

COMMUNICATOR

News from Claremont Presbyterian Church

April 2015



Worship Plans

Thursday, April 2 7:00 p.m. *Maundy Thursday* Worship

Friday, April 3 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. *Good Friday* Prayer Stations

Sunday, April 5

Easter Sunday
Early "Service" at
Claremont Homeless Advocacy Project

10:00 a.m. Worship Service Gloria by John Rutter performed by the CPC Sanctuary Choir The Rev. Karen Sapio preaching

Sunday, April 12 10:00 a.m. Second Sunday of Easter

The Rev. Mary Kuhns preaching

Sunday, April 19 10:00 a.m.

Third Sunday of Easter
Confirmation Sunday
The Rev. Rocky Supinger preaching

Sunday, April 26 10:00 a.m.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

The Rev. Karen Sapio preaching

Who Are You Again?

As we approach Holy Week and Easter, we remember together the stories of those first witnesses to Jesus' resurrection. One common element of these stories is that the disciples who first encountered the risen Christ did not immediately recognize him. Mary Magdalene thought he was the gardener. The disciples on the road to Emmaus believed he was a fellow traveler unfamiliar with the sad events that had recently transpired in Jerusalem.

I am thinking about these stories as I am writing this on my flight home from the NEXT Church Conference in Chicago. NEXT Church is a movement within the Presbyterian Church USA that is trying to discern what the contours of ministry will look like in the 21st Century and help inspire and provoke each other to move toward new visions.

One of the most exciting and challenging aspects of this work, of course, is that no one really knows yet what the church will become in the next several decades. We have hints, hunches, ideas, and hopes – but we do not know what it will look like.

I think we are experiencing something of the same thing as we continue our New Beginnings process here at CPC. We know that ministry in coming years may look very different than ministry has in the past – but we can't see it yet. We have hints, and hopes and hunches – but we don't really know what it will look like.

So it is helpful to remember that even the disciples did not immediately recognize resurrection when they saw it. It took some time to see it, to trust it, to believe that it was possible. And even once they dared to believe it was happening, it took even more time to understand what it would mean and what they were called to do.

As Easter arrives and we move into the Great Fifty Days of Eastertide, let's share with one another the glimpses of resurrection that we are seeing. What does it look like – and where is the risen One calling us to go?

Pastor Karen Sapio

Karen Sapio

Sunday Morning at Nine Adult Education

Sunday Morning at Nine Adult Education classes meet before worship at 9:00 a.m. There will be no adult education class on Easter Sunday, April 5.

April 12, 19, and 26

"Integrative Spirituality"

Led by Shelley Randles of CPC and Dr. Frank Rogers from the Claremont School of Theology.





Holy Week at CPC

Sunday, March 29 - Palm Sunday 10:00 a.m. Worship

Thursday, April 2 - Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Worship with communion

Friday, April 3 - Good Friday 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Prayer Stations for the final 8 Stations of the Cross

> Sunday, April 5 - Easter Sunday Early Service Project (See separate article)

> 10:00 a.m. Worship featuring the Sanctuary Choir performing John Rutter's *Gloria*





Easter Sunday Early Service is Truly Service

Our early morning Easter service this year, will be actual service through direct outreach. Rather than meeting for worship we will serve breakfast and provide bagged lunches to the overnight guests that sleep in the Sanctuary of the Friends Meeting House. We will be coordinating with Claremont Homeless Advocacy Program to provide these Easter meals. If you would like to participate in this Easter service, please contact Krista at krista@claremontpres.org.

We need people to cook, serve, and pack special lunches to help the guests have a special Easter day.

High School Work Trip

The summer high school work trip will be in Denver, Colorado from July 25 - August 1. Incoming 9th graders through 2015 graduates are invited to participate in this Tapestry Presbyterian Youth Collective event. There are spots for 40 youth. The youth will be working with a group called Discovering Opportunities for Outreach and Reflection (DOOR) to experience the beauty and challenges of urban life while reflecting on God's call on each person's life.

The suggested contribution per person is \$350, roughly half of the total per-person estimated cost. Every participant will also need to commit to fundraising prior to the trip. Registration is online and is open now. You can register by visiting http://www.tapestrysocal.org/hsmission/.

Artist in Residence

We are happy to announce that we are beginning an Artists in Residence program at Claremont Presbyterian Church. Our Artists in Residence will be local artists from our community (musicians, visual artists, dancers, actors, photographers, etc.) who will work with our children and youth on Sunday mornings as well as during our youth groups. We have already begun this program, and we have three artists that will be working with our children and youth through the end of the church school year.

Lynn Burrows, the director of the *Music Together* program in the Inland Valley, will work with our children in the nursery and our children who attend Godly Play on Sunday mornings. Lynn specializes in music with young children, and she has been teaching the *Music Together* program at Claremont Presbyterian Children's Center for a number of years. We are happy to welcome Lynn!

Godly Play

There will be no Godly Play class on Easter Sunday so that children may enjoy worship with their families. Following Easter Sunday, our

lessons in April will all focus on how the early Christian community came to know Jesus in a new way after his death and resurrection.



Gale Burrow, a member of our congregation and one of our wonderful Godly Play teachers, will be working on a visual art project with our school-age children. Gale will focus on helping the children respond to what they are learning in worship and in Godly Play through visual arts. We are excited to see what Gale and the kids do together.

Ramak Fazel is currently working with our youth, and will continue to do so through May. Together Ramak and the youth are working on an installation with wood inspired by the stained glass in the sanctuary, and based on the Stations of the Cross. We are thankful for this wonderful work, and the learning that comes with all of these artistic endeavors. All of our Artists in Residence are already enriching the experience of the children and youth in our community, and we look forward to much more.

I would like to thank everyone for the support I received from you at the time of Rick's death. The many phone calls, cards and prayers were especially appreciated. It reinforced with me how important our church is in our daily lives.

Dorothy Whitham

Thank You Taylor

Taylor Duling has served as our Director of Children's and Youth Music for the last five years. She is now moving on to complete her Master's Thesis, focus on her work teaching music in a private school and planning for her wedding this fall. Many thanks to Taylor for her work with our young people.

Mark your Calendars - The Great Getaway Weekend - May 29 - 31 San Clemente State Beach

Join us for a fun weekend of fellowship and relaxation as we retreat the last weekend in May. We had so much fun last year we're doing it again this year! Here are the details.

When: Friday evening May 29 through Sunday lunch May 31.

Where: San Clemente State Beach (just one hour and 10 minute drive.)

How Much: \$25 a person to CPC, includes camping and Friday and Saturday dinners. Plus \$15 per vehicle per night entry fee to be paid at the campground (if you have a State Park Pass that will get you in.)

AND if you don't like/ want to camp, the San Clemente Inn Resort is nearby. So you can come for the day, and sleep in a bed at night. You will have to make your own reservations. (Groupon often has good deals for this hotel.)

We will be taking sign-ups in April, so put it on your calendars now!





CPC Performing Arts Series and NAPA Music Festival present

GRAPES and WRATH

Featuring - Kathryn Lillich Guest Artist – Juliana Gondek

Saturday April 11 7:00 PM



Come hear the "Queen of the Night" aria from Mozart's *The Magic Flute* among other songs performed by CPC's own Kathryn Lillich. Kathryn attended NAPA Music Festival last year and gained valuable coaching and performance opportunities. This year she is on staff to support the festival in addition to acting as a participant. Grapes and Wrath is a fundraiser for NAPA Music Festival.

NAPA Music Festival cultivates the development of young artists in an increasingly diverse range of creative disciplines. It offers classical vocal and contemporary composition concerts, staged operas, intimate cabaret shows, and public master classes taught by a faculty of internationally renowned artists. Your support of this festival will help extend unique music opportunities to many youth and young adults around the world. **A \$15 donation is suggested.**

Kathryn (Katy) **Lillich** (soprano) holds a BA in music from Luther College where she studied vocal performance and music education. She continues her vocal studies with Juliana Gondek in Los Angeles. Kathryn has organized and presented several concerts and recitals in California and the Midwest. Some of her favorite roles include Lizzie in a staged production of Bach's *Coffee Cantata* at the 2014 Napa Music Festival, Nannetta in Verdi's *Falstaff*, and Olympia in Offenbach's *Tales of Hoffman*.

Juliana Gondek is an international opera and concert mezzo-soprano. She has performed with the Metropolitan Opera, NYCO, Edinburgh Festival, Netherlands Opera, operas of San Francisco, Houston, Seattle, St. Louis, and Miami. She is the founder and artistic director of NAPA Music Festival. She is on the voice faculty at UCLA, Hawaii Performing Arts Festival, Astoria Festival, and the Pacific Music Festival Baroque Vocal Academy (Sapporo, Japan).

Agenda for a Prophetic Faith Lecture Series

A program of the Pomona Valley Chapter of Progressive Christian Uniting (PCU), a consortium of various churches in Southern California focusing on prophetic action.

SUNDAY, April 19, 7:00 p.m.

Andrew Bacevich, Boston University - *The End of American Dominance and What it Means for National Defense*Holy Name of Mary Catholic Church 724 E. Bonita Ave., San Dimas, CA 91773

THURSDAY, June 4, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

Bill McKibben, 350.org - Global Warming as **THE** American Crisis

"Big" Bridges Auditorium, Pomona College 450 N. College Way, Claremont, CA 91711

(In conjunction with the conference: Seizing an Alternative: Toward an Ecological Civilization www.whitehead2015.com)

Individual tickets \$15

Low income, student and scholarship tickets available

To purchase tickets online: www.agendaforapropheticfaith.info

The Latest

Subscribe to Weekly Email

Claremont Presbyterian Church is now sending 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. Go to www.facebook.com/claremontpres.

You may contact Jo Colclough in the church office at jcolclough@claremontpres.org and tell her you would like to subscribe.

Announcing our New Date for Alternative Christmas Market 2015

Sunday, November 22, 2015

to be held at Claremont Presbyterian Church 1111 N. Mountain Avenue Claremont, CA 91711

> Save this Date Bill & Kim Brinegar, ACM co-chairs



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Karen Sapio Rocky Supinger

Church School 9:00 a.m. (Except in Summer)

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Nursery Care available both hours





...that dog isn't so shaggy!





Saturday, April 18 7:00 p.m. Claremont Presbyterian Church 1111 N. Mountain Avenue



Bring your best joke to share (keep it clean and hate free.)

Financial Highlights

CLAREMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	ACTUAL	BUDGET
AS OF 02/28/15 Pledges	\$ 76,710	\$ 83,333
Other Income	11,028	17,184
Bequests/Gifts Expenses	0 (94,130)	0 (104,451)
VARIANCE	(6,392)	(3,934)
CHILDREN'S CENTER AS OF 02/28/15	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Income	\$ 116,944	\$ 116,743
Expenses	(123,372	(116,743)
VARIANCE	(6,428)	U

A more complete financial report is available in the church office.

Dinner for a Good Cause

Claremont Presbyterian Church maintains a Children's Center that provides care for children from six weeks of age to Kindergarten.

On the second Monday of each month you have an opportunity to support the Children's Center. El Ranchero restaurant at 984 Foothill Boulevard in Claremont has graciously agreed to donate a portion of the receipts one night each month to the Children's Center. All you have to do is go to El Ranchero on Monday, April 13 between 5:00 and 8:00 p.m. and tell them you are with CPCC (Claremont Presbyterian Children's

Center.) You may eat at the restaurant or take your food to go.

What could be easier?



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60th Anniversary Capital Campaign

Celebrating our Past ~ Embracing New Beginnings

Dear Friends,

What a wonderful celebration we enjoyed together on March 29 at the CPC 60th Anniversary Capital Campaign Kick-Off Luncheon!

The following Campaign Fact Sheet summarizes the details of these important New Beginnings for CPC. Look for your packet of full information about the Campaign in the mail this week.

> CPC 60th Anniversary Capital Campaign Fact Sheet

* **Title**: "Celebrating our Past and Embracing New Beginnings"

Objectives: Mission - The Fund for New Beginnings in Ministry

Education and Community Outreach - Facilities for New Beginnings

Stewardship - New Beginnings in Environmental Stewardship

Music - New Beginnings for Timeless Music

* **Goal**: \$600,000

* **Pledge payment period**: Three years (2015 – 2017)

Option of designating your pledge to support a particular objective or objectives:

Methods of payment: Cash, check or publicly traded stock

* Confidentiality: Details of your pledge will be known only by Campaign Clerk Jo Colclough

* **Timetable**: Pledge as soon as possible, and not later than May 31, 2015

Questions: Speak with any member of the Steering Committee

The 60th Anniversary Capital Campaign Steering Committee

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Fundraiser at Rounds Premium Burgers

The Claremont Presbyterian Children's Center invites you to participate in a fundraiser at Rounds Burgers on Tuesday, April 28 from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. Rounds Premium Burgers is located at 885 S. Indian Hill Blvd. (near SuperKing Market) just south of the 10 freeway. Bring along the flyer that will be in your worship bulletin on April 26. A few members of the Children's Center Commission will also have flyers at the event.

Please come and join us!

"Like" Us on Facebook

CPC has a Facebook page. Look for the Claremont Presbyterian Church page on Facebook and click on "like" to begin receiving news feeds about what is happening at CPC.

Be sure to share it with your friends!

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 the church office at (909) 624-9693 with your prayer request. Please be sure you have the permission of the person for whom you are requesting prayer.