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Sunday Schedule

Worship
10:30 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship
11:30 a.m.

Growing in Gratitude: Interfaith Thanksgiving Service



On November 21, our congregation will host the San Bernardino Clergy Association's 41st Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service to be held at 7:00 p.m. All singers are invited to participate in the Interfaith Choir, directed by Curtiss Allen, which will rehearse at 5:30 p.m.

Enjoy songs of thanksgiving and musical offerings by Symphonie Jeunesse and other youth musicians. Varying voices from individuals of different ages will express our theme of "Growing in Gratitude".

This is a great opportunity to invite a friend or neighbor to attend a service intended for everyone in the community, whether they are in one of the many faith traditions represented by the Clergy Association or not. Invitations for the event and choir are available at the reception desk and at fpcsb.net.

All participants are invited to bring non-perishable food items to be distributed to the community through our First Presbyterian Church Food Closet. A monetary offering will be collected for equal distribution to Family Assistance Program, Mary's Table, and Sahaba Initiative, three organizations from different perspectives all leaning in deeply to relieve the suffering of the most vulnerable in San Bernardino. You can mingle and meet our neighbors and visitors in the reception that will follow with light refreshments provided by Dignity Memorial.

If you are willing to be part of the hospitality and security team (ushers), please contact MerryBeth Grindahl or Al Rueda.

Whatever age or stage of life and whatever our circumstances, we can always be grateful and generous of spirit. Come and offer your welcoming presence. Bring an offering of gratitude. Let's be in community.

It is the Mission of First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino, inspired by the Holy Spirit, to proclaim the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through worship and celebration, and teaching and learning, so that lives are transformed and members are encouraged to use their special gifts to care for and value, as God's Beloved, each other and the community in which we live.

Companions on the Inner Way Retreat

By CHRISTA WALLIS

It is time to register for Companions on the Inner Way Retreat. Once again, we'll be traveling to beautiful Serra Retreat Center in Malibu on March 1-6, 2020. Our theme will be **"Telling Tales: The Power of Story and Narrative for Personal and Social Transformation."** Our featured speaker will be Enuma Okoro, writer, speaker and communications consultant. The week will consist of presentation and dialogue; small group community around spiritual reading; corporate and individual times of silence and contemplation; daily worship; and communing with God through art and nature.

The Dodds Trust is offering scholarships to those who need financial assistance. The Dodds Trust has been offering scholarships for 19 years due to the generosity of Helen and Stewart Dodds, aunt and uncle of our dear friend Nancy Sellas. Dodds is offering tiered scholarship amounts and the Trust will cover \$700 for a full scholarship or you may request a partial scholarship of \$350 for the Companions registration.

Please register ASAP at www.cotiway.org with your deposit as spaces fill quickly. If you want to participate in the Dodds Scholarship or have any questions about the Companions experience, contact Christa Wallis at chriwallis@aol.com.



Companions' speaker Enuma Okoro wrote this poem that we have used sometimes in our review of the year service.

Passing Ordinary Time

It is a hard art to learn,
catching quiet
by palms raised
cupped in
air shifting location
here and there like
trying to guess the pattern of
falling leaves,
and hoping to feel
the soft descent of moments
when silence slips
between sounds.

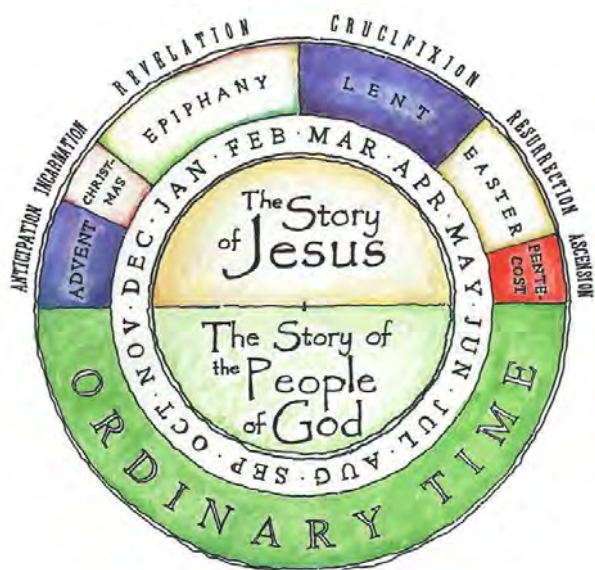
This ordinary time is
gifted with days,

weeks of mundane grace
routinely following the liturgy
of hours anticipating creation
tuning its prayer and praise to the
rhythms of incarnate love.

I am used to the uproar,
the Holy drama,
the appetite's gnarled discord
of fasting and feasting on
borrowed time,
the knocking of angels,
the blubbering piety of waiting,
appointed seasons for guilt and grief,
tears of joy and disbelief,

the birth of miracles, the passion of
virgins,
the mourning of a love so divine.

This ordinary time is
gifted in its quiet, marked passing
Christ slips about
calling and baptizing,
sending and affirming,
pouring his Spirit like water
into broken cisterns,
sealing cracks and filtering our senses,
that we may savor the foolish
simplicity of his grace.



THE GOSPEL IN A WEEK! CELEBRATING CHRIST THE KING

By SANDY TICE

Sunday, November 24 is the last Sunday of the Church Year before the new year begins with the first Sunday of Advent.

This year, our worship on Christ the King Sunday will be 'the year in review'- a retelling of the whole gospel story, from Advent to the Reign of Christ, with color, story, and song! The lectionary year is built so that each year we review the story of God's love for the world, the coming of Jesus, his suffering and death, his rising to new life, and his teaching and ministry, his ascension and the coming of the Spirit, and our life together as disciples.

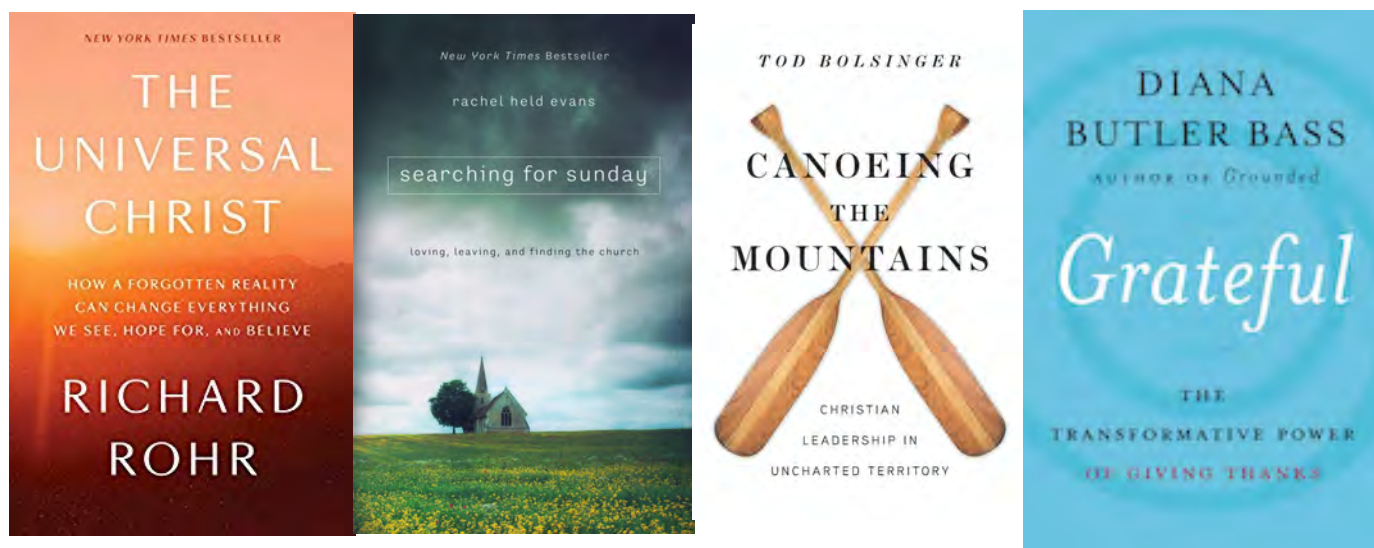
This service will be a summary, a chance to see the whole joyous and powerful story of the Christian faith made visible in an hour! Come and join us.

Kerygma

Have you ever wondered what the group that meets every Friday morning in our church library is all about? It has a peculiar name, Kerygma, which, among Biblical scholars, has come to mean the core of the early church's oral tradition about Jesus. Well, this group of women began years ago while using the Kerygma Bible studies. After finishing most of those we began reading "theological" books as a group - yes, we actually read them aloud together. We do this because there are often passages or paragraphs or sentences that we find we want to discuss right then and there. Sometimes we choose books that one might buy but not actually read (you may have a stack of those on your bedside table...). Sometimes the book we are reading references a book or an author that we feel might be interesting to explore further so we put that on our list for the future.

If you are a woman who thinks reading progressive Christian authors is something you might find interesting you would be welcome to join us. We meet nearly every Friday morning at 9:30. We check in with one another and usually begin reading at 10am. We break up around noon. We do not read fast and take our time looking up references as we go along. We take turns reading aloud so there is no "homework." Right now we are reading *The Universal Christ* by Richard Rohr.

If you have questions about the group please feel free to contact any of us: Dana Babb, Marion Wiens, Lynette DuClos Adelson, Sally Morris, Melodee Kistner, Susan Skoglund, Margaret Doane, Martha Pinckney, and Mary Bolaños..



LifeSkillz Interns and Volunteers at October Food Distribution

By RICK RODRIGUEZ

The October Food Distribution was on October 20, 2019 and it was wonderful to see as many LifeSkillz students come to volunteer their own time as there were on the new intern team to help the community. In total we had 12 young people come and help out with the different parts of helping in the community. We had our intern team there: Gaby Lopez, Jesus Estrada, Victoria Rodriguez, Maria Romero, Daniel Macias, and Isabel Arroyo-Martinez and also the following LifeSkillz students came to volunteer their own time: Jeremiah Alvarado, Jackie Diaz-Perez, Estefania Vejar, Robert Castellanos, Isely Castaneda, and Alexia Aguilar.



Thank you to all these LifeSkillz kids for their hard work and contributing to those in need in their community.

Fall 2019 Internship Program

By RICK RODRIGUEZ

Our new team of 6 Fall interns started on October 12, 2019. This was after our interviewing team of Steve Smith, Wanda Gernux and Mark Adelson interviewed 15 candidates and had to make the difficult decisions on who to hire and who we would not hire. All 4 of those who have been hired for the position of Intern and one of the two who have been hired for the position of Intern Team Leader have never had these positions before. This is important because it shows we are introducing the Internship Program to new students who come to LifeSkillz each week.

On the team's first day, Mark and I introduced them to the program, they filled out necessary documents and they cleaned up trash in the alley way on the south side of our property and all over the church campus. The picture is of our team and the bags of trash they filled. From left to right in the picture is Jesus, Maria, Victoria, Gaby, Isabel and Daniel. If you see our interns working around the church campus, stop, say "Hi" and introduce yourself. These hard working young people would enjoy meeting more people in our church family.



Coffee Clearance

PW is offering 50% off or more on teas and coffees with passed expiration dates at the Fair Trade sale on November 3. Clearance will continue until the end of the year if stock remains.

Christmas Ornament Time!

Calling all craftsy folks: Carol Valentine will be providing ornament crafts for everyone to make during Fellowship Hour in November. These ornaments are used to decorate the Fellowship Hall Tree and can be taken home on Christmas Eve.

Newsletter Deadline/End-of-Year Reports

By WENDY LAMB, editor

The single deadline for a combined December/January newsletter is Wednesday, November 20. Please have your articles covering happenings in December and January in to newsletter@fpcsb.net by that date. The double issue provides relief during the busy holiday season, and allows leaders to spend their writing efforts on end of year reports.

If you are responsible for a year-end report--committee chairs, organization moderators, ministry coordinators--wonder with us:

Where you have seen God at work in your ministry this year?

What new things are happening?

How has your work changed in the last year?

Where is it going?

What would you like the congregation to know?

How can we pray for you?

A note from FPCCC

By SALLY EARP

FPCCC Shirts, hoodies and sweatshirts!
Order yours today!



Shirt

Hoodie

Sweatshirt

Shirts: Youth Extra Small- Adult XL for \$11.00 and XXL-4XL for \$14.00

Hoodies: Youth Small-Adult XL---\$24.00 and XXL-5XL-----\$29.00

Sweatshirts(no hood or pocket): Youth Extra Small-Adult XL---\$16.00 and XXL-5XL---\$20.00

Orders are due Nov 3rd at 5pm. Pick up items Nov 20th at FPCCC.

Call or text Ms. Sally at (909) 503-5112 with any questions.

Name: _____

Shirt size: _____

Hoodie size: _____

Sweatshirt size: _____

Total items: _____

Total Due: _____

Cash or Check to FPCCC with note: 2019 Shirt



Stewardship: After Dedication Sunday

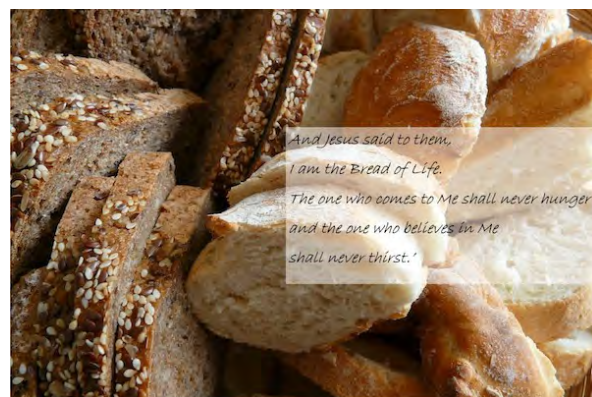
By MIMI LANGE

On Reformation Sunday, guest preacher Bryce Wiebe asked a question: "What's giving you life today?" In calling for the offering dedications, Brent Nord also asked a question: "What is important to you?" And you answered both of those questions with grace and love and generosity.

Our theme for this Stewardship season was "the Bread of Life". We told you how we had used the resources you provided to share that Bread of Life, Jesus Christ, with each other, our community, and the world. We told you how we dreamed of doing more in the coming year. And you have shown us that you believe this church gives you life. You have said that the Bread of Life that we share is important to you.

If you missed the service, you can hear Bryce Wiebe's sermon on our website, and I highly recommend it. You may have missed the stirring bagpipes and drums, and the shortbread, but you need not miss your opportunity to be a part of growing this life and ministry of your church in 2020. Don't feel like you should pledge because we'd like you to or because it's something helpful or something you should just do. Do it because when you give anything- amazing things happen and you are a part of it.

Sixty-four of you, so far, have pledged to support the ministries of your church for the coming year. You promised to help provide food for the hungry, inspiration for the soul, and leadership for the youth and the seekers. You said you wanted to be part of the yeast that makes the Bread of Life expand, until all are filled. Thank you. Thank you for making a place that can say with the old hymn that Mr. Wiebe sang with the congregation on Sunday, "I've got a River of Life flowing out of me."



Holiday stress? How about Yoga?

Consider whether yoga might help you through the stresses on body, mind, and spirit that come as the holidays ramp up. We have a community yoga class for all levels in Room 10 on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Mats and helpful props are available, so you just need to bring yourself in comfortable clothes. These classes have a suggested donation of \$5-10/class. If you don't have \$5, come anyway. If you have more, contribute extra for another. Participants include both First Pres members and non-members. All are welcome.



Congregational Meeting on Nov 17

Sunday, November 17 after worship we will hold a Congregational Meeting to elect officers and approve Pastor Sandy Tice's Terms of Call. Let us continue to support our continuing and new leaders.



Give a Nice Thanksgiving Meal

Look around at your friends and neighbors, in the congregation and out. Who is having a tough time? Who would welcome help to have a nice Thanksgiving meal? You can be that help through this congregation by being a sponsor or donating a turkey. Our food ministry prepares the food box with the turkeys and related foods.

Sponsors write the name of the recipient families on a list at reception by Sunday, Nov 17. The sponsor makes sure the recipient receives their food box. The boxes will be in fellowship hall after worship on Sunday, Nov 24.

Turkey donors sign up on a list at reception, and bring their turkey by 10 am on Friday, November 22nd.

Contact Dan Direen, Food Ministry Chair with any questions.

Got a Truck? Food Ministry needs you

Food ministry is dependent on drivers and vehicles. For the food we pick up every week at Feeding America, we can use trucks, SUVs, and even sedans. However, for our Saturday distribution, we pick up commodities from Community Action Partnership that are loaded as a pallet into personal trucks. We have lots of folks who can help get it unloaded once we get to church. If you can drive your truck on a third Friday of the month in the morning, please contact Sally Morris, who schedules all of our food ministry drivers.

KidSpace

Nancy Horstmann will finish our unit on The Lord's Prayer in KidSpace on November 10 and 17. November 3 we celebrate All Saints Day and celebrate communion together. November 24 we will Review the Liturgical Year and celebrate Thanksgiving.

During Advent we all worship together. We have plans to provide coloring pages, activity bulletins, and ornament crafts during worship.

Harvest Hygiene Drive

We've applied once again for a Thrivent Action Team project which will provide \$250 to finish off hygiene kits once we've done gathered donations. The plan is to assemble kits the short week of the school Thanksgiving break, starting Nov 25. A donation bin is behind the receptionist. During November, we are gathering unused shampoo, lotion, tissue packs, deodorant, bar soap, razors, emery boards, combs, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss/piks, tampons, and sanitary pads. If you have time from Mon – Wed, Nov 25-27 to assemble kits, contact Marilyn Kraft in the office.

2019 Deacons:

Steve Smith, *Pastoral Support*

Class of 2019: Sue Alexander, Marissa Congdon, Linda Kaufman, Pat Morris, Amy Rueda

Class of 2020: Mario Bolaños, Stephani Congdon, Charlotte Pringle, Brad Smith, Judy Steppins

Class of 2021: Dan Direen, Robin Edwards, Marianna Fowles, Martha Pinckney, Jim Siegmund



Tapestry Fall Retreat

Our middle and high school youth head to the mountains (Big Bear Camp and Conference Center) Veterans' Day weekend (3:00 Saturday, November 9-11:00 Monday, November 11). to gather with other Presbyterian Youth in our Presbytery and the Presbytery of San Gabriel. They will sing and worship and play and eat and (maybe) sleep. They will have a chance to get to know other kids who are part of their extended community and who show up at retreats and camps and trienniums for the next several years. Pray for them and for the adults who will accompany them and lead them in an experience of God and community.

Photo left: Students wait for Monday morning worship to begin at last year's fall retreat. From left: Kendra, Breanna, Owen, Aidan, Ryan.

Due to the Tapestry retreat, FOC youth will not meet after worship on November 10.

Stay tuned for information about the youth Friendsgiving dinner and possible youth group meeting later in the month.

Church Safety Challenge: Identify the Exits

Imagine you are in Fireside Lounge – where are all the exits? Yes, you can go outside near the library, out to the hall next to the bathrooms and out towards the kitchen. But did you notice or remember that there is an exit towards the west, under the apartment? It is less likely to be remembered or noticed because no one enters that way.

That is our tendency – to exit where we enter. In some emergencies, you may need to use a different exit. Your safety challenge this month is to identify all the exits for any room in which you attend a group gathering. At theaters, shopping centers, and other public spaces, make sure you know at least 2 ways to exit from any space. The one you are ignoring may be behind you. And whenever you stay in a hotel, actually read the little sign on the door, and make sure you could find your nearest exit, even if a hallway was full of smoke.

You can also help us keep this place safe by making sure we haven't let anything pile up in the way of our exits.

It is not the case that you should run out the door in every emergency, but you need to know where those doors are.

Be safe.

"Grieving Thomas" by Lauren Wright Pittman is our artwork for this week, the Sunday we celebrate All Saints Day. Come and hear Sandy Tice preach on Thomas, remember the saints in our congregation who have joined the Great Cloud of Witnesses this last year, and mark a ribbon for a saint in your life.



Bible Study Class Adventure

by DALE SHOWMAN

This Sunday the Bible Study Class continues a series of twenty-four lectures by Dr. Jodi Magness, who holds the senior endowed chair in the Department of Religious Studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Dr. Magness has a doctorate in Classical Archaeology from the University of Pennsylvania.

This lecture is entitled "Jesus and His Jewish Influences". This Sunday's lecture is "The United and Divided Israelite Kingdoms".

Fireside Lounge Class

by WENDY LAMB

November 3, 10, and 17 we continue a Lectio & Visio Divina Bible Study based on the artwork and scriptures for each week's worship in the Fireside Lounge Sunday morning from 9:30-10:15.

This is a contemplative class. Visio Divina is like Lectio Divina with pictures! We will read the scripture passages and look at the artwork that was created for each week and consider the word that the Spirit is bringing to us. This will be a class with silent meditation time and with response time. It will be an opportunity to contemplate the scripture for the day and the beautiful artwork created for this series.

2019 Session:

Sandy Tice, Moderator; Amy Smith, Clerk of Session

Class of 2019: Mary Bolaños, John Garten-Shuman, Brent Nord, Dale Showman

Class of 2020: David Grindahl, Nancy Horstmann, Kyle Smith, Neal Williams

Class of 2021: Lynette DuClos Adelson, Brooke Dvorak, Mark Freeman, Lynda Savage

Presbyterian Women in the Congregation

By Margaret Doane, PW Vice Moderator

The PW Coordinating Team (officers and Circle moderators) met October 7, ably lead by Moderator Laurie Stafford. She opened the meeting with a reading from The Sanctuary of Women, and Merry Beth Grindahl spoke about Presbyterian peacemaking efforts in Puerto Rico and other places in her Missions report. Nancy Horstmann presented the Treasurer's Report: there is \$5457.65 in the checking account and \$657.67 in the savings account. We paid our third quarter Mission Pledge and have one more payment of \$625 due this year. There is \$321 left in the Updraft/Lifeskilz account, and Bobbi Cummings suggested we buy fruit drinks for Lifeskilz participants with the money, but a final vote on this will be made in November.



Fall Gathering: Thank Offering

Sandy Tice will be the speaker at the Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering, our Thank offering.

All people, both men and women, are welcome to attend this event, which will be held Monday, November 4 at 6:00 in the Fireside Lounge. Dessert will be served.

Short bios of PW officers and Circle moderators have appeared in First Pres in the last two months, and response has been very positive. The Co-ordinating team supported the idea that all members of each Circle have an opportunity to write about themselves; large Circles will be featured for two months and smaller ones for one. This month's bios are the first installment of two from Friendship Circle:

The Women of Friendship Circle



*Back l to r Marianna Fowles, Judy Steppins, Wanda Skipper, Janet McKinster
Front l to r Claudia Oakes, Margaret Doane, Rosemarie Evans, Marilyn Patterson, Bobbie Terrell.*

Marianna Fowles has been attending the Church for 22 months and became a member a year ago. She is a Deacon and is active in Food, bagging and assisting with distribution each month.

Marianna worked for 38 1/2 years at LifeStream Blood Bank, co-ordinating and recruiting donors for blood drives. Her family includes daughter Cathy and son-in-law Kyle and their children Alli and Jennifer; and son Billy and daughter-in-law Lisa Ann and grandson Ethan. She loves the Lakers, reading, her Silver Sneakers group at the gym, her dog Spencer, and her "Church and friends." She is one of four members of Friendship Circle who graduated from Pacific High School in 1961.

Judith Ann Steppins has been a member of the Church for five years and is on the Board of Deacons and the Safety Team.

Judy is the Guthrie Music Librarian for the San Bernardino Symphony, is a volunteer and literacy coordinator for the San Bernardino County Library, is on the American Red Cross Disaster Response team and their public relations team. Her family includes son Brad and daughter-in-law Susi; granddaughter Nikia and grandson Chris; granddaughter-in-law Diana and great granddaughter Coraline Patricia. Judy's interests and hobbies include painting and drawing, reading and music, and she is learning to quilt.

Janet McKinster has been a member of First Pres for a year, and she has been nominated to be on next year's Board of Deacons.

Circle of Friendship continued

Janet is now retired after teaching kindergarten for 38 years; she notes that she "very much enjoyed" her teaching career. She says she is "blessed" to have her 98 year-old mother still living; and she has two sons "and their lovely wives," as well as five grandchildren and a great grandchild due in April. Her interests and hobbies include friends, family, and her new church. She is another of the four members of Friendship Circle who graduated from Pacific High in 1961.

Claudia Oakes has been coming to FPCSB since August 2013 and joined the Church the following Spring. She has been Friendship Circle Moderator and was PWCT Co-Moderator for two years.

Claudia was the office administrator/secretary/overseer of all things church-related at the First Congregational UCC on Sierra Way for many years. She is now the "overseer of 25 hummingbirds for years." "Believe me," she says, "it is a job!" She was married to Jim for 51 years before his passing in 2014. Her family includes son Andrew and wife Christy and their sons Soren and Curren; and her son Jack's widow Judy and their sons Adam, Casey, and Keenan. Claudia is the middle of three children and has a sister Christy and brother Carl.

Her interests include her hummers, gardening, knitting, and "dinner with the Monday Divas" - some of whom, like Claudia, are also members of the Pacific High Class of 1961.

Wanda Skipper was married in this church in 1960. She has served as a Deacon and Elder and chaired the Worship Committee.

Wanda and Ron were married for 57 years. Their children are Garret (now deceased), Rhonda, and Kristin; and four grandchildren.

Wanda helped organize an investment group for women and belonged to it for thirty years. She enjoys reading historical novels and being a member of a book club, and is a "big fan" of tennis and college football.

Bobbie Terrell has been a member of the Church for more than forty years. She has served as an Elder, Circle Moderator, and was PW Treasurer in the Presbytery for six years.

Bobbie worked in schools for over twenty years, as a teacher, resource specialist, and school psychologist.

She was married to Chuck for 64 years. They are the parents of two children: son Greg and his two daughters; and daughter Kathy and her four daughters; as well as five great grandchildren. Bobbie's interests and hobbies include working crossword puzzles, reading, and playing golf. She is learning to play Mahjong.

Presbyterian Men

**Who are these "Presbyterian men"? Help solve the mystery.
by Mimi Lange**

This photo was recently found in the San Bernardino Feldheym Library's California Room *Shades of San Bernardino* photo collection, but except for the fact that it was in a folder with pictures of the old Presbyterian Church building, and a couple of pictures (dated 1954) of our present building, there was nothing to identify it. Dotti Garcia sent it to me.



I have been able to determine that the picture was taken between 1909 (which is the year the church building in the background was built), and 1926, which is when the Rev. Alvah Grant Fessenden, (seen standing in the second row directly behind the seated man with a cane), passed away. Rev. Fessenden was the pastor of First Presbyterian Church from 1908 until his death. Thanks to Marion Sischo's *A Century of Service: A History of the First United Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino, California 1882-1982* for getting us that far.

We still don't know who any of the other gentlemen are, or why they gathered for a photograph. Do you recognize anyone? Do you have a copy of the photo in your family archives? The library would love to have more information. If you have any, please contact me at the church office, and I will pass your information along.

Of course, you can also contact the Feldheym Library directly, but please let me know if you do. I love a good mystery, but I like to know the solution, too!

November Celebrations

Nov 1 Shelley Biddlecombe
 Nov 2 Terri & Jorge Carlos
 Noah Wierenga
 Nov 3 Curtiss Allen
 Wendi Bielinski
 Steve Nolin
 Nov 6 Josie Short
 Nov 8 Cliff & Bobbi Cummings
 Ken Mancha
 Nov 9 Michael Gareau
 Nov 10 Kelly Bingham Newton
 Jerry Olsen
 Martin Luther
 Anne & Robert Pleiss
 Josie & Bob Short
 Nov 11 Dwight & Linda Murray
 Nov 13 Susan Zeitler
 Nov 15 Alyssa Arellano
 Nov 18 Marion Wiens
 Ed & Stephani Congdon
 Susan & William Zeitler
 Nov 19 Earleen Dudley
 Linda Murray
 Nov 21 Terry & Stephanie Ross
 Nov 22 Ken Mantei
 Nov 23 Dan Direen
 Wade and Chase Preciado
 Joyce Seeger
 Nov 24 John-Paul & Stephanie Fletcher
 Larry Kistner
 Debra & Frank Law
 Matthew Garcia
 Nov 25 Sandy Tice & Tom Rennard
 William Zeitler
 Nov 26 Brad Smith
 Chris Wright-Thomas
 Nov 27 Dale Showman
 Abigail Grace Willis
 Bethany Rennard
 Nov 28 Anne Fairchild
 Nov 29 Norm Wallis
 Nov 30 Sanai Wright

Financial Notes

Financial Report September 30, 2019

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Over/(Under)</u>
Pledges	\$304,245.13	292,500.00	11,745.13
Other Income	\$ 50,539.34	42,757.00	7,782.34
Expense	\$358,969.95	403,923.05	(44,953.10)
Net Income	\$ (13,185.48)	(68,666.05)	55,480.57

Website Photos

Photographs are often taken at church events. These photos may be used in the newsletter and/or posted on the church's public website and social media platforms. If you object to having a photograph that may contain your image (or your child's image) posted on the church website, please notify the office in writing.

The *First Press*, the newsletter of the First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino, is edited by Wendy Lamb. Please submit content to Wendy at newsletter@fpcsb.net.
Deadline for the combined December/January issue of the *First Press*:
Wednesday, November 20

Keep Military Members in Your Prayers

LCpl Jacob Allen
 Cherry Point, North Carolina

PFC Ronaldo Fregoso
 US Marine Corps, 29 Palms

Colonel David Le Roy
 US Air Force, Retired

Petty Officer Jacob Le Roy
 US Navy, Guam

Colonel Jeff Le Roy
 US Army Reserve

Seaman Mark Munz
 US Navy, San Diego



Private Javier Rocha
 US Army, Fort Benning, Georgia

Seaman Robert Sandoval
 US Navy, San Diego, CA

Petty Officer Noah L. Wierenga
 U.S. Coast Guard Sector Upper Mississippi River

CW3 James Bentley Wilson
 US Army, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA

NOVEMBER 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27  Reformation Sunday 8:45 AM Sanctuary Choir 9:30 AM Bell Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM Unraveled Lectio and Visio Divina 10:30 AM Worship Service	28 5:00 PM PW Coordinating Team 6:00 PM PW Gathering	29 5:30 PM Yoga Class	30 5:00 PM Worship Committee	31 5:30 PM Yoga Class 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir	1 9:30 AM Kerygma	2 8:00 AM Symphonie Jeunesse 10:00 AM Straight Up AA
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