



## **Little Brown Church of Sunol**

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### **March 2024 Newsletter**

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#### **March-April Calendar**

Sunday, March 3 ... Congregational meeting

Saturday, March 9 ... LBC provides refreshments at Sunol Repertory Theater

**Sunday, March 10 ... Daylight Saving Time begins**

Sunday, March 24 ... Palm Sunday and church clean-up day

Thursday, March 28 ... Maundy Thursday

Friday, March 29 ... Good Friday

Sunday, March 31 ... Easter Sunday

Monday, April 22 ... Earth Day

#### **Congregational Meeting**

We will hold our annual congregational meeting on Sunday, March 3. Please give some thought to issues you may want to raise and ways in which you want to participate in the life of the church. The meeting will be held immediately after the worship service.

We are a self-governing organization – that’s what “congregational” means in our official name: The Little Brown Church, Congregational, United Church of Christ. So it’s important that everyone helps in making the decisions that will guide our future actions.

Refreshments will be served.

#### **Clean-up Day at LBC**

Please join us after worship on Sunday, March 24, to clean our church building in advance of Easter Sunday. All the work will be indoors, so weather won't affect us. We have plenty of cleaning tools at church, but feel free to bring your favorite supplies. Please bring a package of toilet paper or paper towels to build up our supply. Refreshments will be served.

### **SRT Refreshments**

As we do every year, LBC will provide refreshments during intermission at one performance of our local amateur theater group, Sunol Repertory Theater. This year the date is Saturday, March 9. We plan to provide cookies, bars, fruit, and bottled water. We will need people to hand out the refreshments (and accept donations!) during intermission. We also need people to bake or buy the goodies.

Please tell us at church or respond to this newsletter if you would like to help.

We also encourage you to attend the play, which raises thousands of dollars every year for arts programs at our local Sunol Glen School. Check out this site to order tickets: <https://www.tix.com/ticket-sales/sunol/7389>. Or visit the SRT website: [www.sunol.net/srt](http://www.sunol.net/srt).

### **Lent Madness**

It's not too late to get involved in the saintly smackdown known as Lent Madness!

Each year, more LBC members participate in this combination of competition, learning, and humor. Everybody who participates learns about the saintly individuals who battle to win the coveted Golden Halo while choosing their favorites in a system loosely based on the NCAA basketball tournament with a similar name.

To sign up, go to <https://www.lentmadness.org/>.

### **Holy Week Activities**

Our sister UCC churches in Fremont are hosting Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services:

On **Maundy Thursday** (March 28), members of Niles Discovery Church and United Church of Christ Fremont will gather at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall on Niles Discovery Church, 36600 Niles Blvd, Fremont, for a simple soup supper. At 7:10, we'll move into the sanctuary for a special, dramatic worship service which will start at 7:15. If you can't be on site for this service, you can attend on Zoom; register at [bit.ly/MaundyThursday2024](http://bit.ly/MaundyThursday2024).

The **Good Friday** (March 29) service will be hosted by United Church of Christ Fremont, 38255 Blacow Rd. This service will also begin at 7:15. Inspired by a painting by Van Gogh, the theme for the service is "On the Threshold of Eternity" and will encourage us, even in moments of great sorrow, to look deeply to see, even if indirectly, the light that every shadow involves. If you can't be on site for this service, you can join on Zoom at [bit.ly/GoodFriday2024](http://bit.ly/GoodFriday2024).

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