

Church CALENDAR:

Monday, June 14, 2021

8:30 pm - to 9:30 pm AL-Anon

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm – El Nido Family Centers
6:30 pm - to 9:00 pm– Pacific Discussions

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm – El Nido Family Centers
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm – Zoom Bible Study

Thursday, June 17, 2021

Friday, June 18, 2021

Saturday, June 19, 2021

9:00 am - 10:00 am - Zumba Class-CH
9:00 am – 11:00 am – El Nido Family Centers
10:00 am – 11:00 am – Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, June 20, 2021

10:00 am – In-Person Service

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Rev. Grant J. Hagiya
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North District, Superintendent

Rev. Vernon Kemp
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St. Paul's United Methodist Church 
of Tarzana



The Third Sunday after
Pentecost

June 13, 2021

Our Mission is to be: The Beacon of the Valley

Lighting "The Way" of Jesus.

Growing Disciples and Community in God's Love, and

Sending the Hope and Joy of Jesus into the world

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors!

Vernon Kemp, Pastor

Mark 4:26-34

²⁶ He also said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, ²⁷ and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸ The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹ But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

³⁰ He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹ It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³² yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

³³ With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴ he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

This Week’s Bible Readings:

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17; Mark 4:26-34

Music Selection:

“Prayer of Jabez”

*Bless me, bless me. Oh Lord, bless me indeed
Enlarge my territory, Oh Lord, bless me indeed
(I pray for increase)*

*Increase, increase Oh Lord, bless me indeed
Enlarge my territory Oh Lord, bless me indeed
(I pray for increase) Bless me indeed.*

*God, keep Your hand upon me
Keep Your hand upon and no evil cannot harm me
Sunshine and rain, sickness and pain
God, I humbly come to You*

*We stand here, God, and we say enlarge
Enlarge my territory Oh Lord, bless me indeed
(I pray for increase) Bless me indeed.*

Prayer of Confession

Patient Lord, you know how we are. We let the frustrations and worries of our lives overcome us. Our hearts seem to buckle under the weight of anger and confusion and we turn away from you, sure that you can do nothing to alleviate our strife. How foolish we are! How faithless we are! Please forgive us. Help us to learn that you are actively involved in our lives, not as a “puppet master” but as a creative co-worker, seeking healing and hope, not only for each of us, but for the whole world. Make us into disciples of peace and compassion; for we ask this in Jesus’ name. **Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Let go of your fears and doubts because God pours His love on you, in you and through you to others. Be at peace. **Amen.**

Music Selection: "Way Maker" Deborah Davies, Singer

*You are here moving in our midst, I worship You. I worship You.
You are here working in this place. I worship You. I worship You and You are...*

*Way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness
My God, that is who You are and You are*

*Way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness
My God that is who You are.*

*You are here turning lives around, I worship You. I worship You
You are here and You're healing every heart. I worship You. I worship You and You are...*

*Way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness
My God, that is who You are*

You are here and You're healing every heart, I worship You. I worship You and You are...

*Way maker, miracle worker, promise keeper, light in the darkness
My God that is who You are*

Scripture Readings Mark 4:26-34 Donald Metzger
Let us stand for the Reading of the Word of...

Response to the Word

Powerful, compassionate giver of mystery, grant us the courage to say "yes" to your unexpected call, and the strength to claim our place with Christ in the new creation you are cultivating. **Amen.**

Song of Preparation: "Yes" Robyn Lewis

Sermon "What Seeds are You Planting" Pastor Vernon Kemp



June Birthdays

6/6 – Joyce Harmon-Davis

6/6 – Lona Seymour

6/7 – Ellie Harrison

6/8 – Ruthy Spellman

6/10 – Deanna Borque

6/10 – Destiny Taufahema

6/24 – Hossein Behbahani

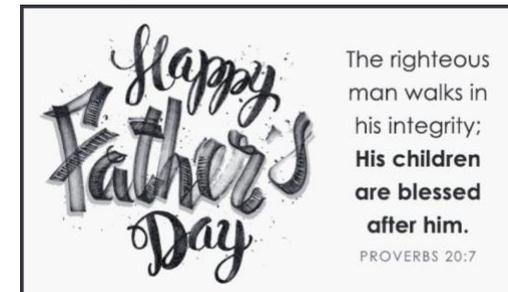
6/24 – Abigail G. Evangelista

6/29 – Bonnie Jay

Upcoming Event

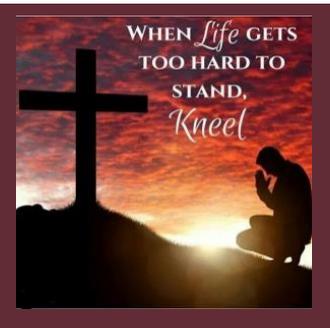
Father's Day Celebration

Please join us June 20th for worship service followed by a Jazz brunch in the garden as we honor our fathers.



Resurgence Music Concert

Please join us June 27th at 3:00 pm for an uplifting music journey.



Let us remember to keep in prayer this week the following:

*Wendy Lynn Adams, Colleen Frank, Deborah Davies & Family,
Jae Sessions, April Haywood, Brandon Gatewood,
Linda Solis, Alvin Williams, Barbara Caudillo, Charles & Caryn Bruno,
Kathy Kovin-Pacino and her brother John Kovin,
Ron Johnson, Carol Jones & Family, Cathy Green & Family,
Matilda Haywood and family, Alli family,
Kathy Campbell, Joan Goodwin, Bonnie Jay,
Ellie Harrison, Deanna Bourque, Charles Cappleman
The Betterton Family, Hildegard Geisser
Kymberli Hall, Sandra Ray, Barbara Miller,
Joyce Harmon-Davis, Fornadley Family,
Teddi Davis, Kim Gatewood, Peter Collins,
Dottie Schmelzel, Larry Myers, Gwinn Lavery,
Sylvia Haywood, Patty Allen, Bert Taylor,
Daisy and Ruthie Spearman, Lois Jackson,
Yolanda Baines, Paul Schill, Lucille & Jim Gage & Family,
Jerry Brockway, Ron & Gloria Deskin, Emma Lamar*

But our commonwealth is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power which enables him even to subject all things to himself.

2 Philippians 3:20-21

Thank you for sharing a moment for each of our loved ones in need.

Invitation to Discipleship

Invitation to the Offering

These summer days, the earth produces of itself, first the stalk and then the full grain. We celebrate the abundance of our loving God, and offer up a part of that abundance now.

Doxology: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #94

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Offering Prayer

Holy God, magnificent, sustaining farmer of the future, receive these gifts, we pray. Through our offering, help us know in some surprising way that you are bringing into being something wonderful and new. Amen.

Benediction

Feel the love of God growing within your heart. Go into God's world, planting seeds of love, mercy, joy, and peace in all that you say and do. Be at peace and serve God. **Amen.**

Closing Song: "As You Go, Tell the World"

*As you go, tell the world. As you go, tell the world.
Tell the world about Jesus. Tell them about His love. (2x)
As you go, tell the world.*

1 Samuel 15:34- 16:13

³⁴ Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. ³⁵ Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

David Anointed as King

16 The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” ² Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the Lord said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’” ³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” ⁴ Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?” ⁵ He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶ When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.” ⁷ But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.” ⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” ⁹ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” ¹⁰ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen any of these.” ¹¹ Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” ¹² He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” ¹³ Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reminders – Safety Protocols

- Fill out yellow sheets with updated information
- COVID Safety guidelines
 - Wear a mask at all times
 - Use “no contact” or minimal contact greetings such as waves, elbow bumps, and smiles when possible
 - Maintain a safe distance while in the sanctuary
 - Congregate outside rather than in the sanctuary if weather permits

Stop the spread of germs that can make you and others sick!



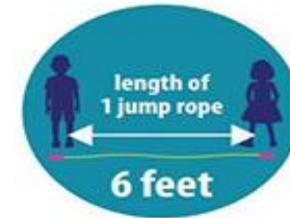
Wash your
hands often



Wear a cloth
face cover



Cover your coughs
and sneezes



Keep **6 feet** of space
between you and
your friends



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