

The Shepherd's Staff

Community Presbyterian Church
Cathedral City, California
November 2013



January 2014



The annual meeting will be held on Sunday, January 26, 2014. Doug Bridges has agreed to bring his grill and cook pancakes and sausage beginning at 9:30 am that morning. So, come for breakfast beginning at 9:30 and then attend the meeting at 10 am.

As mentioned in a letter from the Session in December, we want to take time at this meeting to allow all members to comment on the direction the church is taking. Once the annual meeting is complete, we will celebrate the past year with an abbreviated worship service, praising God for all God has led us to do this past year.

We look forward to seeing you and hearing from you at the annual meeting.

At the first worship service of 2014 at Community Presbyterian our service closed with a song entitled, **Another Year is Dawning**. The poem by Frances R. Havergal was set to music by Samuel S. Wesley. Frances wrote this poem (and several like it) because she considered every New Year's Day an opportunity to rededicate her life to Christ. This poem was written as a prayer for the beginning of 1874. Frances had the poem printed as a greeting card she sent to her friends – a new year's greeting card. In the poem she takes time to thank God for the past year and looks forward to the coming year. Take a moment and read the words carefully. They are as applicable today in 2014 as they were in 1874.

*Another year is dawning; Dear Father, let it be, in working or in waiting, another year
with Thee.*

*Another year of progress, Another year of Praise, Another year of proving Thy pres-
ence all the days.*

*Another year of mercies, Of faithfulness and grace; Another year of gladness In the
shining of Thy face;*

*Another year of leaning Upon Thy loving breast; Another year of trusting, of quiet,
happy rest.*

*Another year of service, Of witness for Thy love; Another year of training For holier
work above.*

*Another year is dawning: Dear Father, let it be, On earth or else in heaven, Another
year for Thee.*

May God richly bless you in 2014! And may 2014 be “another year for Thee.”

Pastor Lee

JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2014 SPECIAL DATES



Sunday, January 19
 Sunday, January 26
 Wednesday, January 29
 Sunday, February 2
 Saturday, February 15
 Saturday, February 22
 Wednesday, February 26

Special Guest Speaker Rene Myers
 Annual Meeting
 Family Night
 Potluck
 Story Time
 Spaghetti Dinner
 Family Night

Proposed 2014 Budget

2014 Account #	EXPENSE		
210	Salary - Lee	\$	-
211	Salary - Esther	\$	12,000.00
212	Pulpit	\$	300.00
213	Housing - Lee	\$	24,000.00
214A	Housing - Esther	\$	6,000.00
215	Study Allowance - Lee	\$	600.00
215A	Study Allowance - Esther	\$	600.00
217	Mileage - Lee	\$	2,000.00
217A	Mileage - Esther	\$	200.00
218	Business Expense - Lee	\$	500.00
218A	Business Expense - Esther	\$	200.00
219	Health Insurance - Lee	\$	9,660.00
220	Retirement - Lee	\$	2,640.00
221	Death & Disability	\$	240.00
310	Music Director	\$	5,400.00
311	Organist	\$	5,200.00
312	Worship Supplies	\$	300.00
314	Guest Music	\$	500.00
315	Piano/Organ Upkeep	\$	250.00
416	Christian Ed		
416A	Sunday School	\$	200.00
416B	Storytime	\$	500.00
416C	Waterfest	\$	1,000.00
416E	VBS	\$	500.00
417	Babysitter Expense	\$	720.00
507	Landscaping	\$	6,100.00
507A	Repairs	\$	400.00
507B	Supplies	\$	400.00
510	Janitorial contract	\$	6,400.00
510A	Janitorial supplies	\$	500.00
511	Kitchen supplies	\$	300.00

includes books

Based on \$42000 min.

Based on \$24K salary

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512	Sewer Taxes	\$	3,200.00
513	Telephone/internet	\$	2,200.00
514	Electricity	\$	11,000.00
515	Water	\$	5,500.00
516	Liabilty Insurance	\$	2,500.00
517	Worker's Comp	\$	3,000.00
518	Exterminator	\$	500.00
519	Building Maintenance	\$	1,000.00
610	Admin Fees	\$	7,200.00
611	Office Expense	\$	2,000.00
614	Advertizing	\$	1,000.00
615	Bank Charges	\$	50.00
616	Postage	\$	600.00
619	State & Gov. Fees	\$	100.00
620	Office Equip. Maint.	\$	200.00
710	One Great Hour of Sharing		
711	Mission contribution	\$	500.00
712	Per Capita	\$	500.00

\$ 128,660.00

PRAYER REQUESTS

Lord, make us mindful of your power and your glory as we pray for those in need. Our Service Men & Women, Our Country & Our President Pray for our Church at 12:00 noon daily

Death of a Loved One

Comfort and peace for the families missing loved ones
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Raymond – Patty's cousin
 Britney Olson's grandmother

Recovery

Brandon – LaVida's grandson – unknown infection
Kay – intense pain
Carol's brother – heart issues
 Aiden – foot surgery
 Nathan – shoulder replacement
 Danny Bodadilla – 2 years old, recovering from open heart surgery
 Sonja – recovering from surgery
 Aunt Pat – recovering from surgery
 Evelyn's daughter Jan – heart surgery

Continuing Health Concerns

Abby – needs liver transplant
 Joan Dowd – Alzheimer
 Aggie – needs a liver transplant
 Shemko
 Rena Rodman
 Patty Valdez, Matt & Ann Matheson, Charlton, Alexis, Mary, Julee, Ed
 - Friends and Family suffering with cancer:
 Francis, Paula, Phyllis, Father Isaac, Aaron, Tom, Ben, Ray, Jon, Lynn, Stacy, Reggie, Barnie, Kathy,
 Dale, Sammy, Neal, Cathy, Paula, Scott, Arvid, Kathy, Pat, Scott, Kathy, Anna Marie, Darrell, Jim,
 Norman Larsen, Ray, Lisa, Brian, Gaylen, Willard, Pat, Ruthie, Bob

JANUARY 2014 Prayer Calendar

Please pray for each individual on the date listed

1) Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11
Righteousness and praise flourish
Sandy Rayner

2) 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
Kept in faith until the coming of Christ
Rena Rodman

3) Psalm 126
God does great things for us
Bill & Kay Sachs

4) Ephesians 6:10-17
The armor of God against the powers
Esther Shin

5) Acts 3:17-4:4
Peter preaches about the prophets
Larry & Cecile Shoot

6) Mark 9:9-13
Questions about Elijah
Marge Stahl

7) 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16
God's promise to David
Dorothy Susdorf

8) **John 1:6-8, 19-28**
Second Sunday of Advent
Ervin Syfert

9) Romans 16:25-27
The mystery revealed in Jesus Christ
Patty Valdez

10) Luke 1:46b-55
The Mighty One raises the lowly
Ray & Greta Venter

11) 1 Samuel 1:1-18
Hannah is promised a child
LaVida Warren

12) 1 Samuel 1:19-28
Hannah presents Samuel to God
Noel White

13) Mark 11:1-11
Jesus enters Jerusalem
Evelyn Woods

14) Isaiah 9:2-7
A child is born for us
Beth Alfred

15) **Luke 1:26-38**
Third Sunday of Advent
Martha Anderson

16) Titus 2:11-14
The grace of God has appeared
Jean Angus

17) Isaiah 62:6-12
God comes to restore the people
Peggy Bakke

18) Psalm 97
Light springs up for the righteous
Bob & Barbara Barrett

19) Titus 3:4-7
Saved through water and the Spirit
Alma Boney

20) Luke 2:1-7) 8-20
The birth of the Messiah revealed to shepherds
Doug Bridges

21) John 1:1-14
The Word become flesh
JW & LaDell Brown

22) **Psalm 96**
4th Sunday of Advent
Brown Family

23) Psalm 148
God's splendor is over earth and heaven
Julee Collins

24) Psalm 29
God's voice upon the waters
David & Opal Eason

25) **Luke 2:1-14 (15-20)**
Christmas Day
Carol Frances

26) Genesis 28:10-22
Jacob's ladder
Rebeca Franz

27) Exodus 3:1-5
The burning bush
Dick Gampert

28) Joshua 1:1-9
Be strong
Murray Gibbard & Dell Morgan

29) John 1:10-18
1st Sunday after Christmas
Art & Karin Grice

30) Matthew 2:1-12
Epiphany of the Lord
Marti Haas

31) Acts 10:34-43
Jesus' ministry after his baptism
Butch & Eloise Haltman

Story Time and the Children's Garden has a new name - God's Backyard Ministry!

In God's backyard our little garden is busy growing tomatoes, kale, bell peppers, snap peas, broccoli, and cauliflower, in the raised beds, although some were damaged by the severe cold, they are starting to come back. As Ryan and I were watering after Church on Sunday, he said to me "I think we'll be able to make a salad for next month's potluck"! You're right, Ryan, I think we just might be able to! Have Faith! And we'll see as the month progresses.

The week before, Adam & I planted a few Morning Glory seeds along the fence and stuck a few in the bottle planters on the fence. Well, lo and behold as we watered today we noticed they are already poking their pretty little green heads up out of the ground and will soon be climbing up the fence and trailing down out of the bottle planters and then we will be graced with those beautiful purple glories.

Our little story timers planted Star flower bulbs around the giant Heart between the boots & shoes at our last meeting. And yes, John Peck and Pastor Lee, we did plant flowers in the shoes you donated. Thank you both. We still have room for more boots or work shoes, which seem to work best, only because they are deeper and hold more mulch so the roots have room to spread out. As the weather warms up we should have a beautiful flowering spring and a bountiful vegetable harvest!

I want to thank those of you who watered and watched over the garden while I was gone for the holidays. Job well done! After a busy holiday season, Story time now AKA "God's Backyard Ministry" is taking the month of January off. We'll resume our activities once again on February 15th.

As the garden grows and our days get longer when it stays lighter longer, we hope to invite parents, children, neighbors and the congregation to some musical fellowship gatherings in our actual "God's Backyard". Something to look forward to! :)

In the meantime, our 1st Family Night is in the planning stage. We've settled on the last Wednesday of each month, so **January 29th at 6:30** will be the first, to be held in fellowship hall. So mark your calendars to look forward to an exciting evening of Fun, "Getting to Know You" with Music, coffee, cookies and juice. A Sing-a long sing session!

Mark your calendars, also, for a Special event to help raise money to send our Cove Kids to Summer Camp once again. **February 22** is the date! Our fellowship hall will be transformed into a cozy Italian Restaurant complete with red & white table cloths and wine bottle Candles. Our Cove Kids and Backyard Staff will cook and serve a Spaghetti Dinner with all the Italian trimmings. Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Submitted by Peggy Bakke,
Chairman of the Children's Garden in God's Backyard

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Who We Are



serve our risen Lord.

We are a church family who care for each other and all of God's people. We celebrate worship each Sunday, thanking and praising God for the wonderful gifts generously given to us. We then go out into the world to share God's love with all we meet. We are strengthened for service and outreach through small group outreach activities and weekly Bible study. All are welcome to join us as we seek to glorify and