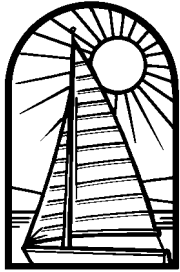




COMMUNICATOR

News from Claremont Presbyterian Church

June 2018



J U N E

WORSHIP PLANS

Sunday, June 3 10:00 a.m.

Second Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Charles Rassieur preaching

Sunday, June 10 10:00 a.m.

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Graduate Recognition

Bible Presentation for 3rd Graders

The Rev. Karen Sapio preaching

Sunday, June 17 10:00 a.m.

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Bequest Emphasis Sunday

The Rev. Karen Sapio preaching

Sunday, June 24

10:00 a.m.

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Choir Appreciation Sunday

Festival of Hymns -

Every Hymn Has a Story

6:00 p.m.

Jazz Vespers

"Acts of Kindness"

From the Pastor

Summer Sermon Series: The Gospel According to...

Victorian poet Gerard Manley Hopkins once wrote:

Christ plays in ten thousand places,
Lovely in limbs, and lovely in eyes not his...

The poem speaks of how Christ reveals himself throughout creation and human culture – in unexpected places and even through those who have no idea that they are bearing the imprint of Christ into the world.

In the last several decades, a number of writers have taken up this idea. When I was a kid in the 1970s, my parents had a copy of *The Gospel According to Peanuts* on the bookshelf in our living room. In that book, Presbyterian minister Robert Short used the popular comic strip and its characters to lift up important themes from the gospel and to offer wisdom about living a life of faith. Since then, dozens of "The Gospel According to..." books have appeared. A short list includes, *The Gospel According to Dr. Seuss*, *The Gospel According to Harry Potter*, *The Gospel According to Disney*, *The Gospel According to Starbucks*, and *The Gospel According to Winnie the Pooh*.

This year our annual summer "People's Choice" sermon series will celebrate YOUR favorite picks for popular culture icons that have inspired you and taught you something about the great themes of the gospel: hope, grace, forgiveness, redemption, justice, and the power of love over death and evil. Who or What is your pick for "The Gospel According to...?"

If you have a suggestion for this series, email Pastor Karen Sapio at karensapio@claremontpres.org. The sermon series will begin on July 1 and continue through Sept 3. If your suggestion is featured in the series, one of our preachers will be in touch to hear more of your story. We'll also check your summer schedule to try to be sure we schedule this topic for a Sunday that you will be in town. Feel free to ask friends and family who are not regular attenders at CPC to contribute their suggestions as well.

I am looking forward to a great summer!

Karen Sapio

Sunday Morning Adult Education



Sunday morning Adult Education will take a break for the summer and will resume in September. "Pass the Salt" light lunch and sermon discussion will take place after worship in July.

The Gospel of Matthew with Dr. Herman Waetjen

On June 23, join iconic Biblical scholar Dr. Herman Waetjen in Southern California at Claremont Presbyterian Church for an ALL-DAY seminar based on his new book *Matthew's Theology of Fulfillment, Its Universality and Its Ethnicity*. Throughout the day, Dr. Waetjen will lecture on aspects of Matthew's gospel, engage in a dialectic, and answer questions. You'll walk away with a fresh perspective and new insights on Matthew to take into your life and ministry.

Wrap the day up with a worship concert featuring NAK and the Fictitious Professor. Their music will bring to form the essence of Dr. Waetjen's teaching.

The seminar will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will include continental breakfast, lunch, and a cake to celebrate Dr. Waetjen's 89th birthday!

Register online at <https://innovation.sfts.edu/matthew/>

Bag-It Sunday – June 10

One of the many ways CPC assists the needy through the Inland Valley Hope Partners is Bag-It Sunday. After church on June 10 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 3) and plan to join us after church on June 10 to participate in this meaningful outreach to those in need.

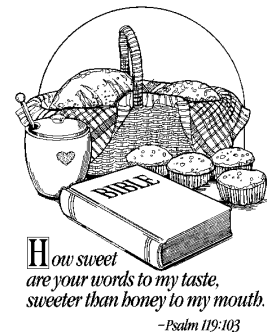


Ways you can help include:

- ♦ 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, razers, 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 3 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 May 20 – June 3, 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 10.

Third Grade Bibles

CPC has traditionally presented Bibles to our younger members when they are in third grade. This year Bibles will be presented on June 10. Please help us make sure that all third graders and older elementary students who haven't already received a Bible are included. If you know of someone who should be on our list, please make sure we have their name by calling the church office or speaking to Pastor Karen or Education Commission chair Jeanine Robertson.



Summer Sunday School

Summer Sunday School begins on June 17. During the summer months we change things up and explore other themes and activities than our school year focus on Godly Play stories. Summer Sunday School will include time for learning, making art and outdoor activities. Children who will be entering kindergarten through sixth grade are welcome to participate in summer Sunday School. Younger children and toddlers will be cared for in the nursery.

Sundays for Children, Youth and Young Adults

Regular Sunday programming for Children, Youth and Young Adults concludes for the school year on June 10 and will resume in the fall.

The Next Waffle Church Is June 3!

Waffle church is a child-centered family worship service that includes eating waffles and worshipping God together through story, art and music.

Waffle church is designed to respect and celebrate the enthusiasm and energy of children in worship, and it includes a lot of movement and child-centered activities – and of course waffles!

Our next waffle church worship will be on Sunday, June 3 at 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. (There will be a traditional worship service in the Sanctuary at the same time.) The theme for Waffle Church in June will be “God Calling Samuel.”

If you are able to help in the kitchen preparing waffles, please contact the church office at (909) 624-9693.



Vacation Bible School

June 25-28, 5:30-8:00 p.m.

We hope your children, grandchildren, neighbors and friends will join us at Vacation Bible School as we visit Babylon and learn about Daniel's courage while in captivity. Each day participants will visit the Palace Playground and Marketplace Shops as well as having Tribe Time and learning about Daniel's adventures!

All children ages 3 through entering 5th graders are welcome as participants. Youth grades 6 and above are encouraged to join us as volunteers. There will be signups on the patio after church both for participants and volunteers beginning June 10 and registration forms will also be available in the church office.

Are you interested in volunteering? We would love to have you join us as a tribe leader, craft leader, cook or registration help.

Help us spread the word and mark your calendars now for the last week of June!

Claremont 4th of July

Claremont Presbyterian Church, along with our partners on campus, Emmanuel Hispanic Presbyterian Church, GPIB Indonesian Fellowship and Claremont Korean Presbyterian Church, will host an information booth at the 4th of July celebration in Claremont Memorial Park. If you would like to sign up for an hour in the booth to represent CPC, please contact the church office at (909) 624-9693.

Centering Meditation and Reiki Talk

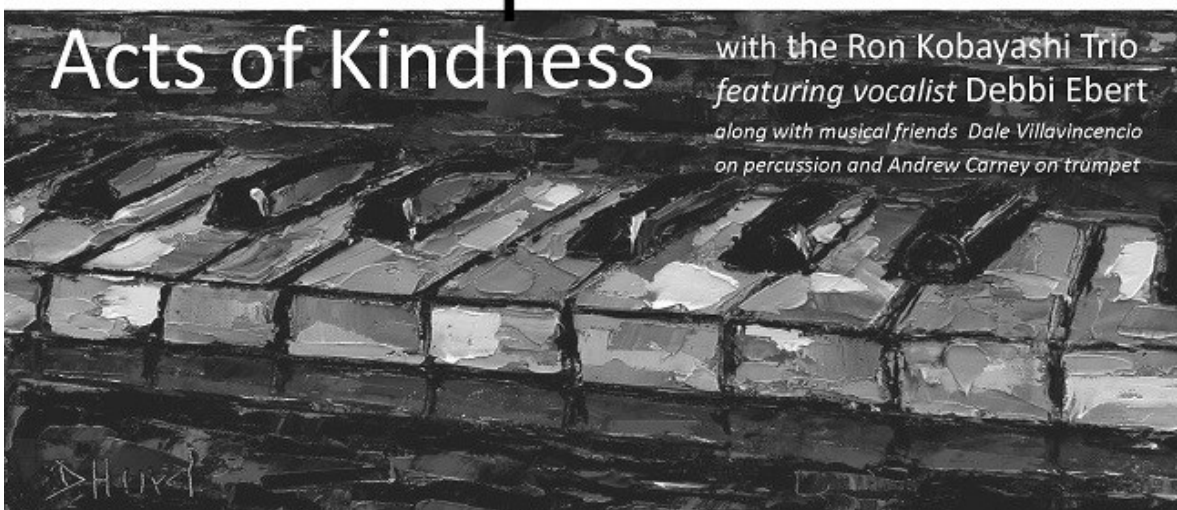
Gain clarity and serenity by taking some time for meditation and centering prayer in our chapel the second Monday of each month. Join us on Monday, June 11 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. We will be led by Sarah Stockham, a local teacher, author, and Reiki practitioner.



Jazz Vespers

Acts of Kindness

with the Ron Kobayashi Trio
featuring vocalist Debbi Ebert
along with musical friends Dale Villavencio
on percussion and Andrew Carney on trumpet



Sunday, June 24th at 6:PM

Claremont Presbyterian Church 1111 N. Mountain Ave, Claremont CA 91711

Thursday Morning Prayer and Meditation

START YOUR DAY A LITTLE CLOSER TO GOD.
25 MINUTES - THURSDAYS AT 7:00 A.M.
PRAYER AND MEDITATION
IN THE CPC CHAPEL

Jesus went to the desert to pray, and for centuries believers and non-believers alike have sought calm and quiet to listen to the Holy Spirit.

We invite you to join together in centering prayer and meditation at the beginning of the day. Rev. Duane Bidwell and Elder Charles Kerchner will lead a short service that invites us to the ancient spiritual discipline of making ourselves available to the Holy Spirit.

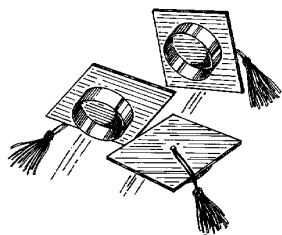
Keeping silence together allows us to support one another as we push aside the

annoyances of the day and practice creating a more intimate relationship to God.

All are welcome. You don't have to be a CPC member or regularly practice any religion to participate.

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Graduate Recognition

Is someone in your family graduating from high school or college? We want to acknowledge them in worship on June 10. High school graduates will be called forward and college graduates will be listed in the bulletin.

Please let us know by sending an email to jcolclough@claremontpres.org with the name of your graduate, the school from which they are graduating, and the degree they are earning (in which field.) You may also call the church office at (909) 624-9693 with your graduate's information.

Summer Communicator

Life seems to slow down in the summer and the church is no exception. That is why there will only be one *Communicator* for the combined months July and August. If you have something happening in the summer that you would like to include in the *Communicator*, the deadline is June 15 to email your article or information to jcolclough@claremontpres.org or bring it to the church office.



Financial Highlights

CLAREMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AS OF 04/30/18	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Pledges	139,318	153,333
Other Income	30,704	34,900
Expenses	165,515	182,496
VARIANCE	4,507	5,737
CHILDREN'S CENTER AS OF 04/30/18	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Revenue	271,004	263,333
Expenses	263,345	263,333
VARIANCE	7,659	0

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

The Latest

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 scroll to the bottom of the home page where it says "Subscribe."

The church Facebook page has an Email Signup App. You may also contact Jo Colclough in the church office at jcolclough@claremontpres.org and tell her you would like to subscribe.

CHS & SAHS Baccalaureate

Come celebrate with the graduates of Claremont High School and San Antonio High School at the Baccalaureate Service on Sunday, June 10 at 6:00 p.m. at Claremont United Church of Christ, 233 W. Harrison Avenue in Claremont.



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984 W. FOOTHILL BLVD., CLAREMONT, CA 91711

CPCC Fundraiser

On the second Monday of each month you have an opportunity to support the Claremont Presbyterian Children's Center. El Rancho restaurant at 984 Foothill Boulevard in Claremont has graciously agreed to donate a percentage of the receipts one night each month to the Children's Center. **All you have to do is go to El Rancho Monday, June 11 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.



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Adult Education
9:00 a.m.

Church School
10:15 a.m.

Worship
10:00 a.m.

Nursery Care
available both hours

**JOIN US AS THE INTERFAITH COMMUNITY
HOSTS OUR ISLAMIC NEIGHBORS FOR THE EVENING PRAYERS AND
THE IFTAR MEAL THAT CONCLUDES THE DAILY RAMADAN FAST
SUNDAY EVENING, JUNE 3, 2018 - CLAREMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**



7:00 P.M. WELCOME FOLLOWED BY KEYNOTE ADDRESS
7:55 P.M. ISLAMIC EVENING PRAYERS
8:15 P.M. FESTIVE IFTAR MEAL

Limited Seats Available with Reservation
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No Charge. All Welcome!

Sponsored by the Inland Valley Interfaith Working Group for Mideast Peace
And a Coalition of Local Faith Communities.

**RESERVATIONS FOR THIS EVENT ARE CURRENTLY FULL.
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE ON A WAITING LIST,
PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT (909) 624-9693.**

Eleventh Annual Bequest Emphasis Sunday

The Special Gifts and Endowment Committee is pleased to announce CPC's Eleventh Annual Bequest Emphasis Sunday, to take place on June 17.

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.

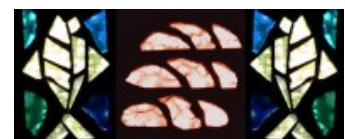
At the service on June 17, we will recognize the thirty people who, to date, constitute the members of our Loaves and Fishes Society. This is the bequest society of CPC and is sponsored by the Special Gifts and Endowment Committee.

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



There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many?

~John 6:9

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Deadline for next *Communicator*. June 15

All Church Work Day

Saturday, June 9 your Property & Finance Commission is hosting a Work Day at CPC. Come and help spruce up our campus. Jobs will be available for all skill levels. We will start at 8:00 a.m. and go until noon. You are welcome to come for any portion of that time that works for you. Rumor has it there will be doughnuts and coffee!

Presbytery Meeting

The next meeting of San Gabriel Presbytery will be Saturday, June 2 at Westminster Gardens in Duarte.

“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.

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.