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### **CHURCH STAFF TEAM**

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Minister of Music Rev. Brian Plaugher  
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Our mission is to worship God and share the love of Jesus Christ,  
teaching the message of Jesus to all ages and putting our faith into action.

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An Open & Affirming congregation in the United Church of Christ,  
we welcome and affirm people of every religious background,  
sexual orientation, family composition, physical and mental ability,  
ethnicity, age and gender identity and expression.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD & SACRAMENT

FEBRUARY 18, 2018 ☞ 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT



THE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF SEBASTOPOL  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SINGING BOWL

3 Rings: Creator, Christ & Holy Spirit

CALL TO WORSHIP

– John 3:1-2, 14-15

One: Come to the Lord with openness:  
**All: We come seeking God’s presence, whatever it brings.**

One: Bring your doubt, bring your belief:  
**All: We seek the Lord that we might live.**

\* OPENING HYMN

Forty Days and Forty Nights#179

\*Please stand in body or spirit

\* PRAYER OF LAMENT

– Psalms of Lament, Ann Weems

One: How long will you watch, O God, as your people lie huddled in death?  
The whole world is dressed in tears, and we have joined the procession  
of the bereaved who walk daily in the death places.  
**All: We are your people, Creator God! We are the work of your hands.**  
**Is there no more grace for your troubled ones...?** (silent prayer)

\* ORACLE OF COMFORT

\* PASSING THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you: **And also with you.**

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO 4<sup>TH</sup> & 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS

Rev. Knuth

Sophia Broadbent-Bell, Juniper Gonzales, Tamar Knuth, Harper Malone, Maya  
Malone, Austin Presley, Owen Thomas, and Reece Thomas

PRAYER OF BLESSING

ending with The Lord’s Prayer, Ecumenical Version

**Creator in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kin-dom come,**  
**your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.**  
**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**  
**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**  
**For the kin-dom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

\* HYMN OF PREPARATION

Come and Find the Quiet Center#575

Children in Preschool thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade may remain in the sanctuary or  
continue worshipping at Children’s Worship in the Chapel.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 4:1-4Pew Bible, NT, p. 3

SERMON

We Are More than What We HaveRev. Broadbent

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Steve Beck

OFFERTORY

\* PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Tune: Beach Spring

**God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,**  
**Nature’s wonder, Jesus’ wisdom, costly cross, grave’s shattered door:**  
**Gifted by you, we turn to you offering up ourselves in praise;**  
**Thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.**

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

– Feasting on the Word

One: Gracious God, we dedicate these gifts to you, but also ourselves, in deep  
gratitude for your call on our lives.  
**All: Accept what we bring for your own purposes. In Christ we pray.**  
**Amen.**

JOYS & CONCERNS

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invite, Bless, Break/Pour, Share

COMMUNION CHANT

#414

**Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.**  
**Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\* CLOSING HYMN

The Voice of God Is Calling#666

\* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

## THIS WEEK AT COMMUNITY CHURCH

**Today**

**1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

8:45 am **Nursery Care**, Birth – Age 3, Room 4

9:00 - 10:15 am **FAITH FORMATION HOUR**

**Godly Play**, Preschool - Grade 3, Rooms 5 & 6

**Bible Class**, Grades 4 & 5, Media Room

**Middle School Youth Group**, Youth Lounge

**Breakfast Club**, Parents, Fellowship Hall

**Sunday Bible Study**, Adults, Fireside Room

10:30 am **Community Worship Service**, Sanctuary  
with Bible presentation to 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Graders

12:00 pm **By-Laws Feedback Session**, Media Room

*No Church Events*

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

6:15 pm **Soup Supper**, Fellowship Hall

7:00 pm **Faith Journey**, Faith Chapel

**Wednesday**

10:00 am **Women's Bible Study**, Fireside Room

10:00 am **Staff Team**, Youth Lounge

4:45 pm **Handbell Ensemble**, Sanctuary

7:00 pm **Board of Trustees**, Media Room

**Thursday**

11:30 am **Women's Fellowship Lunch**, Sebastopol Senior Center

7:00 pm **Grief Group**, Fireside Room

7:00 pm **Chancel Choir**, Choir Room

**Friday**

10:00 am **UkeStars**, Fellowship Hall

**Next Sunday**

**2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

8:45 am **Nursery Care**, Birth – Age 3, Room 4

9:00 am **Faith Formation Hour** (See box above)

10:30 am **Community Worship Service**, Sanctuary

### MISSION & OUTREACH

**FAITH IN ACTION TEAM** (FIAT) hosts an event for those willing to serve as legal observers when ICE raids occur in our community. In partnership with the North Bay Organizing Project, on March 3 from 9:30-11:30am, participants will receive Legal Observer Training, Accompaniment Team Training, and Work Place - Know Your Rights Training. For info contact Susan Shaw at [sshaw@northbayop.org](mailto:sshaw@northbayop.org) or 707.481.2970.

**ADULT MISSION TRIP APPLICATIONS** are available in the church office for June 3-9 to Lake County. All skill levels welcome. Applications with \$100 fee due by March 15. Contact **Joyce Cox** at 707.829.0750 for more information.

## 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT

The season of Lent began last week on Ash Wednesday and runs 40 days, plus Sundays, in preparation for Easter Morning. Our Lenten worship theme is The Last Temptations of Prayer and today's focus is: "The Consumerist Temptation."



### TODAY

**ALL-CHURCH READ** this year is "We Make the Road by Walking" by Brian McLaren. Copies available online or at Copperfield's Books. Today's focus: Chapter 27, "A New Identity."

**NURSERY CARE** for infants thru age 4 in the Nursery 8:45am - 1:00pm. A diaper-changing station is located in the bathroom off the Fireside Room.

**FAITH FORMATION HOUR** is 9:00-10:15 a.m. with programs for all ages. See calendar on back page for details.

**SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY** meets 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. in Fireside Room, following scriptures featured in the all-church read. Bring a Bible, your inquisitive mind, and your mug.

**GOVERNANCE TRANSITION UPDATE:** Draft of revised Bylaws available at [www.uccseb.org](http://www.uccseb.org) and in the church office and narthex. Our first Bylaws feedback session happens at noon in the Media Room. The Governance Transition Committee is eager to hear feedback and answer any questions. The next feedback session will be on March 18. A special Meeting of the Congregation on April 15 will include an up-or-down vote on the Bylaws revisions. Members of the Committee: Nancy Shimetz, Patty Raney, Mike Ott, Chris Dawson, Marge Holland, Judy Rice, and Pastor Benjamin.

### UP - COMING

**LENTEN FAITH JOURNEYS** begin this Tues, Feb 20, and continue on Tuesdays during Lent. Soup Supper at 6:15 pm in Fellowship Hall, followed by Faith Journey at 7 pm in Faith Chapel. This week, **Patty & Keenan Foster** share their Faith Journeys.

**WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP** gathers for lunch on Thurs, Feb 22, 11:30am at Sebastopol Senior Center (\$4). RSVP by Feb 19 to **Dale Phillips** at 707.695.0717.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**, is a worldwide ecumenical celebration of prayer and action. Join our pastors, members of our church, and many others to pray for justice, peace, healing, and wholeness. Worship service is Friday, March 2, 2:00 in our sanctuary, followed by a reception in Fellowship Hall hosted by Women's Fellowship. For more info, contact **Chris Jenkins** at 707.829.2230.

### UP-COMING CONT'D

**GROUND'S UPKEEP & WEEDING** after worship on March 4. Bring work clothes and join us after church as we weed to get ready for mulch and Easter plantings. For more information, contact **Patty Foster** at 707.664.9939.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**, supported by the Women's Fellowship, begins in April on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays each month to knit shawls for those in need of a "portable sanctuary." Patterns available in the church office. Contact **Joanne Matson** at 707.823.5249 or Chris Jenkins at 829-2230 with questions.

### ON - GOING

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** meets Wednesdays, 10:00am in the Fireside Room to explore the prophets of the Old Testament and themes of loss, grief, and restoration relating to Yahweh's chosen people and us today. Contact **Joanne Matson** at 707.823-5249.

**MEN'S GROUP** meets March 7, and every 1<sup>st</sup> Wed, at 5:30pm for dinner in the Media Room followed by a discussion. Contact **Larry Stallings** at 650.283.0941.

**YOUNG ADULT (20/30's) GROUP** meets March 2, and every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday, 7:00pm at HopMonk Tavern. Contact **Ross Galleto** at 707.495.1507 or rossgalleto@gmail.com.

**GRIEF GROUP** meets Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. in the Fireside Room. Losing a loved one, recently or years ago, can be difficult to process. Contact counselor-facilitators **Harry & Susanna Simms** at 707.829.7769.

**HANDBELL ENSEMBLE** rehearses Wednesdays at 4:45 pm in the sanctuary. If you have a basic understanding of music and can count, you can learn to play! Contact Director **Karna Roa** at 707.328.4905 or karnamarie@yahoo.com.

**CHANCEL CHOIR** rehearses Thursdays, 7:00 pm in the Choir Room. Join us in leading congregational singing and preparing anthems to add beauty to worship. Contact Minister of Music **Rev. Brian Plaugher** at 707.869.9120 or brian.plaugher@gmail.com.

**UKESTARS** ukulele group meets Fridays in Fellowship Hall, 10:00-11:30 for jam session/weekly practice. Contact Director **Vicki Reno** at 707.827.3668.

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### YOUTH MINISTRY

**YOUTH GROUPS** meet weekly on Sundays in the Youth Lounge. All are welcome.

- **Middle School Youth** (Grades 6-8) meet 9:00 – 10:15am Bring a friend!
- **High School Youth** (Grades 9-12) not meeting today since several youth are at FebCamp until Monday. See you next Sunday, 6:00pm in the Youth Lounge.

Contact **Ross Galleto**, Director of Youth Ministries, at [youthministries@uccseb.org](mailto:youthministries@uccseb.org) or 707.495.1507.

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**VOLUNTEERS** needed to help our Children's Ministry thrive:

- **Godly Play Facilitators** during Faith Formation Hour to lead a Montessori-based program exploring Bible stories through narrative and art response.
- **Children's Worship** helpers to assist Pastor Rachel in leading meaningful Chapel worship, including Communion, following the Children's Message.

Contact **Rev. Rachel Knuth**, Associate Minister for Children & Families, at [rachelknuth@uccseb.org](mailto:rachelknuth@uccseb.org) or 707.823.2484, ext. 104.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHANCEL FLOWERS** add beauty to our worship space. Sign up on the flower chart in the church entry to sponsor flowers (\$75) in honor of a loved one or special event. For more info, contact **Gail Thomas** at [poohcornerfarm@comcast.net](mailto:poohcornerfarm@comcast.net) or 707.758.0295

**LITURGISTS** lead portions of Sunday worship. We want to invite as many different people as possible. "Coaching" provided. Contact **Judy Rice** at [j.c.rice@sbcglobal.net](mailto:j.c.rice@sbcglobal.net).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** for bulletin and weekly emails due in digital form by Wed at noon each week. March newsletter deadline: Thursday, February 15.

Contact **Karin Seder**, Office Manager, at [office@uccseb.org](mailto:office@uccseb.org), or 707.823-2484. For more info, visit [www.uccseb.org](http://www.uccseb.org).

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**PRAYERS for...** friends & family of **Arron Bell**, who died recently; **Kevin Bench**, hospitalized; **Don Schilling**, declining heart function; **Helen Winters**, suffering from a splintered femur; **Dave Hanson**, in ICU with pancreatitis; **Beth Armstrong**, in ICU after giving birth to **Logan Ray Jacoby**.

Contact **Rev. Dr. Benjamin J. Broadbent**, Senior Minister, at [pastorbenjamin@uccseb.org](mailto:pastorbenjamin@uccseb.org) or 719.238.5347.

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