



SEPTEMBER 2025

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SOUTHBAY

# GOOD NEWS *Marketplace*

Saturday, September 27, 2025

9 AM – 2 PM

This isn't your average rummage sale — you'll find collectibles, Asian dishes and dolls, designer handbags, plants, and delicious baked goods. We'll also have musubi, kimchee, and tsukemono for you to try! You don't want miss our first-ever ReHome Goods Sale featuring recycled, repurposed, and regifted treasures.

Invite everyone to come, shop, and be part of this special community event!

**MORE INFORMATION ON PAGES 10 & 11**



## Join US!



# Now This is What the Kin-dom of God Should Look Like!

*“So we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another.” — Romans 12:5*

On August 24th, our Rally Sunday and Ministry Fair once again reminded me of the joy and energy that happens when the church comes together. With youth leading the way—serving up chili dogs and chili rice that sold out within the hour!—we gathered to eat, laugh, and sign up for Bible studies, choir, ministries, and service opportunities. I was reminded of our very first Ministry Fair four years ago, when Roger and Maxine Butcher exclaimed, “Now this is what the Kin-dom of God looks like!” What a picture of belonging, purpose, and community.

This year, we have adjusted a beloved fundraiser to be our “Faith Marketplace.” Our Marketplace felt like an important next step for us as we adapt to life in a post-pandemic world. It may not have been the full-scale Matsuri of years past—with food booths, little (thrift) stores, games, entertainment, and silent auctions—but the heart of the gathering is still the same, we come together not just to raise money, but to “friendraise;” to strengthen the bonds of fellowship, and to remind one another that our church is alive and thriving.

And yet, we must also be honest. Mainline denominations across the United States are shrinking. Families and young people are busier, seniors (all of us, really!) are getting older, and the workforce of the church is not as strong as it once was. But here’s the good news: the church does not depend on numbers or statistics—it depends on the Body of Christ, each one of us stepping forward in prayer, service, and commitment.

This fall, we will be exploring several important areas for our life together:

- The Nehemiah Capital Campaign – to support both our Building and Visioning Funds, so our facilities can match the mission we are called to live out.
- Visioning for the Church – to discern how God is calling us to grow in faith and in service for the years ahead.
- Stewardship – cultivating a community that sees itself as trustees of God’s beloved community through our financial gifts, but also through our time, talents, and energy.
- Membership and Belonging – what it means to truly commit ourselves to God’s work through our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.

So let me ask you: How can you be part of this Kin-dom building? Here are some simple, tangible ways:

- Sign up for a shift at the Marketplace or volunteer at upcoming events.
- Invite a friend or neighbor to join you at worship or Bible study.
- Pray regularly for our church, its leaders, and its ministries.
- Give faithfully—not only your offerings, but your talents and energy.
- Share your witness, telling others what God is doing in your life.

The truth is, no one person can do it all. But if each of us does something—offers a prayer, signs up for a ministry, invites a neighbor, lends a hand—then together, we will see the Kin-dom of God flourish among us.

This season, may we remember Paul's words: "We, who are many, are one body in Christ." Each role matters. Each gift counts. Each step of faith helps build a community where God's love is known and shared.

With gratitude for each of you,

*Allison K Mark*

Pastor Allison



# What Is on My Heart?

When I sit down to write these reflections, I often ask myself: What is on my heart right now? Most times, I find myself writing about the heartbreak I feel around social justice—when I see systems that hurt instead of heal, or when I hear the cries of people who feel unseen. I write because my heart breaks, and sometimes, yours does too. That shared heartbreak is what draws us closer as a community, as we long together for the world God intends.

But today, what is on my heart is something a little closer in. It is about care—pastoral care, yes, but also the care that pastors themselves need.

I think sometimes people imagine that pastors are always the strong ones, always the steady presence, always the ones who carry the burdens of others without faltering. But if we are honest, there are days when our hearts feel heavy too. We walk alongside grief, illness, and struggle, and sometimes we carry our own. And while it is not the congregation's job to heal the pastor, it is our shared calling as a community of faith to remind each other that none of us carries the weight alone.

For me, grief is still very present. As I watch my daughter Polyana grow so quickly, I can't help but feel both proud and heartbroken. She is blossoming into such a beautiful young lady, and my heart aches wishing that Uepi were here to see his princess becoming the person God is shaping her to be. That longing is part of my daily journey of grief—

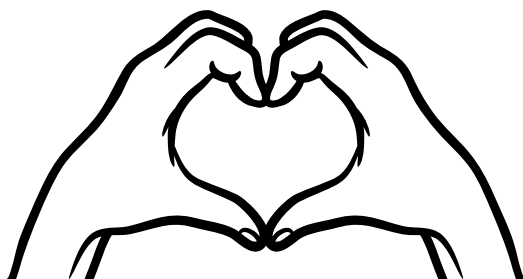
holding joy and sorrow together in the same hand.

This is where spiritual care and mental health care meet. Prayer, scripture, and worship ground us in God's love. Therapy, counseling, and honest conversations about mental health remind us that we are human, created with minds and bodies that need tending. To me, these are not separate things but gifts that work together. Spiritual care reminds us we are beloved. Mental health care gives us tools to live as whole and healthy people. Both are signs of God's healing at work.

So maybe this reflection is simply my way of saying: it is okay to need care. It is okay to seek help. It is okay for pastors and parishioners alike to admit that life is sometimes overwhelming, and that we cannot do it alone. Healing happens in community—when we share, when we pray, when we listen, and when we walk with each other into the light of God's grace.

That is what is on my heart this week. May it give you permission to tend to your own heart too.

With love and grace,  
Minister 'Ainise Isama'u





# Nihongobu News

## 「敬老の日」

今年の夏は暑く残暑も厳しい。その中、神様は夏の楽しみと安息を与えて下さった。8月24日に卓球トーナメントを行った。卓球ミニストリーの皆、シングルスとダブルスの試合に参加したり、見たり、食べたり、楽しい時間を持つことができ主に感謝である。

「白髪の人の前では起立し、年配者を重んじなさい。あなたの神を畏れなさい。私は主である。」(レビ19:32)

9月は敬老の日をお祝いする月。神様の言葉である聖書には、高齢者への尊敬が大事だと教えている。生活の基本はシニアを尊敬し大事にし、神様を畏れること。シニアには、若者にはない知識知恵経験がある。それは家族社会教会にとって大切な宝となる。罪や争いに満ちた社会で、長い人生、苦勞を乗り越え生きたことはすごいこと。

教会では、9月14日に敬老礼拝を守る。そして、9月17日、Senior Hangout ミニストリーでは敬老の日をお寿司でお祝いする。シニアが教会で楽しむ時間を大事にしたい。さあ、主が与えて下さったシニアへの感謝と尊敬の心を忘れず敬老の日をお祝いしよう。敬老の日おめでとうございます!

September is my favorite month, because we get to celebrate “Keiro no hi.”

In Japan, we celebrate Keiro(seniors) Day to appreciate seniors who worked hard for our society.

"You shall rise before the aged, and defer to the old; and you shall fear your God: I am the Lord." (Leviticus 19:32)

The Bible teaches us to respect the elderly. One of the basic principles of life is to respect and cherish seniors and to fear God. Seniors possess knowledge, wisdom and experiences that young people lack. This is a precious treasure for the family, community, and church that God has provided. It is amazing that they have lived long lives and have overcome hardships in a society filled with sin and conflict.

On September 15th, Nichigo will enjoy Keiro worship service. Then, on September 17th, Senior Hangout will celebrate “Keiro Day” with sushi! If you have any friends who are interested, please come and join us!

Remember to show gratitude and respect for our seniors, and fear God!  
“Happy Keiro Day!” 平田

Pastor Becky Hirata

Well, it has been such a rewarding August for all of us in the music department! What a joy it was to see all the happy faces smiling and working hard to have a great time with "A Million Dreams" revue, the first of our Praise and Pour series of events. So many people to thank for all their hard work, and so grateful to all who contributed behind the scenes, on stage, or just attending! I am truly grateful to continue the Faith music events tradition that Stephen Bullard started, and hope that all are willing to be a part in the future in whatever way possible.



All the guest performers enjoyed the experience, and the band members were very willing to come back and do it again. What a blessing to have this opportunity, and we now have added to our "Friends of Faith", as well as additional performers, Faith Alumni Graduates, Faith Soloists, and our backbone of all of it--the Chancel Choir, Crossroads Choir, and the Instrumental Ensemble. Kathy Miya did so much--thank you again! We are willing to support and have other coffee house style Praise and Pour activities, so bring ideas to myself or Kathy.

August is a time for reflection, time off, and focusing on being active starting in September after labor day. Consider being a part of things, and also thanks for all your generous words of encouragement. I have been here now a year, and have learned the church activities, special qualities, and am excited for the new year of possibilities in a year of "Blessings".



*Ron Troester*

Faith UMC Music Director





# Youth Ministry



Hi Friends and Families,

I hope you all had a great and relaxing summer break! I can't believe we're already back to school! Thank you to all those who came out to Rally Sunday and helped with our Hot Dog Lunch for the Congregation! We are so excited to welcome our incoming 6th graders as they come to join our TGIF Group(Together Growing In Faith)!

As we head into the month of September we have a handful of events and activities for the youth group! On Sundays we meet at 10:30am in the Chen Annex every week, except for the 1st Sunday of the Month for Communion. We also have our Friday Night Fellowship on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. The activities and Fellowship time will vary for each Fellowship Night throughout the year! Our Linx Collaboration Ministry with West LA UMC and Centenary UMC will be having our kick off event on September 20th at Dockweiler Beach for a Bonfire! Please invite your friends as we are excited to continue this amazing Ministry with our sister Churches.

Lastly we as a Youth Group (TGIF and MYF), we will be helping with the drinks booth at the Faith Marketplace! Sign-ups and more information will be sent out shortly leading up to the event! Thank you again for all your continuous love and support for the Youth Ministries! We are so grateful for another fun and exciting year together!

God Bless,  
*Darrell Mark*  
 Faith UMC Youth Director

# TGIF

JR HIGH | 6TH - 8TH

# MYF

HIGH SCHOOL | 9TH -12TH





# simple church

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YOUNG ADULTS



**Thursdays – 1st, 3rd and 5th, 7:30 pm**

**BIBLE STUDY on-line**

Topics based on lectionary reading

**Wednesdays – 2nd and 4th, 6:30 pm**

**HANGOUTS in person**

Fun dinner discussions, games, movie nights, and outings

Faith YA groups are facilitated/coordinated by Kelvin Matsumoto  
with clergy support from Rev. Allison or Minister 'Ainise

**Continue growing in Faith. Invite your friends and co-workers!**

Join our #GROUPME text chain for Bible Study link/pass code.

*(Contact Rev. Allison or Kelvin for more info)*

***Join us at Simple Church where faith, friendship, and fun come  
together every week!***

For specific spiritual needs and pastoral care, contact  
Rev. Allison, (310) 217-7000, revallison@faithsouthbay.org





## FAITH UMC CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Nursery to Grade 5



Please join us for Sunday School every Sunday at 10:30am

The Garden (Sunday School) classes are offered for children ages 3 (must turn 3 before September 1) through 5th grade during the 10:30am service.

Child care for children under 3 is available in the nursery located in Room 15. For more information please contact our nursery director Kristen Hayashida at [Faihumc.garden@gmail.com](mailto:Faihumc.garden@gmail.com).

### **Nursery leads:**

Kristin Katayama  
Tam Kobayashi

### **2nd,3rd,4th & 5th grade:**

Leslie Kuwabara  
Courtney Shibuya

### **Garden Teachers:**

PK-1st grade  
Paul Matsushima  
Jolie Miyake  
Kelley Mizukami  
teacher helper- Alyssa Maracha

### **Garden Directors:**

Amanda Taketa Mark  
Kelley Mizukami  
Traci Saruwatari



We can't wait to grow together with you.





# Marketplace



Saturday, September 27, 2025

9 AM – 2 PM



Featuring our first *ReHome Goods* Sale!

Recycled | Repurposed | Regifted Goods

Vintage and Collectibles, Asian dishes and dolls,  
Designer accessories, plants, and a yummy Make Sale  
with baked goods, musubi, tsukemono and kimchee!





## **WHAT we need**

### DONATIONS OF:

- \* Collectibles
- \* Authentic designer items:  
purses, accessories...
- \* Asian dishes, dolls, kimonos
- \* Vintage and Antique Goods
- \* Plants
- \* Baked goods
- \* Tsukemono and kimchee

## **WHEN we need it**

Drop offs will be accepted the  
**week of Monday, September 22.**

**Monday – Friday**  
**10 am to 2 pm**  
**6:30 pm to 8 pm**

**Goods can only be accepted during these drop off times.** Please do not

bring ReHome Goods on Saturday.

**NO** large furniture, stuffed toys,  
old clothing, books, or broken  
appliances!

MAKE SALE goods can be dropped  
off Friday or Saturday morning.

**Be sure to sign up  
for a work shift!**

**Signup board in  
the narthex.**



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# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Ready to take the next step in your faith? Faith UMC is looking for volunteers for the following ministries:

## USHERS & GREETERS

Greeters begin at 10am and stand outside the church and greet visitors and members as they arrive.

Ushers begin at 10am and stand at the sanctuary doors and greet visitors and members as they arrive. If needed, they help distribute candles, bulletins, and gifts. If interested, please email your contact information to [worship@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:worship@faithsouthbay.org)

## BENTO MINISTRY DRIVERS

Drivers will deliver bentos on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month. Deliveries are within the Gardena and Torrance area. With pick-up at the church at 11:30am. If interested, please contact Eva Nishi through the church office.

## FINANCE COUNTERS

The finance committee is seeking volunteers to assist with counting once a month. If interested, please see Rev. Allison or Gary Sakaguchi.

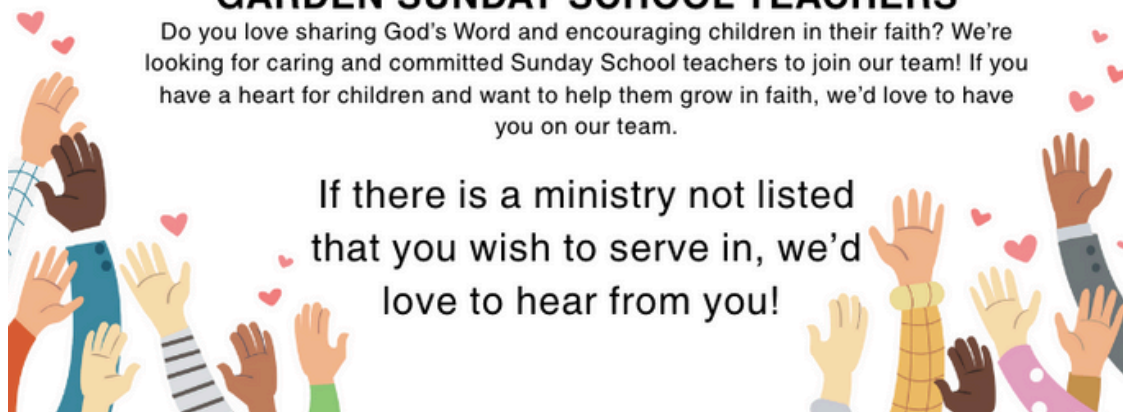
## SHEPHERD'S MINISTRY

Do you enjoy visiting others, writing greeting cards, or making phone calls? Become a Shepherd at Faith UMC! Please contact Tam Kobayashi for more information.

## GARDEN SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Do you love sharing God's Word and encouraging children in their faith? We're looking for caring and committed Sunday School teachers to join our team! If you have a heart for children and want to help them grow in faith, we'd love to have you on our team.

If there is a ministry not listed that you wish to serve in, we'd love to hear from you!





# CUB SCOUT PACK 862

## OPEN HOUSE

ALL ARE WELCOME, K-5TH

**AUGUST 22**  
**SEPTEMBER 12 & 19**  
**7:00-8:30PM**

Faith United Methodist Church  
2115 W 182nd St, Torrance, CA

Stay for the fun and find out what  
scouting can offer you



SCAN or click for  
info/RSVP



<https://tinyurl.com/52aspty>





FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# WORSHIP TIMES

8:30AM

REBROADCAST OF LAST WEEK'S SERVICE

9:00AM

NIHONGOBU JAPANESE LANGUAGE  
WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30AM

IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICE AND  
BROADCAST LIVE STREAM FB | YOUTUBE



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**Lectionary Readings** Grow deeper in Christ by opening yourself to God’s Word, through the study of the Holy Bible. Listed below are the lectionary scripture readings for the month of March. Our Pastors, TGIF and MYF Directors generally preach from one of the lectionary passages in our Worship Services. We invite you to study these passages in preparation for our worship time as well as a means of growing deeper in Christ.

**September 7 – Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Jeremiah 18:1-11  
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18  
Philemon 1-21  
Luke 14:25-33

Grandparents Day

**September 14 – Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28  
Psalm 14  
1 Timothy 1:12-17  
Luke 15:1-10

Keiro No Hi

**September 21 – Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1  
Psalm 79:1-9  
1 Timothy 2:1-7  
Luke 16:1-13

**September 28 – Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15  
Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16  
1 Timothy 6:6-19  
Luke 16:19-31

Sunday After  
Marketplace

# SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

SUNDAY

7

9:00a (A) Nihongobu Worship  
10:30a (Chen) TGIF/MYF  
10:30a (S) Worship  
10:30a Garden Sunday School  
12:15p (22/23) UMW Meeting  
6:00p (F,A,P) Ping Pong

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9:00a (A) Nihongobu Worship  
10:30a (Chen) TGIF/MYF  
10:30a (S) Worship  
10:30a Garden Sunday School  
12:00p (Chen, PL,FofC) Halau  
Kealani O Nalani  
12:00p (online) Youth Advisor  
2:30p (F) GS Troop 5365  
6:00p (F,A,P) Ping Pong

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9:00a (A) Nihongobu Worship  
10:30a (Chen) TGIF/MYF  
10:30a (S) Worship  
10:30a Garden Sunday School  
2:30p (S,F) Japanese Movie Night  
6:00p (F,A,P) Ping Pong

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9:00a (A) Nihongobu Worship  
10:30a (Chen) TGIF/MYF  
10:30a (S) Worship  
10:30a Garden Sunday School  
2:30p (F) Girl Scout Troop 5365  
6:00p (F,A,P) Ping Pong

MONDAY

1 OFFICE CLOSED

9:00a (online) Faithful Healing  
7:00p (online) Nihongobu Bible Study  
7:30p (online) J-Manga

8 OFFICE CLOSED

7:00p (F) Troop 719  
7:00p (online) Youth Parent Meeting  
7:00p (online) Nihongobu Bible Study

15 OFFICE CLOSED

9:00a (online) Faithful Healing  
7:00p (online) Social Action  
7:00p (online) Nihongobu Bible Study  
7:00p (online) J-Manga

22 OFFICE CLOSED

7:00p (online) Nihongobu Bible Study

29 OFFICE CLOSED

7:00p (online) Nihongobu Bible Study

TUESDAY

2

9:45a (S) Sakura Chorus  
10:30a (online) Bible Study  
6:00p (S,F,A,P,16-18) Troop 310G  
6:30p (online) Heretics Anonymous

9

9:45a (S) Sakura Chorus  
10:30a (online) Bible Study  
6:00p (S,F,A,P,16-18) Troop 310G

16

9:45a (S) Sakura Chorus  
10:30a (online) Bible Study  
6:00p (S,F,A,P,16-18) Troop 719  
6:30p (online) Heretic Anonymous

23

9:45a (S) Sakura Chorus  
10:30a (online) Bible Study  
6:00p (S,F,A,P,16-18) Troop 719

M A R K E T

30

10:30a (online) Bible Study

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>3</b> 8:30a (F,A) Senior Hangout 4:30p (A) Music Lessons 7:00p (A) Faith Ensemble 7:00p (online) Bible Study	<b>4</b> 9:30a (Nursery) Baby & Me 10:30a (F) Logos Bible Study 6:30p (S) Choir Practice 7:00p (F) Troop 310G 7:00p (online) Blessed Are You 7:00P (F,A,P) Ping Pong 7:00p (S) Crossroads 7:30p (online) Simple Church: Bible Study	<b>5</b> 4:30p (K) Blessed Bento Prep	<b>6</b> 8:00a (A,K) Blessed Bento 8:00a (22/23) Music Lessons (KM)
<b>10</b> 10:30a (F) Women in Transition 11:30a (K) MSG 4:30p (A) Music Lessons (KM) 7:00p (A) Faith Ensemble 7:00p (online) Bible Study	<b>11</b> 6:30p (Chen) Simple Church: Fellowship 6:30p (S) Choir Practice 7:00p (F,A,P) Ping Pong 7:00p (S) Crossroads	<b>12</b> 8:00a (offsite) Men’s Breakfast 7:00p (Chen) TGIF/MYF Fellowship 7:00p (F,A,P, 16-18) Cub Scout 862	<b>13</b> (PL) Keiro No Hi Pickup/Drop Off 8:00a (22/23) Music Lessons (KM) 8:00a (Chen) Social Action/ Sandwich Ministry 10:00a (F) Prime Timers
<b>17</b> 8:30a (F,A) Senior Hangout 4:30p (A) Music Lessons (KM) 7:00p (A) Faith Ensemble 7:00p (online) Bible Study	<b>18</b> 9:30a (Nursery) Baby & Me 10:30a (F) Logos Bible Study 6:30p (S) Choir Practice 7:00p (online) Blessed Are You 7:00p (F,A,P) Ping Pong 7:00p (S) Crossroads 7:30p (online) Simple Church: Bible Study	<b>19</b> 7:00p (F,A,P, 16-18) Cub Scout 862	<b>20</b> 8:00a (22/23) Music Lessons (KM) 9:00a (A) Bento Ministry Prep 11:30a Bento Ministry Drive Thru 2:00p Mike Hashiro Memorial
<b>24</b> <i>Shared Bread</i> 7:00p (online) Bible Study	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 9:00a Marketplace

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# We lift up prayers for all of God's Creation. Lord Hear our Prayers.

## continued prayers for Healing and Wholeness

Alice Kajiya	Diane & Destiny Ueda-Banda	Jordan Sasaki	Nancy Matsushima
Alma Chang-Lum	Dr. DoAnn Tsuneo Kaneko	Joye Barker	Noah Miyagawa-Sue
Alvena Fukuhara	Dr. Nguyen	Juliet Koyanagi	Oscar Philip Bland, Jr.
Amy Higa	Elaine Yoshida	Kaitlyn Sabedra	Priscilla Kandel
Anthony Anderson, Sr.	Eleanor Ngai	Karlynn Fernandez	Raquel M.Martinez
Apolosi Lokotui	Emi Hino	Kay Saxton	Richard Ueyuenten
Arthur Kobashi	Ernie Santiago	Kian Tehrani	Ruth Hirata
Audrey Goto	Faith Tanaka	Kiki Hashimoto	Ruth Taira
Austin Maeda	Florence Nakakura	Rev. Kim Montenegro	Sandra Minjarez-Grange
Barbara Tamura	Fred Oshiro	Kelsey DeGracia	Steph Matsunaga
Betty Kobata	Geri Shiraki	Kyle Ichikawa	Sue Hamada
Bill Morris	Glenn and Millie Shimizu	Larry Takumi	Sue Hasegawa
Brian Okumura	Grace Tochiara	Layne Nakasone	Susan Mizuki
Cami Bruns	Grant Hanada	Linda Jung	Susan Slade
Carolyn Hyatt	Harriet Tateyama	Linda Sakurai	Tam Kobayashi
Chic Miyake	Haru Yasunaga	Lori Conti	Tommy Sakaguchi
Christine Keim	Hisako Shohara	Lucas Yniguez	Tseyli Mantooth
Claretta Foster	Ingrid Peterson	Marion Antoku	Victoria DelaTorre
Dan Segawa	Irene Munesato	Mary Jung	Walker Wilkerson
Danny Tokudomi	Jack Honda	Mary Marchand	Wayne Shimizu
Dan Yamashita	Jayne Watanabe	Mary Tamura	Winnie Osaki
Derek Troester	Jehiel Vinluan	Maxine Butcher	Theresa Apicella
Deron Tokishi	Jerry Osaka	Mutsuko Nishi	
	Joanne Sato		

## for All Our Saints

Keith Tokuhara and family, on the passing of his wife, Mary Sutton Tokuhara. A Celebration of Life is scheduled for October 4, 2025 at 2:00pm. RSVP with Church Office.

The Hirayama family, on the passing of Ted Hirayama. A Celebration of Life will be held for Ted on Sunday, October 5, 2025 at 2pm. Please contact the Church Office to RSVP.

Carol Hashiro and family, on the passing of her husband, Mike Hashiro (7/25/25). A Celebration of Life is scheduled for September 20, 2025 at 2:00pm. RSVP with Church Office.

Brian Uchida and family, on the passing of Florence Uchida (7/29/25). A Celebration of Life is scheduled for November 1, 2025 at 10:00am. RSVP with Church Office.

The Hirano family, on the passing of Helen Hirano. (8/10/25)

Carol Tondo and family, on the passing of her mother, Yoko Murakami (7/14/25).

Amanda Taketa-Mark and family, on the passing of her grandmother, Llynda Taketa (7/21/25).

The Kawamura family, on the passing of Bess Kawamura.

The Kato family, on the passing of Tak Kato.

The Akiyama family, on the passing of Masako Akiyama.

## those in Community Living & Homecare

Chic Miyake  
Doris Kato  
Emma Horiuchi  
Faith Tanaka  
Rev. Harry Fujimoto  
Irene & Tak Ryono  
Jane Kiyohara  
Marion Antoku  
Mary Jung  
Nobie Shiokari  
Ruth Hirata  
Sets Asano  
Sue Hasegawa

## for our Worldwide Community

## for the Leadership of our Country and our Churches

## for the immigrants: migrants, refugees, asylees

## for our siblings in Christ who struggle and in need of God's care

## for those who live in through wars, unrest, and violence

## for those suffering and rebuilding after national disasters and man-made catastrophes





## *Continued Prayers for our Beloved Community*

### **special prayers**

Prayers for God's presence and healing for **Kraig Nakano**, older brother of our former **Pastor Rev. Derek Nakano**, who has been diagnosed with cancer. The family only asks for your prayers and well wishes at this time. Please no calls or visits.

Also prayers for Tam Kobayashi, Lani Walker and Audrey Goto for healing and recovery following procedures (both post and upcoming).

### **in celebration of**

**Doris Shigihara** on receiving the Bishop's Award at Annual Conference. Doris will receive her recognition in person Bishop Dottie Escobedo-Frank on **DECEMBER 14, 2025!**

Chad is married!! **Chad Uemura and Natsuko Takito** married on September 4, 2025 in Hawai'i! Let us celebrate this couple and support them in their marriage and life together!



## *Let Us Walk With You in Prayer, Celebration, and Care*

Please let Clergy or our Church Office know so we can lift up prayers for you and your family. Whether you want to lift up exciting celebrations and milestones, but also so we can pray for healing and wholeness, or in the passing of loved ones so that we can show our care for you and those you love. Our Shepherd Ministry is also available to make house visits, phone calls, and send messages of encouragement.

# **DEDICATED TO THE FAITH UMC MINISTRY**

Jon & Miki Hayashida  
*in appreciation for Ron Troester  
& A Million Dreams Revue*

Sumiko Watanabe  
*in celebration of Great-Grandson  
Isaac's Birthday*

Kenneth & Arlene Hayashida  
*in honor and thanks of Rev. Allison Mark*

Amy Tone  
*in memory of Florence Uchida*

Eva & Henry Nishi  
Momoyo Wada  
*in memory of Helen Hirano*

Georgine Morita  
Ellen Hokama  
Eva & Henry Nishi  
Keith Hamada  
Momoyo Wada  
Ruth Sakamoto  
*in memory of Jack Hamada*

Geoff & Rhonda Kai  
*in memory of Laurenia Chun*

Alice Yee Mark  
Eva & Henry Nishi  
*in memory of Lynda Taketa*

Elizabeth Tokunaga  
Georgine Morita  
Linda Jung  
*in memory of Masako  
Akiyama*

Sandra Yee Sakamoto  
*in honor + memory of  
Mitsuko Saruwatari*

Alice Sasaki  
*in memory of Robert Sasaki*

Ned Morioka  
*in memory of Robert Takasuji*

Georgine Morita  
*in memory of Sumie Horii*

Ned Morioka  
*in honor of Tony Chan*

Elizabeth Tokunaga  
Eugene & Gladys Sunada  
Georgine Morita  
Linda Jung  
Sumiko Watanabe  
Suyeno Kunisaki  
*in memory of Tak Kato*

Alice Yee Mark  
Elizabeth Tokunaga  
Eva & Henry Nishi  
Ken & Sally Sasaki  
Sumiko Watanabe  
*in memory of Yoko Murakami*

Raymond Isa  
Charlotte Watanabe  
Georgine Morita  
Ken & Sally Sasaki  
Brian & Jennifer Yamasaki  
Geoff & Rhonda Kai  
Lani Walker  
*in memory of Yoshi Yamasaki*

Gary & Mari Sakaguchi  
Keith & Shirley Tanaka  
Linda Jung  
Bryan Hori  
*Prayers & Backpacks Ministry*

Gary & Mari Sakaguchi  
*UWF Soul Care Retreat*

Lani Walker  
May Toya  
Ruth Sakamoto  
*in appreciation of Prime Timers  
Ministry*

Derek Murakami  
Tammi Kobayashi  
*in appreciation of Rally Sunday*

Daniel Hirata  
*in appreciation of Senior Hangout*

Brian & Jennifer Yamasaki  
*Thank you, Faith UMC*

Arlene Santiago  
Barbara Tamura  
Barbara Ueda  
Daniel Hirata  
Dean Yamashita  
Doris Shighara  
Elizabeth Tokunaga  
Evelina Vilona  
Grace Tochiara  
Hito Muneno  
Masanobu Oshiro  
May Tshuko  
Ralph Ichikawa  
Raymond Isa  
Susan Slade  
Teruaki Ebihara  
Wally Shighara

*in appreciation of Bento Ministries*

Barbara Matsukane  
Edwin & Michelle Klunk  
Evelyn Mitarai  
Patricia Perkins  
*A Million Dreams – Stephen Bullard Fund*

Makoto & Lily Nakayama  
Natalia DeGuzman  
Bev Kambe  
David Yokota  
Carol Hamamura  
*in appreciation of Music Ministry*

Karen Matsuyama  
*flowers and gifts for music revue  
"A Million Dreams"*

Keith Hamada  
*in celebration of Christ's Victory  
on the Cross*

*Thank you*

so much for your donations.  
Your generosity means  
everything to us and to the  
community we serve!

*- Corazon*



*Dear Pastor Allison*

and members of Faith UMC,

Thank you so much for the beautiful  
prayer shawl that I received after my dad  
passed away. I am so grateful. It was so  
comforting to have something to wrap  
myself in during the long plane ride home  
and to remember how connected we are  
as United Methodists.

Your kindness will always be remembered.

*Robin Redenour + Bishop Karen Olivetti*

A decorative border surrounds the text, featuring various school supplies and icons: pencils, apples, smiley faces, flowers, paper clips, hearts, and binder rings. The border is colorful and playful.

# Thank you

for your generous and kind support for the back-to-school ministry. **Because you care, 80 children** returned back to school carrying backpacks filled with school supplies. To put this into perspective, as an example, this amount would be equivalent to three classrooms of students.

Close to \$1,000 in cash and gift cards were received to purchase more backpacks and supplies. All went to provide for children in need through **Love INC, In the Name of Christ, South Bay.**

A huge **shoutout to the Day Campers**, their advisors and counselors and to the **Kellie Tani Foundation** for your participation and generous contributions.

**Please continue to pray for success, safety and a great school year for all students.**

*Loving God.....*  
*Loving Kids*



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**@ 2:30 PM**

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FOR MORE INFORMATION: 310.217.7000 / FAITHSOUTHBAY.ORG

THERE WILL BE A SHORT REFLECTION AFTER THE MOVIES



## WHAT IT MEANS TO BE UNITED METHODIST

# METHODISM 101:

A class for those curious & inquiring, who may be interested in joining Faith, as well as a refresher course for Members

Are you interested in becoming a member of Faith United Methodist Church, but want to learn more about the church and denomination first? Need to dust off your church knowledge and hear about the latest happenings in our church?

Please contact Rev. Allison or Minister 'Ainise so we can build a cohort group together!



CAAPIC  
- LOS ANGELES -

## PRACTICING TROUBLE: HOLY RESISTANCE DURING PERILOUS TIMES

Join us as we learn faith-rooted principles of nonviolence and concrete de-escalation techniques to faithfully love God and love our neighbors!

**RSVP AT LINK or  
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# PRIME TIMERS

The Prime Timers ministry is open to all seniors and retired members of our community. We hope that you will join us for one of our upcoming events. For more information about the Prime Timers, please contact the church office (310) 217-7000.

## PRIME TIMERS MEETING

**Saturday, September 13, 2025**

10 am, Faith Fellowship Hall



Guest speaker: **Nicole Adachi**

Physical Therapist, Doctor of Physical Therapy at

Kaiser Permanente, and a board certified neurologic clinical specialist.

She specializes in treating patients with balance and walking problems.



**Saturday, September 13**  
**For those who pre-registered...**

Please meet at the church.

**Departure from Faith at 9:20 am!**

Return departure from Nishi at 3:15 pm.



If you're interested in joining a Hawai'i Mission Rebuild trip to Lahaina, please connect with Rev. Allison. We will be helping Lahaina UMC rebuild their community again.

**On September 2, Rev. Allison will be doing a site visit to Lahaina UMC and community and will report back the details for the trip upon her return. She will meet with Pastor John Crewes to learn about the service work, accommodations, and support we will be preparing for as we create teams to help with the rebuild work two years after the devastating fires.**

**Currently, we are collecting interest forms from those who would like to participate in a Mission Team and will begin holding preparation meeting in the Fall.**

For those curious what this trip will entail, we will discuss the following for a Cross-Cultural Engagement and Rebuild Trip to Lahaina:

- Dates that make sense for the participants wanting to attend; currently we are looking at a Spring (March/April 2026) and late summer/early Fall (August/September 2026) trip. If the group interest is large, we may add a group as early as Winter 2026 (January/February 2026)
- Factoring into the trip: Mobility, Costs ("Economic Stimulus Mode" - staying in local hotels/Air bnb, "Work Camp Mode" - staying in the bunk house being built for volunteers; also flight fares and meals to be factored in), Work needed, Skillsets to be assessed.
- Identifying Team Leaders to work with Rev. Allison and getting the crews prepared, trained, and ready to go. (Rev. Allison will not lead all the groups if multiple are needed)
- Fundraising within the community both for the trip and for support of the Lahaina community.

## Blessed Bento (BB) 1st Saturday of the month

Bentos are prepared and delivered to homebound seniors. On meal day, our BB team will call to confirm your delivery.

If you are not already a participant, please register by calling the church office (310) 217-7000, or email [communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org)

## Keiro: Senior and Caregiver Bento 3rd Saturday of the month

Bentos are prepared both in-house, and/or provided from local eateries.

To request a meal for yourself, and caregiver (up to 2), please call the church office (310) 217-7000, or email [communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org),  
**on the 1st Friday of each month.**

Meals are to be picked up in the church parking lot, 11:30 am – 12:30 pm. If you are unable to pick up, please let us know when reserving your meals.

### Wellness Checks

As added support to this program, when we call to confirm our monthly orders, we will be asking 3 simple questions:

1. How are you doing?
2. Is there anything Faith can do to support you?
3. Would you like a pastoral call or visit?



## bento ministries

**Blessed Bento and Senior Bentos are ministries of Faith and made with love.**

With generous Keiro grants to help subsidize these meal programs, monetary gifts are helpful to the sustainability of this ministry. Gifts and checks can be made to Faith UMC: Bento ministry.

### Our Community Partners

In addition to the Keiro Grant program, Faith UMC also partners with our local South Bay restaurants and local eateries.

**Keiro.**

Founded in 1961, Keiro improves the quality of life for older adults and their caregivers in the Japanese American community of Los Angeles, Orange, and Ventura counties. For more information, visit [keiro.org](http://keiro.org).

# mochi miso tofu

## parenting groups

Families of ALL ages are invited to participate in our monthly... **Intergenerational Family Ministry: MOCHI CLUB**, with pop-ups, movie nights and family activities. **MISO: Mom's in Search Of...** and **TOFU: The Open-Hearted Father's United** are also opportunities for parents of children to connect for conversation, advice, and fellowship, as we grow our children in Faith.

As we start out with fellowship and fun, we hope to grow in our Faith by creating family groups, camping and retreat opportunities for the whole church family and other events and gatherings where we can share knowledge, experience, and raise children spiritually and biblically together. And connect with "Deep Roots" our Family Devotion Dinners as we explore raising our children in faith! **Stay tuned for Mochi Club return as we invigorate our "Sticky Faith" with worship, food, fellowship, and "Messy Church" activities this Fall!**

If you are interested and want to participate, please contact, Minister Ainise 'Isama'u, [akisamau@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:akisamau@faithsouthbay.org) or Rev. Allison Mark, [communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org)



**SEPTEMBER 2025**  
**TBA**

**DEEP ROOTS** (mochi club) Monthly Devotion, deep discussion on Faith Building and Raising our children with a "Sticky Faith", and Potluck dinner for our Faith Families.

Families rotate hosting in their own homes, at the church, or at fun places to gather.

If you are interested in joining, please contact the pastors, or DEEP ROOTS, [communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org)

## Altar Flower Dedications



Celebrate and remember loved ones by dedicating altar flowers. These arrangements help adorn the altar, and are yours to take after Sunday Worship. Sign up at the Welcome table.

Cost: \$30. Cash or checks payable to Diane Fujimori. Any inquiries please contact Diane at [Bloomcloset@yahoo.com](mailto:Bloomcloset@yahoo.com)

## Crafting Opportunities

### HOLY HELPING HANDS

Led by Solange Iseri  
Come fellowship while creating amazing paper displays. Large murals and wall decorations are used for various church and community events. No experience required!

### FABRIC OF FAITH: SEWING, QUILTING & CROCHETING

Our social action team is always accepting handmade: scarfs, hats, and blankets. They are given out by our pastoral care team. These in kind donations are made on your own at home. Occasional tutorial workshops on site.

### CARD MAKING

Everyone loves unique handmade cards! They are a perfect way for us to send love and encouragement, to let our church family and community know they are thought of. No on site workshops. Please drop off in the church office anytime.



For questions, please call  
the church office (310) 217-7000

### Faith United Methodist Church Team Ohana of Faith



Over the last 20+ years, Relay for Life of Torrance has raised over \$4.5 million thanks to generous supporters.

**Team Ohana of Faith**  
**2024: Rank #7 - \$10,027**





# BABY & ME: BIBLE STORY TIME

For Babies and their Caregivers!

Caregivers/guardians and their children ages newborn to age 5.  
Join us for a guided time of Faith Baby Talk, Storytime, Prayer, Play, & Singing.  
NOTE: On any Thursday, the nursery is available to fellowship and free play.  
Please check in with Sandy in the office when you arrive.  
For more information contact: Rev. Allison.

**Nursery - Room 15**

**1ST AND 3RD THURSDAYS  
9:30AM - 10:15AM**

**Email: [communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org) • Church office (310) 217-7000**

**FAITH**  
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## CONFIRMATION & MEMBERSHIP CLASSES

**WANT TO GO DEEPER IN  
YOUR FAITH JOURNEY?**

**WANT TO  
WALK WITH  
OTHERS IN  
FAITH TOO?**



**FOR YOUTH,  
GRADES 8  
AND UP**

**FOR ADULTS  
WANTING TO  
JOIN A FAITH  
COMMUNITY**

**FOR ANYONE  
INTERESTED IN  
METHODISM 101  
& REAFFIRMING YOUR FAITH**



**A NEW 2025 CLASS IS BEING RECRUITED FOR  
THE SUMMER & FALL 2025 SEASON!**

**Sign up with Rev. Allison: [communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org)**

## Faith Van and Ride Share

are offering pick-ups and drop-offs  
**1st and 3rd Sundays**

**September 7 & 21, 2025**

To arrange a ride please  
call the church office  
(310) 217-7000.



If you are in NEED A RIDE to church, please call  
the church office at (310) 217-7000, or contact  
Glenn Sakurai at communications@  
faithsouthbay.org to arrange for a ride.

**Ride Share.** If you are able to **OFFER A RIDE**  
to seniors in your neighborhood, or be part of the  
van pool driver rotation please contact Glenn.

## pathways hiking ministry

*Your word is a lamp for my feet,  
a light on my path. Psalm 119:105*



Join us for **monthly**, short  
day hikes and feel God's  
presence in nature.

Pathways Goal: Continuously develop  
an outdoor hiking/walking ministry to  
improve physical, mental, relational and  
spiritual health.

Basic hiking orientation training  
required. For more information contact:  
Glenn Murakami,  
gnmurakami@gmail.com |  
Alan Saruwatari, one.nhc@att.net

## Faith Hula

**Please contact**  
**Amanda Taketa Mark**  
**via the church office for**  
**more details and to sign-up!**

Teacher: Kevin Tsutsui  
Coordinator: Amanda Taketa Mark

**Coming this Fall: KEIKI**  
**HULA CLASSES!**  
**Stay tuned for details!**



## Faithful Healing



Join Alan Saruwatari, CST,  
shiatsu therapist and QiGong  
practitioner at One Natural  
Healing Center

**1st and 3rd**  
**Mondays 9:00 am**

Learn ways to strengthen your natural healing  
abilities, and take an active role in the  
healing process through meditation  
that connects with your Christian faith.  
Feel God's love as you calm your mind,  
relax your body and brighten your spirit.

Contact Alan Saruwatari at  
one.nhc@att.net for zoom information

## SMALL GROUP STUDIES ARE BACK THIS FALL!!

### Theology Book Club

(aka Heretics Anonymous)

Every 1st & 3rd **TUESDAY**

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, on-line

Delve deeper into your understanding of God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit by joining our Monday Theology Book Club (Heretics Anonymous) as you read contemporary theologians who challenge our often traditional thinking of the Christian faith.

Contact Roger Butcher or  
Danny Hirata for more information  
[communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org)

### Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Every Tuesday at 10:30 am, on-line

### Mid-Week Bible Study

Every Wednesday at 7:00 pm, on-line

If you've tried Bible studies before, but found them difficult to understand or irrelevant to your life, please join us online using our weekly Bible Study Guide Curriculum, written by Faith Clergy. Our conversations are engaging, honest and practical. Each Study community creates a culture of prayer and connection. Come and grow in your faith!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5883329633>

Call for Passcode

As a way to continue our lessons from Sunday worship, Study Guides are also available each week on our website, for those who prefer independent study and devotion. If you are interested, please contact the Church via email: [communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org) or call (310) 217-7000.

### Logos Bible Study

Every 1st & 3rd Thursday

10:30 am -12:30 pm, in-person Faith Fellowship Hall

Led by Rev. Allison and Minister Ainise. Come join us if you desire to grow deep in Christ.



*rejoice  
always*

*pray  
continually*

*give  
thanks*

### Blessed Are You: Women's Bible Study

Every 1st & 3rd Thursday, on-line

7:00 pm

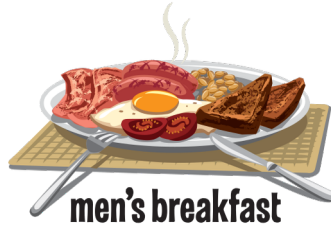
Bible study group for women of all ages and stages of life. Women spend a special time with God in a tranquil and soothing environment, created especially for a spiritual experience that is comforting, supportive, accepting, and affirming to sisters in faith.

Contact Alice Mark for zoom link,  
[communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org)





Providing 40 nourishing lunch boxes and sack lunches to our community in need.



3717 West 190th Street, Torrance, CA 90504



For more information contact:  
Geoff Kai and Cathie Tani, coordinators  
[communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org)



40 sack lunches are prepared in the  
Chen Annex (8:00 am - 9:00 am)  
and delivered to the day laborers at  
Home Depot.





Our new “Shepherds Ministry” are trained and ready to offer their care and support to our church family and beloved community.

Would you like a visit from our shepherds, wellness phone call check-ins, or to receive thoughtful cards please?

Please let us know how we can support you. Contact :Tam Kobayashi, (310) 217-7000 or [communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org)

### **Women in Transition**

**2nd Wednesday, 10:30 am, Faith UMC**

**Next meeting: Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 10**

Life’s toughest journeys are easier when shared with others who understand. Our Women in Transition Small Group offers a warm and compassionate space where women can come together to support space where women can come together to support one another through the difficult process of losing a loved one. In this circle of care, we share our stories, lift each other up, and find strength in the fellowship and love that surrounds us. Whether you’re seeking a listening ear, a comforting word, or simply the companionship of others who’ve walked a similar path, we invite you to join us.

For more information, contact Rev. Allison at [revallison@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:revallison@faithsouthbay.org).



## **caregivers' support**

The Caregivers’ Support provides support to those who are caring for aging parents and loved ones. We also provide resources in the fields of elder care, Alzheimer’s disease, and other end of life concerns.

Please contact Rev. Allison Mark for caregiver resource information. [communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org)



**2nd Wednesday  
11:30 am  
Faith UMC**

**Next meeting: September 10 at 11:30am**

### **The Men’s Support Group (MSG)**

is primarily for widowers. We share the experience of loss of loved ones, and explore redefining our lives and significance in face of this loss.

We cook and share foods together under the leadership of Ralph Ichikawa, and listen to participants’ life experience as they see their significance in light of Christian belief.

For more information, contact Mas Oshiro or contact the church office, [communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org)

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**Growing deeper in Christ  
Going farther for Christ**

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