

# **Keeping in Touch at SMUMCHH**



### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Louise Burnett is in failing health.

Shiryl Boerlin is under Hospice Care.

The country of Ukraine still under attack.

Prayers of peace for Israel and Hamas who are still in conflict.

The Men, Women and Children of Palestine who remain affected by the conflict and trying to somehow survive daily.

All Hostages and their families.

Countries in the Middle East now dealing with all the unrest.

The people of Japan in their efforts to recover from the 7.5 earthquake.

All the families, friends and neighbors who once again have been affected by another mass shooting.

Each and every one of the U.S. Forces now stationed overseas.

May God give those who are filled with hatred, prejudice, revenge, anger, and violence - to now learn and exhibit peace and love, acceptance, compassion, tolerance and compromise.

Please keep these members, our family, and our friends, in your prayers as well:

Jean Logan, Donna Lilly, Peter Matsumura, Pat Griffin, Dorothy Tarvin,
Carolyn Mueller, Don King, Doris Sachs, Judi Kukral (sister of Terry Feulner),
Chris Kozak (son of Rich and Denise Kozak), Kathleen Brown (niece Carol
Rogers), Diane Crawford (daughter of Shirley Butler), Jeff Graves (son of Joe
and Patty Graves), Karen Barnes (daughter of Glenn Hayes and Dolores
Gonzalez-Hayes), Josiah Gonzalez (son of Dolores Gonzalez-Hayes).

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Those whose names are printed in red, have a special celebration this coming week.

January Birthdays	Jan. 3	Sandy Koh
		Peter Matsumura
	Jan. 5	Cliff Duck
	Jan. 6	Dick Cline
	Jan. 11	Orlen Willoughby

Jan. 13	Joy Kraft
	Larry Howe
Jan. 15	Ruth Barnes
Jan. 16	Joe Graves
Jan. 20	Mike Gallagher
	Don Pastrana
Jan. 21	Shirley Aney
Jan. 22	Jean Howe
Jan. 25	LaVerne Shaffer
Jan. 27	Johnny Doyle

### January Wedding Anniversaries

Sorry, we forget to honor the wedding anniversaries of Bob & Diane Hernandez (Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>) and Tim Gudz & Lynda Zheng (Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>).

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January 29<sup>th</sup>

David & Sheila Crain

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



The Church Office will be closed on Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Holiday.



Our Finance Committee has decided to extend our 2023 Finance Campaign into 2024! So, we are still accepting your Pledge Cards. If you need a pledge card, please be sure to contact the Church Office. Thank you for your generosity!



We would like to thank all of those in our Congregation who helped decorate our Sanctuary for the Advent and Christmas Season. . . . .

Huber Bongolan for bringing up the decorations from the basement; Bob Hernandez for hanging the wreathes; Cindy Fallgren for the Paraments; Diane Hernandez helping by picking up the Poinsettia plants from Vons; Janet Shoop for painting the Blessing Tree; the Card Ministry for making the message cards; Janet Shoop and Margaret Gow for arranging the Poinsettias on the Chancel in the Sanctuary; Louise Green for ordering the candles for the Advent Wreath and creating all the bulletins and the slides for Online services; our Worship Committee for hanging the blue and white banners, asking families to light the Advent candles, and all else needed to make our Sanctuary beautiful.

Blessings and Joy, Olga and Sharon Worship Committee, Co-Chairs



And . . . thank you Morgan Matthews for seeing that all of our donations of socks and cereal get to those in need!



Ash Wednesday 1st Sunday in Lent President's Day February 14<sup>th</sup> (also Valentine's Day) February 18<sup>th</sup> February 19<sup>th</sup> (Office Closed)