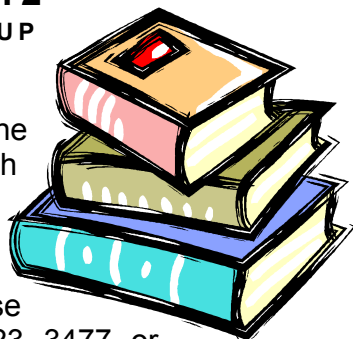


READER'S CIRCLE 2012
COMMUNITY CHURCH BOOK GROUP
KENYA PIONEERS



The Readers Circle will meet in the Fireside Room on Monday, April 2, with duplicate sessions, for your convenience, 2 – 4 and 7 – 8:30 pm. All are welcome, and there is no charge. For more information please contact Rosemary Manchester, 707 823 3477 or R_manchester@comcast.net.

April 2: THE NO. 1 LADIES' DETECTIVE AGENCY
by Alexander McCall Smith

A charming story, the first in Smith's widely acclaimed series featuring Precious Ramotswe, who opens her agency in a small storefront in Gabarone, Botswana, to 'help people with problems in their lives.'

The book is available in bookstores (new and used), thrift shops, public libraries, and on line. Perhaps you will want to read some of the other books in this series.

From Publisher Weekly:

This first novel in Alexander McCall Smith's widely acclaimed The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency series tells the story of the delightfully cunning and enormously engaging Precious Ramotswe, who is drawn to her profession to "help people with problems in their lives." "No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency" serve not only to entertain but to explore conditions in Botswana in a way that is both penetrating and light.

The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency received two Booker Judges' Special Recommendations and was voted one of the International Books of the Year and the Millennium by the Times Literary Supplement.

Coming April 5 to The Community Church:
ANNE LAMOTT APRIL 5 7:30 PM

Sermons & Scripture

April 2012

April 1 **PALM SUNDAY THE END IN THE BEGINNING**

Let's be honest...Palm Sunday seems like a cosmic joke: the rag tag procession, a peasant king on a donkey. The political and religious powers had to laugh. But perhaps they laughed too soon.

Mark 11: 1-11 BRING A FRIEND SUNDAY Rev. Nelson
Children's and Chancel Choirs + Palm Processional
Easter Egg Hunt and Pasta Lunch following worship

April 8 Easter Sunday

6:30 AM SUNRISE SERVICE IN RAGLE PARK.

Members of our folk/acoustic group along with Rev. Brian Plaugher will lead this informal service as we gather to greet a new Easter Day.

9 AM & 11 AM Easter Services
High Anxiety and an Empty Tomb

It has been said that anxiety and despair can turn otherwise faithful Christians into "foxhole atheists." We imagine the worst and decide that there is nothing even God can do. But then the stone is rolled away from the tomb...

Mark 16:1-8 Rev. Nelson

9 AM - MUSIC BY OUR JAZZ ENSEMBLE & THE NEW BAND

11 AM - MUSIC BY OUR CHANCEL AND HANDBELL CHOIRS

April 15 **THE REV. JOHN SIMMONS**
WILL BE OUR GUEST PREACHER THIS SUNDAY.

April 22 **EARTH DAY ON THE OTHER HAND. . .**
How tempting it is to treat nature and the creatures with which we share this earth as mindless machines, here for our use. But on the other hand...have you ever watched a hawk high in the sky?

Psalms 8 MUSIC BY THE NEW BAND Rev. Nelson

April 29 **THE SHEPHERD AND HIS SHEEP**
Jesus, the good shepherd who knows his sheep and his sheep know him. A comforting and reassuring word to be sure, but do I really need a shepherd? I think I can take pretty good care of myself.

John 10:11-18 Rev. Nelson

MUSIC BY THE FOLK ACOUSTIC GROUP



Northern California
Nevada Conference
United Church of Christ

Summer Camps 2012

At Camp Cazadero

Kids Camp (ENTERING GRADES 2-4) **July 29-Aug 2**

Junior Camp (ENTERING GRADES 5-6) **July 29-Aug 4**

Jr. High Camp (ENTERING GRADES 7-9) **July 15-21**

Sr. High Camp (GRADES 10-12) **July 22-28**

And at Camp Tamarack

Junior/Jr. High Camp (GRADES 5-8) **July 29-Aug 4**

Sr. High Camp (GRADES 9-12) **Aug 5-11**

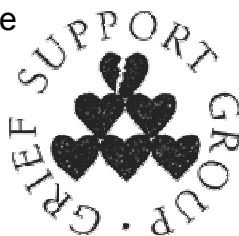
If you went to camp last year, a registration form will be mailed directly to you. Check www.ncncucc.org for more information and to download registration and health forms.

Community Church of Sebastopol's FAMILY CAMP:
August 31-September 2, 2012

Mark your calendar now so you don't miss out on all the fun!

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Grief Counselors Harry & Susanna Simms are available to meet with you in the Fireside Room on Thursday evenings at 7PM as they facilitate a support group dealing with the pain of grief. . Please call Harry or Susanna at 829-7769 to make an appointment or if you have any questions. .



ADULT EDUCATION SUNDAY MORNING CLASS

Adult Education invites you to drop in for our Sunday Morning Adult Sunday School. Come by the Fireside Room at 9:30 for coffee and to discuss the scripture for the morning's sermon. We will begin the discussion with a brief insight into the pastor's view of the passage and pose questions for the group. Then we will read the passage, discuss it, and be able to listen to the Sunday sermon with a little more insight and hear what the pastor has to say.

Everyone is welcome - you don't need to be a Bible scholar, just have the desire to delve into the Bible, one scripture at a time! Please join us from 9:30 to 10:15 Sunday morning in the Fireside Room.



CIRCLE SERVICE IS NOW **FAMILY FELLOWSHIP NIGHT!** DATE AND TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED

Ready for some fun? Come join the other young families of the church for a Family Fellowship Night! We have a special community service project planned, followed by some games and a potluck dinner. Know a young family who would enjoy a night out? Bring them along! All are welcome.

Please bring a dish to share for our potluck dinner! We will begin at 4:30 pm in Memorial Hall for a community project and children's activities, followed by our potluck. Date and time to be announced. Stay tuned for details.

Questions: Contact Sara Margulis sara@furiousdonuts.com or Jamie Malone jadmalone@sbcglobal.net.

Holy Week



W *APRIL 1 PALM SUNDAY 10:30 AM*

e remember and celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem with a palm processional and music by our Children's and Chancel Choirs. This will also be our **BRING-A-FRIEND SUNDAY**, and after worship there will be an Easter Egg hunt for kids and our all-church pasta luncheon sponsored by our Senior High Pilgrim Fellowship.

APRIL 5 MAUNDY THURSDAY 6:00 PM

We will come together at 6 PM in Fellowship Hall for a simple soup supper and a service of communion as we recall Jesus' last night with his disciples in the Upper Room. Special Music by the Chancel Choir. Following our time of worship, we will move to the sanctuary for an evening with Anne LaMott.

APRIL 6 GOOD FRIDAY 7:30 PM

We will gather in the back of the sanctuary at 7:30 for an informal and contemplative Good Friday service, concluding with the service of Tenebrae. Tenebrae is an ancient and moving service of the extinguishing of lights as the story of Jesus betrayal, arrest and crucifixion is told.

APRIL 8 EASTER SUNDAY

Again this year we will celebrate Easter with three distinctive services:

6:30 AM – Sunrise Service in Ragle Park. Led by the Rev. Brian Plaughter with music by members of our acoustic group
9:00 AM – An Easter service with a distinctive sound as our Jazz group and our New Band provide musical leadership.

11:00 AM – A classic Easter celebration with music led by our Chancel and Handbell Choirs. Join us for these wonderful celebrations of resurrection, new life and hope!



☺ Thank you to our Lenten Soup Supper coordinators Janice Humphries, Linda Roa and Josephine Weigel and to all of you for the delicious soups we have enjoyed on Tuesday nights. ☺ Thanks also to our presenters for this year: Mary Coleman, Alvin Hukins, Jan Kahdeman, Sara Margulis and Laura Steyn. ☺ Thank you to Dawson Bell and Rita Purcell for providing our Tuesday evening dishwashing and babysitting duties. ☺ Thank you to Glenda Elvy for stepping in to provide our Sunday accompaniment while Darryl was under the weather. ☺ Thank you to Keith Blackstone, Bob Holland and Gregg Yaylian for helping out while our custodian was on vacation. ☺ Thank you to Ginny Griffin and Dawson Bell for your help Sunday mornings in the nursery – how great that we have so many children Sunday mornings that we need the extra help! ☺



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study group will meet in the Fireside Room at 10 AM Wednesday mornings during the month of April.

Please call Muriel Weaver for information at 823-2484.



BIBLE
Studies

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Bible Study will meet on Thursdays at 7:30 AM in the Fireside Room on April 12, 19 and April 26. The coffee is always hot and the discussion lively - please join us. All men of the church are invited to attend.

How to Survive a Heart Attack When You Are Alone

Hopefully no one will encounter this situation, but just in case...

You are alone. Maybe at home, maybe driving in your car... suddenly you begin to feel faint or experience severe pain in your chest that starts to radiate into your arm or up into your jaw. What can you do?

Many people are alone when they suffer a heart attack. Without help, you may only have seconds before losing consciousness.

You can help yourself by coughing repeatedly and very vigorously. A deep breath should be taken before each cough. The cough must be deep and prolonged as when producing sputum from deep inside the chest.

A breath and cough must be repeated about every two seconds without let up until medical help arrives. Deep breaths get oxygen into the lungs and the vigorous coughing movements squeeze the heart and keep the blood circulating. The squeezing pressure on the heart also can help it regain normal rhythm.

Taking this action can help a heart attack victim get to a phone and call for help between breaths and coughs.

USING A CELL PHONE TO CALL FOR HELP

Calling for help from a cell phone is different than calling from a land line. Although you can dial 911 on your cell phone, you will reach a central dispatcher who may not be able to pinpoint your location, may need to transfer your call and help could be delayed. Instead, if using a cell phone to call for help, call these numbers for emergency services in your area:

Sonoma County 565-2121
Sebastopol 829-4400
Santa Rosa 528-5222
Rohnert Park 584-2611
Cotati 792-4611
Petaluma 762-2727
Windsor 565-2121



MEETING APRIL 22 FOLLOWING WORSHIP

New members will be received into The Community Church on Sunday, April 29th during the worship service. On Sunday, April 22nd, there will be an information/orientation meeting following worship for all those interested in finding out more about the Community Church and church membership. The meeting will be in the Fireside Room. Call the church office if you plan to attend at 823-2484 and also let us know if you need childcare. If you are unable attend the meeting on April 22 and are interested in church membership, or if you have any questions, please see Gene or Kristen or call the church office at 823-2484 to make other arrangements.

Mark & Anne Nelson
Cassius (1½) and Victoria (3 mos)

Jessica Farnham, son Brayden (5 yrs)

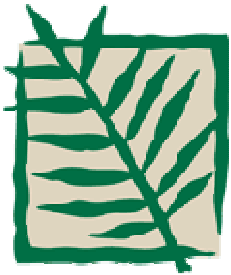
Sara Margulis, husband Josh
Audrey (5 yrs), Ben (2 yrs)

Mary Catherine Doherty
husband Kevin Lamm
Dylan (6 yrs) Garret (2 yrs)



PALM SUNDAY – APRIL 1
BRING A FRIEND SUNDAY

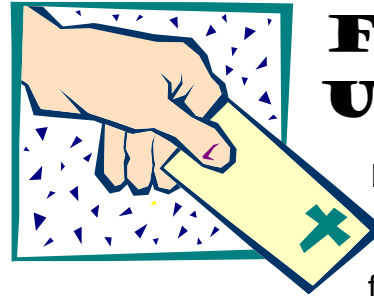
This year in The Community Church, Palm Sunday will also be Bring A Friend Sunday. All church members and friends are encouraged to invite a friend or family to church on that Sunday, April 1. Our Palm Sunday service will be a “visitor friendly” service. Extra ushers will be available to welcome people, additional volunteers will be in our church nursery and church school to help with increased numbers of children, and extra newsletters and visitors bags will be available. During worship, we will have the Palm Processional led by our Children’s Choir and both the Children’s Choir and Chancel Choir will provide special music. All necessary words will be printed in the bulletin. And Rev. Nelson promises an uplifting sermon!



And there will be more special events following worship. There will be coffee in the courtyard and all children will be invited to participate in our annual Easter Egg hunt. And after that, all are invited to the annual Pasta Lunch fundraiser for our Senior High Youth. And, as an added bonus, all first time visitors and families can share in the luncheon free of charge.

Special visitor tickets will be available.

All of us know someone, know a family, who we believe would enjoy being a part of our church community, if only they could get to know us. This is an opportunity to share our church with a friend. No high pressure...simply an invitation to share a special Sunday morning together.



FINANCIAL UPDATE

For the month of February, our operating expenses exceeded income by \$2600. This means we finished the month with an operating deficit of \$9244. Actually, both pledge and plate income have been strong, pledge income actually slightly over projections. But administrative expenses have exceeded projections. Some of those expenses are quarterly costs which will even out over the year.

But there is good news to report on pledges. As of March 21, our operating pledge total is \$266,784. So, over the next ten months, if income even comes close to this pledged amount, church finances should remain strong.

Building Update

The good news is that the Sebastopol building department has approved our plans, so we are finished with all city reviews. A building permit will soon be paid for and issued. Bids from sub-contractors are now being received by our general contractor, McDevitt and McDevitt. When all bids are received, which will be before the first of April, the general contractor will review them with our church building committee. This review may happen before you have received this newsletter. A final contract will be signed and we will be ready to break ground. Once that date is set, you will all be informed. Building plans are available in the church office if you would like to take a look.



Your building pledge is needed and can be paid! Please send your check to the church and make a notation “Building Fund” so we are sure to apply the funds correctly. If you have any questions about your building pledge, or would like to make a building pledge, please call Katherine in the church office at 823-2484 ext 13 or send an email: financial@uccseb.org.

Between Women Between Women

Intergenerational Gathering

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2012

Continental Breakfast 8:40 AM Discussion 9-11 AM

We invite all women to join us on the **Second Saturday each month** in the Fireside Room for Between Women. Each meeting stands independently, our group is fluid, so whether you can attend every month or just occasionally, you are always welcomed by an intergenerational group of gals. We discuss, we share, we listen, we talk, we eat and we have FUN! Please mark your calendars and reserve the second Saturday of the month for **Between Women**.

Are you new to the Community Church? Would you like to know more about Between Women? Or perhaps you have a friend you would like to bring to Between Women? ALL women are welcome! For more information, please contact Marie Cotton at 823-3375.

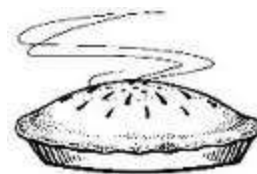
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Between Women

Recycle Empty Ink Jet Cartridges

Leave your empty inkjet cartridges in the cardboard box in the church office and Mission & Outreach will be able to turn them into cash to help fund our pledge to Habitat for Humanity. Please bring the cartridges in a sealed plastic baggie and Mission & Outreach will take care of the rest. What could be easier! Hundreds of dollars have been generated from your empty cartridges for this project. For a list of accepted empty cartridges, please see the list in the church office or call Karin in the office at 823-2484.



**2012 IS OUR 40TH ANNIVERSARY
OF BAKING PIES!!**

Forty years of making pies is monumental and the Apple Pie Committee would like celebrate with a commemorative Community Church of Sebastopol

Apple Cookbook!

The committee would like to collect recipes from members and friends of the Community Church with your favorite apple recipes. Do you have a favorite recipe for Apple Butter? or an award winning Apple Cake recipe? What about your grandmother's applesauce recipe? We would also like to collect pictures of years past and present making pies to put in the cookbook. Bring your recipes and pictures to the church office or email your recipes to Kathy Matthies at kathleenmatthies@yahoo.com. Add your name and phone number to your pictures and recipes so we can return your pictures safely and give you credit for your wonderful apple recipe. We plan on having the cookbooks ready for next year's Gravenstein Apple Fair – all proceeds will benefit our Camp Scholarship program.

Minister of Music, Brian Plaughter requests that you take a few moments and jot down the titles of your favorite hymns to help with future worship planning. Please leave this in the collection plate or in the church office.



Your Name: _____

Favorite Hymns: _____



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Our Preschool-Second grade classes use the **Godly Play** curriculum. This is a wonderful curriculum that invites

children to become aware of the Holy in our daily lives through creative story-telling of the Bible stories. Our children will be grouped together in three classes; Preschool & Kindergarteners, First & Second graders, Third, Fourth & Fifth graders. Each class will have teachers and helpers. Below is the April schedule for the two younger groups:

Preschool & Kindergarten (Room #1)

DATE	STORY	TEACHER
April 1	Faces of Easter	Rachel Knuth
April 8	All Children Celebrate Easter in worship with their families	
April 15	Jesus' Best Ways	Irma Bachelor
April 22	Jesus' Best Ways	Irma Bachelor
April 29	Jesus' Best Ways	Irma Bachelor

First & Second Grade (Choir Room)

April 1	Faces of Easter	Rachel Knuth
April 8	All Children Celebrate Easter in worship with their families	
April 15	Easter Eggs	Josephine Weigel
April 22	Paul's Discovery	Josephine Weigel
April 29	Jesus and the Twelve	Josephine Weigel

ANNUAL MEETING OF OUR CONFERENCE

The Annual Meeting of the Northern California - Nevada Conference of the United Church of Christ (NCNC UCC) will be from April 26-29 at the Sofitel Hotel in Redwood City. Our delegates this year are Carole Hudlow and Rev. Kristen DelMonte with one more delegate from council to attend. They will attend workshops led by Rev. Tony Robinson, hear from our interim conference minister Rev. Phil Hart and vote on conference wide proposals. For more information visit: www.ncncucc.org.

EXPLORE VOCATION AND CALL AT PSR APRIL 13-15

Pacific School of Religion (PSR), a multi-denominational Christian seminary preparing bold leaders for bold ministries of compassion and justice, invites you to our Ministry as Vocation Conference, April 13-15, 2012 on the PSR campus in Berkeley. If you're considering seminary or theological education, this conference is for you!

- ★ Friday: you'll meet our President and Dean, dine with current students, converse with faculty and experience creative worship.
- ★ Saturday: begins with a reflection on call and discernment then introduces you to PSR academic programs and community life including a tour of campus.
- ★ Sunday: worship together; some stay for the post-conference Lunch for People of Color & their Spouses/Partners.

Registration is free. Questions? Call 510/849-8931 or admissions@psr.edu. Visit www.psr.edu to register online and learn more about these exciting events!

Name Tags? Do you have your name tag? Do you wear your name tag? Do you need a name tag? If your name tag has come up missing, or you don't have a name tag, we'd like to get one for you! And if you already have your name tag, please make a habit of clipping it on to help all of us remember your name!



To get a new or replacement name tag, please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate, leave it in the church office or hand it to our welcome ladies at the front door.

Please print C L E A R L Y the first and last name you would like printed on your church name tag:

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Memorial Lilies will grace our chancel on Easter Morning, April 8. If you would like to order one of these beautiful living plants, please fill out the order form below and drop it into the collection plate along with your check. You may also leave this form and your payment in the church office. The cost of each plant is \$10.00. Please make your check payable to the Community Church.

DEADLINE TO ORDER EASTER LILIES: APRIL 2

I wish to purchase _____ lily plant(s) \$_____ Enclosed
(\$10 each plant)

This lily is In Memory of _____

– OR –

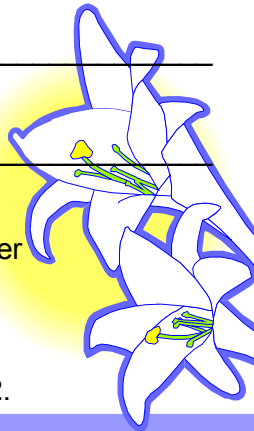
This lily is In Honor of _____

Given by (your name) _____

_____ I plan to take my lily plant home after Easter

_____ Please deliver my lily plant to a shut-in.

The deadline to order Easter Lilies is April 2.



MISSION & OUTREACH

Mission & Outreach meets on the third Monday of the month, meeting next on April 16 at 7 PM in the Fireside Room.

ADULT MISSION TRIP FOR 2012

INFORMATIONAL MEETING APRIL 1 AT 9:15 AM

The 2012 Adult Mission trip is open to all adults and young people age 14 and up – no matter what your age or skill level – there is a place for you! Would you like to join The Community Church work group July 2 through July 8 in Birmingham, Alabama? Find out more at the April 1 meeting at 9:15 AM, just before church, in Room #4.

The cost of the trip will be about \$900 per person, with Memorial & Endowment offering to cover \$300 of that and with scholarship money available, we hope you can make room in your calendar and budget to join us. We will be working with Habitat for Humanity helping to rebuild following last year's tornados and storms that devastated much of Birmingham.

**WALK FOR THE CHILDREN'S VILLAGE
IN THE HUMAN RACE ON SATURDAY, MAY 5.**

Join member of Mission & Outreach on May 5 as they participate in The Human Race. Choose to join the walk or show your support by pledging a donation to our Mission & Outreach participants as they walk to support The Children's Village of Sonoma County. Mission & Outreach hopes to raise \$1000 for The Children's Village. Ten participants with ten friends who donate \$10 each will allow us to reach our goal. Come join the Mission & Outreach walkers for the 1 ½ mile walk or run. Information and pledge sheets will be available after church and in the church office.

Join us in the Fireside Room following worship on April 22 to find out more about The Children's Village with a representative from The Children's Village.





Come and
enjoy good
food, family
and friends –
and an
afternoon of
FUN – all for a
great cause!

Pasta Lunch, Auction & Raffle **April 1, 2012**

**JOIN US RIGHT AFTER WORSHIP IN MEMORIAL HALL
AT THE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF SEBASTOPOL, UCC**
1000 GRAVENSTEIN HWY. NORTH
MEMORIAL HALL

Many items & services donated by members of our church

Auction Items & Raffle for a Great Cause

The Senior High Youth Fellowship Annual Mission Trip

Come bid on sports events, wines, food, services and much,
much more. . . plus win your favorite raffle prize!

Bid for the prize and then raise your bid for our youth!

Lunch Served After Church (to go meals available!)
Enjoy all you can eat Pasta, Salad, Bread,
Beverages and Dessert!

Yummm! The best pasta sauce anywhere, prepared by
Chefs Carlson and DelMonte.

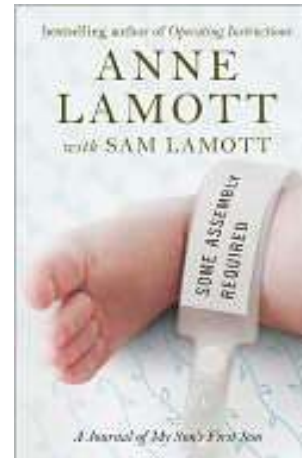
🎯 \$10 General Admission 🎯
🎯 Children 8 & under eat FREE 🎯

Tickets available on Sundays beginning from the youth, or in the
church office, or at the door on the day of the event.

Auction donations accepted – please bring your donation to the
church office. Questions? Call 823-2484.

COMING APRIL 5 AT 7:30 PM **Anne Lamott and Son Sam Lamott** In Conversation

AT THE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF SEBASTOPOL



Presented by the Committee for Adult Education and Copperfield's Books, Anne Lamott will share with us from her newest novel: *Some Assembly Required*, A Journal of My Son's First Son. Ms. Lamott will be available to sign books following her presentation.

Buy her latest book, *Some Assembly Required*, and receive 2 free tickets to the April 5 event. Books will be available for purchase for \$29.17 (including tax) after March 20 at

Copperfield's Books or in the church office on March 21. Seating is first come, first serve and we expect this event will sell out. Call the church office to reserve your books and tickets and plan to pick up your purchase at the church starting Wednesday, March 21. For books/tickets purchased at The Community Church, checks can be made out to The Community Church with a notation in the memo line: Anne Lamott. Tickets alone are \$15 each or purchase the book and receive two free tickets to the April 5 event.

Memorial Service **RECEPTIONS** Need Your **HELP**

There will be a meeting on April 15, immediately following worship in the Fireside Room for people interested and willing to assist with receptions following a memorial service.

We have had a few people sign up to help with receptions and we would sure like to add a few more names to the list to share in the responsibilities. Come to the meeting on April 15 to find out more. For questions, please contact the church office at 823-2484 or send an email: office@uccseb.org.

April Birthdays

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|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Sebastian Jame | 17 Sarah Jenkins |
| Sara Margolis | 18 Burt Bishop |
| Robert Peterson | Tom Meyskens |
| 2 Pat Kennedy | 18 Mark Clifton |
| Kevin-Derrick Caldwell | Bev Withington |
| 3 Jeff Belew | 19 Lorinda Bradley |
| Matthew Kalembe | 20 Florence Woods |
| 5 Jeff Boal | Shannon Liniak |
| Becky Wessling | Dave Benefiel |
| 6 Irma Bachelor | Megan Deedler |
| Ryan Nichols | Nolan Petersen |
| 8 Dave Madden | 21 Annie Petersilge |
| Jessica Steyn | 22 Garth McChesney |
| Nathan Junge | Jack Griffin |
| 10 Kelly McKoin | 25 Amrita Davidson |
| Karin Seder | Dave Madsen |
| 11 Tony Given | Dennis Olson |
| Colin Junge | 26 Kathy Matthies |
| 12 Caitlyn Carciere | Ginnie Clifton |
| Kathie Noguchi | 27 Christy Saxton |
| Robert Clifton | Deidra Warner |
| 13 Loretta Tough | 28 Barbara Zimmer |
| 14 Jim Manchester | 29 Christine Ford |
| 16 Paul Ahvenainen | Sarah Kautz |
| Craig Nesler | 30 Nancy Shimetz |
| Bradley Buchanan | Nancy Dougherty |
| 17 Roger Wilson | April Krautner |



Happy Birthday!

Women's Fellowship

APRIL Workshops Please contact your Circle Leaders for workshop dates and locations.

APRIL 19 The Executive Board meets at 10 AM in the Women's Fellowship Office. The General Meeting is at 10:30 AM in the Fireside Room. The meeting and program (to be announced) will be hosted by Circle 1 followed by a luncheon at noon in Fellowship Hall. Please join us!

APRIL 26 Circles will meet at 1 PM – locations to be announced.

Women's Fellowship Spring Boutique May 6



Mark your calendars for the Women's Fellowship Spring Boutique – crafts, home baked goods, embroidered towels, plants and so much more!

Women's Retreat Fundraiser

Women's Retreat Committee is planning a Yard Sale for June 16 at the Community Church parking lot on Danmar Drive.

If you have items you would like to donate to yard sale for the Women's Retreat Committee, contact Lisa Dawson at 953-9545 or LisaDawson@sonic.net.



Women's Summer Retreat
July 20-22 Save the date!

MUSIC ART DANCE AND DISCOVERY CAMP!

AUGUST 6-9

Come and join us for a week of learning about God's love through music, art, dance and discovery! Save the date: Monday, August 6 through Thursday, August 9. 9:00-12:30 every day! Dress up days, dancing, singing, crafts and fun science discoveries! Watch for more details for this fun summer event



TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!

Our San Francisco Giants are back on track and we have tickets to not one, but two games! We had so many requests



for the bus trip to the Giants baseball game last summer that we are offering two different games this summer! We offer these tickets at our cost, plus the cost of the bus – you save the driving hassle, the bridge tolls

and parking nightmare, and have one (or two) great trips to see Giant Baseball with your friends.

Both of our games are on Saturdays, with 1:05 start times, so we plan to leave about 10:30 AM from the church parking lot.

Saturday, June 9 Giants vs. Atlanta Braves

38 tickets @ \$48 (view reserve infield)

12 tickets @ \$55 (lower box left field)

Saturday, August 25 Giants vs. Texas Rangers

50 tickets @ \$55 (view reserve outfield)

Sign up sheets are in the church office. Checks can be made out to The Community Church with a notation in the memo line: Giants Baseball. Call Karin or Katherine in the church office to get your name on the list at 823-2484 or office@uccseb.org.

EASTER EGG HUNT

For families with children ages 10 & under
April 1 at 11:30 AM (right after church!)

Right here at the Community Church!

Join us for this fun event for all children ages 10 and younger. We will have fun with two egg hunts – one for the more experienced children and another hunt for those ages four and younger.

Immediately following the egg hunt, join us for lunch in Memorial Hall with the Pasta Lunch & Silent Auction fundraiser. A yummy kid-friendly pasta lunch for the whole family! Take out meals are also available.



Rebuilding Together

APRIL, 28, 2012

This year's Rebuilding Together day is Saturday, April 28th. In the past, our church has joined with the Rotary Club of Sebastopol in a one day rehab of the house of a low income senior or person with a disability. This year we have a house in Sebastopol. It will require some significant yard clean-up, some painting, electrical work, gutter and skylight repair, electrical work on the kitchen lights and other odds and ends. Volunteer forms are in the church office. See Rev. Nelson or Tom Dilley for further information. The goal is to complete the work on one Saturday.

We also need volunteers to help prepare lunches for the work crews. If you can help prepare lunches, please call the church office at 823-2484 or email: office@uccseb.org to sign up. Lunches will be prepared in Memorial Hall on the morning of Saturday, April 28.



Sr. High Youth News April 2012

Senior High School PF Grades 9-12



April 1 Pasta Lunch Right After Church!

You need to be here on time, dressed and ready to serve. We are expecting a crowd, so get a good night's sleep on Saturday!
Questions, call Kathy Bell

April 8 Easter Sunday
No meeting.

April 15 6:30-8:00 PM Fireside Room
See you in the Fireside Room for our regular meeting.

April 22 6:30-8:00 PM Fireside Room
Tye Dye Night!
Bring something for your tye-dye project.

April 29 6:30-8:00 PM Fireside Room
Let's gather for some stimulating conversation. Bring a friend!

And coming in May...

Discovery Kingdom! Saturday, May 20. Mark your calendars now and be sure to reserve your space. Watch the mail for more information!

2012 Sr. High Youth Mission Trip – June 6-13 – are you getting excited yet?

Jr. High Youth News April 2012

Jr. High PF Grades 6th-8th



April 1 No Meeting
We'll see you at the Pasta Lunch!

April 8 Easter Sunday
No Meeting

April 15 4:30-6:00 PM
Mini Mission Trip Information Night

April 22 4:30-6:00 PM
Tye Dye Night!
Come get creative with colors. Bring a white t-shirt for your project.

April 22 4:30-6:00 PM
This is not your regular meeting meeting! Come find out for yourself.

Coming in May...

Discovery Kingdom! Saturday, May 20. Mark your calendars now and be sure to reserve your space. Watch the mail for more info!

Mini-Mission Trip! We will venture out for a whole weekend of service May 25-28 (Memorial Day weekend). Be sure to come to the April 15 meeting to get the details.

COMMUNITY CHURCH OF SEBASTOPOL

Women's Summerr Retreat 2012
DISCOVERING THE DIVINE IN OUR LIVES
FRIDAY, JULY 20TH – SUNDAY, JULY 22ND
at Camp Tuolumne Trails, Groveland, CA

DISTANCE: Yes, Groveland is a ways, takes approximately 4 to 4 ½ hours. PLEASE DON'T STAY AWAY BECAUSE OF THE DISTANCE . . . it is about the JOURNEY, not the destination!

We went to this camp in 2010 and it worked quite well. Carpools will leave from the church on Friday. Drivers will be reimbursed at an amount to be announced later.

It is a wonderful trip—especially when made with friends, old and new. Some women last year took their lunch and ate at a park along the way, others at a restaurant. On Sunday, one car stopped for ice cream and also found a wonderful restaurant in Lodi for an early dinner.

FACILITATOR: *Rev. Lizann Bassham* is the Director of Front Porch Spirit. She is an author, playwright, songwriter, and currently working on a poetry series titled *"In Praise of Aging"*. Once, quite by accident, she won a salsa dance contest in East Los Angeles!

THEME: Where do you encounter the Divine: Within yourself? Reflected in the faces of others? Permeating the whole of creation? Come spend a weekend discovering and naming the presence of the Divine in your life. Our journey of discovery will happen through personal reflection, small and large group sharing, laughter, worship, all in the middle of one of the most beautiful settings in the world.

FEE: Your fee for the weekend is **\$130, including transportation**. The actual cost per person is \$160.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Scholarships are available for anyone for whom the fee is a hardship. Contact Nancy Shimetz at 823-4242. Scholarship information is kept confidential.

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY: Some retreat participants plan on going a day early—spend Thursday night at Tuolumne Trails and go to Yosemite on Friday. Lodging for Thursday night is **\$42 (food not included)**, which brings the total retreat fee to \$172.00. *There is a limit to the number who can go early so if you are interested call or email Nancy Shimetz as soon as possible.*

QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy at 823-4242; Gail at 829-2503; Lisa at 529-0771 or Emily at 823-5998

Women's Retreat Registration Form
July 20, 21, 22, 2012

Retreat Only:

- _____ Enclosed is the full amount of \$130
- _____ Enclosed is \$130 plus _____ for the scholarship fund
- _____ Enclosed is a deposit of \$_____ (no less than \$50, please) The remaining balance to be paid no later than July 9.

Retreat PLUS Thursday Night:

- _____ Enclosed is the full amount of \$172
- _____ Enclosed is \$172 plus _____ for the scholarship fund
- _____ Enclosed is a deposit of \$_____ (no less than \$50, please) The remaining balance to be paid no later than July 9.

Name _____

Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Address: _____

Any special needs: _____

Transportation:

Will you be driving on your own (not meeting at the church) __Yes __No

If yes, list passengers _____

Do you have a van/car you are willing to drive? __Yes __No

Do you have a van/car someone else could drive? __Yes __No

(note – money is set aside to reimburse driving costs)

Checks are made payable to **The Community Church** with a notation in the memo line: Women's Retreat.

Please return this form with your deposit to:

Nancy Shimetz, 7469 Fir Crest Ave., Sebastopol, CA 95472
OR, drop in the collection plate, OR, leave at the church office.

April 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 PALM SUNDAY - BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH SUNDAY, EASTER EGG HUNT & PASTA LUNCH 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School 9:30 AM Children's Choir Practice 10:30 AM Sunday Worship & Children's Ministry	2 2:00 PM Afternoon Reader's Circle:"The #1 Ladies' Detective Agency" 7:00 PM Evening Reader's Circle:"the #1 Ladies' Detective Agency"	3	4 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM Handbells	5 6:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service & Soup Supper 7:30 PM ANNE LAMOTT	6 7:30 PM Good Friday Service	7
8 EASTER SUNDAY 6:30 AM Sunrise Easter Service at Ragel Ranch 9:00 AM Jazz & New Band Easter Service 10:30 AM Children's Choir Practice 11:00 AM Classic Easter Service	9	10	11 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM Handbells	12 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study 7:00 PM Grief Group 7:15 PM Chancel Choir	13 7:30 AM Memorial & Endowment	14 8:40 AM Between Women 11:30 AM 2nd Saturday Lunch at the Community Church
15 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School 9:30 AM Children's Choir Practice 10:30 AM Sunday Worship & Children's Ministry 11:45 AM Help with Memorial Receptions Meeting (in Fireside Room) 4:30 PM Jr. High Youth 6:30 PM Sr. High Youth	16 7:00 PM Mission & Outreach	17	18 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM Board of Trustees Meeting 7:00 PM Handbells	19 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study 10:00 AM Women's Fellowship Board 10:30 AM Women's Fellowship Meeting 12:00 PM Women's Fellowship Luncheon 7:00 PM Grief Group 7:15 PM Chancel Choir	20	21 4:30 PM Family Fellowship Night & Potluck
22 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School 9:30 AM Children's Choir Practice 10:30 AM Sunday Worship & Children's Ministry 11:45 AM New Member Meeting (in Fireside Room) 11:45 AM The Children's Village (in Fellowship Hall) 4:30 PM Jr. High Youth 6:30 PM Sr. High Youth	23	24	25 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM Church Council 7:30 PM Handbells	26 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study 1:00 PM Women's Fellowship Circles 7:00 PM Grief Group 7:15 PM Chancel Choir	27	28 Rebuilding Together Day 9:00 AM Rebuilding Together Lunch prep in Memorial Hall
29 New Members Received into the Community Church 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School 9:30 AM Children's Choir Practice 10:30 AM Sunday Worship & Children's Ministry 4:30 PM Jr. High Youth 6:30 PM Sr. High Youth	30	1	2 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM Handbells	3 7:00 PM Grief Group 7:15 PM Chancel Choir	4	5