

WEDNESDAYS @ BETHANY

OCTOBER 13, 2021



BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome to our weekly newsletter! ***Wednesdays at Bethany*** 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.

Liturgists Needed: Have you thought about participating in leading worship? Have you thought "I could stand up there and read scripture!" Then maybe you could be the liturgist! The liturgists are provided with a full script, so you don't have to worry about what to say. For more information, and if you're interested, please contact Pam Matthews, chair of Worship Committee – fpmatthews@aol.com or the church office.



Fellowship Time: We would like to provide brewed coffee, hot water, and a couple of snacks each Sunday after worship. Congregants can sign up to bring an item to share, i.e. fruit, coffee cake, donuts, bagels - you get the idea! Items will be available in the narthex, and congregants will be encouraged to take their snacks out to the patio to eat and visit. The list is available at the church, or you can contact the church office to sign up for a particular Sunday.

Thanks in advance for your participation in this new way of fellowshiping with each other! If you have any questions or concerns, please share with Rev. Deb, Pam Matthews, or Tamra Hollenbeck.



News about our Partnership with Iglesias Brasiliana – San Mateo

Our next collection will be for Halloween treats for the children. Please bring Halloween candy and other Halloween goodies **to the church by Wednesday, October 20**, to be delivered on Friday, October 22.

We continue to collect items for Iglesias Brasiliana, our partner in San Mateo. We have received an updated “needs” list from Pastor Jorge from the IYB congregation:

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| Bottled water | Rice and pinto beans |
| Canned tomato sauce | diced tomatoes, or tomato paste |
| Olive or avocado oil | Paper products |

Please continue to prayer for the IYB congregation and consider how you might help.



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>



Upcoming Meetings

Wed. 10/13 – Wednesday evening Zoom prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m.

- Prayz rehearsal, 6 – 7 p.m.

- Choir rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Sat. 10/16 – Story Time With . . . (posted on Facebook at 11 a.m.)

Mon. 10/18 – Financial Trustee's meeting, 7 p.m.

Tues. 10/19 – Session Meeting, 7 p.m.

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



Bethany Storytime

Saturdays at 11 on Facebook
Bethany San Bruno



Prayer Time

6:30 p.m. Wednesdays
A time to meet as the body of Christ, and pray together using Zoom. Shared readings, poetry, guided meditation, and of course the prayers of the People. Please contact us to be invited to the Zoom meeting: bethanypres@bethanypcusa.org

Prayers from 10/10/2021

- Prayers for Eddy's mother Guadalupe Espinosa and for the whole family – Guadalupe fell this week and cut her head – while in the hospital they found serious heart issues and now she nears the end of her life; for Craig's friend Nina Morales having surgery (Craig Bray)
- Prayers of joy for the anniversaries of Pam & Fred and Dave & Roxane, and for Kathy Fogle's bday - wonderful things to celebrate; for the loving celebration of Freda's life; prayers for all Tamra's grandchildren; especially Kenny and Luna, who are struggling with school (Tamra Hollenbeck)
- Prayers of healing for Kathy's brother-in-law Bruce, who fell on Friday, broke a bone in arm & dislocated his shoulder (Kathy Fogle)
- Thanksgiving that Janine, who was in her Sunday school class, is here in worship with her husband Cory and her kids; thanks for those who keep BPC running, and for the music, that stirs her soul (Kathleen Mitchell)
- Prayers for Pam, who received a jury summons; for Pam's brother and sister in law, who have found a house near their daughter and grandkids (Pam Matthews)
- Prayers of gratitude for the opportunity to get together with extended family in Twain Harte (Kathryn Quickert)
- Prayers of gratitude for the gathering to celebrate Roberta's sister Chris' life, and for the chance to visit afterwards with family and friends we don't see often (Ken Henry)

Prayers from 9/26/2021

- Prayers for Dave's younger brother Phil, who decided to stay in rehab to remain sober, and prayers for good results from the biopsy of mass on Phil's lung – Phil (Dave Wales)
- Healing for Rina's brother Richard Nanos, who is in the hospital diagnosed with pneumonia; comfort for Rina and Deb's friend Randy, who is in a nursing home, and not receiving visitors (Rina Ranahan)
- Prayers for our friend Randy Johansen, who is missed by his Bethany family; healing for Cynthia's niece who is having surgery to remove a cyst on her ovary (Paul Feliciano)
- Prayers of joy for Sue Bullis' birthday, for Pam's Dad's birthday, who passed 11 years ago and would have been 100 (Pam Matthews)
- Gratitude for the faithfulness of seasons as we enter fall, and the reminder of God's steadfast love for us; thanksgiving for the gathering of Luna's friends and families for her bday, and th beginning of community; prayers for Victoria Soledad Garcia, who was convicted of murder in the trial where Tamra served as a juror – for hard decision and her rough life; prayers for her two daughters, that they find stability and peace, and prayers in time of waiting and sadness (Tamra Hollenbeck)
- Prayers that love heals everyone – for Bonnie's brother's 72nd bday yesterday, for her sister Joanie and Walt anniversary (Bonnie Morgan)

Lord, hear our prayers





MORE LIGHT

PRESBYTERIANS

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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