

JULY 2026

# GOOD NEWS

JULY 04

**SATURDAY**  
Independence Day

JULY 05

**SUNDAY**  
Communion Sunday

JULY 10

**FRIDAY**  
UMC Night @ Dodger Stadium is officially **SOLD OUT!** Thank you to everyone who reserved tickets.

JULY 11

**SATURDAY**  
PrimeTimer's *It's Time for Dodger Tea* at 11:00 AM in Fellowship Hall

JULY 13

→ 17

**MONDAY through FRIDAY:** Prep week for "Faith Express: Discover Jesus. Live Out Your Faith" Day Camp. Holy helping hands invites you to help prepare for day camp. See Solange Iseri for details!

JULY 20

→ 24

**MONDAY through FRIDAY:** "Faith Express: Discover Jesus. Live Out Your Faith." Day Camp 9:00am - 3:00pm (ALL OTHER usually scheduled EVENTS POSTPONED OR OFFSITE)

JULY 25

**SATURDAY**  
Keiki Camp at 9:00am - 11:30am

JULY 26

**SUNDAY**  
Day Camp & Keiki Camp Reflection Sunday

**We invite you to connect, serve,  
and celebrate with us at our  
summer events.**

**All are welcome!**

**August Summer Sabbath – Selected bible studies, small groups,  
and committee meetings will be taking off for the month of August.**

# And Endless Summer? Finding God in Every Season

*"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven."  
— Ecclesiastes 3:1*

As we enter the second month of summer, it's hard not to smile at everything we've already experienced together as the Faith family. We've celebrated the end of another school year, honored our graduates and those promoting into new chapters of life, welcomed home our Japan Mission Team, and sent clergy, lay delegates, district leaders, and conference staff to Annual Conference—where the desert heat of La Quinta reminded us just how dedicated our connection truly is! We celebrated Mary Tamura's remarkable 102nd birthday and prayed over our Junior High and Asian (American High School) Campers as they headed off to Camp Wrightwood with faithful counselors, advisors, and directors. And that was only the beginning of summer!

Now we're preparing for Day Camp, Keiki Camp, Reflection Sundays, and all the opportunities that remind us why this church continues to be a place where faith is nurtured across generations.

Sometimes we wish summer could last forever. There is something about longer days, laughter, fellowship, and new adventures that makes us want to hold on just a little longer. But the rhythm of our faith reminds us that life is made up of many seasons.

While we celebrate milestones and new beginnings, we also continue to pray for those recovering from surgeries and hospital stays. We hold close the families who carry heavy burdens. We remember loved ones who have become saints among us. We pray for our community, our nation, and our world, trusting that God's love remains constant even as life changes around us.

Perhaps that is the gift of summer. It invites us to notice God's faithfulness in every season—the joyful ones and the difficult ones alike. We celebrate together. We grieve together. We pray together. We grow together. As we continue through these summer months, may we embrace each day as a gift from God, making space for rest, service, laughter, healing, and hope. And may we remember that whatever season we find ourselves in, we never walk it alone. God is with us, and so is this beloved community.

At camp this year, their theme was “Connected By Love” reminding us that we are all connected to one another and the one who does the connecting is God, the one whose love is everlasting. I was asked to preach on the 1 Corinthians 2 text on the Body of Christ and reminded our Youth and Young People that God created us exactly who we were meant to be, different and unique, but all in God's image. Now it is up to us to use those gifts with vision, mission, and purpose. All of us.

Different Seasons. Different Gifts. One Love. One Body, In Christ,

*Allison K. Mark*  
REV. ALLISON K. MARK



*Annual  
Conference  
2026,  
La Quinta,  
CA*



*Mary  
Tamura's  
102nd  
Birthday*



ASIAN CAMP  
(AC)+ JUNIOR  
HIGH CAMP  
(JHC), CAMP  
WRIGHTWOOD



# The Joy of Summer at Faith UMC

As summer unfolds, bringing longer days and moments to slow down, we are reminded that God's faithfulness remains constant in every season. In a world that often feels busy, uncertain, and divided, the Church continues to be a place where hope is renewed, relationships are strengthened, and Christ's love is made known.

This summer, Faith United Methodist Church invites you to stay connected through worship, fellowship, service, and spiritual growth. Whether you're volunteering at Day Camp, cheering on our children as they grow in faith, sharing conversation with the PrimeTimers, serving our neighbors, or simply taking time to rest in God's presence, there is a place for you.

One of the things I love most about Faith UMC is our deep commitment to camp ministry. Every summer, we send our children, youth, and young adults to places where they can encounter God in meaningful ways. This year is especially special for me as a mom, as my daughter, Polyana, is attending the combined Asian Camp/Junior High Camp for the second time and is having an amazing time. Knowing she is growing in her faith,

building friendships, and being surrounded by caring leaders reminds me why camp ministry is such a gift. It truly has the power to shape lives.

As August approaches, we will once again observe our Summer Sabbath—a sacred invitation to pause, rest, and be renewed. Sabbath reminds us that our worth is found not in how much we accomplish, but in belonging to God, who refreshes and restores us.

May the words of Hebrews 10:24–25 continue to guide us:

*"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together...but encouraging one another."*

May this be a summer of deepening faith, joyful fellowship, meaningful service, and renewed hope. No matter what is happening around us, we remain anchored in the steadfast love of Jesus Christ. We look forward to sharing this season with you and your loved ones.

With love and gratitude,  
‘Ainise Isama’u

## “Japan Mission Trip”

5月18-27日Japan Mission Trip引率奉仕をした。今年はWLA&Faith教会ジョイント大人チーム8名。新しい奉仕が2つ。少し緊張しながら臨んだ。月曜日にLAを出発し、火曜日に羽田到着。水曜朝、神奈川県平塚市の東海大学 前キャンパスにあるJLodgeカフェが12時オープンする前に打ち合わせのミーティング。12時半と3時にEnglish Conversation テーブルをリード。大学生や青年たちが集まり、上級クラスも初心者クラスもワイワイガヤガヤ。そして、JLodgeカフェ閉店後、6時からキャリアトーク。中田ゲリー兄とシェロル姉が自身のキャリアについて、苦労話も含め話してくれた。「主がどのように導いてくれたか」の話に青年たちは聞き入り、質問してきた。クリスチャンの青年はいなかったが、人生の歩みに悩む若者は必至に聞いていた。終わったら、ピザでフェローシップタイム。食べて話して、まだまだ帰る人はいない。やっと電車に乗りホテルに帰る途中、私たちは12時間奉仕にヘトヘトに疲れ、時差で眠く、皆電車の中で寝落ちしてしまった。初日であつた！しかし、素晴らしいミニストリーに感謝した。木曜日朝、石巻へ向かう。夜は牧師宣教師ファミリーを励ます食事会。石巻到着後、忙しく準備。悩む主の働き人を励ます餃子とすき焼きディナーは、子ども達や牧師婦人が喜ぶ。アメリカから子供服を持って行ったので、子ども達は大喜びであった。続けて主の奉仕を頑張ってもらいたい！金曜日は午後から女川復興住宅訪問。クラフトと聖書のお話しが中心である。不思議な事に、参加者は毎年1名ずつ増えている。お茶を飲まず、一生懸命クラフトをエンジョイしていた。久しぶりに会う村の方々は喜びで溢れ、お茶を飲む時間を惜しんでいた。祈りの課題を聞く時は、一番元気に話しが盛り上がったのである。夜は、ESLクラスをヘルプ。なんとも楽しい奉仕の一日であった。

土曜日午後2時から母の日ミニコンサート。1時にはレインボーシアターに到着して準備。野外シアターなので、まず、ほうきで葉っぱなどを掃いてから、ピアノとマイクをセット。お母さんを感謝する賛美歌や楽しい日本の歌で、コンートは盛り上がった。レインボーシアターは、津波で3人の子どもを亡くした遠藤さんが、自宅跡地に建てたシアターである。母の日を祝ってくれる子どもを全員亡くした彼は泣いていた。それが忘れられない。「みことばを宣べ伝えなさい。時が良くても悪くてもしっかりやりなさい。」IIテモテ4:2恵みをたくさん受けた素晴らしい宣教の旅。ただただ、主に感謝しかない！

### Japan Mission Trip (May 18-27, 2026)

From May 18-27, I had the privilege of leading our Japan Mission Trip. This year, eight members from West Los Angeles UMC and Faith UMC participated in the journey. Together, we served through two new ministries: the JLodge Café Ministry near Tokai University in Kanagawa and a Mother's Day Concert in Ishinomaki.

After arriving in Japan, our first ministry took place at JLodge Café. We hosted English conversation tables for university students and young adults, creating opportunities for meaningful conversations and relationship-building.

That evening, Gary and Cheryl Nakata shared their career experiences and faith journeys during a special career session. Although none of the attendees were Christians, they listened attentively and engaged in thoughtful discussion. We ended the evening with fellowship over pizza and were grateful for the connections that were formed.

We then traveled to Ishinomaki, where we hosted a dinner for pastors, missionaries, and their families. We served sukiyaki and gyoza and distributed children's clothing brought from the United States. It was a blessing to encourage those who faithfully serve the Lord and to see the joy shared among the families.

In Onagawa, we visited a government housing community still recovering from the effects of the 2011 tsunami. Through crafts, tea, conversation, and prayer, we reconnected with residents and prayed for their health and well-being. We also assisted with an ESL class that evening.

One of the most memorable moments of the trip was the Mother's Day Mini-Concert held at the Rainbow Theater. The theater was built by Mr. Endo on the site where his home once stood before the tsunami claimed the lives of three of his children. As we sang hymns and songs celebrating mothers, Mr. Endo was moved to tears. His deep grief and faith left a lasting impression on all of us.

Throughout the trip, we witnessed God's grace through every conversation, meal, prayer, and act of service. We are deeply thankful for the opportunity to share Christ's love and to support our brothers and sisters in Japan.

"Proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching." — 2 Timothy 4:2

It was a wonderful mission journey filled with abundant blessings, and we give thanks to God for all He has done.

Pastor  
Becky Hirata

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# DAY CAMP 2026



*Discover Jesus. Live Out Your Faith.*

## DAY CAMP DATES:

JULY 20-24, 2026

INCOMING 1ST GRADE - INCOMING 8TH GRADE

### TIME:

9:00AM - 3:00PM

CHECK-IN 8:30-

9:00AM

### LOCATION:

FAITH UMC

ADDRESS: 2115 W. 182ND STREET |  
TORRANCE, CA | 90504

**BRING DAILY:**  
SACK LUNCH, SUNSCREEN

DAILY EMAILS WILL SEND  
REMINDERS OF ADDITIONAL  
THINGS TO BRING



DAY CAMP + KEIKI CAMP REFLECTION SUNDAY:

JULY 26, 10:30AM, MEET AT 10:00AM

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# KEIKI CAMP 2026



*Discover Jesus. Live Out Your Faith.*

### KEIKI CAMP DATE::

JULY 25, 2026

AGES 3 - 5 YEARS OLD

### TIME:

9:00AM - 11:30AM



**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:**

Kristen Katayama  
Tam Kobayashi

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

Leslie Kuwabara  
Courtney Shibuya

**Garden Teachers:**

PK-1st grade  
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.



# Youth Ministry



Dear Friends and Families,

Summer is here, and we are excited to kick off our summer activities! Our youth and leaders recently returned from Asian Camp, where 15 campers and 6 counselors from Faith spent an incredible week together at Camp Wrightwood. It was a meaningful and spiritually enriching experience filled with worship, fellowship, growth, and fun. We are grateful for the ways God moved throughout the week and for the relationships that were strengthened.

As we move through July, we are also busy preparing our counselors and staff for Day Camp. We look forward to welcoming campers for a fun-filled and exciting week of activities, learning, and faith formation. Please keep our counselors, volunteers, and campers in your prayers as they prepare for this important ministry.

Youth Group will continue meeting throughout July, and we hope to enjoy a few special summer activities together as well. As we head into August and our annual Summer Sabbath, be sure to watch for information about our Camp Reflection Service. During this special service, our youth and leaders will share stories, favorite memories, and the ways they experienced God through camp this summer.

Thank you to our congregation for your continuous love, encouragement, prayers, and support of our youth ministries. Your investment in our young people makes these life-changing experiences possible. We hope you all enjoy a relaxing, refreshing, and renewing summer season!

God Bless,  
*Darrell Mark*  
 Faith UMC Youth Director

**TGIF**

JR HIGH | 6TH - 8TH

**MYF**

HIGH SCHOOL | 9TH -12TH

# simple church

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



## Join Us for "We Are Family"!

Faith UMC is excited to present our annual "We Are Family" Music Revue, a special fundraiser featuring an entertaining mix of Broadway favorites, jazz classics, timeless standards, and a brand-new medley celebrating the music of the 1970s.

Performances:

**Friday, August 7 at 7:00 PM**

**Saturday, August 8 at 1:00 PM**

Tickets: **\$20**

Saturday Meal Option: **\$30**

This year's show will feature talented performers from our Chancel and Crossroads Choirs, members of the Faith congregation, and special guest artists. Enjoy songs from beloved musicals such as *Les Misérables*, *My Fair Lady*, and *The Phantom of the Opera*, along with favorites including *Brotherhood of Man*, *We Go Together*, *God Bless the Child*, and *We Are Family*.

Filled with great music, fun costumes, and plenty of heart, this revue is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the gifts and talents within our church community while supporting Faith UMC's ministries. Invite your friends and family and join us for an afternoon or evening of music, fellowship, and fun. We look forward to seeing you there!

*Ron Troester*

Faith UMC Music Director



FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PRESENTS



*We Are Family*

A MUSIC REVUE

**TWO SHOWINGS!**

*Friday*

AUGUST 7, 2026

7:00PM

**\$20** SHOW ONLY

*Saturday*

AUGUST 8, 2026

12:00PM LUNCH

1:00PM SHOW

**\$20** SHOW ONLY

**\$30** LUNCH +SHOW

Featuring music from jazz, pop, music theater, and the 70's!

For tickets, call the church office:

310.217.7000





 FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# WORSHIP TIMES

**8:30 AM** REBROADCAST OF LAST WEEK'S SERVICE

**9:00 AM** NIHONGOBU JAPANESE LANGUAGE WORSHIP SERVICE

**10:30 AM** IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICE AND BROADCAST LIVE STREAM FB | YOUTUBE

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of the donation.

**PLEDGE CARDS ARE AVAILABLE TO SUBMIT ONLINE**

Pledge card online link: <https://tinyurl.com/faithumcpledgecard2024>

# 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.

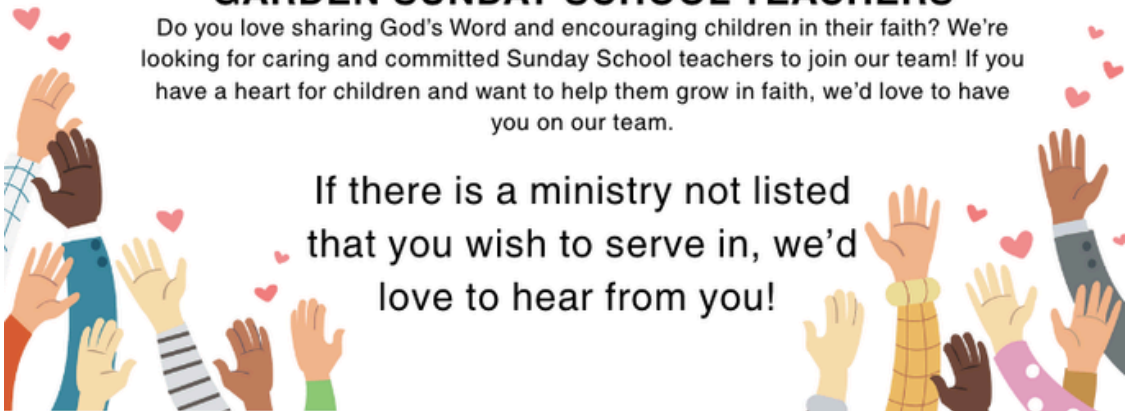
## SHEPHERD'S MINISTRY

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!





**PRIME  
TIMERS**



Meeting with Special Program  
Hosted by Kimberly Ageno & Kelley Mizukami

## *It's Time for Dodger Tea*

All Prime Timers are invited to join us for a morning filled with food, tea, and fellowship

**Saturday, July 11, 2026**

**11am**

**FUMC Fellowship Hall**

Tea, sandwiches, scone, salad and dessert

Please bring your own teacup

Wear blue and white or your favorite Dodger gear!

Love Offering accepted

To RSVP, contact the office at (310) 217-7000

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 Chris Kamatani (310) 612-7826

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.

**July 5 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

Genesis 24: 34-38, 42-49, 58-67  
Psalm 45: 10-17  
Romans 7:15-25a  
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Independence  
Day Weekend  
Clergy Welcome  
Back

**June 12 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Genesis 25:19-34  
Psalm 119:105-112  
Romans 8:1-11  
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

**June 19 – Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

Genesis 28:10-19a  
Psalm 139:1-12, 23-2  
Romans 8:12-25  
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

**June 26 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

Genesis 29:15-28  
Psalm 105:1-11, 45b  
Romans 8:26-39  
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Day Camp & Keiki  
Camp Reflection  
Sunday

Grace Tochihara  
Masanobu Oshiro  
Keith Hamada  
Ellen Hokama  
Kimiko Kono  
Victoria De La Torre  
Richard & Sandy Uyeunten  
Nancy Matsushima  
Diane Ueda  
Anonymous  
Ralph Ichikawa  
Raymond Isa  
Suyeno Kunisaki  
Daniel Yamashita  
Susan DeGracia  
Barbara Ueda  
Alvin & Janet K. Yamada  
Teruaki Ebihara  
Reiko Tarui  
Frances Mitoma  
Daniel Hirata  
*in support of Bento Ministries*

Ivy Toma  
Elaine Yoshida  
*in support of Prime Timers*

Daniel Hirata  
*in memory of Auntie Chieko Miyake*

Richard & Liza Tamura  
*Facility Usage Donation*

Alyson Kubo  
*in thankfulness for Spencer & Kelly's  
graduation & Good Health*

Richard & Sandy Uyeunten  
Alvin & Janet K. Yamada  
*in support of Top Golf Leap of Faith*

Morioka Ned  
*in memory of Uncle Fred*

Berton & Terry Nelson  
*in memory of Kraig Nakano*

Dennis & Karen Sakoda  
*in memory of Corinne Higa*

Wendy Arima  
*in support of Faith UMC Garden Ministry*

Brian & Diane Fujimori  
*in memory of Kazuko Maruyama*

Ivy Toma  
*in memory of Nick Toma*

Gary & Cheryl Nakata  
*in support of Nihongobu Ministries*

Kathy Miya  
*Violin Strings and Rosin  
in support of Faith UMC's Music Ministry*

thank you

Dear Faith UMC Family,  
I wanted to share my heartfelt thanks for  
your prayers during my surgery and  
recovery. Your kind words and prayer  
support are greatly appreciated as my belief  
in the power of prayer is strengthened!

I'm so happy to share that my surgery went  
very well and I'm nearly (fully) recovered.

Praise God!

With much love & gratitude,  
Ally Kubo



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

## continued prayers for Healing and Wholeness

Rev. Alan Mark	Rev. Gary Williams	Kaitlyn Sabedra	Patty Kobayashi
Alice Kajiya	Geri Shiraki	Karlynn Fernandez	Priscilla Kandel
Ally Kubo	Glenn & Millie	Kay Saxton	Rachel Delgado
Alvena & Tom Fukuhara	Shimizu	Kian Tehrani	Raquel M.Martinez
Amy & Ramsay Higa	Gordon Mark	Kiki Hashimoto	Rose Ellison
Anthony Anderson, Sr.	Grace Tochihara	Rev. Kim Montenegro	Ron Hamaguchi
Apolosi Lokotui	Grant Hanada	Kelsey DeGracia	Rick Katsuki
Austin Maeda	Harriet Tateyama	Kenny Medeiros	Ruth Hirata
Barbara Tamura	Harry Manaka,	Kyle Ichikawa	Ruth Taira
Betty Kobata	Sansei Rocker	Larry Takumi	Sandra Minjarez-Grange
Bill Morris	Harry & Ruth Takaki	Layne Nakasone	Stan Miyasato
Brian Okumura	Ingrid Peterson	Linda Jung	Steph Matsunaga
Cami Bruns	Irene Munesato	Liz Harner	Sue Hamada
Christine Keim	Jack Honda	Lucas Yniguez	Sue Hasegawa
Claretta Foster	Jacqueline Wong	Marion Antoku	Sue Mizuki
Cory Williams	Jan Tanabe	Maddie Sakurai-Lopez	Susan Slade
Dan Segawa	Jayne Watanabe	Mae Nakakihara	Takai Finau
Dan Yamashita	Jehiel Vinluan	Mary Jung	Tina Arguello
Deron Tokishi	Jennie Shitakubo	Mary & Bob Keily (siblings)	Tommy Sakaguchi
Debbie Uyeshima Dillard	Joanne Sato	Mary Marchand	Tseyli Mantooth
Diane & Destiny Ueda-Banda	Joelle Peelgreen	Mary Tamura	V'hraniku & Shaun Haynes
Dr. DoAnn Tsuneko	Joyce Matsubara	Maxine Butcher	Victoria DelaTorre
Kaneko	Joye Barker	Rev. Mike Hiranuma	Vincent Gomez
Elaine Yoshida	Julie Inouye	Miyoko Ahn	Wailana Bulkley
Eleanor Nagai	Juliet Koyanagi	Mutsuko Nishi	Walker Wilkerson
Ernie Santiago		Nancy Matsushima	Whitney Nakayama
Faith Tanaka		Noah Miyagawa-Sue	Winnie Osaki
Florence Nakakura		Oscar Phillip Bland Jr.	Yukio Inouye
Frank Sato		Pam Fink	
		Paul Mito	

## those in Community Living & Homecare

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  
Jennie Shitakubo  
Fred Oshiro  
Audrey Goto

## 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

## for All Our Saints

Neal, Lylas, and Elaine and the Miyake family, on the passing of Chieko "Chic" Miyake (June 15, 2026)

The Kato family, on the passing of Doris Kato (June 28, 2026)

Jane Matsumoto and Shohara-Matsumoto family, on the passing of Hisako Shohara (June 27, 2026)

Dave & Helen Wada and family, on the passing of Helen's mother, Kazuko Maruyama (4/10/26)

The Yasunaga family, on the passing of Harue Yasunaga (May 29, 2026)

The Shimizu family, on the passing of Wayne Shimizu

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# JULY CALENDAR

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

5

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

12

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  
2:00p (A) Keiki Hula  
6:00p (F,A,P) Ping Pong

19

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

26

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

6 OFFICE CLOSED

9:00a (online) Faithful Healing  
7:00p (F) Troop 719  
7:00p (online) Nihongobu Bible Study  
7:30p (online) J-Manga

13 OFFICE CLOSED

5:00p (F,A,P) Kanani Kalama Hula  
7:00p (online) Nihongobu Bible Study

20 OFFICE CLOSED

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

27 OFFICE CLOSED

7:00p (online) Nihongobu Bible Study

7

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

14

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

21

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

DAY CAMP

28

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

**1**

8:30a (F,A) Senior Hangout  
 4:30p (A) Music Lessons (KM)  
 7:00p (A) Faith Ensemble  
 7:00p (online) Bible Study

**2**

9:30a (Nursery) Baby & Me  
 10:30a (F) Logos Bible Study  
 7:00p (F) Troop 310G Leadership  
 7:00p (F) Ping Pong  
 7:00p (S) Choir Practice  
 7:00p (online) Blessed Are You  
 7:00p (online) Simple Church:  
 Bible Study

**3**

4:30p (K) Blessed Bento Prep

**4**

8:00a (A,K) Blessed Bento  
 9:30a (22/23) Music Lessons (KM)  
 2:00p (A,P) Nichigo

**(ALL CHEN) Asian Camp Post Camp**

**8**

10:30a (F) Women In Transition  
 11:30a (K) MSG  
 4:30p (A) Music Lessons  
 7:00p (A) Faith Ensemble  
 7:00p (online) Bible Study

**9**

7:30p (Chen) Simple Church:  
 Fellowship  
 7:00p (F) Ping Pong  
 7:00p (S) Choir Practice

**10**

8:00a (offsite) Men's Breakfast  
 7:00p (Chen) TGIF/MYF Fellowship

**11**

8:00a (Chen) Social Action/  
 Sandwich Ministry  
 9:30a (22/23) Music Lessons (KM)  
 12:00p (F,A,K) Prime Timers

**15**

8:30a (F,A) Senior Hangout  
 4:30p (A) Music Lessons (KM)  
 6:00p (22/23) Women in Transition  
 7:00p (A) Faith Ensemble  
 7:00p (online) Bible Study

**16**

9:30a (Nursery) Baby & Me  
 10:30a (F) Logos Bible Study  
 5:00p (F,A,P) Kanani Kalama Hula  
 7:00p (S) Choir Practice  
 7:00p (online) Blessed Are You  
 7:00p (online) Simple Church:  
 Bible Study

**17**

1:30p (K) Keiro Bento Prep

**18**

9:00a (A) Bento Ministry Prep  
 9:30a (22/23) Music Lessons (KM)  
 11:30a Bento Ministry Drive Thru  
 5:00p (A) Deep Roots

**22 SHARED BREAD**

7:00p (online) Bible Study

**23**

6:30p (Chen) Simple Church:  
 Fellowship

**24**

6:00p (offsite) TopGolf Fundraiser

**25**

9:00a Keiki Camp

**DAY CAMP**

**29 SHARED BREAD**

4:30p (A) Music Lessons  
 7:00p (A) Faith Ensemble  
 7:00p (online) Bible Study

**30**

7:00p (F,A,P) Ping Pong  
 7:00p (S) Choir Practice

**31**



THE  
**KELLI TANI**  
*Foundation*



HONORING KELLI'S LEGACY. INVESTING IN TOMORROW.



The Kelli Tani Foundation was established in memory of Kelli Tani, a beloved member of Faith UMC who passed away in 2024 at the age of 28. Through scholarships and community service, the foundation honors Kelli's legacy of leadership, compassion, and helping others.



Each year, the foundation recognizes graduating seniors who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership, and a commitment to community service. One of this year's scholarships was awarded through the FOR Basketball Association, where Kelli spent many of her formative years as a member of the FOR Waves.



This year's recipient is Emily Shibata, an outstanding student, athlete, and leader. Emily is a National Honor Society board member, a California Scholarship Federation member, and earned Principal's Honor Roll with Distinction all six semesters of high school. She was a varsity basketball player, former JV golfer, and recipient of the TUSD Athletics Award for her commitment, teamwork, and leadership.



Emily has also held numerous student leadership positions, including class council fundraising lead, publicity lead, and ASB Communications Lead. Beyond school, she has volunteered with the Paul Revere Middle School iPad program, served as a Vacation Bible School counselor at Faith UMC, mentored campers at Kizuna Summer Camp, volunteered at the South Coast Botanic Garden, and remained active with Northstars Girls Club Basketball and Double Dribble Basketball.



Emily is an especially meaningful recipient because she shares a personal connection with Kelli. As a junior high camper at Faith UMC, Emily was one of the campers Kelli mentored as a counselor. Her outstanding character, leadership, and commitment to serving others make her a fitting recipient of the Kelli Tani Foundation FOR Basketball Association Scholarship.

*Congratulations*

TO OUR 2025 - 2026 RECIPIENT

**EMILY SHIBATA**



ACADEMIC & ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ National Honor Society board member
- ✓ California Scholarship Federation member
- ✓ Principal's Honor Roll with Distinction all six semesters of high school
- ✓ Varsity basketball player
- ✓ Former JV golfer
- ✓ Recipient of the TUSD Athletics Award for her commitment, teamwork, and leadership



EMILY WILL BE ATTENDING

*UC San Diego*

— IN THE FALL —  
 STUDYING HUMAN BIOLOGY

“ Thank you, Emily, for embodying the spirit of Kelli through your leadership, compassion, and dedication to others. ”

YOUR FUTURE IS BRIGHT!



**TOPGOLF  
FUN-RAISER!**



Join us for an evening of fun, food, fellowship,  
and *friendly* competition at the

## **Faith Topgolf Fun-raiser!**

Whether you're an aspiring pro or have never picked up a club,  
anyone can play and win.

Best of all, every swing supports **Faith UMC!**

- **When:** Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, from 6-9pm
- **Where:** Topgolf El Segundo
- **Cost:** \$125/player -OR- \$50/non-player (food only)
- **What's Included:** 3 hours of Topgolf gameplay & competitions (clubs provided), a complimentary buffet, unlimited soft drinks, and a chance to win prizes in our “Leap of Faith” opportunity drawings!

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: July 12th**

Please send registrations to the Church Office or  
TopGolf Fun-raiser booth on Sundays after worship service.



We extend our heartfelt thanks to **Andie Montoya** for her faithful service and the many ways she has blessed the ministry of Faith UMC. As she begins an exciting new chapter with a job closer to home, we celebrate this wonderful opportunity while also feeling the sadness of saying goodbye.

We are especially grateful that Andie has graciously agreed to remain with us by working Wednesdays only until our new Office Manager begins. We also extend our sincere thanks to Karen Matsuyama, Chris Medeiros, and Jason Sasaki for generously offering to help fill in during this transition.

Please join us in thanking Andie for all she has done for Faith UMC and in praying God's blessings over her new journey. Details for a farewell celebration will be shared soon.



**SAVE THE DATE: NOVEMBER 7, 2026**



**What You Need to Know**

- Safety
- Corazon paper work & forms; Copy of passport ID, (Participant deadline: 10/20/24)
- Skillsets needed & can be taught
- Transportation / Carpooling to San Diego
- Things to bring: i.e. A Passport is MANDATORY
- Meals
- Costs (personal, and group fundraising)
- Optional overnight stay

**A Sample Day with Corazon**

- 4:00am Leave Faith
- 6:00am Meet at shopping center in Chula Vista (Terra Nova Shopping Center at Smart & Final; E Street and 805)
- Meeting with Lead Builder (safety, prayer)
- 6:30am Leave for border/site
- 8:00am Start Build
- 5:00pm Finish Build
- 7:00pm Return to Chula Vista
- 10/11pm Return to Los Angeles

**HOW ELSE YOU CAN HELP!**

If you are not able to help with the in-person House Build, you can help by donating the following to the CORAZON BINS in the Narthex:

- Gifts for family
- Household items to get settled (Kitchen, cleaning, etc.)
- Donations toward Corazon build

**CHANGE THE WORLD SUNDAY - October 11, 2026**  
 Afternoon Workshop for Corazon:  
 What is Corazon and what do they do?  
 Hands on Session: Build a roof demonstration  
**DEADLINE TO SIGN UP, TURN IN PAPERWORK, TRANSPORTATION COSTS, and DONATIONS (monetary and gifts for the families) October 2026**

Contact Faith Church Office or see Roger or Maxine Butcher for more info: [communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org)

**Sponsored by Faith UMC and Mission Area Churches**



# PRAYERS & BACKPACKS for Kids



In preparation for the upcoming school year, **2026-2027**, we are once again appealing for your help in remembering students with prayers for their success, safety and well-being.



For the boys and girls from financially challenged families, during the **month of July**, Faith will once again collect new backpacks and school supplies. Cash donations will also be gratefully accepted. All contributions for this ministry will be donated to **Love INC South Bay**.



♥ Your prayers and donations can make a **BIG** difference in a child's future!

## THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL SUPPLIES WILL BE APPRECIATED:



MECHANICAL PENCILS    PENCILS    ERASERS    COMPOSITION BOOKS    PENS    BROAD TIP MARKERS    FINE POINT MARKERS    HIGHLIGHTERS    GLUE STICKS    POCKET FOLDERS    CRAYONS    POST-IT NOTES    PENCIL POUCHES



If you know of anyone in need, please let **Barbara Takumi** or **Jan Tanabe** know. All referrals will be kept confidential.



Thank you for caring and for your prayers, willingness and generosity for this ministry.



Together, let's pray, give and bless our kids!



Please pray. Give if you can. Change a life. Build a future.



Thank you for being the hands and heart of Jesus!

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Presents

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FREE ADMISSION  
& POPCORN!

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EVERY THIRD  
SUNDAY OF  
THE MONTH  
@ 5PM

# JAPANESE MOVIE NIGHT

JAPANESE AUDIO/ENGLISH SUBTITLES

Yasujiro Ozu's first post-World War II film takes place in an overpopulated Tokyo neighborhood that has been partly destroyed in bombing raids. Here, a hard-hearted middle-aged widow (Choko Iida) reluctantly takes in a child (Hohi Aoki) abandoned by his father.



A true masterpiece must see. An absolutely charming film, Choko Iida made me chuckle throughout the movie. An elegant little drama told with a precise comedic voice, this is just another example of Ozu's propensity for wonderfully small films about the Japanese experience. Rotten Tomatoes.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
**SUNDAY,  
 JULY 19, 2026**  
**At 2:30 pm**

★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Curtain after curtain is lifted as this formidable film exposes a Japan unknown to most. NY Times, J. Mellon

FEATURING  
**Ozu's Record of a Tenement Gentleman**

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH / 2115 WEST 182ND STREET, TORRANCE 90504

FOR MORE INFORMATION: 310.217.7000 / FAITHSOUTHBAY.ORG

THERE WILL BE A SHORT REFLECTION AFTER THE MOVIES

# WOMEN IN TRANSITION evening group

You are not alone. 🧡

Join our second Women in Transition evening group—a sacred, supportive space for women navigating change, grief, new beginnings, or life’s unexpected turns. Whether you are in a season of loss, growth, waiting, or rediscovery, this circle is for you.

**We will meet every 3rd Wednesday of the month, from 6:00–7:00 PM in Room 22/23.**

All women of all walks of life are warmly invited.  
Come as you are.

Please **RSVP** at this link:  
<https://tinyurl.com/witeveninggrp> or  
via QR code.



For more information,  
contact Shari Yamamoto or Cathie Tani.



## COUNCIL OF MINISTRIES COM MEETINGS

Calling All Ministry Leaders!

Thank you for your dedication to Faith Ministries! Your gifts bring life and richness to our church community. Please mark your calendars for upcoming COM meetings (in-person only, 10 a.m.–12 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall):

AUG 29 | NOV 21

Can't attend? Send a substitute. Ministry announcements should be submitted a week before each meeting. Stay connected and help us keep everyone informed—here's to a faithful 2026! —Tam Kobayashi, COM Chair



# Marketplace

Back by popular demand... Faith Marketplace!

## Saturday September 26, 2026

The Return of the *ReHome Goods* Sale!  
Recycled | Repurposed | Regifted Goods



**Save the Date & Save your Stuff**



Please save your stuff, but  
**DO NOT bring to church**  
until our designated drop dates!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A  
**CELEBRATION**  
of *Love & Faith*

HONORING

*Barbara & Lawrence Takumi*

Celebrating a Lifetime of Love, Faith & Commitment

1938-2026



*"A cord of three strands  
is not easily broken."*

ECCLESIASTES 4:12

Come celebrate with us as we give thanks  
for Barbara and Lawrence's beautiful legacy  
of love, faith, and devotion  
over the many years.

SUNDAY  
**AUGUST 23, 2026**  
3:00 PM

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
2115 WEST 182ND STREET  
TORRANCE, CA 90504

*All are welcome!*

**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.



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! **2026 is looking forward to reinvigorating Mochi Club with a time for "Sticky Faith" worship, food, fellowship, and "Messy Church" activities this new year! Fun and new growth for family members of all ages!**

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)



## SUMMER GATHERINGS TBA

5:00 - 7:00p.m.

### Contact Monica Matsushima for details!

**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 your 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**





**Bible Story Time  
for Infants-Preschoolers &  
their Caregivers  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays  
9:30 - 10:15am  
NURSERY - ROOM 15**

Caregivers & Guardians and Newborns to age-5 are invited to Faith Baby Talk, Story Time, Prayer, Play and Singing!

NOTE: The nursery is available to families for fellowship & free play every Thursday. Please check in with Andie in the office when you arrive. Due to allergies, you are welcome to bring your own snacks!

**For more information or to sign up, please contact: Rev. Allison**

## 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



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**

**July 5 & July 19**

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



If you **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

**1:00 pm every Sunday  
(unless otherwise noted)**

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

**Teacher: Kevin Tsutsui  
Coordinator: Amanda Taketa  
Mark**

**KEIKI HULA CLASSES  
2:00 pm every Sunday  
(unless otherwise noted)**



## 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

# JOIN A SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY!

**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

**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 together on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays!

<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)



# Master's Kitchen



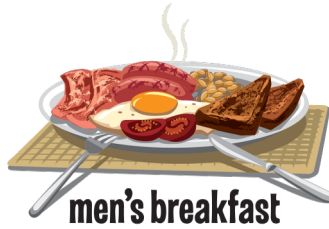
**Every 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday**

**August 29, 2026**

**October 31, 2026**

We are in need of socks, hats & scarves - please leave in bins in Narthex labeled "MK"

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



**2nd Friday of the month, 8:00 am**

**men's breakfast**

**July 10, 2026**

Once a month, men of all ages gather for food and fellowship.

Please let Herb Aoyama or Roger Butcher know if you will be attending so they can save you a seat.

Email: [communications@faithsouthbay.org](mailto:communications@faithsouthbay.org)

**Country Touch Cafe**

3717 West 190th Street, Torrance, CA 90504



**Fun, Fellowship, and Refreshments!**

## Senior Hangout

**1st and 3rd Wednesdays  
8:30 - 11:30 am**

**Next meeting: July 1 & July 15**

Come to 'talk story' and hang out. Learn and play... ukulele, mahjong, hand-and-foot, hanafuda.

Bring your own projects... iPads and smartphones, puzzles, coloring, crochet and knitting, crafts.

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



## SANDWICH MINISTRY

**Every 2nd and 3rd Saturday of the month!**

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

**We've added a SECOND Team if you'd like to help on 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays!  
See Barbara Takumi or TJ Suh**



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: July 8 at 10:30am

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)



men’s support group

2nd Wednesday  
11:30 am  
Faith UMC

Next meeting: July 8 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.

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