

Our Leaders

Pastor Sandy Tice



Zachary "Xaq" Garcia

And Others!



God in You

Questions that Matter

"Do you know how to stay alive?... Do you know how to become yourself despite the constant messages telling you you're lacking? Do you know how to keep from becoming overwhelmed by the pain and suffering in the world? Do you know how to find a home, a place of welcome and relationship? Can you tell me how to stay hopeful and creative in a world obsessed with violence, death and conformity? Do you know where I can offer my gifts meaningfully in a world that feels consumed with trivia? How do I stay alive? How do I stay open to God and others when so many people seem closed, distant, and angry?"

-Mark Yaconelli, *CYM*, p.67

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Confirmation is about questions.

It is a chance for you to consider the question Jesus asked his friends:
"Who do you say that I am?"

It is a chance to ask the big questions you have, about who God is, and who you are, and about how you want to live your one extraordinary life.

Faith is an individual journey, but confirmation is done in community, connecting us to others who are journeying, questioning, and discovering too.



First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino

Confirmation Retreat

August 4 – 5, 2017

Friday, 12:00 p.m. – Saturday, 8:00 p.m.

at

Arrowhead Ranch
480 Cottage Grove Rd
Lake Arrowhead

(Same place as All Church Family Camp!)



Who Do YOU Say That I Am?

Exploring your deep questions
and your unique connection to God

What to Bring

- Bible (let us know if you don't have)
- Notebook or journal and pen
- Clothing, warm & cool
- Swimsuit & Towel
- Shoes to walk/hike
- Toiletries
- Water Bottle
- Flashlight/Lantern/Batteries
- A snack you can share
- Camp chair if you have one

What you do **not** need to Bring

- Sleeping bags
- Anything not permitted at your school

Opportunities:

- Campfire
- Hiking & Swimming
- Laughter, Fun, & Games
- Stargazing, time to stop and breathe

What to Expect

- Carpool together from Church
- Sleep in a cottage with a bed and a bathroom with a shower.
- Learn from each other
- Cook and eat together
- For certain activities, we will unplug from our electronic devices. (!!)
- Call Sandy's cell (for emergencies only): (909) 472-5383
- P.S.- Sunday morning 8/6 at First Pres will be based on the questions we discover and what we learn together!



Swimming Pool – bring your suit!



Cottage at Arrowhead Ranch

GOALS FOR OUR RETREAT

- 1. Begin as individuals, end as a group** with deep friendships
- 2. Identify your own big questions and hopes** (with God's help)
- 3. Discover the tasks of Confirmation, and **customize a plan for you**** that fits your personality & interests

Registration

Name

Email

Address

Best Phone to reach you

Dietary Restrictions (We're cooking together & can accommodate or you bring required items in your own cooler.)

Registration Fee: \$50 payable to First Presbyterian Church. (Do not let this be a barrier! Pastor Sandy has financial assistance available.)

Registration Deadline: Wed., July 26, 2017

Standard permission forms required are available in the office and on the youth page of www.fpcsb.net.

You can also find more confirmation details there. Class dates: dinner 8/13, 8/20, 8/27 and Confirmation Sunday (for those who decide to unite with the church) 9/10!