



Worship

Prayer Time in Worship



We are now offering a time of prayer in worship to engage the senses.

Prayer will begin with an invitation for worshippers to come forward and light a candle as they pray silently. Prayer request cards may be left in the basket by the prayer

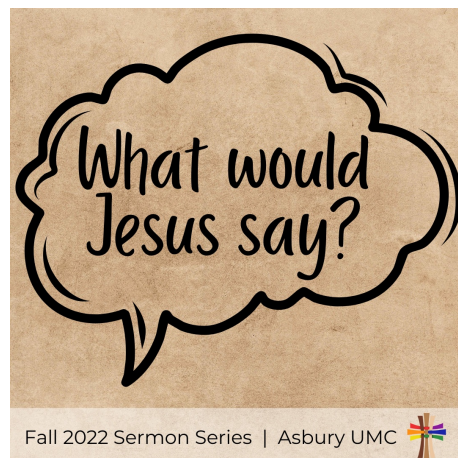
candles. Fernanda will accompany this time of prayer, which will be followed by a brief pastoral prayer and the Lord's prayer.

On Sunday night or Monday, the prayer request cards will be compiled and sent to the congregation with a request to pray for these people and situations during week. Please see Pastor Kathy or Brad, if you have any questions.

What Would Jesus Say?

Pastor Kathy and Brad will be preaching a sermon series this fall entitled "I Wonder What Jesus Would Say About...?"

We want your input! Please share with us what topics or questions you would ask Jesus about by taking the survey below or by emailing [Pastor Kathy](#) by May 30. Make as many submissions as you would like and watch for our sermon series come fall!



Children's Ministry

Rainbow Choir is Back In-Person!

Rainbow Choir is for singers in 3rd - 5th grade, and has returned to in-person rehearsals in the sanctuary on Sundays from 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM.



There will still be a Zoom component for those uncomfortable with in-person meetings. Masks will not be required, but can certainly be worn.

Rainbow Choir uses percussion instruments, like chimes, xylophones, tambourines, drums and finger cymbals. Choir director, Jean Braun, is REALLY wanting her singers to experience all that joyful noise before another choir year is over! The hope is to have Rainbow Choir participate in Music Celebration Sunday, June 5, playing instruments.

Please come join in on the fun. We will rehearse May 8, May 22 and May 29. (No rehearsal on May 15.) Feel free to contact [Jean](#) with questions, comments, concerns &/or to let her know you are coming!

Zoom Sunday School Moving to In-Person!

The last day of children's Zoom Sunday school will be Sunday, May 15!

Starting Sunday, May 22, we'd love to see you in person!

Kindness Matters Camp 2022 is coming!



Wed, July 20th - Fri, July 22nd
9am to 12pm
Children entering 1st-5th grades
[Registration](#) closes July 1st

All children and volunteers will need to show COVID-19 vaccination appropriate for their age group.

Sun, July 24th Community Picnic

We'll have a giant waterslide and lunch for families to attend together following 10 a.m. Worship Service

If you are interested in planning and/or volunteering, contact [Jackie](#).

Youth Ministry

Youth Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser



Sunday, May 22nd
9-9:45am or 11-11:45am
\$8/person; \$25/family

Help the youth group raise money for their SSP Trip to Smith River, CA this summer! Tickets are on sale now!

Young Adult Ministry

Young Adult Retreat at Lake Tahoe

Fri, May 27 - Mon, May 30
Lake Tahoe
\$75 (*includes most meals, group discussion book, transportation, and lodging*)
[Registration](#) closes THIS Sunday, May 8th

Join us for a fun weekend focused on Christian Leadership Development where we will be reading John 13 and Simon Sinek's "Start with Why".

We will plan to go out and explore Tahoe so bring some extra money for activities and for one dinner/snacks/drinks. As of March 25, masks will be optional at the retreat center.



Upcoming Community Events

Interfaith Interconnect Religion Chat: May 11

Wednesday, May 11
Presentations: 5-6pm
Breakout discussion: 6-6:30pm (optional)

Please join us for Interfaith Interconnect Religion Chat!

Topic: How does your community welcome children/youth into the faith?
What rite of passage ceremonies are traditional in your culture?

Speakers:

- Hosai Mojaddidi, Muslim Community Center East Bay
- Renee Andrus, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

In-person: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1501 Hillcrest Ave., Livermore. Enter parking lot at 2nd (south) driveway.

New this time! You have the option to attend in-person or via [Zoom](#)

Doors and Zoom room will open at 4:40. Masks not required but you're welcome to wear one. All are welcome! Please feel free to invite others to attend.

If you missed the last conversation on April 13 with speakers Parima Shah, Jain, and Gaurav Rastogi, Hindu, catch up with the [recording!](#)

Hike for Hope 2022



Saturday, May 14th
Del Valle Regional Park, Livermore
Start between 8:30am - 9:30am

Hike for Hope is a memorial walk and fundraiser for Hope Hospice and Asbury has a team this year! If you would like to join Team Asbury, email [Michele](#).

There are two ways you can donate to Hope Hospice:

- [online](#), via the event website
- send a check to with "Hike for Hope/Team Asbury" in the memo line to Hope Hospice (6377 Clark Ave., Ste. 100, Dublin, CA 94568)

Pathways to Peace: Are nuclear weapons necessary today?

Sunday, May 15th
4:00pm - 5:30pm
Asbury Sanctuary

Global tensions are dramatically rising from the recent Russian invasion of Ukraine. At the forefront of these

tensions is the heightened alert toward nuclear weapon use. For many born in the last few decades, this is the first time in their lives that this threat of nuclear weapon use has felt real. Because of this, Asbury United Methodist Church and Livermore Indivisible are co-sponsoring a public forum entitled, "Pathways to Peace: Are Nuclear Weapons Necessary Today?"

PATHWAYS to PEACE: Are nuclear weapons necessary today?

May 15 | 4:00pm - 5:30pm | Asbury United Methodist Church



DR. GEORGE MILLER
Director Emeritus, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory



FR. GEORGE GRIENER
Professor Emeritus, Jesuit School of Theology



REV. JOANNA SHENK
Associate Pastor, First Mennonite Church of San Francisco



DR. RON LEHMAN
Former Director, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency and U.S. Strategic Offensive Arms Negotiator



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There are many perspectives on nuclear weapons and their development, and this forum will highlight four different paths to peace. We will have four experts, Dr. George Miller, Dr. Ron Lehman, Fr. George Griener, and Rev. Joanna Shenk, speaking on the four topics of nuclear deterrence, nuclear reduction, just war theory, and religious pacifism. Livermore, California has a long history and connection to nuclear weapon development through the Lawrence Livermore National, and this forum draws on that history while equipping new generations to answer the question, “Are Nuclear Weapons Necessary Today?”.

The event is free, but [reserve](#) your spot!
Can't make it in person? Watch the [livestream](#)!

Rodeo Parade & Grill Team are back!

The Rodeo Parade is back and so is the Asbury Grill Team! After charming the judges in last year's virtual Rodeo Parade, we are ready to do it again, live!

The Rodeo Parade takes place **Saturday June 11, 2022 at 10 am**. We need 10+ Asburyites (men, women, and youth) to march in the parade with portable grills to be our Grill Team!

The Grill Team will rehearse on Saturdays from 9-11 am, starting May 14. We will meet in the courtyard, then move to the parking lot for marching practice. Grills are provided, but we ask you to provide a BBQ apron and utensils (we can help with this if needed). Wear comfortable walking shoes, and be prepared for fun!

To sign up, or for questions, contact [Martie Muldoon](#).

Upcoming Asbury Events

May 15: Celebration Sunday!



On Sunday, May 15, we will have a luncheon following worship to say farewell to the Davids, as well as recognize the building committees who put so much work into our new building! Please plan to join us after worship to celebrate!

We want YOU to be a greeter!

We need more of your smiling faces to be greeters for Sunday mornings!

Think back to when you enter a building the first few times and how helpful and inviting it feels to have someone there to greet you with a smile and guidance on where to go. Or even when the place is no longer new, think about how warm it feels to see that familiar smile when you walk through the doors.

[Sign up](#) to be a Sunday morning greeter and help make Asbury the warm, inviting, welcoming place that is it!

Have a car to spare?

Our new Communications Specialist, Alaina Harrison, will visit Asbury and Livermore on May 12-17.

Pastor Kathy is setting up her schedule and she will be in worship on Sunday as well as at our lunch to honor the building committees and the Davids among other things.

We are hoping there might be a member of the congregation who would be willing to lend a car to Alaina while she is here or people who would be able to help give her rides. If you can help with rides or the lending of a car, please contact [Pastor Kathy](#).

Asbury Events at a Glance

- Sun, May 15; 11am: Celebration luncheon after worship
- Sun, May 15; 4-5:30pm: Pathways to Peace event
- Sun, May 22: In-person children's Sunday School resumes
- Sun, May 22: Youth Pancake Breakfast fundraiser
- Fri, May 27 - Mon, May 30: Young Adult retreat at Lake Tahoe
- Wed, July 20 - Fri, July 22; 9am-12pm Kindness Matters Camp
- Mon, Aug 1 - Fri, Aug 5: Children's Music Camp

Have questions?

Reply to this email or call the office at 925-447-1950.

Have an article, announcement, or event to submit?

Send them to the [Alaina Harrison](#), our Communications Specialist by 3pm on Tuesdays.

Miss a newsletter or need to go back and re-read?

Check out the [newsletter archive](#)!
