NOVEMBER 15, 2026 – 25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Today we celebrate the baptism of a father and daughter, the Chancel Choir sings, and **Pastor Benjamin** preaches a sermon on Matthew 25:14–30 entitled, "Harsh Words, Honest Hope."

TODAY

NURSERY CARE for infants to Preschool 9:45 a.m.–11:30 a.m. in the Nursery, Room 4.

WONDERING CIRCLE for Kindergarten thru 5th Grade following the Children's Message facilitated by **Terry Harper & Joy Richards.**

KINSHIP TIME follows worship in Bell Tower Courtyard. Visit the Bounty Table and bring home some free produce for your household.

ADVENT CHILDREN'S CHOIR rehearsal immediately follows worship for 15 minutes in sanctuary led by **Andy DelMonte**, Choral Director. See "Upcoming" below.

FAITH FORMATION HOUR 11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

- ***Church Chat*** for adults in the Chapel: "Death & Dying: Remembering Beyond Anecdotes" with **Pastor Benjamin**.
- ***Intergenerational Gym,*** hosted by the youth of God & Donuts. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM meets 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Lounge.

ALL–AGES FAITH FORMATION

WONDERING CIRCLE for Kindergarten thru 5th Grade follows the Children's Message every Sunday except for the first Sunday of the month.

GOD & DONUTS for youth in Grades 6–12 meets during Faith Formation Hour, 11:15 -12:15 on Sundays in the Youth Lounge

INTERGENERATIONAL GYM every third Sunday includes organized, active games in Memorial Hall. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY is November 22. We will bless our 11 program participants and receive into membership those wishing to be confirmed. Program led by **Pastor Benjamin, Tirza Dawn, Kelly Allen & Reena Burton**.

UPCOMING

A DOLLY PARTON CANDLELIGHT EXPERIENCE on Sat, Nov 21**,** in the Sanctuary. Two showings at 6:00 & 8:00 p.m. Purchase tickets online at Lumos.com or at the door. Flyer with more information available in the Narthex or on the website.

THANKSGIVING DINNER will be served to people who need a place at a table for Thanksgiving. Join us Nov 26, 12 to 1 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Reservations limited to 50 guests. Look for the sign-up table during kinship time to reserve a spot or sign-up to volunteer.

NEW GRIEF GROUP forming for those who have lost a loved one in the last couple of years. Contact **Mary Culberson** at 707.525.1730/ marycculberson@gmail.com.

WRITE ABOUT YOUR ANCESTRAL ROOTS and cultural heritage with others in a supportive environment. **Anna Citrino** is offering one last writing session on Tues, Nov 17, 10:00 – Noon Contact Anna at annacitrino@gmail.com.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

ADVENT CHILDREN'S CHOIR for Kindergarten–5th grade rehearses 15 minutes after Sunday worship, Nov 15–Dec 13, and sings Dec 20 and Christmas Eve at 4:30 p.m. Questions? Contact Choral Director **Andy DelMonte**: delmontemusic@yahoo.com / 707.239.4455.

DEDICATE A POINSETTIA for Christmas worship. $15 per plant, with multiple dedications allowed. Forms available in the Courtyard during Kinship Time.

ALTERNATIVE GIFTS catalogs available Nov 15 in the Bell Tower Courtyard during Kinship Time and in the church office. Recipients receive a card describing the gift. Contact **Joyce Cox**: b-j-cox@att.net.

DECORATE THE CHRISTMAS TREE in the entryway with hats, scarves, and gloves for those in need, Nov 29–Dec 20. Contact **Joyce Cox**: b-j-cox@att.net.

INTERGENERATIONAL ADVENT WORKSHOPS for all ages after worship in Fellowship Hall.

1. November 29, make an Advent candle wreath for home.
2. December 6 and 20 – Chrismon ornament making.

CHRISTMAS WREATHS & SEE'S CANDY sales support Women's Retreat after worship in the Bell Tower Courtyard: wreaths ($30) Nov 29 and Dec 6; See's Candy starting Dec 6. Contact **Jane Huneke**: jane.huneke1@gmail.com / 707.829.0750.

CHRISTMAS GIFT BAGS for Sam Jones Shelter residents available Nov 29. Take an empty bag, fill it with items on the enclosed list, and return by Dec 13. Fill several or share the list with a friend.

INTER-CHURCH FOOD PANTRY BENEFIT CONCERT featuring Joyful Noise Gospel Singers in the sanctuary on Sun, Dec 6, at 4:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES in the sanctuary on December 24:

- 4:30 p.m. Family–Friendly Candlelight Service with Children's Choir and interactive Chrismon ritual
- 7:00 p.m. Traditional Candlelight Service with Choir, Handbells & Sermon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BATH TOWELS, in new or slightly used condition, needed for Tuesday morning shower program. Bring donations to the church office Tues – Fri, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

BRING RECYCLABLES (glass bottles, plastic bottles, and aluminum cans with CRV code only) on Sunday mornings. Funds raised are applied to our church's landscaping. Contact **Jane Huneke** at 707.889-6852.

NURSERY ATTENDANT paid position now open. Part-time Sunday mornings 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Childcare experience required. Contact **Tirza Dawn** at faithformation@uccseb.org / 707.823.2484.

THIS WEEK AT COMMUNITY CHURCH… November 15–22, 2026

Sunday **25th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

		Salt & Light Newsletter Deadline
	9:45 am	Nursery Care, Room 4
	10:00 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary & Online
	10:15 am	Wondering Circle, Room 6
	11:00 am	Kinship Time, Bell Tower Courtyard
	11:15 am	Church Chat, Chapel
		Intergenerational Gym, Memorial Hall
	5:00 pm	Confirmation Class, Youth Lounge
Monday	10:00 am	Prayer Shawls, Fireside Room
	4:00 pm	Health & Safety Team, Fireside Room
Tuesday	9:00 am	Grounds Team, Campus
	9:00 am	Shower Program, Memorial Hall
	3:30 pm	Finance Committee, Fireside Room
	4:00 pm	Handbell Ensemble, Sanctuary
	5:00 pm	Spiritual Exploration Group, Zoom
		Intercessory Prayer Group, Room 6
	5:30 pm	Faith In Action Team, Fireside Room
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Leadership Council, Media Room
Thursday	12:00 pm	Meditation Group, Room 6
	6:30 pm	Chancel Choir, Choir Room
Next Sunday		**REIGN OF CHRIST/CONFIRMATION SUNDAY**
	9:45 am	Nursery Care, Room 4
	10:00 am	Worship Service, Sanctuary & Online
	10:15 am	Wondering Circle, Room 6
	11:00 am	Reception for Confirmands, Bell Tower Courtyard
	12:15 pm	Personnel Committee, Fireside Room

FLOURISHING FORWARD CAMPAIGN

Our 2027 campaign supports our local ministry, wider mission, and includes calling a full-time Associate Minister, increasing staff compensation, enabling a Lead Minister sabbatical, and boosting our giving to Wider Mission.

# Pledges	Received	Goal	Balance
138	$447,661	$500,000	($52,339)

BULLETIN & WEEKLY EMAIL content due in digital form to **Joy Richards**, Congregational Administrator, at office@uccseb.org by Noon on Wednesdays. Salt & Light articles for the January edition due December 15.