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March 2025 Newsletter

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March-April Calendar

Sunday, March 2 ... Installation of new members
Wednesday, March 5 ... Ash Wednesday
Sunday, March 9 ... Daylight Saving Time begins
Sunday, March 16 ... Annual congregational meeting following worship
Friday, March 28 ... LBC provides intermission snacks at SRT
Sunday, April 13 ... Palm Sunday
Friday, April 18 ... Good Friday
Sunday, April 20 ... Easter Sunday

Annual Meeting March 16

We will hold our annual congregational meeting on Sunday, March 16, 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.

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.

Ash Wednesday service at Niles Discovery

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, which this year is March 5. Niles Discovery Church will host a worship service that evening at 7:30. Everyone is welcome to attend. The service, which will be led by the pastors of Niles Discovery and UCC Fremont, will include the imposition of ashes and communion. A simple fellowship time will follow the service.

The sermon at the March 5 service will be a brief reflection on the temptation of Jesus from Matthew's gospel (4:1-11). The service will be hybrid, meaning people can attend the service on Zoom; registration is at <https://bit.ly/AshWed2025>.

LBC and SRT

LBC is again very involved in our local amateur theatrical group, Sunol Repertory Theater. Mary and Robin are co-producers, Stephanie has a major role on stage, and Barbara is stage manager.

As we do every year, LBC will provide refreshments during intermission at one performance. This year the date is Friday, March 28. 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.

Lent Madness

Easter comes late this year, which means Ash Wednesday is on March 5. And the day after that, the saintly smackdown known as Lent Madness will begin.

This devotional program combines spirituality and screen time throughout the season of Lent. Each year, some 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/>.

Becoming a member of LBC

Our general membership meeting is coming up on Sunday, March 16. We encourage everyone who is not already a member of the Little Brown Church to formally join the congregation before then, so that we are all able to participate in important decisions as voting members. Talk to Pastor Mary about the process of joining.

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