



GROWING CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY IN A DISTRACTING WORLD

CTL News, April 7, 2019

Today is Sacramento Camp Sunday. Sacramento Camp is our conference camp in Sacramento, NM. Many of you have experienced Christ and countless numbers of clergy have heard their call to ministry at children's and youth camp there.

From the beginning, in the midst of refreshing scenery and fun activities, Sacramento has existed for one reason. We've had a singular mission. Life Transformation.

In 1931, our founders could not have imagined the impact this humble piece of land would have over 85+ years, they just knew they needed a place for God's people to get together and meet Him. We're proud of this heritage, and we humbly desire to see it continue for generations. But our mission is now at risk.

Sacramento has a problem

But our problem is not what you might think. Ten years ago, we were in dire straits. Our infrastructure was crumbling, and we were crippled with decades-old debt. The recommendation we received was, "shut it all down." But through the persistent and faithful work of our management and board of directors, this mission is alive and well. Our problem now is that we've grown too fast for our current aging facilities. Our growth rate has out-paced our ability to serve as many people as want to come here. Our ability to see lives transformed by the power of God's Spirit is being hampered.

Mission : Transformation

Sacramento needs its own Transformation. Now that we are on a sound financial footing, it's time to address long-neglected needs. What we need is not a simple makeover or remodeling. In order to meet the demand for space and continue to transform lives, we must first transform our facilities.

Craig and Cindy McCuaig will be here Sunday for a mission moment in our service. After the 11:00 service, there will be a dinner to hear about Mission: Transformation. If you have not bought your tickets yet, a few will be available at the door on Sunday.

Lent Studies and Services

Maundy Thursday Service: April 18th at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary

Good Friday Service: April 19th at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary

Great Getting Up Mourning Service: **The Great Getting Up Mourning Service has been cancelled due to Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church's unavailability this season**

Easter Sunrise Service: April 21st at 6:30am in the Courtyard

Sunday Easter Services: April 21st at 8:30am & 11:00am in the Sanctuary

Tuesdays: Mar 5-Apr 9, 9:00-10:00am, Rm 311, Join Rev. Jim Hawk for *40-Days of Prayer*

Wednesdays: Mar 6-Apr 10, 11:00am-12:00pm, Starbucks, Join Rev. Kelly Brooks for *The Women of Easter*

Thursdays: Mar 7-Apr 11, 6:00-7:00pm, Life Center, Join Rev. Greg Kennedy for *Entering The Passion of Jesus*

Join others in the **#pictureLent** Challenge! Following the prompt words listed below, take a photo each day during Lent and share to your social media platform of choice. Don't forget to Tag CUMC! Need help? Contact Pastor Kelly or Jesus Valdez. Enjoy!

**April 7th – Oil | April 8th – Stand | April 9th – Broken
April 10th – Gate | April 11th – Confess | April 12th – Shout | April 13th – Table**

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There is still time to sign up for the Stephen Ministry class starting **May 2!** For more information, email stephenministry@centraltolife.org.

2019 Sacramento Methodist Assembly Summer Camp Dates for all ages are out! Elementary Camp (June 7-9th), Youth Camp (June 17-21st), Music on the Mountain (July 7-12th), Horse Camps for all ages, and much more! Visit www.sacramentocamp.com for specific camp and registration information. *Questions? Contact Pastor Kelly.*



EASTER FLOWERS

Easter flowers can be purchased for \$8.00 in memory of, or in honor of, a loved one. Forms are available at the church office or at one of the Sanctuary entrances.

Orders for flowers will be taken until Monday, April 15th.

You are invited to attend the Sacramento Donor Luncheon, **Today** in the Life Center. Come enjoy lunch, fellowship, music, and a presentation by the Directors of Sacramento Methodist Assembly. *Please contact Pastor Kelly with any questions!*

ADULT MINISTRIES

- **Sundays:** Sunday School classes meet at 9:45am. Choose from a variety of classes:
- **Monday Bible Study:** Mondays, 6:30-8:00pm
- **WOW Bible Study:** Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30am
- **Starbucks Bible Study:** Wednesdays, 11-12pm
- **Brewery Study—** In Collaboration with X-Ile Ministries: Wednesdays, 6pm-8pm.
- **Clergy Conversations!** 4th Sunday of each month, 9:45-10:45am
Please join us in April for a conversation regarding communications @ CUMC
- **Sabbath in the Suburbs: April 28th, High & Dry**
Please contact Pastor Kelly for more information.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

- **Sundays:** Sunday School classes meet at 9:45am in rooms 105 (Elementary), 107 (ages 3 & 4), and 301/302 (Youth: 6th - 12th grade)
- Childcare for ages 0-8 is available during worship services and Sunday School – (Located on the Lower Level of the building.)
- Church 4 Kids takes place every Sunday during the second service. This is a time where children 0-Elementary are invited to the Chapel to spend time with one of the clergy to learn more about the scripture lesson of the day in an age-appropriate setting.
Contact Pastor Kelly with questions.

Thank You for participating in the Communication Survey! 187 of you weighed in on how you receive and how you prefer to receive information, what tools you use to read CUMC communication, and how you feel overall about communication @ CUMC. All of the data has been collected and compiled, and the Clergy Conversations on **April 28th** will reveal and focus on the results of the survey and will feature an open conversation on moving forward. Please join us!

*All announcements for the CTL News are due via email to JesusValdez@centraltolife.org by **Monday at 5pm.***

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