

The

# Valley Messenger

A publication of San Ramon Valley United Methodist Church. Open Hearts. Open Minds.  
Open Doors.

## A New Season at Church

From Pastor Andrew

In my younger days, September meant going back to school, and school began the day after Labor Day. Whenever the month of August rolled around, it meant going to bed earlier and getting up earlier so that the alarm clock wasn't such a shock in the morning. It meant getting used to having a routine again after having carefree days most of the summer which included fishing trips, swimming, gardening, and lots of grilling. The end of August also included shopping for new shoes, clothes, school supplies, celebrating my birthday, visiting with my new teacher...all before the big day. The end of August and beginning of September was a time of anticipation, as I usually looked forward to the beginning of school.

And now, as September rolls around, there is an energy about the fall season after a laid-back summer. While the weather will continue feeling like summer for a couple more months, football is back (go Niners!), pumpkin spice everything is becoming available, and Halloween stuff will be popping up around the area stores before we know it.

Here in the church, September means the return of many of our programs after taking the summer off. As we begin a new season in the church, I am particularly excited about our youth group meetings starting up on September 11 (*see next page for details*). The summer has been spent planning and meeting with youth families, and I am excited to be starting a new adventure by leading our youth program. It is important to have youth among us in the church, and it is more important to show our youth that they are God's beloved. My hope is that we spend our time seeing God in everything, serving our community in mission as the hands and feet of Jesus, and knowing that God is in our recreation and outings, too.

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### Next Issue: October 2022

Have something you'd like included in next month's Messenger? Please submit your articles to: Lisa Jancarik at [media@srvumc.org](mailto:media@srvumc.org) by **September 15, 2022.**

# Announcements

As our fall programs begin once again and a new school year begins, I am excited to see where God leads us this coming year. Throughout this year, may we create lasting relationships, share our kindness with our neighbors, and embody the light of Christ in a world that needs that light more than ever.

Peace & Blessings to each of you,

Pastor Andrew

## Youth Fellowship Begins

**Sunday, September 11**

**Youth Room, Wesley Center**

We are excited to begin youth fellowship gatherings on Sundays in the youth room in Wesley Center. Our time together will be a time of reconnecting, making new connections, sharing what's on our hearts, and discussion around a topic of faith and life.

Our Sunday gatherings will be as follows:

- **Middle School Youth Fellowship** (Grades 6-8)—4 to 5 p.m.
- **Combined Group Snack/Recreation Time**—5 to 5:30 p.m.
- **High School Youth Fellowship** (Grades 9-12)—5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

And Wednesdays...

- **All-Ages Hangouts with Pastor Andrew**—3 to 5 p.m. at Starbucks (1 Railroad Ave., in the Trader Joe's shopping center)

Along with our gatherings, our youth ministry will engage with local service opportunities throughout the year and will be planning other fun and meaningful activities. ***If you have any questions or want to volunteer with youth programs, please contact Pastor Andrew Davis at [adavis@srvumc.org](mailto:adavis@srvumc.org).***



***Backpack tags given to students at SRVUMC during the Backpack Blessing conducted in the courtyard last month to kick off the new school year. The short Blessing honored both students and teachers. Photo: Laura Roy.***



# Announcements

## Confirmation 2023

Are you beginning seventh or eighth grade this coming school year? Then let's talk confirmation! Pastor Andrew Davis will lead our confirmation class beginning in January 2023.

Confirmation class offers you a chance to explore your faith; to learn about United Methodist history and beliefs; and to hear what your fellow classmates believe. Confirmation is a time to ask questions—lots of questions! The goal of this four-month class is to support you as you claim what you think about faith, following the way of Jesus, and being a part of a faith community. We cannot live our faith if we don't know what we believe!

*Pastor Andrew at [adavis@srvumc.org](mailto:adavis@srvumc.org); [krisedorph@srvumc.org](mailto:krisedorph@srvumc.org) and Pastor Kim at [krisedorph@srvumc.org](mailto:krisedorph@srvumc.org) welcome your questions as you and your family get ready for confirmation class. This link provides additional information: [What do I need to know about confirmation in the UMC?](#)*

## Child, Youth and Adult Musical Opportunities, Fall 2022

As our music ministries at San Ramon Valley UMC prepare for a new season, we are excited to announce several opportunities for children, youth and adults.

**Music Makers** (Grades 2 to 5)—Begins September 22. See the Family Ministry calendar on Page 13 for more.

**Bros and Belles** (Grades 6 to 8)—Meets Sundays from 3:30 to 4 p.m., beginning September 11 in the Bell Room 205 in Wesley Center. Learn to play handbells. Bring a friend! **Contact** [winnie\\_stribling@msn.com](mailto:winnie_stribling@msn.com).

**Living Water** (Middle/High School/Adults)—Meets Thursdays from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. beginning September 8 in the choir room in Wesley Center. **Contact** [music@srvumc.org](mailto:music@srvumc.org).

**Chancel Choir** (High School/Adults)—Meets Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. beginning September 8 in the choir room in Wesley Center. **Contact** [music@srvumc.org](mailto:music@srvumc.org).

**Carillon Choir** (High School/Adult)—Meets Sundays following worship services. We're always open to new and more experienced hand bell ringers. Whether it's a virtual or live performance, our goal is to add that extra dimension to the worship experience. **Contact** [winnie\\_stribling@msn.com](mailto:winnie_stribling@msn.com).

**Ukelele Group** (Teens/Adults)—Meets Mondays from 6 to 7 p.m. Learn to play a fun instrument, play well with others, and have fun! **Contact Teri Hawk at** [hermhawk@aol.com](mailto:hermhawk@aol.com).

Music programs enhance our worship services and build community. Adult volunteers for our children's programs, we need you, too! To join (or rejoin!) a program, contact Rosalind Neisinger, Winnie Stribling, or Pastor Andrew.

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## **Lunch With Friends!** **Noon, Third Tuesday, September 20** **Wesley Center**

Guest Chefs Roni Item and HollyAnn Melton will delight us with a Mandarin almond salad, creamy tortellini soup and *warm*—yes, that means right out of the oven!—apple crisp.

*We are no longer sending postcards, so please mark your calendars and plan on joining us.*

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## **Celebration of Ministry: Marilyn and Teri**

**September 25 at 11 a.m.**

**Courtyard**

Let's celebrate Marilyn Clarke and Teri Hawk! These two resourceful and energetic women have made SRVUMC feel like our church home.

Teri has offered creative musical outlets for all interested parties over the years, including our ukulele group!

In her position as facilities manager, Marilyn kept the physical plant of SRVUMC safe and functional for us. She has also sung with Living Water in the past.

Bring your appreciation and cards, and join in the celebrations.

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## **Welcome Gathering!**

**Sunday, September 25, 5 p.m.**

**Courtyard**

New to SRVUMC? Gather with us for a meal and to meet one another. Whether you want to meet people, have questions about our church, or want to join our church, this gathering is for you. New members will be joining in October. *Please RSVP to Pastor Kim at [krisedorph@srvumc.org](mailto:krisedorph@srvumc.org).*

# Announcements



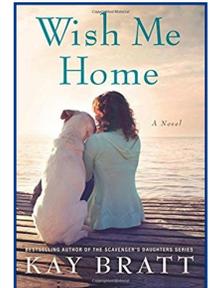
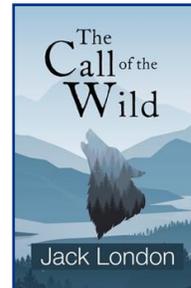
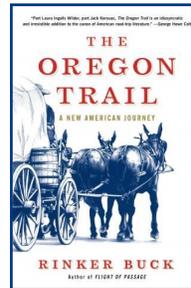
The pandemic cost the church library many popular titles as readers sheltered in place, having enjoyed a book, laid it aside, and then couldn't return it as promptly as they might otherwise have done. The Library Committee requests that readers who check out books (or have checked out books at some point as far back as 2019) please look again for the church library stamp on the top. No judgment! We're glad you read, and returns can come to the church office.

Thank you very much,

The Library Committee

An incomplete list of missing books:

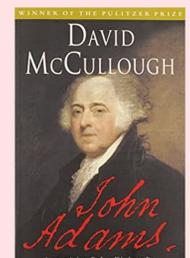
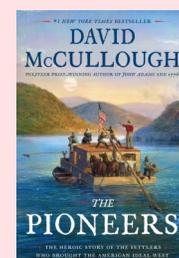
- A Pilgrimage of Eternity*
- American Spirit*
- Call of the Wild*
- Cold Mountain*
- Dutch House*
- Ordinary Grace*
- Oregon Trail*
- Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie*
- The Message: The New Testament Psalms and Proverbs*
- The Paris Architect*
- The Saving of CeeCee Honeycutt*
- Wish Me Home*
- Zealot: The Life and Times of Jesus of Nazareth*



***Did your book cart's missing titles hit the trail? Pursue the call of the wild? Maybe...but probably not. We can't just wish them home, so please have a look around the house, even if you're sure you returned the last book you read from the cart.***

## Author David McCullough, 1933 to 2022

This Pittsburgh-born Pulitzer Prize-winner and historian died in August. Preferring not to comment on politics, he liked to say "My specialty is dead politicians." If you wish to reacquaint yourself with his body of work, the church library has two of his books, *John Adams* and *The Pioneers*.





# Spiritual Growth

## 2023 SRVUMC Women's Retreat

February 17 to 19, 2023

Villa Maria del Mar, Santa Cruz

### "Extraordinary Faith in Ordinary Places" Led by Pastor Jennifer Goto

Theme: A life of faith is lived out in our daily lives, right where we are in our neighborhoods. We'll explore what it means to be a good neighbor and the small acts that can build relationships. What does it look like to love our neighbors as Jesus commands? And how do we find the strength and grace to act on that love when it is difficult?

About Pastor Goto: She is an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church currently serving as the Center Director at Bread of Life in Sacramento. Bread of Life offers retreats, workshops and spiritual direction for those desiring a deeper life with the Holy. She has served as a pastor of congregations in downtown San Jose, Atwater and Walnut Creek. She has also served in campus ministry at UC Merced and San Jose State. Currently, she is participating in the Spiritual Director Formation program through Mercy Center in Burlingame.



Pastor Jennifer Goto

Come to the retreat to learn more about Pastor Goto and find out why she is highly recommended by our pastors! *Pick up event details in the Narthex or see [www.srvumc.org](http://www.srvumc.org) for details and registration beginning November 6, 2022.*

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## Dialogue for Change. What Is It? What's Next?

By Lucinda Huffaker

"Dialogue," according to Webster, is "an exchange of ideas and opinions." It can be both a noun and a verb. Dialogue for Change is the name of our adult education forum that capitalizes on both of these aspects: We learn about and exchange ideas and opinions regarding contemporary issues, with the emphasis on exchange because we grow in our faith when challenged to consider viewpoints different from our own. Dialogue for Change has the purpose of changing us to be wiser as God's servants in the world. And Dialogue for Change is the process by which we are seeking to accomplish this change of mind



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and heart. We do not come together to listen only to those who agree with us or to be made comfortable by reinforcing our existing opinions. Nor do we seek to learn without the vulnerability to be changed because of it. Therefore, we need folks who have different points of view to participate fully. That's what it means to be the body of Christ.

Dialogue for Change started as a way to respond to the racial upheaval surrounding the murder of George Floyd in May 2020. Several members of the congregation felt compelled as Christians to do something about racial injustice and our complicity in it—to learn more about history, diverse viewpoints, and alternative responses to racism. We have learned and exchanged—and changed—a lot, but we have by no means completed the work of becoming antiracist in the fullest meaning of that term. We will not simply “move on” from that reckoning.

## Next Steps for Dialogue for Change

We now take a broader look at many issues that intersect with racism and influence our Christian love for and treatment of our neighbors. In fact, I'd encourage you to take a look at the argument that racism, while not the “worst” oppression in a sort of hierarchy of oppressions, is a fundamental factor in all systemic disparities in our nation. Explore current cultural issues like gun violence, abortion law, education curriculum, gender inclusivity, voting and elections, climate change, and other topics as an extension of our work on issues related to race.

**Sunday, September 11, 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Fireside Room. League of Women Voters.** Shawn Gilbert, Co-Chair of Voter Services of the League of Women Voters of Diablo Valley. The League is a nonpartisan organization working to empower voters through education. Learn about upcoming local and national elections and propositions, resources for an educated electorate. Sean will lead us in a question and answer discussion. Zoom link forthcoming.



**Sundays, October 2 and October 9. Bay Area Council on American-Islamic Relations.** Usmaan Alloo, Programs Coordinator for the Bay Area Council on American-Islamic Relations, leads these two primers for those of us wanting to live out our Christian commitments to loving and just treatment of our neighbors. Learn to identify and respond to injustice as we witness it in our daily lives—yes, in our community!

- **October 2—Bystander Intervention.** Usmaan equips us to safely de-escalate incidents of hate and bias.
- **October 9—Microaggression.** Usmaan provides tools to identify a microaggression and ways to challenge, confront, and question a microaggression while being a thoughtful and proactive ally to those impacted.



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I hope you will join us for these programs to grow in living our faith, especially if you have not attended Dialogue for Change in the past. We welcome everyone and encourage a variety of perspectives. Please join us as we renew our dialogue this fall. *Questions? Contact Lucinda Huffaker, [lucinda.huffaker@gmail.com](mailto:lucinda.huffaker@gmail.com).*

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## Turning Points: Mapping Your Faith Story

**September 8, 7 to 8 p.m. via Zoom**

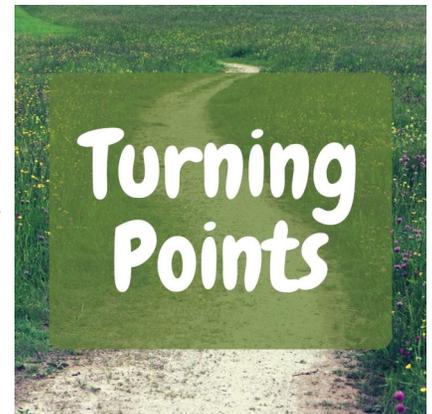
**September 14, Noon to 1 p.m., Lunch in Courtyard**

Have you ever thought about how your faith has changed throughout your life? Come to this hour-long class ready to map turning points in your life of faith and share what changed you and why.

James Fowler's *Stages of Faith* is available for your review [here](#) as an optional exercise. How might breaking one's journey of faith into stages be helpful?

Consider these possible discussion questions or exercises:

1. Take out a piece of paper and draw a line across the page. At one end, write "Birth" and at the other end write "Present." Now, draw a cross on your timeline for every milestone of your faith (going to Sunday school, Confirmation, mission trips, going to college, finding a new church, marriage, life-altering events that affected your faith in some way, etc.).
2. Look at your timeline. Can you find any common thread to these events? What impact did these events have on you? How did they change you?
3. As a group, ask if anyone would like to share an event that changed them.
4. Have you honored the little and great deaths that you have endured along the way? How did these events change you?
5. Someone once said that only two things have the power to change us: Great suffering and great love. Have you found this to be true in your life?
6. What next step/action is God calling you to make in your journey of faith?
7. Close with a gratitude prayer.



# Out Into the World

## Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano

September 10, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### Concord Warehouse

The Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano provides ongoing nutritional support throughout the region through partner agencies and programs. SRVUMC has generously supported the Food Bank through financial support and the efforts of many, many volunteers. We need a few more volunteers to fill our quota of fifteen positions. Please consider joining our team for this date or our December 3 date at the same time!

Volunteers provide an even more crucial role in the distribution of food collected by the Food Bank in today's environment! Since the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Food Bank has increased the number of needy clients served from 176,000 to 260,000 per month! Volunteers in various functions provide the manpower equivalent to over 50 full-time employees. Our team will be assigned to the Concord warehouse where we will, once again, sort and pack boxes of fresh produce. **Please contact Anne Kuelz at [annekuelz@gmail.com](mailto:annekuelz@gmail.com) or Dick Lam at [richardclam@aol.com](mailto:richardclam@aol.com) for more information or to claim a spot on the team for September 10.**



**September 28, 2019, the last time a group represented SRVUMC before the pandemic. See if you can spot anyone you know from among these many longtime members. If you can't, then this short local mission is a great way to meet people!**



# Out Into the World

## The Oak Fire—“I Have Never Asked for Help Before”

By Steve Elliot

It seems so overwhelming when you lose your home. Traumatizing in so many ways. And for the Oak Fire, a widespread extended power cutoff expanded the damage footprint to hundreds more households that struggle to make ends meet anyway.

Our Cal-Nev Conference response was to participate for three days at the Local Assistance Center setup at the High School in Mariposa, California. Our ministry of presence offered a willing ear to listen to stories of escape, fear and now, hope for recovery. We gave out over \$20,000 in gift cards, hygiene kits, cleaning supplies and other survivor assistance.

We were one of many government and nonprofit organizations offering a broad array of services and support. Our participation was staffed by the Conference-wide Early Response Team and local Mariposa UMC volunteers. Our team included volunteers from seven churches across the Conference. We assisted 200 households that came to our table.

Our assistance was funded by the Conference Disaster Response Fund and supplies donated by Conference churches. Thank you, California-Nevada for your generosity!

### Among the Many Stories...

**Zack.** “Zack” had come by our table late the second day when we were out of gift cards. We talked with him. He had “turned his life around.” Heard about his many challenges and now, opportunities in life. I spoke with his boss at the Pioneer Market. She said he has really changed a lot while working there. Tons of progress, she said. Lives in “a shed” and lost all his possessions in the fire. During one of my many trips to the Market to buy more gift cards, “Zack” was there. He works as a bagger. I spoke with him, and he said he would come back on his lunch break at 5 p.m. Which he did. I had saved a gift card for him after we ran out again. He gave me a big hug and said thank you. This is what we are doing is all about.—*Steve Elliott*

**Teapots.** A neatly appearing 60s-ish woman...asked about tools that could be used for sifting through the ashes of her home. While we could send a team to do the sifting for her, she said she wanted to take look through the ruins herself. She was confident, calm, and clearly prepared mentally for what she faced. When we offered what she needed—a sifting box, shovel, rake, protective clothing, gloves, masks, and hand tools, she beamed with confidence. Amid her losses was an antique teapot collection. She wanted to see if she could find just one teapot in the rubble. She believed she would. We helped her out with tools of hope.—*Susan Hunn*

**Steve Elliott serves as California-Nevada Conference Disaster Response & UMVIM Coordinator (Director). This article has been very lightly edited for format. To read the original article, visit the [conference web-site](#).**

# Communion

## Rise Against Hunger

Sunday, September 18

Arrive at 11:15 a.m. for Prompt 11:30 Start

Pack Until 1:30 p.m.

Wesley Center



Rise Against Hunger began in 1998 as Stop Hunger Now! and is based in Raleigh, N.C. Since its original initiatives in distributing nutritious meals to the starving, this organization has broadened its efforts to improve food security for people worldwide. Rise Against Hunger trains farmers and families in agricultural methods and business skills. Many of these small-scale, local farmers provide the vegetables that are dehydrated for the Rise Against Hunger meals. Furthermore, the organization also works with in-country partners in the wake of disaster to provide crisis relief. Since 2005, volunteers have packaged over 540 million meals.

The Rise Against Hunger [website](#) reports distributing over 27.3 million meals in 2021 throughout 29 countries, including the United States. In the U.S., 17 million meals were packaged to 703,015 individuals. Seventy percent of the Americans served were children. The organization also provides millions of dollars of in-kind gifts. Much of the food included in the meals was raised in the U.S.

At San Ramon Valley UMC, we have sponsored meal-packing events, short mission opportunities great for entire families to do together. Our September communion offering funds dehydrated rice or soy meal, dehydrated vegetables, and spices along with 23 essential vitamins and minerals. As our volunteers know, a group of 40 to 50 volunteers can pack 10,000 meals in about two hours! This year's goal is to pack 14,488 and collect funds of \$5,505.

**Registration is open until September 15 and can be done online [here](#). Contact HollyAnn Melton at [hollyannmelton22@yahoo.com](mailto:hollyannmelton22@yahoo.com) if you have questions about this exciting way for the whole family to serve together!**



*Photo: The "assembly line" nature of this mission makes arriving promptly crucial to get things going smoothly.*

*Use the handy QR code to register for our church's event!*

# Preschool

## Exciting Changes for a New School Year!

Preschool is underway, and we are so excited to have our friends back on campus with us each morning! If you see our teachers around, then make sure to say “hi!” They have been hard at work ensuring that everything is perfect for the beginning of our school year and that each of our students and their families feels comfortable at UMP.

We have a few exciting changes in our program this year! First, we have welcomed a new teacher to our Pre-K program, Ms. Sharon. Ms. Sharon comes to us from the San Ramon Valley School District with experience in varying capacities, most recently in a Transitional Kindergarten classroom. While we were sad to say goodbye to our beloved Ms. Sue, we are incredibly grateful to have found Ms. Sharon. She makes a wonderful addition to our preschool family.

Two, we have added a five-day option for our Pre-K program. Half of our students now attend five days per week, and the other half attend the original four days per week. We are delighted to have some of our Pre-K friends on campus all week long!

Finally, our playground playhouses got a little makeover to start off the school year too! As always, we could never thank the people who support our preschool enough. For this playhouse project, we especially thank Beth McClelland, Boyd Hasik and Jenny Swanson. This was no small task, and the finished project looks better than imagined.

If you would like to support the teachers in their classrooms, below are links to each of their individual Amazon Wish Lists as well as a general preschool list for items that are used in each of the classrooms—all items get shipped directly to our school! We would not be where we are today without the generosity and thoughtfulness of every parent, church member and beyond who support us. Here’s to another great preschool year!

[Pre-K Classrooms Wish List](#)

[Ms. Kate & Ms. Tina Classroom Wish List](#)

[Ms. Meg & Ms. A Classroom Wish List](#)

[United Methodist Preschool Wish List](#)



*Preschool playhouses start the year looking especially good, thanks to the hard work of dedicated people like Beth McClelland, Boyd Hasik, Jenny Swanson.*

# Family Ministry

## Family Ministry Calendar

**Date Changed: Acolytes Return September 18! Training will be Sunday, September 11 at 11 a.m.** Some changes will include children lighting the candle then going to Sunday School instead of sitting through service. Training will occur in the Sanctuary.

**Music Makers, Thursdays, 4 to 5 p.m.,** Grades 2 to 5, Starting in late September. Learn to play hand chimes, enjoy a snack and then gather for singing, musical games while learning musical fundamentals. *If you have any questions or can volunteer, contact Winnie Stribling or Pastor Andrew Davis at [ada-vis@srvumc.org](mailto:ada-vis@srvumc.org).*

**Save the Date: Picnic in the Park! Sunday, October 2, 3 to 5 p.m. at Hap Magee Park.** Families with infants through grade 5. Join us to kick off the new school year! Hap Magee has everything—a great play and water feature area with lots of room for fun! We have secured some picnic tables. We will have snacks and special shaved ice snow cones. **RSVP to [lroy@srvumc.org](mailto:lroy@srvumc.org).**

**Save the Date: Trunk or Treat, Saturday, October 29, 3 to 5 p.m.** Among the most popular church activities of the year! Make room in your calendar for this fun-filled event to volunteer even if your own kids have moved on from the trick-or-treat years.

**Photo: They're smiling under those masks! Trunk or Treat 2021 was great fun everyone involved, adults and kids.**



## Food Truck Party VBS a Huge Success!

Thanks to our many hardworking and dedicated volunteers, we had 43 children laughing, singing, and playing. We cooked up lots of fun! We invited everyone to get on a roll with God as a parade of food trucks rolled into our neighborhood for the summer's biggest party. The ice cream party on Thursday evening rounded out our celebration!

*See Page 14 for Sunday School Information.*



# Family Ministry

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## **Sunday School Your Way**

Join us for in-person Sunday school! Sundays, 9 a.m. No need to register! TK through second grade will meet in small Wesley Hall. Third through fifth grades will meet in large Wesley Hall. Tot Spot will depend on staffing availability.

Online Sunday School meets at 10:15 a.m. via zoom. Email Laura at [lroy@srvumc.org](mailto:lroy@srvumc.org) for Zoom meeting ID and passcode.

## **High Wire**

*Throughout history, God has been faithful to us. God kept the promise to send Jesus to save us. When we remember that God will continue to be dependable, we can choose to trust God no matter what we might face in life .*

### **Week One**

Abraham and Isaac—Genesis 15:1-6; 18:1-15; 21:1-7

*Trust God even when you have to wait.*

### **Week Two**

Issac's Wells—Genesis 26:1-22; 26-31

*Trust God no matter what.*

### **Week Three**

Jacob's Dream—Genesis 28:10-22 (supporting: Genesis 25:19-34; 27)

*You can trust that God has a plan.*

### **Week Four**

Jacob and Esau's Reconciliation—Genesis 31:3; 32:3-32; 33:1-17

*You can trust God even when you're worried.*

**“Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Do not depend on your own understanding.” —Proverbs 3:5, NIV**



# Celebrations

## Birthdays

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|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 Dianne Ehlers                    | 13 Sandi Cook     | 21 Sam Stephenson       |
| 2 Brian Stephenson                 | 14 Bill Fulcher   | Brad Stribling          |
| 3 Lucille Eichelberger <b>(98)</b> | Mike Nicco        | 23 Holland Ericson      |
| 4 Austin Maddux                    | 16 Gary Osterhout | Irv Skeoch              |
| Ellie Maddux                       | 17 Connor Choy    | 24 Alonzo Altamirano    |
| 6 Nicholas Stocking                | Kelly Nakaso      | Tim Buckley             |
| Ray Winter                         | 18 Ela Altamirano | Kerry Davis             |
| 7 James Smith                      | Dave Coombs       | Jane Lang               |
| 8 Corey Merchant                   | John Harrison     | 25 Peggy Crawford       |
| Carrie Metcalf                     | Charlie Rigolfi   | Linda Albertoni Engman  |
| Brad Soderlund                     | 19 Lyn Arscott    | Don Johnson <b>(91)</b> |
| 9 Sienna Isbell                    | Kirsten Ericson   | Alex Maddux             |
| Sheryl Kerr                        | Gregg Mannell     | 26 Pat Ryan <b>(95)</b> |
| 10 Alan Christian                  | Ted Wolfram       | 27 Scott Ericson        |
| Jeff Stroin                        | 20 Marci Milligan | 28 Adrianna Skeoch      |
| Ray Tombaugh                       | Larry Pasquale    | 29 James Kocins         |
| 11 Terry Stocking                  | Lydia Sidhom      | 30 Nell Ryan            |
| 12 Brigitte Greene                 | Judy Takeda       |                         |

## Anniversaries

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Patricia Ludwig and Mike Prenger | 16 Lee & Bill Rust       |
| 2 Brenda & Doug Domergue           | 19 Teresa & Jeff Stroin  |
| 3 Susie & Jim McKnight <b>(62)</b> | 20 & Ali Vojdani         |
| 4 Nicky & Mark Jewett              | Amy & Sam Sidhom         |
| 11 Jamie & Rich Braden             | 23 Annette & Dan Whiting |
| Joanne & Bill Van Bezey            | 24 Jeryn & Steven Smario |
| 12 Jan & Bill Foulds               | 26 Karen & Brian Steffy  |



# Among Ourselves

## Health Concerns

Sharon (Susan Dowling's mother)

Victor Hymes

Ginger (Sandy Greenwood Davidson's sister)

Alex Maddux

Bob Bailey

Barb McWilliams

Bob Brown

## Continued Prayers For

All those who live with long-term illness, those recovering from COVID-19, unemployment, life decisions, and sickness in their families, Kay Jones, Joan Lee, Ann Schroeder.

## Our Christian Sympathy

To Devon Drake on the passing of her mom, Connie Erickson. Connie had Alzheimer's and was in hospice care these last weeks. Per her request there is no plan for a service.

To the Sherman family following the passing of Terry's brother, Tom. The family recently celebrated Tom's life in Ft. Lauderdale.

To the Benzler family for the passing of Bruce Benzler. Plans are in progress for his memorial service.

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