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From the Pastor

Summer Sermon Series: "We Need to Talk..."

Several decades ago, Jewish philosopher Martin Buber remarked, "That peoples can no longer carry on authentic dialogue with one another is not only the most acute symptom of the pathology of our time, it is also that which most urgently makes a demand of us. I believe, despite all, that the peoples in this hour can enter into dialogue, into a genuine dialogue with one another."

Things have not gotten better since he wrote those words. In these days of shock radio, Facebook rants, and polarized media outlets, authentic dialogue is harder than ever. Pastor and author C. Christopher Smith suggests that one role for the church in the 21st century might be to offer a space and community where deep conversations about things that matter can still happen.

In recent weeks our pastors and other congregational leaders have asked church and members of the wider Claremont community, "What do we need to talk about?" The answers they received are for the basis for our Summer Sermon series, "We Need to Talk..."

In addition to the sermons, each week there will be opportunities for conversations around each topic. Watch the Sunday bulletin, the weekly e-newsletter, and our CPC Facebook page for news about these opportunities. The series will begin in late June and continue through August.

- **June 23** We Need to Talk... The Church and the Lost Art of Conversation
- **June 30** We Need to Talk about the Polarization of Community and Culture
- **July 7** We Need to Talk about Immigrants, Refugees and Asylum Seekers
- **July 14** We Need to Talk about Mental Health
- **July 21** We Need to Talk about Aging and Dying Well
- **July 28** We Need to Talk about Loneliness as Social Isolation
- **August 4** We Need to Talk about Consumerism and Stress as Status
- **August 11** We Need to Talk about the Environment
- **August 18** We Need to Talk about Racism
- **August 25** We Need to Talk about Launching Young People into Adulthood

Karen Sapio

WORSHIP PLANS

Sunday, June 2

Karen Sapio preaching

Windows on Acts: Acts 16: 16-34

Volunteer Appreciation Sunday

Sunday, June 9

Pentecost

Brian Gaeta-Symonds preaching

Windows on Acts: Acts 2: 1-21

Graduate Recognition and Bible
Sunday

Sunday, June 9 - 7:00 PM

Service of Healing and
Wholness

Sunday, June 16

Trinity Sunday

Karen Sapio/Geri DeMasi

*Exploring the Trinity in your
Favorite Hymns*

Sunday, June 23

Karen Sapio preaching

Summer Sermon Series:

We Need to Talk...

*The Church and the Lost Art of
Conversation*

Ephesians 4: 25-31

Sunday, June 30

Karen Sapio preaching

Summer Sermon Series:

We Need to Talk

*about the Polarization of
Community and Culture*

Genesis 11:1-9

Sunday, June 30 - 6:00 PM

Jazz Vespers

Work Day

What would you do for coffee and doughnuts for breakfast and pizza for lunch? We have adventures planned for the all church volunteer work day June 1, 2019, 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM.

The adventures include:

- The Treasure of the Sanctuary Seat Cushions
- The Joy of Weeding – Reloaded
- The Hitchhikers Guide to the Storage Room
- The Deep
- Up the Down Staircase
- 100 Years Before the Mast

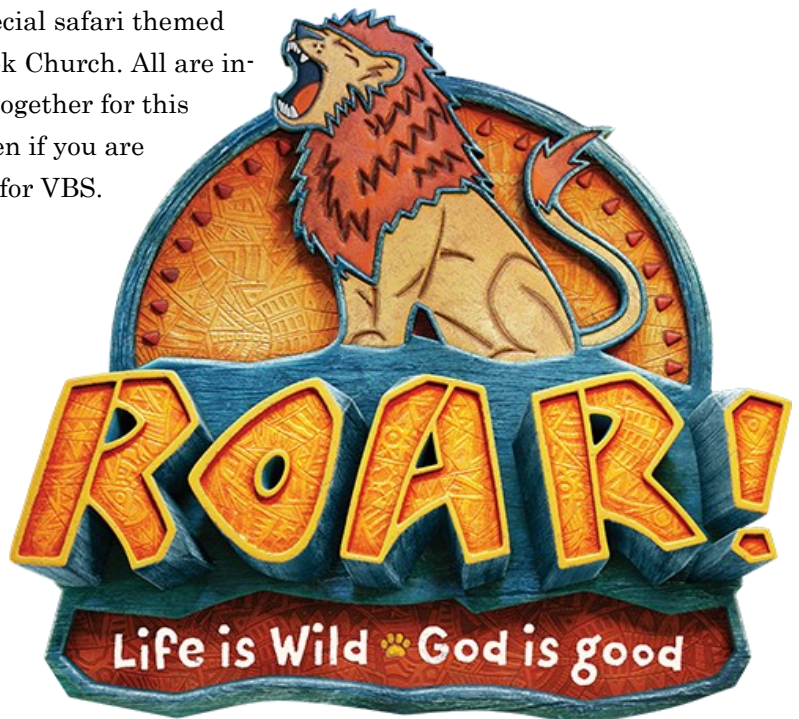
Coffee and doughnuts available at 8:30 AM, organization and assignments at 8:45 AM, and pizza, salad, and refreshments served at 12:00 PM. Sign-ups on the patio on May 26 (We need to know what you like on your pizza).

Do you have a small cleaning or maintenance project you've noticed on campus and thought, "Someone needs to take care of that" or even better, "With a little time and help I could take care of that." Share your work day ideas with Bill Brinegar any Sunday after church on the patio or at bill@drsbrinegar.com.

Vacation Bible School & Messy Midweek

June 24-27, 5:15 PM - 8:00 PM ROAR into summer with a FREE safari themed fun-filled experience for kids preschool-6th grade. Children will get time to play, watch exciting videos, learn some cool music and dance moves, listen to stories from the Bible, and eat dinner together. Parents are invited to volunteer in many different ways. Registration will open soon - keep an eye on our church website, in the office, and during worship events and activities for forms leading up to June 24.

Messy Midweek Bonus! On the final day of VBS, Thursday, June 27, we will have a special safari themed Messy Midweek Church. All are invited to come together for this special day even if you are not registered for VBS.



Family Dinner Mixer - Big Success!

Over 100 people came together on Friday, May 3 in the Fellowship Hall for the first ever Family Dinner Mixer. These included families from CPC and the Children's Center as well as others from our community. Parents connected about interests and pride in their children over delicious Mexican food from a L.A. based food truck, G's Taco Spot.

After they had their fill of food, the children were invited to the craft section and to take part in games, coloring, and other activities. Meanwhile, the parents could move about the Hall visiting different enrichment activity and family ministry displays. On their way out many wondered when the next one would be, because they would definitely be back.



Bag-It Sunday – June 9

One of the many ways CPC assists the needy through the Inland Valley Hope Partners is Bag-It Sunday. After church on June 9 we will assemble hygiene kits for the homeless. As we fill each bag, we visit with one another, and appreciate having the basic necessities ourselves. Start collecting hygiene supplies now, bring them to church the week before (June 2) and plan to join us after church on June 9 to participate in this meaningful outreach to those in need.

Ways you can help include:

- Saving individual-sized hygiene articles as you travel or purchase them from the following list.
- Shopping for individual-sized hygiene supplies, such as soap, washcloths, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, socks (women's and men's), deodorant, razors, shaving cream, combs, anti-bacterial lotion (not gel), lip balm, sunblock, and snack packs like nuts, dried fruits, energy bars.
- Bringing items to CPC before June 2 so the Deacons can purchase what is needed.
- Making a monetary donation so the Deacons can purchase needed items – place in the offering plate, marked Bag-It, find the Deacons on the patio after church on June 2, or mail checks to the church, with the designation "Bag-It Sunday" in the memo.
- Joining us to assemble the hygiene kits
- after church on June 9.

Honoring the Loaves and Fishes Society

The Special Gifts and Endowment Committee is pleased to announce CPC's Twelfth Annual Bequest Emphasis Sunday, to take place on June 16.

During the service on that day, a presentation will be given to illustrate the importance of making special gifts to CPC, over and above our annual pledges for the operating budget. These special gifts can be made during lifetime or through our estates and can direct support to a particular part of CPC's program and outreach or can be left unrestricted. In either case, such gifts further enrich our spiritual life here at CPC and our ministry to a needy world.

At the service on June 16, we will recognize the 32 people who, to date, constitute the members of our Loaves and Fishes Society. This is the bequest society of CPC and is sponsored by the Special Gifts and Endowment Committee.

The Loaves and Fishes Society draws its inspiration from John 6:9, the multiplication of the loaves and fishes to sustain the multitudes. Everyone who includes CPC in his or her estate plan is entitled to membership in the Society.

If you have taken this important step and have not yet notified us, please inform one of the Pastors, any member of the Committee, or Jo Colclough in the Church office – we want to add you to our membership rolls! For more information, please pick up a copy of our Loaves and Fishes Society brochure on the patio on Sunday morning or in the Church office. The brochure provides the names of the Committee members.

The current members of the Loaves and Fishes Society are:

Sharron Bentley	Taylor Klingerman
Eric Bernal	Joanne McCandless
Teresa Bernal	Paula Pitzer
Doris Chambers	Janet Siedschlag
Susanne Christian	Kathleen Sigtenhorst
David Colclough	Pieter Sigtenhorst
Jo Colclough	Stanley Springer
John Connelly	Betty Springer
Geri DeMasi	Marjorie Stoddard
Jane Douglass	William Stubblebine
Frank Hungerford	Carol Stubblebine
Delores Kelley	Roger Swartz
Robbin Kelley	Teddie Warner
Jeanne Kennedy	Kent Warner
Leanne Kerchner	Mary Wheeler
Charles Kerchner	Dorothy Whitham

Grad & Bibles Sunday, June 9

It has become a tradition here at CPC to lift up the names of our graduates. If you have a family member whom you know is graduating from Jr. High School, High School, College, or Graduate studies, please let us know (by June 4) their name so we can add it to our bulletin.

Do you have a 3rd grader or an older youth who has not yet received a Bible from the Church? CPC has a long standing tradition of supporting our children with their faith journey in different ways, and so we would like to recognize your child on June 9 and gift them with a Bible. Submit your child's grade and age to Pastor Brian: brian@claermontpres.org.

Evening Prayer for Healing and Wholeness

The second Sunday of each month, all are welcome to join in Evening Prayer for Healing and Wholeness in the CPC Chapel. Led by Pastor Karen Sapio and the Rev. Dr. Tina Blair, these services will combine time for quiet contemplation with singing and a time for prayers of healing for yourself, a loved one, or a world situation that is on your heart. Please join us on Sunday, June 9 at 7:00 PM in the Chapel.

Inland Valley Hope Partners Celebrates Volunteers

Inland Valley Hope Partners (IVHP) is a collaboration of faith communities, businesses, individuals and community groups. Their mission is to ensure the empowerment of people in need, by providing food, shelter and supportive services. CPC supports the Inland Valley Hope Partners (IVHP) ministries in many ways. To give a few examples: Mission and Deacons provide monthly financial support. Individuals drop off food into the red wheelbarrow in our church Narthex and deliver it to the Beta Center. As a token of appreciation, IVHP invited CPC to their volunteer Appreciation Luncheon on Friday April 26. Pastor Brian and Mission Chair, Carol Sittig attended.

Did you know that the Claremont Food Pantry is right down our street at the Joslyn Center? Please look at the Inland Valley Hope Partners website to learn more about their ministries supporting those living in poverty through housing and food assistance. Please talk with Pastor Brian or Carol if you would like to know how you might participate with CPC in supporting this ministry.



About the Memorial Garden

For many generations of Christians, the traditional churchyard with its headstones was a visible and powerful reminder that, "in life and in death we belong to God."

The Memorial Garden of Claremont Presbyterian Church is a modern version of the churchyard. It is provided for the scattering or interment of cremains (ashes) of present and past members of Claremont Presbyterian Church, Emmanuel Church, Claremont Korean Church, and GPIB Indonesian Fellowship and the community.

The Memorial Garden is located along the west side of the church, between the Sanctuary and the church office. The Garden is surrounded by stone walls and wrought iron fencing. During regular office hours the garden is accessible to all and is locked for security when the office is closed.

Three options are available in the Memorial Garden of Claremont Presbyterian Church:

The Garth is provided for the scattering of ashes or the burial of ashes in a biodegradable manner. The name, date of birth, and the date of death will be engraved upon the Garth Cenotaph for each person so memorialized in the Garth. A key to the Memorial Garden will be provided with each license. (Cenotaph engraving requires at least 2 weeks notice.)

The Burial Garden is provided for the permanent interment of cremains beneath the ground. The name, date of birth, and the date of death will be engraved upon the Garden Cenotaph for each person interred. Urns for cremains will be provided by the church. Licensee may have the name of the deceased placed on the urn at his/her own expense. A key to the Memorial Garden will be provided with each license. (Cenotaph engraving requires at least 2 weeks notice.)

The Wall of Remembrance is provided for the engraving of the names of loved ones buried elsewhere. Call the church office at (909) 624-9693 for more details.



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Adult Education

9:00 AM

Church School

10:15 AM

Worship

10:00 AM

Nursery Care

available both hours



The Lemonade Wednesday moms took out Pastor Brian for his birthday and to thank him for "caring for our littles", as they were called. Lemonade Wednesday launched in October last year with 8 kids from Mountain View and El Roble, and now has about 25 kids and parents hanging out for after school refreshments and conversation. This wonderful and important activity will go on hiatus this summer, and then will return with the new academic year in September - consider volunteering to help support Lemonade Wednesdays.

Jazz Vespers

"Vespers" comes from the Greek word *hespera*, meaning "evening." Join us June 30, 6:00 PM for our Jazz Vespers: evening prayer combined with the spontaneity and discovery of jazz. This service includes readings from scripture and poetry, and reflections from creative thinkers both from our church and the wider community. We also include times for prayer and contemplation.

Financial Snapshot

CLAREMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AS OF 04/30/19	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Pledges	159,354	156,667
Other Income	37,798	36,899
Expenses	<u>-195,370</u>	<u>-200,347</u>
VARIANCE	1,782	-6,781
CHILDREN'S CENTER AS OF 04/30/19	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Revenue	289,184	268,633
Expenses	<u>-270,970</u>	<u>-268,696</u>
VARIANCE	18,214	-63

Saturday, June 1

8:30 AM Church Workday
 10:00 AM Emmanuel Group
 4:00 PM GPIB, FH

Sunday, June 2

Teacher/volunteer Appreciation

10:00 AM Worship
 10:00 AM Emmanuel, SW
 11:30 AM Emmanuel S. School, Rm.1
 11:30 AM Emmanuel Worship, Sanc.
 1:00 PM Korean Worship, MB
 3:00 PM GPIB Church, Sanc/FH
 6:00 PM College-age Gather, Rm. 4

Monday, June 3

5:00 PM MV Elementary, Sanc.
 6:00 PM CoDA, MB
 6:30 PM Xanath Dance Co, Rm. 7
 7:00 PM Firm Believers, FH

Tuesday, June 4

8:00 AM Firm Believers, FH
 9:00 AM Music & Movement, Rm. 7
 6:00 PM NAMI, FH, Rms.7&1,
 Chapel
 7:00 PM Boy Scouts, MB

Wednesday, June 5

9:00 AM Emm. Prayer Meet, Rm. 1
 11:00 AM Petite Feet, Rm. 7
 1:00 PM Lemonade Wednesdays
 4:30 PM Yoga Class, Rm.7
 6:30 PM AA, SW

Thursday, June 6

7:00 AM Meditation, Chapel
 8:00 AM Firm Believers, FH
 9:00 AM CPCC Chapel
 5:30 PM CUSD Concert, Sanc.
 7:00 PM Firm Believers, FH
 7:30 PM Men's Alanon, SW
 7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir, MB

Friday, June 7

8:00 AM Coffee & Donuts, CPCC
 9:00 AM CPCC Yoga, FH
 7:00 PM Emman. Bible Study, SW

Saturday, June 8

4:00 PM GPIB, FH

Sunday, June 9

Grad & Bibles Sunday

10:00 AM Worship/Grad Sunday
 10:00 AM Emmanuel, SW
 11:00 AM Bag It Sunday
 11:30 AM Emmanuel S. School, Rm.1
 11:30 AM Emmanuel Worship, Sanc.
 1:00 PM Korean Worship, MB
 3:00 PM GPIB Church, Sanc/FH
 6:00 PM College-age Gather, Rm.4
 7:00 PM Healing & Whole, Chapel

Monday, June 10

6:00 PM CoDA, MB
 6:30 PM Xanath Dance Co, Rm 7
 7:00 PM Firm Believers, FH

Tuesday, June 11

8:00 AM Firm Believers, FH
 9:00 AM Music & Movement, Rm. 7
 5:00 PM CPCC Comm, Lib
 7:00 PM Boy Scouts, FH

Wednesday, June 12

9:00 AM Emman. Pray. Meet, Rm. 1
 11:00 AM Petite Feet, Rm. 7
 1:00 PM Lemonade Wednesdays
 4:30 PM Yoga Class, Rm.7
 6:30 PM AA, SW

Thursday, June 13

7:00 AM Meditation, Chapel
 8:00 AM Firm Believers, FH
 9:00 AM CPCC Chapel
 1:30 PM PCU Mtg, Rm 7
 7:00 PM Firm Believers, FH
 7:30 PM Men's Alanon, SW
 7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir, MB

Friday, June 14

8:00 AM Coffee & Donuts, CPCC
 9:00 AM CPCC Yoga, FH
 7:00 PM Emman. Bible Study, SW

Saturday, June 15

4:00 PM GPIB, FH

Sunday, June 16

10:00 AM Worship - Bequest Sunday
 10:00 AM Emmanuel, SW
 11:30 AM Emmanuel S. School, Rm.1
 11:30 AM Emmanuel Worship, Sanc.
 1:00 PM Korean Worship, MB
 3:00 PM GPIB Church, Sanc/FH
 6:00 PM College-age Gather, Rm. 4

Monday, June 17

6:00 PM CoDA, MB
 6:30 PM Xanath Dance Co, Rm 7
 7:00 PM Firm Believers, FH

Tuesday, June 18

8:00 AM Firm Believers, FH
 9:00 AM Music & Movement, Rm. 7
 7:00 PM Boy Scouts, FH
 7:00 PM Deacon Board, Library
 7:00 PM Evangelism & Nurture

Wednesday, June 19

9:00 AM Emman. Pray. Mtg, Rm. 1
 11:00 AM Petite Feet, Rm. 7
 1:00 PM Lemonade Wednesdays
 4:30 PM Yoga Class, Rm.7
 6:30 PM AA, SW
 7:00 PM Prop. & Finance, Library
 7:00 PM CPC Session

Thursday, June 20

7:00 AM Meditation, Chapel
 8:00 AM Firm Believers, FH
 9:00 AM CPCC Chapel
 7:00 PM Firm Believers, FH
 7:00 PM Mission Comm, Lib
 7:30 PM Men's Alanon, SW
 7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir, MB

Friday, June 21

8:00 AM Coffee & Donuts, CPCC
 9:00 AM CPCC Yoga, FH
 7:00 PM Emmanuel Bible Study, SW

Saturday, June 22

4:00 PM GPIB, FH

Sunday, June 23

10:00 AM Worship
 10:00 AM Emmanuel, SW
 11:30 AM Emmanuel S. School, Rm.1
 11:30 AM Emmanuel Worship, Sanc.
 1:00 PM Korean Worship MB
 3:00 PM GPIB Church, Sanc/FH
 6:00 PM College-age Gather, Rm. 4

Monday, June 24

5:15 PM VBS
 6:00 PM CoDA, MB
 6:30 PM Xanath Dance Co
 7:00 PM Firm Believers

Tuesday, June 25

8:00 AM Firm Believers, FH
 9:00 AM Music & Movement, Rm. 7
 2:00 PM Capstone Center, Rm.1
 5:15 PM VBS
 7:00 PM Boy Scouts

Wednesday, June 26

9:00 AM Emman. Prayer Mtg, Rm. 1
 11:00 AM Petite Feet, Rm. 7
 4:30 PM Yoga Class, Rm.7
 5:00 PM CLASP Board Mtg, Rm 1
 5:15 PM VBS
 6:30 PM AA

Thursday, June 27

7:00 AM Meditation, Chapel
 8:00 AM Firm Believers, FH
 9:00 AM CPCC Chapel
 2:00 PM Capstone Center, Rm. 1
 5:15 PM VBS/Messy Midweek
 7:00 PM Emmanuel Session
 7:00 PM Firm Believers
 7:30 PM Men's Alanon
 7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir

Friday, June 28

9:00 AM CPCC Yoga, FH
 9:30 AM Library Committee, Library
 7:00 PM Emmanuel Bible Study, SW

Saturday, June 29

Emmanuel Anniversary Dinner

4:00 PM GPIB, FH

Sunday, June 30

10:00 AM Worship
 10:00 AM Emmanuel, SW
 11:30 AM Emmanuel S. School, Rm.1
 11:30 AM Emmanuel Worship, Sanc.
 1:00 PM Korean Worship, MB
 3:00 PM GPIB Church, Sanc/FH
 6:00 PM College-age Gathering, Rm.4
 6:00 PM Jazz Vespers

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The Latest

Claremont Presbyterian Church sends out a weekly email update for last minute news and announcements. The email is called "The Latest." You can sign up to receive "The Latest" several different ways.

One way is to go to the church website at www.claremontpres.org and look in the bottom left corner of the home page. Forms to sign up appear on other pages of the website but usually on the bottom right.

The church Facebook page has an Email Signup App. You may also contact Lisa Strom at lisa@claremontpres.org and tell her you would like to subscribe.

Prayer Chain

If you (or a loved one) are in need of prayer, the Prayer Chain of the Presbyterian Women is there for you. You may call Joyce Alexander at (909) 621-0493 with your prayer request. Please be sure you have the permission of the person for whom you are requesting prayer.

Now Hiring

Claremont Presbyterian Church is currently seeking individuals for three part time positions:

- Administrative Assistant, Finance and Personnel
- Nursery Coordinator
- Children's Music and Art Teacher

Summer Sundays for Children

Although the Godly Play curriculum will conclude for the summer, CPC will still be offering exciting and creative Sunday school experiences (and nursery care) during the worship services on Sunday mornings beginning June 16. We hope to have a few youth interns offering crafts, music, and faith-full lessons making sure we continue providing faith formation for our children.