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Be the Church

Rev. Benjamin Broadbent, Senior Minister

You may have noticed – I really hope you have noticed! – the three rainbow banners that grace the exterior of our church facility so that anyone driving by can see them. Below the phrase “Be the Church” and is a list of imperatives: Protect the environment / Care for the poor / Forgive often / Reject racism / Fight for the powerless / Share earthly and spiritual resources / Embrace diversity / Love God / Enjoy this life.

By hanging these banners on the outside of our church, we are communicating with passersby some of the things we value on the inside:

- The rainbow communicates that we are a biblical people – in the story of Noah, the rainbow is a covenant sign of universal grace and peace.
- The rainbow also communicates that we are Open and Affirming to people of many identities and backgrounds, including sexual orientation and gender identity.
- The word phrases on the banner communicate that we connect our deepest beliefs to our social commitments. Religion is not a private affair. To “Be the Church” means to *be* with other people, and to speak and act on behalf of others.

“Be the Church” is our theme for summer worship and faith formation. Each Sunday, we will focus on a different phrase found on the banners. See the worship outline found inside this newsletter. Our hope is that by the end of the summer, every member of Community Church would be able to answer a stranger’s question: “What does it mean to ‘Be the Church?’”

Community Church of Sebastopol

Family Camp

September 1-2-3, 2017



All Ages Welcome!

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!

Names (Family rate implies one household and includes college students dependent on parents' income)	Ages (18 & under)	Comments (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.)

Address: _____ Phone: _____
(Please fill in address, even if you are on mailing list.)

- 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

<u>Actual Family Camp Cost</u>	<u>Apple Pies Camp Discount</u>	<u>Saturday Only</u> (includes 3 meals)
\$ 93 Children 6-11 years (0-5 free)	\$ 60 Children 6-11 years (0-5 free)	\$35 Children 6-11 years (0-5 free)
\$150 Individuals 12+	\$100 Individuals 12+	\$45 Individuals 12+
\$486 Family Rate (one household)	\$324 Family Rate (one household)	

Volunteering for our Apples Pies event earns you a 30% Camp Scholarship! Call the church office now or email: 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!!

GRADUATING IN 2017

Zeke Viter, grandson of **Corrine Kauwe**, graduates from Maria Carrillo High School in Santa Rosa. Another grandson, **Jake Viter** graduates from Santa Rosa Junior College and plans to continue his education at a 4-year university. **Nancy Lee** is proud to report that her grandson, **Spencer Hawk**, is graduating from The Grauer School in Encinitas and will be heading to Boston to study Music Technology and Production at the Berklee College of Music. **Silver Galleto**, husband of our Youth Leader, **Ross Galleto**, will graduate from Humboldt State University with a Master of Social Work (MSW.)



Congratulations to our graduates! If we missed your name, please let us know so we can add our congratulations next month

FAMILY CAMP – CHECK THIS OUT! 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 out the story written by Sara Gerboth:

www.uccseb.org/docs/HistoryofCampCazadero.pdf

June 2017 Worship

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

Summer 2017 Theme: “Be the Church.” We will draw upon the various phrases found on the rainbow banners that grace the outside of our church buildings.

June 4 – Pentecost Sunday Today all ages gather for multi-generational worship with Holy Communion. A New Orleans jazz ensemble shares worship music and Rev. Rachel Knuth, Associate Minister for Children & Families preaches a sermon on Acts 2:1-12 entitled “Becoming the Church.”

June 11 – Trinity Sunday / Musician Appreciation Today we celebrate another year of music ministry. The Children’s Choir, Chancel Choir, Handbell Ensemble, and Divine Connection all share music as Rev. Dr. Benjamin J. Broadbent preaches a sermon on Matthew 28:16-20 entitled “Dancing in the Round.”

June 18 – 2nd Sunday after Pentecost: “Be the Church” Today we begin our summer worship in earnest, drawing upon the various phrases found on the rainbow banners that grace the outside of our church buildings. Today Rev. Broadbent preaches a sermon on Matthew 9:35-10:4 which include Jesus’ words, “The harvest is great but the laborers few.”

June 25 – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost / MADD Camp Presentation Today participants in Music, Arts, Drama, Discovery Camp share songs and other presentations in our worship. Rev. Broadbent explores “Sharing earthly and spiritual resources” in a sermon on Matthew 10:5-15.

Coming in July... Multi-Generational Worship, Holy Communion, Summer Sunday Themes: “Fight for the Powerless,” “Enjoy this Life,” “Forgive Often,” “Embrace Diversity,” and “Protect the Environment.”



June Birthdays



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|----|---------------------|----|--------------------|
| 1 | Donna Tappan | 14 | Nathan Nelson |
| | Peter Kautz | 15 | Bob Holland |
| | Brian Plaughner | | Jamie Malone |
| | Lincoln Warner | 16 | Elise Lovejoy |
| 2 | Keith Blackstone | | Sophia Van Leeuwen |
| | | 17 | Aina Medved |
| | Chris Hudlow | | Blythe Osner |
| 5 | Brandon Matthies | 19 | Sandy Valinoti |
| | Chris Matthies | 21 | Olive Wilson |
| 6 | Brian Purcell | | Alicia Sanchez |
| | Caleb Petersen | | Olivia Acevedo |
| 7 | Anderson Liniak | 22 | Gary Bachelor |
| 8 | Lucas Felciano | | Beth Larssen |
| 9 | Kasey Babcock | 24 | Bernie Hovden |
| | Ethan DelMonte | 26 | Joe Plaughner |
| 10 | Mark Stevens | 28 | Juniper Gonzales |
| 11 | Marianne Petersilge | 29 | Dorothea Rowden |
| 13 | Cassius Nelson | | Marie Cotton |
| | Antonio Trevino | | |



Apple Pie Time!

August 10-11-12-13

Our biggest fund raiser of the year, the Apple Pies Event, is right around the corner – August 10-13! Each year, and for more than 40 years, The Community Church of Sebastopol has made up to 2000 pies for the Sebastopol Gravenstein Apple Fair. Money raised is used to fund camp scholarships, and help to offset costs for our Family Camp at Camp Caz.

Everyone can lend a hand, no matter what your age or abilities, from the youngest to the oldest. Join us for this wonderful multigenerational event as we prepare and bake hundreds of apple pies.

Sign me up for the Apple Pies Event! By signing up and marking my date/time slot below, I will mark that on my calendar – and barring any emergency, I will be there for my designated shift!

I realize I will not get a phone call reminder.

Name: _____ Phone _____

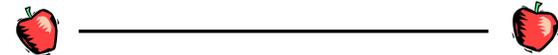
___ **Thursday** Eve., slicing apples 5-9 PM ___ **Thursday** Eve., Set-up 5-9 PM

Friday, slicing & making pies: 7AM-Noon _____ or Noon-5PM _____
(BBQ Hot Dog lunch served Friday & Saturday at noon)

Saturday, slicing & making pies: 7AM-Noon _____ or Noon-5PM _____
(BBQ Hot Dog lunch served Friday & Saturday at noon)

Sunday, slicing, bagging & making pies: 8AM- Noon _____

Sunday Cleanup _____ 10 AM-2PM



Baking volunteers (these volunteers will be called & scheduled by the head baker to cover shifts)

___ Friday baking ___ Saturday baking

Selling volunteers (these volunteers will be called & scheduled by the head of sales to cover shifts)

___ Saturday selling ___ Sunday selling

Please fill out this form and drop it in the collection plate or bring to the church office. You may also sign up by calling the church office at 823-2484 or send an email to: office@uccseb.org.

MADD

Music Art Dance Drama

Vacation Bible Camp



June 19-23 from 9 am to 12 pm for ages 4-10

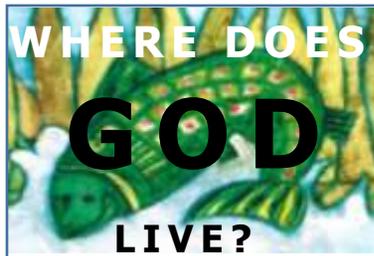
Co-sponsored by the Christian Education Committee & Youth Groups at the Community Church of Sebastopol, UCC

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.

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 with questions.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Join Grief Counselors Harry & Susanna Simms in the Fireside Room on Thursday evenings at 7PM as they facilitate a support group dealing with the pain of grief. Losing a loved one, whether it be a recent loss, or from years past, can be difficult to process. Please call Harry or Susanna at 829-7769 if you have any questions. The group meets each Thursday at 7PM in the Fireside Room. There is no charge and the group is open to all.



SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Sunday morning Bible Study meets every Sunday 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. We are focusing on the Gospel of Matthew. Meet in the Fireside Room - bring your Bible, your inquisitive mind, and your coffee/tea mug.



NORTHERN CALIFORNIA NEVADA UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Annual Gathering June 15-18

Pastor Ben and Pastor Rachel, and delegates Patty Raney, Marian McDonald and Ross Galletto will attend the NCNCUCC Annual Gathering in June. The conference will be held at Sonoma State University.

Youth News

High School PF Grades 9-12 Middle School PF Grades 6-8

Summer 2017

Attention all youth – Did you sign up for Summer Camp?? Call Karin in the church office to get you Apple Pie scholarship. Earn \$160 off of camp fees just for working the Apple Pies event Aug 10-13. And then we have Family Camp Sept 1-3. But before any of that happens – we have the High School Mission Trip leaving July 23. And whatever you have planned, enjoy your summer!



MISSION & OUTREACH

Mission & Outreach meets on the 2nd Monday of the month. Their next meeting will be on Monday, June 5 at 7 PM in the Fireside Room. Become part of something big – become a member of Mission & Outreach!

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 to 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.

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!



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. 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 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!

HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

Our high school group will be traveling to Los 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. Our group has 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!



ADULT MISSION TRIP

Weed – here we come! 19 adults will take off for Weed June 25 returning on July 1 to continue work with Habitat for Humanity. This small community continues to struggle after a devastating fire in September 2014 that destroyed much of their community.

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 our bulletin cover (8 ½ x 7). Call the office with any questions at 823-2484 or office@uccseb.org.

WOMEN'S CHORAL GROUP

A women's choral group is forming under the direction of Barbara Wilson to sing on Father's Day, June 18. Four rehearsals are scheduled on Thursdays from 6:45-7:15 pm on May 25 and June 1, 8, and 15 in the Choir Room. Althea will be the accompanist. Barbara would love to see her choir friends from past years, and would also enjoy meeting new ladies. Please call Barbara at 827-3567, if you would be interested in this short-term commitment for a women's choral group.



Women's Choir

OUR WHOLE LIVES (OWL) PROGRAM STARTING FALL 2017

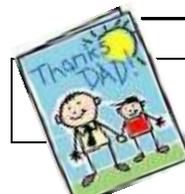
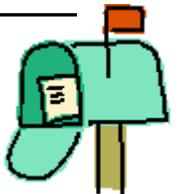
The Christian Education Committee is planning to launch the Our Whole Lives - sexuality and our faith program for our 4/5th graders in the Fall. Our Whole Lives (OWL) is a comprehensive sexuality education curriculum for Kindergarten through Young Adult that helps participants make informed and responsible 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: values 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.

Interested in looking at the curriculum? Stop by the church office and materials will be available for anyone to peruse. Our focus in the Fall 2017 is 4/5th grade.

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 or 707.823.2484.



Father's Day June 18



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 1st, 2nd and 3rd 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) _____

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 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Sunday choice for Summer Music. Brian Plaughter will contact you to arrange the date.



Women's Fellowship

Women's Fellowship wishes to thank everyone who attended our Spring Tea and Bazaar. Thank you also to those who donated money towards the purchase of new furniture for Fireside Room. Together we raised enough money to begin the refurbishing of our much used and much loved room.

All women of the church are invited to attend our annual potluck picnic on Thursday, June 8. Bring a favorite dish to share. There will be a short business meeting before the picnic. This will be the final gathering before our summer hiatus..:

- ♥ **Thursday, June 8: Monthly Meeting**
- 11- am – Executive Board** – Women’s Fellowship Office
- 11:30 am – Business Meeting** – Faith Chapel
- 12: pm – Potluck Picnic** – Fountain Courtyard

After this meeting we will see you in September!

UKULELE GROUP MEETS ON FRIDAYS



The UkeStars will continue during the summer 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.

WOMEN’S KNITTING CIRCLE

Women’s Bible Study is off for summer break, and during the summer months the group will morph into a Women’s Knitting Circle. Maybe you would like to join the group, starting June 14 at 10 am and meeting Wednesdays in the Fireside Room. Bring your knitting project – all levels welcome – and enjoy guidance from some of our long-time knitters as well as comradery and support from a great group of people. Questions? Call Joanne Matson at 823-5249.

June 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Middle School Mission Trip to San Jose 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship & Summer Interest Centers	29 Middle School Mission Trip Returns	30	31 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 4:45 PM Handbell Ensemble	1 5:00 PM Stewardship Team 6:00 PM MADD Camp Planning 6:45 PM Women's Choral Group 7:00 PM Grief Group 7:15 PM Chancel Choir	2 10:00 AM UkeStars	3
4 Pentecost Sunday 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship & Summer Interest Centers 11:45 AM Border Links Presentation	5 6:00 PM Diaconate Meeting 7:00 PM Mission & Outreach	6	7 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 4:45 PM Handbell Ensemble 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting	8 11:00 AM Women's Fellowship (WF) Board 11:30 AM WF Meeting 12:00 PM WF Picnic 6:45 PM Women's Choral Group 7:00 PM Grief Group 7:15 PM Chancel Choir	9 10:00 AM UkeStars 4:00 PM Luveniyali-Banuve Wedding Rehearsal	10 11:00 AM Luveniyali-Banuve Wedding & Reception 11:30 AM 2nd Saturday Lunch
11 Trinity Sunday Musician Appreciation 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship & Summer Interest Centers 1:00 PM Sharon Elder Memorial Service	12	13	14 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:00 AM Women's Knitting Circle	15 July/Aug Newsletter Submission Deadline 6:45 PM Women's Choral Group 7:00 PM Grief Group	16 10:00 AM UkeStars	17
18 Father's Day 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship & Summer Interest Centers 2:00 PM Ken McHugh Memorial Service	19 9:00 AM MADD Camp	20 9:00 AM MADD Camp	21 9:00 AM MADD Camp 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:00 AM Women's Knitting Circle 7:00 PM Board of Trustees Meeting	22 9:00 AM MADD Camp 7:00 PM Grief Group	23 9:00 AM MADD Camp 10:00 AM UkeStars	24
25 Adult Mission Trip to Weed, CA 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Service with MADD Camp Presentation	26 Adult Mission Trip	27 Adult Mission Trip	28 Adult Mission Trip 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 10:00 AM Women's Knitting Circle	29 Adult Mission Trip 7:00 PM Grief Group	30 Adult Mission Trip 10:00 AM UkeStars	1 Adult Mission Trip Returns