

JOURNEY OF FAITH - PART TWO

Introduction

A year ago the Santa Cruz Valley United Methodist Church embarked on a Journey of Faith to grow ourselves and the church and to initiate a capital stewardship campaign. We are now starting on “Part Two” of that journey. Part Two will encourage the Journey to be embraced by our new friends and church attendees.

BRIDGE Team

The BRIDGE Team was established to create a strategic plan to grow the congregation through the three year life of the capital stewardship program. The aim is to keep current people connected and achieve connection of the newcomers.

Purpose, Vision and Plan

The purpose of SCVUMC is to be a multi-generational church making genuinely committed Disciples of Christ. Our vision is - - “to reach the broken, the battered and the bored with the grace of Jesus Christ”. The plan is to construct a building that will house SCVUMC so that it can fulfill its purpose and reach its vision.

Orientation Meeting

Within the Part Two effort we plan to hold an orientation/dinner meeting primarily for those members of the SCVUMC family who have joined us since last March. It will be held the week of March 15—specific date/location to be announced later. This event will allow them to learn about the Journey of Faith and the details of our building program.

Celebration !

We are planning for a celebration event on Sunday, March 29 to thank those who have taken part in the Journey of Faith efforts and welcome those who have joined our church family. Church service will be outdoors followed by a picnic. Everyone is invited. Please plan to attend this fun filled service.

Sermon

Pastor Allan’s sermon on Sunday, March 22nd will be devoted to the Journey of Faith and its impacts on each of us and this church as a whole.

Special Newsletter

A special newsletter will be provided in April summarizing the first year’s efforts to carry forward the building program. It will include updates on the financial commitments provided over the past economically difficult year; the efforts of your Board of Trustees to develop detailed costs and financial plans; and an explanation of why we have delayed construction. Although we don’t like to see delays in the seriously needed building facilities, recent financial conditions dictate that a prudent approach is in order.

Over the next three weeks additional Bulletin inserts will be provided to bring you updates on the building program and the scheduled events.

Your BRIDGE Team

