Valley Messenger

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The Holy Series of Events Leading to Resurrection

As we prepare to live into the power of resurrection, I'm aware that Easter is not an isolated celebration. It's part of a holy series of events. Resurrection joy is inseparable from all the events leading up to it.

Jesus' life, example and teachings: Jesus' radical teachings of love and grace offended those in power. Following the way of Christ meant caring for all people: those who were hurting; those who were hungry; those who were seen as outsiders or untouchables or deemed inferior. Jesus and his followers didn't ask if people deserved or earned the right to be healed, seen and cherished. God's love, generously offered to all is the Way of Jesus. More important than his death is Jesus' life and example.

Opposition to Jesus' example and teachings: Political and religious leaders felt threatened by Jesus' values. They looked for ways to criticize, dismiss and silence him. (*Read Luke 20 to get a sense of the mounting tension.*) Yet, Jesus did not let others' misunderstandings or disapproval stop him from living his oneness with God. Jesus lived with great integrity, faithful to his trust in God-with-him and within all.

The events of Holy Week remind us of how to live with courage and faith.

Palm Sunday. We tell the story of how Jesus entered Jerusalem. Jesus entered Jerusalem with a bold message of reform for religious leaders. He did not let fear distract him from his purpose. **Worship at 10 a.m. online and in person.** For those on campus, we offer a brunch and egg hunt after worship.

Holy Thursday. Jesus knew he had to prepare his followers for what was coming, so he shared the Passover meal with them and introduced the sacrament of Holy Communion. May the

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bread and cup of faith nourish us. Join us on Holy Thursday at 7 p.m. for worship and Communion.

Good Friday. We gather on this somber night to face the reality of death and the shocking injustice of Jesus' execution. There would be no need for a resurrection if there was no crucifixion. We name the evil and cry out to God. **Our Good Friday service begins at 7 p.m.**, **online and in person**.

On any given day, I'm challenged and inspired by the way of Jesus. I want to live in a world where God is the center of our being, forever revealing how to love, serve and care for all creation. In Holy Week, we recommit ourselves to the Way of Christ Jesus and a way of being fully alive.

Holy Week Worship Services

Palm Sunday, April 2—Worship and Communion online and in person in the Sanctuary at 10 a.m. Brunch and egg hunt follow.

Holy Thursday, April 6—Worship and Communion online and in person at 7 p.m.

Good Friday, April 7—Worship online and in-person in the Sanctuary at 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 9—Sunrise service in courtyard, in person only at 6:30 a.m; Worship with child-care and Sunday school at 9 a.m.; Worship with childcare at 11 a.m.

Church Directory Moves to Church Center



Once you print a directory, it instantly becomes outdated. Although pictures are nice to see in print, we will no longer include the images in our printed directories.

Online directories are the perfect way to put your directory in our members' hands at all times (you can access the directory via the internet). To obtain a printed copy of the directory, call the office at 925-837-5243, and one will be printed out for you.

More About Church Center From Michelle Cooke

Your church staff has been actively using and expanding their knowledge of SRVUMC's new church management software. This product is designed specifically for churches to help organize member information; coordinate events, services and volunteers; facilitate small group discussions and communication; and connect members of the congregation. We will slowly implement new features of this robust system over the next few months. During this time, you may receive emails regarding joint donors, the 2023 pledge campaign and adding a payment method to Church Center. (Remember, anytime you receive an email about paying the church that seems at all fishy, you can call the office to confirm that it is legitimate!)

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Church Center is for you! It is the member side of our church management software. Church Center connects every church member to all facets of church life at SRVUMC. Simply click on the **Church Center** link from the home page of our church website. Church members may then login to access secure members-only features.

Electronic Directory – Participation in the electronic directory is strongly encouraged. Only members of our church have access to this protected information, and you decide what information you want to display to other members.

Personal Profile - Your Church Center Personal Profile stores all the vital information the church needs to maintain on each congregant, such as your mailing address, birthday and phone numbers. Adding a personal picture to your profile will help build familiarity among the church community. It will also be especially helpful for our new pastor in July.

Giving – SRVUMC is an extremely generous community in giving of time, talent and resources. How one contributes monetary donations to the church does not need to change. Beginning April 1, donations will be processed on the new Giving platform. Through Church Center, you can receive an email notification as soon as the office processes your donation, view a history of your donations made on the new system, and view your pledge commitment—to name a few available features. A new giving page will be available from www.srvumc.org and in Church Center so you can donate by credit/debit card or from a bank account. Donations made online with the new system may look different, but the functionality and the information required to make electronic donations are the same.

Thank you for your patience as we all navigate through this exciting yet sometimes challenging transition. Church Center specific resources will be available from the Church Center link on the church website. However, the office staff is willing and available to assist you with any questions you may have. Please call the office at 925-837-5243 or email Michelle Cooke at mcooke@srvumc.org.

Pastor Andrew's Final Lenten Small Group Wednesday, April 5 from 11 to 12:30 p.m. Pastor Andrew's Office

Coffee and pastries will be served. Even if you've never attended before, this is a great opportunity to connect during Holy Week and reflect on the long Lenten journey using Kate Bowler and Jessica Richie's *The Lives We Actually Have*.

SPRC: Director of and Directions in Music Ministry

Dear Members and Friends of San Ramon Valley United Methodist Church,

We are a faith community that keeps learning how to adapt and see God at work among us! With that in mind, we want to make sure you know about an upcoming change in our music ministry at San Ramon Valley UMC. With gratitude for all that Director of Music Ministry Rosalind Neisinger has accomplished, we are sad to accept her resignation. As she tends to her own well-being, her full-time work at Monte Vista High School and her upcoming wedding, we surround her with our prayers and blessings. For more information, listen to the announcement in our March 12 worship service online. While Rosalind was on staff she brought back our Chancel Choir and Living Water Band. This was no small task and brought the energy of live music back to worship.

So, you ask, what comes next? Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) is focused on both the immediate and the long-term future of music ministry. We have been in contact with Pastor Samuel Yun (our incoming lead pastor on July 1, 2023), and he would like very much to be a part of the decision process for finding a new director of music ministry. With that in mind, we will assemble a search team for this position and commence work beginning early June. First tasks will be the standard process of reviewing the job description, posting the position and collection of resumes from candidates. The intent is to be in the position to commence interviews as soon as Pastor Sam is on board and ready.

What will be the management of the music program during this interim period? Rosalind will direct the Chancel Choir through Easter Sunday. From Easter through the first week in June, Pastor Andrew will direct both the Chancel Choir and the Living Water Band. Pastor Andrew has an extensive background both as a musician and a director, including studying piano, music theory and vocal training, as well as something like fourteen years directing two different church choirs. We are blessed to have Pastor Andrew available to help us bridge to the future. June 4 is Music Sunday, and the musical groups typically go on summer hiatus at this time. Thereafter, Sundays in the summer are covered with special music by soloists or small groups. Pastor Andrew will be working toward lining up this special music through the summer.

This may be more detail than you were looking for, but with transition in place with our pastor positions as well as the music director, SPRC is trying to provide as much transparency as possible. Please feel free to contact any members of SPRC with your questions and concerns and especially if you have any candidates!

Peace be with you all!

Staff Parish Relations Committee

Disaffiliation: What Is It and Who Is Choosing To Do It?

In recent years, The United Methodist Church has seen movement among some individual churches to disaffiliate from the larger denomination. The United Methodist Book of Discipline addresses disaffiliation, saying "[b]ecause of the current deep conflict within The United Methodist Church around issues of human sexuality, a local church shall have a limited right...to disaffiliate..." Neither The United Methodist Church itself nor any attached entity is asking any congregation to disaffiliate.

Disaffiliation amounts to fulfillment of three requirements, according to <u>Ask the UMC-FAQs</u>:

- A decision by a two-thirds majority of professing members present at a church conference (not a charge conference)
- Payment in full of two years apportionment as set by the conference
- Payment in full of the congregation's pro-rata share of conference pension liability

February rulings by the United Methodist Judicial Council include one that says disaffiliating churches may leave the denomination with property, a departure from preexisting guidance saying that each church held property in trust for the entire denomination.

The Lewis Center for Church Leadership has released a Report on Disaffiliating United Methodist Churches Through 2022: Comparing Similarities and Differences. The study by Lovett H Weems, Jr., looks at demographics of church leadership, geography and even congregation size through discussion and graphs. In 2019, the year of comparison, The United Methodist churches in the United States numbered 30, 541, of which 1,967 were considered "disaffiliating."

Lunch With Friends Tuesday, April 18, Noon Wesley Center

Please join us this month for an Easter Spring Feast featuring John Sandler's Jell-O salad (always felt like dessert for salad to me!), glazed sliced ham, deviled eggs, (my) Elli's Easter soup, and Myer lemon cake with raspberry sherbet for dessert! Yum! Open to all—no agenda, just fun, fellowship and good food!

Youth Happenings

Thank you again to everyone for the continued support of our youth ministry. I appreciate our small group, Youth Ministry Assistant Justin Byers, the parents, and members of our youth council. In February, we had a great trip to Disneyland over President's Day weekend, and we could not have asked for better weather with a smooth drive to and back. Despite our tired feet and legs by the end of the trip, it was so worth it. It was a great weekend of fellowship, community building, and getting to know each other better. We are also grateful for the very gracious hospitality of Anaheim UMC.

On March 18, we had a spaghetti dinner fundraiser, talent show, and dessert auction. Once again, we are grateful for the congregation's support of our youth ministry. All money raised will go towards mission work in our community and other projects that benefit the greater community. Thank you to everyone: Your generosity, your desserts made for the dessert auction, your picnic basket to auction off, and your performances in the talent show all made the evening a success. And many thanks go out to our youth and members of youth council for all the great work in cooking, preparing, and serving the food.

On Sunday, April 23, our youth will be holding a car wash (weather permitting) and will have more details in the Friday Memo in the next couple weeks. I encourage all of our youth and families to come to our Holy Week and Easter services, then on Easter Sunday, April 9, we will not have our regular youth group meetings. As always, if you know anyone in grades six to twelve, spread the word, as our middle school youth meet on Sundays from 4:30 to 6 p.m., and high school youth meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the youth room in Wesley Center (go up the stairs when you enter Wesley Center; the youth room is on the righthand side). As always, feel free to get in touch with me at adavis@srvumc.org or Justin Byers at jbyers@srvumc.org.

Peace & Blessings,

Pastor Andrew





Above: Scenes from the youth spaghetti dinner fundraiser on March 18. Money raised supports mission work by our youth.

Living the Faith at the Annual Rummage Sale By John Greene

"Christian": one who believes in God; one who willingly assists others; one who follows in Jesus' footsteps and gives assistance, encouragement, and time to others. I observed and heard these Christians during just one event, the SRVUMC Annual Rummage Sale. Here is a sampling of these occasions:

Karen. Karen was managing the arts and crafts table, as I overheard her talking with a woman. The woman was looking for small craft items she and her granddaughter might do together. The grandmother told Karen she was in the process of gaining legal custody of the child as the mother was unable to care for her daughter, the

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result of legal action from the daughter's use of illegal drugs. Karen, listening and very sympathetic, gave encouragement to this grandmother as she was about to take on a most precious role. Having enrolled her granddaughter in our preschool, the grandmother had dropped in on the rummage sale while waiting to pick up the little girl. I couldn't help but think that Karen's listening, caring, and encouragement had strengthened this grandmother as she assumes a much larger place, a place she did not expect, in her granddaughter's life, or in her own life.

Mary and HollyAnn. Famous for being the "Keepers of the Kitchen", they decided it was time to clean out the storage area as space was needed for more supplies. The timing was perfect as they added unwanted items to the rummage sale, finding a buyer almost immediately. The gentleman, just opening his own restaurant business, was surprised and excited to see practically new tablecloths for sale at very low prices. With their effort, Mary and HollyAnn served our congregation while assisting a new business owner.

Paula. Always reaching out to others, Paula was working the checkout counter. Paula did not recognize the young woman who was approaching the checkout. The woman replied, "No," to Paula's question whether the woman was a member of our congregation, and Paula offered a personal invitation for the woman to attend our Sunday service, informing the woman she would be most welcome. Paula explained we are a friendly and supportive group of worshipers, and Paula had just exhibited those very traits. Who knows, we may see this young woman come Sunday.

Larry. It isn't all about the women working at the rummage sale. Larry is one of a handful of men who support the rummage sale, carting items in for sale as they are dropped off, and carting purchases out to waiting vehicles of the purchasing public. During a break in the action, Larry took a seat on a bench, and soon he was joined by a youth who was assisting in the sale. Larry asked about the boy's plans after high school, the boy a senior. Their conversation continued as the boy stated he was not sure about his plans, or what he wanted to do in the future. Just sitting and

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wasting time? No! All was not resolved that day, but Larry's being available, showing interest, and listening to this youth may have helped guide a young man's future.

ClaudeC. What would we do without the love and effort ClaudeC has placed for so many years on this annual rummage sale? Not satisfied when the sale is over, ClaudeC procured funds from the UMW to take the "guys" out to lunch as a way of gratitude for their help. Thank you, ClaudeC, for your leadership, your hospitality, your always thinking of others, and your special laughter.

Teamwork in Service for Others. Yes, the goal is to provide funds for our youth and service programs, but the work itself is joyful, it's a party! The rummage sale, sponsored by the United Methodist Women, with great assistance from men, women, and youth, work with gusto to combine their efforts in support of others. This is Church, Real Church!

Just a few observations in the life of ordinary Christians, ordinary people, living their faith at one event...

(Editor's Note: John's reflections come from a church rummage sale held a few years ago but are as valid today as they were that afternoon.)

Considering Post-Pandemic Worship With Author Jason Moore Intro by Lisa Jancarik

Sunday morning, and I'm awake early enough to decide: See the people I know in the Sanctuary, or fire up the laptop and crochet along with the worship service? During the pandemic, I discovered that I often think about what I'm hearing in worship more deeply while wearing my pajamas, Starbucks on hand. Communion is a different story, though. Sitting in front of my laptop with a Ritz cracker and a swallow of cranberry juice cocktail has a certain melancholy for me now that nothing is preventing me from partaking in person. Knowing that about myself, I rejoice to worship in person on Communion Sundays. My experience is the essence of "hybrid worship" for many of us as individual worshipers, whatever our reasons.

For the larger church, keeping up "hybrid worship" has some other implications. Two weeks ago, my mom emailed me after worship about a typo in one of the hymn cover slides. Mom lives in Pennsylvania, but she often livestreams our worship services (or watches later). Her access to SRVUMC is an example of how hybrid worship allows our church to reach all kinds of people who find what they need from livestream or recorded services. A few join us formally as members.

The <u>Jason Moore article</u> Pastor Kim gave me to include in this month's newsletter offers context and discusses the role of hybrid worship in the future churches everywhere, including ours. How does what he have to say resonate with you?

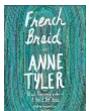
Between the Bookends



Bratt, Kay. Wish Me Home. After a traumatic situation, Cara, a young, troubled woman from Georgia decides to go to Key West, Florida, mostly on foot. Along the way she befriends a stray dog she calls Hemi, after her favorite author. A strong bond develops between woman and dog. The journey is fraught with adventure, friendships and danger until she finally finds a home for both her and Hemi. The whole experience makes her a strong, self-reliant woman who realizes she has much to give others.



Buck, **Rinker**. **The Oregon Trail**. A reenactment of the original event. It is not fiction. It begins somewhere in Missouri and follows the trail as closely as possible to the original. It is not the true Oregon Trail as Mr. Buck states. This is a human interest story about the experiences of the author as he travels the way of the original Oregon Trail.



Tyler, Anne. French Braid. We are once again in Baltimore with another ordinary family which, of course, has its own uniqueness. The timeline spans three generations of the Garrett family—Robin and Mercy, their three children and their six grandchildren. Their ties, while loving and kind, are tenuous due to the quiet aloofness which has been established within the family. Major decisions and changes in direction are simply accomplished by individuals and accepted by others without comment or discussion. In less tal-

ented hands, this reticence could fail to entice, but once again Tyler delights us with her wordplay and her uncanny ability to bring smiles and even out-loud laughter to the reader. You will meet quirkiness, integrity, disappointments and wonderments as you get to know the Garrett clan. Enjoy!

Please Check for These Library Books...

We don't need to know *How It All Began* or if they were lost in *Land of My Heart*, as long as these great reads make it back to the church library someday. And remember, *Somebody Loves You*, even when we issue our gentle requests for returns!



Communion

Hope Solutions

Hope Solutions was formerly Contra Costa Interfaith Housing (CCIH). By whatever name you have known this local organization addressing the need for stable housing in Contra Costa County since 1991. Hope Solutions maintains service sites in three Contra Costa locations; offers scattered site supportive housing for individuals living with disabilities and a Families in Supportive Housing (FISH) program; and provides housing advocacy for people living with HIV/AIDS.



Hope Solutions takes a "housing first" approach to ending homelessness, believing that meeting this basic need restores dignity to the people they serve. During the 2022 Spirit of Giving drive, this organization partnered with other groups and individuals to provide gifts to nearly 750 people, a record for the organization. Learn more about Hope Solutions with a visit to their website to view their range of programs.

On April 29, Hope Solutions invites you to its fifteenth annual fundraising gala at the San Ramon Marriott. All proceeds of the gala benefit local homeless families and individuals in Contra Costa County. Two ways to support this event are by donating an item to the silent auction (deadline was March 31 for this year) or by <u>purchasing tickets</u> to attend. **Direct any questions about the silent auction to Victoria Hernandez by**

emailing vhernandez@hopesolutions.org or calling 925-788-0600.



UMCOR International Disaster Response

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) partners with other nonprofit organizations across the globe whenever disaster strikes to bring aid to affected people. Beginning in February 2023, UMCOR extended its resources to victims of Turkey's 7.8 magnitude earthquake, a massive event with seventy-nine aftershocks and a second earthquake of magnitude 7.5.

Millions in Turkey and nearby Syria have been impacted and depend on humanitarian assistance from UMCOR and its regional partner, International Blue Crescent (IBC). In Syria, earthquake victims are also struggling with a cholera outbreak and extreme weather. Together, UMCOR and IBC supply warm meals, shelter or tents, blankets and first aid kits, among other necessities to both countries' populations.

Learn more about UMCOR and its international relief efforts here.



Youthful Energy

Preschool: How Full Is Your Bucket?

Do you know what a Kindness Bucket is? Our United Methodist Preschool Pre-K students are learning about what it means to be a "bucket filler." A "bucket filler" is a kind and caring person who wants to help others feel good about themselves. Bucket-filling is a term used to refer to positive attitudes and behavior. It relies on the analogy that every person carries with them an invisible bucket. This bucket contains a person's feelings and emotions. When the bucket is full, we are feeling happy and content. However, when it is empty, we feel low, upset and dissatisfied.

Bucket-fillers are people who act in a way that fills another person's bucket and refers to those who practice kindness and good behavior. The analogy comes from the children's book *How Full Is Your Bucket?* by Tom Rath and Donald O. Clifton. The book suggests you can fill someone's bucket by writing them a kind note. Our Pre-K students take this task literally for now and are dictating kind words and phrases to help fill their classmates' buckets. There are many ways to help fill someone's bucket. Our students are learning an important lesson we hope they will carry with them for a lifetime.

Vacation Bible School: Hero Hotline!

July 24 to 28, 9 to 11:30 a.m.

We invite children ages three (potty trained) to grade 5 to the Hero Hotline Headquarters, where everyone's gifts are valued, and every hero has a role to play! Enrollment is \$55 per child, discounted to \$50 per child for families with three or more children. Student take-home music download card is \$5. *Contact Laura Roy, Director of Family Ministry for more information.*



Register <u>here</u> for VBS 2023. Pay for VBS <u>here</u>. *Deadline for refunds is July 16*. Release forms available <u>here</u>.

Palm Sunday, April 2

Brunch (11 a.m.) and egg hunt (11:30 a.m.) follow worship!

Easter Sunday, April 9

9 a.m. Worship—Childcare and Sunday school available 11 a.m.—Childcare available



Celebrations

Birthdays

1 Steve Brown
Julien Hansen

2 Annette Warwick

Dave Webb

4 Linda Green

Greg Lane

Joanne Van Bezey

5 Jayne Schnittker

6 Lonnie Bristow (93)

Sam Colman

Spencer Drake

Lee Russ

Sarah Stribling

7 Martha Kitajima

Jan Knadle

Taylor Munk

Johnathan Robinson

8 Nancy Benvenuto

Jeryn Blair

Trudy Pasquale

9 Randy Helms

10 Dave McWilliams

11 Jim Ball

Craig Schleicher

12 Alice Anthony

Joe Voelker

13 Ed Davidson

Bee Gee Millinich

Randy Durrenberger

Rosanne Ogles

14 Christy Campbell

Cliff Campbell

Madeline DeWalt

Bruce Koliha

15 Alexis Bybel

Ruth Riggin

18 Shelley Lettis

19 Matthew Longstreet

Jennifer Andres

Max Niederauer

Nancy Vazquez

20 Bill Dastic

Eric Johnson

21 John Evans

Bonnie Roberts

Brian Uitti

22 Randy Christensen

Jill Shibuya

23 Boyd Hasik

24 Rafael Altamirano

Larry Henderson

Debbie Koos

Kendra Peterson

25 Donna Lindquist

26 Karen Brown

Steve Garnick

27 Lynne Henderson

28 Nancy Reynolds

Dan Whiting

29 Shirley Stephenson

Vera Robinson

30 Brent Willman

Anniversaries

3 Ginger & Warren McGuffin (51)

7 Kathy & Adam Kennedy

8 Linda & John Green

Teri & Steve Hawk

Sara & Jim Rossini

11 Marilyn & George Clarke
Winnie & Brad Stribling

12 Debbie & Greg Koos

Deborah & Johnathan Robin-

son

20 Laurie & Terry Stocking

24 Lael & Gerard Takiguchi

25 Kirsten & Scott Ericson

Sylvia & John Hemmerich

26 Melanie & Boyd Hasik (54)

Among Ourselves

Health Concerns

Sharon (Susan Dowling's mother) Andy (Susan Madden's husband)

Bob Brown Judith (Debbie Myers' mother)

Kay Jones Barb McWilliams

Continued Prayers For

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

Our Christian Sympathy

For Chris Hoff and family following the death of Chris' father, Richard, in February.

For Steve Brown and family following the death of his wife, Pam, in March.

Celebrating the Life

A memorial service for Paula Leslie will be held April 1, at 2 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church, 4742 East Ave. Livermore, livestreamed and recorded at https://www.asburylive.org.

Thank You

Dear SRVUMC,

Thank you for all the prayers of support as I heal from heart surgery. The cards, flowers and prayer shawl provide the encouragement for a speedy recovery.

Sincerely, Steve Elliott

I just want to thank everyone who sent texts, cards and flowers when Rudy passed away. Rudy died January 17, and our son, Dennis, died in June of 2022. I will continue to live in the facility in Clemson, South Carolina where we moved in July of 2022. Our daughter lives close by and is retired so I see her often.

I love all of you and ask that you continue to pray for strength and courage for me and my family.

Sincerely, Jackie Ceragioli

150 Pershing Ave, Apt. 411, Clemson, SC 29631

Out Into the World

Interfaith EarthFest April 23, 1 to 4 p.m. Peace Lutheran Church

This annual Earth Day Festival brings together the local interfaith community along with partners of civic, school and community groups to channel our collective energies with a common purpose to a more responsibly steward our sacred planet. Through an afternoon of ritual, art, music, speakers, booths, activities and ceremony, we will spotlight our eco-success stories, draw hope from one another, and inspire ongoing local commitment to action.



Trinity Center Night Shelter Volunteering

Eight teams of our SRVUMC small groups are serving evening meals for the Trinity Center Night Shelter. Trinity Center depends on support from faith, business and civic groups to help our homeless community stay safe, dry, and warm during the cold winter months.

Meals are at the Trinity Center on Trinity Avenue, Walnut Creek. Then, qualified participants in the Night Shelter are transported by Trinity staff to the Walnut Creek Armory to spend the night in a safe environment. *Please contact Dick Lam*, (925)788-0336 or *Peggy Crawford* (925) 324-8041 with questions or to volunteer for a team.



Photo: Peggy Crawford, Nancy Benvenuto, Priscilla Wolfram and Linda Jimerson volunteering for Trinity.



Messy Church Returns! April 23, 5 to 7 p.m. Wesley Center

Everyone, adults and children are a must! A new way to "do church" with creativity and celebrations.

Out Into the World





Left: Karolyn Stopper, Holly Ann Melton, Nancy Amini, Roni the Volunteer and Nancy Banisch prepared meals for Trinity Center's Night Shelter. Mmm, corned beef! They delivered and served the meals, too. Learn more about this program on Page 14 or by contacting Peggy Crawford or Dick Lam.

"Workin' at the Car Wash, Yeah!"

Youth Car Wash on April 23, Weather Permitting

Watch the Friday Memo for details. Have your car scrubbed by people too young to catch the disco reference in the announcement title! (Call out box title and disco refrain by Rose Royce, 1976.)



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