# claremont presbyterian church

# COMMUNICATOR

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#### From the Pastor

In July and August we will continue our summer sermon series, "We Need to Talk." In his recent book How the Body of Christ Talks, author Christopher Smith notes, "God created humans to be conversational beings, but we have been formed by the powers of the modern age to resist genuine conversation." Can the church reclaim and reteach this endangered practice? This summer we will explore both our capacity for conversation and topics that cry out for thoughtful discussion and action.

The themes for Sunday worship will be:

- 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

Following worship each week, grab your coffee and find Adult Education's table in the shade. There you can join others to continue conversation around the theme of the day.

See inside this newsletter for information about other opportunities to talk as summer unfolds.

# WE NEED TO TALK

# **Upcoming Worship**

**Sunday, July 7** Kristi Van Nostran preaching We Need to Talk about Immigration and Refugees Leviticus 19:33-34, Hebrews 13:2

Sunday, July 14 Brian Gaeta-Symonds preaching We Need to Talk about Mental Health 1 Samuel 16: 14-20, Philippians 4: 4-7

**Sunday, July 21** Karen Sapio preaching We Need to Talk about Aging and Dying Well Genesis 12: 1-5, Luke 1: 1-24

**Sunday, July 28** Karen Sapio preaching We Need to Talk about Loneliness and Social Isolation Genesis 2: 18-24, Hebrews 10:23-25

**Sunday, August 4** Karen Sapio preaching We Need to Talk About Consumerism Luke 12: 16-21

**Sunday, August 11** Karen Sapio preaching We Need to Talk About the Environment Selections from Job 38-41

#### Sunday, August 18

Waffle Church

Brian Gaeta-Symonds preaching We Need to Talk About Racism Matthew 15:21-28 Philippians 2:3-4 Revelation 7:9

#### Sunday, August 25

Brian Gaeta-Symonds preaching We Need to Talk about Launching Young Adults 1 Timothy 4: 11-16

Sunday, August 25, 6:00 PM Jazz Vespers

# Welcome Neila Carey, Administrative Assistant for Finance and Personnel

Neila Carey is joining our Claremont Presbyterian Church staff this summer as Administrative Assistant for Finance and Personnel. Neila will be taking over the accounting and financial record keeping responsibilities that Jo Colclough has so faithfully undertaken for more than fifteen years. She will also be responsible for personnel



recordkeeping and benefits administration for Church and Children's Center staff. She comes to us with many years of bookkeeping and administrative experience in both the business and non-profit sector.

# Say Thank You to Jo Colclough on July 21

Jo Colclough has served Claremont Presbyterian Church well and faithfully for more than seventeen years. She began her work with us as Stewardship Clerk in 2002, but soon her responsibilities expanded to include bookkeeping and communications. This month, she is retiring from these duties, though she will remain an active church member and remain here in Claremont. We will take some time during and after worship on July 21 to thank Jo for all her great contributions to our congregation. Mark your calendar to be at church that Sunday to share your gratitude.

# The Refugee Concerns Team of Claremont Presbyterian Church Invites you to a Summer Supper

On July 13 from 5:00 - 6:30 PM, join us in the Fellowship Hall to hear the stories of refugees and asylum seekers in our community and allies who support them.

Our speakers are: Marisol Pereira, Marwa and Nazifa Parwani, Jed Leano, and Kristi Van Nostran

Donations gladly accepted to support this important work.









#### **Summer Choir**

Have you ever wanted to sing with the choir...but just couldn't make it to weekly rehearsals? Well, your opportunity is here. Please join us for Summer Choir!

Beginning July 7 and on every Sunday during July, the Summer Choir will meet at 9:00 AM to rehearse an easy, accessible anthem in preparation for the 10:00 worship service. No previous choral experience is necessary and singers of all ages are welcome. Just show up in the Music Building at 9:00 AM and get ready to sing. We look forward to seeing you!

# **Sunday Adult Education**

This summer join our 3-week Summer Book Group. We will meet at 9:00 AM on July 14, 28, and Aug 11.

On August 14 at 6:00 PM CPC will host a viewing of the film "Won't You Be My Neighbor?"

Adult Education will be reading and exploring through Michael Long's spiritual biography *Peaceful Neighbor: Discovering the Countercultural Mister Rogers*. Each of the three Sunday mornings will include a casual conversation of the reading (easy pace) and then on Wednesday, August 14, come together for a viewing of the documentary film "Won't You be My Neighbor?"

If you have not pre-ordered the book, you may find a copy in the church library, possibly a few extra copies for purchase, or you may decide to get the Kindle ebook version. All are welcome to join the conversation and viewing.

# We Need to Talk – 5 Midweek Community Conversations:

Come on out on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM from July 10 through August 7. We're going to gather at the Village Plaza at the tables in front of the Laemmle theaters

As a way to continue the CPC Summer Sermon Series conversation you are invited to one or more opportunities to engage several very important issues. As people of faith and as committed followers of the Gospel imperatives we must become more willing to face the realities in which we live day-in and day-out. The schedule of topics:

We need to talk about...

- July 10 Mental Health
- July 17 Polarization of Community & Culture
- July 24 Environment
- July 31 Consumerism and Stress as Status
- August 7 Racism

# Monday Night Concerts in the Park

The City of Claremont puts on summer concerts in Memorial Park on Monday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 PM. CPC members and families - you are invited to complete your day and start your week with us as we gather in the cool of the evening at the park on Mondays. We plan to be together on Mondays July 8 - August 5, and then possibly through the end of August. Look for announcements about how to find us when you arrive; such as a balloon with decorative fringe. We look forward to these moments to gather together.

## Thursday Evening Centering Prayer:

Come try something new this summer—Centering Prayer in the Narthex to the Sanctuary from 5-6 PM on July 11, 18, Aug 1, 8, 22

"Be still and know that I am God." An ancient form of prayer that breaks us from the busyness of life and into the quietude of simply being in the presence of the Divine; and then releases us again into the busyness of life with a noticing that something has shifted within us.

Do not bring your plans, your agendas, your's or others' expectations... rather, come sit in the presence of God and give into the much needed love and attention.

### Find Us On The Fourth

Claremont Presbyterian Church will once again host a booth at Claremont's Fourth of July Celebration in Memorial Park. Look for us among the other churches and community groups on the northwest lawn near Indian Hill. If you would like to take a turn sitting at the booth talking to members of the wider community about our church and its ministries, please let one of our pastors know.

## Jazz Vespers

"Vespers" comes from the Greek word hespera, meaning "evening." Join us August 25, 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.



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> Editor Lisa Strom

**Pastor** Karen Sapio

**Associate Pastor** Brian Gaeta-Symonds





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Adult Education 9:00 AM Church School 10:15 AM Worship 10:00 AM Nursery Care

available both hours

# Work Day Highlights









# Financial Snapshot

CLAREMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AS OF 05/31/19	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Pledges	184,431	195,833
Other Income	43,076	46,125
Expenses	<u>-244,167</u>	<u>-250,434</u>
VARIANCE	-16,660	-8,476
CHILDREN'S CENTER AS OF 05/31/19	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Revenue	363,101	335,792
Expenses	<u>-350,626</u>	<u>-335,870</u>
VARIANCE	12,475	-78

Monday, July 1

6:00pm CoDA, MB

6:30pm Xanath Dance Co, Rm. 7 7:00pm Firm Believers, FH

Tuesday, July 2

8:00am Firm Believers, FH 9:00am Music & Movement, Rm. 7 NAMI, FH/Rm7&1/Chapel 6:00pm 7:00pm Boy Scouts, MB

Wednesday, July 3

Emmanuel Pr. Meet, Rm. 1 9:00am 10:00am Overeaters Anonymous, SW 10:00am Staff Meeting, Lib 11:00am Petite Feet, Rm. 7 4:30pm Yoga Class, Rm. 7 6:30pm AA, SW

Thursday, July 4

Men's Alanon, SW 7:30pm

Friday, July 5

7:00pm Emmanuel Bible Study, SW

Saturday, July 6

10:00am Emman. Women's Min, FH

Sunday, July 7

Summer Choir 9:00am 10:00am Worship Emmanuel Bible Study, SW 10:00am Table in the Shade 11:15am 11:30am Emmanuel Sun. Sch, Rm. 1 Emmanuel Wor, Sanctuary 11:30am 1:00pm Claremont Korean Wor, MB 3:00 pm GPIB Indo, Sanc/FH/SW 6:00pm College-age Gather, Rm. 4

Monday, July 8

6:00pm CoDA, MB

6:30pm Xanath Dance Co, Rm. 7 Firm Believers, FH 7:00pm

Tuesday, July 9

Firm Believers, FH 8:00am 9:00am Music & Movement, Rm. 7

7:00pm Boy Scouts FH

Wednesday, July 10

9:00am Emmanuel Pr. Meet, Rm. 1 10:00am Overeaters Anonymous, SW 11:00am Petite Feet, Rm. 7 4:30pm Yoga Class, Rm. 7 6:30pm AA, SW 7:00pm P & F, Library

Thursday, July 11

Morning Meditation, Chapel 7:00am 1:30pm PCU Mtg, Rm. 7 5:00pm Centering Prayer Narthex

7:30pm Men's Alanon, SW

Friday, July 12

Emmanuel Bible Study, SW 7:00pm

Saturday, July 13

CODA, Rm. 7 10:00am 11:00am Roxanne Douglas Mem, Sanc 12:30pm Douglas Reception, FH 5:00pm Refuge Concerns Dinner, FH

Sunday, July 14

9:00am Adult Education Rm.1 9:00am Summer Choir Worship 10:00am Emmanuel Bible Study, SW 10:00am 11:15am Table in the Shade 11:15am Ed. & Leadership, Rm. 7 11:30am Emmanuel S. School, Rm. 1 Emmanuel Wor, Sanctuary 11:30am 1:00pm Clare. Korean Worship, MB 3:00pm GPIB Indo. Fel, Sanc/FH/SW 6:00pm College-age Gather, Rm. 4 7:00pm Healing & Whole, Chapel

Monday, July 15

6:00pm CoDA, MB

6:30pm Xanath Dance Co, Rm. 7

Tuesday, July 16

9:00am Music & Movement, Rm. 7 7:00pm Boy Scouts, FH 7:00pm Evangelism & Nurture

Wednesday, July 17

Emmanuel Pr. Meet, Rm. 1 9:00am 10:00am Overeaters Anonymous, SW 10:00am Staff Meeting, Lib. 11:00am Petite Feet, Rm. 7 Yoga Class, Rm. 7 4:30pm 6:30pm AA, SW

Thursday, July 18

7:00am Morning Meditation, Chapel 5:00pm Centering Prayer, Narthex 7:00pm Mission Comm, Lib 7:30pm Men's Alanon, SW

Friday, July 19

7:00pm Emmanuel Bible Study, SW

Sunday, July 21

9:00am Summer Choir 10:00am Worship 10:00am Emmanuel Bible Study, SW Table in the Shade 11:15am 11:30am Emmanuel Sun. Sch, Rm. 1 11:30am Emmanuel Wor, Sanctuary 1:00pm Clare. Korean Worship, MB 3:00pm GPIB Indo. Fel, Sanc/FH/SW 6:00pm College-age Gather, Rm. 4

Monday, July 22

6:00pm CoDA, MB 6:30pm Xanath Dance Co, Rm. 7

7:00pm Firm Believers, FH

Tuesday, July 23

Firm Believers, FH 8:00am 9:00am Music & Movement, Rm. 7 7:00pm Boy Scouts FH

7:00pm Deacon Board, Library Wednesday, July 24

9:00am Emmanuel Pr. Meet, Rm. 1 10:00am Overeaters Anonymous, SW 11:00am Petite Feet, Rm. 7 4:30pm Yoga Class, Rm. 7 5:00pm CLASP Board Mtg, Rm 1 AA. SW 6:30pm CPC Session, Rm.1 7:00pm

Thursday, July 25

Morning Meditation, Chapel 7:00am 8:00am Firm Believers, FH 7:00pm Emmanuel Session, Rm. 1 7:00pm Firm Believers, FH 7:30pm Men's Alanon, SW

Friday, July 26

Emmanuel Bible Study, SW 7:00pm

Sunday, July 28

9:00am Adult Education Rm.1 9:00am Summer Choir 10:00am Worship 10:00am Emmanuel Bible Study, SW Waffle Church 10:00am 11:15am Table in the Shade 11:30am Emmanuel Sun. Sch, Rm. 1 11:30am Emmanuel Wor, Sanctuary 1:00pm Clare. Korean Worship, MB GPIB Indo. Fel, Sanc/FH/SW 3:00pm 6:00pm College-age Gather, Rm. 4

Monday, July 29

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

Tuesday, July 30

8:00am Firm Believers, FH 9:00am Music & Movement, Rm. 7 7:00pm Boy Scouts FH

Wednesday, July 31

9:00am Emmanuel Pr. Meet. Rm. 1 10:00am Overeaters Anonymous, SW 10:00am Staff Meeting, Lib Petite Feet, Rm. 7 11:00am Yoga Class, Rm. 7 4:30pm

6:30pm AA, SW

#### Thursday, Aug 1

Morning Meditation, Chapel
Firm Believers, FH
Centering Prayer, Narthex
Firm Believers, FH
Men's Alanon, SW

#### Friday, Aug 2

7:00pm Emmanuel Bible Study, SW

#### Saturday, Aug 3

10:00am	Emm. Women's Min, FH
11:00am	Emmanual Wed, Sanc/FH

#### Sunday, Aug 4 10:00am Emmanuel Bible Study, SW

10:00am	Worship
11:15am	Table in the Shade
11:30am	Emmanuel Sun. Sch, Rm. 1
11:30am	Emmanuel Wor, Sanctuary
1:00pm	Clare. Korean Worship, MB
3:00pm	GPIB Indo. Fel, Sanc/FH/SW
6:00pm	College-age Gather, Rm. 4

#### Monday, Aug 5

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

#### Tuesday, Aug 6

8:00am	Firm Believers, FH
9:00am	Music & Movement, Rm. 7
6:00 pm	NAMI, FH/Rm7&1/Chapel
7:00pm	Boy Scouts, MB

#### Wednesday, Aug 7

9:00am	Emmanuel Pr. Meet, Rm. 1
10:00am	Overeaters Anon, SW
11:00am	Petite Feet, Rm. 7
6:30pm	AA, SW

#### Thursday, Aug 8

7:00am	Morning Meditation, Chapel
8:00am	Firm Believers, FH
1:30pm	PCU Mtg, Rm. 7
5:00pm	Centering Prayer Narthex
7:00pm	Firm Believers, FH
7:30pm	Men's Alanon, SW

#### Friday, Aug 9

7:00pm	Emmanuel Bible Study, SW

#### Sunday, Aug 11

9:00am	Adult Education Rm.1
10:00am	Emmanuel Bible Study, SW
10:00am	Worship
11:15am	Table in the Shade
11:30am	Ed. & Leadership Rm 7
11:30am	Emmanuel Sun. Sch, Rm. 1
11:30am	Emmanuel Wor, Sanctuary
1:00pm	Clare. Korean Worship, MB
3:00pm	GPIB Indo. Sanc/FH/SW
6:00pm	College-age Gather, Rm. 4

#### Monday, Aug 12

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

#### Tuesday, Aug 13

8:00am	Firm Believers, FH
9:00am	Music & Movement, Rm. 7
5:00pm	CPCC Commission, Lib
7:00pm	Boy Scouts FH

#### Wednesday, Aug 14

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9:00am	Emmanuel Pr. Meet, Rm. 1	
10:00am	Overeaters Anonymous, SW	
10:00am	Staff Meeting, Lib	
11:00am	Petite Feet, Rm. 7	
6:00pm	Adult Education Rm.1	
6:30pm	AA, SW	
7:00pm	P & F, Library	

#### Thursday, Aug 15

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7:00am	Morning Meditation, Chapel
8:00am	Firm Believers, FH
7:00pm	Firm Believers, FH
7:00pm	Mission Comm, Lib
7:30pm	Men's Alanon, SW

#### Friday, Aug 16

7:00pm Emmanuel Bible Study, SW

#### Sunday, Aug 18

10:00am	Emmanuel Bible Study, SW
10:00am	Worship
11:15am	Table in the Shade
11:30am	Emmanuel Sun. Sch, Rm. 1
11:30am	Emmanuel Worship, Sanc.
1:00pm	Clare. Korean Worship, MB
3:00pm	GPIB Indo, Sanc/FH/SW
6:00pm	College-age Gather, Rm. 4

# Monday, Aug 19

6:00pm	Coda, MB
6:30pm	Xanath Dance Co, Rm. 7
7:00pm	Firm Believers, FH

#### Tuesday, Aug 20

8	8:00am	Firm Believers, FH
9	9:00am	Music & Movement, Rm. 7
,	7:00pm	Boy Scouts, FH
,	7:00pm	Evan. & Nur, Perry's Home

#### Wednesday, Aug 21

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9:00am	Emmanuel Pr. Meet, Rm. 1	
11:00am	Petite Feet, Rm. 7	
5:00pm	Messy Midweek Church	
6:30pm	AA, SW	

#### Thursday, Aug 22

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7:00am	Morning Meditation, Chapel	
8:00am	Firm Believers, FH	
5:00pm	Centering Prayer, Narthex	
7:00pm	Emmanuel Session, Rm. 1	
7:00pm	Firm Believers, FH	
7:30pm	Men's Alanon, SW	

#### Friday, Aug 23

7:00pm Emmanuel Bible Study, SW

#### Sunday, Aug 25

10:00am	Emmanuel Bible Study, SW
10:00am	Worship
11:15am	Table in the Shade
11:30am	Emmanuel Sun. Sch, Rm. 1
11:30am	Emmanuel Worship, Sanc.
1:00pm	Clare. Korean Worship, MB
3:00pm	GPIB Indo. Fel, Sanc/FH/SW
6:00pm	College-age Gather, Rm. 4
6:00pm	Jazz Vespers

# Monday, Aug 26

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

#### Tuesday, Aug 27

8:00am	Firm Believers, FH		
9:00am	Music & Movement, Rm. 7		
7:00pm	Boy Scouts FH		
7:00pm	Deacon Board, Library		

#### Wednesday, Aug 28

9:00am	Emmanuel Pr, Meet, Rm. 1
10:00am	Staff Meeting, Lib
11:00am	Petite Feet, Rm. 7
1:00pm	Lemonade Wednesdays
5:00pm	CLASP Board Mtg, Rm 1
6:30pm	AA, SW
7:00pm	CPC Session, Rm.1

#### Thursday, Aug 29

7:00am	Morning Meditation, Chapel
8:00am	Firm Believers, FH
7:00pm	Firm Believers, FH
7:30pm	Men's Alanon, SW

#### Friday, Aug 30

8:00am	Coffee & Donuts CPCC
7:00pm	Emmanuel Bible Study, SW

Please note: There is no Community Yoga Class in August

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### Deadline for the SEPTEMBER Communicator. August 15

### 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.