



Saguache

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Grace and Peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,

I would like to thank all of you who joined via Zoom or on Facebook live. Remember that access to any worship is posted on our www.umcofcenter.com website, so feel free to go back and watch what you may have missed and forward it to your friends. The Zoom worship services are also posted on www.slvumc.org website as well. These are also posted on our website and the www.slvumc.org website. I am still doing the Story behind the Songs on Facebook Live every Wednesday at 1 pm. During this common time between Pentecost and Advent, I will be posting daily Morning (7:30 am) and Evening (6:30 pm) Prayers on our Facebook page. These are meant to develop our acts of piety through prayer, reading scripture, and daily devotions. The Disciple bible study on Under the *Tree of Life – The Writings – John- Revelation* this Wednesday, has begun and will continue every Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm using our Zoom platform.

- We will continue the 8:30 am Zoom worship as joint Center and Saguache church group for those who are not able to join us physically or who are vulnerable to COVID-19. Participating in any of the virtual services or bible studies, we will be using our Zoom platform which allows us to participate via phone or computer. If you have internet access, control click on the link and it should take you to our Zoom platform. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8678651613?pwd=VlVDejlBRVBJT0tYNXVtUG42QTFNdz09>
- If you have the Zoom app, you can go to the app on your phone or your computer and type in Meeting ID: 867 865 1613 and enter the password: 2618860.
- If you wish to use your phone (cell or landline) without internet call +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston) or +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose). Enter the Meeting ID: 867 865 1613 and then the Password: 2618860. You can call me at (504)261-8860 if you need assistance.

Thank you for your generosity especially during this difficult time. Please remember that Saguache folks can send their contribution in check form to Center UMC, P.O. Box 626, Center, CO 81125. Please write the check to Saguache UMC. We can deposit those donations into First Southwest bank into the Saguache's church account. Sue McClure is depositing them in First Southwest in Center.

I would like to thank those of you joining me in prayer at 8 a.m. for 8 minutes and 46 seconds, praying for all persons of color who suffer at the hands of injustice and oppression, praying for our church as we take a stand against racism and injustice in a concert of prayer heard around the world. This UMC commitment to pray for our nation, our world, and our denomination for God's grace, mercy, wisdom, and direction as we move forward demonstrates our willingness to turn to God for guidance. This past week during the Mountain Sky Annual Conference, our conference made a commitment to join with initiative Unite to End Racism which began this annual conference with ensuring that BIPOC (black and indigenous people of color) have a place on every committee and board of our conference. There is room at the table for everyone.

Please feel free to reach out to me to ask how to share in this unique time, especially with prayer requests and concerns. I am available via phone or text at 504-261-8860. You can always reach me via email dupton@iliff.edu or message me via our Center United Methodist Church Facebook page. Stay safe and remember we are all essential people in the family of God.

Peace and grace for the journey,

Rev. Debria Upton