

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

July 1, 8, 15 & 22
Faith at the Movies

July 6 – 10
Vacation Bible School

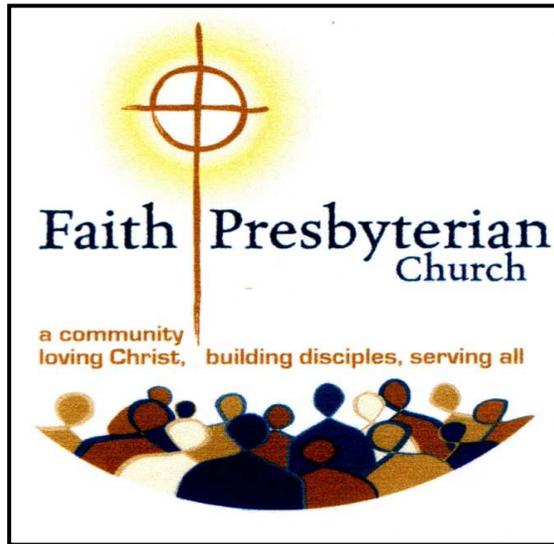
July 17
Conney Willis Celebration

July 23
College Age rafting trip

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Faith's Shuttle Bus Is a Great Way to Get to Church – and it Needs Riders!

Faith's Shuttle Bus has enabled people to attend Sunday worship who otherwise could not make it due to age or disability. But it is being under-used. Do not hesitate to call for a pick-up if you live in the Pocket Area and find it inconvenient to drive to church.

Let's make full use of this valuable resource. /the Shuttle Bus will pick up anywhere in the Pocket Area and deliver you in time for the 11:00AM Worship Service.

First Class Mail



Pastor Jim's Column



Friends: Our lives go through different stages. There are times in life when we have a great many responsibilities. We might be studying for a degree, raising children, getting established in a career, or working to provide some degree of financial security for our family. There are other times when we have a greater degree of freedom in our lives.

When I graduated from college, I felt that freedom quite profoundly. Instead of immediately running off to grad school or figuring out a career path, I looked for an opportunity to serve – not to make big money or even discover clarity in my life direction – but simply to serve God in some way I had never tried before. What I was given was the opportunity to teach English to high school boys in Egypt. I found this service opportunity through what was then called the “Volunteers in Mission” Program of the Presbyterian Church. This year of service (more than 30 years ago now) affected me so deeply that I still feel the effects of it in my life today. I learned what life is really like in a developing country. I experienced the pride that Egyptians have in their history and the faithfulness with which many practice their Muslim faith. I got to know those who were in the religious minority as Orthodox or Evangelical Christians. I experienced the frustration and disillusionment of any first year teacher. Part of how I live life today and the choices that have brought me to this point are deeply influenced by that time in Egypt.

I suspect many of you are at a time of some degree of freedom in your life. Maybe, as I described, you just graduated from college. Or maybe you are at a place after high school where college is not working for you and a career seems a little way off. You may not have much financial freedom but you have few family responsibilities and can choose how you will spend your time. Perhaps you have just retired from your career with energy and health and some financial security. *Have you considered finding a place or a way to serve God with a deep and intense commitment for a summer, a year, three years, or longer?*

I know that many of you have given yourselves in service to this congregation – but have you considered places of real need beyond the Pocket Area? On this shrinking planet, God’s people are called to many places and situations to serve in creative ways. Do you have some expertise to share? Are you willing to learn? Are you curious about how the body of Christ serves people in other parts of the city, the nation, the globe?

I am convinced many of us have far more freedom than we think. I believe that those of us in our early 20’s or who have just retired have an extra measure of freedom. Have you ever considered offering that freedom as a gift to God? The Presbyterian Church (USA) has opportunities for service for a few months, for a year, or for a lifetime. Other denominational service and mission organizations have similar possibilities. I have had friends who have worked around the world with the Mennonites, the Jesuits, and other groups who believe in doing God’s work in creative ways

Here are a few current listings just to whet your appetite:

Volunteer in Appalachia (Term: 4 weeks to one year): Build homes, visit the elderly, teach children, care for adults with developmental disabilities, walk with women overcoming domestic violence and substance abuse, and much more. (PCUSA)

Young Adult Volunteer in Northern Ireland (Term: One year): Serve as leader for youth fellowships and open youth clubs, assist with after-school tutoring and activities for children and youth, support activities aimed at long-term peacebuilding, occasionally volunteers spend a few hours a week working in local schools, teaching religious education or tutoring. (PCUSA)

Irrigation and Water Systems Engineer in Laos (Term: 3 years): work at the issue of clean water by working to develop appropriate water sources. (Mennonite Central Committee)

Early Education Trainer in Mozambique (Term: 3 years): Work on appropriate curriculum and training for the lay teachers, most of whom have limited formal education. Work with lay “teacher trainers” selected from the community, who then serve as a resource in training and monitoring for other teachers in their areas. . (Mennonite Central Committee)

Tutor/Library Class Teacher in Nicaragua: The library provides educational services and support to the children who attend classes and nutritional programs within the project, as well as to children from the broader community. (Jesuit Volunteer Corps)

Clinic Assistant in Milwaukee, WI: As a Clinic Assistant, the volunteer spends 50% of his/her time as a Medical Assistant getting patient histories and vital signs, doing lab work, taking blood, etc. She/he will also help in day-to-day operation of the clinic. (Jesuit Volunteer Corps)

There are hundreds (if not thousands) of these kinds of opportunities related to many Christian denominations. The time frames for service vary, you can serve anywhere on the globe, and whatever skills and gifts you have can be of use. We have seen individuals in our church take the kind of steps recently - Kim Char helped at an orphanage in Zambia called "Eagle's Wings" last summer and Jenny May will be doing the same this year.

So think about it. Are you at a transition point in your life? Do you have freedom, resources, and eagerness to explore new possibilities in service and faith? Are you willing to consider where God might call you next?

Peace & Grace to You,

Jim Zazzera

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Faith @ the Movies

This summer, would you like to spend an evening with a senior citizen's choir singing rock & roll music, a college professor who learns to play a hand drum from a young immigrant, an animated robot saving the planet, and a theologian who gave his life for his God? If so, plan on being at Faith Church for Wednesday evenings in July. We gather in the sanctuary at 7pm for the following movies:

July 1 – Young at Heart

Young@Heart is about a group of singing senior citizens as they prepare for and then perform a concert with a repertoire consisting of songs by the likes of Coldplay, Sonic Youth, and James Brown. Unexpected and joyful!

July 8 – The Visitor

The Visitor is a simmering drama about a college professor and recent widower who discovers a pair of homeless, illegal aliens living in his New York apartment. IN the process – the professor finds his own life renewed.

July 15 – Wall-e

After hundreds of lonely years of doing what he was built for, the curious and lovable Wall-E discovers a new purpose in life when he meets a sleek search robot named Eve. A great animation and a great story!

July 22 – Bonhoeffer: Agent of Grace

This movie sheds light on the little-known efforts of the German resistance. It brings to a wide audience the heroic rebellion of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a highly regarded Lutheran minister and theologian who could have kept his peace and saved his life on several occasions but instead paid the ultimate price for his beliefs.

Everyone is welcome, so come and enjoy some popcorn, a fun evening, and good fellowship!

Conney's Card Tournament

A fun, rollicking evening of spades, bunko, other games...to honor the 50th birthday of Conney Willis

Friday, July 17 7:00 pm to **** (whenever we get tired!) in Link Hall

Come One, Come All!

Following God to Personal Financial Freedom

A Course on How to Manage Our God-Given Resources In These Difficult Financial Times

What: A five-week course for individuals or families who fit at least one of the following:

- Desire to know what God says about money;
- Find themselves going deeper into debt;
- Spend more money than they make;
- Are concerned about job loss or income reduction;
- Want to take control of their finances;
- Want to prepare for the future; or
- Want to start out on the right track.

When: Tuesday evenings July 7th thru August 4th
From 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Where: Faith Presbyterian Church
625 Florin Road
Sacramento, CA 95831

Who: Hal Turner, CFO Jesuit High School
John Rodriguez, State Employee

Cost: \$20—includes class materials
(Scholarships Available on Request)

Sign-up: Simply fill out the registration form and either turn it into the church office or in the “big green box” at the Welcome Center on Sunday morning. **Space is limited!**

Following God to Personal Financial Freedom

Registration Form

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

_____ Please check here if you would like to receive a full or partial scholarship to this course

*Turn this form in to the church office or in the big green box in the Welcome Center on Sunday morning.
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What Are Those Elders Up to Now?

Highlights from June's Session Meeting

The following are some of the decisions which were made this month at Session (elder board) and some of the areas of ministry which were celebrated. We hope you share in the enthusiasm of Session in all that God is doing in our midst. As a reminder, Session meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 here at church. Unless otherwise determined, they are open meetings and church members are always encouraged to come listen in. We'll even share our snacks!

A Reminder that We Stand Together – One of our “unwritten rules” at Session is that when we, as a body, make a decision we speak our minds in dialogue, pray for God’s leading, make a decision, and then step forward in unity. It’s been important for us as a leadership team to individually support decisions that we personally may not have supported.

A Conversation With World Vision – Andy Smith, a representative from World Vision, was invited to speak to the Session about the possibility of further mission involvement with this international organization. Faith has a long history of partnership with World Vision through the 30-Hour Famine, Child Sponsorship and Care Kits (all World Vision ministries). Though no decisions were reached, we had a fruitful discussion about other possible areas of partnership.

Our Lay Ministry Team is Doing Phenomenal Work! – Tanya Anderson, Dwight Beattie, Steve Canaday, Nancy Hall, Sue Hooper, Ann Johnson, Bruce Kern, Andrew Krater, Courtney Turner are the Lay Ministry team members. On behalf of the team, Elder Sue Hooper shared with Session how they are working to help what they refer to as an “equipping church,” a congregation where all members are being helped to discover and utilize their gifts and passions for ministry. More to come!

Exciting Things Afoot in Our Children’s Ministry! – A focus report of the Children’s Ministry was provided by Elder Christine Mendoza to the Session. A highlight was a new program starting this summer called “GRAPPLE” for our pre-teens which is a web-based Bible study. Vacation Bible School planning is underway and VBS is already full for this summer. It was also reported that Melinda Lewis will be overseeing the planning of the children’s program at the Faith Family Fall Retreat.

If you ever have any questions for any of our elders, a complete list of names, areas of ministry, contact info, http://www.faithpresby.org/modules/fp_worship/files/files_4a495ef65476e.pdf and even photos can be found on our web page at http://www.faithpresby.org/modules/fp_faith/?tac=3



In and Around Faith Church

Our own Dallas Love is Reagent of The Sacramento DAR's. She is a native Californian and a graduate of Chico State, and a long-time member of Faith.

Need Help this Summer?

Ross Leader, son of David and Janet Leader, is home from college and looking for summer jobs. He'll mow and edge lawns, house sit, walk dogs, pet sit, be a private lifeguard for parties, and more. Contact him at 916-833-2018 or rleader@ucsd.edu!



May 31, 2009 Baptism Celebration

On May 31st, Pastor Jeff baptized 14 people from these families. Afterward, the congregation was invited to come forward in remembrance of their own baptisms.



The Foley Family



The Taranto Family



Kristen Gorden and Kaleigh

The Keasey Family



P.W. for Working Women

On Saturday June 6th P.W. meant in Link Hall. Our guest speaker was Quaint Brylski. In the picture below, she is showing Andeen Lovett and Kathy Healow how to use 'Walking Sticks'.



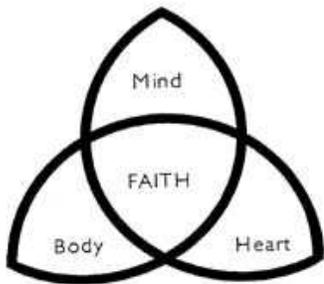
Nuggett Update! Nugget market has stopped it's Friendship Program for which we saved our Nugget receipts. They now use a script program which we have had no success with in the past, so *we will no longer be collecting Nugget receipts*. We would like to thank those of you who saved your receipts for us, they provided many camperships for the church.

We are applying for the Quality of Life program with Raleys/Bel Air Market and will provide you with information as we learn more about it. Thank you for your continued support, Marthe Sweet, Nugget Receipt Coordinator.

	July 5	July 12	July 19	July 26
Worship Service	9:00am	9:00am	9:00am	9:00am
Worship Assistant	Janet Leader	David Leader	Scott Peifer	Vicky Chastain
Ushers	Don & Jan Sperling	Bill Frye John Coupal	John & Maria Rodriguez	John & Sally Ravas
Greeters	Larry & Noreen Freund	Jim & Betty Park	Randy & Kathy Ramos	Jeff & DiAnne Brown
Sound	Bill Baker	Kevin Layborn	David Nash	Rick Hom
Coffee Preparers	Dave & Teri Williamson	Ann Johnson	Mike Hankey	Jeff & DiAnne Brown
Acolytes	Isabel Chapman	Noel Chapman	Jake Helmich	Katie Teixeira
Worship Service	11:00pm	11:00am	11:00am	11:00am
Worship Assistant	Doug Johnson	Claire Pisor	Kyle Carpenter	Greg Rapier
Ushers	Charlie Tucker Virginia Escalante	Brian & Alison Reynolds	Greg & Lori Rapier	Rick & Cynthia Crow
Greeters	Bob & Barbara Powell	Marlene Calbo Melodi Anderson	Virginia Escalante Julia King	Chuck & Hilde Tetlow
Sound	Joe Parente	Lauren Michelson	Ken Finch	Carroll Collier
Coffee Servers	Pat & Kitty Tatro	Tom & Julie Busch	Paul & Betty Keller	Jarvis & Glenda Arellano
Acolytes	Maegan Reynolds	Isabel Selling	Trevin Reynolds	Isabel Selling
Tellers	Helen Christenson Marilyn Becker	Bob Connett Dick McClure	Kiitty Tatro Jarvis Arellano	Jim Tracy Edwina Bush

Tuna and Eggs Keep Your Brain Big

As if wrinkles weren't bad enough, turns out our brains tend to shrivel as we age, too. Could eggs and tuna be the key to less shrinkage. Research makes it seem so. Why? Because both eggs and tuna are good sources of vitamin B12. And B12 may help keep brain atrophy in check.



Why Bigger Is Better...

Brain shrinkage is commonly seen in people with Alzheimer's Disease. More and more research points to a connection between cognitive function and B12 levels. So that may explain the connection with brain shrinkage.

MUSIC APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

After a wonderful display of our musical talents at both services on Sunday June 14th, the musicians at Faith Church were able to join together for a grand luncheon hosted by the Worship Committee. The weather was great as everyone ate and drank in merriment at the Crow's house.

We owe a big thanks to the Worship Committee for their planning and arranging the event (Jim Tracy, Barbara Brown, Rhonda Hankey, Audrey Sherfy, Jeri Michelson, Kathy Pehrson and Rick Crow) A special thanks go to Jeri Michelson for obtaining all the delicious food, her assistant Andrew Krater and Kristy Kampel (for helping with the invitations) and to these persons for helping set up and take down: Ken Pisor, Bob Johnson, Pat Tatro, Dick Dyer, Claire Pisor, and Gary Cash and others who jumped in and cleaned the area.



CRUNCHIES Summer CALENDAR 2009



All 6th – 12th graders invited

JULY

7/1 - Summer connections kick – off!

7/8 - Newbie night (bring friends who've never been before)

7/12 – 7/18- Summer camp @ Westminster woods

7/15- Movie Night (if you are not going to camp)

@ Pat Tatro's 7441 golden oak way 95831

7/22 - Earth ball night

7/29 - Rivercats game (\$7) be @ church by 6 pm

AUGUST

8/5 - African safari (Jenny will share about her mission trip to Africa)

8/12 - pool Olympics at the Shahbazian's

6660 Harmon Dr. 95831

8/19 - Mexican fiesta night

8/26 - Hoedown (ice cream sundaes & a pro line dance caller)



Youth Ministry Intern Position

Are you college age? Do you love Jesus Christ? Do you have a passion for others to know God's love? Have you thought about working with youth? If you answered yes to all of these then you should think about applying for the Youth Ministry Internship for the 2009-2010 school year. Talk to Pastor Patrick for more information. Applications are due by July 20th. pvaughn@faithpresby.org 916-428-3439 x 304

College (age) Rafting & Hiking Trip

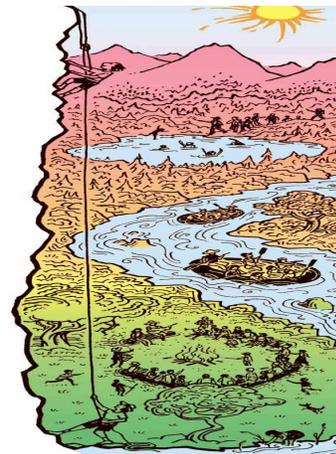
July 23 (evening depart) – 25th (evening return).

Only 15 spots. First come first serve. \$30 holds your spot.

*no backing out after June 30th!!

Total cost is \$75 (this is a great price)!!!

Talk to Pastor Quinn 916-428-3439 or qvaughn@faithpresby.org



The Family Promise Leadership Team would like to thank the many volunteers

who participated in this mission project during the week of June 14-21. We provided services to 3 families from our Sacramento community who are currently in need of support while they are experiencing life without a home to call their own. In addition we were able to take 4 of the guests to a local hair styling salon, Salon Arata, where owner, Jetti Pratt, and her co-worker, Karen Kostner, provided free hair cuts and styling. We want to thank these generous ladies for their professional services and Esther Chapman for making the arrangements.

The following persons volunteered their time to put their faith into action through Family Promise: **Team Leaders:** Jane Owen, Marthe Sweet and Debbie Barton. **Meal Preparation:** Dawn Vollmar, Kelly, John, Claire, Julia & Emily Latimer, Emily Potter, Shari & Natalie Reyes, Sam & Richard Matsunaga, Tanya & Bob Anderson, Audrey Sherfy, Vicky Chastain, Melodi Andersen, Sally Metcalf, Glenda Arellano, Sally Evey, Paul & Betty Keller, Pat Campbell, Marthe Sweet, Ruth Collier, Mary Nabors, Brenda Norris, Christina Akinsanya, John, Ann & Erica Noe, Dan, Christa & Justin Morris. **Fellowship:** Ellie Boyce, Doreen Dobbins, C.J., Amber, Rayne & Fayth Keasey, Ken & Carol Eichelman, Janet Leader, Terri Williamson, Pat Campbell, Jane Owen, Debbie Barton. **Sleep Over:** Marianne Jenkins, Michelle Sweeting, Glenda Arellano, Nancy Arkelian, Jeff, Isabel & Noel Chapman, Sally Evey, Jane Owen, Larry & Jo Thommen, Gary & Alyssa Cash, Allison, Brian, Maegan, Trevin, & Collin Reynolds. **Set Up:** Ken Finch, Matt Bailey, Jeff Brown. **Take Down:** Roy Bagby, Jim Tracy, Cathy & Dan Healow. **Laundry:** Jo & Larry Thommen, Erwina Bush, Andeen Lovett, Julia King, Ann Johnson. **Mattress Delivery:** Bob & Georgianne Becker. And last but not least, **our Shopper:** Glenda Arellano. We had 8 people volunteer for the first time this week, so if you have an interest in trying it out, check the bulletin board outside the office for information. Our next rotation is the week of September 20-27th. Thank you everyone for your support. Cynthia Crow & Sue Hooper.

Seniors Honored With Dinner

Saturday, May 16th, seventeen graduating seniors were honored by the Crew advisors with a specially prepared dinner. Cindy Canady prepared her delicious fettuccine Alfredo and Caesar salad, Pat Tatro barbequed chicken, Claire Leader provided fruit and cheese appetizers, Rudy Buehler brought desserts and Quinn and Patrick Vaughn provided the sodas.

The dinner was held in the Tatro's backyard, special thanks go out to Kitty for setting the tables beautifully. The Crew advisors have held a special dinner for the graduating seniors for the past ten years and present them with a very special secret gift. This year's group was the largest ever!

After dinner, Quinn showed a DVD that she and the college age group put together offering advice to the graduates. Then Cindy announced that she will once again be having a college age life group meeting at her house.

All in all it was a great evening of fun, food, fellowship and friendship.



FAITH'S LIST NEEDS YOUR PARTICIPATION

These are hard times for many members of our church. Some have lost jobs or had paychecks reduced through pay cuts or furloughs. Others are trying to be careful with their money, only purchasing what is absolutely necessary.

Luckily, Faith has a new feature on its web site that can help all of us save money and support one another. Faith's List is a site that allows members to post items they have available to give or loan, and other members to post items they need. For example, have you ever needed a tool for a short-term project that you really didn't want to buy – like maybe a tile cutter or a post digger. Have you ever wanted to clean your carpets but didn't want to spend the money to buy or rent a machine? Or maybe you have some items you really don't need, but you'd rather give away to someone you know. If you relate to any of these examples, get involved in Faith's List today.

Here's how!

To see items already on Faith's List:

You must sign up to access Faith's List. Simply go to www.faithpresby.org/user/php. Register under "user login." You'll receive an e-mail telling you how to activate your account. Wait a day, then log on to the same site with your user name and password.

Note: If you have difficulty registering, the problem may be your computer's firewall. Try using a different browser (Internet Explorer seems to work best), temporarily disable your firewall, or try registering on a different computer.

Once you are registered, you can access Faith's List under the "Our Community" tab on the Faith Presbyterian Church website (www.faithpresby.org).

To post items on Faith's List, or to remove a posted item:

E-mail your posting to Faithslist@faithpresby.org. Include your name and contact information (phone or e-mail). Please remember, all items must be offered for free, except for the "Seeking Employment" section.

Questions?

Contact DiAnne Brown, 395-6129 or Sierraskymktg@netscape.net

Please help us make Faith's List a success by posting your available items today. Together, we can make Faith Presbyterian Church a family that "shares all things in common" (Acts 2:44), especially during hard times like these.

