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**Family Camp  
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### **War is (Still) Not the Answer**

Rev. Benjamin Broadbent, Senior Minister

Lately I have been working my way through books on my office shelves that I had once purchased but never read. The most recent was "War Is a Force that Gives Us Meaning" which Christ Hedges wrote in 2002 after serving as a war correspondent during conflicts in El Salvador, Bosnia, and Iraq. Hedges observes that war seduces whole societies, creating and perpetuating myths while silencing critical voices. The mindset of war, Hedges argues, destroys culture, subverts history, and hijacks memory.

It was a scary and fascinating read, especially as the season of Lent drew to a close and as our own presidential administration pivoted toward war-making, sending 59 missiles to an airbase in Syria, dropping the largest conventional bomb ever developed on Afghanistan, and threatening North Korea with a preemptive attack that would lead to an all-out war.

What a contrast to the Holy Week narrative of an unarmed Jew in occupied Israel choosing nonviolent resistance in the face of imperial pretensions. I find it bewildering that some Christians have used the story of Jesus' death to justify violent self-preservation. The Prince of Peace - came to offer another way, the way of active non-violence that exposes pretensions and forges new relationships through compassion, grace, and forgiveness. Easter is God's vindication of Jesus' peace-seeking servant-leadership rather than bombastic bellicosity.



# Community Church of Sebastopol

## Family Camp September 1-2-3, 2017

Join us at Family Camp –The “family” in Family Camp is our church family – singles, doubles, traditional families, non-traditional families and parts of families are all welcome! Come join our big family and all the fun at Family Camp!

**CONTINUE THE FAMILY TRADITION OR START A NEW TRADITION –  
DON’T MISS OUT ON ALL THE FUN AT FAMILY CAMP!**

| <b>Names</b><br>(Family rate implies one household and includes college students dependent on parents' income) | <b>Ages</b><br>(18 & under) | <b>Comments</b><br>(i.e., will bring port-a-crib, need wheelchair access, cannot walk far, cabin mate requests, special dietary needs, will bring tent, need bottom bunk, cabin requests etc.) |
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Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

- We request a \$50 non-refundable deposit
- Volunteer for Apple Pies and earn 30% discount
- Camp fees include use of facilities, two nights lodging, six meals and all materials
- Saturday Only includes day use of facilities, 3 meals and all materials
- Additional scholarships available – call the church office at 823-2484
- Mail registration & check to Community Church  
P.O. Box 579, Sebastopol, CA 95473

### Camp Fees

Total cost for my family \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Additional amount I can contribute \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Balance due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Must be paid in full by August 22**

### Family Camp Fee Schedule

#### Actual Family Camp Cost

\$ 93 Children 6-11 years (0-5 free)  
 \$150 Individuals 12+  
 \$486 Family Rate (one household)

#### Apple Pies Camp Discount

\$ 60 Children 6-11 years (0-5 free)  
 \$100 Individuals 12+  
 \$324 Family Rate (one household)

#### Saturday Only (includes 3 meals)

\$35 Children 6-11 years (0-5 free)  
 \$45 Individuals 12+

Volunteering for our Apples Pies event earns you a 30% Camp Scholarship! Call the church office now or email: [office@uccseb.org](mailto:office@uccseb.org) to sign up. The Apple Pies event is FUN – with something for all ages, plus, you earn a great camp discount! Volunteer for Apple Pies – August 10-11-12-13.

We offer additional scholarships to individuals for whom, after working Apple Pies, find that camp fees may still present a hardship. We want everyone who would like to go - be able to attend Family Camp! Contact Karin in the church office with any questions – 823-2484 ext. 100.

**Beat the traffic and arrive at Camp Cazadero for Family Camp as early as  
4 pm on Friday!!**

## In Search of Graduates ...

Do you have a new graduate in your family or someone who will be graduating soon? High school, college, and advanced degrees – we want to list them all right here in our newsletter. Please call the office at 823-2484 ext. 100 to list your graduate in our June Newsletter or send an email to [office@uccseb.org](mailto:office@uccseb.org).



### UKULELE GROUP MEETS ON FRIDAYS

The UkeStars will continue to meet on Fridays in the Fellowship Hall for their jam sessions and weekly practice from 10-11:30 AM. For information please call Vicki Reno at 827-3668 or email at [vreno@comcast.net](mailto:vreno@comcast.net).

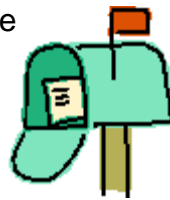
## Apple Pies Event

AUGUST 10-11-12-13, 2017



Mark your calendar for this fun multi-generational event August 10-13 as we prepare and bake hundreds of Gravenstein apple pies for the Gravenstein Apple Fair. Not only is this event fun, but all proceeds fund our camp scholarships for Youth Summer Camps and Family Camp at Camp Cazadero.

We have updated **2017 Church Directories** available in the church office – come pick one up! And if you have any changes in your contact information, please let Karin in the church office know: [office@uccseb.org](mailto:office@uccseb.org) or 707.823.2484.



### Receive Your Newsletters Online

To receive the monthly newsletter online, visit <http://www.uccseb.org/Newsletters.php>. **Go Green** and sign up for the online newsletter. Save paper, save postage and save money!

# May 2017 Worship

**Sunday Worship services at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary**

### May 7 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Today all ages gather for multi-generational worship with Holy Communion. Our Children's Choir sings an Introit while our Chancel Choir shares an Anthem. Rev. Dr. Benjamin J. Broadbent, Senior Minister, preaches a sermon on Matthew 6:7-15 entitled "**Debts, Sins, and Trespasses.**"

### May 14 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter / Mother's Day

We continue in the season of Easter with the Handbell Ensemble sharing worship music and with a sermon by Rev. Broadbent based on Matthew 7:7-12 entitled "**Do as Mom Would Do.**"

### May 21 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter / Christian Formation Sunday

Today we hear a Children's Chime Ensemble and receive new members into our fellowship. On this day formerly known as "Christian Education Sunday," Rev. Broadbent preaches a sermon on Matthew 19:13-15 entitled "**Becoming Like Outsiders.**"

### May 29 – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter / Memorial Day Weekend

Today we are invited to participate in Strengthen the Church, 1 of 4 annual special offerings of our denomination, the United Church of Christ. We kick off our summer schedule with Rev. Blythe Osner, former pastor of UCC Petaluma, as our guest preacher.

**Coming in June...** Multi-Generational Worship, Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, Musician Appreciation Sunday, MADD Camp-inspired worship



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| 1 Priscilla Best   | 11 Dale Dougherty     |
| Noah Yaylian       | 12 Prue Manley        |
| 2 Debby McLeod     | 15 Mike Moore         |
| Callen Warner      | 16 William Stoll      |
| 3 Eddie Ahvenainen | 17 Janet Minton       |
| Lisa Gonzalez      | Marilyn Lerum         |
| 4 Dave Bell        | 18 Andrea Furber Card |
| Lily McClendon     | 19 Morgan Thomas      |
| Russell Albin      | 21 Barbara Deedler    |
| 5 Genia Thorhaug   | Maryssa Lovejoy       |
| 6 Danielle Berndt  | 22 Megan Ford         |
| Rosemary           | Valerie Minton        |
| 7 Manchester       |                       |
| 8 John Simmons     | 24 Jeff Kalemba       |
| Allen Sherman      | 26 Babetta Wilson     |
| 9 Jenna Gonzales   | 28 Bill Phillips      |
| 10 Judy Peterson   | 29 Celia Cummings     |
| Lisa Dawson        | 31 Mary Coleman       |
| Emilie Jame        | Corrine Ford          |
| 11 Muriel Weaver   | Isaiah Sawyer         |



# Women's Fellowship

All women of the church are an innate part of Women's Fellowship and are invited to attend any Fellowship activity, whether or not they are interested in becoming further involved.

We welcome participation at any time by women who have an interest in some or all of our activities. Our meeting schedule is the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month:

♥ **Thursday, May 11: *Monthly Meeting***  
**9:30- am – Executive Board** – Women's Fellowship Office  
**10:00 am – Program: Bees, Sonoma County Pollinators**  
**with Beekeeper Mark Sugihara** – Fellowship Hall:  
**11:00 am – General Meeting** – Fellowship Hall

\*Note the program time change to accommodate our speaker\*

♥ **Thursday, May 25: *Circle Meetings*\***  
**11:30 am** – Circles 1 & 2 meet at the Sebastopol Senior Center for lunch. Cost is \$4. Call Dale Phillips 707.695.0717 for reservations by Monday, May 22.



## SPRING TEA • MAY 20

Mark your calendars for the Women's Fellowship Spring Tea on Saturday, May 20. Funds raised will be used to purchase new furniture for the

Fireside Room. Call Chris Jenkins at 829-2230 or Kathy Matthies at 758-3970 if you would like to host a table or offer your help.

Tickets will be available after church beginning May 7. Seating is limited and a pre-purchased ticket is required.

Tickets: \$15 adults Child (under 12) \$10

We hope you will support the Women's Fellowship and their efforts to spruce up the Fireside Room!





CHILDREN'S MINISTRY  
**Godly Play and Sunday School**

**Pre-School & Kindergarten (Room 5)**

- May 7** Multi-Generational Worship Service  
**May 14** The Great Commissioning  
**May 21** The Good Shepherd and World Communion  
**May 28** Summer Interest Centers Begin

**1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (Room 6)**

- May 7** Multi-Generational Worship Service  
**May 14** Circle of the Holy Eucharist (Communion)  
**May 21** Liturgical Synthesis  
**May 28** Summer Interest Centers Begin

**4th & 5th Grade Sunday School (Media Room)**

- May 7** Multi-Generational Worship Service  
**May 14** Chimes  
**May 21** Offering the Chimes in Worship  
**May 28** Summer Interest Centers Begin

Many thanks to our Storytellers, Door Helpers, and Sunday School teachers this month: Paula Berndt, Ann Butterfield, Pat Dilley, Joanne Feige, Leslie Wood, Dorothy McKoin, and Linda Roa!

**SUMMER INTEREST CENTERS**



Summer Sunday School is just around the corner! Each summer we host Sunday School in Fellowship Hall as a one-room schoolhouse for children ages 3-10. This year we will be using curriculum from Sparkhouse to guide the program. We will need

two volunteers each week, from May 28-August 27. Watch for Pastor Rachel roaming during coffee hour with her clipboard as she signs up volunteers to host a Sunday!

# Spring Cleaning

It's happening at the Community Church— can you help?

Volunteers are needed for a variety of small projects, please take a moment to list what talents and skills you can offer. The Facilities Committee will match you (and others) with a project and arrange a time that is suitable for everyone.

This is a great way to meet others while helping to maintain, organize and beautify our wonderful facilities.



- \_\_\_ Landscaping  
\_\_\_ Haul Away (Truck or Trailer)  
\_\_\_ Interior Painting  
\_\_\_ Light Construction  
\_\_\_ Light Demolition  
\_\_\_ Light Household type repairs  
\_\_\_ Specialty Trades skills/license (please specify)

\_\_\_ Sorting/Organizing (Inside)

\_\_\_ Lifting/Moving

\_\_\_ Other. Please list: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to the collection plate or to the church office.

# MADD Music Art Dance Discovery Vacation Bible Camp



June 19-23 from 9 am to 12 pm for ages 4-10  
with a special presentation during worship on June 25

Co-sponsored by the Christian Education Committee & Youth Groups at the Community Church of Sebastopol, UCC

Early bird registration before June 12 -\$115 per child

After June 12, \$125 per child or \$25 per day.

Ask about our sibling discount & scholarship information.  
(No before or after care available.)

Registration forms available in the church office or

[www.uccseb.org](http://www.uccseb.org).

Join us for a week-long day camp learning about God's love through music, art, dance and discovery. Join us June 19-23 from 9:00-12 every day, plus a special presentation on June 25!



- ★ Dress up days
- ★ Dancing
- ★ Singing / Music
- ★ Crafts
- ★ Fun discoveries

And on Sunday, June 25, a fun MADD Camp presentation for the whole family to enjoy during worship. Call the Community Church at 823-2484 ext. 100 or [office@uccseb.org](mailto:office@uccseb.org) with questions.

# Youth News

*Sr. High School PF Grades 9-12*

*Middle School PF Grades 6-8*

**May 2017!!**

## **April 30 – 11:45 Service Opportunity**

Both groups will be meeting after church at 11:45 for a community service project. Lunch will be provided. Wear clothes that you can work in! This will count as a youth group meeting and community service hours towards the mission trip requirements!



## **May 7 – Youth Lounge**

### **Acts 2:42-47 Powerful Witness**

9 -10:15 AM Middle School

6 PM High School Hang Out ★ 6:30 -8 PM Meeting

## **May 14 – Mother's Day – No Youth Group today!**

Celebrate the mother figures in your life!

## **May 21 – Youth Lounge**

### **Last Youth Group Meeting of the School Year!**

9 -10:15 AM Middle School Youth

Breakfast Potluck Party. A main dish and drinks will be provided, feel free to bring your favorite breakfast side dish to share as we celebrate the end of our youth group year!

### **6:00 -8 PM High School Youth**

High School 6-8PM Potluck Party! A main dish and drinks will be provided. Feel free to bring your favorite party side dish to share as we celebrate the end of our youth group year!

## **May 26-29th Middle School Mini-Mission Trip.**

Please meet in the youth room at 5pm for a pizza dinner before we head to San Jose for our weekend of service, fun, and friends as we put our faith into action! If you have not received the itinerary or packing list yet, please contact Ross Galletto, (707)495-1507.



## MISSION & OUTREACH

Mission & Outreach meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month. Their next meeting will be on Monday, May 8 at 7 PM in the Fireside Room. Become part of something big – become a member of Mission & Outreach!

### THE HUMAN RACE MAY 6, 2017

This event, organized by the Volunteer Center of Sonoma County, provides an opportunity for individuals to raise money for their favorite non-profit. Members of our congregation have participated for many years by walking for pledged donations for a non-profit selected by the Mission & Outreach Board.

At our April meeting, members of Mission & Outreach discussed the declining participation over recent years and agreed to try a new approach: for the May 6 Human Race, we encourage members to sign up to walk/run or contribute to their own favorite non-profit. Our hope is to see more support from our church members and friends – and more contributions helping your favorite local charity.

### SATURDAY TABLE

On the second Saturday of each month, Mission & Outreach serves lunch in Fellowship Hall to our local homeless population. In addition to offering a hot meal, we also offer showers, laundry vouchers and bus passes. If you would like to contribute to this effort, there are several ways to help:

- ❖ *Cash and check can be made out to the Community Church and designated for the homeless lunch*
- ❖ *Soaps, shampoos and conditioner in sample or motel sizes*
- ❖ *Thick tube socks, sweat shirts, jackets, etc.*
- ❖ *Men's walking/athletic shoes or boots*
- ❖ *Tarps, rain ponchos, back packs*
- ❖ *Disposable razors and shaving cream*
- ❖ *Packaged toothbrushes & toothpaste*
- ❖ *Hand sanitizer, Chapstick, insect repellent and sun screen*

Clothing items do not have to be new, but they must be usable and clean. Look for the collection bin in the church entry to drop off your donations. For more information or to volunteer, contact Joanne Matson at 823-5249 or the church office at 823-2484.



Northern California Nevada Conference  
United Church of Christ  
**Summer Camps 2017**

### At Camp Cazadero

#### **You & Me Camp** (entering grades 1-3) **July 7-9**

You & Me Camp is a great experience for first-time campers! Go to camp with a parent, grandparent, favorite aunt/uncle or other adult! Each adult may bring up to 3 children, entering grades 1-3. Each child may bring up to 2 adults. Check out registration and special pricing at [www.ncncucc.org](http://www.ncncucc.org). Plus we offer a great Apple Pie Scholarship for our You & Me Campers!

#### **Junior Camp** (entering grades 4-6) **July 16-22**

#### **Jr. High Camp** (entering grades 7-9) **July 23- 29**

#### **Sr. High Camp** (entering grades 10-12) **July 9-15**

#### **Counselor in Training** (grade 12+) **July 16-22**

### At Camp Tamarack

#### **Junior/Jr. High Camp** (entering grades 5-8) **July 16-22**

#### **Sr. High Camp** (entering grades 9-12) **July 23-29**

Check [www.ncncucc.org](http://www.ncncucc.org) for more information and to download registration and health forms.

**Apple Pie Scholarships** are available for all our campers – call the church office to sign up to help at our Apple Pies event (Aug 10-13) and earn \$\$ for camp!

### **Community Church of Sebastopol's Family Camp: September 1-2-3, 2017**

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



## MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

The Middle School will be traveling May 26-29 to San Jose, hosted by First Congregational Church of San Jose (UCC). While there, we will engage in a service project with the Santa Maria Urban Ministry that provides service to underprivileged and homeless families, including clothing, meals, and tutoring. We will have a presentation on Inter-faith connectedness with folks from multiple religious backgrounds hosted by the Islamic Networks Group. Along with these amazing activities, we will continue our

faith journey as a group, participating in team building activities.

## HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

Our high school group will be traveling to Las Angeles at the end of July for a week to take part in the Door Network

Program. While in L.A. we will have the opportunity to work on five different projects in the city ranging from community outreach to yard work and building repair. We will be having a number of different presentations on service to others as well as building a faith journey through service.

Both of our groups have the exciting opportunity to put our faith into action this summer and we can't wait to share our stories with the congregation once we are back!

## LET'S GET CREATIVE

Coming this summer – your chance to show off your creativity! During the summer months our Sunday bulletin covers could feature your artwork. We have featured everything from photos of your quilting project, to copies of watercolors and oils, drawings and photographs. All ages and abilities are welcome! We need to be able to copy your project on our copier in the office and shrink it to fit our bulletin cover (8 ½ x 7). Call the office with any questions at 823-2484 or [office@uccseb.org](mailto:office@uccseb.org).

## OUR WHOLE LIVES (OWL) PROGRAM STARTING FALL 2017

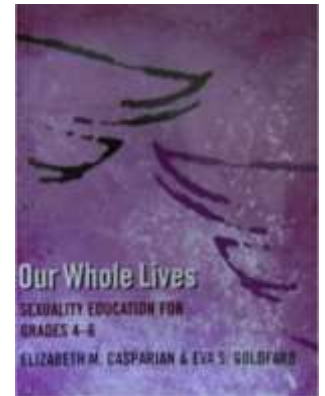
The Christian Education Committee is planning to launch the Our Whole Lives - sexuality and our faith program for our 4/5th graders in the Fall. Our Whole Lives (OWL) is a comprehensive sexuality education curriculum for Kindergarten through Young Adult that helps participants make informed and responsible decisions about their sexual health and behavior. The UCC & Unitarians co-wrote the faith component of the program, with one of the Community Church of Sebastopol's former Associate Pastors (Rev. Lizann Bassham) as one of the authors. The 4/5th grade curriculum covers the following topics over 8 lessons: value s and sexuality, family relationships, puberty, gender identity & sexual orientation, reproduction, health and safety, communication, and decision making. This 8-week series will be offered during the 9:00 education hour in the Fall, concluding before Thanksgiving.

The Christian Education Ministry Team has identified two co-leaders for this program: Brooke Bell and Pete Emerson. They will attend a three-day intensive training on Our Whole Lives curriculum for elementary and upper elementary age children this summer, so that they are prepared to lead the classes in the Fall.

Anyone who's interested in looking at the curriculum is welcome to stop by the church office. The OWL curriculum spans Kindergarten through young adult, and those materials will be available for anyone to peruse. Our focus in the Fall 2017 is 4/5th grade.



There will be an informational meeting May 21st at 9am in the Chapel. Parents of rising 4/5th graders are especially invited, but all are welcome to come hear more about OWL at our church!





## INTERESTED IN JOINING?

New Member Class May 7  
New Members Received May 21

### **Step 1: New Member Orientation**

Attend the New Member Orientation after worship on Sunday, May 7, 11:45-1:45 in the Media Room of the Pilgrim Center. Lunch included. Childcare available upon request. During this program, you will learn about the history and theology of our denomination, the United Church of Christ, as well as the identity and traditions of our local congregation. Come with questions!

RSVP, including childcare request, to [office@uccseb.org](mailto:office@uccseb.org) by Wednesday, May 3, so that we can plan for your participation.

### **Step 2: Reception of New Members**

New Members will join in a ceremony that is part of our 10:30 worship service on Sunday, May 21. Note: We need to know by noon on Wednesday, May 17, whether you are planning to join.

### **Step 3: Participate in the Life of the Church.**

We welcome your full participation as a member in the life of our church. As members, we challenge ourselves to:

- Attend Sunday services regularly
- Deepen spiritually by participating in one church initiative
- Serve faithfully with the church in the wider community
- Give generously of our financial resources
- Aspire to a leadership role
- Tell others about the church and why it means so much to us

### **Frequently Asked Questions...**

1. What if I can't make it to the orientation?  
*Our next New Member Orientation will be later in the Fall.*
2. What if I can't make it to the joining ceremony?  
*We'll have you join in absentia, then introduce you on a subsequent Sunday.*

## INTERESTED IN JOINING? (continued)

3. Do my kids join with me?  
*While all baptized people, including infants, are members of the Body of Christ, local church membership is for anyone over confirmation age (14 or so). Children are invited to join us for the orientation lunch and we would love for them to be with you during the joining ceremony.*
4. What if I still have questions after the orientation?  
*Our pastors can be available during the week, in person or over the phone, to continue in conversation. Please contact the church office or call the office at 707.823.2484 if you have any questions.*

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### **FAMILY CAMP – SAVE THE DATE!** **SEPTEMBER 1-3, 2017**

Join us at Family Camp – the 'Family' is our church family – singles, doubles, traditional families, non-traditional families and parts of families are all welcome! It is a weekend of fellowship, hiking, swimming, crafts, singing, campfires, talent shows, worship and much more – or less if you just want to hang out in this beautiful place called CAZ!.

If sleeping in a bunk in a cabin is beyond your scope, plan to join us just for the day on Saturday. You can enjoy breakfast-lunch-dinner and everything that happens in between!

Camp Cazadero is a beautiful 1 hour drive along the Russian River and up the hill past the town of Cazadero. Registration form is included in this newsletter. And if you would like to find out more about our history with Camp Caz, check this out: <https://www.uccseb.org/docs/HistoryofCampCazadero.pdf>

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### **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Women's Bible Study will meet on Wednesdays at 10 am in the Fireside Room on May 3 & 10. On May 17 the group will meet in the Youth Lounge at 9:15 am to view the film *Fried Green Tomatoes*. Please contact Joanne Matson at 823-5249 with any questions.

## THE CHURCH COUNCIL ADOPTS A SAFE CHURCH POLICY

In October, the Church Council tasked Pastor Rachel with forming a team with the goal of creating a Safe Church Policy for our church. She recruited four faithful souls—Pete Emerson, Laurie Kellner, Pat Furber, and Linda Inman. The Safe Church Team presented a draft of the document to the Council at their March meeting, received feedback and in the following weeks, made revisions and produced a final draft. The Safe Church Policy was presented and approved by vote of the Council at their April meeting.

The Safe Church Policy reflects our commitment to preserve our church as a holy place of safety and protection for all who would enter and as a place in which all people can experience the love of God through relationships with others. The goal of the Safe Church Policy is to establish norms and guidelines that will make our congregation a safe space for all, especially those who are most vulnerable in our congregation. In particular, the Safe Church Policy seeks to protect children, youth, and vulnerable adults from sexual harassment, physical, emotional, and sexual abuse. The Policy states: “We do not tolerate *child abuse*, *elder abuse*, *sexual abuse*, and *sexual harassment* in any form, as defined by the State of California.”

As the Safe Church Policy is being enacted, you might notice some changes to our procedures at church, here are a few:

- If you are volunteering with children or youth, you will be asked to complete a background check.
- We will have two adults in a room with children at all times.
- Parents will need to sign-in and sign-out children from church activities.
- Classrooms will have either a window or an open door for visibility.

The Safe Church Team is also working to bring to the congregation a series of speakers in 2017, to cover topics such as identifying and preventing elder abuse, child and youth safety, and maintaining proper boundaries.

A copy of the Policy is in the church office and will be posted on the church web site. Many thanks to Pete Emerson, Pat Furber, Laurie Kellner, Linda Inman, and Pastor Rachel for their faithful service in preparing the Safe Church Policy.



During the summer months, our church choirs and music groups are on summer hiatus, providing you the opportunity to help shape worship for at least one Sunday this summer.

The music can be instrumental or choral, traditional or something new. It's a chance to show how a different style of music might support our worship experience.

Please fill in the form below indicating your 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> choice of Sundays. Our Minister of Music, Rev. Brian Plaughter, will contact you to secure the date. The completed form may be left in the collection plate or in the church office.



Yes! I want to provide special music one Sunday during the summer!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Music plans (solo, folk band, etc) \_\_\_\_\_

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| June 18 _____ | July 30 _____ |
| July 2 _____  | Aug 6 _____   |
| July 9 _____  | Aug 13 _____  |
| July 16 _____ | Aug 20 _____  |
| July 23 _____ | Aug 27 _____  |
|               | Sept 3 _____  |

Please indicate your 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday choice for Summer Music. Brian Plaughter will contact you to arrange the date.



# May 2017

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
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| <b>30</b><br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Children's Choir<br><b>10:30 AM</b> Worship & Children's Programs<br><b>11:45 AM</b> High School Youth<br><b>11:45 AM</b> Middle School Youth   | <b>1</b>  | <b>2</b>   | <b>3</b><br><b>10:00 AM</b> Staff Meeting<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Women's Bible Study<br><b>4:45 PM</b> Handbell Practice<br><b>7:00 PM</b> Church Council Meeting     | <b>4</b><br><b>7:00 PM</b> Grief Group<br><b>7:15 PM</b> Chancel Choir   | <b>5</b><br><b>10:00 AM</b> UkeStars                                    | <b>6</b><br>The Human Race Charitable Fundraiser<br><br><b>1:00 PM</b> Toni Wilson Memorial Service |
| <b>7</b><br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Children's Choir<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Middle School Youth<br><b>10:30 AM</b> Worship & Children's Programs<br><b>11:45 AM</b> New Member Class<br><b>6:00 PM</b> High School Youth  | <b>8</b><br><b>6:00 PM</b> Deaconate Meeting<br><br><b>7:00 PM</b> Mission & Outreach | <b>9</b>   | <b>10</b><br><b>10:00 AM</b> Staff Meeting<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Women's Bible Study<br><b>4:45 PM</b> Handbell Practice   | <b>11</b><br><b>9:30 AM</b> Women's Fellowship Board<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Program: Bees, So.Co. Pollinators<br><b>11:00 AM</b> Women's Fellowship Meeting<br><b>6:00 PM</b> Worship Planning<br><b>7:00 PM</b> Grief Group<br><b>7:15 PM</b> Chancel Choir | <b>12</b><br><b>10:00 AM</b> UkeStars                                   | <b>13</b><br><b>11:30 AM</b> 2nd Saturday Lunch   |
| <b>14</b><br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Children's Choir<br><b>10:30 AM</b> Worship & Children's Programs   | <b>15</b><br><b>June Newsletter Deadline</b>  | <b>16</b><br><b>6:00 PM</b> Parish Relations Committee | <b>17</b><br><b>10:00 AM</b> Staff Meeting<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Women's Bible Study<br><b>4:45 PM</b> Handbell Practice<br><b>7:00 PM</b> Board of Trustees Meeting | <b>18</b><br><b>7:00 PM</b> Christian Education Committee<br><b>7:00 PM</b> Grief Group<br><b>7:15 PM</b> Chancel Choir  | <b>19</b><br><b>10:00 AM</b> UkeStars                                   | <b>20</b><br><b>2:00 PM</b> Women's Fellowship Spring Tea!  |
| <b>21</b><br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Children's Choir<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Middle School Youth<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Parents: Our Whole Lives<br><b>10:30 AM</b> Worship & Children's Programs<br><b>12:00 PM</b> Personnel Meeting<br><b>1:00 PM</b> 2-Church Potluck @ Burbank Hgts<br><b>6:00 PM</b> High School Youth | <b>22</b>   | <b>23</b>  | <b>24</b><br><b>10:00 AM</b> Staff Meeting<br><b>4:45 PM</b> Handbell Practice  | <b>25</b><br><b>11:30 AM</b> Women's Fellowship Circles @ Sebastopol Senior Center<br><b>7:00 PM</b> Grief Group<br><b>7:15 PM</b> Chancel Choir   | <b>26</b><br>Middle School Mission Trip<br><br><b>10:00 AM</b> UkeStars | <b>27</b><br>Middle School Mission Trip   |
| <b>28</b><br>Middle School Mission Trip<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>10:30 AM</b> Worship & Children's Programs  | <b>29</b><br>Middle School Mission Trip   | <b>30</b>  | <b>31</b><br><b>10:00 AM</b> Staff Meeting<br><b>4:45 PM</b> Handbell Practice  | <b>1</b><br><b>7:00 PM</b> Grief Group<br><b>7:15 PM</b> Chancel Choir   | <b>2</b><br><b>10:00 AM</b> UkeStars                                    | <b>3</b>  |

