Jesus’ Journey and Ours. The public Ministry of Jesus begins with his reading Isaiah 61:1-2 in his hometown synagogue. “The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; the LORD has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the LORD’s favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn...” The summer lectionary, the basis for our Sunday worship, encompasses much of Jesus’ journey through Galilee to Jerusalem, revealing that that “kingdom of God has come near you.” Along this journey, Jesus shows God’s favor for the lowly – a widow’s only son, a woman called a sinner, a man possessed by demons. All were on the margins of Life; all received new Life from Jesus. As our community ‘thins out’ a little bit for the summer and is enhanced by tourists and out-of-town guests, our worship will be appointed with various shades of green, reminding us of the new Life. And, in worship and education, we will turn toward some of the practices that bring Life to bear. Happy Summer!

Pastor Tony
Summer Worship: Have you some interest in being on the Worship Planning Committee? This summer, we want to look at everything – our resources, our liturgies, our space, our paraments and vestments – everything that enhances (or detracts from) our worship experience. Interested? Contact Carol DeZutti – Director of Music.

No musical, artistic, or other experience is necessary.
We want to know how everyone experiences worship.

Going on Vacation this summer? Remember that we are still here and that the ministry of the congregation carries on. Please find a way to continue your tithes and offerings* throughout the summer.

*What’s the difference between “tithes” and “offerings?” Ask PG!
The first five people who do get a surprise.

Retreat! Retreat! I’m trying something new. And you can join me.

During the summer, I’m planning to go away for a weekend, to a monastery – and I’m not going to bring my computer!

Idea: The summer affords us an opportunity for vacation, but also for reflection. To that end, I invite you to join me for a retreat: a real, honest-to-goodness retreat. Quiet time. Good meals. Daily prayer. Space to walk. Time to sit. Room to pray. Sounds nice?

Details: Let me know sometime this month if you’re interested and we’ll work out a time and place. We’ll go together, but we won’t really be ‘on retreat together.’ I’ll do my thing and you’ll do your thing. It’ll cost a bit ($50 or so), but we won’t let that keep anyone from going.

The Church Council tends the administration of this community, but all of us are the workers. If you have a ministry idea or something else to share with Council, contact the entire council (unilucouncil@lists.stanford.edu) or The Ministry Area Coordinators (click names to send an email)–
Christian Ed & Spiritual Dev.: Dana Backman, Marion Pauck, Tim Lau
Fellowship and Hospitality: Sarah Weaver and Erik Donhowe
Social Justice: Rachel Dowling and Sondra Murphy
Outreach and Evangelism: Eve Zoebisch and Julie Steinbrenner
Property: Phillip Neumann or Duane Bay

Or, the officers: President Kris, VP Dana, Secretary Marion, Treasurer Steve, Pastor Greg

Remember, this is God’s work, our hands.

University Church: www.UniChu.org + Worship Time: 10:00 am, Every Sunday. You Are Welcome Here.
Dear ones,

I’m interested in something. I’m interested in how you pray.

Ok, I’m interested in two things: how you pray, and how to help you pray.

This summer, I would like to engage in conversation anyone who is willing to share a bit with me about what prayer is like for them. Or what it isn’t like. What do you do? What do you think you’re supposed to do? What happens? What doesn’t happen? What do you wish would happen? What would be helpful?

Even if you’ll be out of town for the summer, I’d like to be in touch with you about this. Sure, ideally we’d meet in person – and that’s what I hope to do with many of you, in groups and individually. But, the nature of these conversations lends itself to anonymous survey, as well. So, if you are willing to engage this topic with me, please let me know as soon as you can.

[Full disclosure: These conversations will quite possibly result in the publication of a resource – A Prayerbook for Students or something like that. But, the driving force behind this project is to learn about you and to learn how I as your pastor can be helpful in your spiritual formation.]