

THE LIGHTHOUSE

Christian Church
DISCIPLES OF CHRIST
Pacific Grove

October 2018

**THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(Disciples of Christ)
OF PACIFIC GROVE**

*A Spiritual Sanctuary
for the Thinking Christian*

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Three Sales in One!

Annual Rummage Sale

9:00am - 4:00pm

Chalice Closet Benefit Shop

and

Holiday Bazaar

9:00am - 2:00pm

Saturday, October 20th

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All Rummage Sale and Benefit Shop Items 50% off!

Furniture, small appliances & gadgets, kitchen items, glassware, linens, picture frames, office supplies, seasonal decorations, tools, toys, games, books/records/tapes/videos/DVDs, and much more!!

Concession stand and baked goods too!

C A S H O N L Y

In essentials, unity.

In non-essentials, liberty.

In all things, charity.



Notes from the Lions' Den

World Communion Sunday, October 7

We gather here in Jesus name, his love is burning I our hearts like living flame

For through the loving Son the Father makes us one:

Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come share the Lord. --- Bryan Jeffery Leech

World Communion Sunday offers congregations a distinctive opportunity to experience Holy Communion in the context of the global community of faith. The first Sunday of October has become a time when Christians in every culture break bread and pour the cup to remember and affirm Christ as the Head of the Church. On that day, they remember that they are part of the whole body of believers. Whether shared in a grand cathedral, a mud hut, outside on a hilltop, in a meetinghouse, or in a storefront, Christians celebrate the communion liturgy in as many ways as there are congregations. World Communion Sunday can be both a profound worship experience and a time for learning more about our wider community of faith. --- Disciples World Missions

It is the center of the worship experience every Sunday morning in the tradition of The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). We pray, we invite, we remember, we participate, we eat and we acknowledge reminded each week that the Lord's table is open to all. Seriously, some of the best conversations I have had with you began with prompts like: *Tell us about one of your most memorable communion services. What does it feel like to participate in a communion service? What goes through your mind when the words of institution are given?*

For me, each time I ingest the words "Do this in remembrance of me" I do remember all the times I have heard the story of the last supper and all the times I heard the story of the feeding of the 5000. I remember who told me those stories. And then, I remember other times I had been through the ritual of the breaking of the bread and passing of the cup. My first communion, the look on my Grandfather's face as he emotionally accepted the elements, the crazy oreos and kool aid communion I participated in at camp when I was a kid. All these memories come forward and occasionally I am reminded that on any given Sunday, I am part of the creation of a new memory as I take in the sights and sounds and tastes of being at the Lord's table with you.

We have a tradition at the Christian Church of Pacific Grove to cover the table with a variety of breads on World Communion Sunday. I mean COVER the table! And those invited are asked to prayerfully choose which bread to eat – one might choose a bread that reminds them of a certain place or culture, one might

choose a bread that best describes their relationship with God that day or one might choose a bread just because it is the most appealing.

Then, after the service, bags are available to take some of the breads home to share with others and to tell them where the bread came from, why communion is so important to us and why there is a World Communion Sunday.

And while it is good to take bread to share after the service. it really is a great Sunday to invite someone to join you for worship.

See you in church,
Dan



Serving Our Church

Worship Leaders

7-Ken Rockefeller, 14 -TBA, 21-Janet Billets, 28-Babette Wilson

Serving Elders

Thanksgiving

7-Heidi Toy
14-Nancy Bingaman
21- Joy Brittain
28- Lori Robinson

Communion

Carole Bestor
Frances Weesner
Ed Kilgore
Kimberly Brown

Elder of the Month:
Carole Bestor

Deacon of the Month
Elaine Harris

Flowers

7- Open
14- Jackie Burns
21- Open
28- Sandi Ellis

Fellowship

Open
Potluck
Open
Sandi Ellis

Happy October Birthdays

1- Susan Vitale
2- Jean Saltsman
5- Ramon Ayers
8- Danielle Cumberland
26- Brianna Henderson

10- Stephen Negron
20- Neal Heckman
20- Gary McCluskey
20- Brian Sala
28- Dolores Getz

Anniversaries

2- Steve & Pam Brydon
27- Ed Kilgore & Dawn Wilson

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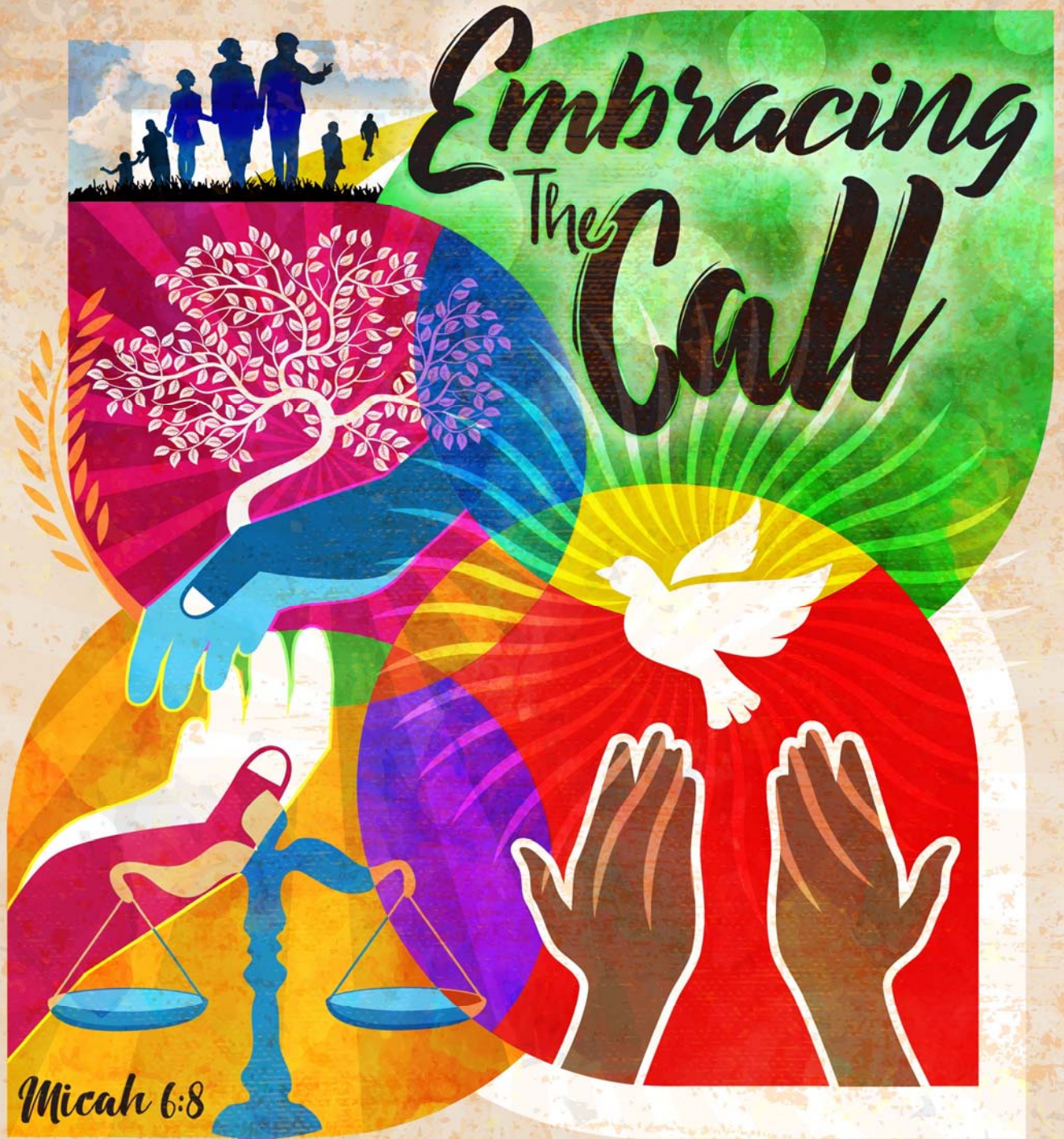
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	4	2	3 Girl Scouts 5:50-7 Choir Rehearsal 7-8:30	4 Lunch Bunch @ Toasties @ noon Trustees Mtg @ 6 PM	5	6 Chalice Closet 1-4pm
7 Meditation with the Pastor 9:45 AM Worship 11 AM PG Heritage Tour 1-4 PM	8	9 Clergy Lectionary at 10AM Men's Night Out at Passionfish Restaurant 6 PM	10 Girl Scouts 5:50-7 Choir Rehearsal 7-8:30	11	12 Chalice Closet 1- 4PM	13 9AM- Regional Elders Chalice Closet 1-4pm Blessing of the Animals 11-noon
14 Meditation with the Pastor 9:45 AM Worship 11 AM Potluck Dinner	15	16 Clergy Lectionary 10AM Finance Mtg 6PM	17 Girl Scouts 5:50-7 Choir Rehearsal 7-8:30	18 CWF @ 10:30 AM	19 Chalice Closet 1-4 PM	20 3 in 1 Sale 9-4 PM
21 Meditation 9:45 AM Worship 11 AM	22	23 Clergy Lectionary 10AM Administrative Board Meeting 6PM	24 Girl Scouts 5:50-7 Choir Rehearsal 7-8:30	25	26 Chalice Closet 1-4 PM	27 Chalice Closet 1-4 PM
28 Meditation 9:45 AM Worship 11 AM	29	30 Clergy Lectionary 10AM	31 Girl Scouts 5:50-7 Choir Rehearsal 7-8:30			

Pacific Grove's
Blessing of the Animals



Berwick Park
(next to the whale sculpture)

Saturday, October 13, 2018
11 am - Noon



Embracing The Call

Micah 6:8

Reconciliation Ministry
Special Offering
2018

Designed by Vectrezi

Symposium on Elder Care By Lori Robinson

Aging is not a place. Look inward and realize you are always aging, we all are. Change the status quo: make a plan. Do not wait until you are in distress. These are some sage thoughts of John O'Brien, Executive Director of Central Coast Senior Services, who gave the plenary address at the "Community Responses to Elder Care Symposium," which I attended on September 15. This gathering welcomed health care providers, educators, church leaders, social workers and all interested humans to Monterey Peninsula College on a most beautiful day to be alive. John further explained that we cannot count on the political or cultural will of our society to invest in our futures. That is why we must invest in ourselves and in each other.

I was interested in attending this symposium to learn about services and agencies that are available to us. What I discovered is that there is a solid support system on the Monterey Peninsula that can address many of these needs. It is up to us to make calls, send inquiries, and devote time to connecting with these resources.

Some takeaways include: - Prepare an Advance Directive (written statement of your wishes regarding medical treatment and care, <https://prepareforyourcare.org>). -Assign an executor of your estate, power of attorney, and an advocate to accompany you to medical appointments. -Take advantage of free classes at MPC and other institutions to maintain physical and intellectual well-being. -Make use of hotlines: 211, IRA (Information Referral and Assistance) 755-4466 and websites: nextdoor.com; prepareforyourcare.org. -Contact programs and agencies: the Alliance on Aging; MST Rides Program, GogoGrandparents and Central Coast Cabs wheelchair program. -Consult the Best of Monterey Guide SENIOR RESOURCE GUIDE.

Your Church family wants to help you connect!



Gratitude for everyone who participated in the Blue Theology Learning/Serving Summer Season – so many young lives were transformed – and soooooo many cigarette butts were removed from our shores before they headed to the Ocean gyres.

Pray for the Blue Theology Mission Station – at the next meeting of the Disciples Homeland Missions, our Mission Station will be considered for Affiliate status with them.



*CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
CWF*

*We will gather on
THURSDAY, October 18, 10:30am
Jones Fellowship Hall*

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF PACIFIC GROVE

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