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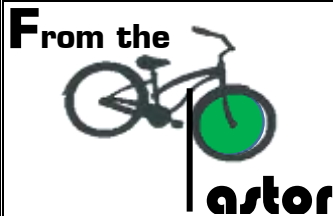
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Prayer and Justice

by Rev. Benjamin Broadbent, Senior Minister

Just before Lent began, Pastor Rachel and I attended an event in Berkeley featuring Rev. Dr. William Barber II, President of Repairers of the Breach, an organization which is reviving the Poor People's Campaign, supported 50 years ago by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. It turned out that Rev. Barber was ill and couldn't be there, but the event was powerful nonetheless.

I did have a moment of panic, however, when I heard from several pastors that they were focusing on issues of justice during Lent. "We're focusing on prayer," I replied, a bit sheepishly. It's hard to brag about prayer in a crowd of activists. Nevertheless, I remembered Richard Rohr's response when asked "What's the most important word in the name of your organization, The Center for Action and Contemplation?" Rohr replied: "And."

Yes, we are focusing on prayer, but not prayer as a self-centered retreat from the world, nor as a sappy glossing over of the world's deepest needs. We are engaging in prayer as the very means by which we place God at the center of our lives so that God can orient us and strengthen us to do what needs to be done today, however large or small. In other words prayer is means by which we put faith into action.

Our last three temptations, or pitfalls, of prayer that we will explore are:

1. *The Spectacle Temptation* – How do we use prayer as a way of showing off?
2. *The Formulaic Temptation* – When does prayer become so formulaic that we lose our freedom simply to talk with, or listen to God?
3. *The Patronizing Temptation* – Especially in the face of pain and grief, how do we pray for someone without imposing our needs upon their situation?

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.



Name Tags?



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, print C L E A R L Y the first and last name you would like to see on your church name tag. Leave this request in the church office or collection plate:

First Name _____

Last Name _____



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: _____

MARCH 2018 WORSHIP

Community Worship happens at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Children's Worship in the Chapel follows the Children's Message on Sundays other than Multi-Generational Sundays

Our 2018 Lenten theme for worship is "The Last Temptations of Prayer."

We are exploring the pitfalls that get in the way of prayer.

March 4 – 3rd Sunday in Lent

Today we gather for multi-generational worship with Holy Communion. The Chancel Choir, directed by Rev. Brian Plaughter, Minister of Music, sings "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less," arranged by Jeffery Bradford. Rev. Benjamin Broadbent, Senior Minister, preaches on Matthew 4:8-11, a sermon on "The Holy Expert Temptation."

March 11 – 4th Sunday in Lent

On this 4th Sunday in the season of Lent, we celebrate Holy Communion, the Handbell Ensemble shares worship music, and Rev. Broadbent preaches on Matthew 8:1-8, a sermon on "The Spectacle Temptation." We will also receive the One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) special offering of the United Church of Christ (UCC).

March 18 – 5th Sunday in Lent

Today our house band, Divine Connection, provides music, we celebrate Holy Communion, and Rev. Rachel Knuth, Associate Minister for Children & Families, preaches on Matthew 6:7-15, a sermon on "The Formulaic Temptation." We will again receive the OGHS special offering of the UCC.

March 25 – 6th Sunday in Lent – Palm/Passion Sunday

Today we begin Holy Week by waving palms to reenact Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-11). We end our worship with the story of Jesus' suffering and death on the cross (Mark 15:1-39).

March 29 – Maundy Thursday

We gather in the sanctuary at 5:45 for a Service of Tenebrae with Holy Communion and Washing of Feet. The Chancel Choir sings, "The Upper Room," by Don and Nancy Besig. The service is followed by a Soup Supper in Fellowship Hall.

March 30 – Good Friday

This year, at 6:00 p.m. in our sanctuary, we host an ecumenical Good Friday service which will include pastors and parishioners from St. Stephen's Episcopal and Sebastopol United Methodist.

Coming in April... Easter Sunday and the season of Easter

World Day of Prayer March 2

Women's Fellowship will be hosting a World Day of Prayer worship service on Friday, March 2 at 2pm in our sanctuary. The service will be followed by a reception in Fellowship Hall.

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide ecumenical celebration of prayer and ACTION, observed yearly on the first Friday in March. World Day of Prayer was founded on the idea that prayer and ACTION are inseparable in the service of God.



Women, men and children in more than 170 countries will celebrate World Day of Prayer. Each year a different country's committee of women serves as the writers of the World Day of Prayer worship service. This year, the women of Suriname, South America, invite us to explore Genesis 1, the story of Creation. Concepts of climate change, natural disasters, pollution, and human abuse will be explored.

Women's Fellowship invites all interested members and friends of the Community Church to attend this service and join the women of Suriname in prayer and song to support ecumenical efforts toward justice, peace, healing and wholeness. We have invited Sebastopol and Santa Rosa churches as well. Please contact Chris Jenkins at 707.829.2230 for more information.

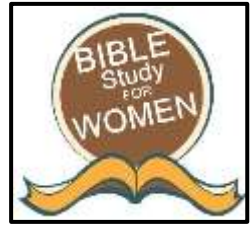


Ukulele Group Meets on Fridays UkeStars on Fridays

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 contact Vicki Reno at 707.827.3668 or by email: vreno@comcast.net

Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study will meet the first three Wednesdays in March and take a brief Easter break on March 28 and April 4. The group meets at 10 am in the Fireside Room. All women are welcome.



March 7 – *Lamentations 1-5; Psalm 137* – Exile and the Lament – the poetic response to the destruction of Jerusalem.

March 14 – *Second Isaiah 10:1-11* – A message of comfort and hope; A message of redemption and liberation. What is the basis for our hope?

March 21 – *Third Isaiah 56:3-7; 65:17-25* – Restoration – both disruptive and hopeful; Isaiah's vision of unity and a vision of new Heaven & Earth.

March 28 & April 4 – *Easter Break*

Questions? Please contact Joanne Matson at 823-5249.

Sunday Mornings Faith Formation A Place for Everyone at 9 am

Who	What	Where
Children Ages 0-3	Nursery Care	Nursery – Room 4
Children Preschool-Grade 5	Godly Play	Rooms 5 & 6
Youth Middle School	Youth Group	Youth Lounge
Youth High School	Adult Offerings / Sun Evening Program	Various / Youth Lounge
Adults	Bible Study	Fireside Room
Adults	Lecture Series TBA	Media Room
Adults (Parents of Pre-High Schoolers)	Breakfast Club Hangout	Fellowship Hall Kitchen
Adults (Choir, Handbells, etc.)	Music Preparation	Music Room / Sanctuary



March Birthdays

1	Jamie Lerum	15	Luis Quezada
	Maya Malone	17	Lori Babcock
	John Carlson	18	Lloyd Lerum
3	CJ Hudlow		Karyl Clenenen-Drennon
	Connie Blackstone		Tami Hinckley
4	Pam Kruse		Jerry Coleman
	Jay Zimmer		Jane Austin
5	Denelle Tognozzi	19	Jude Melone
	Hope Madden	20	Joyce Cox
	Krista Kalemba	21	Eliana Curtis
	Don Victor	22	Taylor Davison
6	Ross Galleto		Carter Bell
	Laura Emerson	23	Nao Noguchi
8	Erik Holland		Lee Davis
	Olivia Foster		Esme Arendt
9	Julie Davis	25	Kathy Smith
	Todd Edwards	26	Elliot Butterfield
10	Amy Rocha		Erin Butterfield
	Sara Jordan		Josh Bradley
	Leslie Wood		Olivia Stoll
11	Joella Falkingham		Josephine Nirmala
	Curt Nichols	27	Jim Lerum
12	Brook Embry	28	Helen Williams
	Avy Card	29	Margarette Murakami
	Owen Thomas		Rich McChesney
	Reece Thomas	31	Zöe Dillard



Women's Fellowship

All women of the church are invited to participate in Women's Fellowship. Our focus is to promote fellowship and service. Our card writing ministry meets on the second Wednesday of the month. We meet at the Sebastopol Senior Center for lunch on the fourth Thursday of the month.

Wednesday, March 14

Card Writing Ministry meets at 3pm in the Women's Fellowship Office. Bring your favorite pen to help write cards to those in need of cheer and comfort.

Thursday, March 22

Meet at the Sebastopol Senior Center at 11:45 to enjoy a delicious lunch for just \$4. Call Dale Phillips at 707.695.0717 to reserve your spot by Monday, March 19.

UPCOMING: Women's Fellowship will be sponsoring a Prayer Shawl Ministry beginning in April. We plan to meet to knit or crochet shawls from 10:00-noon on the first and third Mondays of the month in the Fireside Room. You may pick up a copy of the pattern in the church office. Contact Joanne Matson 707.823.5249 or Chris Jenkins: 707.829.2230 for more information.



Weed Party!

Did that get your attention?? Bring your work clothes and join us after church on Sunday, March 4 as we weed to get ready for mulch and Easter plantings in our beautiful gardens. For more information, contact **Patty Foster** at 707.664.9939.

Transition Process to new Governance Model and Revised Bylaws Why, How, What and When?

Our current bylaws have been in place since 1985 and in many ways have served us very well. However, in recent years, we have become aware that our current practices are not adequately reflected by these bylaws and that many aspects of them might more appropriately belong in a Policy Book. We also realized that several processes as currently defined are redundant and that an increasing amount of energy is put into getting people to fill committees rather than to carry out ministry.

As a result, beginning over a year ago, initial conversations led to the formation of a Council Subcommittee on Governance which discussed multiple approaches and eventually focused on a Governance Model which we believed was the best approach for us to pursue our future objectives. Over the course of 2017, Council held an offsite retreat to more fully explore the proposed model. The decision was made to move ahead with this model. Multiple sessions were held throughout the year to help everyone understand the new model and to answer any questions that might have arisen. Additionally, the model was presented at the Annual Meeting on January 28th of this year.

The revision of our current bylaws enables the new governance model and provides the flexibility and transparency that we all felt was essential as we move forward. The first draft of those bylaws is now complete and available for you to review. Copies can be found online, in the narthex and in the Church office. We will be holding the first of two planned feedback sessions on Sunday, February 18th at noon in the Media Room. The Transition Committee will incorporate your comments and suggestions wherever possible into the next draft. A second feedback session will be held on Sunday, March 18th at noon in the Media Room. Once again, your input will be utilized whenever possible.

After this second feedback session, a final draft will be presented for approval by Council prior to our Special Congregational Meeting on April 15th. At that point, everyone will have had multiple opportunities to offer their comments and the meeting process will be a simple

continued

Governance Model continued

yes/no vote on incorporation of the revised bylaws. Members of the Governance Subcommittee will be happy to provide you with additional information: Pastor Broadbent, Nancy Shimetz, Patty Raney, Mike Ott, Chris Dawson, Marge Holland, Judy Rice.

Those of us who have worked on the new governance model and the revised bylaws are excited about the opportunities it provides and especially grateful that our congregation has been able to be an active participant in the entire process.



Put Your Faith Into Action

Here is a great chance to put our faith into action to help support people effected by Immigration Raids. There will be a training for the North Bay Rapid Response Network for Sonoma and Napa Counties at

The Community Church of Sebastopol March 3, 9:30-11:30

There are 3 different trainings that morning. You are welcome to participate in one that is interesting to you, then you can decide if you want to participate further.



1. **Employer and Employee Know your Rights** This training will help people know what their legal rights are if ICE comes to the workplace.
2. **Legal Observer Training** For those who are willing to be part of a team who responds directly to the site of an ongoing ICE raid to bear witness to what is going on, take notes or video of the raid.
3. **Accompaniment Team** For those willing to be a part of a team of 5 who offer ongoing support to a victim and/or their family, such as rides, making appointments, connection to social services to help with food, housing or whatever needs need to be met.

This is a great opportunity for us to become more informed about and become involved in issues facing our neighbors right here in Sonoma County. Please come and invite others to join with you.

You can make a difference!!

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

Children are a vital part of the congregation and are always welcome to stay and participate in worship with their families. We welcome children of all ages in the sanctuary every Sunday, and strive to create worship services that are accessible for people of all ages.

For children and parents who wish for an alternative, we invite children to begin worship in the sanctuary with their families, then continue worshipping in Children's Worship. After the Children's Sermon, the Acolytes lead the group to the Chapel to continue worship with scripture, music, and offering, prayer, and Communion with Pastor Rachel. At the end of Children's Worship, the group will rejoin their families in the sanctuary.

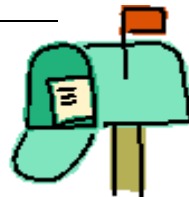
We are grateful for all the volunteers who help in Children's Worship! To get involved, please contact Pastor Rachel: rachelknuth@uccseb.org.

Children's Worship Themes

- March 4** Multi-Gen Worship in Sanctuary
- March 11** **Silence Experiment** Minister: Pastor Rachel
Musician: Andy DelMonte
2 Shepherds: OPEN + OPEN
- March 18** **Body Prayer** Minister: OPEN;
Musician: OPEN;
2 Shepherds: OPEN + OPEN
- March 25** **Holy Week** Minister: Pastor Rachel;
Musician: Bernie Hovden
2 Shepherds: Terri Harper + OPEN

2018 Church Directory

We have updated 2018 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

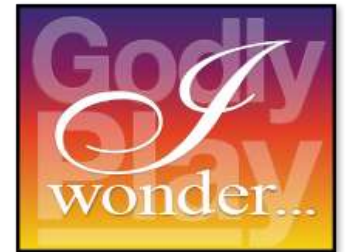


GODLY PLAY IS HAPPENING AT 9:00AM!

Our Godly Play program continues in March for children Preschool-5th grade, in Room 5 at 9:00am. And something new – some of our 4th & 5th Graders will serve as Storyteller with an adult supervisor.

- 9 am March 4** Faces of Easter III
Storyteller: 4/5th Grader & Supervisor
Door Helper: Sheina Curtis
- 9 am March 11** Faces of Easter IV
Storyteller: Grader & Supervisor
Door Helper: Irma Bachelor
- 9 am March 18** Faces of Easter V
Storyteller: Grader & Supervisor
Door Helper: Irma Bachelor
- 9 am March 25** Faces of Easter VI & VII
Storyteller: Grader & Supervisor
Door Helper: Michael Ott

In Godly Play, Storytellers memorize a story and present it with the children, using wooden pieces. Door Helpers offer support as a ministry of presence, assisting children with art and “the feast.” We are looking for more Storytellers and Door Helpers who are available to help lead the program. If you're interested in joining our Godly Play ministry, please contact Pastor Rachel: rachelknuth@uccseb.org.



Summer Host Families Wanted!

The Our Whole Lives/Sexuality & Our Faith Team is looking to curate a list of people willing to host individuals attending the OWL/SOF training that our church will offer this summer. The date of the training is still being determined. If you would be willing to open your home to someone who's here for OWL training for an overnight stay, please contact Kristen DelMonte at kristendelmonte@gmail.com.



MISSION & OUTREACH

The next meeting of Mission & Outreach will be on Monday, March 12 at 7 PM in the Fireside Room.

2018 Adult Mission Trip to Lake County

Adult Mission Trip applications are available in the church office or online for June 3-9 to Lake County. All skill levels are welcome. Completed applications with the \$100 fee is due by March 15. Contact Joyce Cox at 707.829.0750 for more information. There will be a planning meeting of all 2018 Mission Trip participants at 9:30 am on Sunday, March 18 in Faith Chapel. Application packets are available here: <https://www.ucseb.org/docs/2018.LakeCountyApplication.pdf>.

Second Saturday Lunch

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 and bus passes along with some clothing items. 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

Snack Bags

Mission & Outreach invites you to participate in our Snack Bag program where we provide snack items to those who might not know where there next meal is coming from. Single servings of crackers, peanut butter, juice, tuna, canned fruit and other snack items, can be brought to the church office.

Memorial Lilies will grace our chancel on Easter Morning, April 1. 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 \$11. Please make your check payable to the Community Church.

Deadline to order Easter Lilies: March 26

I wish to purchase _____ lily plant(s) \$_____ Enclosed
(\$11 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 March 26.



Committee for Adult Education

Each year during Lent, we gather on Tuesday evenings to hear one of our church members share his/her story and how faith has helped to shape that story. Easter is April 1 and we will meet on the five Tuesday evenings during Lent beginning February 20 through March 20 in Faith Chapel at 7 pm.

Over the years, this has proven to be a meaningful experience for all who attend and a wonderful way to build community. Your participation will make this event even more special.

Here is our **Faith Journey** schedule:

February 20 – *Patty Foster*

February 27 – *Diane & Larry Stallings*

March 6 – *Ross Galleto*

March 13 – *Kathy Matthies*

March 20 – *Barbara & Curt Nichols*

Soup suppers prior to the faith journey presentations have also been a big part of our Lenten tradition. To volunteer to make soup, contact *Jane Huneke*: 707.795.5451 or jane.huneke1@gmail.com.



Men's Group Monthly Meeting

Attendees of the Men's Retreat invite you to join a monthly men's group, meeting on the first Wednesday of the month. We meet at 5:30 pm for dinner and at 6 pm we move into Faith Chapel. The group will engage in a series of prayer, study and common action – a unique opportunity to reflect on one's faith journey and make a deeper commitment to Christ. No reservations needed – see you on March 7. Contact *Larry Stallings* with any questions 650.283.0941.



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Summer Camps 2018

At Camp Cazadero

You & Me Camp (ENTERING GRADES 1-3) **July 6-8**

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 15-21**

Jr. High Camp (ENTERING GRADES 7-9) **July 22- 28**

Sr. High Camp (ENTERING GRADES 10-12) **July 8-14**

At Camp Tamarack

Junior Camp (ENTERING GRADES 4-6) **July 15-21**

Jr. High Camp (ENTERING GRADES 7-9) **July 22-28**

Sr. High Camp (ENTERING GRADES 10-12) **July 29- Aug 4**

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 9-12, 2018) and earn \$\$ for camp!

**Community Church of Sebastopol's FAMILY CAMP:
Aug 31 - Sept 1 & 2, 2018**

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

PRAYER CONCERNS

Congratulations to **Paula Pearce**, who's book *Saving Walter* will be featured in the Santa Rosa Earth Day event; to the niece of Marilyn McHugh, **Beth Armstrong**, for delivering a healthy baby boy, **Logan Ray Jacoby** one month early on February 4; to the Roa family at the birth of **Drew Thomas Roa** on February 15.

Prayers for **Glenda Elvy** as she works to regain speech and movement following a stroke; for **Sabrina White**, age 6, granddaughter of Suzanne White as she continues treatment for leukemia. **Dax Cohen**, age 2, son of Calla Burton, as he undergoes treatment for leukemia; for. Prayers for **Ginny Embry**, recovering at home from a bone marrow transplant; **Don Schilling**, declining heart function; **Louise Wakefield**, recovering from pneumonia; to **Laurie Mitchell's mother**, gaining strength; **family and friends of Yvette Morris**, facing health challenges; **Rhonda Mattheny**, recovering from a lingering cough; Kathy Matthies' daughter-in-law, **Kelly**, pregnant with her baby in breech position; **Guy Baade**, facing heart surgery; **Kevin Bench**, hospitalized; **Lizann Bassham**, continuing immunotherapy therapy; **Dave Hanson** in ICU with kidney failure; **Helen Winters**, suffering from a splintered femur; **Beth Armstrong**, niece of Marilyn McHugh, in ICU after delivering a healthy baby boy.

Condolences to **Keith Blackstone** upon the death of his mother, Lois Lindstrom; to **Jane Austin**, whose mother Gerda passed away; to **Jackie LaGue** who lost her mother; to the family and friends of **Gloria Biddle** who died on 1/27; friends and family of **Arron Bell**, who died recently.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!



Our 3-time World Champion San Francisco Giants are ready for a new season of winning and we have tickets for two games! We are in Club Level, section 231, rows C & D for both games – so sign up for the game and bring your glove! We offer these tickets at our cost, plus the cost of transportation (\$86 + \$30) or you can just pay for the ticket and find your own way to the ballpark. Call Karin in the church office to sign up at 823-2484 or office@uccseb.org. Both games start at 12:45 pm and we will leave for the game by 10 am.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

March 11 & 18

One Great Hour of Sharing is the Lenten Offering of the United Church of Christ that supports disaster, refugee, and development actions throughout the world. When a disaster strikes or people are



displaced or made refugees by violence or extreme poverty, you are part of the immediate response and of the long-term recovery. Through OGHS you engage in holistic development programs including health care, education, agriculture, food sustainability, micro-financing

and women's empowerment. Through OGHS you are there to help. Please give generously on March 11 & March 18 when we receive the One Great Hour of Sharing offering at the Community Church of Sebastopol.



♥ A big thank you to **Barbara Wilson** for her donation of the new piano in Faith Chapel. What a wonderful gift we will all enjoy! ♥ Thank you to **Bob Holland, Keenan & Patty Foster and Barbara Whitson** for all your work keeping our campus grounds beautiful. ♥ Thank you to **Irma Bachelor, Barbara Deedler, Barbara Wilson and Jerry Coleman** for washing our shower towels while **Norma Watson** was away. ♥ Thank you to **Doris Rowe** for cleaning and stocking the pews each week in preparation for Sunday Worship. ♥ Thank you to **Joanne Matson** for her weekly help in the office. ♥ Thank you to **Bobbie Johanson and Chris Jenkins** for your help preparing the newsletter. ♥ Another big thank you to **Bruce Matson** for going above and beyond in tracking down a new gas tank after our van was vandalized. ♥ Thank you to **Luis & Birgit Quesada & family** for the wonderful meal following our Ash Wednesday service. ♥ Thank you to all our soup makers and faith journey presenters – we have a stellar group of volunteers making sure this all happens: **Gail Thomas, Diane Stallings Kathy Matthies and Jane Huneke**. ♥ Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers! ♥

Youth News

March 2018!!

Middle School (Grades 6-8) Sunday mornings from 9 – 10:15 am.

High School Youth (Grades 9-12) gather at 6 pm, meeting from 7-8 pm.

March 4 - Middle & High School Youth

9 -10:15 AM, Worship at 10:30 then more at 11:45 AM

Open youth room for both Middle School and High School at 9 am, join us for worship at 10:30 am and then at 11:45 am we start the *Ross Birthday Celebration Extravaganza at Scandia!* RSVP to Ross by February 28th so I can ensure you have a meal and a ride to Scandia.

We will not be able to accommodate any last minute arrivals.

March 11 - Youth Group - Exploration

Want to go on an adventure??

9 -10:15 AM Middle School

6 – 8 PM High School

March 18

Does that come with a side of fries? Sometimes we are a little more hungry than other times...

9 -10:15 AM Middle School

6 – 8 PM High School

March 25 – Coloring the Future

I can be creative too!

9 -10:15 AM Middle School

6 – 8 PM High School

YOUNG ADULTS – 20/30'S GROUP

Post high school, college students – all young adults – meet us at Hop Monk Tavern in Sebastopol for our next **20/30'S GROUP** on the first Friday of the month: March 2nd at 7PM. If you are interested or have questions, please Contact Ross Galletto at 707-495-1507 or rossgalletto@gmail.com. Hope you can join us for a visit and some good conversation!

Holy Week at the Community Church of Sebastopol

March 29 – Maundy Thursday

All ages are invited to gather in the sanctuary at 5:45 for a Service of Tenebrae with Holy Communion and Washing of Feet. The Chancel Choir sings, "The Upper Room," by Don and Nancy Besig. The service is followed by a Soup Supper in Fellowship Hall.

Good Friday Cemetery Walking Meditation for All Ages

On Good Friday, March 30th at 4:30pm all are invited to gather at the cemetery for a walking meditation. On this day when we remember the death of Jesus, we walk through the cemetery to honor people who have died. Jesus' death teaches us that pain, suffering, and injustice are part of life--but they are not the final word. We'll make gravestone rubbings, and tell the story of Holy Week as we walk through the cemetery. Please gather in front of the main office, and the service will begin promptly at 4:30pm. Pleasant Hill Memorial Park and Mortuary is located at [1700 Pleasant Hill Road](http://1700.Pleasant.Hill.Road) in Sebastopol. For more information, please contact Pastor Rachel: rachelknuth@uccseb.org.

March 30 – Good Friday Service

This year, at 6:00 p.m. in our sanctuary, we host an ecumenical Good Friday service which will include pastors and parishioners from St. Stephen's Episcopal and Sebastopol United Methodist.

Easter Sunday

6:30 am Sunrise Service in the Peace Garden at Ragle Ranch led by our Minister of Music, Rev. Brian Plaugher

9:00 am Multi-Generational Service of Worship in the Sanctuary at the Community Church.

11:00 am Multi-Generational Service of Worship in the Sanctuary at the Community Church



March 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 2nd Sunday in Lent 8:45 AM Nursery Care 9:00 AM Faith Formation Hour - see below 9:00 AM Middle School Youth, Grades 6-8 10:30 AM Community Worship 10:45 AM Children's Worship 6:00 PM High School Youth Group	26	27 6:15 PM Soup Supper 7:00 PM Faith Journey	28 10:00 AM Staff Team 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 4:45 PM Handbell Ensemble 7:00 PM Church Council	1 7:00 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM Grief Group	2 10:00 AM UkeStars 2:00 PM World Day of Prayer Service & Reception	3 9:30 AM Rapid Response Training
4 3rd Sunday in Lent 8:45 AM Nursery Care 9:00 AM Faith Formation Hour - see below 10:30 AM Multi-Gen Worship 10:45 AM Children's Worship 11:45 AM Pastor Rachel Parish Relations Team 12:00 PM Church Weeding 6:00 PM High School Youth Group	5	6 6:15 PM Soup Supper 7:00 PM Faith Journey	7 10:00 AM Staff Team 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 4:45 PM Handbell Ensemble 5:30 PM Men's Group	8 7:00 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM Grief Group	9 10:00 AM UkeStars	10 11:30 AM 2nd Saturday Lunch Set your clocks forward tonight for Daylight Saving Time!
11 4th Sunday in Lent 8:45 AM Nursery Care 9:00 AM Faith Formation Hour - see below 9:30 AM Faith In Action Team (FIAT) 10:30 AM Community Worship 10:45 AM Children's Worship 11:45 AM PRC - Pastor Rachel 6:00 PM High School Youth Group	12 7:00 PM Mission & Outreach	13 6:15 PM Soup Supper 7:00 PM Faith Journey	14 10:00 AM Staff Team 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 3:00 PM Women's Fellowship 4:45 PM Handbell Ensemble	15 April Newsletter Deadline 7:00 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM Children's Ministry Team 7:00 PM Grief Group	16 10:00 AM UkeStars	17
18 5th Sunday in Lent 8:45 AM Nursery Care 9:00 AM Faith Formation Hour - see below 9:30 AM Adult Mission Trip 10:30 AM Community Worship 10:45 AM Children's Worship 12:00 PM By-Laws Feedback Session 6:00 PM High School Youth Group	19	20 6:15 PM Soup Supper 7:00 PM Faith Journey	21 10:00 AM Staff Team 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 4:45 PM Handbell Ensemble 7:00 PM Board of Trustees	22 11:30 AM Women's Fellowship Lunch @ Seb. Senior Center 7:00 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM Grief Group	23 10:00 AM UkeStars	24
25 Palm / Passion Sunday 8:45 AM Nursery Care 9:00 AM Faith Formation Hour - see below 10:30 AM Community Worship 10:45 AM Children's Worship 6:00 PM High School Youth Group	26	27	28 10:00 AM Staff Team 4:45 PM Handbell Ensemble 7:00 PM Church Council	29 Maundy Thursday 5:45 PM Maundy Thursday Service 6:30 PM Maundy Thursday Soup Supper 7:00 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM Grief Group	30 Good Friday 10:00 AM UkeStars 4:30 PM Cemetery Walk 6:00 PM Ecumenical Good Friday Service	31 Holy Saturday

Faith Formation Hour @ 9 am Sundays

Godly Play, Pre-School-Grade 5, Rooms 5 & 6
 Middle School Youth, Grades 6-8, Youth Lounge
 Breakfast Club, Parents, Fellowship Hall
 Sunday Bible Class, Adults, Fireside Room



April 1 – Easter Sunday

6:30 am Sunrise Service at Ragle Ranch Park
 9:00 am Easter Worship in the Sanctuary
 11:00 am Easter Worship in the Sanctuary