

Sunday Services
9:00 and 11:00

Sunday School P-5th: 9 and 11

6th – 8th Grade: 9 am
9th – 12th Grade: 11 am
Adult Class: 10 – 11

Crew and Munchies
(Youth Fellowship)

Tuesdays 7 - 8:30pm

Patrick and Quinn Vaughn

March 20—Maundy Thursday
Dinner 6 pm & Service 7 pm

March 21—Good Friday Healing
Service with Joan Stock

March 23—Easter Sunday – Services
at 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00

March 30—A Look at Faith

April 4-6—Women's Retreat

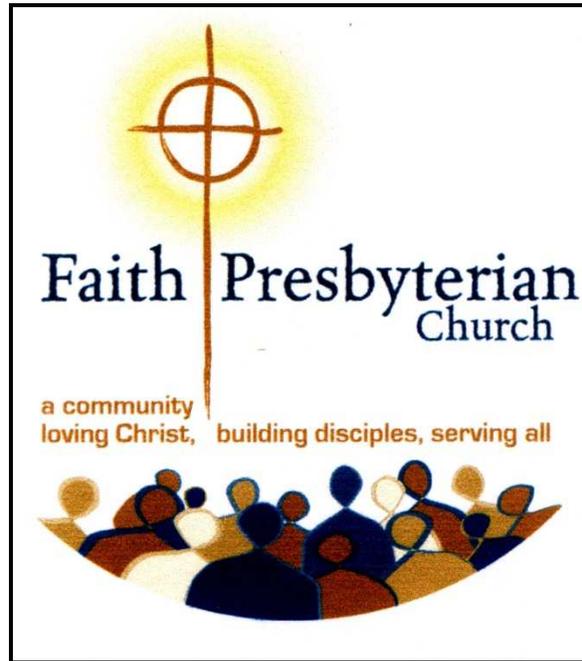
April 6—Broadway Playhouse
Performance –
"Hard Job Being God"

April 19-20—Compassion Weekend

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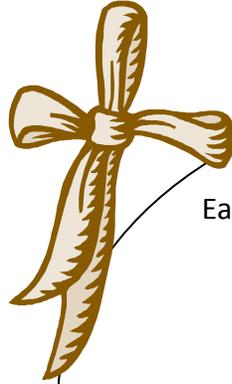
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March 23 is Easter!

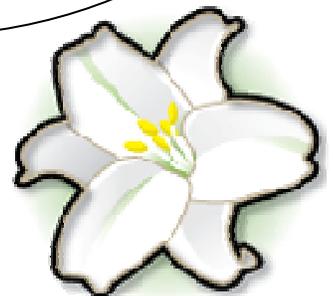
Invite a friend to one of the services!



Easter represents the reason for our faith –
Jesus has risen and is alive today!

Because of this we have new life and
salvation. What better opportunity to
share our faith than on this day? Come
with friends to celebrate at one or more of
our services this Sunday:

Sunrise Service at 7:00 AM
Regular services at 9:00 and 11:00



10th Annual Women of Faith Retreat!

April 4-6, 2008

Join us at the Diamond Arrow Christian Center in Nevada City for our annual retreat. Leaders Brenda Tapley and Sylvia Gregory will lead discussion on hanging on when nothing make sense.

Cost is \$140 with \$60 deposit due on Feb. 24. For more information call Laurie Richardson at 393-8106 and Ilah Turner at 428-8716.

FAMILY PROMISE

As you know our week for Family Promise is from 5:00 Sunday March 23 to 7:00a.m. March 30.

If you have questions about your role, please plan to attend a brief training session after second service on 3/23 in room 5.

On Sunday March 30 after second service there will be a "debriefing" meeting in room 5. If you have comments or questions about the week, we look forward to seeing you.

More Wheelchair Space

Arrangements have been made to have more wheelchair accessible areas available in the Sanctuary. For those in need of additional space for a wheelchair, please use the designated spaces at the back of the Sanctuary where seats have been removed. If you find there is or has been insufficient space, or have any concerns, please inform either the ushers or any of the pastors of your need.

Rick Crow, Worship Elder



Second Meeting on Faith's New Proposed Master Plan

The Building Committee is planning to hold a series of meetings to present and discuss the new updated proposed Master Plan for facilities at Faith Presbyterian Church. The proposal was presented to the Session at their November meeting and it was agreed that the proposal would be presented to the congregation for discussion before adoption. The second meeting will be held on Sunday, March 30, 2008. Our current Master Plan was adopted at the time our sanctuary was constructed and it is now time to take another look at future needs of our congregation.



Pastor Jim's Column

Pastor Jim Talks of Travel

Recently I talked to my daughter who is spending a semester in Spain and I was interested to see the kind of things she is noticing. One of the things that I found most disturbing was her observation about some of her fellow students, also Americans in Barcelona. What she saw was a lack of appreciation and openness to the host culture. In short – many students didn't care to know much about Spain and Spaniards, they were just there to have a good time.

In my own travels, I must confess that I have been guilty of this same attitude. No, I have never thought of myself as an “ugly American,” but have I made an effort to really appreciate a culture and its people? Have I tried to learn even a bit of the language? Have I embraced a few new customs and eaten some of the food? Have I met people as fellow citizens of this globe and not as people who are there to simply provide me with joy and adventure?



I am always excited to hear of people's travels. I am particularly thrilled when I hear of travelers not simply enjoying the history, shopping, museums, or natural wonders of a particular place, but when I hear tales of real encounter with people. What a privilege to be able to talk to a cab driver in Berlin, a farmer in an Egyptian village, or a shopkeeper in Costa Rica! How much we stand to learn from each other as we travel.

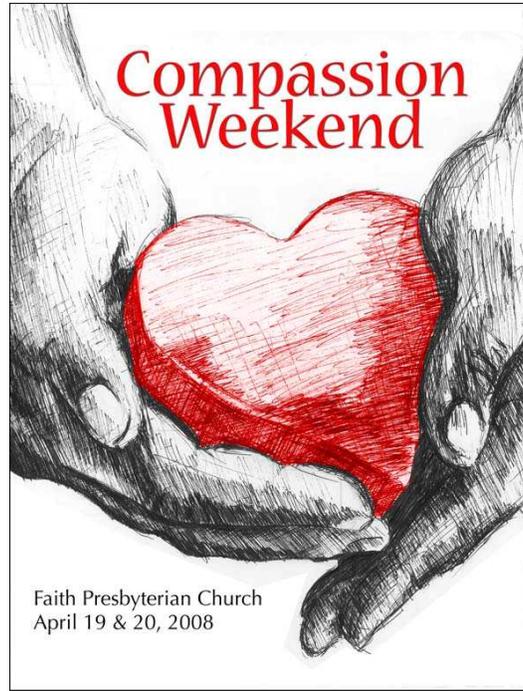
Rick Steves, travel writer and travel show producer has written, “Give a culture the benefit of your open mind.” Our own faith is a study in appreciation in cultural variety. Christianity sprang from the Jewish culture of Palestine, embraced and transformed the non-Jewish Roman world, found its way to Africa and Asia, empowered the nations of Europe for centuries, defined much of the American experience, and even now is blossoming in new ways in the East, Latin America, and Africa. If the God we know in Christ can make a home among people in all parts of the world, perhaps we can learn to be world citizens as well.

So whether you are traveling to Bakersfield or Barcelona this spring and summer – I wish you well on your travels. Whether you find yourself in Anaheim or Adis Ababa, I pray that the Spirit of Christ will travel with you and allow you to be a gracious and welcome guest at anyone's table.

Peace & Grace,
Jim

Sign Up for a Compassion Weekend Service Project

Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate in Compassion Weekend, April 19 and 20. Ask your family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers to join us in this awesome weekend of service to our community! Sign up at the church through April 6 or fax/mail your registration form from the website (www.faithpresby.org).



Project Focus: Rebuilding Together

Project Description:

Help refurbish a house adopted by Faith Presbyterian Church in a needy south Sacramento neighborhood. Rebuilding Together is the nation's largest volunteer home repair organization in the country. The Sacramento affiliate is dramatically changing neighborhoods and lives, helping people live independently in comfort and safety. Over 76,000 homes in the Sacramento area are considered substandard. Hundreds of seniors fall in their home each year. Rebuilding Together Sacramento is decreasing those statistics through home repairs and modifications performed by our community's volunteers.

Who is needed:

Anyone 16 years or older, both skilled and unskilled workers for interior painting, repairs, exterior painting, lawn care and planting. **We also need a Volunteer Coordinator to organize volunteers.**

What to bring/wear:

Comfortable clothing that you don't mind getting dirty.

Location:

7416 Troon Way, Sacramento. The owner has lived in this home for 36 years. She is active in the community as a volunteer and retired after 30 years working for the school district.

Date & Time of Project:

Saturday, 8 a.m.—5 p.m. (all day or half-day help needed)

Contact:

Project Leader John Brophy—John.brophy@sbcglobal.net, Jeff Brown [-Jeffroje@netscape.net](mailto:Jeffroje@netscape.net)

Project Focus: Mentoring Youth through Athletics and Games

Project Description:

This project centers on mentoring at-risk youth through the use of games and athletics. Assisted by the Seavey Circle Panthers non-profit organization, we'll set up a carnival with a three-legged race, water balloon toss, ring toss, three-point shooting contest, free throw contest, dunk contest, softball throw for distance and accuracy, and football toss through a tire. A volleyball court will be set up for game play. Mid-afternoon we will serve hot dogs, chili, and chips in the tutoring center. Prizes will be awarded throughout the day. Our goal is to offer at-risk youth an outreach for more productive activities by providing sports and fun activities and the discipline it takes to be successful.

Who is needed:

Volunteers will show up at the Seavey Circle Projects to help with set up/ breakdown of equipment and preparation of food and drinks. Volunteers will also help coordinate the activities during the day. This project is suitable for adults and junior/senior high school age kids.

Location:

Seavey Circle Public Housing south of Broadway off of Fifth Street

Date & Time of Project:

Sunday, noon – 4 p.m.

Contact: Project Leader John Noe Sactonoes@yahoo.com

Project Focus: Support William Land Elementary School

Project Description:

We will be planting flowers in planter boxes and sprucing up patio areas where the START after-school program is held for at-risk kids from the neighborhood.

Who is needed:

Volunteers age 12 and older

What to Bring/Wear:

Wear comfortable work clothes, work gloves, and a hat. Bring water.

Location(s):

William Land Elementary School, 2120 12th St.,
Sacramento

Date & Time of Project:

Saturday 9 a.m.—noon, 1 p.m.—4 p.m.

Contact:

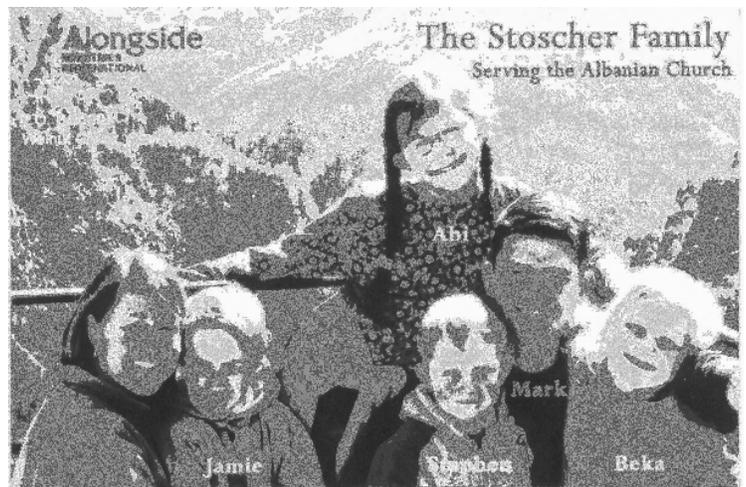
Project Leader Joyce Hathaway
Joyce@thehathaways.net



Albania Mission Described

On Sunday March 9th, the congregation heard an inspiring question and answer session between Pastor Jeff and his long time friend, Mark Stoscher. Mark has conducted mission efforts in the isolated country of Albania for several years. His wife and four children live there with him. Christianity had been ruthlessly suppressed under communist rule and Mark found only a few old men keeping it alive in secret.

Mark and his mission distributed the first Bibles the Albanians had ever had in their own language. The mission acquired a large warehouse which was used to house a summer camp for young people, modeled after Westminster woods. Mark challenged Faith Church to partner with a church in lands needing help in creating a healthy operation.



Presbyterian Women Meeting

P.W. will be meeting on March 26th Bible Study at 10:00 am. Lunch at 11:30 am Bring a sandwich.

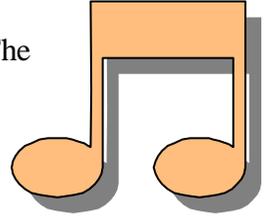
Our speaker will be from the California Office of Privacy Protection. Discussion will be on identity theft and other privacy related issues.

HARD JOB BEING GOD

Presented by the Broadway Playhouse to benefit **Family Promise**

Faith Church, April 6, at 2:30 PM: Straight out of the Old Testament, through the 60's and into the now for your families' enjoyment, come and see "Hard Job Being God"!

This is a contemporary musical sharing the age old human story of our relationship to God. The events and stories shared are familiar from the Hebrew Scriptures, but are told in reference to modern times. Here is God's plea to humankind to transform the evils in society that harm and destroy life. The human struggle today in urban society is much as it has been for thousands of years.



The cast of around 25 will present musical vignettes of Old Testament stories in the Bible. It begins with the story of God's hope for humanity. The theme "a celebration of peace, love and justice" is ever present throughout the production. The story of Moses, the conflict of Ruth, Joshua and the Walls of Jericho, and the Story of the prophet Amos take on a new relevance in a setting of today's urban setting.

Suggested donation, Adults, \$10.00, Kids, \$5.00.

Tickets sold after service for the next Sundays, or at the door. This promises to be a great afternoon of entertainment for the whole family, friends and neighbors. Call Tanya Anderson 442-5414 with questions.

Interested in Playing Softball?

Dust off those softball gloves and enjoy some fun and fellowship on the new Faith Softball team. We are getting a team together to play in a coed slow pitch "D" league on Wednesday evenings at Elk Grove Park. The season will begin June 4th and end August 6th.

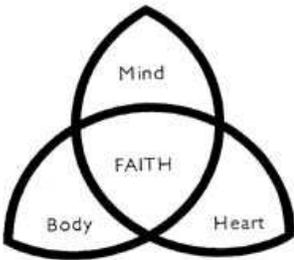
If you are interested in playing, please sign the roster in the Narthex beginning Sunday, March 23rd. Cost will be approximately \$35.00 per player. Players must be 18 years and older.

For questions or additional information, please call Shari Reyes 424-1557, or Pat Tatro 393-4734.



	March 23 Easter Sunday	March 30	April 6	April 13
Worship Service	9:00am	9:00am	9:00am	9:00am
Worship Assistant	Walt McDaniel	Kyle Carpenter	Vicky Chastain	Barbara Tracy
Ushers	Hal & Ilah Turner	John & Maria Rodriguez	Mary Nabers Marvette Swayzer	Donna Touros Dallas Love
Greeters	Jim & Betty Park	Ken & Patty Blomberg	David & Janet Leader	Mary Nabers Marvette Swayzer
Sound	David Nash	Don Sperling	Bill Baker	Don Sperling
Coffee Preparers	Pat & Kitty Tatro	Donna Touros	Jim and Betty Park	Jeff & DiAnne Brown
Acolytes	Isabel Chapman Jaclyn Mendoza	Katie Teixeira	Isabel Chapman Jaclyn Mendoza	Connor Hankey
Worship Service	11:00am	11:00am	11:00am	11:00am
Worship Assistant	Chuck Bell	Doug Johnson	Rebecca Westmore	Ruth Warner
Ushers	Roy & Vicky Chastain	Walt & Doran McDaniel	Dick & Betty McClure	Rick & Cynthia Crow
Greeters	Chuck & Hilde Tetlow	Melody Tactaquin Aaron Dahlstedt	Wayne Burkenshaw Alicia Harschfield	Bill & Dee Nicholas Jack Warren
Sound	Carroll Collier	Kevin Roberson	Joe Parente	Kevin Roberson
Coffee Servers	Dave & Teri Williamson	Margaret Finch	Bob & Georgianne Becker	Paul & Betty Keller
Tellers	Kitty Tatro Jarvis Arellano	Barbara Powell Marvette Swayzer	Helen Christenson Marilyn Becker	Bob Connett Dick McClure
Acolytes	Danielle Reyes	Maegan Reynolds	Maegan Reynolds	Danielle Reyes

PICK UP A BOOK, BULK UP YOUR BRAIN!

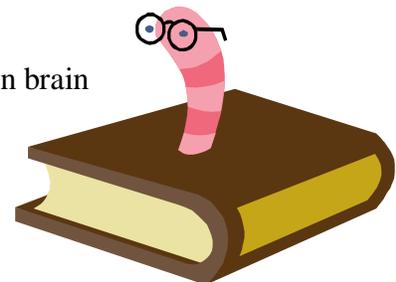


Don't deny yourself the luxury of curling up with that murder mystery, tragic tale, or sci-fi thriller this weekend. Consider it self-defense class for your brain.

Being a bookworm doesn't just make you smart. It makes you mentally tough. It builds up much cognitive reserve that bookworms' brains may be bolstered against bad things like pollution and toxins. On cognitive tests, book lovers out perform people with lower reading levels. No surprise there. But the big news is that people

who read regularly may develop "COGNITIVE RESERVE."

What does that mean? That they've got extra brainpower to keep the mind rolling when brain cells are under attack. In a study of factory workers the brains of the big readers functioned just fine on cognitive tasks, despite on the job exposure to toxic substance, like lead.



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