



## Keeping in Touch at SMUMCHH



Week of August 18, 2024

### IN OUR PRAYERS

#### **Continued prayers for our Members, Family, and Friends:**

Margaret Gow and Family, Donna Lilly, Cliff Duck, Pat Griffin, Jean Logan, Ruth Feick, Sheryl Boerlin, Doris Sachs, Dorothy Tarvin, Pastor Don Roe, Chris Kozak (son of Rich and Denise Kozak), Diane Crawford (daughter of Shirley Butler), Jeff Graves (son of Joe and Patty Graves).

#### **Prayers out into our World:**

Prayers of protection and safety to everyone in our U.S. Armed Services who are currently stationed Overseas.

Prayers for all those who are dealing with the very severe weather conditions in the U. S. - the high heat, horrific wild fires, hurricanes, tornados and flooding. Prayers for those who have lost loved ones, their homes, their livelihoods, precious animals and precious belongings/memories. Continued prayers as all those affected begin to put their lives back together.

Prayers of thanks to each and every person who is helping all those affected by all the recent severe weather conditions and wildfires.

Many prayers of peace, love, guidance, tolerance, and protection to and for ALL people in the United States as we continue the campaigning for the election of our next President, Vice President, and Leaders of our country.

Prayers of resolutions and peace to end all the current Worldwide conflicts.

### BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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

August Birthdays	August 1	Bob Holte
	August 6	Carlita Bongolan
	August 11	Marilee Hartling
	August 15	Jean Shelby
	August 23	Elias Robles
	August 24	Steven Hill
August Wedding Anniversaries	August 9	Mike & Chris Gallagher
	August 17	Jerry & Eileen Casterline
	August 24	Rick & Pat Kunishima
	August 25	Richard & Diane Cline

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Have you cleaned the floors of your home and found coins under your bed? Reached down for the TV remote in your couch and found lost coins? Do you recycle your beverage containers?

**Give away those found coins** and **on the last Sunday of August, tally up all your found coins and write a check offering to help St. Matthew's UMC in giving to the *East San Gabriel Valley Coalition for the Poor and Homeless*.** Be sure to make the notation on your check for the *ESGVH*.

**In September we will be collecting packages of socks, tee shirts and hygiene supplies.**  
- *Morgan Matthews*



A friendly reminder: **The "Breakfast Club"**, donations of cereal to help feed the hungry, **happens at St. Matthew's on the last Sunday of each month.**

**So . . . on Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, please bring a box (or boxes) of your favorite cereal to Worship.** A collection box will be available in the Sanctuary.

**Also welcomed are small individual packages of trail mixes or even boxes of individual wrapped breakfast bars.**

Thank you for your support!



St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

# Carillon Ringers & Chancel Choir

Rehearsals will resume on  
Thursday, August 22, 2024  
at 4:00pm for Carillon Ringers and  
5:00pm for Chancel Choir



**Pastor David is still offering Free Music Lessons to our community.** Learn how to play the keyboard, guitar or drums. Call the church office at 626-333-6656 or email the office at [smumchh@gmail.com](mailto:smumchh@gmail.com) for more information.



### ***A NOTE FROM YOUR FINANCE COMMITTEE***

Oh, the headaches of snail mail! St. Matthew's has had a difficult time over the last year with mailbox break-ins, and our incoming and outgoing mail arriving slowly, not at all, or arriving in the hands of people where it shouldn't.

Fraud is on the rise everywhere. One of the ways to reduce our risk is to encourage you to make your gifts and offerings to St. Matthew's through online giving. When you choose to give online, your donation will transfer directly from your bank account (or debit or credit card) to our bank account. It is a convenient and secure way to make a one-time or recurring donation.

To give online, visit our website at <https://www.stmatsumc.com> and click on DONATIONS. This will take you to our giving page at [churchcenter.com](http://churchcenter.com) ([stmatthews@churchcenter.com](mailto:stmatthews@churchcenter.com)).

Just fill out the form. There is a dropdown for you to tell us which category of giving (pledge, UMCOR, etc.). You will be asked to enter your email address or phone number to get a security code. Your log-in will give you the ability to pay directly from your bank account, or by credit card. You can set up a recurring donation(s) and to view your prior online donations. You can set it and forget it.

**Direct Pay:** By entering your bank's routing and account number, you can make a one-time or recurring donation. This is a very cost-effective way to give to St. Matthew's as the fee to us is only \$.35

**Credit & Debit Cards:** Many people choose to use debit cards as an alternative to paper checks or exercise responsible use of credit cards as a way to conveniently manage

expenses. Many cards today offer valuable points, such as air miles, which can be an added incentive. You can also set up one-time or recurring donations. You will not incur any fees in making this choice.

We encourage you to try online giving for your future donations. It's safe and it is easy. And if it isn't easy, call Patty (562 713 8717) and let her help!

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# ST. MATTHEW'S UMC

*Presents*

*A concert of sharing our testimonies  
through our favorite hymns*



**This is a Fundraiser Concert. Proceeds  
will help with the cost of shipping and  
repairs of our handbells.  
Thank you for your support!**

**Sunday, Sept. 15, 2024 at 3:00 pm**

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