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Our Mission Statement



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Newsletter On-line

In a long overdue attempt to cut costs and to be more environmentally-friendly, beginning next month we will no longer be doing a bulk mailing of our monthly newsletters. The newsletters will be made available on-line via our church website and everyone on our e-mailing list will be notified when a new edition has been posted. Hard copies will be made available at the church for anyone who would still like it in paper-form. We also invite those of you living out of the area who would like to continue receiving the newsletter in paper-form to contact the church office so we can continue to mail you a copy each month. Our continued goal is to provide you with the information you need about church-related events and ministries, so please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions, suggestions or concerns about this change in our newsletter distribution.



More than 20 years ago, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

"Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football

game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat."

Since that day, more than \$81 million has been raised for local charities across the country through Souper bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving.

On **Sunday, February 5th**, 140 million Americans will tune in to the Super Bowl football game. There will be parties with abundant food, friendship and fellowship. At the same time, there will be people worrying about staying warm, finding shelter and a warm meal. Please join our young people and others around the country as we demonstrate God's love by loving our neighbors through the **Souper Bowl of Caring**. It's a simple, yet significant act of caring for others. Bring non-perishable food and/or drop \$1 (or more) in the soup pot as you leave worship on **February 5th**. But that's not all! On **Saturday, February 4th**, our youth will be helping CCSA with their "food-packing". We will be meeting at CCSA (4167 Rappahannock) at 9am. So join us in making super bowl weekend a "Souper" weekend!

“Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.”
 – Malachi 3:10

TITHING—I’ve probably already lost a few readers with the introductory verse and title. I can almost hear what some might be thinking...”*ok, here we go, another pitch for money...I’ve heard it all before...been there done that...next!*” But believe it or not, this really isn’t about you, nor is it an appeal for your money. This is an opportunity to celebrate God’s faithfulness.

The concept of the tithe has its roots in the ancient stories of Israel. Going all the way back to Abraham, he was inspired to give a tenth of everything he had acquired after receiving a blessing from Melchizedek (Genesis 14:18-20). The giving of the tithe was both an expression of gratitude and an act of faith in the God who would provide what was needed. It was grounded in a foundational belief that all we have is received as a gift from the gracious hand of God, therefore we are more stewards than owners of our goods, possessions and money.

Our church leadership has embraced this foundational belief in God’s faithfulness and provision and as a result has remained committed to giving away a tenth of all the gifts we receive. Not only do we designate a tenth of our general operating budget for missions, but we are also committed to giving away a tenth of all gifts given to the church including our Building Fund, Permanent Endowment Fund and all designated gifts like those given to purchase the new stained glass windows or to build the new water wall just outside the sanctuary. Each of these comes to us as gifts, so we in turn express our gratitude and faith in God’s continued provision by giving away at least a tenth of all we have received.

We have just completed our year-end summary of giving for 2011. Not only did we meet our commitment to give away a tenth of all gifts received, but we exceeded it by giving away 13% in support of missions and ministries outside our doors.

General Operating Fund Giving:	\$152,475
Capital Campaign Giving:	\$ 31,270
Designated Gifts:	<u>\$ 16,206</u>
TOTAL GIFTS RECEIVED 2011:	\$199,951
TOTAL OUTREACH FOR 2011:	\$ 25,776
Percentage of Total Giving:	13%

Could we have kept that \$25,776 and used it for our own purposes right here at the church? Of course. But something happens when we hold all that God gives us with open palms. Not only are others blessed by our tithe, but we are blessed as we experience yet again God’s faithfulness and provision for our church and ministries. Indeed...God is good, all the time!

Brian

Thank you...

On behalf of the PBCC staff, I would also like to extend our gratitude to our church family for the very generous gifts you gave each of us at Christmas. Your expressions of love and support mean more to us than you know. We are blessed to serve alongside you in and through this church that we love. So again, thank you!!!

**Sunday
Schedule**

9:00am
Apprentice Group

10:30am
Worship &
Children's Church

February



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1) 7pm Apprentice Group	2) 6:30pm Worship Rehearsal	3) 7:15pm Recovery In Christ	4) 8am Men's Breakfast 9am, Youth Service Blitz
5) Missions Sunday  9am, App.Grp	6) 1:15pm, RIC Bible Study 6pm Prayer Ministry	7) 7pm Apprentice Group	8) 7pm Apprentice Group	9) 6:30pm Worship Rehearsal	10) 7:15pm Recovery In Christ	11)
12) 9am Apprentice Group	13) 1:15pm, RIC Bible Study 6pm Prayer Ministry 7pm Board Mtg	14)  Valentine's Day 7pm Apprentice Group	15) 10:30am CWF 7pm Apprentice Group	16) <i>-Newsletter-</i> 6:30pm Worship Rehearsal	17) 7:15pm Recovery In Christ	18) 6:30pm SONset Games Nite
19) 9am Apprentice Group	20)  - Office Closed - 1:15pm, RIC BS 6pm, Prayer	21) 7pm Apprentice Group	22)  7pm Apprentice Group	23) 6:30pm Worship Rehearsal	24) 7:15pm Recovery In Christ	25)
26) 9am Apprentice Group 6:30pm Pastor's Book Club	27) 1:15pm, RIC Bible Study 6pm Prayer Ministry	28) 7pm Apprentice Group	29) 10am-Noon Games Day 7pm Apprentice Group			

17th-20th
High School FEB Camp

Flower & Goodie Chart



We are grateful to those of you who have been bringing flowers for our Sunday morning worship services. We welcome those of you who would like to bring flowers either to honor, celebrate or remember a loved one or simply to beautify the sanctuary to do so by signing up on the flower chart posted on the bulletin board. We also have a Goodie chart posted for anyone wanting to bring food to share following worship. More and more people have been enjoying fellowship together following the service and the variety of food being offered by our hospitality team has really helped. If you would like to take a Sunday and bring something to share simply sign up on the bulletin board and many will enjoy your generosity!

Games Day:

Wednesday, January 25th,
10am–noon at Clairemont Christian Church.

Small Groups

Men’s Breakfast:

Saturday, February 4th, 8:00am

CWF: Wednesday, February 15th, 10:30am

RIC Life Recovery Bible Step Study:

Monday afternoons, 1:15pm

Prayer Ministry:

“Hour of Prayer” Monday nights, 6:00pm

Recovery in Christ (RIC): Friday evenings, 7:15pm

Apprenticeship Small Groups:

Sunday Morning Adult Study:
9:00am, at church in the Library Room

Tuesday Evening Adult Study:
7:00pm, at the Trenton’s home (5549 Waverly Ave, 92037)

Wednesday Evening Adult Study:
7:00pm, at church in the Library Room
(Childcare provided.)

FEB Camp

February 17-20, 2012
@ Pilgrim Pines for
youth 9th–12th grade

Camper Fees: \$200.00



PBCC will provide a 50% scholarship for all PBCC youth. Contact Debbie Tedford for details.



02/08	Pat Brounstein
02/08	Jennifer Wolford
02/09	James Anderer
02/12	Kathy Sly
02/12	Christine Johnson
02/13	Jillian Mackenzie Griffith
02/13	Sophia Petersen
02/13	Seth Podhorsky
02/13	David Smith
02/15	Tina Rysedorph
02/18	Sussan Johnson
02/19	Ruby Birts
02/20	Stephen Sly
02/25	Sophia Grace Meyer
02/27	Minnie Leitner

Pastor's Book Club



We invite you to join us in reading "Heaven Is For Real" by Todd Burpo. The discussion will be on Sunday, Feb. 26th, at 6:30pm.

In Memoriam

We were saddened to learn of the rather sudden death of Bobbie Flannery last week. Bobbie was a long-time member of our church family prior to moving to Malibu several years ago to be closer to family. Bobbie was very active in one of our CWF groups for many years and served as a volunteer nursery assistant to Melba as well. Bobbie requested that there be no memorial service following her death. She very much believed that death was a pathway into new life, so she prefer we join her in welcoming that new life. Condolences may be sent to her granddaughter: Kathryn Adams, 31305 Bailard Road, Malibu CA 90265. Please remember Kathryn and the rest of the family in your prayers.

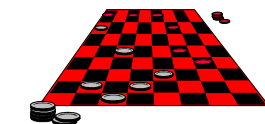
*Annette "Bobbie" Flannery
August 30, 1916 – January 16, 2012*

Roger Fishero also died last week after a battle with liver cancer. Roger's history in our church goes back to the very beginning when as a child Roger's family began attending here following the church's opening in 1949. He will be best remembered for his many years of dedicated service to the NA/AA community as a long-time leader, speaker, counselor and sponsor for those seeking to break the bonds of addiction. A memorial fund has been set up at the church by Roger's family so that all memorial gifts will be used in support of our Recovery in Christ ministry. Please remember Roger's family in your prayers in the days and weeks ahead.

*Roger Fishero
June 12, 1945 – January 20, 2012*

Please note that Doris Ducker has moved to the following address:

Silverado Senior Living—Encinitas
335 Saxony Rd.
Encinitas, CA 92024



SONset Games Night



Please join us for a night of fun, fellowship and games on **Saturday, February 18th, 6:30-9:00pm**, at church. Snacks and games will be provided, but feel free to bring your favorite game to share.

Returning to PBCC.....



We had so much fun at last year's Spring Sing that we will be doing it again on Sunday, March 11th, beginning at 5pm. Mark your calendars now for an evening of fun, fellowship and uplifting music and singing!

Alternative Gift Fair

This year the Alternative Gift Fair included cards with information explaining the good the gifts given around the world will do as well as actual, colorful items made by artisans around the world. We are pleased to report that \$990 in purchases were made. Thanks to our congregation for making someone's life a little brighter. Whether it is a gift that will help with their livelihood, health, education, or well being, all of the gifts will help to spread God's love in a needy world.

CCSA News

The Hunger Walk is CCSA’s largest fundraiser of the year. Save the date: *Saturday, April 21st, 2012*. The walk will take place at Mission Bay near the Hilton Hotel and the course is a simple 4.2 miles. Mark your calendar and set your fitness goals. It will be a great deal of fun (and some exercise) with team “PBCC”.

MOST NEEDED ITEMS

CANNED FOODS

Beef stew	peanut butter	Dried fruits & nuts
Tuna	Coffee, Tea	Jams & preserves
Canned Meats	Breakfast cereal	Salad dressings
Vienna Sausage	Powdered milk	Juices
Canned milk	Fruits/Veggies	Chunky style soups
Pasta	Mac & Cheese	Spaghetti sauce
Ramen soups	Ravioli & Chili	Pork N’ Beans
Rice	Dry beans	Spaghetti-O’s

INDIVIDUAL SERVINGS FOR THE HOMELESS

Tuna	bottled water
Vienna sausage	juice packs
Pork ‘n beans	ensure
Chili & ravioli	dried fruit & nuts
Soups (chunky style)	packaged lunch meats
Fruit & pudding cups	cheese-individual sliced
Breakfast bars	

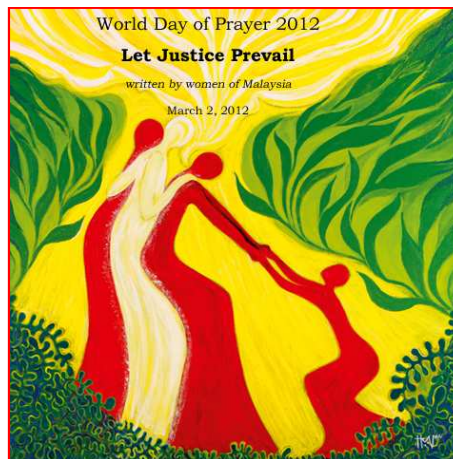
CLOTHING DONATIONS

MEN

- Casual pants (size 30-36)
- Underwear (size 30-36)
- T shirts
- White socks for men
- Tennis shoes
- Men’s dress shirts/slacks
- Dark socks for dress
- winter jackets

WOMEN

- Casual pants
- women’s tees
- underwear
- tennis shoes
- dress pants or skirts
- dress blouses
- winter jackets



World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer

sponsored by Church Women United is on Friday, March 2nd, beginning at 10:00am. This annual opportunity to join with women from several of our local churches for prayer and worship will take place at Christ Lutheran Church (on Cass St.). Each year women from a different country in the world plan a prayer service that is used throughout the world on the first Friday of March. This year’s service has been planned by the women of Malaysia and the theme is “Let Justice Prevail”. For more information you are encouraged to contact Leona BonDurant.



Chapman Founders Day

Chapman University is hosting its 29th Annual Founders Day, on Saturday, March 24th. Dr. Amy-Jill Levine will be the featured speaker this year. A self-described "Yankee Jewish feminist who teaches in a predominantly Christian divinity school in the buckle of the Bible Belt," Professor Levine combines historical-critical rigor, literary-critical sensitivity, and a frequent dash of humor with a commitment to eliminating anti-Jewish, sexist, and homophobic theologies. Her three lectures will help hear Jesus as a Jewish storyteller. For more information or to register for the luncheon, please contact Pastor Brian in the church office.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



BY OUR ATTENDANCE

12/25/11	101
01/01/12	107
01/08/12	111
01/15/12	103
01/22/12	109

BY OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

Weekly Need: \$3,113

12/25/11	\$5,333
01/01/12	\$5,276
01/08/12	\$3,168
01/15/12	\$6,247
01/22/12	\$3,038
Budgeted (YTD):	\$93,385
Received (YTD):	\$90,403

Congregation

Fishero/Southworth Family
Dan Owens
Margaret McQueen
Ruth Lutz
Paul Johnsen
Josh Ziska
Shane Brunberg
Frazier Family
Jay Williams
Doris Ducker
Bill Bostick
Rhoda Kruse
Angelica Valentine
Nathan Corey
The Norton Family
Bob Jones
Fusco Family
William Dudas
Recovery In Christ

Friends & Family

Josef Steffens
Farah Cirulnick
Erin Shea
Louis Denasi
Mike Hariston
Kurosky Family
Anthony Mendoza
David Priest
Karole Miller
Steve Shinstine
Mike Vinti
Hilde Kunreuther
Cheyenne Warsaw
Jeff McNair

BY OUR PRAYERS

Isabel Marie Harbourt
Mark Connors
Wendy Grace
Bob & Grace Marr
Mary Ann Vincent
Ryan Porteous
Andy Birts
Nellie Van Del Elzen
Jacquelin Leahy
Pete Ferguson & Family
Milan Dmitch
Harriett Bota
Devin O'Connell
Ray Perkins & Family
Gabby & Howe Family
TJ
Jeff Danko
Chekela Turner
Ken McCartney
Felix Salud
Marjorie Snodgrass
Justus Everetts
Charlye Hoyer
Ron & Debbie Spiewak
Jennifer Baker
Bob Porter
Helen Dunn
Toni McGregor
Kevin Mawhinney
Kaely Buckel
Brooke Strong
Rose Eckerman
Reeves Family
Alica Langford Straley
Frank Ortez
Colleen Silva

Dixie Baker
Pattie Jo Kaczala
Kathy Ralls
Joan Lomberto
Mary Richardson
Lauren Lyons
Joanne Davis
Jennifer Kutzner
Roseo Vasquez
Bob Bark
Jill Cobb
Henry Torres
Chris Mischle & Chris Barker
Kerrie Morfitt
Terry & Dora Rinke
Bernard Crosby
Shane O'Connell
Marie Julian
Nicole Luongo
Bruce Smith
Micki McQueen
Jean Neal
Patricia Spathes
Christine Miller
Joe Bailon
Karen Kelly
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