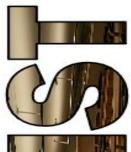


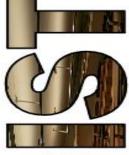
Northridge United Methodist Church May 2024

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Ministry Sunday

Sunday, May 5th in the Sanctuary



Senior Luncheon

Thursday, May 16th 11 AM in Fellowship Hall







Northridge UMC 100th Years Anniversary Celebration Sunday

Sunday, May 19th 10 AM in the Sanctuary Bishop Dottie Escobedo-Frank









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To celebrate God's grace and love while inspiring disciples of Jesus Christ for ministry in our community and the world.

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Sunday Worships 10:00 AM (English) 11:30 AM (Korean)

Celebrations



Jazz Vespets on May 12, 6 PM in the Sanctuary

"Hear the Word of God through Music and Art."

Sabine Pothier Trio



Sabine Pothier, piano



Konstantin Babayan, drums



Blake White, bass

No Tickets Necessary. Freewill offering.

Videos of all services are archived on YouTube. https://youtube.com/northridgeumc

Prayer

Kaitlyn Wright, Anita Ruiz,
Carol Allen, Linda Kahmann,
Christine Coons, Sue Fritsche,
Ginny Johnson, Randy Wiafe,
George Bilenjian, Wayne Aller,
Saundra Blankenship, Jack Kister,
Cari Banke-Warder,
Dr. Bruce Warder,
Ardarita Konialian,
Darlene Averetta,
Silvia Andresen

Upcoming Sermons

May 5 (Communion Sunday)

"Together in Ministry"
Matthew 25:31-46

May 12

"Knitted Together"
Psalm 1

May 19

"100 Years Together" Ephesians 4:15-16

May 26

"Memorial Sunday" Isaiah 49:8-16

Pastor's Corner

throughout the month and into the Summer!

Spring is here and the church is in full swing! As we finally see things heating up in the weather, we are seeing things heating up here at the church as well. With special Sunday Worships like Ministry Sunday (May 5th), Mother's Day (May 12th), the 100th Anniversary of NUMC (May 19th), Memorial Day Sunday (May 26th), our church calendar is full to overflowing—and we would love to see you there throughout to celebrate with us!! God is

doing amazing work through the people of NUMC and we are celebrating that work

June isn't far away either when we will be committing ourselves to God's work in our church on Commitment Sunday (June 2^{nd}) and honoring our graduates at Graduation Sunday (June 2^{nd}), followed by Father's Day (June 16^{th}). If you can't tell by now, Northridge UMC is active and growing as we head into the Summertime. God is GOOD!

Not only are we celebrating God's work in and through us each Sunday, but there are a host of other activities, events, and ministries that God has developed within us here at NUMC. From Vacation Bible School for children to studies and activities for adults, NUMC is developing a ministry to reach all ages. This Summer will be a time of development as we help one another discover our gifts, explore our opportunities to serve, and bring the light and grace of God in Christ to our neighbors.

This June (time to be announced) we will be hosting a retreat for new and existing ministry ideas as we listen to God's Spirit to coordinate and develop our service to our community and church. Everyone is invited to attend the retreat and be a part of listening to God, following the Spirit, and sharing Christ with the world around us as we envision and plan new ministries, re-imagine existing ministries, and learn new ways to reach the world around us.



A lot is happening here at NUMC! God is at work in, among, and through us! Join with us as we move forward into a new and revitalized time of service and ministry to the world!!!

-Douglas Dickson (Senior Pastor)



Upcoming Events

A Celebration of Ministry! Sunday, May 5th

Did you know that God works in the world through each and every one of us? Did you know that the ministries of Northridge UMC have been changing lives for 100 years and continue to do so every day? On May 5th our church will be celebrating the myriad of ways that God works through each of us here at Northridge UMC to bring compassion, justice, healing and wholeness to the world around us and one another. Don't miss this



special communion Sunday as we lift up the One who has begun a good work in us and is faithful to complete it.

100 Years of Northridge UMC!! Sunday, May 19th



In case you haven't heard, Northridge UMC is celebrating 100 Years of ministry in our community throughout the year and with a special celebration on May 19th! Bishop Dottie Escabado-Frank will be preaching at our special combined worship celebration at 10 AM. Following worship, we will be joining together for a special time in Fellowship Hall with a catered meal as we recount and praise the first 100 years of Northridge UMC! Don't miss out!

Graduation Sunday!

Congratulations to all our graduates! We'd love to celebrate your achievements with you as we give thanks to God for your growth as you move into a new chapter in your life. Join us on June 9th at the 10:00 or 11:30 AM services as we honor your hard work and achievements in your education. If you have a student in your family who is graduating this year from High School, College, or Post-Graduate



studies, please let us know through the church office so that we can lift them up in prayer and honor them on Graduation Sunday, June 2nd.

(Continued)

Senior Luncheon on Thursday, May 16th at 11 AM in Fellowship Hall

Save the date for Thursday, May 16th, at 11 AM in Fellowship Hall for our first gathering in over 4 years. We will come together to meet, greet, and share a meal. During this time, we will discuss future plans, enjoy fellowship, and support one another with care and love in God. Lunch will be Korean Mixed Rice Bowl, called bibimbap (pronounced "bee-BIM-bop")—



bibim meaning "mixed" and bap meaning "rice." This beloved Korean bowl incorporates steamed white rice with assorted fresh, marinated, and sautéed vegetables along with seared meat, if desired. It will be provided free of charge!!!



To ensure we prepare enough food, **SIGN-UP IS REQUIRED**. Please register in the office or on the Church Center app **by Sunday, May 12th**! If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Pastor Ralph Kwon at Ralph@northridgeumc.org or our Senior Ministry Chair, Carolyn Pratt at capratt935@gmail.com. Thank you.

NUMC Vacation Bible School 2024

VBS is scheduled to take place from July 22-25 (Mon to Thu), 9 AM–12 PM at NUMC. The theme for this year is "TWISTS AND TURNS–FOLLOWING JESUS CHANGES THE GAME." We warmly invite you to join us for a time filled with music, games, Bible stories, crafts, and fellowship. The registration fee is \$40, and it will be available on our Church Center App or in



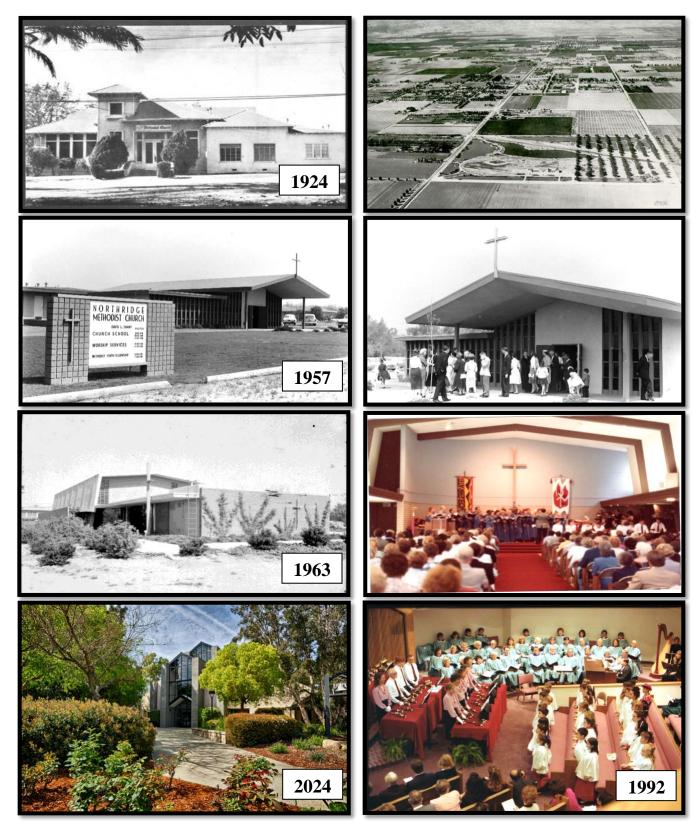
the church office closer to the event. Free to reach out if you have any questions. We look forward to having you join us for this enriching experience. Stay tuned!!!

Are you Crafty and Want to Help?

Did you know that Northridge UMC has an opportunity to reach out to our local community in ways that most churches do not? Every Saturday evening literally hundreds of people walk around out parking lot to attend our Good Times Farmer's Market from 5-9 PM. The Farmer's Market also puts on car shows frequently, drawing even more people to meander about right here at NUMC! We have an opportunity to reach out to new people through a booth at the market every week to let them know the great things that are happening and the wonderful work that God is doing through our ministries! If you are good at crafts and would like to sell some of what you make (perhaps as a fundraiser for the church) you can do it right here in the NUMC booth. Contact the church office or Pastor Doug to let us know how you can help!!

100 Years of Ministry!

We began as The Community Methodist Episcopal Church of Zelza in 1924: We are now NUMC and in our 4th sanctuary... **–Dusty Stiles** (Chair of Trustees)



Artists at NUMC



Artists of Northridge United Methodist Church

We have an <u>amazing</u> group of very talented artists in our congregation! I've asked four of them for "on loan" representations of their work. All of these wonderful pieces of art, from ceramic, to paintings to photography, are hanging in my office and I would invite you to stop by anytime to look at them up close and personally.



(Ellen Rundle, ceramics)

Every day, as I sit in my office, I can look up for inspiration from these four art hangings and it always brings a smile to my face, or sometimes, just some needed calm. I am one of those people who can't draw a straight line or even a decent sock figure, so my admiration for this type of talent is enormous. I still have some available space and would welcome artwork from other artists in our congregation.

-Peggy Walters (Office/Campus Administrator)



(From Left to Right)
Dusty Stiles, Photography
Barbara Nathanson, painting
Nancy Taylor, painting





From the NUMC Video Library...

It rained on Easter morning, and Pastor Doug held the Easter Sunrise service in Fellowship Hall. Folks came in damp but spirits were high anyway. We captured moments of celebration inside and gentle but still wet rain outside. We look forward to capturing a sunny Easter morning in 2025.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YqZekkhqq-4&t=58s

-Dusty Stiles (Chair of Trustees)





Outreach



CSUN Foster Youth

Praise the Lord for the abundant blessings poured through the hearts of our congregation! In March, our donations overflowed for the CSUN foster students' pantry. Grateful thanks be to God!

-Shiela Attarian & Committee



Boy Scouts Service

Troop 911, under the direction of Eric Ramos and Steven Koch, did an amazing job of cleaning the cabinets, walls and oven in the Fellowship Hall kitchen on April 6th. We so appreciate the scouts who were working for service hours doing a much-needed task. There is still much to do to get the Fellowship Hall into the best shape it can be and we



will rely on Troop 911 to once again lend a helping hand with future projects.

-Peggy Walters (Office/Campus Administrator)

Hollywood Revisited

NUMC is hosting a "Hollywood Revisited: A Tribute in Costume and Song" on Saturday, June 1st, at 7 PM in the Sanctuary. Join us for an evening of singing and dancing along to classic movie clips, featuring performers in dazzling costumes from the 1930s to 1960s! Tickets are only \$30 per person.

REVISITED
SINGING - DANCING
HISTORIC COSTUMES

You won't want to miss this joyous celebration of music, cinema, and community! All proceeds from this event will benefit the ministries of our church, helping us spread God's love throughout our community. We hope to see you there!



Gratitude

Be grateful for the kindly friends that walk along your way; Be grateful for the skies of blue that smile from day to day; Be grateful for the health you own, the work you find to do, For round about you there are men less fortunate than you.

Be grateful for the growing trees, the roses soon to bloom,
The tenderness of kindly hearts that shared your days of gloom;
Be grateful for the morning dew, the grass beneath your feet,
The soft caresses of your babes and all their laughter sweet.

Acquire the grateful habit, learn to see how blessed you are, How much there is to gladden life, how little life to mar!

And what if rain shall fall to-day and you with grief are sad,

Be grateful that you can recall the joys that you have had.

by Edgar Albert Guest

Please Join Us in Prayer for Our Capital Campaign

"God, what do You want to do through me?"

It is only through God that we will successfully reach our goals in this campaign effort. Please take time to pray deliberately and consider how God wants you to respond, reflecting on His grace and love.

5 WAYS TO GIVE



Giving via Our Website

NUMC can receive one-time or recurring gifts through the E-Giving services provided by our servicer – Vanco. The current DONATE option on NUMC's www.northridgeumc.org website home page. Gifts can be one-time or recurring from credit card, debit card, checking or savings. You will be asked if you want to add 2.75% to help offset processing fees.



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NUMC also has a text option using the 10-digit Vanco Text # **833-906-1867**. Text '**Funds**' to receive a list of NUMC's Give by Text Funds.

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Drop your gift into the offering basket on Sunday morning.

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Korean Ministry



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5월 교회 소식지

- 1장-5월 교회 행사를 소개하는 장입니다. (오른쪽: 사역자 명단)
- 2 장- Jazz Vespers 연주가 5월 12일 (주일) 오후 6시 예배당에서 있습니다. / 5월 설교 제목, 성경 본문 / 중보 기도 명단
- 3 장- 담임목사님의 목회 칼럼입니다. 봄은 우리 사역이 풍성해 지는 계절입니다. 5 월 첫번째 사역 주일 (5/5)을 시작으로, 어머니날 (5/12), 100 주년 기념 주일 (5/19), 등 주님께서 노스리지 연합감리교회를 통해 역사하심을 느낄 수 있는 시간입니다. 매 주일, 하나님을 찬양하는 것 뿐만 아니라, 앞으로 있을 다양한 이벤트와 활동 (여름 성경학교, 시니어 오찬 등)으로 우리가 더 다양한 연령대에게 복음을 전하기 위해 노력하고 있습니다. 하나님께서는 우리 안에서, 또 우리를 통해서 일하고 계심을 믿고 세계로 나아가는 예배와 사역이 될 수 있기를 소원합니다.
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- 6 장- 우리 교회 100 년간의 역사를 사진으로 확인할 수 있습니다.
- **7 장** 우리 교회에는 다재 다능한 예술가들이 많습니다. 사진과, 페인팅, 세라믹 작품 등을 7 장에서 확인하실 수 있습니다
- 8 장- 지난 3 월, 우리 교인들이 CSUN Foster 학생들을 위해 기부해주신 물품입니다. 도움 주신 모든 분들께 감사드립니다. (사진 참고) / 우리 교회 시설을 사용하고 있는 보이 스카웃이 지난 4 월 친교실 부엌 청소로 봉사하였습니다.
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