



Welcome to our new monthly newsletter! Each month, the newsletter will feature more articles about the goings-on at Bethany, committee reports, and other items of interest. Ongoing announcements can be seen on the website.

6/18/19 SESSION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS (7:05pm- 8:55pm)

- T. Hollenbeck led the Devotion about recognizing the face of God in everyday situations.
- Detailed discussion about upcoming Congregational Meeting on 6/30/19 after Worship to vote on Rev. Kathryn Pyke's Dissolution of Call and Severance Package.
- L. Hughes reported that the Community Life Committee is planning a Summer Movie Night on 8/3/19 with pizza, salad & make-your-own-sundaes.
- R. Ranahan reported her meetings with Peter Stiehler of the Catholic Worker Hospitality House and providing assistance to residents there.
- K. Quickert reported that the Outreach Committee will be working on any follow-up to the successful Immigration Panel discussion held at BPC. She also shared that the BPC Pride Festival table at San Mateo Central Park was run by B. Morgan, T. Hollenbeck, C. Angeles, and herself and was surrounded with lots of positive energy.

Next Session Meeting July 16, 2019.

-R.Wales, Clerk of Session



FINANCIAL TRUSTEES

May Financial Summary

Income \$15,375.50
Expense (\$15,661.30)
Net (\$ 285.80)

YTD

Income	\$76,071.20	88.82%
Expense	(\$77,758.09)	(90.79%)
Net	(\$ 1,686.89)	(1.97%)

Since it is now summer, please be sure to provide your offering to the church before you leave on vacation.

Lease Update:

Keller Williams, our commercial leasing agent, brought a proposal to the Trustees for leasing a portion of the downstairs. The Trustees responded with some questions and challenges to the proposal and we are now awaiting feedback from Keller Williams once they contact the prospective tenant.

Kathryn Pyke's Resignation Update:

The Trustees met with InHo Kim from the Presbytery of San Francisco on May 24 and finalized a resignation date and several package details for Pastor Kathryn. The package was then brought to the Session on June 18 and the Session voted to take the package to the congregation members for approval on June 28.

At the Session "Minutes" meeting on June 21, written details of Kathryn Pyke's resignation date and severance package were provided to those in attendance at the meeting and details reviewed with Lyn Hughes and Tamra Hollenbeck from the Session. Several questions were answered.

A congregational meeting will be held after the service on June 28 for the members to vote on the Dissolution of the Terms of Pastor's Kathryn Pyke's call and her severance package. The vote will be a simple majority. If the resignation date and severance package are not approved, the package will go back to the Trustees for updating and the process will restart after any required updates are made, i.e. Session will need to approve again and another congregational meeting will need to be called.

Other Trustee Updates:

At our June 17th meeting, the Trustees also discussed pulpit supply, beginning a draft of Interim Pastor requirements, and assistance that will be provided by the Presbytery's Committee on Ministries after Kathryn's departure. Assistance on these items will also be provided, as needed, by the Session and various Session committees such as Personnel and Worship.

COMMUNITY ACTION/LIFE COMMITTEE

Rise Against Hunger

The Rise Against Hunger event has been re-scheduled to **Saturday, October 5, 2019, from 10am to noon** at Bethany Presbyterian. Please be sure to update your calendars.

Also, please note that we are currently halfway to our expense goal. It now costs **\$3,451.68** to pack 10,152 meals and we have collected \$1,750.00 which leaves \$1,701.68 to be raised by October 5th.

Here is the URL for the event website should you wish to consider making a donation to offset the cost of the event.

http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/BethanyPres_October2019

Dinner and a Movie Night – Saturday, August 3rd – 5pm

Community Life will sponsor a pizza, salad, and ice cream sundae dinner on **Saturday, August 3rd at 5pm at Bethany Church**. The movie choice will be decided soon. Please mark your calendars to join us for a fun evening together this summer.

Other Hunger Projects

We are currently looking into the Presbytery of San Francisco's grant procedures for possible future funding of other hunger projects. More information to come on this topic.

Save the Date – Spring Events

- Sun. June 30th, congregational meeting, immediately following worship
- Sat. August 3, 5 p.m.: Dinner and a Movie (movie TBA)

Catholic Worker Hospitality House (the San Bruno Shelter)

Rina Ranahan is Bethany's representative to the San Bruno Shelter. Please call her at 650-291-6979, if you are interested in serving on this committee.

Urgent items needed: Canned fruit, jelly, napkins, toilet paper, coffee creamer.

The full list can be found on our website: bethanypcusa.org

Due Dates

For W@B: Tuesday morning.

For Sunday announcements: Wednesday morning. Email them to the church office or leave them in the mailbox on the outside of the office door.

For the monthly newsletter: the Wednesday before the last Wednesday of the month.



Happy Birthday to these wonderful folks born in July!

- 2 Maryann Orsburn
- 3 Brad Parker
- 3 Larry Gruner
- 5 Trish Lynch
- 7 Craig Bray
- 12 Lyn Hughes
- 21 Kathleen Mitchell
- 21 Billy Nicolosi
- 23 Barbara Jessee
- 23 Bamboo Lin
- 27 Samantha Richards
- 31 Roxane Wales



July Anniversaries

- 8 Susan & Patrick May
- 20 Lyn Hughes & George Lynch

We remember these Saints of Bethany who were born in July:

- 1 Esther Burge
- 1 Lee Carlson
- 16 Anne Carlson
- 29 Russell Sicklebower

Members Page on the Bethany website

Wednesdays @ Bethany is now viewable on our website! Because we care about your privacy and to protect your personal information, W@B will be password protected, so that your phone numbers, addresses, birthdates, etc. will not be out in the open on the internet, but still be available to those who are part of the Bethany community.

To access the Members section of the site, follow these easy steps:

#1 Go to the "MEMBERS" drop down menu at the top right of the page, and click on it.

#2 Enter the password, "rosewood" (all lower case, no quotation marks) in the password box.

#3 Click enter

Bethany's Purpose Statement:

Bethany's purpose is to provide a nurturing and energizing environment to feed the soul so we can go out into the world and reflect the glory of God, the love of Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Bethany's Welcoming Statement:

We don't yet know who you are,
but we do know that you are a dearly beloved child of God,
and you're already welcome here.
We invite you, on your unique spiritual journey,
to join us in the life and ministry at Bethany.

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