WEDNESDAYS @ BETHANY OCTOBER 20, 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>Liturgists Needed:</u> 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 – <u>fpmatthews@aol.com</u> 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 fellowshipping 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:

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.



<u>Donations for San Bruno Hospitality House:</u> 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. 10/20 – Wednesday evening Zoom prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m.

- Prayz rehearsal, 6 7 p.m.
- Choir rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Sat. 10/23 – Story Time With . . . (posted on Facebook at 11 a.m.)

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





Prayers from 10/17/2021

- Prayer of thanksgiving for the wonderful week away on vacation; visited Randy, and he's doing well; prayers for a stranger who needs a calming spirit (Dave Wales)
- Comfort for the family and friends of a neighbor at work, Bob Hanson, who fell & hit his head, and passed away the same day (George Lynch)
- Thanksgiving for modern medicine Orrin had an issue, went to Sutter & is now home and improving (Paul Delander)
- Prayers for feeling overwhelmed; prayers for their houseguest Dennis, that he find a job and a permanent place to live; for Pam's brother, whose wife wants a divorce; discernment and calm in this complicated world (Pam Matthews)
- Prayers of healing for Bonnie's niece Elizabeth she and her boyfriend sick with Covid-19 prayers for recovery and that they are able to stay out of hospital (Bonnie Morgan)
- Continued prayers for Eddy's mother Lupita for her healing from an accident; for their son Jake, as he manages his depression (Craig Bray)
- Thanksgiving for healing, and for help from a friend after surgery (Judy Nelson)
- Continued prayers for Cynthia's ex BIL who passed away from Covid-19 (Paul Feliciano)
- Thanksgiving for groups a group doing a prayer walk for someone who recovered from breast cancer; for a group walking in memory of a woman who died falling from a cliff; for a group of disabled bicylists; a group of bikers we need our groups, our support, our people (Barb Liedtke)
- Prayers for all of us who feel overwhelmed, isolated and angry (Fred Matthews)
- Prayers for healing from the fall she had last Monday, injuring her temple and left hand (Rina Ranahan)

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)





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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