

THE BELL

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UPCOMING WORSHIP

March 3

"Raise Up"

John 2:13-22

March 10

"Light Up"

John 3:14-21

March 17

"Lift Up"

John 12:20-33

March 24

Palm Sunday

"Sit Up"

John 12:12-26

March 28

6:30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday

worship at

Niles Discovery Church

March 29

7:15 p.m.

Good Friday

worship at United Church
of Christ, Fremont

March 31

6:30 a.m.

Easter Sunrise Service

at Niles Town Plaza

March 31

10:00 a.m.

Easter Festival Service

"Look Up"

Mark 16:1-8

To worship with us on
Zoom on Sundays, register
once at bit.ly/reg4worship.

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Spring Ahead!



Remember the clocks spring forward (and we lose an hour of sleep) on the night of March 9. Imagine the horror of showing up to worship an hour late.



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United in God's love for everyone's journey ... no exceptions.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF ALISON KIEFT

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Alison Kieft will be held on Sunday, March 3, at 2:30 p.m. at Niles Discovery Church. A reception will follow the service.

Alison was an active member of our congregation and of First Christian Church of Fremont before the merger that formed Niles Discovery Church. Most recently, she served on the Ministry of Hospitality and Fellowship Team and as a Sunday School teacher, bringing her joy and artsy creativity to these ministries she so enjoyed.



ANNOUNCEMENT AND NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS



Please send announcements and articles as you write them to the office administrator at admin@nilesdiscoverychurch.org. Your submission will be posted on our [News blog](#) as they are received, and will be used to create announcements (as appropriate), as well as submitted for the next edition of *The Bell* (if appropriate in terms of timing). The deadline for submissions for the April 2024 edition of *The Bell* is 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 14. In addition to typical newsletter news, we hope to fill each issue of *The Bell* with reflections, photographs, poems, and so forth by members and friends of the congregation.

CONTACTING THE STAFF

You can call the office 510-797-0895 to leave a message for any staff member. Our Office Administrator, Laurel Wallace can be emailed at admin@nilesdiscoverychurch.org. Our bookkeeper, Cecilia Le, can be emailed at cecilia@nilesdiscoverychurch.org. You are encouraged to use the pastor's Calendly app to make an appointment for a phone call or a Zoom meeting or to meet in person as you would like; Pastor Jeff's contact information is to the right.

Pastor Jeff's contact info:

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Make an appointment:

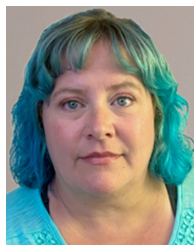
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Organist**
Jenny Lin

“WHAT R U UP 2?” SERIES CONTINUES

by Pastor Jeff

By the time you read this, we'll be a couple weeks into Lent, an especially holy time of the year for Christians. Our Lenten worship series, “What R U Up 2?” invites us to do an unusual practice for Lent. Many Christians give up something for Lent. Rather than giving something up, we'll get up to something. We will consider what Jesus is up to in the scriptures assigned for this season – and, instead of the bemoaning what we can't do, or used to do, in a culture where “measuring up” to external standards seems impossible, we will celebrate the small things we can do right now to respond to God's call in our place and time.

Come join us each week, online or on site, as we reflect on what we can be up to this Lent for the sake of Jesus.

This series concludes on Easter Sunday. There will be special worship services leading up to Easter, during the time we call Holy Week.



Holy Week Plans

The Palm Sunday (March 24) service will focus on the story of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, sitting on a donkey. Sometimes the whole passion story is told and remembered on Palm Sunday. Instead, we're inviting you to participate in two additional special services.

On Maundy Thursday (March 28), we and the members

of United Church of Christ Fremont will gather at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall for a simple soup supper. At 7:10 p.m., we'll move into the sanctuary for a special, dramatic worship service which will start at 7:15 p.m. If you can't be on site for this service, you can attend on Zoom; register at bit.ly/MaundyThursday2024.



Our Good Friday (March 29) service will be hosted by United Church of Christ Fremont, 38255 Blacow Rd. This service will also begin at 7:15 p.m. Inspired by a painting by Van Gogh, the theme for the service is “On the Threshold of Eternity” and will encourage us, even in moments of great sorrow, to look deeply to see, even if indirectly, the light that every shadow involves. If you can't be on site for this service, you can join on Zoom at bit.ly/GoodFriday2024.

In addition to our 10:00 a.m. worship service on Easter (March 31) we will hold a sunrise worship service on the Niles Town Plaza at 6:30 a.m. The theme for the sunrise service is “The Garden,” so you're encouraged to bring flowers – in addition to a chair to sit on.

More information about these services will be available later in March in our “This Week at Niles Discovery Church” email blast. If you don't receive this weekly email, please sign up at bit.ly/NDCemailSignup.

CHURCH ADOPTS BUDGET AT ANNUAL FINANCIAL MEETING

The congregation overwhelmingly adopted the budget presented at the Annual Financial Meeting on Sunday, February 4, that followed the worship service. The membership celebrated the fact that the church ended the year substantially in the black (when a significant deficit was forecast when the 2023 budget was adopted).

INTERFAITH EVENT EXPLORES “BEING GOOD NEIGHBORS”

On Saturday, March 16, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., the Tri-City Interfaith Council will host “Being Good Neighbors: An Interfaith Symposium.” Gathering at Washington Hospital West, the event will strengthen cross-cultural communal bonds and learn how to better support their Muslim and Jewish neighbors in the Bay Area during this time of increased intolerance and violence. Advanced registration is required by Tuesday, March 12, at bit.ly/BeingGoodNeighbors.

“Being Good Neighbors” is open to people of all backgrounds. This event is sponsored by Tri-City Interfaith Council and is supported by its Community Partners. Don’t miss this opportunity to help make our Tri-Cities a more connected and supportive community for all its residents.

This program will include:

- Interactive "Meet Your Neighbor" Conversations
- "How to Be Good Neighbors to Muslims & Jews In Our Community" featuring: Maha Elgenaidi, Founder of Islamic Networks Group (ING) and Rabbi Zoe McCoon, rabbi of Temple Beth Torah of Fremont, CA. Questions Facilitated by Rev. Jeff Dodge-Hogarth, Rector of St. Anne's Episcopal church.
- Vegetarian Community Dinner to Break Ramadan Fast
- Havdalah—brief musical Ceremony ending Shabbat, the Jewish day of rest—will conclude the event

TCIC acknowledges that conversations around Antisemitism and Islamophobia are desperately needed as instances of intolerance and violence toward these communities are on the rise. Unfortunately, when these topics come up, there can be roadblocks toward productive conversations and learning. The focus of this event will be local, and participants will be learning and discussing how we can be better neighbors to one another here in the Bay Area, especially in Fremont, Union City and Newark, the communities that make up TCIC. In order to ensure that all conversations will be rooted in respect, learning, and care for our neighbors, all attendees will be required to agree to the following Community Communication Guidelines, which will be enforced throughout this event:

- Questions and comments should be made with good intent - and in return, we will assume goodwill in others.
- Resilient listening skills in the face of the speakers addressing difficult topics and experiences within the topics of Antisemitism and Islamophobia must be used.
- Geo-Political debate will not be tolerated at this event.
- Protest signs and chants will not be tolerated in this space.



CONGREGATION WELCOMES FOUR NEW MEMBERS

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During the worship service on Sunday, February 4, the congregation welcomed four people into membership, Jeboy Koshy, David Gregory, Mary VonAn-Gregory, and Glennda Chui.

Jeboy Koshy was born in Southern State of Kerala, India. For generations his family were members of Holy Trinity Cathedral, an Anglican Protestant Church in the town of Kottayam. He was baptized in that Cathedral. Jeboy came to the United States to attend college and soon met Karen. Karen and Jeboy were married 48 years ago. They have been residents of Fremont for 41 years. Sadly, Karen passed away on July 8, 2022.

Their oldest son Zubin Thomas Koshy, his wife Reena, and their son Aaraav live in South San Francisco. Jeboy and Karen's daughter Laura-Elizabeth Koshy lives in San Diego. Laura attends Niles Discovery Church in person or on Zoom when 49er games are not in conflict with the Church service.

Jeboy retired from Bank of America System Engineering as a Senior Executive. As a Rotarian he has implemented several humanitarian Rotary Global Grant projects around the world providing opportunities to the less fortunate. He is

very actively serving in several Community Service programs in the Tri-City Area, and he is looking forward to being part of Niles Discovery Church for years to come.

David Gregory and **Mary VonAn-Gregory** moved to Fremont from Iowa in August of last year to be closer to two of their three children and their four grandchildren. Prior to moving, they were long-time members of First Christian Church in Ames, Iowa, a Disciples of Christ congregation.

David is retired from academic librarianship; he enjoys reading, hiking, biking, and combining volunteerism with travel.

Mary likes to kayak, walk in nature, swim, play games, learn Spanish, and, of course, watch her new grandson grow.

Last, but certainly not least, we corrected a clerical error. **Glennda Chui** was a member of Niles Congregational Church and, when Niles Congregational Church and First Christian Church of Fremont merged and formed Niles Discovery Church, some paperwork was lost, and Glennda's membership didn't transfer to the new church. So, we are finally making up for that as Glennda officially renews her membership in our church.

ALLYSHIP 101 CLASS OFFERED: APRIL 7

The people organizing our ministry to and with members of the LGBTQ+ community invite you to the first of three "allyship classes" on Sunday, April 7, during coffee hour, in the fellowship hall. The goal of this first class is to help everyone know the differences between gender identity, gender expression, sex, and sexual orientation.

Allyship 102 will cover issues and



questions that come up during the 101 class on April 7 and will be offered in June. Allyship 103 will be a "biblical self-defense class" to help you address the misuse of the Bible to oppress members of the LGBTQ+ community and will be offered in the fall. The purpose of this three-part series is to help all of us be better allies with the LGBTQ+ community.

EASTER SCAVENGER HUNT

by Judy Hollowell

The Ministry of Christian Education Team will be holding an Easter Scavenger Hunt for the preschool and elementary children of our congregation. The hunt will take place on Easter Sunday following worship in the Fellowship Hall. We are asking for donations of individually wrapped candies or other small Easter treats. You can place your donations in the Easter Basket in fellowship hall. Thank you!



CHOIR PREPARES FOR EASTER

The choir is preparing special music for Easter. Rehearsals are on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome to join in the singing.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

by Beth Armstrong

The Ministry of Christian Education Team is currently seeking two Sunday School teachers to fill in for the remainder of the school year, and perhaps beyond. The two vacancies are for the second Sunday of the month in the elementary classroom and the fourth Sunday in the youth classroom. While Sunday School attendance remains low following the pandemic, the MCE Team still wants to offer Sunday School for those children who are in attendance.

Please contact the MCE Team at mce@nilesdiscoverychurch.org or talk to any team member if you are interested in being involved in the faith formation of the children at Niles Discovery Church.



WHAT IS SOGOREA TE'

by Judy Zlatnik

"Sogorea Te' Land Trust is an Indigenous woman-led land trust based in the San Francisco Bay area that facilitates the return of indigenous land to Indigenous people. Through the practices of repatriation, cultural revitalization and land restoration, Sogorea Te' calls on Native and non-native peoples to heal and transform the legacies of colonization, genocide, and patriarchy and do the work our ancestors and future generations are calling us to do. *To repatriate is to restore a people to their rightful place in a sacred relationship with their ancestral land.*

"We envision a Bay Area in which Ohlone language and

ceremony are an active, thriving part of the cultural landscape, where Ohlone place names and history are known and recognized and where intertribal Indigenous communities have affordable housing, social services, cultural centers, and land to live, work and pray on." (Taken from the Sogorea Te' website)



To learn more and search out new understandings look through Sogorea Te's website at: sogoreate-landtrust.org. The Ministry of Social Concerns Team also has copies of *The*

Ohlone Way, a readable introduction to indigenous life in the San Francisco Bay Area. To borrow a copy, contact Judy Zlatnik after church, by phone (510-797-1389) or email jzlatnik@yahoo.com.

DISCERNING THE FUTURE MISSION OF THE NILES DISCOVERY CHURCH

by Mark Twist



Our Cabinet has elected to engage the Rev. Dr. Celestine Fields, our Associate Conference Minister, to provide us with some congregational coaching. This will not be a one and done activity. We have plans to meet about once a month for several months. Our

first meeting is for the who congregation. It is rescheduled to Sunday, March 10, and will be preceded with a salad “potluck” luncheon directly after worship. All members are encouraged to attend and learn what the plan is. Monthly meetings of Cabinet members and all interested people will begin on March 17.

The work of the Coach is not to tell us what to do or be, but rather to help us to know or define our purpose as a church. We need to figure out what our “Why” is. This will help us assess and define our mission and identity in terms of our way of thinking, our values, needs, wants, and strengths that will move us from being a “group” to become a more collaborative team that can shape the future of our church.

Are you willing to bring something to the salad potluck luncheon and participate in the 12:30 p.m. coaching session? I hope to see you there!



Amalira Henrie who is a
National Merit Scholarship finalist!

BECOMING A BLACK WEALTH BUILDER CONGREGATION

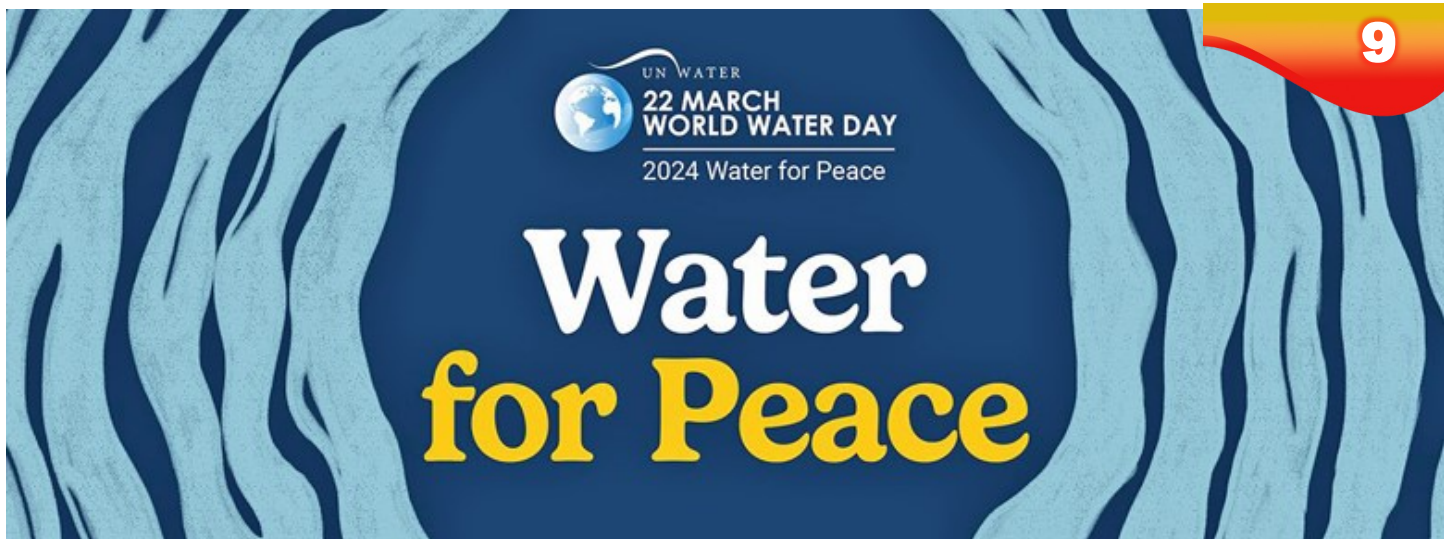
by Judy Zlatnik

In June of 2023, the Northern California Conference of the United Church of Christ voted to take a good look of racism and discrimination in our part of the state and to prayerfully ask each of our Conference congregations to consider becoming a Black Wealth Builder Congregation. The Ministry of Social Concerns Team discussed this and agreed that our ministry did not have the people at this time to take on a new major project. Please contact Ron Adamson if you are interested in learning more about this effort as it develops.

A DAY AT COYOTE HILLS

by Julie Ballard





CELEBRATE WORLD WATER DAY 2024 AND THE SPRING EQUINOX WITH REFUGIA!

by Joy Barnitz

Join us at United Church of Christ Fremont on Friday, March 22 at 5:30 p.m. at 38255 Blacow Rd, Fremont, to celebrate the Spring Equinox on World Water Day, an annual United Nations Observance focusing on the importance of freshwater.

This year's celebration is Water for Peace (un.org/en/observances/water-day). Sponsored by the Tri-City Interfaith Council, this celebration will focus on caring for the waters of the Earth that all of us depend on. Please join us in a ritual of lament, hope and resolution to work for peace through a focus on our common need for water for life. See you there!

Refugia is a biological term describing places of shelter where life endures in times of crisis. Ideally, these refugia endure, expand, and connect so that new life emerges.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD



Members and friends of Niles Discovery Church are invited to submit short notices that may be of interest to the rest of the congregation. Note, no commercial notices or partisan political announcements are allowed. Niles Discovery Church makes no representations or endorsements about the events or services listed.

Volunteer Opportunity! No One Dies Alone Training At Washington Hospital On March 9 And 10 — by Joy Barnitz

Washington Hospital's volunteer program called No One Dies Alone (NODA) trains and coordinates end of life companions for those who are passing away in the hospital. During the training program, interested volunteers will learn how to sit vigil in hospital rooms, thereby contributing to a dignified death for our comfort care patients.

If you are Interested, please contact JB Goodier, Spiritual Care Coordinator at Washington Hospital for more information: 510-818-6569 or by email at jeremy.goodier@whhs.com. Alternatively, you may speak with Joy Barnitz, NODA Coordinator, at jbarnitz@nilesdiscoverychurch.org.

Beyond Thoughts And Prayers: Responding To Gun Violence— by Toni Shellen

The League of Women Voters of Fremont, Newark, and Union City invites you to a free program on the topic of gun violence prevention on Saturday, March 2, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Niles Discovery Church at 36600 Niles Blvd. in Fremont.

The League is featuring activists from Brady United Against Gun Violence for this presentation. Brady speakers include Shikha Hamilton, Vice President of Organizing; Toni Shellen, founder of the Brady Tri-City Alameda County Chapter; and Kath Tsakalakis, Brady San Francisco Chapter co-leader.

Gun violence in the United States is a public health and safety epidemic and is now the number one killer of children. Learn how you can support sensible change and keep our communities and nation safer.

MARCH SPECIAL OFFERING

Investing In Futures

"For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building." – 1 Corinthians 3:9

Our March special offering is split evenly between United Church of Christ's *One Great Hour of Sharing* and Disciples of Christ's *Week of Compassion*. We have the opportunity

to build something miraculous, to plant seeds of new life. Where God's people have suffered loss, we are invited to invest in the future. When we

give to Week of Compassion and One Great Hour of Sharing, our gift travels to places where disaster or poverty have caused great suffering. Through our generosity, we empower communities to grow new kinds of crops in a changing climate; we support youth educa-



tion and vocational training; we rebuild homes and churches and provide needed supplies after disasters; and we empower women with skills to support their family and neighbors. In these and so many other places, we are the co-workers in the kingdom of God. Building, planting, watering ... and trusting that God gives growth to all good gifts shared in faith.

Niles Discovery Church receives a special offering every month. With so many varied opportunities to give, you may need to choose which ones are most meaningful to you.

Thanks to your generosity, our February special offering for Blankets+ raised \$405.



Second Saturday Documentary Series Presents:

REGENERATING LIFE

Due to technical difficulties with the February documentary, it will be shown on March 9

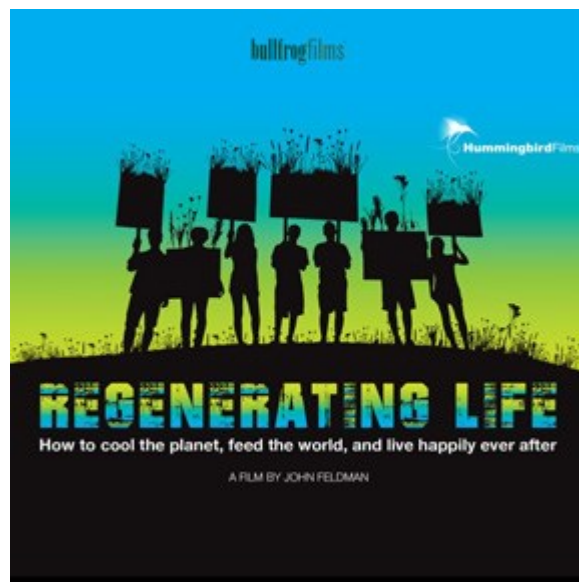
Nature can help us solve our climate problems—if we give her a chance.

Regenerating Life takes an ecological approach to unraveling the climate crisis. It offers a deeper look at the underlying causes of global warming, going beyond carbon emissions from the burning of fossil fuels to humankind's relentless destruction of nature in all corners of the Earth. Because ultimately it is nature—the vast biodiversity that exists on our planet—that regulates and balances Earth's climate.

John Feldman, director of *Regenerating Life*, explores how life regulates the climate through photosynthesis and the carbon cycle; the water cycle; the dung cycle; and a vast interconnected soil network of fungi, microorganisms, and plant roots. He dives into the economic and political systems that have encouraged this destruction of Earth through the relentless quest for wealth and dominion.

We can reverse this destructive process by regenerating life across the planet. Feldman visits people who are working on solutions. By working with nature, they are restoring forests, fields, wetlands, and oceans. They are regenerating soils to grow healthy food and build healthy communities, pointing the way to long term solutions to the climate crisis.

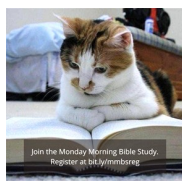
Join us on Zoom for a special screening of this documentary, followed by a discussion, Saturday, March 9, at 1:30 p.m. You can register for this screening and others by visiting bit.ly/SSDSZoom.





REGISTRATION REQUIRED

To enhance the safety of your Zoom experience, we typically require advance registration for Zoom meetings held on the church's Zoom account. You only need to register once for a repeating event. Find the registration links in the descriptions of the scheduled events.



MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Monday Morning Bible study continues to Zoom from 11:00 a.m. to noon. The scripture studied is typically the scripture for the coming Sunday's worship service. Everyone is welcome. Register at bit.ly/mmbsreg.



DAYTIME FELLOWSHIP GROUP On hiatus

Daytime Fellowship is currently on hiatus until a new coordinator volunteers. If you would like to take over organizing the Daytime Fellowship group, please contact Laurel (admin@nilesdiscoverychurch.org).



CYBER GEEZERS March 27

This is a gathering of retirees who are interested in learning more about computers, the Internet, etc. They meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month, which is March 27 this month, from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The group gathers on Zoom. Please contact Jerry Sabo (jlsabo3@comcast.net) for more information.



LAP ROBE TYING GROUP March 27

Come tie lap robes in person on the fourth Wednesday of the month, January to October, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There is a planned "potluck" lunch. Contact Judy Molander, 925-201-7335, regarding what you plan to bring for the group. This month's meeting is on Wednesday, March 27. Please contact Judy Molander (jumolander@aol.com) to be added to the group's email list or if you have suggestions for organizations that might want some donated lap robes.



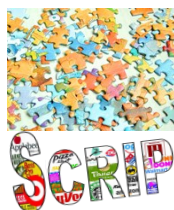
GREEN TEAM MEETING March 6

You're welcome to join the Green Team, a group leading our congregation to address the climate crisis. They typically meet the first Wednesday of the month, from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., on Zoom. For questions, contact Susie Claxton (veroclax@sbcglobal.net) or Bee Newell (beenewell2@gmail.com). Here is the link to the Zoom meeting bit.ly/greenteamzoom.



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join the Adult Sunday School each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall for a discussion about the next section of the book they are reading. Contact John Zlatnik at (jzlatnik49@mac.com) for more information.



PUZZLE EXCHANGE AND SCRIP SALES

You're welcome to drop by the fellowship hall each Friday, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., to exchange a jigsaw puzzle and/or buy some Scrip. Some people stick around to work on a puzzle, just for the fun of it.

PRAYERS FOR THESE PEOPLE (AND THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS)**BECAUSE OF THEIR HEALTH CONCERNS:**

JoAn Parker;
 Sandi Reeder;
 Wally Osborne;
 Charlotte O'Donnell;
 Grace Rankin;
 Nancy Attinger;
 Hermann Attinger;
 Marty Williams;
 Karen Moody;
 Barbara Swint;
 Vickey Kean;
 Jim Vermazen;
 Diane Harvey;
 Barbara P. King;
 Bruce Roeding;
 Diana Roeding;
 George Roeding;
 Veronica Riggs;
 Ginny August;
 Martha LeRoy;
 Judy Zlatnik;
 John Zlatnik;
 Helen Boyer;
 Charlie Smith;
 Becky Moreno;
 Isabel Moreno;

Penn Boyer;
 Isaiah Espinoza-Carter;
 Patsy Finster;
 Diane Kindle;
 Sandra Frisbey;
 Barbara P. King's 6-year-old niece,
Gwennie Phelps;
 Barbara P. King's son, **Jason King;**
 Barbara J. King's great-great-niece,
Kayleigh;
Peter Wilson's dad;
 Riki Twist's brother, **Dave Burch;**
the family of Cindy Sojourner's friend,
Saemi;
 Jasmine Zartman's mother, **Karen**
Trepte;
 Shaun Moeller's brother, **Dave**
Nyman;
 Ron Adamson's sister, **Joanne Orput;**
 Sharon Yool's former student, **Jennifer**
Hurd;
Sharon Yool's daughter;
 Diane Harvey's sister, **Linda;**
 Priscilla Taylor's friend, **Michelle**
Campbell;
 Priscilla Taylor's friend, **Andrea Cohen;**

Priscilla Taylor's father-in-law and
 mother-in-law, **Steve and Angie**
Taylor;
 Rich Gallegos' mother, **Esther;**
 Helen Boyer's sister-in-law, **Marjorie**
Boyer;
 Joy Barnitz's friend, **Polly Baxter;**
 Joy Barnitz's friend, **Rachel;**
 Susie Claxton's sister, **Caroline;**
 Susie Claxton's sister, **Argyle;**
 Becky Moreno's brother-in-law **Vince;**
 Michael Thomson's sister, **Mary**
Thomson;
 Alison Kieft's sister-in-law, **Debbie**
Thompson;
Alison Kieft's friend Laura's daughter;
 Alison Kieft's friend, **Terri Sue;**
Two of Alison Kieft's friends, a
husband and wife;
 Grace Rankin's brother, **Jim Carstairs;**
Katy Wharton's mother;
 Maria Garnica's brother, **Victor**
Garnica;
 Suzy Mahusay's sister, **Jo Carroll.**

**ALL THE SPOUSES, PARTNERS, CHILDREN, PARENTS, AND EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS WHO ARE CARING FOR AND JOUR-
 NEYING WITH SICK, FRAIL, AND/OR ELDERLY LOVED ONES (ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE NAMED ABOVE).**

IN THANKSGIVING FOR ALL THE WAYS GOD BRINGS HEALING.**PRAYERS FOR ALL WHO ARE GRIEVING, ESPECIALLY:**

Kimi Kolbe and her extended family as they grieve the death
 of Alison Kieft, Kimi's mom, on January 24;

Bridget and Ken (and Roy) Lucey-Cose as they grieve the
 death of their newborn son Theodore Ember Lucey-Cose on
 January 11;

Erin King as she grieves the death of her father on January 7;

the family and friends of Kevin Wilbon as they grieve his
 death on January 5;

the family and friends of Janette Anderson as they grieve
 her death on January 2 (Jeanette was the wife of Don
 Anderson, the late Pastor Emeritus of Niles Discovery
 Church);

Beth Armstrong, as she and her family grieve the death
 of her brother Ken on December 23;

Delya Lamerson and her family as they grieve the death
 of Delya's mother, Les Craig on November 18;

the family and friends of Kathy Cavalli who died on
 November 15;

Martha McFarland and her family as they grieve the
 death of Martha's mother, the Rev. Kay McFarland on
 October 21;

Jim Thomas and his family as they grieve the death of
 Jim's brother Steve Thomas on October 16;

OUR CONGREGATION AND ITS LEADERS.

**PEOPLE (AND ALL OF CREATION) AROUND THE GLOBE SUFFERING FROM HUMAN-MADE DISASTERS AND FROM NATURAL
 DISASTERS (OFTEN MADE WORSE BY HUMAN ACTION AND INACTION ON THE CLIMATE CRISIS).**

**PEOPLE WHO ARE UNEMPLOYED AND UNDER-EMPLOYED, ESPECIALLY MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH, THAT THEY FIND EM-
 PLOYMENT THAT FULFILLS THEIR HEARTS AND SOULS.**

March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 9:00AM Adult Sunday School 9:15AM Choir Warm-up 10:00AM Worship 3:00PM Screening of "Up"	26 11:00AM Bible Study Unit 1:00PM Clean Start Hygiene Unit	27 7:00PM BSA Troop 112 Meeting 7:00PM MPSCS and EBPC Rehearsals 7:30PM Book Group	28 10:00AM Lap Robe Tying Group 1:00PM Clean Start Hygiene Unit 1:00PM Cyber Geezers	29 7:00PM ACA Group 7:30PM Choir Rehearsal	1 Safe Parking 1:00PM Puzzle Exchange and SCRIP Sales 2:00PM Facilities Cleaning	2 9:30AM ACA meeting 10:00AM League of Women Voters
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