road
Los Osos, CA

Support

Camping
Hiking
Awards
Badges
Pinewood Derby
More Camping
Community
Service



Scout Me In

Contact Kim Barrett (805) 441-0089

Contact Kim before the event to purchase tickets



A minimum donation of \$10.00 at the door is requested at all performances.

Season Finale

Sunday May 19, 2019 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Vivaldi Concerto for Three Violins and Continuo in F Major

Bette Byers; violin, Christopher Reutinger; violin, Sal Garza; Violin,

Jim Riccardo Conducting

Monday Club Soloist – Julia Zielke, flute

Bach Brandenburg Concerto No. 1, featuring the oboe and horn sections of the orchestra

Mark Kovacs, Conducting

Keith Waibel, Music Director and Conductor

Trinity United Methodist Church, 490 Los Osos Valley Road

Central Coast Hour Exchange Potluck

May 2nd, 2019 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm.

Trinity United Methodist Church

Open to all members, guests and future members. And the usual – BRING YOUR OWN

PLATE, UTENSILS and CUP

Music Studio Recitals

Several local music teachers bring their students to Trinity for their end of the year recitals. Students perform for their families using our wonderful grand piano. The sanctuary and social hall will be in use for these concerts on the following dates in May:

May 25th Kim Naylor Piano Party

May 26th Marian Kaser Piano Recital

Los Osos Cares presents

FREE COMMUNITY DINNERS

Please note new day and location

Held every **Thursday** during the month

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

At South Bay Community Center

Come in, sit down, and enjoy a meal prepared by various community organizations. No reservations or sign in required. Dress is casual and families are welcome.

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Pastor's email: pastorg@trinitylososos.org Website: www.trinitylososos.org

STAFF: Bishop: Rev. Grant Hagiya District Superintendent: Rev. James R. Powell

Pastor: Rev. Gilbert Stones Music Director/Organist: Barbara Hoff Lay Leader: Beth Crizer

Administrative Assistant: Mary Anne Meyer

VCC Director: Bonnie Luthe

CALENDAR SNAPSHOT

Weekly Events

Sunday

Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 9:15 am
Worship Service: 10:00 am
Coffee Hour: 11:15 am
12-Steps Couples Group: 4:00 pm,
1st & 3rd Sunday

Monday

Knitting, Etc.: 2:00 pm
Home Girls AA: 5:30 pm
Literacy for Life: 6:30 pm
Trinity Home Group 6:30 pm

Tuesday

Tuesday Work Crew: 9:00 am
Food Box Distribution: 10:00-12:00
Trinity Home Group 3:30 pm
Cub Scouts: 6:30 pm

Wednesday

Prayer & Care Group: 11:00 am
Bell Choir Rehearsal: 6:00 pm
Alcoholics Anonymous: 7:00 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 pm

Thursday

Literacy for Life: 6:30 pm
Community Dinners at SBCC
beginning May 9th

Friday

Food Box Distribution: 10:00-12:00
Girl Scouts Every other Friday: 4:00 pm



May 2nd

Central Coast Hour Exchange Potluck
6:30 pm

May 4th

Vocal Arts Retreat

May 5th

Cub Scout Tri Tip Dinner
Fundraiser 5-7 pm
Drive Thru Pick-up

May 5th

Cluster Choir Festival
St. Andrew UMC in Orcutt

May 5th

Sunday Worship with
Jim Wagner presenting the sermon
10:00 am

May 18th

VCC Rummage Sale
Church Parking Lot
8:00 am -12:00 pm

May 17th

Church Bridge @ 7:00 pm

May 19th

San Luis Chamber Orchestra
Season Finale
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

May 25th

Kim Naylor Piano Party

May 26th

Marian Kaser Recital

May 27th

TUMC Office and VCC closed this day

Meetings

May 1st

Staff Meeting: 10:00 am
Cancelled

May 5th

SPRC Meeting: 11:00 am

May 7th

Missions Committee: 11:30 am

May 9th

Trustee Meeting: 6:00 pm

May 13th

UMW Board: 1:00 pm

May 15th

VCC Committee 4:30 pm

May 21st

Finance Committee: 7:00 pm

May 20th

Trinity View Due Date

May 2019 (Pacific Time - Los Angeles)

All Day Events, Church Life, Church Meetings, Community Private Events, Community Public Events, Pending Events, Village Children's Center

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
<p>Native American</p> <p>9:15am - Chancel</p> <p>10am - Sunday</p> <p>11am - BPRCA</p> <p>11:15am - Social</p> <p>1pm - Tri Tip Dinner</p> <p>4pm - 12-Steps</p> <p>4pm - Choir Cluster</p>	<p>2pm - Knitting, etc.</p> <p>5:30pm - AA Home</p> <p>6:30pm - Home</p> <p>6:30pm - Literacy</p>	<p>9am - Tuesday Crew</p> <p>10am - Food Pantry</p> <p>11:30am - Missions</p> <p>8:30pm - Home</p> <p>6pm - Cub Scouts</p>	<p>10am - Staff</p> <p>11am - Prayer &</p> <p>6pm - Bell Choir</p> <p>7pm - A.A.</p> <p>7:30pm - Chancel</p>	<p>6:30pm - CCHE</p> <p>6:30pm - Literacy</p>	<p>10am - Food Pantry</p>	<p>3:30am - Vocal Arts</p>
<p>12</p> <p>9:15am - Chancel</p> <p>10am - Sunday</p> <p>11:15am - Social</p>	<p>3</p> <p>1pm - UMW Board</p> <p>2pm - Knitting, etc.</p> <p>5:30pm - AA Home</p> <p>6:30pm - Home</p> <p>6:30pm - Literacy</p>	<p>14</p> <p>9am - Tuesday Crew</p> <p>10am - Food Pantry</p> <p>3:30pm - Home</p> <p>6pm - Cub Scouts</p>	<p>15</p> <p>11am - Prayer &</p> <p>4:30pm - VCC</p> <p>6pm - Bell Choir</p> <p>7pm - A.A.</p> <p>7:30pm - Chancel</p>	<p>16</p> <p>2pm - Book Club @</p> <p>6:30pm - Literacy</p>	<p>17</p> <p>10am - Food Pantry</p> <p>7pm - Sandlot</p>	<p>18</p> <p>7am - VCC Hummages</p> <p>1pm - SL Chamber</p>
<p>18</p> <p>9:15am - Chancel</p> <p>10am - Sunday</p> <p>11:15am - Social</p> <p>1pm - San Luis</p> <p>4pm - 12-Steps</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Trinity View Due</p> <p>2pm - Knitting, etc.</p> <p>5:30pm - AA Home</p> <p>6:30pm - Home</p> <p>6:30pm - Literacy</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9am - Tuesday Crew</p> <p>10am - Food Pantry</p> <p>3:30pm - Home</p> <p>6pm - Cub Scouts</p> <p>7pm - Finance</p>	<p>22</p> <p>11am - Prayer &</p> <p>6pm - Bell Choir</p> <p>7pm - A.A.</p> <p>7:30pm - Chancel</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:30pm - Literacy</p>	<p>24</p> <p>10am - Food Pantry</p> <p>2:30pm - Piano</p> <p>4pm - Girl Scouts</p>	<p>25</p> <p>12pm - Piano Party</p>
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