WEDNESDAYS @ BETHANY June 23, 2021



BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to our weekly newsletter! <u>Wednesdays at Bethany</u> will include important announcements for the life of the congregation. If you'd like to receive the email without the PDF attachment, please let us know. And if you would rather not receive this newsletter, please let us know and you will be removed from the list.



<u>Outdoor Worship</u>: Spring has sprung, the weather is warming up, and Worship Committee has scheduled some outdoor, in-person worship services! The next outdoor service is **this Sunday**, **June 27**th, and the last one will be August 1st.

The services will be held on the patio right outside the church doors, and we will be requesting people to be socially distant and wear masks. The services will also be streamed live on Facebook, as they are now.

A couple of shade canopies and some chairs will be available, and you are welcome to bring your own chair if you wish.

Please join us as we gather together to worship in person! Hope to see you there!

Donations for San Bruno Hospitality House: There is a plastic bin outside the door closest to the lower parking lot at Bethany for Peter Stiehler's shelter donations so people can continue to donate for the shelter. The box will be periodically checked and items taken down to Peter's Second Ave. shelter. Any questions about this please contact Rina Ranahan: (650) 291-6979. Urgent needs right now are toilet paper, canned soup, jelly, syrup, and cereal

A current list of shelter needs is on our website: http://bethanypcusa.org/we-do/shelter-needs.html

Those who say, "I love God,"

and hate their brothers or sisters,

are liars;

for those who do not love a brother or sister

whom they have seen,

cannot love God

whom they have not seen.

- I John 4:20

Upcoming Meetings

Wed. 6/23 – Wednesday evening Zoom prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m.

- Prayz rehearsal

Sat. 6/26 – Story Time With . . . (posted on Facebook at 10 a.m.)

Committee chairs/group leaders: please let me know if you have any changes to these dates.



I will be on vacation starting June 29th and will be back in the office on July 9th. Email and voicemail will be checked in my absence. There will be no Wednesdays@Bethany on July 7th. Washington, here we come!

- your secretary, Roberta Henry





Prayers from 6/20/2021

- Continued prayers for Kathie and her son Connor (Kathryn Quickert)
- Continue prayers for Sarah as she works for her mental health, and prayers of hope as there may be new opportunities for her and Spencer (Roberta Henry)
- Prayers of gratitude for the awesome men of Bethany, past and present, who have fathered us (Kathryn Quickert)
- Prayers for Tamra's neighbor Donald who will have surgery on Tuesday; for Judi Lozzi and Craig, and all those who are offering support and care to friends; for relatives who are upset about "cancel culture", but don't really understand what that means that they have open hearts and be willing to see the full and real history of our country (Tamra Hollenbeck)
- Thanksgiving for Craig's niece Melita Clark, who is of mixed race, and has rediscovered her heritage, and grown into and amazing young woman and artist and poet (Craig Bray)
- For all those who are worried about re-opening, that we can be sensible about masks and precautions (Deb McGuire)

Prayers from 6/13/2021

- Prayers for the work to end gun violence, and for all those affected; prayers for the vulnerable among us, that we see them and find ways to help; prayers for all of us experiencing re-opening anxiety, that we make good decisions for our safety and comfort (Deb McGuire)
- Thanksgiving that Leslie is in worship with us today; thanksgiving for Ky's birthday this week, that he took all that energy and enthusiasm he has and put it into his work as a firefighter (Tamra Hollenbeck)
- Prayers of thanks for a healthy cat; prayers that work on the house proceeds well (Leslies Olson)
- Thanksgiving for Dave's brother Phil, who is in rehab, that he finds the help he needs (Dave Wales)
- Prayers of joy for the birthdays of Ellen Kross, Bonnie Morgan, and Glenn Carlson this week (Jorie Abbott)
- Prayers of great joy that Kathy's nephew David and his wife Jess will welcome their first child this October (Kathy Fogle)
- Continued prayers for Sarah and Laura, and for Roberta's sister Chris for ongoing physical and mental health struggles (Roberta Henry)
- Prayers for Kathryn's friend Kathie and her son Connor, and great prayers for thanksgiving for the generosity of those who are helping them! (Kathryn Quickert)

Prayers from 6/06/2021

- Prayers for Bonnie's sister and BIL in MO experiencing water well issues and flooding in their downstairs. Thanks be to their LDS community that comes to help (Bonnie Morgan)
- Prayers for Kathryn's friend Kathie and her adult son Connor, who are wrestling with health, financial, and job concerns; thanksgiving for LGBTQ+ Pride in all its forms and prayers for those who continually "don't get it": God cherishes all people, and made us all as we are (Kathryn Quickert)
- Traveling mercies for Tamra, heading to the Washington to visit family, and for Hannah, and Abby and Eric & the kids, traveling to SSF to be together (Pam Matthews)



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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