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## Our Mission Statement



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## Worship & Picnic in the Park

This summer's annual "Worship in the Park and Picnic" is scheduled for Sunday, September 10th, at Kate Sessions Park beginning at 10:45am. We invite you to bring a lawn chair or blanket to join us for this special inter-generational worship celebration as we gather under the trees to praise God amidst the beauty that surrounds us.

Following worship we will begin our annual picnic with lots of great food, fellowship, and fun games for all ages. The church will supply the hamburgers, hotdogs, buns and drinks. We are asking those whose last names begin with letters A-M to bring a dessert and those beginning with the letters N-Z to bring a salad or side dish. Kate Sessions Park is located on Lamont Street just north of Beryl Street in Pacific Beach. We hope you will join us for this annual tradition of fun and fellowship outside our church walls!



## Week of Compassion—Hurricane Harvey

Our neighbors to the South in Texas and Louisiana are suffering through a catastrophic disaster as the effects of Hurricane Harvey linger on this week with continued flooding rain. The impact of this storm will be felt in the hardest hit communities for months and even years. Your gifts to the church designated for "hurricane relief" will be directed through the Week of Compassion in support of the ongoing emergency relief efforts. Simply include a gift in the special WOC envelopes you will find in the sanctuary chairs, mail a gift to the church, or make a gift directly on-line via the [www.disciples.org](http://www.disciples.org) website or the [www.weekofcompassion.org](http://www.weekofcompassion.org) website. Thank you!

## Our “Daly” Bread

*“The wise of heart is called perceptive, and pleasant speech increases persuasiveness.”*

*Proverbs 16:21*

**WISDOM**—One of the great blessings I have had in ministry these 23 years here at PBCC has been learning from our older ones. It is often said that with age comes wisdom. There is certainly some truth in that. But I am convinced it is even more true for those who have aged with an enduring faith.

Early in my ministry here I made a hospital visit to an older woman from our congregation named Marietta Reynolds. Marietta had been through much in her life, including an earlier bout with breast cancer. When I visited her in the hospital she was suffering the effects of liver cancer. She looked at me with a smile on her face and said rather matter-of-factly, *“Cancer is God’s gift to me.”* I was stunned. I was prepared to defend God...to share with her that if we believe Jesus is the purest lens we have for understanding God, then striking her with cancer (twice!) was not God’s doing, but the result of living in a broken world. She must have seen the consternation on my face and my theological wheels turning, so she followed her first statement with this one: *“So often we go through life just assuming we have tomorrow. I don’t make that assumption anymore. I receive every day as a gift and give thanks for that gift.”* I simply held her hand and smiled. She needed no words of comfort (or defense) from her pastor. She was simply sharing the wisdom of one who had been through some things... things that served to deepen her faith. Wisdom.

I had a similar meaningful exchange with Leona BonDurant a few years ago. Leona is another one of our older ones who has been through a few things, including the deaths of two husbands and a daughter. She had heard me lift up a family in prayer who had just lost a loved one, so after the service she was sitting in a chair and looked at me with a twinkle in her eye and said, *“You know, death isn’t always the enemy. Sometimes it comes as a friend.”* Again, I was silenced. Powerful words. Words born out of the experience of loss. Words of faith. Wisdom.

I thought of those words again recently following the death of Bear’s father. So many of you have reached out to us to offer your love, support and condolences. That means more to us than you know. But truth be told, Leona’s words help to soften the sting of the loss. Life had ceased being meaningful for John some time ago. He suffered from both dementia and Parkinson’s Disease. When death came, I couldn’t help but think it came as a friend.

I have been reminded time and again in our ministry together here at PBCC that life really is temporary...and life really is a gift. We are going through some challenging times right now...as a church, as a nation, and even globally. It is tempting to give into discouragement or despondency. But then we need only look at some of the things our older ones have been through...the Depression, World War II, the Korean War, Vietnam, Civil Rights, Watergate (I could go on, but you get the idea)...and they might suggest that it is often out of our struggles that we learn to live into a better way...and day. If we heed those words then perhaps we can embrace our current turmoil as yet another opportunity to grow forward. Words of experience. Words of faith. Wisdom.

May it be so. May it be so.

Brian

# September 2017



Sunday Schedule:

9:00am:

Revelation  
(Youth Room)

Women's Study  
(Church Library)

10:30am:

Worship and  
Children's  
Church

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1) 7:15pm RIC	2)
3)  <b>Missions Sunday</b>	4) <b>Labor Day:</b> <b>Office Closed</b> 6-7:00pm Prayer Ministry	5) 7:00pm Adult Bible Study (church)	6) 7:00am Heavenly Manna	7) 6:30pm Worship Rehearsal 8:00pm AA Big Book Study	8) 7:15pm Recovery In Christ	9)
10) <b>10:45am</b> Worship at Kate Sessions Park 	11) 6pm Prayer Ministry	12) 7:00pm Adult Bible Study (church)	13) 7:00am Heavenly Manna 10:30 CWF	14) 6:30pm Worship Rehearsal 8:00pm AA Big Book	15) 7:15pm Recovery In Christ <b>Pastor Gone</b> →	16)
17) →	18) <b>13th Annual Golf Classic</b> 6pm Prayer Ministry 7pm, Board Meeting	19) 7:00pm Adult Bible Study (church)	20) 7:00am Heavenly Manna	21) 6:30pm Worship Rehearsal 8:00pm AA Big Book Study	22) 7:15pm Recovery In Christ	23)
24)	25) 6pm Prayer Ministry 7:00pm <b>Elder's Meeting</b>	26) 7:00pm Adult Bible Study (church)	27) 7:00am Heavenly Manna	28) 6:30pm Worship Rehearsal 8:00pm AA Big Book Study	29) 7:15pm, RIC <b>Women's Spiritual Growth Retreat</b>	30) <b>Women's Spiritual Growth Retreat Loch Leven (to Oct. 1)</b>

## NEW CHILDREN'S MINISTRY COORDINATOR

As our new PBCC's Children's Ministry Coordinator, Sandy Roberts is primarily responsible for leadership and oversight of the Children's Ministry on Sunday mornings, along with related tasks on Sundays and during the week. Sandy was able to step into her new role quickly thanks to previous ministry experience! Although Sandy comes from a family in ministry (her mother and grandfather were both Assemblies of God pastors), Sandy didn't begin her own path to ministry until 2002 when she joined University Christian Church (UCC) here in San Diego. At that same time, Sandy was also working for SAIC as a military contractor with the US Navy, as web technologist and senior analyst. Serving the church called to Sandy more and more, and "it became impossible to say no!" She served UCC as a deacon and then as an ordained elder, handling pastoral care visits to the church community, hospitals and hospice. Sandy eventually served as Elder Chair. Wanting to know and do more, she experienced her call to ministry so she enrolled in the Certificate of Ministry Studies Program at the Pacific School of Religion, completing the two-year program in 2009. In 2010, Sandy received her first formal call to ministry, serving as a commissioned minister for senior care at UCC. She continued in that role for two years, until she took on more ministerial roles and duties. Among these duties were preaching, memorial services, worship planning and leadership, and children's church within worship. For a short period of time, Sandy was solo pastor on staff and then worked in partnership with an interim senior minister as UCC completed their pastoral search for a new senior minister. "It was definitely a learning experience, and also very formative for my own ministerial skillset," Sandy remembers. "That time period taught me so much, and my colleagues in ministry, both active and retired, gave me a lot of insight into the role of the ministry. But it's the people I served who gave me wisdom of the heart, and I wouldn't trade that for the world!"

In August 2015, Sandy stepped down from her ministry at UCC, but remained active in clergy organizations in San Diego. She joined PBCC in 2016. In addition to taking on the role of Children's Ministry Coordinator, she is also a new elder. Sandy has expressed how wonderful it is to serve PBCC's children, and to be working with Pastor Brian and the staff— "I'm both honored and happy to be here! I'm delighted to be working with everyone involved in our Children's Ministry, especially our fabulous teachers, and grateful to all the work Pastor Sadie did to set up our curriculum. I look forward to our time together as we continue to bring the word of God to our kids in a fun and active way. I can tell already tell that they will be teaching me a thing or two as well!"

# Celebrating

*An Anniversary This Month*

9/02	Mike & La Donna Dwyer
9/03	Paul & Joyce Mizisin
9/11	Mike & Peggy Neal
9/17	Rick & Marilyn Zanchetta
9/21	Don & Charlene Hill
9/22	Ed & Kathy Sly

*Happy Birthday!*



**IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!**

9/03	Howard Smart
9/05	William Morrison, Jr.
9/08	Pam Deitz
9/09	Brett Daly
	Dick Ganz
9/13	Jan Julian
9/18	Mike Sly
9/21	Art Montoya
	Kay Orsini
	Elizabeth Schmied
9/23	Andi Sanders
9/26	Devin Pelletier
9/27	James Frazier
9/30	Ronnie Calabrese

## Welcome New Members

We were grateful to welcome Amber Brown and Kevin Osbourne into our church family last Sunday after they came forward to make their confession of faith and formally place their membership here at PBCC. Amber and Kevin started worshiping with us about a year ago after Amber met RJ Lucchesi at a local Homeless Coalition meeting. In addition to becoming members of our church they will be getting married here on New Year's Day. So join us in welcoming Amber and Kevin and their daughter Raquel the next time you see them!

Amber Brown and Kevin Osbourne  
1111 Hornblend St. #2  
San Diego, CA 92109



## 13th Annual Golf Classic September 18, 2017

The 13th Annual Don Shelton Memorial Golf Classic will be held on Monday, September 18, 2016 at San Dimas Canyon Golf Course. Everyone in the Pacific Southwest Region churches is invited to participate in purchasing tickets for the Opportunity Drawing and the Don Shelton Scholarship Fund. There are wonderful prizes including a cruise! Tickets for the drawing are available for purchase on the table in the fellowship area. You must purchase tickets before September 11th.

~ All proceeds will benefit ministries in our region.

## Regional Gathering—Oct. 21, 2017

“Faithful in the Tension” from James 1:2-4 will be the focus of the Pacific Southwest Regional Gathering 2017. The gathering will hone in on staying reverent to God through the stressful and pressure-filled moments in our daily lives. A special offering will be collected during worship to support Week of Compassion. Read more about The Congo Initiative on the Global Ministries website. If you are interested in attending the Regional Gathering on **Saturday**, October 21st at the **First Christian Church, Pomona**, located at 1751 N. Park Ave., Pomona, CA. Register today at [www.DisciplesPSWR.org/rg2017](http://www.DisciplesPSWR.org/rg2017).

See Brian for details/questions.

## CCSA

### Missions Sunday- Sept. 3rd

CCSA's *most needed* items are:

#### Clothes:

Clean **Socks**; gently used or new

**Men's Underwear** waist M (34-36)

**Shorts/Pants:** all waist sizes

**Children's Clothing/Shoes**

**Shoes** in any condition (tennis, flip-flops, sandals)

**Hats.**

**Food:** granola Bars, cereal, peanut butter, pop-top Soups, Vienna Sausage, Tuna, fruit cups and water or Capri Sun fruit drinks.

**Hygiene items:** shampoo, body wash, lotion, razors, toothpaste/brushes and **sunscreen.**

**Volunteers** are much needed at the *Joyce Snyder Center*. For *volunteer opportunities* call Connie at (858) 274-2271 (10:00am-4:00pm).

## CCSA Backpack Update

The annual “Back-to-School” program was a huge success! Our thanks to everyone who contributed stocked backpacks, supplies, and shoes, and socks toward this effort to give children an excellent start to a new school year.





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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



**BY OUR PRAYERS**



**BY OUR ATTENDANCE**

07/30/17	105
08/13/17	85
08/20/17	85
08/27/17	86

**BY OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS**

Weekly Need: \$3576	
07/30/16	\$1,786
08/06/16	\$3,443
08/13/16	\$1,194
08/20/17	\$2,850
08/27/17	\$NA

**Congregation**

Cameron Allen  
Daly-McCain Family  
Bishop Family  
Art Montoya  
Butler-Beattie Family  
Sylvia Parr  
Andi Sanders  
Margaret McQueen  
Liz Fotheringham  
Bill Sanders  
Misty Fusco  
Ken McCartney  
Grace Gelseh  
Dan Owens  
Kai Widmark  
Alice Roth  
Lyn Beattie  
Jill McIlwain  
William Dudas  
Calabrese Family  
Leona BonDurant  
Laura Southworth

**Friends and Family**

Phillip Berry  
Kinsley Maria Roduner  
Peggy Neal  
Gansana  
Alice Ryan  
Pankoski Family  
Florence Hill  
Rachel McHenry  
Tom Suiter  
Bob BonDurant  
Glenn Harris  
Bethany Sanders  
Frank & Betty Caro  
Aurora Magale  
Martha Walker  
Patricia Tierny  
Dan Sehlhorst  
Eddie Mejia  
Teri Clarke  
Katie Harris

Tabitha Kuehn  
Gary Bowers  
Laurie Patrick  
Madeline McGehee  
Michael Hairston  
Crystal Forsell  
Ernie Becerril  
Mayorga Family  
Heilsburg Family  
Yani Davis  
Marilyn Saenz  
Tom Cooper  
Cindy Crawford  
Vince Von Dahlen  
Felice Goddard  
Bob Vincent  
Roland Joe Arnold  
Rena Yachad  
Monica Farrar  
Aidan Good  
Linda Weinstein  
Jim Weatherly  
Liz Redloff  
Trudi Craven & Daughter  
Chris Lynch  
Bill & Joyce Ferguson  
Mark LaMura  
Amber & Michelle  
Kevin Mawhinney  
Brenda & Ethan Allen  
Lindsay Strack  
Marion Meyer  
Megan Fuller  
Maria McGuire  
Dan & Fay Moore  
Brandon Myers  
Mandy Mendoza  
Duke Carolina  
Andrew Gunther  
Mattie Carter  
Bruce Horncastle  
Branch Family  
Penny Juday  
Scott Brown

Cassidy Woodard  
David & Sondra  
Morgan & Kevin Pinegar  
Ameret Budihis  
Karen Harrison  
Garrett Baumann  
Ginny Murphy  
Meghan Haber  
Kurt Vasbinder  
Shelly McKittrick  
Alyssa Montalbano  
Christopher Harris  
Paula & Noel Stuart  
Chris Mischle  
Chris Barker  
Robert Fuller  
Ken & Nancy McMaster  
Frank Ortez  
TJ  
Jo Cox  
Susan P.  
Jill Cobb  
Ted Sitek  
Eric Moth  
Jeff Danko  
Joe Bailon  
Iris Puente  
Zach Frost  
Rob Baxter  
Alan Casey  
Gene Sykes  
David Sudo  
Neil Corbin  
Mary Julian  
Gail Depew  
Julie Parnell  
Alisha Perry  
Frank Fasula  
Dusty Miller  
Andrea Cross  
Henry Torres  
Bette Pegram  
Michelle Faust  
Chekela Turner  
Roger & Cuma Wickerd

Janet  
TUMI  
Cody Beattie- Navy  
Boyd - MAF  
Farrars - Philip.  
Eubanks- Thai.  
Recovery In Christ  
Kairos Prison Ministry  
Free the Oppressed



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