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OUR MISSION: To proclaim the message of Christ through joyful worship,
quality education and loving service.

NOVEMBER 2011

Annual Harvest Fest Dinner

Saturday, November 5, 2011

Social hour: 5 PM
Dinner : 5:45 PM
Tickets: Adults \$12
Seniors 65 & older \$10
Kids 6-12 \$5
Children 5 & under are free



Come and join us for some great German Food, wonderful music and fellowship.

We have a new event within the Raffle: We will be selling over 25 Special Balloon items for \$20 each and you are guaranteed a prize worth \$20 or more. Talk to Debbie Best, Samantha Christensen, Jacquie Smith, Jeanne Meyers or Cindy Ward for more details.

Calling all Shepherd of the Hills members – We need your help!
Harvest Fest needs volunteers. We will set up Friday night before Harvest Fest, so if you can help, please sign up on the poster in the Atrium.

Remember, this event is the
ONLY FUNDRAISER for 2012 VBS

The children of Vacaville (approx. 130) benefit from this exciting week of summer Christian Education activity provided by Shepherd of the Hills.



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Worship Schedule

Traditional Service
8:30AM
Contemporary Service
10:30 AM
Children's Faith Connection
(formerly Sunday School)
30 mins. during late worship

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE *by Pr. Bob Willse*

Dear Partners;

At our Steering Team retreat last month, we developed three goals for the coming year. One of them focuses our attention on living out our baptismal covenant: Empower members to grow in faith in their "walk with Jesus".

At baptism, parents make promises on behalf of their child(ren):

"to live with him/her among God's faithful people, bring him/her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him/her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in their hands the Holy Scriptures, and nurture him/her in faith and prayer, so that he/she may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace"

But they are not alone in this process. We also promise to support the baptized person and pray for him/her in their new life in Christ. As a congregation we provide opportunities for all baptized to grow in faith.

There is the Sunday morning Children's Faith Connection, Wednesday nights it's Faith and Fellowship for our young growing Christians. For two years, we provide a more concentrated learning with the Confirmation program. There is worship time for all of us as we gather around hearing God's word, the Bible, and sharing in the sacraments (Baptism and Communion).

We also have other opportunities to grow in our faith – Youth Groups, Small Groups, Grand Sweep, personal devotions, the Wednesday Night Adult Classes – to name just a few. The question really is: are you taking advantage of these growth moments?

Parents, do you have your child(ren) enrolled in our faith maturity classes? Adults, are you involved in any of the Bible studies or the faith maturity classes?

How are we – as baptized people of God – living out that baptismal covenant? While some are very active, I know that some of us are sitting on the side lines. Maybe we think we have "graduated" and no longer need to learn more about faith and God. I know that is not true. We are all students of faith, and our faith can continue to mature as we learn more and dedicate ourselves to that mission.

I will be curious to see how the Steering Team fleshes out this goal for us. I can see a couple of ways for us to be empowered to grow in our faith and walk with Jesus, and I hope that you will join me in this journey.

Remember, *Christians who rest, rust!* So says the sign over my father's desk, a reminder to him that he should work on his faith maturity – even in his 80's.

Shalom
Pastor Bob



Rust!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *by Laura Barton*

My head is spinning. When I look back over the month of October and everything that has been happening around here: the Women's Retreat, Steering Team Retreat, Dessert with the Steering Team, uplifting worship time, youth group events, the Pumpkin Patch, finalizing the Capital Appeals campaign, Epiphany Meal, "Undie Sunday", the Ten Commandments movie, education and small group opportunities, our first "Trunk or Treat" event, and Ed II undergoing major repairs. Whew! No wonder we are exhausted and looking forward to a wonderful Harvest Fest!

As I visit the Pumpkin Patch I am reminded of all the amazing people who make this project work. The volunteers have been stronger than ever this year, the sign people continue to do their perfectly choreographed moves, and the bakers have been supplying an endless supply for the students visiting the patch. GAS kids helped unload an extra load of pumpkins. People are doing tons of jobs behind the scenes daily. One of the original goals of this project 3 years ago was to help people in our congregation connect with each other. Every year I get to know more people in our midst and connect with people sharing their gifts. Thank you for opening yourself up to this project.

Okay, with all of those things happening it is no wonder that the new theme for this year in our church is "MINISTRY IS A VERB. . . STEP OFF THE HILL" Ministry is a verb and we are living it daily. God doesn't command us to believe and sit, He commands us to share His word and let His light shine through us. Sometimes we think His light just shines on Sunday, but it shines every day of our lives. Also, the Steering Team felt that it happens at church, but also in what we do off our campus, and how we send our selves out to make a difference. Look for more ways this theme will come alive at SOTH.

The Steering Team also developed our working goals for this year. First, continue to expand loving service in our community. The second goal, empower members to grow in faith and their "walk with Jesus". The final goal is campus care, develop a plan for projects and a funding plan. We've all got our work cut out for us. Look for more on the theme and goals in the months to come.

I look forward to seeing you in church for **joyful worship**.
Watch for opportunities to grow in **quality education**.
Lend a hand for **loving service**.



November 6 begins our payment period for our three-year *Keep the Hills Alive* campaign. If you have already begun making contributions, THANK YOU! If not then please do so. Please remember to note on your check or envelope that the contribution is for either "Keep the Hills Alive" or your "General Fund" offering. This will help the offering tellers and Gene Clark, our Financial Secretary, keep the money flowing in the correct channels.

Why not also try the Simply Giving method. This option will allow your offering(s) to come directly from your bank or credit union to the church account. All transactions are secure and Gene gets a printout of the designation of each offering. Simply Giving forms are available from Gene, Pastor Bob, or the church office. Join the 15-20 other members of Shepherd of the Hills who have been using this option for their stewardship.

TREASURER'S REPORT *by Bruce Smith, Treasurer 2011-2014*

The finance team, representing the congregation for the Steering Team, did not meet in September. We did discuss a couple of items through the month but no meeting was held. One item that came up was an error made by the counters in annotating who gave the particular offering. Offering was posted to the child's account and not the family account. This can be prevented when each giver uses their own numbered envelopes. Youth who want them are issued their own numbered envelopes. However, it does show that you all look at the quarterly giving statements sent out and do provide us feedback so we can correct errors in our accounting. Also, we are busy preparing for the receiving of the "Keep the Hills Alive" capital campaign offerings. We are making every attempt to correctly account for all contributions received over the course of this drive. As you can see by the numbers below we had a big expense month in September. Thanks to your giving we were able to pay all the bills, however; we still ended up with a negative figure as a balance. We are also working on an accounting system that will reserve monies contributed for specific functions or purposes, which will keep them separate from the general fund. Pray that we find a solution to this continuing dilemma. The insurance payment for ED II building repairs was received. Don Ward, Pastor Bob, Elliott and others are starting the repairs and hope to have them completed before the heavy rains come. Bless them all. The September financial reports are posted on the Steering Team Bulletin board in the Office hallway for your review. Our team consists of myself (Treasurer), Gene Clark (Financial Secretary), Esther Merkel (Bookkeeper), Joan Strader (Office Manager), Richard Barela (Congregational member), and Sue Gibbs (Congregational member). If you want to know about the church finances feel free to discuss it with any of us. We are there for you.

The numbers below represent where we ended the month of September and thru the fiscal year. The monthly accounting is not finished up until approximately the 10th of the month, so the reporting in the Horn articles is always for the previous month.

Financial Numbers:

Sept 11 Income	FYTD	% Of Budget	Sept 11 Expense	FYTD	% Of Budget	FYTD Balance
31,431.65	93,458.44	25.87 (\$363,009	33,107.38	94,801.96	26.15 (\$362,582)	\$-1,343.52

Loan Balances as of 30 Sept 2011;

1 st Mortgage Thrivent	\$444,946.01	(1,168.91 Principal/1,812.36 Interest payments made)
		(FYTD Reduction \$3,492.02)

American River Bank (AMR) Revolving

Building Loan	\$101,600.29	
Operational Advances	<u>\$ 69,331.21</u>	
Total AMR	\$170,931.50	(1000.00 Principal/538.81 Interest payments made)
		(FYTD Reduction \$ 2,690.00)

Total Loan Balances: \$622,059.26 as of 31 June 2011

Total Loan Balances: \$615,877.51 as of 30 Sept 2011 (FY Reduction: \$6,182.02)

In September we conducted the "Keep the Hills Alive" capital appeals campaign and by your pledges it was well received. Last total I'm aware of was approximately 220,000 pledged. Thank you for your vote of confidence that we will make every attempt use your contributions correctly. It is a huge vote of confidence in our abilities. The current AMR loan balance is due payment in full on 27 November 2011. The loan offer has been received and we will vote at a special congregational meeting on November 6th at 10 a.m. to approve the loan. Pastor Bob and Bob Popey are the leads for this capital appeals campaign. Contact them if you would like additional information in this area of need.

Thank you for your pledges, contributions, and offerings. They make the church and the work in our community possible. Our accounting does not have a surplus as you can see by the financial numbers, and the bills never stop coming in for our general expenses and our mission to assist the neighbors around us. Thank you again!



STEWARDSHIP TEAM *by Bob Popey*

This has been a busy fall for Shepherd of the Hills, and I have noted the generous Gifts from our congregation. We have supported the “Keep the Hills Alive” capital appeals campaign helping to set our finances on the right path, but I don’t want to talk about the third leg of Stewardship stool this month. The three legs are *Talent, Time and Treasure*, we have been focusing on treasure for some time since this is a grave concern.



But the Time and Talent legs have also been very healthy of late. The Kids from GAS have been helping at the Epiphany “Feeding the Hungry” Dinners along with our seasoned volunteers; what a great ministry to the Vacaville community this continues to be. Pumpkins On the Hill has been another great effort which supports our community, I volunteered for the first time and discovered that the time flew by, that there are bunch of great kids surrounding us, and that I had a lot of fun while helping out. Worship has been humming along, the choir has started up, the Worship team has continued to keep our Celebration Service energetic and full of meaning. There are so many other

Ministries I could talk about here; but there would be no room left in the horn, we are a busy and involved Congregation!

In reflection, I think I have found a common thing among the many activities that I’ve had the chance to participate in. I have found them to be **PERSONALLY REWARDING!** Things I had assumed would be drudgery surprised me and were anything but.

OK this article is about Stewardship so where’s the catch? Well Dan Buckley passed to me some information on participation in our Ministries. These were divided into five areas:

- ✦ Ministry Teams
- ✦ Education
- ✦ Small Groups
- ✦ Worship
- ✦ Service

Fifty-four per cent of us participate in 1 or no Ministry areas and 6% Participate in 5 categories.

Every one of these Ministry opportunities could use more people sharing their Time and Talents, Yes, you do give of yourself, but you will meet some new people and, frankly, I’ve found I get a lot more than I give.

Peace,

Bob Popey



SMALL GROUPS NEWS *by Small Group Leader Jacquie Smith*

Small Groups at Shepherd of the Hills are definitely busy this fall. There are all kinds of activities they are involved in, so be sure to check some of those things out, and if you can't find out what they are ask one of us: Gary Weaver, Jacquie Smith, Lou Barela and Barbara Buckley.

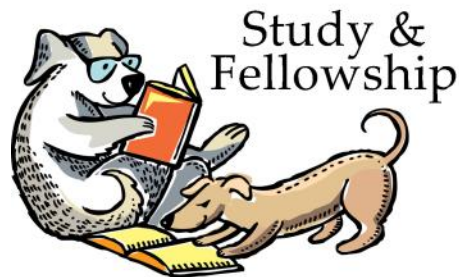
We have a new group, The "Care Callers" in the ranks of our Small Group family. Marilyn Weaver and Richard Barela are the leaders and they meet on the fourth Sunday of the month at 9:30 AM in the Ed II building. Just like all the other groups they practice the "open chair" policy. In other words, there is always room for visitors or new members. The group is ready to receive the names of people in our church family who may need a friendly and caring call. They have a box for these suggestions on one of the round tables in the atrium. Don't be shy, if you know of someone who needs a little caring conversation.



CARE CALLERS



On another note, we have finally been able to set the dates for our **new leader class**. Because the calendar is so full until the end of the year, we will not be able to offer the class until the **14th and 28th of January**. That gives you a little while to reflect on your opportunity to become a new leader. (And by the way, you do not have to lead a group right away, or even have a new group in mind) The class meets from 10 AM until about 3 PM, and lunch is provided. **Hope to see you there!!**



Here is a list of the current groups and their leaders, in case you are considering joining one of them.

- ✦ **White Water** – a bible study lead by Joan Strader and Jacquie Smith
- ✦ **HIS People** – a bible study lead by Gary Weaver and Bruce Smith
- ✦ **Women's Evening Bible Study** – a bible study lead by Joan Marquand-Willse & Ginny Kingsbury
- ✦ **Joy Book Club** – a reading group lead by Lou Barela and Jeanne Meyers
- ✦ **A Case for Hope** – a service group lead by Barbara Buckley and Kay Clark
- ✦ **Care Callers** – a service group lead by Marilyn Weaver and Richard Barela

Now you have the list and names of the leaders, I ask you to consider joining one of these groups. Each of them has an "open chair" policy, which means there is always room for a visitor or new member.



Worship and Music Team

READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 2011

November 6 – All Saints Day

Revelation 7:9-17
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12

November 23 – Thanksgiving Eve

Deuteronomy 8:7-18
2 Corinthians 9:6-15
Luke 17:11-19



November 13 -- Pentecost 25

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 25:14-30

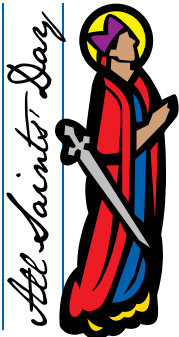
November 27 – Advent 1

Isaiah 64:1-9
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:24-37



November 20 – Christ the King Sunday

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Ephesians 1:15-23
Matthew 25:31-49



In November there are many “special” worship opportunities for us. The first comes on Sunday, November 6. We will celebrate *All Saints Sunday*, a time when we recall the lives of those we have loved who rest now in the arms of God. A new tradition began last year with our “Book of Remembrance” which will be on a table in the Atrium. The book will be open, awaiting names of those you would like to have named in the All Saints Day prayer. If you didn’t get a chance to add in the names of your choice, please call the office (448-8599) or email Pastor Bob (bob_willse@att.net) so he can include them in the prayer.

On November 20 we mark the end of the church year, with the festival of *Christ the King Sunday*. Our focus is drawn to Jesus coming again in glory as the King of kings and Lord of lords. The Church Year concludes as we celebrate the sovereignty of God in our lives, in history, and in the whole creation.



Then a new Church Year begins on November 27 with the *1st Sunday of Advent*, and we begin our preparation to celebrate the birth of Christ. In this new year we focus on the gospel of Mark.

ADULT EDUCATION OFFERINGS *by Pr. Bob Willse*

Wednesday Evening Adult Faith Formation Time

HOW LUTHERANS INTERPRET THE BIBLE -- October 26 – December 21



In this seven session video series, Dr. Mark Allan Powell, Lutheran pastor and Bible professor at Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus, Ohio, invites us to explore seven important questions about Lutherans and the Bible. He does not prescribe “the Lutheran way” to read the Bible nor does he dismiss the way you may have come to understand the Bible. Instead Dr. Powell presents a variety of Lutheran perspectives for interpreting the Bible. Through Dr. Powell’s rich discussions we will discover answers to questions we have always had about the Bible.

We meet in the “Big Room” at 6:05 p.m. for our learning time, but you are also invited to come at 5:30 p.m. to enjoy a simple meal beforehand.

MISSION TEAM *by Bill Pierce*



By the time you read this the Pumpkin Patch will be closed and wrapped up for the 3rd year.

We would like to take the time to say thank you to the incredible volunteers who make the Pumpkin Patch the success it is. Members are getting to know each other, we are reaching out to the community, and we are making money for our Mission programs.

Pumpkins on the Hill

The thank yous are many, as are the jobs—unloading, setting up, hauling hay, lining up classes, running field trips, working the patch, calling for volunteers, carving pumpkins, picking up pumpkins, making a corn maze, singing silly songs, counting money, reporting sales, cleaning up, hauling pumpkins away, making fliers and coupons, putting up signs, taking down signs, baking goodies, and baking more goodies. Thank you to each and everyone who helped out in some way or prayed for the success of the project. It takes a village to run a Pumpkin Patch!

Thank you!!! It is only successful because of your hard work. Full financial report will be in next month's Horn.

Bill Pierce and Laura Barton



NEWS FROM AROUND THE PARISH . . .

Wow, what a joy it has been to see all our “**Pumpkintees**”, those volunteers working in the Pumpkin Patch this season. From the “Great Pumpkin” singing to the kids as they come, to the host of greeters and helpers, to the sign crew leaving early and coming back late, there are so many of you who make this wonderful. It is good to hear the comments made by our visitors and how much they love this place. Three years, and the tradition continues to grow.



It was great to see former members **Eric & Louise Schmidt** in church a few weeks ago – even after they got the news of their last grandchild being born just before worship started. **Bob & Doryce Olsen** and **Gordon & Laurel Dean** were here the same weekend. To some it felt like a homecoming celebration.

Mike Barrett had more shoulder surgery, but even that didn’t keep him down for long. Two days after the work, he was back at Reserves Weekend just to keep an eye on things.



Chris Hiralez has a new job. He is head of security for The Chronicle. Just wondering how he is cooking up things down there in the “City.” Glad to hear of your new job and what a sweet deal it is – it even includes a free parking space.

Mike Golomb is back home after a couple of months living in Mexico working on his car restoration project. The time there was not completely uneventful; **Kris** went to visit him and got stuck in the San Diego airport when power went out through much of Southern California and Mexico back in September. Instead of waiting and flying home, her crew rented a car and drove home.



Courtney Barton is performing well in her acting class in Sacramento. Ah, another budding star is in our midst. Speaking of stars, we understand that **Kenny Bakken** is wowing them at the W.C. Wood stage production of *Everything I Needed to Know, I Learned in Kindergarten*. And then soon it will be *The Madrigals* and many of our stars – young and old – will be on display.

Our hospital list keeps getting longer. **Leslie Smith** made an appearance on it last month. Check out her blog at www.myvideowebshow.com/show/leslies-breast-cancer-journey. A powerful and wonderful testimony as she kicks cancer. **Aiden Lanting** spent a day in the hospital as he had a second cochlear implant a few days ago. Trooper that he is, he was in and out of the hospital in about 5 hours. He looks mighty dandy in that head covering.



It is great to have **Tracy Popey** back safe and sound after her recent deployment. We continue to offer our prayers for safe return of our other military members – Brian, Jill, Chris, Aaron, B.J., and Jessica.

Big thanks to **Don Ward** for all his work getting the ED II building back in shape. Last year’s rains really did lots of damage – rotting out some of the siding and fascia boards. All was replaced, and the whole building painted. The roof was resealed as well. His work also meant taking out the air conditioner/heater and then putting it back in. Thankfully the strong arms (and backs) of **Steve Bakken**, **Elliott Smith**, and **Jim Webb** were involved.



OUTREACH TEAM *by June Dorsey*

WOW! Another successful “Pumpkins on the Hill” is now history. Everything went quite well despite a few bumps along the way. What a joy it is to watch the students from Fairmont and Padan Schools enjoy their visit to the “Patch.” Kudos to Bill, Laura and their many volunteers for a job well done.



THANKS FOR
A JOB
WELL DONE!



Merriment on

Now it's time to store away those “Pumpkin” signs and start planning for “Merriment on Main.” So mark your calendars for the evening of November 29th. The first item on our list is the call for helpers to assist in setting up, staffing the booth during the event and tearing down the same evening. There will be a need for lots of cookies and candy

Main--November 29 canes. A sign-up sheet will be available in the Atrium after Harvest Fest.

We are still in need of school volunteers during the week and Greeters for Sunday morning worship. If you are interested, please contact one of the members of the Outreach Team; Mary Meese, Joan Marquand-Willse, Gary Craig, Tim Forsyth, Don Ward, Dave Cushing, or June Dorsey.



YOUTH DIRECTOR NEWS *by Elliott Smith*

The Pumpkins are here! Wait no they're gone...the turkeys are coming!! Wow, here we are, another fall, another November. October seemed insane for everyone, and it was pretty busy for youth. We had plays and lock-ins, the normal after school fun and some Tuesday Game-Nights, Pumpkin Delivery and the Dinner & A Movie...who knew kids today could sit through four straight hours of Charlton Heston? The ice cream break was an important factor I suspect. But what's coming up you ask? Well, let's take a look:



SHY continues to meet every Sunday evening in the SHY building, doors open at 6 pm for snacks and hanging out, games and message kick-off at 7 pm and go until 8:30 pm.



After-School SHY on Mondays is still happening every week as well; doors open at 3 pm for fellowship, music, games, hanging out, and believe it or not, we even get a bit of homework done too. The doors close on After-School SHY at 6 pm.

As far as special events, we don't have a lot coming up this month, although we're all looking ahead towards Merriment on Main, November 29th, the Tuesday after Thanksgiving. There will also be **no SHY, nor After-School SHY, on November 20th & 21st**, the Sunday and Monday preceding Thanksgiving. If you're in high school, come out and make some new friends! We don't bite. Hard.

GAS AND CONFIRMATION NEWS *by Elliott Smith*



Our church has GAS! Yep, we have God's All Stars, kids in grades 6-8 who meet on Sunday evenings for fun, food, fellowship, games and silliness. Yep, we all have GAS together!!

The GAS group enjoyed a movie night, *Soul Surfer*, with popcorn, we served the hungry at Epiphany, hung out at the Pumpkin Patch and had a fun Halloween party. If you are in grades 6-8 and missed these events, we missed you!! Do join us for lots of GAS fun!

Our schedule for November is:

- ✦ November 6, Sunday: Meet at church from 7-8:30. Doors open at 6:30
- ✦ November 11, Friday: Meet at Epiphany Church to serve the Hungry, 4:00-6:30
- ✦ November 20, Sunday: Meet at church from 7-8:30. Doors open at 6:30
- ✦ November 27, Sunday: Meet at church from 7-8:30. Doors open at 6:30

Watch the bulletin for more updates!

The seventh and eighth grade Confirmation class just finished a huge ten week study on the Ten Commandments, and I have to say I don't think they're any the worse for wear for it! There's been great participation and some excellent dialogue from all students, it's been really fun and exciting for me personally. We'll be taking a closer look at "Worship" this month, what that means and how we can do that. Be jealous!



YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM NEWS *by Martha Pierce*

The Youth Team is seeking Volunteers to work with youth in grades 6-8. If you would like to have GAS with some amazing kids, let us know. We are actively praying for God to quicken the hearts of those who He has gifted to work with our Youth. If you feel your heart beating hard right now, then God may be calling you!

In Peace,
Your Youth Team

Martha Pierce, Rick Barton, Jen Krause, Elliott Smith, Bob Popey, Tamara Downs, Andi Hiralez, Carla Jensen, Nathan Christensen



PRESCHOOL NEWS *by Kathy Webb, Director*



As fall approaches we begin to feel the change in the weather as well as seeing the changes in our trees. We also start to think about the holidays and how our busy lives will become busier. We, here at preschool, will be focusing on fall and Thanksgiving. We will talk about our families and the change in the weather.

We will also do some cooking this month. We will learn to stir, pour, and measure different substances as well as taste different kinds of food that we will make. We will end the month with a Thanksgiving feast that will be prepared and served by our parents. We will give thanks for the many blessings God has given to each one of us each and every day.



Thanksgiving



Our fund raising efforts are going well. In September we had our Mary's Pizza Shack and Cultive night out and we made \$303, as well as our open house ice cream social. In October our dinner night out was at Chevy's and we had our annual cookie dough fundraiser. We will post the amounts raised in the December newsletter. The money raised is being used to pay for maintenance on the building as well as the playground.



MY OWN PUMPKIN



Also in October, we went on a field trip to the pumpkin patch. Each one of the children was able to pick out and purchase their very own pumpkin. We had a great time looking at all the different sizes and shapes of pumpkins and dressing the scarecrows. Thank you, Shepherd of the Hills, for having the wonderful pumpkin patch in our own back yard. We love it!

The preschool will be closed the whole week of Thanksgiving so that the staff can spend time with their families. We wish everyone a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

RANCHO SANTA MARTA CHRISTMAS PROJECT: Deadline firm! Dec. 4

Each year, members and friends of Shepherd of the Hills purchase Christmas gifts for orphans at Rancho Santa Marta in Mexico. We shop for the child(ren) whose name(s) we have selected and bring the wrapped gifts to church, (by December 4th) where they are packed for UPS to pick up in time to be delivered by Christmas.

Mary Markiewitz has received a list of children as always. They are asking for donations for the young adults that live there, approx 12. Make check to Bethesda Teaching Ministry, 8000 Shir Mar Place El Cajon, CA 92021. Please label the check "Young Adult Christmas Fund", we can collect the checks on Sundays and mail them together.

For the younger female children general gift ideas: Crafts, Dolls, girl's backpacks with one strap, nail polish, perfumes, CD Spanish music, Doll Dishes.

For the young boys: Table games, marbles, cars, models, airplanes, and balls.

I will need volunteers for Nov 13th, 20th, and 27th to sit at the table. Please send an e-mail Maress102@aol.com or leave message 451-1820.



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

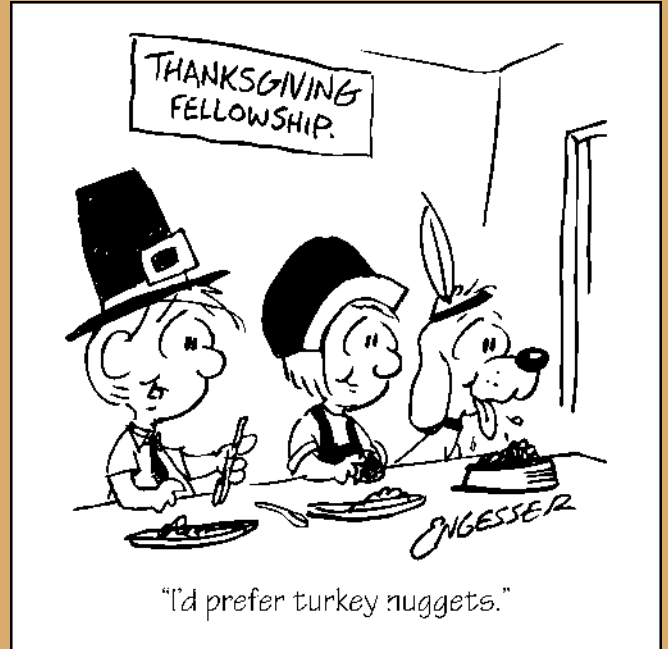
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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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 04 Gary Elliott
 05 Janet Bunger, Alexandria Swanson
 07 Katie and Megan Corey
 09 Tori Best, Travis Allas
 12 Jim Webb
 13 Tim Forsyth
 16 Joan Best
 19 Joan Chevalier
 21 Marge Austin
 22 Cindy Ward, Adam Clarke
 25 Sarah Elliott

If we have missed your celebration, we apologize. Please let us know by contacting the church office by email: sob580@sbcglobal.net or by telephone at 448-8599.



CALLING ALL KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS



We are creating scarves to distribute to the homeless this winter. Hats and gloves would also be welcome. They will be distributed through Epiphany and possibly other venues.

The guidelines for scarves are:

- ♥ 5-7 inches wide
- ♥ 5-6 feet long



Wool and acrylic yarns are preferred over cotton; it is not as warm and is slow to dry.

Dark colors are preferred over white or beige, which show more dirt. As you complete them, you can pass them on to Cindy Allas.



SOCIAL CONCERNS

O LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER . . .

We remember the following persons in our prayers. If you have a prayer request, please call the church office (448-8599) and you will be put on our prayer chain. If your need is over and you no longer wish to be on the prayer chain, please let us know that as well.

. . . those asking for our prayers (unless otherwise requested, names will normally appear here for a month):

. . . *Elvin Amundson; Greg Gomez; Jack Kelch; Leslie Smith; and anyone undergoing medical tests or treatment or suffering loss; and*

. . . those members of our armed forces deployed for operations overseas—especially Shepherd of the Hills extended family members, , *Terry Abner's son Aaron and Bill and Martha Pierce's son-in-law Brian; Elliot Smith's sister Jessica; Don & Cindy Ward's son-in-law BJ; and Penny Terry's nephew Chris.* Please let the church office know if someone from your family is called up or deployed, or has returned home, and we will include them in our prayers each week.



SAVE THE DATE AND REGISTER: 'All About Teens!' Skin Care Techniques just for You!

Please come join us for a fun-filled morning learning how to care for your skin the correct way! For Tweens to early Twenties, come with your parents, if you like, and learn what skin type you are and how to take care of your skin properly. From *Oily to Dry to Acne*, we'll cover it all! All participants will actually be doing a facial and sampling the skin care products right there to really learn, hands on, the techniques to keep your skin healthy. The skin care class will feature Mary Kay products and be hosted by Joan Marquand-Willse and Carla Jensen, and be taught by Carla Jensen, Independent Beauty Consultant with Mary Kay.



Saturday November 12th 9:30am-11am in Ed II

Cost is \$3 each-- cost includes samples, mirror and a goodie bag, and a reserved spot! Invite your friends, the more the merrier!!

Sign-up sheet will be in the Atrium of the church, Sign up by Oct 28th

Contact Carla if you have any questions, 530-521-5600 cmjensen@marykay.com If there is interest: There will be a follow-up class with simple age-appropriate make-up techniques.

WOMEN'S MORNING CIRCLE

The Women's Morning Bible Study Group meets at church every 2nd Tuesday at 9:30 AM. Please contact Ari Krass (448-1482) or Wilma Rasmussen (447-9072) for more information.

THE LUNCH BUNCH

This group meets the third Monday of each month at 11:30 AM at various Vacaville restaurants. All adults are welcome to join for fellowship. For information, please call Ari Krass (448-1482). Watch bulletins for location announcements.

THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

They meet each third Thursday at 1:00 PM at Wilma Rasmussen's house. They welcome newcomers who like to knit or crochet. Next Meeting: September 15th.



First Class Postage

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The Horn



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Traditional Sunday Worship service 8:30 AM

Contemporary Sunday Service 10:30 AM

Children's Faith Connection 20 mins. during late service

(Nursery care provided)

