



To our new family,

It is with great humility and joy that I take this opportunity to introduce myself to you as your new pastor. As way of introduction, let me share a little bit about my journey and how I got here. I was born and raised in Southern California in a small city called Lakewood. There I grew up, went to school, and had parents who raised me in the faith. My father was a Southern Baptist minister, while my mother taught Sunday School and played the piano in the church; recently, someone jokingly told Lu that if she did not know how to play the piano that she was not qualified to be a pastor's wife. But this strong faith upbringing laid the foundation for my love of scripture and music. I have four siblings, a younger sister and three brothers, and we were all brought up in a home that taught us that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior, and we are always to serve Him. My four siblings still remain in Southern California.

I have three children, Tricia, whom I adopted through the foster care system in Los Angeles, whom has been in my home since she was five months old, is studying law in San Francisco's Golden Gate Law School. She has almost completed her first year. My son Christian is 27, was in the U.S. Army's 82nd Airborne, did a year in Iraq during the war, and is now head chef, after going to Le Cordon Bleu Culinary School, for the city of Riverside. My baby Mallory will be 23 in February, and last year finished her undergraduate degree in screen-writing from California State University Los Angeles.

My wife Lu is the love of my life, and I do not know how I could ever have lived as long as I have without her being in my life; she reminds me of this all the time! Lu was born in the country of Burma/Myanmar, and has lived in the States for eighteen years. She obtained her master's degree from Fuller Theological Seminary, she beat me to mine, and she has a strong desire to serve the church in youth ministry. I would not be in this position without her strong love and support.

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Lu and I are eager and humbled by this the opportunity to serve this community of believers, and share in this wonderful ministry with you. I believe that together we can open ourselves to the leading of the Holy Spirit so that we may learn God's will for our church, and follow Him with obedient and generous hearts. I have enjoyed getting to know you so far, and getting to learn the wonders of your life and faith stories. In the days ahead, I welcome hearing your wisdom, insights and concerns. My office door will be always open. Continue to pray for Lu and I during this period of transition. Our prayer is that we all continue to strive in a spirit of humility and unity, while becoming an even stronger, loving community of faith!

In His Grace and Peace,

Lu and James Frost



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Friday, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH MEETING February 12, 2017

Call to Order - Wayne Beck

Stipulation of a Quorum - 57 active members and 34 present.

Opening Prayer - Pastor James Frost

Approval of Previous Minutes - Correction: Label who took previous minutes: Kelly Kiernan
Dave Baker approved and Vikki Huckell seconded. Motion carried.

Review Reports of Boards and Committees – 2016

It has been a challenging year; we all give thanks for a successful year overall.

Dan Beynon had the idea that the *Deacons* should purchase gas cards for the people who come by the church in need and asking for gas, instead of handing out cash. General agreement.

Board of Education, has hopes with Lu Frost coming to start up a youth group.

Outreach Committee, Sharon Riley continues to be the chair. She thanked everyone for all their support.

Pastoral Search committee, Kim Beck thanked everyone for their prayers during the process.

The Fellowship Luncheon Group, is doing well and purchased a paper shredder for the office.

Supper club, continues to plan the fellowship events.

Music Group, hoping to become more active and have our pianist Shelly become more involved.

Pastoral Relations Committee, Kim Beck believes that everything will work well. Questions Pastor James has or anyone else will be addressed.

Financial Report - Year End and 2017 Budget

Last year was difficult but we came in under budget. Joanne Warner-Unruh states that we need to keep in mind that in the future we will need to do some roof work on the church. Overall, all our bills are paid and our taxes are paid. We are starting the year off good.

Elaine Tindle approved and Sharon Riley seconded. Motion carried.

Boards and Committees for 2017

Wayne Beck wants every committee to have a chair picked out. Bylaws are to be reviewed and revised as necessary. Moderator, Clerk, Trustee chair and Deacon chair to spearhead. The by-laws also need to be reviewed by each committee. He would like to have the boards and committees set goals, know what they want to accomplish and possibly have them ready to present at the next meeting.

New Nominating Committee, joining Rick Kendall and Dave Baker the members are: Kim Beck, Janna Lou Baker, Elaine Tindle and Vikki Huckell. Motioned by Dale Stambaugh seconded by Sandy Tuggle. Motion carried.

Dave Baker addressed concerns reporting carryover funds within the budget. Trustees to review. Carol Hertle stated that everyone needs to make sure that when giving money to the Memorial Fund, the check is made to the Memorial Fund when buying a tile for the deceased.

Closing Prayer - Pastor James Frost

Meeting is Adjourned at 11:52 a.m. on February 12, 2017.

Submitted by: Kelly Kiernan, Clerk

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2017

Nominating Committee 2016 Members: 2nd Term: Rick Kendall, Dave Baker, Vikki Huckell (Alternate)
1st Term: Janna Lou Baker, Kim Beck, Elaine Tindle

SECTION 1: TERM LIMITS

POSITION	NAME	TERM OF OFFICE	TERM
Moderator (1 yr) (Limited to 2 terms)	Wayne Beck	February 2017 - February 2018	2nd term
Deacons: (5-7) (3 yr terms, 2 terms max)	Bill Gillette Ethel Eastburn Dan Beynon Dianne Gillette Dave Pelucca Kim Kiernan	February 2017 - February 2020 February 2016 - February 2019 February 2016 - February 2019 February 2015 - February 2018 February 2015 - February 2018 February 2015 - February 2018	1st term 2nd term 2nd term 1st term 1st term 1st term
Trustees (6) (3 yr terms, 2 terms max)	Dave Baker Rick Kendall Vikki Pelucca Vikki Huckell Mike Kiernan Kim Beck	February 2015 - February 2018 February 2017 - February 2020 February 2016 - February 2019 February 2016 - February 2019 February 2016 - February 2019 February 2015 - February 2018	2nd term 1st term 2nd term 1st term 1st term 1st term
Outreach (2 yr terms, 2 terms)	Sharon Riley Shirley Akrish Elaine Tindle Linda Kendall James Lopez	February 2017 - February 2019 February 2016 - February 2018 February 2017 - February 2019 February 2017 - February 2019 February 2017 - February 2019	1st term 2nd term 1st term 1st term 1st term
Nominating Committee (5) (1 yr term, limit 2 terms)	Rick Kendall Dave Baker Janna Lou Baker Kim Beck Elaine Tindle Vikki Huckell	February 2016 - February 2018 February 2016 - February 2018 February 2016 - February 2018 February 2016 - February 2018 February 2016 - February 2018 February 2016 - February 2018	2 nd term 2 nd term 1st term 1st term 1st term Alt 1st term

SECTION 2: NO TERM LIMITS

VICE-MODERATOR	Lee Unruh	February 2017 - February 2018	1st term
CLERK/HISTORIAN	Cindy Beynon	February 2017 - February 2018	1st term
TREASURER	JoAnne Warner-Unruh	February 2017 - February 2018	7th term
DELEGATE TO NACCC	_____	February 2017 - February 2018	1st term
ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO NACCC	_____	February 2017 - February 2018	1st term
ANNUAL DELEGATE	Phyllis Agers	February 2017 - February 2018	2nd term
MUSIC COMMITTEE	Janna Lou Baker Roberta Steen Joann Tamura Jerry Cheek	February 2017 - February 2018 February 2017 - February 2018 February 2017 - February 2018 February 2017 - February 2018	6th term 5th term 8th term 4th term
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (2 yr terms, no term limit)	Ginny Byrum Kim Kiernan Vikki Cheek Janna Lou Baker	February 2017 - February 2018 February 2017 - February 2018 February 2017 - February 2018 February 2017 - February 2018	7th term 7th term 5th term 2nd term
CHRISTIAN ED TEACHERS	Vikki Huckell Cindy Beynon	February 2017 - February 2018 February 2017 - February 2018	7th term 2nd term
PASTORAL RELATIONS	Dave Baker Rick Kendall Kim Beck Elaine Tindle	February 2017 - February 2018 February 2017 - February 2018 February 2017 - February 2018 February 2017 - February 2018	2nd term 2nd term 2nd term 3rd term

NEWS FROM OUTREACH

Sharon Riley



The 2017 Outreach committee consists of Sharon Riley, Kelly Kiernan, Elaine Tindle, Shirley Akrish and James Lopez.

We reach out to local causes, national causes and international causes. This year we are focusing on local causes, meaning here at home. We will continue to sponsor Citalie Alvarez at the Pan American Institute in Mexico. The latest information about her is posted in the Narthex. Nationally, when a situation occurs that we deem as in need of support we will donate money to it. As you know we are not budgeted to receive money and any money we have comes from the Noisy Offering or the Bake Sale and Calendar sale.

Commodities continues to be the 2nd Monday of each month and food is given to the needy. There will also be food available in the office to people who come by the church and ask if we have any. This is not meant to compete with the Food Closet. Anyone can donate non-perishable items. There is a box in the Narthex that it can be dropped into.

A fund has been set up to allow Pastor James to distribute money that can be given to a church member in need. The fund is confidential and only he will know the circumstances presented. Paying it back is not expected. Paying it forward would be very satisfying. If anyone would like to donate to this please see Sharon.

Having Pastor James with us is inspiring and motivational. A new mind with new thoughts is what we need and he certainly is that. As he said in one of his sermons, "With God, every- thing is possible". Amen!



MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE AND POTLUCK

Maundy Thursday Service will be held at 6:00 p.m. on April 13. The service will be a pot luck dinner followed by communion in the Fellowship Hall.



Easter Sunday
Worship
First Congregational
Church of Salida

10:00 a.m.

Sunday,
April 16, 2017



Presented by local joining churches...



Sunday, April 16, 2017
6:00 AM at the Salida Park

The community is invited to our Easter Sunrise Service. Come out and join us as we lift our voices in song together at Salida Park.



In everything give thanks... 1Thessalonians 5:18
New King James

When things are going well, it's easy to give thanks, but when things go wrong, do we blame God? Why did you do this to me??

God gave us an intellect to figure things out. Mine tells me that God's not out there planning negative things for us. Things just happen. God is a loving God. It might be our attitude that's part of the cause for good or bad. And some say there is no bad. It's just my judgment that makes it seem bad to me. i.e. one wants rain to water plants, another wants no rain at their picnic. It's the timing. The rain isn't bad.

So does prayer work? Can we ask God for help? Maybe help in appreciating the good in things that aren't what we asked for. Maybe the questions we need to ask ourselves when things aren't going the way we want, could be:

What am I to learn from this?

What do I need to experience for my soul growth?

It may not be pleasant. It may not be what I selfishly want, but it might be for my overall good. So sometimes we might pray for the best possible outcome for ourselves and others.

Let us pray: Lord, in this season of Lent, a time of change, change our attitude that we may see God's goodness in all, not only in things that happen, but also in people that I must interact with. They are God's creations too and I can learn from them, sometimes what not to do, sometimes how to act kindly to others. In all things, in all situations, we give thanks.

Phyllis Agers



EASTER EGG HUNT

The young and the young at heart are all welcome to join our Easter Egg Hunt. The search begins after Easter morning worship.

LIVING CROSS FRESH FLOWERS



Donations of fresh flowers for the **LIVING CROSS** on Easter morning are greatly appreciated.

Thank you.



LUCILLE WYETH

August 17, 1918 - December 6, 2016

Lucille Wyeth, 98, passed on Tuesday, December 6, 2016, at the Alexander Cohen Hospice House.

She was born in Manteca, but lived in Modesto all of her life. She was married almost 59 years to Frank Wyeth, whom she met at a dance. She helped her husband run his dairy until 1966, and then became the head cook at the Salida School cafeteria. She was a charter member of the Salida Fire Ladies Auxiliary, Bethany Circle and a member of the First Congregational Church of Salida.

She is survived by her children, James (Rose) Wyeth, Ivan (Lena) Wyeth, Linda (Rick) Kendall, and Kathy (Michael) Logan, all of Modesto; 14 grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren, 23 great-great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Wyeth, and granddaughter, Debby Kast Higby.

A Memorial Service was held at First Congregational Church of Salida, on Saturday, December 17, at 1:00 p.m. Memoriums may be made to the First Congregational Church of Salida or Alexander Cohen Hospice House.

Article from *The Modesto Bee*



We wish to give everyone a special Thank You for sharing your support, love and wonderful memories. Your kindness is greatly appreciated and will always be remembered.

Sincerely,

The Family of Lucille Wyeth

LUCILLE

Ethel Eastburn



I didn't know Lucille and Frank Wyeth very well, just seeing them at church.

When I went to work at the school with Lucille and Carol I wasn't sure how long I could last. The first thing I learned was when Lucille spoke she expected everyone to listen. So I looked and I listened and I learned. I watched Lucille work her magic in the kitchen. The smell of her cinnamon rolls went through the whole school. Teachers and kids alike could not wait for lunch.

Lucille and Carol made sure everything was ready on time and everything was oh so good

Lucille was a very hard worker but she did it with skill and grace. I learned a lot from Lucille. She was a beautiful person inside and out.

One young girl was working the line serving the food. She was leaning on the counter with one hand and serving with the other one. Lucille came up behind her and said, "God gave you two hands, use them both." Scared the young girl to death, but I bet she never forgot that.

Working with Lucille at the school was a favorite time of my life. I loved her.



MY TEACHER

Carol Hertle

Many, many years ago when I first moved from town to the ranch, I think it was 1954, my mother in law, Anna Hertle, told me of the nice lady that had a child a month younger than my son. She also did her in-laws hair. I did not know anyone in the area at that time so I went to the ranch and introduced myself. I expected to meet a lady about my age that was a hair dresser, and I would have someone to talk with about children, have a cup of coffee with and a cigarette.

Little did I realize that I was to meet my teacher. She then began to teach me how to be a ranch wife. The first thing she did was sit me down, give me a bag of potatoes to peel. No time for coffee and a cigarette. Lunch was being made for her family and Frank Wyeth was going out to milk the cows.

For many years the Hertles, Wyeths and Bertoleros combined corn chopping. I also learned from her how to feed the corn chopping crew.

Thank you Lucille for the world you opened up for me.



THREE SPECIAL LADIES

Lucille Wyeth was a special lady to me. When I began my teaching career at Salida Elementary School in 1972, I was a young, single 23 year old. I was living on my own and as such, I had a diet that was mostly limited to Jack-in-the-Box, McDonalds, Taco Bell or TV dinners. Lucille was an important part of my life as she was the manager and head cook of the school cafeteria. She must have thought I was too skinny or undernourished because she made sure I had extra helpings at lunchtime, as well as, treats (cinnamon rolls, cookies, etc.) before school and at morning break. Lucille and the other kitchen ladies (Ethel Eastburn included) made some of the most delicious lunchtime meals you can only imagine being made in a school cafeteria. Lucille may have sounded like a drill sergeant in the cafeteria kitchen, but she had a heart of gold. Truly a special lady. Thanks, Lucille!

Another special lady in my life at the time was Alta. She was the school secretary of Salida School when I began teaching. It was Alta who told my mom of the available teaching position and put in a good word for me when I applied. Alta also kept me informed with the "inside scoop" as to who was who and what was what with the various people on staff and the parents of my students. She was a wealth of valuable information for this beginning teacher, and she always had a smile on her face to greet me in the morning. Thanks, Alta!

The last, but certainly not least, of these three special ladies was Anna Lee. She was the school Curriculum Coordinator and was my mentor when I began teaching 7th grade at Salida. I'm sure Anna Lee would roll her eyes and let out a big sigh when she would observe me teaching, but she hung in there with me and helped me to grow and improve my teaching abilities. Her support and confidence in me was greatly appreciated. I owe a lot to her! Thanks, Anna Lee!!

Three special ladies who were there for me at a time I probably needed it the most. They are fine examples of the kindness and character of the people at this church. They are, and will continue to be, missed by one and all!

Wayne Beck

DEAR FRIENDS

Florence Velthoen

In reading our annual report Sunday it made me sad all over again reading the names of our members who have passed away in 2016. I still miss Margaret Wilbur, a good friend of almost 40 years, Masako Ishida who used to help put on those wonderful Japanese dinners for the Kupples Klub (as it was called then), Dale Horton who always sat behind me in church and delighted in giving me a bad time, Lucille Wyeth the "rock" of our church for so many years and Betty Cheek... probably the best cook of abalone in the entire world.

No one will ever forget the dinners put on by Lucille and her family. Lucille was one of those women who was put on this earth to cook and she made the most of it. So many good times over homemade raviolis and calamari. I am happy that I was a part of the big church family who were lucky enough to get in on those events.

Betty Cheek was no slouch, either. Years ago the Cheeks invited, John and me, the Pricketts, the Sisks and the Kiyoi's to their home for an abalone dinner. To say it was good would be a huge understatement... it was W O N D E R F U L... The abalone was better than any I have ever had in any restaurant and in addition to that she made a lemon meringue pie that was to die for. We all had such a good time and, believe it or not, were able to duplicate the evening again the next year and for a couple of years after that. Such fond memories. However, it wasn't just enjoying all those good meals at Betty's house that endeared her to me... she was a good friend and we enjoyed a lot of laughs together. Her last years were troubled by the death of Gene and of her son, Louie and we all grieved for her. I think Betty is now with her loved ones and is happy again.



BETTY MARIE CHEEK

May 30, 1925 - December 9, 2016



Betty Marie Cheek passed away surrounded by her family on December 9, 2016 in Carmichael, CA. She was 91. Betty was born to parents Freedom and Bernita Horton on May 30, 1925 in Omaha, NE. Betty was preceded in death by her parents and step-father, Harry Scharmann; brothers, Dale, Lewis and Delmar Horton, William(Bill), Robert and Harold Scharmann; grandsons, Jimmy and Steven Vallo and her loving husband of 69 years, Gene Cheek; and son, Louie Cheek. Betty is survived by her sister, Elizabeth Ott of Modesto, CA; son, Jerry Cheek of Sacramento, CA; grandchildren, Julie Felber, Connie Gouveia, Ronnie Cheek, Jerry Cheek, along with 14 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great grandchildren.

Betty was a hair dresser for over 10 years and also a member of the First Congregational Church in Salida, CA, where she also volunteered for many years through the church at the Salvation Army.

A viewing was held at Franklin & Downs Funeral Home, on December 16, 2016. Followed by a Chapel Service and interment at Acacia Memorial Park, Modesto, CA. A reception was held at First Congregational Church. In lieu of flowers the family would like donations made to First Congregational Church in Salida.

Article from The Modesto Bee



A STORY ABOUT GENE & BETTY CHEEK

Elaine Tindle

A few years before Gene passed away they wanted to take a day trip up to Apple Hill. So they asked Phyllis Agers and I if we would like to ride up with them, sure we said yes. It was a very beautiful day and we enjoyed going to the different ranches and being with great friends.

May they both rest in the hands of God.

AUNTIE BETTY & AUNTIE ETHEL

Ethel Eastburn



What a Pair! Betty was my closet and longest friend, for 60 years. When we were young we spent most of our time together.

Betty and Gene and Jerry and Louie were at our house watching Gun Smoke and popping popcorn. Or else Bill and I were at their house. That was a great time for all of us.

Betty and I took a great many trips together. On one of our trips to Las Vegas to see my sister Joanie, we missed the turn off to Baker. Betty said that's okay and she cut across the highway through the sand and went back to Baker. When we got back home Gene said the motor was full of sand. We must of got caught in a sand storm. Ha!

Betty's life was all about family and friends. My family was blessed to have her in our lives. My hope for Betty is that she is with Gene and Louie. She so believed that this is what was going to happen. So we believe, so it will be.



Betty, Matthew and Adam

GRANDMA BETTY

Julie Felber

All four of my boys had the most love and respect for my grandparents (their great grandparents).

Whatever they said was gospel to the boys. They were full of unconditional love and advice.

The boys loved being around them, listening to their stories and just having fun with them. When the boys were young grandpa would take them fishing on his boat in Fort Bragg. As they got older - grandma had a beer chugging contest in the back of a limo with Mike and she won!!

We all loved them and miss them so much. When grandma passed I knew it was for the best. I'm happy because it's what she wanted. She missed my grandpa and my Dad terribly, but I lost my best friend.



DALE HORTON

December 14, 1946-October 14, 2016

Dale Horton attended Modesto High school. He enlisted in the Marine Corp and served 4 years before being wounded in Vietnam. He retired with honors. He retired after 32 years as a heavy equipment operator and was active in the VFW, Faros car club and the First Congregational Church in Salida.

He is survived by his mother Lorraine Horton, son Todd Horton, grandchildren Tyler and Ashlyn Horton, stepchildren Jolynne and David Cole, brothers Dennis and Don Horton, sister Maxine Angel as well as many nephews, a niece and many cousins. Preceded by death of spouse Sandra Horton, father Dale Horton and brother Fred Horton.

A service was held on October 21, 2016, at First Congregational Church of Salida to celebrate the life of Dale Horton. A luncheon followed in the Fellowship Hall.

Article from *The Modesto Bee*

IN THE SPIRIT OF PRAYER

Lifting up in prayer those who cannot always be with us for Sunday service.

Priscilla Bowman

Lt. John & Denise Beynon

Those we love can never be

more than a thought away...

For as long as there is a memory

they live in our hearts to stay



LU and PASTOR JAMES FROST

"What a great job you can do when you all get together with love, work and 'PRAYERS'. Now I know why we are all happy - Welcome James - to our lives."

Carol Hertle

"Welcome to Northern California"

Wayne Beck

"I was one of the members on the Search Committee and I think that we did a fantastic job finding Pastor James and Lu Frost. This last month has been a life changing attitude I think for most of our members. Many thanks for all the work Kim Beck and all the time the members put into this. Blessings and Prayers for the coming years."

Elaine Tindle

"You're an answer to our prayers. How great to have you in our lives."

Ethel Eastburn

"We lost two of our most cherished family members Lucille Wyeth and Betty Cheek. We were saddened but we know that they are rejoicing in heaven. One bright spot is Pastor James! What a tremendous job he is doing. Just talking to different ones... the whole atmosphere of our church has improved! Thanking God for a wonderful couple to join our church family! We welcome him and his wife Lu!"

Dianne Gillette

"Some of the comments we are hearing now are so positive; everybody seems so happy. We are looking forward to Lu's arrival. Thank you Search Committee for a job well done."

Phyllis Agers

FAMILY NEWS

Linda Kendall

Just wanted to share some family news.



Our grandson Tyler Holloway (Bobby's youngest son) is playing hockey. In January his team participated in a tournament in South Lake Tahoe. We were a little concerned that we would not be able to make it over the mountain that weekend due to all the snow and avalanche warnings. Highway 88 was closed so we tried 50 and it was clear sailing all the way. The tournament went from Friday to Monday. His team played their little hearts out and won the tournament. They were so excited and proud (so were we) that they were able to win in spite of the fact they were playing in a higher division with older kids. On the last day of the championship game Tyler made one of the goals to win!! We are very proud of him and his team. Way to go boys!



Rachel (Brian's youngest) rode her horse in the Denair High School displaying our American Flag. You can't tell by the picture but she was crying the whole time. She tried to get out of it at the last minute but dad said NOT, "You said you wanted to do it so you are doing it." She did a great job and was happy about it after the fact.

Riley is still doing her rodeo barrels, poles, calf roping, team roping, goat tying, cattle pinning and she will be running for queen again.



Brent's boys are getting ready to start baseball soon and then we will be on the run for a while with hockey, rodeo and baseball.

We love watching all of them and try our best to be at everyone's events.

Joanne Woodbridge

My grandson, Jeff Woodbridge, married Bianca Nazar on New Year's Eve at the First Presbyterian Church of Turlock. Jeff works in the emergency room at Kaiser Hospital in Modesto and also works part-time as an ambulance paramedic in Turlock. They both attend Stanislaus State, where Jeff is pursuing a Master's Degree, and Bianca is working on her Bachelor's Degree while helping out at her parents' restaurant. Their home is in Turlock.



Our annual Modesto Nuts Baseball outing will be held Friday, August 11. Tickets are \$12 per person.

Please see Lee or JoAnne Unruh to buy your tickets.



Phyllis Agers

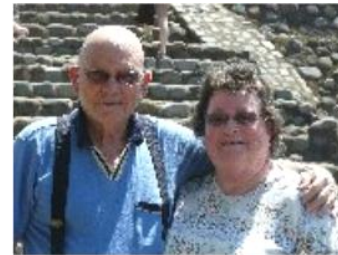
Intercession Group needs more members. There are only three of us. We meet every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. and are finished by 10:30 a.m.. Each of you is welcome.



TRIP TO LAFAYETTE ORCHARD NURSEY

JoAnn Tamura

Today 11-12-16, my car ride picked me up to take me to park and ride near the mall. When we got there the bus was already there. After roll-call we were on our way to Lafayette Orchard Nursery. Our first stop was at a bagel house restaurant where we had a bagel breakfast. Then we went on to the nursery. This nursery has trees with different themes. One might be angel ornaments, seashells, gingerbread etc. I wandered around the nursery and got some pansies, hydrangeas. And some other plants. From here we went to Jack London Square for our lunch break. After lunch we wandered around and took the bus home.



BELIEVE IT OR NOT! WITH GOD ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE!

Sharon Riley

Fifty five years ago on February 3, 1962, Miles and I got married in Oroville, California. Two years later our son Todd was born and four years later our daughter Kelly was born. They have both married and gave us 3 delightful granddaughters, Ashley, Caitlin and Hannah.

We are truly blessed to have the life we do have filled with wonderful friends, lots of support and of course God!

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

Phyllis Agers



Linda, my sister, was finally going to have the screw removed that was causing her so much discomfort. It turns out it was hitting a nerve, as well as bulging out under her skin, causing many sleepless nights... She winced a little when the doctor reminded her that this screw was the base for her now fused backbone, grounding it to her pelvis. This surgery was only supposed to take an hour, nothing after the 10 hours it took to originally straighten and permanently fuse her spine 3 years ago... but it took 2 hours as the guilty screw was meshed with other screws..

My part was driving her there in the rain, last Thursday, Feb. 9, and bringing her dog home with me. The sweetest, friendliest little dog, but she sure didn't want to go out in the rain to pee or poop, so my longest night began. With carpet cleaner handy, I checked and double checked the house. I was so glad when Linda got out the next day, and Rosie and I could make the trip back to UCSF but this time in sunshine. We even went for a productive walk around the block before leaving for the City. Rosie does well in the car, sleeps most of the time. And now I could return them both to their home, and me to mine. I did finally call to find out how she was doing and if Rosie had survived her night with me. I was reassured to find both are recuperating, Linda with the help of pain pills, as needed.

We've asked to keep the offending screw, is it really 3 inches long? At present it's with pathology with her name on in it. Whether or not we ever see it, God only knows.



Recipe submitted by **KIM KIERNAN**

CRANBERRY MOUSSE

Ingredients:

15 oz. crushed pineapple
6 oz. strawberry jello
1 c. water
1 can whole cranberry
3 Tbs. lemon juice
1 tsp. lemon peel
1/4 tsp. nutmeg
1/2 c. sour cream
1/2 c. chop pecans



Directions: Drain pineapple (save juice). Add juice to jello in saucepan. Stir in water. Boil and stir to dissolve. Remove from heat. Blend in cranberry sauce and lemon juice, peel and nutmeg. Chill until slightly thickened. Blend sour cream into jello, fold in pineapple and pecans. Pour into mold and chill until set.



DAWN OF HOPE MINISTRY

Phyllis Agers

We were glad to have Stephanie and her family back with us Sunday, October 21, 2016. Stephanie sang and spoke and her dad, Dann, played the piano. Her brother is now 20 years old. Everyone enjoyed chatting with Karen and family after the service. They will be coming again December 3, for Christmas music.

For more information about Dawn of Hope Ministry go to their website www.dawnofhopeministry.com.



BOOK CLUB NEWS

Phyllis Agers

You're all welcome. Books are borrowed from the library so there are no fees. We get a new book each month. We meet the second Wednesday of the month at 1:15.

March 8, - *Me Before You*, by JoJo Moyes: Young girl takes care of wheel chair victim.

April 12, - *Divine Secrets of the Ya Ya Sisterhood*: Daughter sends her mother a scrapbook of memories which eventually result in forgiveness. By Rebecca Wells

May 10, - *Orphan Train*: An Irish immigrant orphaned in NYC befriends a Penobscot Indian in foster care. By Christina Baker

June 14, - *The Road*: Father & son walk across America, not knowing the future, they only have each other. By Cormac McCarthy

July 12, - *Blue Heaven*, by C. J. Box: Children witness a murder, and the chase is on.

Aug. 9, - *Turn of Mind*, by Alice La Plante: A doctor, accused of murdering her best friend, questions her own memory.

Sept. 13, - *The Book Thief*: In Nazi Germany as she steals books she finds kindness in unexpected places. By Markus Zusak

Oct. 11, *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind*, by William Kamkwamba & Bryan Mealer: In a place of drought & famine, Malawi, William brings electricity and running water.



Recipe submitted by **KELLIE CUMMINGS**,
great niece of **BETTY CHEEK**

TOFFEE BARS

Ingredients:

1 1/2 c. butter
1 1/2 c. sugar
1/2 tsp. vanilla
Pinch of Kosher salt
1 c. chocolate chips
1/2 c. roasted pecans and almonds, chopped
Sprinkle of sea salt



Directions:

Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Set aside. Add butter, sugar, vanilla and salt in saucepan. Boil until brown (185°). Pour mixture onto lined baking sheet. Immediately sprinkle chocolate chips, roasted nuts and sea salt over mixture. Refrigerate until firm. Break into pieces. Serve.



KOUNTRY KITCHEN BREAKFAST

Elaine Tindle

Please join us on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 8 a.m.



ANNUAL HOT CROSS BUN AND BAKE SALE

Sunday, April 9

The Outreach Committee is hosting the **Annual Hot Cross Bun Bake Sale**. They will have hot cross buns, cinnamon roll wreaths, cookies, pies, cakes and other yummy delights. Please see Sharon Riley if you have any questions or requests. Sale will be held after worship on Palm Sunday.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES ONGOING ACTIVITIES



BIBLE STUDY

Every Tuesday, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Chitchat time 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.

BOOK CLUB

Second Wednesday of the month, 1:15 p.m.
See article on page 20.

CHURCH WORK DAY

Second Saturday of the month, 9:00 a.m. or earlier during the summer.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Second Tuesday of the month, 12:00 noon
exceptions June, July, and August

MONTHLY BREAKFAST

Second Saturday of the month, 8:00 a.m.
Kountry Kitchen
See note on page 21.

INTERCESSORS GROUP

Every Wednesday morning, 9:30 a.m.
See note on page 17.

SALVATION ARMY COMMODITIES

Second Monday of the month, 7:30 a.m.
Help assemble grocery bags for community distribution.

SUPPER CLUB

Fourth Saturday of the month, 6:00 p.m.
exceptions June, July, and August

Newsletter **DEADLine** for THE GRAPEVINE

Issue No. 2, Volume 7, will be distributed June 18, 2017. Information submitted for this issue should include events and activities for the months of May, June, July and August.

DEADLINE FOR JUNE 18, 2017 ISSUE IS SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2017

If at all possible, please e-mail your submissions to fccsalida@sbcglobal.net OR p.agers@juno.com By e-mailing, it makes it easier for Elizabeth to format your article into the newsletter. We are always up against the time factor, and e-mailing expedites the process as she can cut and paste rather than retype the entire article.

ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

All articles submitted should be publication ready: How you submit it, is how it will appear.

You may:

- E-mail to fccsalida@sbcglobal.net or to Phyllis Agers at p.agers@juno.com
- Hand deliver to the Church Office, "Newsletter" slot behind Elizabeth's desk.



GRAPEVINE HELP NEEDED!

We still are looking for a photographer and reporter for *The Grapevine*. If you are interested please see Phyllis Agers.



The Grapevine

Our paper size is called A4. It has almost the same measurements as letter-size paper but is slightly longer and thinner.

If you would like to donate A4 paper we would really appreciate it. Unfortunately it's hard to find in local office supply stores, so some searching might be needed.