

Welcome to Trinity!

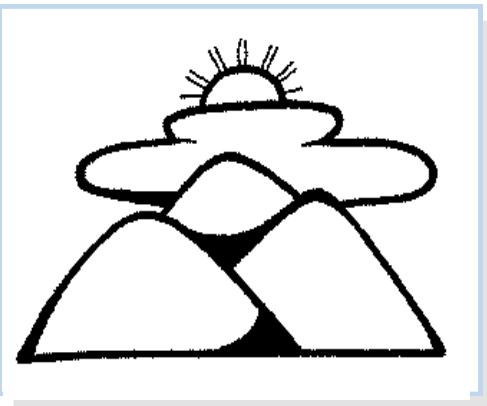
We rejoice in this opportunity to gather for worship in our sanctuary after having been prevented from doing so by COVID for so long! We know that some of you will feel more comfortable waiting for a bit longer to return in person. That's fine too! We will continue to rejoice in your presence with us virtually as you connect online!

Here at Trinity, we strive to follow our Lord Jesus in fully welcoming everyone into community. We seek to provide a place of true sanctuary in a world that too often offers judgment instead of grace and exclusion rather than embrace. As a Reconciling In Christ congregation, we rejoice to fully welcome LGBTQIA folks. We celebrate racial and ethnic diversity as a gift to the community. We seek to include those who are dealing with physical challenges and developmental disabilities. Beyond all this, we happily include people wherever they are on their faith journey, including seekers with deep doubts and questions, those who are new to the faith, and seasoned long-time believers.

In short, we believe that when Jesus commanded his followers to share the Gospel with ALL people – he meant it! Welcome!

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Transfiguration of Our Lord

**February 19, 2023
9:30 am**

**Trinity Lutheran Church
ELCA**

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Transforming lives by living the Gospel of Jesus Christ



Hearing Loop System in our Sanctuary....The Hearing Loop System in our Sanctuary allows for direct broadcast of the worship service to your hearing aid. We have two direct reception headsets available for those who have non-T-coil equipped hearing aids or no hearing aid at all. Our ushers are happy to assist you. We hope this enhancement is a blessing to you.

JOIN US FOR ONLINE WORSHIP

We continue to live-stream all of our services.

If you can't tune in for the live broadcast, or you want to go back and hear a part of the service again, you can access all of our previously recorded services archived on our website. www.trinityevanston.org

with a link to our facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/TrinityEvanston/>

Gathering

*The Holy Spirit gathers us in unity on the first day
of the week, the day of Christ's resurrection.*

Prelude: Festive Peal on "Hymn to Joy" by Michael Ryan
Handbell Choir

Word of Welcome

Announcements and Celebrations

Confession and Forgiveness: (*Stand as you are able.*)

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Holy One, source of our renewal,

C we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves.

We have not practiced your righteousness.

Our hearts have turned away from you.

**For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another
for the glory of your holy name.**

Amen.

P Thus says our God:

"The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare."

God's mercy makes us new.

We are forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ our Savior..

C Amen.

Gathering Hymn: ELW, No. 671 "Shine, Jesus Shine"

Refrain

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa-ther's glo - ry;

blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;

send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the
2 As we gaze on your king ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -

dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,
play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,

set us free by the truth you now bring us.
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.

Refrain

Shine on me, shine on me:
Shine on me, me,

Greeting:

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C **And also with you.**

Kyrie

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

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Glory to God:

Pastor



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

All



Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,



we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.



Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;



you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.



For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,



you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,



in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayer of the Day:

P O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Word

God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.



Word for the Children

First Reading: Exodus 24:12-18

The Lord said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.”¹³ So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God.¹⁴ To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.”¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain.¹⁶ The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud.¹⁷ Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel.¹⁸ Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God!**

Brief silence for reflection on the Word.

Second Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-21

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty.¹⁷ For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”¹⁸ We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹ So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.²⁰ First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation,²¹ because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

L Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Acclamation: (Stand)



The musical notation consists of two staves of music in G major (two sharps) and common time. The first staff has a treble clef and ends with a fermata over the last note. The lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the" are written below it. The second staff begins with a quarter note, followed by eighth notes and sixteenth notes, ending with a fermata over the last note. The lyrics "words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia." are written below it.

P The holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 5th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves.² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white.³ Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him.⁴ Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.”⁵ While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!”⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear.⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.”⁸ And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, “Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

Please be seated.

Sermon — Pastor Chrisida Anandan



- 1 Dazzling presence on the mountain:
human eye had never seen
such a wonder, such resplendence,
heav'n and earth in cloud convene.
"This is my Son, the beloved,"
thund'rous voice from cloud exclaimed.
Word made flesh to heal creation,
to disciples God proclaimed.
- 2 From this mount of mystic splendor
to the cross Christ presses on;
here no Moses nor Elijah,
only thieves Christ's wings adorn.
"Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,"
was one's penitential sigh.
With transfiguring assurance,
Christ rejoins his fervent cry.
- 3 From the heights of new creation,
Christ beholds his world, redeemed;
as with Peter and companions,
brings us now to sights unseen.
Justice, mercy, and compassion:
these the booths he bids us build,
that the earth he loves may flourish
as each life with grace is filled.
- 4 Let our praise ring from each mountain,
into deepest valleys pour,
where, with lives of grateful service,
we adore Christ evermore.
To the Son, God's own beloved,
and the Spirit endlessly,
may the church's praise be lifted
to the blessed Trinity.

Apostles' Creed:

- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at
the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession:

P Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

After each petition:

P Merciful God,
C **receive our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

P We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.
C **Amen.**

Peace

Please be seated.



Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

Raised to new life, filled with the Holy Spirit, and gifted richly by God, we respond with joy and thanksgiving for all that God has first given us.

If you are joining us virtually, you may share your offerings by mailing your checks to the church office or by using your bank's bill-pay system. If you would rather, you can use our Vanco online giving option. Here's the link to the secure site: bit.ly/TLCgives22 Or scan this QR code:

However it is that you share your offerings, we thank you for your faithful financial support of the ministry we share!



Offertory: ELW, No. 317..... "Jesus on the Mountain Peak"

Choir: verses 1, 2 & 3; All: verse 4

- 1 Jesus on the mountain peak
stands alone in glory blazing;
let us, if we dare to speak,
join the saints and angels praising.
Alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Trembling at his feet we saw
Moses and Elijah speaking.
All the prophets and the law
shout through them their joyful greeting:
Alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 Swift the cloud of glory came,
God proclaiming in its thunder,
Jesus as the Son by name!
Nations, cry aloud in wonder:
Alleluia, alleluia!

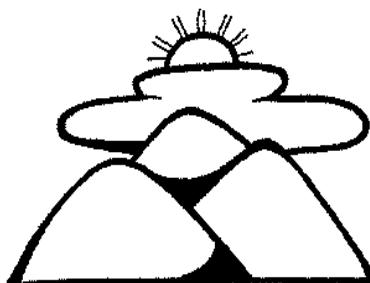
All

4 This is God's be - lov - ed Son! Law and proph - ets
sing be - fore him, first and last and on - ly One. All cre - a - tion
shall a - dore him! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Text: Brian A. Wren

Music: Mark Sedio

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(Stand as you are able.)

Setting the Table: ELW, No.4260

"Now the Silence"



Now the si - lence Now the peace Now the emp - ty hands up - lift - ed



Now the kneel - ing Now the plea Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come



Now the hear - ing Now the pow'r Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing



Now the bod - y Now the blood Now the joy - ful cel - e - bra - tion



Now the wed - ding Now the songs Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing



Now the Spir - it's vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e - piph - a - ny



Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now



Great Thanksgiving:

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up to the Lord in joy.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -

san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Thanksgiving at the Table:

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
this cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Please pray the version that speaks to you.

(Traditional version)

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory
forever and ever.
Amen.

(Ecumenical version)

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom,
the power, and the glory
are yours, now and forever.
Amen.

Invitation to Communion

We rejoice to share this holy meal with all baptized believers.

Children not yet receiving communion are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

Please be seated.

We invite worshippers to come forward for communion.

For those who prefer to remain in the pew, individual communion sets containing grape juice are available in the narthex as people enter.

Pastor will distribute the bread and a deacon will be distributing the wine in individual, recyclable plastic cups.

(Communicants will take a cup from the tray and will dispose of it in the basket provided before returning to their seat.)

Come forward via the center aisle at the direction of the usher, and return to your seats using the aisle on the east side of the sanctuary.

Gluten free wafers are available. **Grape juice** is located in the inner circle of the tray.

Lamb of God:

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.



Music during Communion: ELW, No 867 "In Thee Is Gladness"

1 In thee is glad - ness a - mid all sad - ness, Je - sus, sun - shine of my
2 Je - sus is ours! . . . We fear no pow - ers, not of earth or sin or

heart. By thee are giv - en the gifts of heav - en, thou the
death. He sees and bless - es in worst dis - tress - es; he can

true re - deem - er art. Our souls thou wak - est; our bonds thou
change them with a breath. Where-fore the sto - ry tell of his

break - est. Who trusts thee sure - ly has built se - cure - ly
glo - ry with heart and voic - es; all heav'n re - joic - es

and stands for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! Our hearts are
in him for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! We shout for

pin - ing to see thy shin - ing, dy - ing or liv - ing,
glad - ness, tri - umph o'er sad - ness, love him and praise him

to thee are cleav - ing; naught can us sev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!
and still shall raise him glad hymns for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!

"Brighter than the Sun" by Ray Makeever / arr. John Helgen

Led by the Spirit Ensemble;

Congregation sings the refrain

Refrain:

Bright - er, bright-er than the sun is the can - dle of the Ho - ly one.

Big - ger, big - ger than the sea are the waves of God wash-ing o - ver me.

Prayer after Communion:

P Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you.

C **Amen.**

Sending

The triune God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing: (Stand)

P The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod † bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

C **Amen.**



Sending Song: ELW, No. 866 "We Are Marching in the Light of God"

Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -
 We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the

nyen' kwen - khos'. *Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',*
 light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march-ing in the light of God.

Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) oo
 We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) oo

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march-ing in the light of God.

Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) oo
 We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) oo

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

Additional stanzas ad lib.:
 We are dancing ...
 We are praying ...
 We are singing ...

Dismissal:

- P Go in peace. Follow in the way of Jesus.
 C **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

TRINITY'S FEBRUARY MISSION POSSIBLE recipient: Interfaith Action of Evanston: To support this organization, you can share your offerings by check to the church office, or by using your bank's bill-pay system, noting "Mission Possible" in the memo. Or use the online instructions above. Thank you for your support!

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Carol Cyrus in honor of Rachel's birthday.

Ash Wednesday

February 22

Service at

7:00 pm

Imposition of Ashes

and

Holy Communion



ASH WEDNESDAY, February 22, marks our entry into the season of Lent. We hope that you will join us for worship that evening at 7 pm.

PALM ASHES —One of the more meaningful parts of the Ash Wednesday worship experience is the imposition of ashes on those who gather. Etched on our foreheads in the sign of a cross, the ashes are at once a sign of our mortality, our salvation in Christ, and an indication of sorrow over our sin. If you are unable to attend the Ash Wednesday service, we will make palm ashes available for pick up here at Trinity to bring home with you to use during the service. There will be directions for their use, as well as an explanation of the meaning of Ash Wednesday. Packets may be picked up beginning Wed., Feb. 15—Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22. Contact the office to make arrangements. office@trinityevanston.org / 847-673-8564 (Office hours: Monday - Thursday 9a - 5p)

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**LENT AT TRINITY
BREAK BREAD
WITH US
COME JOIN US
WEDNESDAYS IN
LENT**



SUPPER @ 6:30PM

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS IN LENT beginning March 1st —

We hope that you and your family will plan on joining us each Wednesday evening in Lent (March 1—29) for a simple community meal followed by worship.

The meal will begin at 6:30pm. Our brief Holden Evening Prayer worship will follow at 7:30pm.

These Wednesday evenings offer a wonderful opportunity to re-connect in community and to experience a sort of mid-week "respite of grace" in the midst of our otherwise busy schedules. Join us as we move through this Lenten season of re-dedication and deepening of our faith. We look forward to seeing you there!

Join us Wednesday evening services at 7:30 pm in person or on Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/TrinityEvanston/>

TRINITY PRAYER LIST:

MEMBERS:

Valerie Brawn (ACL reconstruction surgery in April)

Robert Gertenrich

Signe Kilen

Judi McKiernan

Rick Merrell

Gina Musielski (recovery from surgery)

Bill Olson (McGaw/Westminster Place, recovering from a fall)

Annie Peterson (recovery from surgery)

Hortense Plummer

Phos Rivera (recovery from surgery)

Holly Ruch-Ross

Donna Schroeder

Arlene Sigle

Kathy Sigle

LaVerne Stamer

Lorna Van Houten (recovery and healing from orthopedic surgery)

Chris Vianu

Dave Yandell (continued healing)

FAMILY & FRIENDS:

Joan Aldrich (friend of Lois Wurl)

Kara Baylor (pastor at Carthage College, friend of Becca Payne, bone cancer)

Whitman Brisky (Valerie Braun's dad, multiple myeloma; will need a bone marrow transplant this summer)

Peter Burke (brother of Peg Lee)

Rick Corona (brother of Joe Corona/Lori Corona, recovery from bad fall)

Larry Coble (friend of Cathi White)

Diane (friend of Millie Burek, brain cancer)

Walter Drew (friend of Lois Wurl)

Arlaine Frederick (niece of Mike and Nancy Sims, Guillain Barre Syndrome. Married on Nov. 5 to Mike Frederick, Mike and Nancy's nephew)

Sarah Graebner (cousin of Susan Hilkevitch)

Cathy Hardison (friend of Sandie Schlauch, recovery from broken wrist)

Katie (friend of Christine Villacorta—lymphoma)

Ari Kaufmann (friend of Carl & Donna Johnson)

Karen Kochell (Rob Payne's cousin, watching for possible return of eye cancer)

Virginia Lee (mother of Dick Lee, rehab)

Mindy (request of Peg Lee, brain tumor)

Vickie Nowakowski (Carole Rivera's sister-in-law) liver cancer

Carolyn Payne (mother of Rob Payne, palliative care)

Lynn Payne (Rob's sister-in-law, comfort and healing during recent cancer diagnosis)

Bethany Rozelle (colleague of Charlie Slamar, colon cancer)

Ryan (Lorna Van Houten's son, healing)

Steve Skodacek (cousin of Paula Payne, for continued support upon the death of his wife, Joyce on February 13)

Ruth Straseske (friend of Carol Wilson, continued recovery from ovarian cancer)

Steve and Dawn Taskay

Tito Urian (friend of Phos Rivera, recovering ALS)

Amy Villacorta (mother of Darryl Villacorta)

Joan Weimer (friend/neighbor of Lois Wurl)

Sharon Yandell (mother of Dave Yandell)

SYMPATHY:

Steve Skodacek, cousin of Paula Payne, and all who grieve the death of Steve's wife Joyce, who passed away while in hospice on Feb. 13.

Irene/Hong Wu and David Yao and family on the death of Irene's parents, Maogen and Huixin Wu on Jan 2 (mom) and Jan. 10 (dad) in Hangzhou, China.