GlenPres

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July 2016

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Sunday, July 3
-Communion Sunday
-Paul Reiter, Guest Pastor

Monday, July 4
-Independence Day—Office Closed

Friday, July 8
-Room at the Inn

Saturday, July 9
-Family Movie NIght

Sunday, July 10
Coffee and Conversation—Glendale Maryor

Week of July 11
-GCPA Summer Camps
-Robotics Camp

Sunday, July 17
-Communion Sunday
-Session

Week of July 18
-GCPA Summer Camps
-Youth leave for Triennium

Dear GPC family,

It's hard for me to fathom June has come and gone. We are in the thick of what has been a hot summer. As is our custom, our summer schedule is relaxed as we keep a slower pace. Members and friends are traveling so I never know who I will see from one Sunday to the next. So, I am always delighted when I look out over the faces each Sunday to see who is back in town and hear about new adventures.

This last month, the church family had the privilege of celebrating three lives as we have bid farewell to Vic Doder, Bonita Rolf, and Logan Mayfield. The Funeral Reception Teams, under Jan Nolan's leadership, offered warm hospitality and care for each of the families providing them with important support in their time of grief. On a personal note, the death of my mother, while anticipated, was deeply felt by my family and we are thankful for your kind words and support.

In the midst of it all, the GPC staff continues to transition. In addition to a Nursery Care Attendant, the Personnel Team is accepting applications for the Office Administrator position. I'm thankful for Gabe's work here and I will miss her presence in the office. However, I am glad she will pursue her passion for music fulltime and continue to be a part of our church family which is a wonderful blessing.

Early in the year, the congregation voted to reorganize its leadership structure. As you all know, the session will be smaller in 2017. The deacons are disbanded. Committee structures have changed. And, I believe, we are living into the new way of doing things well. Perhaps, the greatest challenge for us all as a community is how the nature of the ministry and work is increasingly self-directed and self-motivated and here there have been hiccups. I am seeing in some gaps in our weekly ministry opportunities—particularly Fellowship and Communion Prep/Clean Up.

I'd like each active friend and member to sit down with their calendar this month and think through when and how you and/or your family can plug into these particular ministries through the end of the year. You can easily sign up to prepare communion or host fellowship on the church website. If you prefer, there are also schedules posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. Furthermore, it would be helpful to have a few more folks who are willing to usher and/or greet. Please communicate to the church office your willingness to assist with either of these ministries and you will be added to the rotation. Youth are more than welcome to participate—especially with ushering!

In Christ,

Pastor Liz

4th—6th Grade
July 11– 15
5:30—7:30
Tuition: $30

A simple dinner will be served each evening, and then the kids will receive instruction on robot construction and programming from GPC member Alex Keeley, who is on the robotics team at John Burroughs School. As the campers work with LEGO MIND-STORMS NXT robots in groups of 1-3, additional GPC youth will be on hand to assist.

Tuition covers dinners and a demonstration and celebration on Friday, 7:00 –7:30 p.m.

Many thanks to John Burroughs School for lending us the equipment for the camp!

Register here: http://www.glendalepcusa.org/robotics-camp

July 9 @ Dusk

Bring your blankets, chairs, and snacks.

Popsicles provided!

Backpack Blessing Sunday
August 14th
10:30 a.m.

All Church Worship & Picnic
September 11th
10:30 a.m.
Larson Park

Summer Worship Music

While the Chancel choir is on summer break, the congregation has enjoyed a variety of soloist and combos in worship. Thank you Ethan and Clark Chamberlin on piano; Martha Keely, flute; Sue Van Patton, soloist; and Harmony Brass Quartet led by Gabe Mueller.

Gabe Mueller will offer a special piece on July 3. And later in the month the congregation will be blessed by Alexa Beyrouty, flute; Alex and Lauren Keeley, duet; Katie Cook and Paige Stroud, duet; and Gabe Mueller at the end of July. Thank you for sharing your talents with the congregation!

There are two dates, August 7 and September 4, that we do not have filled. Here's your chance to sing a song or offer a selection on your favorite instrument. Please contact Peggy Mayfield.

Jean Thompson Update

Jean continues her recovery from surgery to repair her broken leg after taking a fall while attending her grandson's wedding. Her daughter is with her in California. Jean has been transferred to Mountain View Rehab for physical therapy and healing. Cards may be mailed in care of her grandson.

c/o Jeff Bush
1344 Ash Street
Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

Please continue to hold Jean in your prayers. She is focused and determined to make a full recovery and we look forward to having her back by the end of the summer.

A Farewell Note from Gabe Mueller

Dear GPC friends and family,

Thursday, June 30th will be my last day as the Office Administrator at GPC. I am taking the leap into "full time musician" and am excited about what the future has in store! It has been a pleasure working for the church for the past three years. (Hard to believe it's been three years!) Thank you all for your kindness and fun friendship. I will definitely miss seeing all of my "co-workers" (Liz, Mary, and Jean of course, but also Jan caring for the plants, Dick changing the sign, Mike F. or Ron fixing something in the building, Monday morning counters, the occasional "office assistance" from Josie... the list goes on!)

This is by no means a "goodbye" as I will still be a member of the church. And hopefully now I will have more time to be more involved and active as a member!

Peace,

Gabe

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 **Communion Sunday** 10:30 Worship 11:45 Fellowship	4 Independence Day—Office Closed 10:00 AA 6:45 AA	5	6 6:45 AA	7 10:00 Al Anon 6:30 Qigong	8 **RATI**	9 **RATI** Family Movie Night at dusk
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Learning for All Ages - LFAA

Worship and Arts - W&A

Evangelism & Membership - E&M

Presbyterian Women - PW

Alcoholics Anonymous - AA

Gateway Center for Performing Arts - GCPA

Room at the Inn - RATI

Happy birthday to the following GPC members & friends!

Dick Schuchardt	July 4
Ron Dyess	July 6
Andrew Kesselring	July 7
Barbara Buck	July 12
Josie Cook	July 12
Alex Buchholz	July 13
Clark Chamberlin	July 13
Florence Kelley	July 24
Margaret Rossi	July 25
Donna Canan	July 30

Please communicate to the church office if there is an addition or error.

Third Quarter Schedules & Sign Ups

The Fellowship & Communion Sign Ups are posted on the bulletin board outside the church office.

Serving the Church Schedule

The third quarter serving the church schedule is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. Be sure to double check the schedule and notify the church office of any conflicts or changes.

Prayer Requests

The following is a compilation of prayer requests from the June worship bulletins.

Members in care and homebound

Edith Aitkinhead, Lila Brookes, Marie Calkins, Gene Herr, Bonita Rolf, and Jean Zahnweh

For those with cancer

Laurie Sharp Annette Laverty Carol Goodwin
Randy Schroeder's sister Keri
Terry Ulmer's cousin Kristy Charlie LeCrone
Bidstrup friend Tim Tierney
Judy Smith, friend of Clarice Fleming
Marie Sullivan, friend of the Chamberlin family
Elaine Bidstrup's brother-in-law's sister Vivi
Jody Sawyer, friend of Clarice Fleming
Delores Boufard's daughter Christy Davis
Steven Stroud's coworker Gene Shumaker

For healing and support

Clarice Fleming, recovering from knee surgery
Charlie LeCrone
Jean Thompson
Carroll Matthew's friend Jane Beaver
Cindy Hellman undergoing chemotherapy
For Claire Krob adjusting to a new retainer
For all the Presbyterians attending the General Assembly
For Madeline Rauh who will be undergoing a kidney transplant
Safe travels in Nicaragua to Alex Keeley and service group
For Esther Tudo and her family. Her chemo has resulted in heart failure.

Joy

For Ethan Chamberlin's healed foot
Roy Myers back in worship
Sonia and Jason Kesselring's 16th wedding anniversary
For Skip & Karen Kesselring's 45th anniversary
For Peggy Mayfield on the birth of their granddaughter
For Bruce and Donna Canan on the birth of their grandson
For 45 years of marriage for Carol and Glen Cook
For healing of Deb Rose's grandson Camden's hand/foot/mouth disease

Our deepest sympathy

For Vicki Sorrell's sister and family on the death of Vicki's brother-in-law
For Peggy Mayfield and family, on the death of Logan Mayfield
For the family of Rev. Kelly Allen, former pastor of First Presbyterian of St. Louis, who died last week.
For the city of Orlando and the families who lost loved ones

News from the Session

The session met on June 26, 2016. We thanked Mike and Chuck for laying new carpet in the lounge (Room 109) and voted to have them lay new carpet in the church's main office. With regret, the session received Gabe Mueller's letter of resignation, effective June 30. Emma Kanerva has been hired to work 10 hours/week while Personnel seeks a new Office Administrator. The position is being advertised. The Care Commission and the Discipleship Commission both reported on the work of their committees. We approved vacation for Liz for the week of August 1.

GlenPres August Deadline

Please submit articles, announcements, or anything you want in the August newsletter by

Monday, July 25th

Email articles to glenpres@sbcglobal.net or leave in the Office Administrator's mailbox.

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