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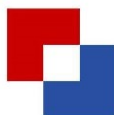
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Better Angels Workshop (Saturday, September 8, 2018)

Political discussions can be strong, divisive, and damaging to relationships. And the divide isn't getting any narrower. This is as true in Woodland as it is throughout the nation.

But two local women are taking a stand. "We want to depolarize America," they say. And they are looking for 14 local volunteers to help them.

Elisabeth Robbins and Viola Fong are organizing a local workshop (scheduled for Saturday, September 8th) which will enable persons from across the political spectrum to meet together for a day of listening and learning.

They are part of Better Angels, a national bipartisan group seeking to decrease polarization. While media tend to emphasize the extremes, they want to help people move beyond stereotypes and look for common ground.

Better Angels, named after Abraham Lincoln's appeal to "the better angels of our nature," sponsors workshops, debates, and educational meetings aimed at depolarizing America.

The Woodland Better Angels workshop will be held Saturday, September 8, and is a free, five-hour event.

It will feature seven persons who "lean Blue," that is tend to vote for Democratic candidates, and seven who "lean Red." A trained moderator will facilitate their interactions. Other attendees quietly observe their process.

Fong and Robbins are currently looking for volunteers to form the Red and Blue teams.

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“Many of us have had polarizing discussions with family members and others with whom we disagree politically. You end up not being able to explore large portions of yourself. We’re all poorer for not being able to share perspectives and learn from each other. This is a way to take action against those destructive interactions and see each other as whole, caring people again,” Fong said.

Robbins added, “Many of us belong to social or religious groups where we avoid talking about anything political for fear of harming a relationship. It can get in the way of getting the group’s work done. We need to be able get out of our silos without fearing an explosion.”

Increasingly members of both parties interact socially only with members of their own political persuasion, known as the silo effect. Most of what we know about the opposition we learn from the news and social media.

Among Democrats, 86% view the other party as unfavorable. Among Republicans, the figure is 91% (better-angels.org).

The only criteria for joining a Red or Blue team is a willingness to listen to people you may disagree with and to ask questions aimed at gaining information rather than proving one’s own correctness.

Anyone interested in participating or observing should contact either organizer at robbinse13@gmail.com or vnabrotzky04@law.du.edu.

More information about Better Angels can be found at Better-Angels.org.

Painting Saturday

Beja Springer is leading a group in painting the new meeting spaces being prepared where the nursery used to be. If you are free to help on August 11th, please call Beja at 201-589-7613.



Sacramento River Cats Game

Saturday, August 25th, 7:15 PM

Raley’s Field in West Sacramento

**Disciples of Christ Churches
in the Sacramento Area**

\$16 per ticket

Make checks payable to:

Del Zeiger

**1975 Stephens Lane
Woodland, CA 95776**

Fireworks after the game!

**Call Del Zeiger (530) 666-2342
if you have any questions.**

**Parking is \$10...so try to carpool
*Free parking pass for car pool of 4 or more
from Lasher Auto Group.***

lasherautogroup.com/rivercats

Pastor Larry Vacation Time

Pastor Larry gets five weeks of vacation each year and has taken two weeks already. He has another week scheduled for August 27th through September 2nd. His other two weeks will be scheduled later.

Help for Steven Wong

Steven Wong is scheduled for tests at a medical facility in Elk Grove the third week of September. He is not allowed to drive himself home after the procedure. If you could be his driver, he is willing to pay \$30 plus gas. Call Steven at 530-908-4948.

Preacher for Larry's Vacation

Rev. Dr. Ken Moore is a retired Disciples of Christ pastor living in Auburn. Ken served churches here in Northern California, Montana, and was then the regional minister in Nebraska until his retirement a few years ago. Larry remembers Ken from the time he was the pastor in Manteca. Ken and his wife decided to come back to Northern California because a son lives in Auburn. Ken is an experienced pastor and preacher and Larry is confident you will enjoy his message and fellowship.

Youth Group Meetings

We usually meet the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month...soooo, our next meetings, will be Sunday, August 12th, and Sunday, August 26th both at 4 p.m. We will play a version of Ga-Ga-Ball and other games and talk about some issues important for our lives. Youth are also encouraged to attend the Sacramento Rivercats baseball game on Saturday, August 25th. Tickets are \$16 each (purchase from Del Zeiger)...and includes fireworks after the game. Call Larry Love if you have any questions about youth group meetings or the Rivercats' game. Also, there is a youth lock-in at First Christian Church in Sacramento on Saturday, August 18th. It is an overnight at that church...and Woodland youth are invited. Contact the church office for a registration form. If you have any questions about any of these events, please talk to Larry.

Retreat Date

The date for our annual all-church retreat is set—Friday-Sunday, October 19-21. We will begin with dinner at 6 p.m. on Friday (though you may arrive any time after 3 p.m. on Friday) and conclude at 12 noon on Sunday right after our worship service ends.

The cost will be about the same as last year—\$145 for adults, \$85 for children 6-11 years old, and children under 6 free. Cost includes two nights lodging and five meals. There will also be a lower cost for those who bring RVs or tents, and for those who just wish to attend for the day on Saturday. (There are also a limited number of scholarships available.) Please put these dates on your calendar and plan to join us. Registration forms will be published in a future newsletter. Talk to Larry Love if you have any questions.

Peace Picnic and Celebration

The annual Peace Picnic sponsored by American Muslim Voice, the Woodland Mosque and Islamic Center and Woodland Ecumenical and Interfaith Ministries is scheduled for Saturday, September 29th, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at John Ferns park at the corner of Ashley and Southwood. The event will feature great Pakistani food, music, games, henna painting, and visiting with a whole wide variety of neighbors. The Mosque will provide the main courses and other attendees are asked to bring salads and desserts. Mark you calendar and plan to attend on the 29th. All are welcome.

CCNC-N Men's Retreat

The men's retreat for the region will be here at our church October 12-13. The featured speaker will be Dr. Rick Lowery, who for many years was the Old Testament professor at Phillips Theological Seminary. He is also the husband of former Disciples of Christ General Minister and President, Sharon Watkins. More details about the retreat later. Please put this on your calendar.





Round About Us

Congratulations to **Evan and Hilary Williams** upon the birth of **Mason James Williams** on July 6th. Though Mason was born about a month early (4 pounds, 11 ounces) and spent a few extra days in the NICU at Kaiser Roseville, he is home and gaining weight just as he should. Proud grandparents are **Jim and Lori Williams**. Lori writes, "We are grateful our prayers were answered that he and mom are OK."

Gloria Dewey, her sister-in-law, **Karen Garrison**, and two great nieces spent a couple of days at Gloria's son's condominium in Blaine, Washington. They also stopped and visited other relatives in the Seattle area.

It was good to see **Sophia Mendoza** in worship on August 5th. Sophie was our childcare provider for many years and is now in the Air Force. Word is she is now being deployed overseas. Please hold her and her family in your prayers. Her mom, **Victoria** was also in worship with her.

Larry, Nancy, Micah and Alexa Love also spent eight days recently at **Rick Robertson's** condominium at Semiahmoo in Blaine, Washington—right on the Canadian border. Their trip included:

- Worship at FCC Bellingham where Nancy's NCC classmates Tamlyn Kralman and Gary Shoemaker are pastors.
- A day exploring White Rock, B. C. just across Boundary Bay from Blaine.

- A day trip up to Mount Baker with its amazing glaciers.
- A day in Vancouver, B. C. touring Queen Elizabeth Park (including the Conservatory), Van Deusen Botanical Gardens, and the Capilano Suspension Bridge and Cliff Walk.
- A ferry ride to Victoria where they toured the Royal British Columbia Museum (including an Egyptian exhibition with some 4,000 year-old artifacts, and a tour of the British Columbia parliament building.
- Visits with three of Larry's four brothers and with family friends from Larry's growing up years in the mountains of Idaho.

The Loves are grateful for the vacation time the church provides...and are grateful to **Cheryl and Rachel Bentz** for caring for their dog and cats while they were away.

Barb Patterson was able to travel to Colorado to visit her parents and brother recently.

Special thanks to **Beja Springer** for her good work developing meeting rooms (in the former nursery) which the church can use and which we hope to make available to the wider community. Her father, **Lon**, has also been helping.

Congratulations to **Skip Slaymaker** who should be moving into Eskaton Wilson Manor in West Sacramento later this month after some two years of homelessness.

Alice Schoner spent a week in Kona, Hawaii visiting her brother. Alice writes, "I think I impressed my kids by making all my own travel arrangements and telling them (after the fact) that I was going. John and Carolynn were pleased to have me there even though I wasn't much help. Between the Vog as they call it and the hot, humid weather I had no energy. John and I spent most of the time remembering crazy things

we did growing up on the ranch...strange how siblings have different memories of stuff that happened...I only remember being a good little girl. I am very thankful I was able to make this trip...so easy I may go again. Thanks to **Steven Wong** for the ride home from the airport at 11:00 PM and going the extra mile by parking and meeting me inside at baggage claim...that was very special."

Becky Holland just returned from a week-long bus tour (with two other Woodland friends) of South Dakota. She visited all the National Parks and Monuments in the area...plus a lot of other tourist sites. Included were: Mt. Rushmore, the Crazy Horse carving, the Badlands (and all its bison, burros, Big Horn sheep and pronghorn antelope), Devil's Tower (in Wyoming), Wall Drugstore, Deadwood (wild west culture), and Kevin Costner's Indian/Buffalo Museum called "Tatanka." Becky writes, "A fun, busy trip!" (She and her family camped in that area in the 1960s.)

Eli Holland now has his foot in a cast. Healing prayers are appreciated.

Sarah, Larry, Brandon, Jacob, Hannah, and **Ryan Danielson** took their annual trip to Santa Cruz recently. They stayed in Felton and enjoyed the Boardwalk and the Santa Cruz beaches.

We were grateful to get to hear preaching from two seminary students while Larry was on vacation. Thank you to **Evan Stanfill** and **Mitchell McGill**, both of whom are Disciples of Christ students at San Francisco Theological Seminary. Evan was able to stay for the potluck picnic sponsored by the elders.

Greg and Mary Hayakawa flew out to Kearney, Nebraska to visit their eldest daughter, **Devon**, who had a summer job at the Crane River Theatre. They saw her play

the orphan Tessie in the Crane River Theatre production of "*Annie*." (She also played the penguin, Kowalski, and a lemur in their production of "*Madagascar*" earlier in the summer.)

Thank you to the elders for sponsoring the summer potluck picnic after church on Sunday, July 29th.

If you have items you would like to include in Round About Us, please contact Larry Love at 662-9356 or via email at pastorlarrywcc@sbcglobal.net



September Dominoes
Friday, September 7th
At 6:30 PM
Parker Hall
Theme is
"The Start of Fall"
Please bring a gift
and a dish to share.
Hosted by
Becky Holland and Kate Ball

"Before helping others, we need to have a personal encounter with God: we need time to pray and to listen to His Word."

- Pope Francis
7/31/2018



August 5th Becky Holland, Betty Bigelow
Patty Clark, Marj Hansen, Judy Mehrens
August 12th Kristina Reimer, Wanda Freeman
Marjorie Brown, Joyce Henning,
Melissa Paulucci
August 19th Heather Craig, Gloria Dewey
Becky Gordon, Sharon Armus
August 26th Karen Webber, Barb Patterson
Chris Mancilla, Lon Springer
Carolyn Bennett

Upcoming Calendar Events

Here are some items to put on your calendar
for the coming months:

August 11th Painting Day (Education Bldg)
August 18th-19th End of Summer Lock-In
August 25th Sacramento River Cats Game
September 7th Dominoes (Parker Hall)-Theme:
"The Start of Fall"
Hosted by Kate Ball & Becky
Holland
September 21st Women's Fall Retreat
September 29th WEMM Peace Celebration
@ John Ferns Park
October 6th Puerto Rico Fundraising concert
@ First Christian Church in
Sacramento
October 12-13 CCNC-N Men's Retreat
October 19th-21st All-Church Retreat



August Birthdays

1 David Jahn
2 John Chase
3 Matthew Jahn
Sam Morgan

4 Bill Powell
6 Colton Henigan
Megan Russell
7 Noah Hull
Clara Shull
8 Anna Dryden
Diane Frank
11 Betty Bigelow
Dale Stiles
Jacob Danielson
Katie Wilmot
12 James Jahn
Cindy Moore
13 Karen Joerger
15 Chris Hardman
Corey Jahn
16 Brian Frank
Ron Burch
Barry Matz
17 Daniel West
Chris Paulucci
18 Kris Shull
19 Teresa Freeman
Pablo Camacho
20 Ben Aukes
Elaine Moores
21 Jayson Martinez
22 Lola Morgan
William Patterson
24 Katelyn Reimer
26 Pam DeAnda
Pam Zeiger
27 Doug Gordon
Martha Armus Miller
28 Larry Love
Tracy Poole
Posey Henderson
29 Dennis Schiermeyer
Thomas Schroeder
30 Thomas Abele
31 Karen Davis
Mike Shanafelt

*Happy
Anniversary*

August Anniversaries

2 Dave & Kathy Aukes
15 Don & Anne Darby
21 James & Lori Williams
26 Del & Pam Zeiger

Prayer Concerns this Week

Eli Holland, Jerry Gallegos (James' McKinney's father), Dale Stiles and family, Everhett Bridge (*the 9 month old grandson of Larry Love's cousin Lyle Bridge*), Doug & Becky Gordon, Cassandra Galley, Roy Holmes, Skip Slaymaker, Heather Craig, Liz Shull, Doug Garrison, Eithel Reed, Lea Hull, Naomi Barrow, Dave Cooper, Patrick Finegan, Deanna Hinkle, Leigh Dieckman, Brian Reineke (*Diane Frank's cousin*), Kelly Parker, Ellen & Short Parker, Tom & Patty Crumpacker, Archie Hall (*Dona Ostergaard's cousin – Napa – Vallejo Hospital*), Rosie—a friend of Becky Gordon

Let's remember to pray and ask God's blessings on our members and friends.

August 14

Anna Dryden
Ann & Delane Edwards
Linda Greb & Neil Elder
Beth Erickson
Robin & Lance Faille
Diana Fallbeck

August 21

Dave Flory
Diane & Brian Frank
Charlene Wacenske & Andy Freeman
Wanda Freeman
Teresa Freeman
Connie & Al Froehlich

August 19

“Lord, Make Us Wise”
Larry Love, Pastor

Sermon Scripture: Ephesians 5:15-20
Scripture Text: 1 Kings 2:10-12; 1 Kings 3:3-14

Service in Worship

Worship Leader: Beth Erickson
Children's Moment: Nancy Love
Sunday School: Nancy Love
Greeters: Gabriela Strong, Gloria Dewey
Power Point: Sue Tarleton
Flowers: Sue Tarleton
Candle Lighters: Paulucci Family

Service at the Table

Elders: Jeanelyse Doran, Neal Hardman
Diaconate Captain: Sharon Armus
Diaconate Team: Chris Paulucci, Sarah Danielson
Angie Martinez, Christian Lyster-Bradley

Service in Ministry

Pastoral Care Elder: Neal Hardman
Fellowship: Heather Craig, Gloria Dewey
Becky Gordon, Sharon Armus
Building Monitors: Del Zeiger (8/13-8/19)
Kitchen & Nursery: Karen Webber

August 12

“Real Bread”
Larry Love, Pastor

Sermon Scripture: John 6:35, 41-51
Scripture Text: Psalm 130; Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Service in Worship

Worship Leader: Becky Holland
Children's Moment: Barb Patterson
Sunday School: Katie Wilmot
Greeters: Randy & Patty Overfield
Power Point: Beja Springer
Flowers: Gabriela Strong
Candle Lighters: Christian Lyster-Bradley

Service at the Table

Elders: Marjorie Brown, Jeanelyse Doran
Diaconate Captain: Sharon Armus
Diaconate Team: Chris Paulucci, Sarah Danielson
Angie Martinez, Christian Lyster-Bradley

Service in Ministry

Pastoral Care Elder: Jeanelyse Doran
Fellowship: Kristina Reimer, Wanda Freeman
Marjorie Brown, Joyce Henning
Melissa Paulucci
Building Monitors: Sharon Armus (8/5 – 8/12)
Kitchen & Nursery: Sharon Armus

August 26

“Taking on the Lies”
Larry Love, Pastor

Sermon Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-20
Scripture Text: John 6:10-20

Service in Worship

Worship Leader: Beja Springer
Children's Moment: Eleanore Garnett
Sunday School: Marjorie Brown
Greeters: Judy Mehrens, John Chase
Power Point: Gloria Dewey
Flowers: Karen Webber
Candle Lighters: Maddy & Clara Shull

Service at the Table

Elders: Katie Wilmot, Sue Tarleton
Diaconate Captain: Sharon Armus
Diaconate Team: Chris Paulucci, Sarah Danielson
Angie Martinez, Christian Lyster-Bradley

Service in Ministry

Pastoral Care Elder: Sue Tarleton
Fellowship: Karen Webber, Barb Patterson
Chris Mancilla, Lon Springer
Carolyn Bennett
Building Monitors: Sharon Armus (8/20 - 8/26)
Kitchen & Nursery: Becky Gordon

**Missing your friends? Want some new ones?
Come to the big end of Summer Lock-in!**

August 18-19, 2018

SACRAMENTO 1ST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Address is 3901 Folsom Blvd. Sacramento, 95819

Arrive at 6:30 pm. Saturday and leave at 12 noon on Sunday.

FOR ALL YOUTH IN GRADES 7-12

COST: JUST \$20

**A FULL NIGHT OF GAMES, FOOD, CAMP SONGS,
WORSHIP AND FRIENDS!!**

Dinner and breakfast are provided.

Registration deadline is August 12.

Registration form Mail to: First Christian Church, 3901 Folsom Blvd. Sacramento, 95819
Or scan and email to sactofcc@yahoo.com

Name _____ youth/adult _____ Gr. _____

Your home Church _____

Home Address _____

Email Address _____

Parent/ Guardian's name _____ Parent cell phone _____

Is this person on daily medications? _____

If so, what are they and the directions _____

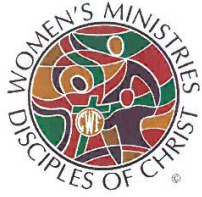
I give permission for my child to attend this event (parent signs) _____

Bring: Sleeping bag, pillow, church clothes, pajamas, toiletries and personal items. All youth must mail in or email a registration to First Christian Church. We ask that each church send an adult with regional background check to chaperone.

Church email: sactofcc@yahoo.com

For more information, call Pastor Ted Firch, (916)600-5875, or Pastor Vickie Firch at (916)600-7164.

CCNC-N WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT



PRAYER

Conversations with God



Keynote Speaker
Rev. Soo Yun



Pull up a coffee cup and get ready to
have your own conversation with God.

Sept. 21–23, 2018

Register at
www.ccncn.org



August

2018

Woodland Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Larry Love, Pastor

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
			<i>Pastor Larry on Vacation</i> 4:30 PM - Serve at 4th & Hope	<i>Pastor Larry on Vacation</i> 11 AM - Flower Group 5:40 PM - Singing at St. John's Manor West 5:45 PM - Thurs. Family Nights 6:30 PM - CWF	<i>Pastor Larry on Vacation</i>	<i>Pastor Larry on Vacation</i>
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