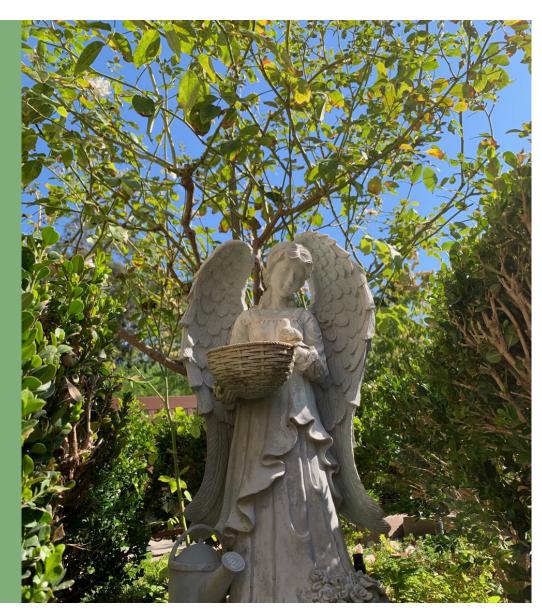
A photographic pilgrimage and journey through the Mission Viejo Campus of Shepherd of the Hills UMC

## Prayers for Anything but Ordinary Times



#### Why A Photographic Prayer Pilgrimage?

We miss our church. We miss our church family. We miss worshipping together as a community together. These times are different and sometimes challenging and certainly anything but ordinary.

The Faith Formation ministry offers this gift of guided prayer to be used as a sweet reminder of the physical beauty and comfort of our campus with the added benefit of praying for one another. Use it in your daily devotions as a reminder that we are united in God's love and eagerly look forward to the day when we will again share in the physical presence of our church's love.

May your journey be blessed through a deep and rich prayer time.



#### Those searching for a church and a church community

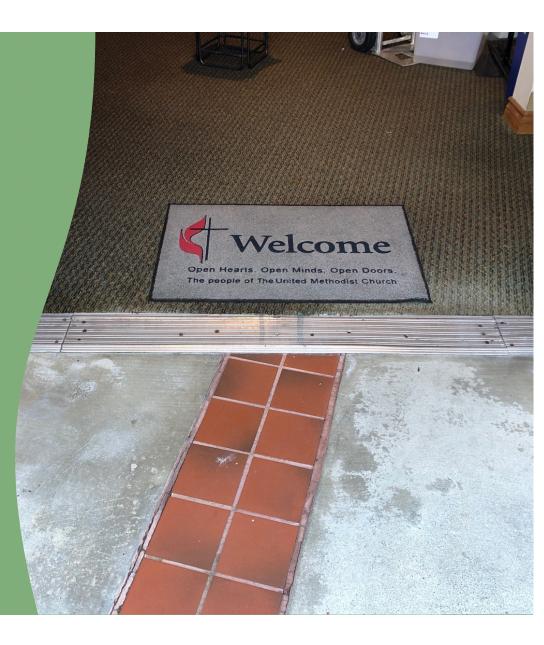
Those essential workers who must continue to go out and interact in their neighborhood. We pray for their safety, and for all interactions to be filled with grace and love.



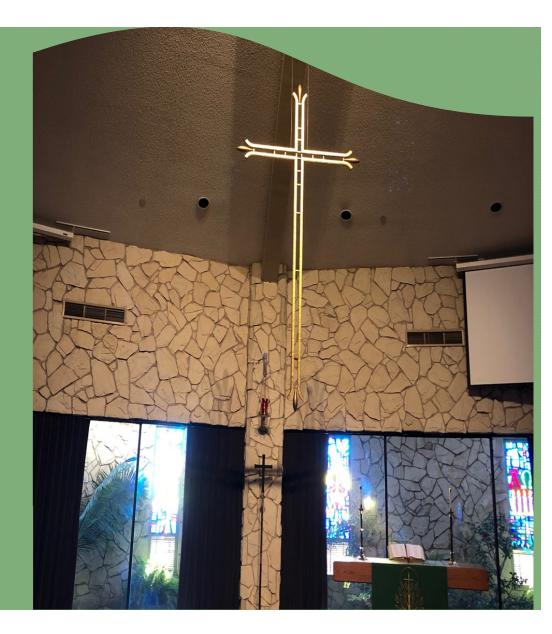
The team who continues to bring us a lively and spirit-filled worship every week, connecting to us virtually as they pour their love and energy into sharing God's word.



People to feel welcome in whatever space they are in, virtual or real-time.



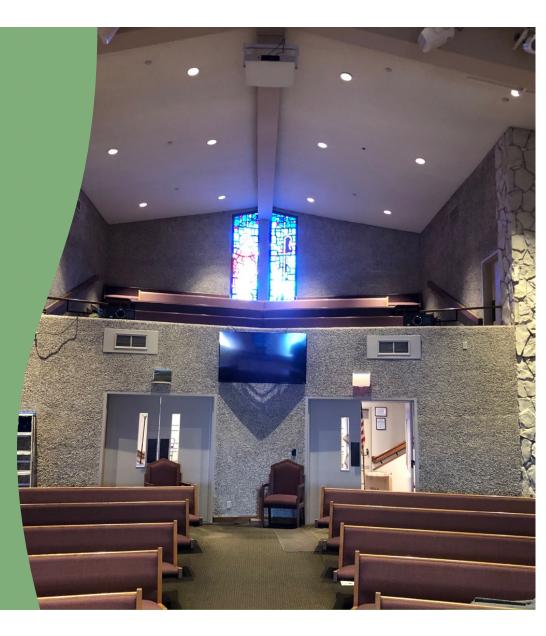
Rejuvenation, energy and a pouring in of the Holy Spirit for our religious and spiritual leaders.



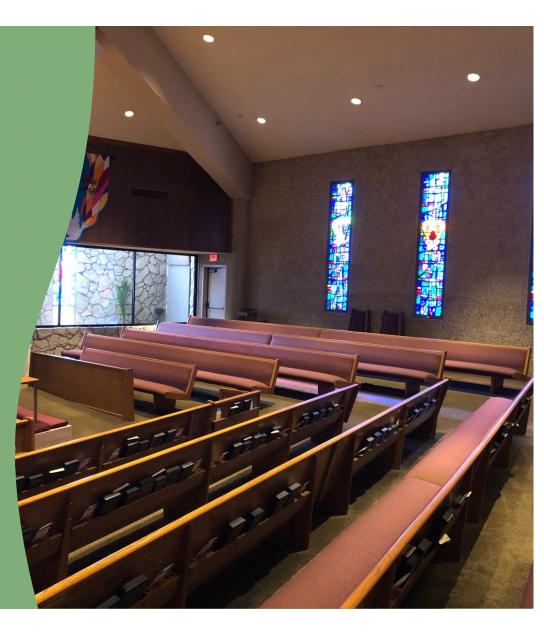
A lifting of our cares and burdens to God. May we all be comforted by the power of prayer and make time daily to be still and hear God's loving voice.



All who feel alone, outcast, or marginalized. May we ALL know that we are an integral part of God's kingdom.



The people of this and every church to keep closely connected to the love and power of a community in Christ - be it through a phone call, a card, a text, or Zoom.



Our choirs, worship leaders, and all who minister to others through music. May their voices continue to shout with joy at the mention of God's name.



The friendships and fellowship cherished and nurtured throughout our church family to continue growing, even while we are socially distant.



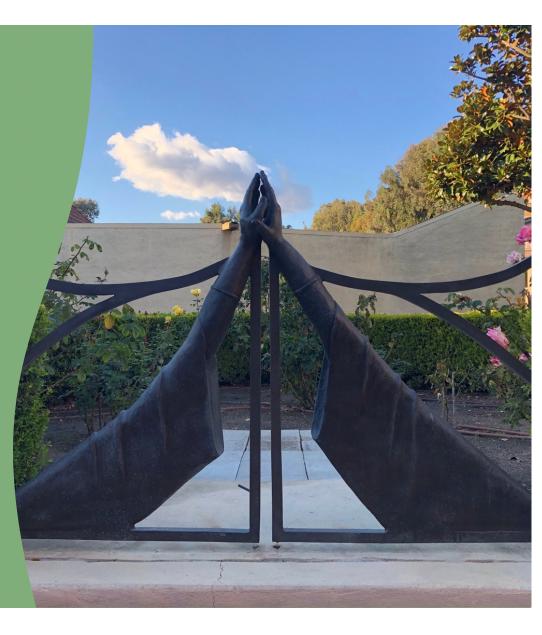
The groups and committees who continue to meet virtually to seek the word of God and conduct the ministry of our church.



Every group who has ever gathered in Shepherd Hall. We pray for their safety, their unity, and their continued belief in the love of a church Community.



The saints who have gone before us, the loving memory of those who are no longer physically present, but who remain alive in our hearts and memories.



The teachers and families of our preschool. We pray that the staff have been lovingly received in schools that are able to open and we pray for the continued safety of all.



Our families and youngest members! May they be kept safe and thrive in their homes as they grow stronger and more centered in Christ every day.



All youth, for their schooling, their social connections, their health, safety, and mental wellness. We lift them up for nurturing and a wholeness in you, Lord.



The staff & volunteers of our church, who are dedicated to helping our congregation and anyone who requests it, and who see to the proper maintenance and health of our campus.



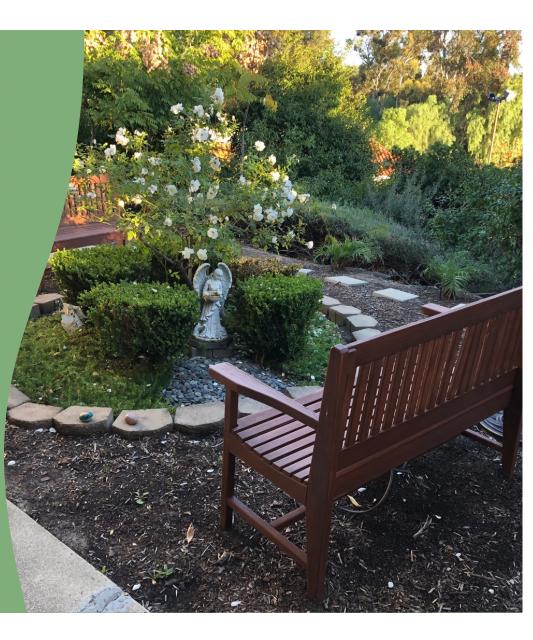
All who offer intercessory prayers and lift our world up to God for hope, healing and guidance.



Our world. May each of us be a blessing as much as we are blessed on our journey.



The beauty of God's world and the simple pleasures we enjoy every day.



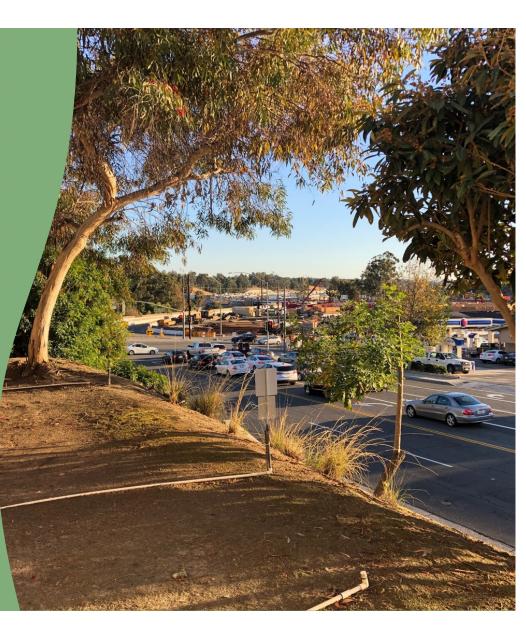
Scouts, including those who use our church facility to shape and grow youth into faithful servants, intent upon making the world a loving and good place.



All in education, who work so hard every day to guide students into a lifelong love of learning.



Our community, may we continue to offer love and grace to each other every time we are blessed to interact with one another.



God's love and beauty to be seen by all, to be heard by all, and to be known by all.

