The Walk:
Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life
Small Group Lenten Studies

⇒ **Sundays at 10:30 am**, in the Conference Room, with June Collins, begins on **March 1**.

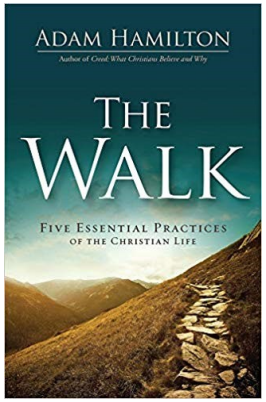
⇒ **Wednesdays at 10:30 am,** in the Youth Room, with Rev. John and Shannon Gilbride, begins **March 4**.

⇒ **Thursdays at 6:30 pm**, in the Chapel, with Mike King, begins **March 5**.

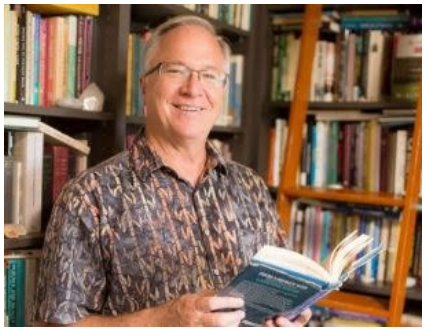
⇒ **Fridays at 10:00 am**, in the Youth Room, with Rev. Faith Conklin & Dana Black, begins on **March 6**.

⇒ **Fridays at 10:00 am**, at Kathleen Wilson's home, begins on **March 6**.

⇒ **Tuesdays at 6:00 pm**, in the Conference Room, with Women of Faith group, begins on **March 10**.



Grounded in God's Story:
How Protestants Read & Apply Scripture
2020 All-Church Study with Soup Dinner!



Dr. Michael Lodahl, professor of Religion and Theology at Point Loma Nazarene University, will be offering a three-session study on how Protestant Christians interpret and apply scripture. The class will begin on **Wednesday, March 18th**. The class will be on **Wednesdays (March 18th, March 25th and April 1st)** from **6:30 pm to 7:45 pm** each week in Founders Hall. Stop by the Small Group Table or email info@encinitaschurch.com to RSVP. Invite your friends! (A free-will offering will be taken.)

SAN DIEGUITO
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

February 26, 2020 — 7:00 pm

Ash Wednesday Service

Artwork by Jennifer Jones

Order of Worship

Prelude — "Chorale Prelude on 'Caswall'"……Peter Hurford
Sarah Amos, Organist

*Gathering Hymn No. 269 — "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" (Verses 1-3)

*Call To Worship……Rev. Chelsea Simon

Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of God and saying,
"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand;
repent and believe the Gospel."
Now is the day of salvation.
Now is the time to repent of our sins, to hear God's word,
to ask God to strengthen us in our faith that we might live more holy lives.
Jesus also said, "I have come that you might have life, and have it abundantly."
Tonight, we remember that in our dying to self
by God's grace we rise to live and love for Christ and neighbor.

*Hymn No. 269 — "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" (Verse 4)

Opening Prayer..…… Rev. Chelsea Simon

Almighty and everlasting God,
you love and care for your creation.
You forgive all those who turn to you.
Recreate us, giving us new and honest hearts.
Help us to acknowledge
our brokenness before you, God of mercy,
so that we may experience your forgiveness
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

First Reading — Joel 2:1-2, 12-17……Rev. John Shaver

"Only Jesus"..…… Amy Tate Williams
SDUMC Chancel Choir Singers; Scott Bowen, Director

Second Reading — Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21……Rev. Chelsea Simon

Homily.…… Rev. Dr. Faith J. Conklin

Invitation to the Observance of Lenten Discipline and Thanksgiving Over the Ashes

The Offering

Tonight's offering will help feed those who are hungry,
both in our community and around the world, by supporting the
Pastor's Discretionary Fund and Rise Against Hunger.

Offertory — "Meditation on 'Southwell'"…… Alan Bullard

The Great Thanksgiving.…… UMH page 15

The Lord's Prayer

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. Amen.

The Imposition of the Ashes and Giving the Bread and Cup

You are invited to come forward at the invitation of the ushers, to receive the imposition of ashes then proceed to the station to receive Holy Communion, or to remain in your seat for a time of personal prayer.

For those with gluten allergies, gluten-free wafers are available at the front of the pulpit.

Music During Communion —
"Contemplation on 'Wondrous Love'" ……Rebecca Groom te Velde

Prayer after Receiving

Compassionate God,
you have fed us with the bread of heaven.
Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage:
may our fasting be hunger for justice,
our offering, a making of peace,
and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts;
through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Sending Hymn No. 121 — "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

*Benediction

Postlude — "Postlude on 'Ellacombe'"……Robert J. Powell

Please leave in silence.

*****Indicates you are invited to stand, as you are able.*

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

MINISTERS: Rev. John Shaver, Rev. Chelsea Simon and Rev. Dr. Faith J. Conklin

ORGANIST: Sarah Amos

COMMUNION SERVERS: Joyce & Maury Pratt, Sherrie & Terry Wood, Diane Thompson, and Robin Mitchell; Gluten-free: Ruth Ann Lee.

SPECIAL MUSIC: SDUMC Chancel Choir Singers