



COMMUNICATOR

News from Claremont Presbyterian Church

January 2015



Worship Plans

Sunday, January 4 10:00 a.m.

Second Sunday after Christmas

Service of Healing and Wholeness
The Rev. Rocky Supinger preaching

Sunday, January 11 10:00 a.m.

Baptism of the Lord

The Rev. Karen Sapio preaching

Sunday, January 18 10:00 a.m.

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Ordination and Installation of Officers
The Rev. Karen Sapio preaching

Sunday, January 25 10:00 a.m.

Interfaith Interchange with Temple Beth Israel

The Rev. Karen Sapio and
Rabbi Jonathan Kupetz
preaching at CPC

Friday, January 30 7:30 p.m.

Interfaith Interchange continues

The Rev. Karen Sapio and
Rabbi Jonathan Kupetz
preaching at TBI

This Is What 60 Looks Like

A few years ago the Chicago Tribune published an article entitled, "*Is 60 the New 40?*" The article's main point was that the baby boom generation is aging differently than previous generations. Boomers tend to be healthy, active and engaged in work and learning well into their sixties and beyond, so they do not view turning 60 as crossing the boundary into "old age."

We at CPC might do well to ponder the question posed in that article. In 2015, we are marking the 60th anniversary of the founding of our congregation. Does this mean that we have entered "old age" with its inevitable decline in energy and vitality? Or do we have the resources and vision to tap into new energy and new vitality for the future?

Part of what will help us ponder this question in the coming year is the continuation of our New Beginnings process. New Beginnings is a congregational assessment and discernment process offered through the Mission Agency of the PCUSA. There are four phases to the New Beginnings process: On site assessment, leadership training, small group meetings that involve the whole congregation, and decision-making regarding future directions for ministry.

We have completed parts one and two. In October, a New Beginnings assessor visited our church and collected data. In early December, eight representatives from CPC attended a two day Leadership Training event led by New Beginnings staff.

Now it is time for Part Three: **This is where you come in!** Part three is a series of small group meetings in which members of the church use our assessor's report as a basis for reflection on how our community has changed since our founding and what new opportunities for ministry and mission exist for us now. The small groups consider and discuss such topics as:

Church Vitality and Discipleship
A New Look at Our Community
Our Church and God's Mission
Discovering our Options
Navigating Through Change

Though the small groups will not begin meeting until Lent, we will be forming those groups in late January. There will be several opportunities to sign up to participate. The New Beginnings resources suggest that the best results occur when at least 50% of a congregation's regular attenders participate in this process! Let's all be part of discovering what 60 looks like for our church.

Karen Sapio

Sunday Morning at Nine Adult Education

Masterpieces of Early Jewish and Christian Art

January 11, 18 and 25

Come and explore the catacombs of Rome and a third century Jewish synagogue filled with amazing paintings. What can we learn about early Christianity and diaspora Judaism from the artists who decorated these ancient sites that tourists rarely visit? This three week series will be taught by Jim Brashler.



Interfaith Interchange with Temple Beth Israel

Our annual Interfaith Exchange with Temple Beth Israel will take place this year the week of January 25. Members of the Temple will worship with us on Sunday, January 25. We will join them for their Friday Shabbat service on Friday, January 30.

Stay tuned for more information about this event in the weekly bulletin, email update and website.

Welcome New Officers

Welcome to our new Elders and Deacons who have agreed to serve Claremont Presbyterian Church for the next three years. Your new Elders are Irene Atwood, Dick Newton, Delight Slotemaker de Bruine and Janet Siedschlag.

New Deacons include Teresa Bernal, Peter Campbell, Joanne McCandless, Patricia Perry and Ron Perry.

Thank you to those who have said yes to serving our church. There are still a few openings in our slate of officers. If you think you might like to serve as Elder or Deacon please contact Pastor Karen Sapio at the church office (909) 624-9693.

Thank You to Outgoing Officers

A hearty thank you for a job well done to the people who have completed their term of service for Claremont Presbyterian Church. Those Elders who are retiring are Tracy Doebler, Michael Hatter, Robbin Kelley, Dawn Swarthout and Mike Wigton.

Deacons who have completed their term are Teri Eazell, Velma McKelvey, Paula Pitzer, Nancy Rice, Delight Slotemaker de Bruine and Sue Thorndyke.

Tapestry Youth Olympics

Come one youth, come all youth to the inaugural Tapestry Olympics on Saturday, January 31, from noon to 4:00 p.m. at CPC. Tapestry is a regional Presbyterian youth ministry collective that brings junior high and high school students from across southern California for service, recreation, and faith formation. The Tapestry Olympics is a fundraiser that will challenge youth physically and mentally as they compete in teams for the ultimate prize. See tapestrysocal.org for sign-up information.

Help with Community Meal on January 11

Our church is one of a number or congregations involved in serving meals three Sundays a month on a rotating basis: Claremont United Church of Christ, Friends Meeting (Quakers), Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Claremont United Methodist Church, Monte Vista Unitarian-Universalist and Nithyananda V. Temple, Montclair.

As you may remember, this meal program is the response to discussions more than three years ago led by members of the Interfaith Council on the question: "What can local faith communities do to address the needs of the 'homeless' (or financially challenged) in our midst?"

It's now our turn again on **Sunday, January 11**. On that date, volunteers are needed to (1) prepare a food item for 20 people and bring it to Sumner School by 2:45 p.m. that day or (2) help serve the meal, visit with participants and prepare "to go" boxes.

If you're interested in helping out, please contact the church office at (909) 624-9693.



Save the Date - Sunday, February 8
Jazz Sunday and CPC's 60th Birthday Party

Sunday Mornings for Children & Youth

Each Sunday morning child care will be available for infants and toddlers up to 3 years of age during both the 9:00 and 10:00 hours.

During the 10:00 worship hour children age 4 - 5th grade will be excused from worship following the "Time with the Children" to go to the following activities:

Children ages 4 - first grade will go to Godly Play from 10:15 - 10:45.

Children grades 2 - 5 will go to Music & Movement with Ms. Taylor from 10:15 - 10:45

Children grades 2 - 5 will go to Godly Play from 10:45 - 11:15.

Children ages 4 - first grade will go to Music & Movement from 10:45 - 11:15

Youth from 6th - 12th grade will meet for Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.



Souper Bowl of Caring - February 1

A simple prayer: "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat" inspired a youth-led movement to help hungry and hurting people around the world.

This prayer, delivered by Brad Smith, then a seminary intern serving at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Columbia, SC, gave birth to an idea. Why not use Super Bowl weekend, a time when people come together for football and fun, to also unify the nation for a higher good: collecting dollars

and canned food for the needy? Youth could collect donations at their schools and churches in soup pots, and then send every dollar directly to a local charity of their choice.

Your CPC youth will be collecting donations following worship on Sunday, February 1. All funds collected will be sent to the Beta Center food pantry in Pomona to provide food for hungry people.

Please give generously.

New Members Joe and Jean Mulroy

Both Joe and Jean Mulroy were born and reared in California, Jean grew up in Porterville and Joe in Taft. They met in the Bay Area where Joe was attending the University of California and Jean was in nursing school.

After they both graduated they were married in Bakersfield. They moved several times, and after the birth of their first daughter, they moved to Berkeley so Joe could attend the University of California's School of Public Health's program in Hospital Administration. When he graduated they again moved, this time to Santa Barbara where Joe became the Assistant Administrator at Cottage Hospital. Jean had worked as a delivery room nurse while Joe was in school and retired from that job after their second daughter was born.

Joe went to work for Kaiser Foundation Hospitals as a Hospital Administrator in 1966. He retired as Regional Hospitals and Health Plan Administrator in 1994.

When their daughters had left home and on to college Jean became involved in starting a parks and recreation program in their then unincorporated community of Moraga. In a few

years it was time to move on. After taking a class in hospice she became a volunteer at Hospice of Contra Costa. She was asked to set up a program for bereavement services for Hospice families. That led to classes in psychology in graduate school and eventually to a Masters Degree in Clinical Psychology and a Marriage, Family, Child, Counseling license. When she retired she gave up her licenses.

They moved to the retirement community of Hillcrest in La Verne to be near their daughter, Laura and family in Claremont. Their older daughter, Kathleen, and family live in Sandpoint, Idaho. Jean and Joe have three grandchildren. Their only grandson attends the University of Idaho. He is a sophomore. Their older granddaughter is a senior at the University of California Santa Barbara. Their younger granddaughter is a freshman at Pace College in New York City.

After more than 30 years at Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church in Lafayette they appreciate your welcome into their new church home.

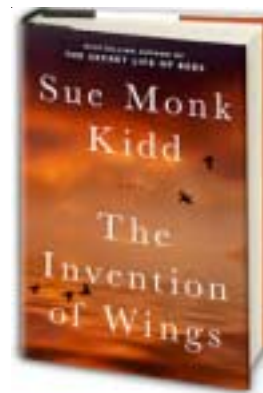




The Presbyterian Women
of
Claremont Presbyterian Church
present
Elaine Walker
Reviewing



The Invention of Wings
by Sue Monk Kidd



"The story follows Hetty "Handful" Grimke, a Charleston slave, and Sarah, the daughter of the wealthy Grimke family. The novel begins on Sarah's eleventh birthday, when she is given ownership over Handful, who is to be her handmaid. "The Invention of Wings" follows the next thirty-five years of their lives. Inspired in part by the historical figure of Sarah Grimke (a feminist, suffragist and, importantly, an abolitionist), Kidd allows herself to go beyond the record to flesh out the inner lives of all the characters, both real and imagined"—

Luncheon - Southern Fare

Saturday, February 7, 2015

11:00 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

- For tables of 8 and individual reservations, call the church office (909) 624-9693.
- Reservation deadline is January 30, 2015.
- Please make checks payable to Presbyterian Women.
- Tickets @ \$15.00 may be purchased on the patio on Sunday, January 25 and February 1
- Check public libraries, Barnes and Noble or Amazon for the book.



Help Support CPCC

The second Monday of each month the Claremont Presbyterian Children's Center has a fundraiser at the El Rancho Restaurant on Foothill Boulevard in Claremont. **On Monday, January 12 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.** eat at El Rancho Restaurant and tell them you are with the Claremont Presbyterian Children's Center.

The center will receive a portion of the proceeds and you will enjoy a delicious Mexican meal. If you prefer to eat at home you may get your food to go.

Thank you for your support!



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.

Financial Highlights

CLAREMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AS OF 11/30/14	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Pledges	\$ 441,680	\$ 458,333
Other Income	73,765	94,508
Bequests/Gifts	5,500	0
Expenses	(570,923)	(577,151)
VARIANCE	(49,978)	(24,310)
CHILDREN'S CENTER AS OF 11/30/14	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Income	\$ 646,799	\$ 664,138
Expenses	(668,463)	(664,138)
VARIANCE	(21,664)	0

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

Two Ways to Send Your Donation to CPC

1. By going to Paypal.com. If you have a PayPal account and you log in to your account you can send your pledge to cpcpaypal@claremontpres.org. There will be no fee to you or to CPC.

2. By going to the church website. The Claremont Presbyterian Church website is www.claremontpres.org. Look under the "About Us" tab for "Giving to CPC." Then click on the "Donate" button and follow the instructions. Please note that if you send a donation to CPC using this button on the website and choose either credit card or PayPal, CPC will be charged a service fee.

Eight Secrets to Finding a Job in 2015

The average American will hold eight jobs and will change his/her career three times over a lifetime of work. The person who now gets hired is not necessarily the one who can do that job best but the one who knows the most about how to get hired. ICON is holding a LIFE/Work Planning course to lead individuals through the process of discerning new career potentials, doing life planning and honing job-search skills.

Dr. Vernon Visick, who is a LIFE/Work Planning consultant trained by the author of *What Color Is Your Parachute?*, will lead eight Monday night sessions from January 5 through March 2 (excluding Martin Luther King Birthday on January 19) from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at La Verne Heights Presbyterian Church on Baseline Road in La Verne. This particular course is targeted for English-speaking skilled manual and white-collar workers, managers and professionals.

The cost of the course is \$100.00 which includes a 2015 edition of *What Color Is Your Parachute?*, a course workbook and assorted papers. Scholarships are available to help defray cost.

New Website!

Claremont Presbyterian Church now has a new, updated website. It is still the same address, www.claremontpres.org, but with a great new look. It was designed by Children's Center Director Sacha Lord's daughter-in-law, Joanna Lord.

Check it out and let us know what you think!



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10:00 a.m.

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60th Anniversary Capital Campaign *Celebrating our Past ~ Embracing New Beginnings*

January 2015

Dear Friends,

We are delighted to formally announce that in 2015, as part of its 60th Anniversary celebration, CPC will conduct a comprehensive and visionary Capital Campaign – the first such effort at CPC in more than 15 years. The Campaign is entitled “Celebrating our Past and Embracing New Beginnings.”

Since its founding in 1955, CPC has been committed to mission, education and community outreach, stewardship of all types, and music. These four pillars have been reaffirmed as we have shaped, over the past 18 months, the four specific objectives of the Campaign, which are:

1. Mission - The Fund for New Beginnings in Ministry
2. Education and Community Outreach - Facilities for New Beginnings
3. Stewardship - New Beginnings in Environmental Stewardship
4. Music - New Beginnings for Timeless Music (Sanctuary Organ restoration)

The total dollar goal for the Campaign is \$600,000, and pledges will be payable over a three-year period.

Detailed information about the Campaign and the role that each of us is invited to play will be forthcoming in the near future.

As you learn more about this major undertaking, we are sure you will share our excitement as CPC embraces new beginnings in ministering to a vibrant and changing world.

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Did you know that 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!

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the congregation will be held Sunday, February 1 following worship. Reports of the church’s life in 2014 as well as a budget for 2015 will be presented.

Pledge Envelopes for 2015

If you have submitted a pledge for 2015 and have indicated that you will be paying weekly, monthly or quarterly, pledge envelopes have been printed for you. Please pick them up in the Narthex.

Annual Report Deadline

Annual Reports by all Commission, Committee or Board Chairpersons are due by January 9. Please send your report to Joan Leibeck, CPC Office Manager. You may email the report to joan@claremontpres.org. For more information, call Joan at the church office at (909) 624-9693.

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.