

The Communiqué

Santa Clara United Methodist Church

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Dear Friends!

I am praying that God's grace and mercy is with you and yours.

The first trimester of 2019 is behind us. More than Sunday worship, our church body comes together to make the world a better place. There are many good things that our church has accomplished together. Our church vision statement, **"We the followers of Jesus Christ will continue to increase engagement in our church and local community through growth in faith, hope, love and inclusion"**, has been a good driving force for us all.

Our regular ministries such as Sunday Fellowship, Family Storytime, Food and Friends, Dinner and JW House, Hearts and Hands, United Methodist Women, and Wednesday Bible Study are running smoothly and strong. These are our church vital signs. They are the answers of why Santa Clara United Methodist church exists. I pray that these ministries continue to bring new opportunity, new life and new energy to our church.

We also had a great Lenten season. We focused on taking our faith seriously. Holy Week was wonderful this year. We had a lot of people participating our potluck Maundy Thursday Service. We had a few people showed up for Good Friday Service. We enjoyed meeting a lot of visitors and members on Easter Sunday. It is always great to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

For more information about our church up coming events, please read through this article.

I would like to encourage us all to increase our involvement in our church life. I am sure that when we are committed to the mission that God has called us to do, we will find the meaning of life; and we will be blessed abundantly. Jeremiah 29:11 says, "For I know the plans I have for you" declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Please feel

free to reach out to me if you want to know how you can be more connected to our church.

I also ask that you keep our church friends and ministries in your daily prayers. We need more wisdom, energy, and encouragement to be more resourceful for our community and to make our vision come true. I believe that God's plan for our church is huge; and we only need to trust and obey.

Blessings

Pastor Vathanak Heang

CHURCH WORK DAY

Please join us on Saturday May 4th from 10-12 to work around the nursery. The more the merrier.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

In April, the UMW participated in mission and service by providing the meal to JW House on April 9. Thanks to Ivana Heang, Emma Cruz, Maria Brillante, Katia Ricigliano and Lisa Hatchett for their efforts to feed families of patients at Kaiser Hospital and give them comfort through discussion and prayers. We will continue to keep those we met in our prayers.



Our next UMW meeting is Saturday May 11 starting at 12:30 pm. Our program will be on "Being Kind to Our Planet: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle" and we will learn new ways to lessen our impact on the environment. We will view a video on one of the influential women in UMW history, discuss our reading program and have time for fellowship. Please let Ivana Heang know if you are planning to attend. Dessert and drinks will be provided.

SCRIP

Spring is here and it's time to start thinking about celebrations and how you could use SCRIP gift cards. Mother's Day is rapidly approaching, graduations and thank teachers day, Father's Day and Birthdays. What better gift could you give than a gift card to their favorite store and purchase it from your church. Call Rich at (408) 234-6856 and let's talk about what you need.

Monday May 13 is a special 1 day event. Most restaurants, department stores and home improvement stores are offering double the rebate to the church for purchases made during this 24 hour period. This would be great if you are planning a big outdoor project or special event. You would need to accept a paper gift certificate or reload an existing gift card. These paper gift certificates work just like a card. I can get them instantly instead of waiting for the card to be sent to me. Ask Rich if you need more information.

Next order will be placed on May 6. KEEP BUYING SCRIP CAUSE IT WORKS.

Rich Hatchett 408-234-6856



- 5/6 Donna Zappia
- 5/13 Eric Borjeson
- 5/13 Joshua Jappia
- 5/14 Diane Byrne
- 5/14 Tony Verducci
- 5/17 Valerie Olson
- 5/21 Joey Reece
- 5/26 Bill Eserini



5/4 Lisa and Rich Hatchett
 May you enjoy the Lord's sweet presence on your birthday and anniversary and be blessed with a year full of love, joy, peace and hope.

Prayers of Healing and Support for the following people:



- Linda Eserini
- Jack Schenaker
- Angelita Barbadillo
- Donna West
- Barbara Shaw
- Delois Reynold

Let us pray: Lord, I believe in the healing power. Please reach down and surround my friends with supernatural peace and strength and give them the faith and trust in you. Amen.

May Calendar

2	11-12:30	Family Storytime
2	11-2pm	Hearts and Hands
2	6:30pm	SONRise Band Rehearsal
4	10-12pm	Church Clean Up
5	9:55am	Sunday Worship
7	11-12:30	Family Storytime
8	6-7pm	Bible Study
9	11-12:30	Family Storytime
9	11-2pm	Hearts and Hands
9	6:30pm	SONRise Band Rehearsal
12	9:55am	Sunday Worship
14	11-12:30	Family Storytime
16	11-12:30	Family Storytime
16	11-2pm	Hearts and Hands
16	6:30pm	SONRise Band Rehearsal
19	9:55am	Sunday Worship
21	11-12:30	Family Storytime
22	6-7pm	Bible Study
23	11-12:30	Family Storytime
23	11-2pm	Hearts and Hands
23	6:30pm	SONRise Band Rehearsal
26	9:55am	Sunday Worship
28	11-12:30	Family Storytime
30	11-12:30	Family Storytime
30	11-2pm	Hearts and Hands
30	6:30pm	SONRise Band Rehearsal

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