



# Presbeat

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## *"It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year"*

August is the most wonderful time of the year-for parents. School is back in session in the middle of the month and at the beginning of the month we're having Vacation Bible School at the church.

One of the many things I love about this congregation is the passion you have for reaching out to the children of our community with the Good News that Jesus loves kids. During the first week of August the doors of the church will be opened wide to welcome children. When they come, your arms are opened wide to embrace them. And while they're here, your hearts are opened wide to love them.



But this is nothing new. You are passionate for children all year long. You never turn them away. You never say that there's no room for them in worship. You never refuse to teach them during their mid-week and Sunday morning programs. You never tell them to eat vegetables during the coffee hour.

I can't wait for Vacation Bible School to start. Last year I prayed with kids who asked Jesus to be their Lord and Savior and I'm looking forward to seeing how God will be pouring out His love on them this year. If you want to be a part of this great work of God, please contact Pastor Kelsey.

Thank you for loving the children of our community!

In Christ, *Pastor David*

*Our pastors are thankful to be serving our congregation, not only in worship but even more so in relationships. They also need their private space, as we all do. If you have church related business to discuss with them, we prefer you do not drop by their homes unannounced in order to do so. They are always available by phone or email for visits, appointments and emergencies, and their schedules are flexible. Their contact info is above. Thank you!*

# MISSIONS

## Welcoming back Brent Vernon!!

Singer, songwriter and ventriloquist Brent Vernon will bring his music ministry to First Presbyterian Church of Ukiah on Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM during our worship service.

Brent believes that God can use anyone -- even the most unlikely among us -- to do great things for Him.

As a shy kid, Brent struggled to articulate himself. Brent never envisioned himself playing concerts and leading worship as he does today. For the past 16 years, Brent's concert ministry has inspired many. Brent plays about 150 concerts a year in small country churches, inner city ministries, contemporary suburban churches, elementary school assemblies, college chapels, coffee houses... Brent welcomes every opportunity to share.

Brent, with his sidekick Sam, has performed around the United States, as well as in Canada, Ireland and the Caribbean.

Brent has a passion for creative excellence and gets excited about connecting with people in meaningful ways. Folks find Brent's concerts to be quirky and fun, but -- more than anything -- the time together is about building God's Kingdom.

Brent's lyrics are biblically based, encouraging and uplifting with the music spanning a range of styles.

The performance is free and everyone is welcome. A freewill offering will be received for Brent's ministry. For more information contact First Presbyterian Church at 707-468-9235.



**What Is Cents-Ability?** Cents-Ability is a small first step in the battle against hunger and poverty. Congregations invite every member of all ages to contribute a few cents at every meal. This simple act is an expression of thanksgiving for what we have received. It is also a commitment to share with others in response to Jesus' command "You give them something to eat." When you bring your offering to church on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month, all of those coins "make a joyful noise unto the Lord" as they are received and dedicated. All your offering will go to support local food banks in our Presbytery. Last year our local food bank received \$1000 from this offering. **Don't forget to bring your offering on Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. If you need a bank to hold your offerings during the month, see Michele Young.**

# FPCU Chili Cookoff

## Sunday, August 28, 2016



It's time to find that award winning chili recipe that the church can use to submit in the annual Granite Chili Cook off being held on September 2, 2015. Bring the HEAT! Get your chili entry into the church office or to Michele Young by August 14<sup>th</sup>. Winning entry will be determined during FPCU Chili Cookoff on August 28, 2016 after church.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Please consider volunteering for the Chili Cookoffs. We need volunteers: to bring Chili to the FPCU event; help make the winning entry for the Granite Cookoff; serve; and help with setup/take down at both events. Please let us know where you can help by contacting the office or Michele Young.



## Pedals for Protein: September 18-22, 2016

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Northern CA Ride organized by The Hunger Task Force of the Presbytery of the Redwoods, will use the donations to support food pantries with healthy protein foods. Due to the efforts of this fundraiser, the Presbytery was able to contribute \$1,000 last year to Ukiah's food bank. On Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, our church will have the pleasure of hosting the bicyclists on their first stop in their five-day ride from Mendocino to Rockville. We will provide a refreshing snack, dinner and overnight accommodations (volunteers??) with a nutritious breakfast to help them with the ride ahead! If you would like to provide financial support, participate as a rider, or volunteer – Please go to: [www.imathlete.com/events/PedalforProtein](http://www.imathlete.com/events/PedalforProtein)



## Operation Christmas Child and back to school.



Now is the time to buy crayons, wood pencils, note pads, pencil sharpeners and other school supplies to fill shoe boxes. Consider purchasing a "wow" gift like a soccer ball (deflate to fit in box), doll, small stuffed animal, balls, marbles, etc. for your box or the packing party (date in November). National collection week is the week before Thanksgiving. Our church will again serve as a relay center delivering boxes from our area to the regional center in Santa Rosa. More information to come!

Thanks to all of you who made the Rummage Sale such a great success! Yes, it was HOT! Yes, our local community enjoyed your lovely items! Yes, we even had a 'fire-pit', and yes, it was purchased the first day! We were very conscious of 'being green' and went behind ourselves and removed our sale signs. For those of you who helped us out, we offer our deepest and most heartfelt **THANKS, WE COULD NOT HAVE MANAGED WITHOUT YOU!** This sale netted approximately \$1,700 which we are determined to benefit toward our Missions, both here at FPC locally and within Redwoods Presbytery.





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June 2016

Dear partner,

Thank you for partnering with us by giving \$550.00 on May 20, 2016. These funds have made it possible for Nor Cal Christian Ministries to go from a hope to a reality!

We are excited to announce that on June 20th we opened our doors at 888 N. State St, Ukiah. This is a great location because it is downtown and is set up well for our use. The location makes it very reachable for those we hope to serve. Another provision from the Lord! Please stop in for a tour.

Our hope with NCCM is to give individuals a hand up and not a hand out. We believe it is critical to feed and care for individuals, however we believe it is even more critical to care for all individuals spiritually. We will offer support that will guide those who desire it to Jesus and to a life style that promotes health and well-being.

As we move forward with our new facility and the set-up of the program we recognize there will be a financial short fall. We will continue our efforts to raise awareness of this ministry and hope for more people, like you, to join our team. Thank you again for partnering with us to love and care for those in need!

With gratitude,

Tony Huerta  
Executive Director  
Nor Cal Christian Ministries  
Fed Tax Id# 47-4486446

# CHILDREN AND YOUTH

**VBS is August 1-5**, weeknights at 5:30pm. This year we are partnering with Grace Lutheran Church. If you haven't already volunteered to help, it's not too late. Come hang out with the kids. For some, this may be their first opportunity to meet our Lord Jesus!

**YOUTH RETREAT is August 8-10.** Inviting all youth ages 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades to come to the retreat and also to our weekly #SWAG get togethers. #SWAG meets every Sunday evening at 6:00pm. Friends are always welcome.

**THANK YOU!!!!!!** To our church family for helping to send our kids to camp, for helping with VBS and Youth Retreat in the form of donations of your time, items, and \$\$\$! Without your help, none of this would happen. God bless you!!

# FINANCE

## First Presbyterian Church of Ukiah Financial Summary as of 6/30/2016

|            |           |
|------------|-----------|
| Income     | \$110,627 |
| Expenses   | \$131,526 |
| Difference | -\$20,899 |

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Balance in Checking Account |          |
| Non-Designated Funds        | \$14,404 |
| Designated Funds            | \$42,454 |
| Total in Checking           | \$56,858 |

|                    |           |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Balance in Savings |           |
| CD's               | \$44,016  |
| Mutual Funds       | \$23,272  |
| Gifts              | \$49,173  |
| Total in Savings   | \$116,461 |

We have now completed our 6<sup>th</sup> month in the calendar year. Changing the budget cycles does have its affect but in the end we are still falling behind on a monthly basis. In our last congregational meeting in June it was noted that we were short income for the year of \$16,245. This last month our giving was off another \$4600. Looking at the figures we are doing a good job of controlling expenses as budgeted, our designated and investment income is growing, which only leaves one place that we are not in parity with our forecast. I know God will continue to bless our church, as we all look to him for guidance in fulfilling our part and wisdom in meeting our own budgets.

# CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

## Russian River Kayak Trip

### Awesome Aqua Revisited!

Are you suffering from the Summer Swoons? Tired of the hum drum, same ole, same old every day stuff? Well then, how about joining us on an Awesome Aqua Adventure ... Kayaking down the Russian River! You don't need to know how... you just need to be willing to try!!

It is a very easy activity. The river is lazy and shallow this time of year (waist deep in most places) and, although you may need to paddle a little, very little, it is a beautiful "float" and just what we all need. Ask Shannon Phelan, Wilma Pribyl, Michele Young, Karen Golden, and Chris Gordon... they will tell you that it is an AWESOME Aqua Adventure!

**When: Saturday, August 27th**  
**Where: River's Edge Kayak & Canoe Trips, Healdsburg, Ca**  
**Time: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.-ish**  
**Cost: \$ 60.00 per person ( Lunch included)**

**Single or double Kayaks and canoes available**

Children under 4 are not recommended, to join us due to lifejacket and safety requirements.

A Sign up table will be set up before church in the breezeway and in the Fellowship Hall after church during Coffee Hour on Sundays. For more information, stop by the table!

I hope you can join us!

## Church Family Picnic

On Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> we will be saying farewell to summer with our annual Church Family Picnic. After the church service, we will make our own sandwiches or salads from the luncheon bar in the fellowship hall, then meander down the street to McGarvey park where we will all eat and enjoy a time of fellowship with our church family under the trees. During lunch, we will hear from some of our folks who will be telling us about some of the summer activities they participated in and how they made an impact on our friends and the community.

Of course, "Molly's Self Serve Ice Cream Stand" will be open with all the fixings for a sundae or two. You may even want to make a root beer float!

What to bring? Folding chairs a hat, sunscreen, and a smile. You may set up your chairs before you go to church. There will be someone to stay in the park during the service to watch over things there.

Remember, Sunday September 25<sup>th</sup>. We hope you will mark this date on your calendar and plan to join us. It wouldn't be the same without you!

# NOTES FROM FAMILY

Dear Church Family,

I appreciated all of the prayers and support given to me when I was in the hospital and rehabilitation. The visits from pastors David and Kelsey were such blessings in addition to the church members who visited, some with beautiful flowers to have at my bedside. These expressions of cheerful words and cards make a difference to a patient's daily routine and healing. I will always remember such love.

With grateful hearts,  
Maureen, Diane and Jeff Royle

Dear 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church Family,

As most of you know, I was in the hospital during the first part of June. I know some of you visited that first week, but I was pretty out of it. The next week found me in the convalescent hospital where I finished my antibiotics. I was more alert and able to visit at the time. So many of you came by to visit with cards, flowers and gifts. A mere thank you doesn't seem to be enough. Words can't express how much your visits and thoughtfulness meant to me. In this busy, hectic life we lead, your love showed through every time you took time off to visit. Your love, prayers and caring came through so clearly. I'm healing nicely and all is going well.

I'm sorry this note is so late. I really felt it was important to let all of you know how much I appreciate your visits, cards and prayers. The congregation of our church is filled with such caring and loving people. I truly love you all.

God bless you and keep you,  
Sincerely, Ellen Chinn



*Did we miss your birthday???* Please contact the church office or email Denise [denise@fpcukiah.org](mailto:denise@fpcukiah.org) so we can send you a card and celebrate with you!

## August Birthdays

|                    |                       |                   |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Patti Longstreth | 9 Jerry Garcia        | 26 Randy Huffman  |
| 2 Myrinda Head     | 11 Maggie Singleton   | 27 Evelyn Hiatt   |
| 3 Martha Vega      | 12 Nancy Gilmore      | 29 Debbie Holland |
| 4 Mary Vickers     | 18 Barbara McLean     | 30 Andrew Snyder  |
| 7 Ron Tysseling    | 22 Josh Gernert       | 31 Linda Logan    |
| 8 Eduardo Vega     | 23 Austin Haselswerdt |                   |
| Donne Ingalls      | 24 Danielle DeVries   |                   |

## Event Calendar ~ August

|                |         |                        |
|----------------|---------|------------------------|
| Sun weekly     | 11:15am | Apprenticeship Study   |
|                | 6:00pm  | #SWAG Youth Group      |
| Mon-Fri weekly | 10:30am | Multiplicity           |
| Mon weekly     | 6:30pm  | Cub Scouts             |
| Tue. weekly    | 7:00am  | Men's Bible Study      |
|                | 8:30am  | Apprenticeship Study   |
|                | 6:00pm  | Spanish AA             |
| Wed. weekly    | 6:00pm  | Worship Team rehearsal |
|                | 7:00pm  | Apprenticeship Study   |
| Thurs weekly   | 7:00pm  | Spanish AA             |



### ...events for the month

|                   |               |                                |
|-------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Sat, Aug 6</b> | <b>8:00am</b> | <b>All Church Work Day</b>     |
| Aug. 1-5          | 5:30pm        | VBS all week                   |
| Aug 8-10          | All day       | Youth Retreat                  |
| Mon, Aug 8        | 1:00pm        | Worship Committee              |
| Tues, Aug 9       | 6:00pm        | Resource Council               |
| Thurs, Aug 11     | 12:15pm       | ABC Program                    |
|                   | 6:00pm        | Boy Scouts                     |
| Fri, Aug 12       | 1:30pm        | PW Bible Study                 |
| Sat, Aug 13       | 9:00am        | Stitches from the Heart        |
| Aug 15-18         | 10:00am       | Lion King Camp                 |
| Tue, Aug 16       | 12:00pm       | Family/Outreach Council        |
| Thurs, Aug 18     | 6:00pm        | Session                        |
| Sat, Aug 20       | 10:00am       | Interfaith Lunches             |
| Sun, Aug 21       | 1:00pm        | Interfaith Lunches             |
| Mon, Aug 22       | SCHOOL STARTS |                                |
| Thurs, Aug 25     | 5:30pm        | Deacons                        |
|                   | 6:30pm        | Cub Scouts                     |
| Sun, Aug 28       | 10:00am       | Brent Vernon & Sam (Puppeteer) |
|                   | 11:15am       | In-house chili cook-off        |
| Wed, Aug 31       | 11:45am       | ROMEOs                         |