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# **SALT & LIGHT**

## **COMMUNITY CHURCH OF SEBASTOPOL**

### **UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

## **AUGUST 2026 NEWSLETTER**

### **Those Who Eat Together**

**Rev. Benjamin J. Broadbent, Lead Minister**

Next month, it will be our honor to welcome Rev. Dr. David Vázquez-Levy, president of Pacific School of Religion, as a guest preacher on September 20. As our closest United Church of Christ seminary, PSR has played an important role in life of Community Church over the years. Beginning this fall, our member Ross Pimentel, a student in PSR's Master of Divinity program, will be serving as our Digital Ministry Intern.

In a recent conversation, Dr. Vázquez-Levy recommended to me a book by PSR professor Dr. Heesung Hwang called "Reframing Christian Education for a Global Generation." Dr. Hwang observes that we are all living a multicultural, multilingual, multicreedal world and must adapt our Faith Formation (Christian Education) programs to this context. Among the ideas she offers in her book, two stand out to me as particularly important for our church in Sebastopol.



First, the word "Madang" refers a courtyard found in traditional Korean homes. While a household may have many other rooms, most family encounters happen in the *madang*. It is the place of multigenerational interaction, the place of celebration, the place of learning and storytelling, the place where shared family memories are made and remembered.

It strikes me that we have not one, but two courtyards on our campus, spaces where intergenerational learning and memory-making happen on a regular basis. Especially during the summer, the Bell Tower Courtyard is a place where people meet and greet each other, where visitors are welcomed and invited, where people of a variety of ages and backgrounds interact.

About the second idea, Dr. Hwang writes, "In Korean Chinese etymology, there are a couple of words that mean 'family.' Generally, *ga-jok* refers to 'a legal and biological family unit.' Another word is *sik-goo*, which means 'those who eat

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together.” It’s a striking definition of family, beyond simple biology and formal kinship ties, which points to how we interact with one another.

Jesus’ ministry was defined by his radically inclusive table practices. He would eat with just about anyone. It didn’t matter if he were breaking conventions and he seemed to thrive when criticized, even by his hosts, for welcoming to the table those who would otherwise have been kept away.

As we imagine our faith formation offerings for all ages in the coming years, how might we utilize our *madang* places where multiple generations come together to learn and connect? And how might we understand ourselves as people invited by Christ to become “those who eat together” in a way that nurtures everyone at the table?



## GATHERING THE WATERS OF SUMMER



This summer, we are asking all members and friends of the Community Church of Sebastopol to bring back small samples of water From your travels. For example, if you go to Oahu, bring back a few ounces of Hawaiian ocean water. If you go tubing on the Russian River, bring back some water from your float. If you go to Europe, bring back water from one of those fancy fountains they have over there. If you go to a French restaurant in Santa Rosa, bring us back some water from your drinking glass.

Use a simple, small container like a sample size shampoo bottle. Bring it to the church office and leave it with an attached note telling us who you are and where you collected the water. On September 13, we will bless all of the gathered waters of summer and use the collected water, after disinfecting it, in baptisms over the coming year. This will be a fun way to share our summer adventures with each other and a way to offer thanksgiving to God for the waters of the world that sustain us and bring us joy.



**AUGUST 2026 WORSHIP**  
*The Season after Pentecost*

**Worship Details...**

*We worship in the sanctuary on Sundays at 10:00 a.m.*

*Services are live streamed on [YouTube](#) & [Facebook](#)*

*Weekly bulletin and announcements available at [www.uccseb.org](http://www.uccseb.org)*

**AUGUST 2 – 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

This morning, we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion. **Elena Dillon & Michael Ost** share special music. Rev. Benjamin J. Broadbent, Lead Minister, preaches a sermon on [Matthew 14:13–21](#) entitled, “Enough for Everyone.”

**AUGUST 9 – 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

On this weekend of our annual apple pie fundraiser, we will bless the backpacks of those going back to school, a summer bells ensemble shares special music, and **Pastor Benjamin** preaches a sermon on [Matthew 14:22–33](#) entitled, “The Life Boat.”

**AUGUST 16 – 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Today **Mimi Reid** shares special music and **Pastor Benjamin** preaches a sermon on [Matthew 15:10–28](#) entitled “A Hard Lesson.”

**AUGUST 23 – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Our keyboardist of the past 9 years, **J. Althea**, retires today and we will be singing all of her favorite songs. **Pastor Benjamin** preaches a sermon on [Romans 12:1–8](#) entitled, “Don’t Be Conformed.”

**AUGUST 30 – 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

While participants at this year’s “All Church Camp Weekend” worship under the redwoods at Westminster Woods in Occidental, **Rev. Brian Plaugher**, guest preacher, shares a sermon on [Romans 12:9–21](#) entitled, “Overcome with Good.”

Coming in September... Gathering & Blessing of the Waters; Launch Sunday; Guest Preacher: Dr. David Vasquez-Levy, President of Pacific School of Religion; Outreach Sunday



## NEED

Church has been part of Norma's life since she was three years old. Growing up in a family of six children near Liverpool, England, her early years were shaped by the aftermath of World War II, when many factories and homes in the area lay in ruins. Her father, a committed left-winger, instilled in her an enduring sense of social justice. "He would talk about injustice being done to people who weren't getting what they deserved," she recalls.



At twenty-two, Norma met Garth at work; he shared her values, and this year they will celebrate fifty-five years of marriage. The couple have lived in three countries together — England, Canada, and the United States — and in each one, Norma has sought out and found a church home.

When Garth retired, they settled in Sebastopol. "I can't imagine myself without a church," Norma says. "I feel a real need for a church, even though none of my siblings feel the same way. Just as I need to feel in touch with my family, I need to be in touch with my church." A neighbor suggested she try Community Church, and Norma persuaded Garth to come along. They both joined the choir, and Norma also became active in the Women's Fellowship. The congregation, she says, gave them "an extravagant welcome and provided an outlet for meeting people."

One moment stands out to Norma as especially meaningful to her relationship with the church: the wedding of Alvin and Darrell, when the entire congregation turned out to celebrate. The church's support has extended well beyond worship, too. When Garth developed health problems six years ago, members stepped in to help with the farm, and a group still comes out for planting and harvest seasons. Much of what the farm produces is donated to community members in need.

"Pastor Ben's sermons always give me something to think about," Norma says. "He's really the preacher for the moment. I can't imagine going back to a more traditional church." She draws the contrast sharply: by visiting her daughter in Illinois, she found the local church confining by comparison. "I must have a place to worship God, be comfortable with people, help with social justice," she explains. "I can't imagine myself not having a church. I need the church as much as the church needs me."

Looking back, Norma locates value less in any single event than in an accumulation of small moments. "There are lots of little moments at the church that have had an impact on my life," she says — moments built through years of interactions with fellow members across the church's many programs, each one adding to an experience she calls deeply worthwhile.

Written by Chris Chang Weeks



# **BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST**



## **AUGUST 1**

Marin Broadbent-Bell

## **AUGUST 2**

Dan Porter

## **AUGUST 3**

Bobbie Johanson  
Elizabeth Schultz

## **AUGUST 4**

Peggy Porter  
Callia Allender

## **AUGUST 7**

Austin Presley  
Tobin Arnold-Peterson

## **AUGUST 8**

Kathy Manchester  
Kyle Pelton

## **AUGUST 9**

Chris Dawson  
Victoria Mayster

## **AUGUST 12**

Gina Scribner

## **AUGUST 13**

David Lennox  
Monica Canfield-Lenfest

## **AUGUST 15**

Sohni Yaylian  
Rachel Knuth  
Juliette Hole

## **AUGUST 16**

Elias Galletto

## **AUGUST 17**

Suzanne Gordon  
Andy Berndt

## **AUGUST 20**

Alicia Pelton

## **AUGUST 21**

Robert Harris

## **AUGUST 24**

Elia DelMonte  
Monica Goodell

## **AUGUST 25**

Joanne Feige

## **AUGUST 27**

Pam Oakes

## **JAIGIST 28**

Lisa Atwater

## **JULY 24**

Barbara Nichols  
Bernie Hovden

## **AUGUST 30**

Judy Bowman  
Aaron Knuth

## **AUGUST 31**

Scott Carlson

## BECOMING KEEPERS OF WONDER

By Tirza Dawn

*"Let the little children come to me... for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." — Mark 10:14*

Spending time with children is such a blessing! Jesus knew this and he placed them at the very heart of the spiritual life, reminding us that their openness, curiosity, trust, and capacity for wonder reveal

something essential about the Kingdom of God. Children can feel the presence and care of the adults who take the time to be with them and listen to them, but equally impactful are the many ways we adults can learn from the children!

Many in our congregation raised children here. You remember bustling Sunday mornings, children's choirs, youth groups, Vacation Bible School, and classrooms alive with laughter, songs, stories, and big questions. Those experiences shaped your children's lives, and they shaped yours as well. Together, you created a church where young people knew they belonged and where faith was passed from one generation to the next through loving relationships.

The world our children are growing up in today is different. Their lives are full of schedules, notifications, and screens competing for their attention. Genuine face-to-face connection has become increasingly rare. Perhaps the greatest gift we can offer a child today is something wonderfully simple: an adult who is fully present.

When we sit beside a child, listen deeply to their questions, wonder together about God, or delight in their imagination, something sacred happens. Children discover they are seen, valued, and loved.



And, surprisingly, so do we.

Children have a remarkable way of awakening our own spirits. They ask questions we've forgotten to ask. They notice beauty where we've stopped looking. They remind us that faith isn't about having all the answers; it's about remaining open to mystery, joy, compassion, and awe.

That is the heart of our Wondering Circle.



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Wondering Circle isn't about having all the right words or being an expert teacher. It's about accompanying children on their spiritual journey—listening, creating, praying, laughing, exploring, and wondering together where God is already at work. Wondering Circle used to be the name of our Sunday School for some years and then Community Church decided to offer “Godly Play” so that our kids could learn from a more specific tradition of spiritual education for children. After exploring the tradition of “Godly Play” for some time, we are now returning to Wondering Circle, which opens the doors for more creative involvement from our congregation.

Many of us wonder whether we still have something meaningful to offer the next generation. The answer is a joyful yes. Our children don't need perfect teachers. They need caring adults who have lived full lives, gathered wisdom, experienced both joy and sorrow, learned to trust God's faithfulness, and are willing to share their presence. The stories you carry, the kindness you offer, and the encouragement you give are gifts no one else can provide.

The commitment is intentionally small—about 45 minutes, once every four to eight weeks—but the impact can be lifelong. Sometimes a single caring adult who remembers a child's name, listens to their thoughts, or celebrates their curiosity becomes part of a faith that lasts for years to come.

God isn't simply asking, “Will you help with children's ministry?”

Perhaps the invitation is, “Will you become a keeper of wonder?”

If your heart longs for more joy, if you miss hearing the laughter of children, or if you'd like to experience church through the eyes of a child once again, we would love to welcome you into Wondering Circle. Together, we can create a place where every child knows they are loved, every question is honored, every imagination is celebrated, and every generation grows in faith alongside one another.

Wondering Circle begins in September. Volunteers serve once every four to eight weeks during worship, from the Children's Message to Kinship Time. There is no greater privilege than helping a child discover that they are deeply loved by God and by this community. And in the process, you may find your own sense of wonder renewed.

For more information or to join us, please contact **Tirza Dawn** at [faithformation@uccseb.org](mailto:faithformation@uccseb.org).



## EXTRAVAGANT WELCOME!

### INTRODUCTIONS

#### **Melissa & Scott Amberg–Aguayo (Viviana & Elena) –**

Melissa is a born and raised Angeleno who moved up to Northern California with her family close to two years ago. She is mother to Viviana and Elena and wife to Scott who she loves with her whole heart. She is a daughter of Saul and Sandra Aguayo who emigrated from Mexico and infused her with a deep love for their culture. She is a passionate activist and leads a global team as Interim Global Coordinator for Break Free From Plastic. She loves to be on the water and in the trees and make jewelry and delicious meals with and for her loved ones. She hopes to get involved with the choir.

Scott was born in the town of Los Osos on California's Central Coast. He is a proud husband and father of 2. Melissa, Viviana, and Elena are the lights of his life. He was raised Roman Catholic by his Mexican American mother, and Norwegian & German American father. He has worked in the skill trades most of his life, primarily in carpentry, electrical, solar, and general

maintenance. He is shy, and introverted, with a big heart, and a sharp sense of humor. He loves animals and kids, art, nature, music, and food.

Viviana is 11 years old, about to enter 6th grade, loves animals, lemons, and good food. She is a wonderful artist who loves to draw, read, write, and make good playlists with all kinds of music. She is shy but fierce, kind, and empathetic and a wonderful friend, sister, and daughter.

Elena is 9 years old, about to enter 4th grade, and likes animals, kimchi, and tiny things. She is bright, inquisitive, and joyful and enjoys reading and drawing. She is a small but mighty sports girl on the soccer and softball field. She is a sweet, generous, and thoughtful daughter, sister, and friend. She also wants to have forty million cats.

#### **Bob Burnett (& Kathy Barry)**

Bob describes himself as having had a very fortunate life. He was born in Hollywood, grew up in Newport Beach, graduated from Stanford, and helped form a successful Silicon Valley startup. Besides being technically-oriented as a computer scientist, Bob also has an artistic side – he writes and sings. He has been a social activist since the 60's. He and his wife, Kathy Barry — also a political activist — live in Occidental.



**Larry Cote** (pronounced Co-TAY)



Larry is a retired teacher, school administrator, and Coast Guard officer. He is from Eugene, Oregon where his 3 grown children still live, though he has been living in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico for past 8 years. Larry met our church member Gina Scribner through his sister, and they have been attending church together. Larry loves to travel, read, garden, and just be outdoors. He looks forward to continuing growing in faith and serving others.

**Douglas Freeman**

After introducing himself as Freeman for the past 17 years, Douglas Freeman gladly answers to both his first and last names. A Sebastopol resident for the past year and a half, Freeman moved here at the invitation of church member Monica Canfield-Lenfest and her husband Greg Richardson after caring for his parents in the last years of their lives in Minnesota.

An ordained minister in the metaphysical Church of exploring life as an artist working at the intersection of physical and non-physical reality. A long-time healing arts professional and recent hospice volunteer, Freeman practices and offers Self-Compassion practices to bring light to outmoded unconscious patterns. Freeman's interest in death and dying have inspired a 4-week Faith Formation series that will happen at Community Church sometime in the fall.



# It's Apple Pie Time!!

August 6, 7, 8, 9



Our biggest fund-raiser of the year, the Apple Pies Event, is right around the corner. This is our 54 year Anniversary of The Community Church of Sebastopol baking pies to raise money to be used to fund camp scholarships, S.A.L.T. trips of service for our youth and adults and to help offset costs for our All-Church Camp weekend at Westminster Woods in September.

Everyone can lend a hand, no matter what your age or abilities, from the youngest to the oldest.

All children under 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Join us for this wonderful multi-generational event as we prepare and bake hundreds of apple pies.

## Volunteer Dates and Times:

\_\_\_\_\_ **Thurs, 4-8pm** set up, sorting apple slices, pie making

\_\_\_\_\_ **Friday, 8am-4pm** sorting apple slices & making pies \* (BBQ Hot Dog lunch served at noon)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Friday, 8am-12:00pm** sorting apple slices & making pies

\_\_\_\_\_ **Friday, 1pm-5pm** sorting apple slices & making pies.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Friday, 4-8pm** clean up sorting apple slices

\_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, 8am-4pm** sorting apple slices & making pies\* (BBQ Hot Dog lunch served at noon)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, 8am-12:00pm** sorting apple slices & making pies

\_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, 1pm-5pm** sorting apple slices & making pies – cleaning up

\_\_\_\_\_ **Sunday Cleanup 11am-2pm**

\*Please note we are asking, if possible, that you volunteer for the entire day, but we welcome anytime you can volunteer with us. And we encourage you to bring a friend.

Sign up online at: [Community Church of Sebastopol: Apple Pie Event 2026](https://www.sebastopolcc.org/apple-pie-event-2026)

**Baking volunteers and selling volunteers** will be called from previous lists & scheduled by the Head Baker and Memorial Hall Team Leaders.

If you have any other questions, please call Kathy Matthies at 707.758.3970

SAVE THE DATE

— 2026 —

# PORCHFEST

— SEBASTOPOL —



SATURDAY  
**SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>**

— NOON — 6PM —

NEIGHBORHOOD LOCATION:  
BELMONT TERRACE, SEBASTOPOL

LIVE MUSIC ★ COMMUNITY ★ CONNECTION



## All-Church Camp

*“What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, **to love kindness**, and to walk humbly with your God?” — Micah 6:8*

**August 28–30**

**Westminster Woods, 6510 Bohemian Highway, Occidental, CA 95465**

### All-Church Camp Weekend

You’re invited to join our church family for All-Church Camp, August 28–30, at beautiful Westminster Woods in Occidental. This year’s theme is **Camp Kindness**. Come for the full weekend—from Friday evening through Sunday morning worship—or join us for a fun-filled Saturday on August 29. Saturday-only participants should arrive between 8:00 and 9:00 a.m.; all three meals are included.

### What Will We Do?

We’ll spend the weekend singing, dancing, playing games, worshiping, swimming, hiking, making crafts, sharing talents, and enjoying time together. There will be opportunities to meet new friends, reconnect with old friends, join intergenerational activities, relax, and simply enjoy camp.

### Weekend Schedule

#### FRIDAY

Arrive and check in between 4:00 and 5:30 p.m. Bring your own picnic dinner and gather at the picnic tables at 5:30 p.m. Line dancing, Campfire and s’mores, closing circle, and game time.

#### SATURDAY

Between breakfast, lunch, and dinner, enjoy intergenerational games, workshops, swimming, and plenty of free time.

Have a workshop idea you’d like to lead? Workshops are about one hour long. Contact Kathy Matthies for more information. In the evening, enjoy a lively talent show. Bring your talent—and any props you need!

#### SUNDAY

Breakfast, worship, and departure for home who do not live together. When registering, choose the Household option and select each family member who will attend. Each person must have a REALM profile before registration. If a higher subtotal appears at first, use the pull-down menu beside each family member’s name and select “This Person Is Included in a Household Registration” until only one Household Rate remains in the subtotal.

## CAMP KINDNESS

**Accommodations** – Westminster Woods offers shared houses, shared rustic cabins, and meadow tent camping for those who prefer to bring their own tent.

**Shared House** – Up to two houses are available, each accommodating 8–10 people. Each house includes a kitchen, two bathrooms, and a living room. Please let Kathy Bell know whom you would feel comfortable sharing a house with ([kbellnow@yahoo.com](mailto:kbellnow@yahoo.com)).

**Shared Cabin** – Many rustic cabins are available, each accommodating 6–10 people with bunk beds and a heater. Shared restrooms are nearby. Please let Kathy Bell know whom you would feel comfortable sharing a cabin with ([kbellnow@yahoo.com](mailto:kbellnow@yahoo.com)).

**Tent Camping** – Bring your own tent, sleeping bag, and sleeping pad, and set up in the meadow. This is a great option for those who want their own space or enjoy sleeping under the stars. Prices are the same as the shared cabin rates.

**Saturday-Only Option** – Saturday-only registration includes three meals and a full day of fun. Please plan to arrive between 8:00 and 9:00 a.m. Breakfast is at 8:30 a.m., and programming begins at 9:30 a.m. If you will arrive after 9:00 a.m., please email Kathy Bell with your estimated arrival time by Thursday, August 27 ([kbellnow@yahoo.com](mailto:kbellnow@yahoo.com)).

### How Much Does It Cost?

Thanks to our Apple Pie Fund, the retreat cost is subsidized by 30%. Each year, volunteers help make and sell Gravenstein apple pies so camp can remain affordable. This year marks our church's 54th year of baking pies. The Apple Pie Event is August 6–9, so please save the date. We'll need many volunteers, and it's a wonderful chance to invite friends to get to know our church as we make pies together.

See the table below for cost details. Additional camperships may be available for those who need financial assistance to attend. To inquire, please contact Pastor Ben at [pastorbengmin@uccseb.org](mailto:pastorbengmin@uccseb.org) and include "Campership" in the subject line. Rates below show both the actual cost and the subsidized amount participants pay.

| Whole Weekend Cost                   | Actual Cost | Your Cost |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Individual House – Adults only       | \$260       | \$182     |
| Individual Cabin/Tent                | \$180       | \$126     |
| Child 4 and under                    |             | Free      |
| Child ages 5–10                      | \$80        | \$60      |
| <b>Family Rates</b> – Household of 4 | \$460       | \$322     |
| Household of 5                       | \$545       | \$382     |
| Household of 6                       | \$630       | \$441     |
| <b>Saturday Only Cost</b>            |             |           |
| One adult, Saturday only             | \$120       | \$94      |
| One child ages 5–10, Saturday only   | \$60        | \$42      |
| <b>Family Rates</b> – Household of 4 | \$300       | \$210     |
| Household of 5                       | \$350       | \$245     |
| Household of 6                       | \$400       | \$280     |

## CAMP KINDNESS

Register Online [HERE](#)

**Early Bird Discount:** Register on or before Sunday, August 9, to receive \$10 off per person.

**Household Discount:** Households of four or more people who live together under one roof may register at the discounted household rate. College students who depend on parental income may be included. This discount does not apply to extended family members who do not live together. When registering, choose the Household option and select each family member who will attend. Each person must have a REALM profile before registration. If a higher subtotal appears at first, use the pull-down menu beside each family member's name and select "This Person Is Included in a Household Registration" until only one Household Rate remains in the subtotal.

**Registration and Payment** – Please register early. Early Bird pricing ends Sunday, August 9, and the final registration deadline is Sunday, August 23. No registrations will be accepted after August 23. Payment through REALM is preferred. Please choose All-Church Camp Weekend from the payment menu. Checks may be dropped off at the church office or mailed to the church by the applicable Early Bird or regular registration deadline. No refunds will be given after August 27.

### Questions?

**Registration questions:** Contact Joy Richards in the office at 707-823-2484 or [office@uccseb.org](mailto:office@uccseb.org).

**Workshop questions:** Contact Kathy Matthies at [kathleenmatthies57@gmail.com](mailto:kathleenmatthies57@gmail.com).

**Housing or roommate requests:** Contact Kathy Bell at [kbellnow@yahoo.com](mailto:kbellnow@yahoo.com).

**We hope to see you at Westminster Woods as we build a kindness community together under the redwoods.**



## AUGUST 2026 Events at Community Church

- AUGUST 2**      ***10<sup>H</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST***  
Worship Service, 10 am, Sanctuary  
Kinship Time, 11:15 am, Bell Tower Courtyard
- AUGUST 3**      Prayer Shawls, 10 am, Fireside Room
- AUGUST 4**      Grounds Team, 9 am, Church Campus  
Shower Program, 9 am, Memorial Hall  
Spiritual Exploration Group, 5 pm, Zoom
- AUGUST 5**      Coffee & Care, 10 am, Offsite
- AUGUST 6-9**    **APPLE PIE FUNDRAISER**
- AUGUST 6**      Meditation Group, 12 pm, Room 6  
Women's Fellowship Card Writing, 2 pm, WF Room
- AUGUST 8**      Second Saturday Lunch, 12 Noon, Fountain Courtyard
- AUGUST 9**      ***11<sup>H</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST***  
Worship Service, 10 am, Sanctuary  
Summer Circle, 10:15 am, Room 5  
Kinship Time, 11:15 am, Bell Tower Courtyard
- AUGUST 11**    Grounds Team, 9 am, Church Campus  
Shower Program, 9 am, Memorial Hall  
Pastor Parish Relations, 5 pm, Fireside Room  
Spiritual Exploration Group, 5 pm, Zoom  
Outreach Committee, 7 pm, Fireside Room
- AUGUST 12**    Coffee & Care, 10 am, Offsite  
Facilities Committee, 6:30 pm, Fireside Room
- AUGUST 13**    Meditation Group, 12 pm, Room 6
- AUGUST 15**    **SALT & LIGHT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**
- AUGUST 16**    ***12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST***  
Worship Service, 10 am, Sanctuary  
Summer Circle, 10:15 am, Room 5  
Kinship Time, 11:15 am, Bell Tower Courtyard

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## AUGUST 2026 Events at Community Church continued

**AUGUST 17**    Prayer Shawls, 10 am, Fireside Room  
Health & Safety Team, 3:30 pm, Fireside Room

**AUGUST 18**    Grounds Team, 9 am, Church Campus  
Shower Program, 9 am, Memorial Hall  
Finance Committee, 3:30 pm, Fireside Room  
Handbell Ensemble, 4:00 pm, Sanctuary  
Spiritual Exploration Group, 5 pm, Zoom  
FIAT Team, 5:30 pm, Fireside Room

**AUGUST 19**    Coffee & Care, 10 am, Offsite

**AUGUST 20**    Meditation Group, 12 pm, Room 6  
Chancel Choir, 6:30 pm, Music Room

**AUGUST 23**    **13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
Worship Service, 10 am, Sanctuary  
Summer Circle, 10:15 am, Room 5  
Kinship Time, 11:15 am, Bell Tower Courtyard

**AUGUST 25**    Grounds Team, 9 am, Church Campus  
Shower Program, 9 am, Memorial Hall  
Handbell Ensemble, 4 pm, Sanctuary  
Spiritual Exploration Group, 5 pm, Zoom  
Leadership Council, 6 pm, Media Room

**AUGUST 26**    Coffee & Care, 10 am, Offsite

**AUGUST 27**    Meditation Group, 12 pm, Room 6

**AUGUST 28-30**    **ALL CHURCH CAMP WEEKEND, OCCIDENTAL**

**AUGUST 30**    **14<sup>H</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
Worship Service, 10 am, Sanctuary  
Kinship Time, 11:15 am, Bell Tower Courtyard



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