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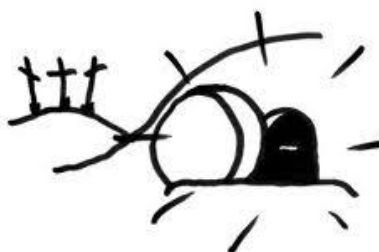
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Some Thoughts from Larry

Here is one of my go-to scriptures these days. Though addressed to ancient Israel, I've no doubt these words remain true of you and I right here in our day:

But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

You are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you....

Do not fear, for I am with you....

(Isaiah 43:1-5a)

These words are not spoken lightly by the prophet...and are not spoken in a time of some mild discomfort, like a summer cold that keeps us from enjoying a host of summer activities. The people who first heard this were in a time of major crisis—Babylon had conquered the Jewish nation of Judah, destroyed Jerusalem and the temple that adorned that capital city. The population, all but the peasant farmers who were left behind to till the land for the Babylonian king, Nebuchadnezzar, were hauled away into exile in Babylon. They were a defeated, grieving, devastated, and despairing exiled people. It was no mild discomfort. To these desperate people God spoke these words through the prophet we call Second Isaiah.

Through the written words of Isaiah, God continues to speak those words to us today. Hear, what God says. We are yet, in the midst of our time of trouble, persons created by God. God has called us by name, each of us by name and declared “you are mine.” Put your name before that phrase and hear God say, “Larry, Sue, Becky, Joyce, Dale, Roy, Leigh, _____, you are mine.” We belong to the living God who never ever loses one of the beloved, never ever loses sight of us, not even in the midst of a pandemic.

Then the prophet promises that when we pass through waters God is with us, even swollen rivers shall not overwhelm us. When we walk through experiences that feel like fire, God will not let us be consumed. God will keep us. It’s not a promise that we won’t get sick from this coronavirus, but it is a promise that God has hold of us right smack in the midst of this turmoil. It will not do us in because we are held always in the care of God, whether healthy or sick, living or dying. God is our savior...and whatever comes we are engulfed in the love of our maker.

We are precious in God’s sight and honored and loved. God says, “I love you.” The living God treasures us, calls us precious. That is true no matter what, no matter how weary we are of our shelter-in-place, stay-at-home exile. You parents who are juggling a job, teaching your children at home, suffering cabin fever, aching to get out..., you who are now unemployed and struggling to make ends meet, and may also be moms and dads trying to do everything..., you seniors who are stuck at home, unable to get out and do even the simplest of things you used to take care of on your own..., you who are grieving a loss..., you who were already sick..., you who already deal with depression and find this extra COVID-19 stress nearly overwhelming...you, all of you, are loved and precious in God’s sight. And you are loved and precious in God’s sight, even if you don’t

think you are handling this too well. The Jewish citizens hauled off to Babylon weren’t handling it too well, either, and yet God called them precious and honored and loved...and promised to be with them. (By the way, you don’t have to be handling this well; it is after all a pandemic, and it has shut down our economy and our ordinary lives and threatens our health and the health of people we love.)

So even if we are stressed, weary, feeling isolated and lost, even if we aren’t handling this too well, God says, “You are precious in my sight and honored, and I love you.” And God says, even if we aren’t handling this well, “Do not fear, for I am with you...”

May the knowledge of God’s presence bring you some measure of peace today and all days. Amen.

More thoughts— What We Are Doing

In the midst of this “shelter in place,” “Stay at home” time, the church is continuing to do its ministry. Here is some of what we are doing:

- Zoom worship on Sunday mornings. Though there have been some hiccups, we are getting there...and except for about a two minute delay getting started, our worship service went really well yesterday with 47 different computers, I-pads, and phones logged on with at least 69 people participating in the worship including persons from Baton Rouge, LA and Magnolia, TX, as well as Davis and Sacramento. We are including some church members we haven’t seen in person for a very long time...which is kind of exciting. Easter Sunday we even had Austen Sandifer and Brody on from Asheville, North Carolina. We send out worship invitations to over 100 email addresses... and church members pass the invite along to others. (We cleared up some of our sound and music

problems last Saturday by getting Jay, Jeanelyse, Kris and Megan Shull [from their home] and myself together to work on the technology. We also discovered [look of chagrin on my face here] that we had been running off the wifi in the education building instead of off the much stronger signal from the sanctuary wifi. I think the sound quality was better for most of you on Sunday with the piano and organ coming through without the previous distortion. We are slowly figuring this out.) My very deep gratitude to Jeanelyse Doran, Jay Surdell, Steven Wong, and Kris and Megan Shull.

- Steven Wong is videoing the worship service and embedding it in the website so folks can go to christianchurchofwoodland.com and watch the worship service after the fact. Steven is also trying to live-stream our service on Facebook. You should be able to join in worship on the church's Facebook page beginning this Sunday, April 26th.
- We are doing a prayer time each Tuesday morning at 11 a.m. We look at a prayer from the Bible, what it says about prayer, and how we might be able to turn it into a prayer for ourselves and others. We share prayer requests and pray. I send an email each Monday inviting about 100 people to join in. The email has the Zoom link and log-in information. All are invited to join us. Call Larry if you have any questions.
- We continue our Wednesday night book study via Zoom. We are reading John Pavlovitz's book, A Bigger Table: Building Messy, Authentic, and Hopeful Community. I send the email with the Zoom link only to the group of people who have been a part of this study in the past. If anyone else would

like to join us, let me know and I will add you to that email list.

- Jeanelyse Doran, Nancy and Larry Love, and Beja Springer have been trying to think of things we can do with our children and youth...and Nancy and Larry have thought about the possibility of doing a fifteen or twenty-minute Zoom story time once or twice a week in the evening. If any of you parents would like us to do that, please email us or give us a call ([email—pastorlarrywcc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pastorlarrywcc@sbcglobal.net) or 666-2069).
- We have made up a phone tree with 14 different branches. The phone tree leaders are mostly elders with four others helping out...and they call their "tree" once each week just to make sure we check in with pretty much everyone in the church. Please share any needs you might have when you receive a call and make sure it gets passed on to me or someone else who might help.
- We are still doing a newsletter but because of stay at home orders we are only sending it via email. That means several persons without email are not getting this newsletter. If you know of someone who needs a paper version of this, please print out a copy and send it to them...or let Greg or I know and we will print it and mail it along.
- I (Pastor Larry) am working at home Sunday through Thursday and can be reached at 530-666-2069. My "office" hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday. I am trying to make a lot of phone calls...and occasionally see church members face to face when I am out and about. I have made 108 pastoral contacts—mostly by phone—since March 15th when the stay at home orders took effect. I am also trying to

send pastoral messages on a regular basis—like the one above—but realize this is the first one in about 12 days. I am trying to send those through our email list and occasionally by posting on Facebook.

- While church phones continue to be a problem, I have, thanks to Lon, learned how to retrieve the voice messages at church remotely from my home phone, so I can follow up with messages left at 662-9356.
- Greg continues to work from home as the administrative assistant and bookkeeper. You can reach him via email at ghayakawa2340@gmail.com or by phone at 530-304-5153.
- Sarah continues to work also...and is currently stripping and waxing the floor in Parker Hall.
- Jay is, of course, also working as you are hearing his music during Zoom worship.
- The board has made a commitment to continue paying all of our employees through this time.

Please Follow Federal, State, County and CDC Guidance

Please continue to try to imitate your house cat:

- Maintain social distancing...at least six feet from people...like when visiting with a neighbor or taking a walk. Cats usually keep way more than that.
- Keep your paws...err, I mean hands...clean.
- Stay at home as much as you can.

And, though cats don't do this part, wear a mask when out in public...like in a grocery store where it's hard to maintain the six feet of social distancing. And mind you, the mask

is not about preventing you from contracting the coronavirus; it's about preventing you from spreading the virus. People can have the virus for seven or more days before displaying symptoms...and something like 25% of the people infected with the coronavirus never have symptoms at all or such mild symptoms that they don't realize they are infected. They are, however, contagious, and can spread the virus to others who may be more susceptible to getting seriously ill. By wearing a mask, you are preventing the spread of the virus...and maybe even saving lives. It's a simple way to follow Jesus' command to love your neighbor as you love yourself.

Now I know the guidance about wearing masks isn't particularly popular, and some interpret it as over-reacting or living in fear. I also know it's not exactly a fashion statement...though I've seen some pretty nice-looking masks...and I now have a rather nice-looking mask, thanks to Esther Stiles. I also know it is guidance being ignored by many. On Monday, April 13th, I had to do some shopping at Costco...and only about 20% of the people in the store were wearing masks...and later in the day as I did some shopping for Skip at Raleys in West Sacramento, only about 30% were wearing masks. That Monday I was still wearing a bandanna folded up with half a coffee filter tucked inside it and rubber bands attaching it around my ears. It surely looked a little weird. As I left Costco, a couple of men in a pickup smirked at me...surely thinking I was reacting to this COVID-19 stuff rather hysterically and living in fear. But I first of all wear the mask to make sure I don't give the virus to other people. I don't know if I may be infected and shedding virus around me. The mask helps me keep my germs to myself, helps me protect the people around me, which is indeed a way of loving my neighbor as I love myself—something I'm willing to do even if I do get smirked at now and again.

This social distancing is indeed working. As of Tuesday, April 21st, Yolo County only has 146 confirmed cases (Woodland 74 cases) and 10 deaths countywide, which, while sad, is way lower than we would have had if we followed the pattern seen in other areas doubling the numbers every three days. If we had been doubling every three days beginning on March 22nd, we would be over 3,000 cases in the county now. The relatively low numbers signal that we have done pretty well following the guidelines. Keep up the good work.

Social distancing, however, does not have to mean isolation. (Jonathan Raven of the Yolo County District Attorney's office suggests we call it physical distancing because we can still be sociable...and should be, though from six feet or more away.) We just need to work a little harder, and in different ways, to stay connected as the Body of Christ. Join us on our Zoom worship and prayer times...and make phone calls to each other. If you would like to do a Zoom meeting with anyone or a group of folk in the church, let me know and I can set up such a Zoom meeting.

Peace and grace and love to you all,

Larry Love, Pastor

Ways to Worship with Us

There are several ways you can enjoy our Sunday worship service:

- We do a live worship service via Zoom each Sunday morning, 10 a.m. We have over 100 email addresses to which we send the link for the Zoom worship each Saturday. The email comes from Jeanelyse Doran...though Larry also forwards the email from Jeanelyse. If you are having trouble logging in, please call Larry (666-2069) or Jeanelyse (925-381-3250), and we can help you learn the process.

- You can watch a live-stream of the worship via our church's Facebook page...hopefully beginning this Sunday, April 26th, 10 a.m.
- For viewing at a later time, you can find a video of our worship service on our church's website at www.christianchurchofwoodland.com.
- If you do not have the means to watch the service through a computer or cell phone, you can read copies of the sermon on the website...and if you would like a paper copy of the sermon, Larry has received a money gift from a church member to send you copies of the sermon. Just call him at 666-2069 and he will mail you a copy.

Please join us however you can in the worship and education ministry of our church.

Annual Gathering 2020

The 166th Annual Gathering of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Northern California-Nevada has been postponed due to the coronavirus pandemic until September 25th-26th. The Friday events will still be held at First Samoan Congregational Christian Church, 251 South Avenue, Sacramento, 95838, and the Saturday events will be at Arden Christian Church, 4300 Las Cruces Way, Sacramento, 95864. If you have already registered for the event, your registration is, of course, good for the September dates also. You can still register online at ccncn.org. The theme for the two-day event is "We Call Ourselves Disciples," and the preacher for the event will be the Rev. Dr. Terri Hord Owens, the General Minister and President of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)!

CCNC-N 2020 Camp Dates for the Community of the Great Commission Foresthill, California

(Below is the information for our summer camps this year. As I write for this newsletter the camp season for CCNC-N camps at CGC is still on, but many denominations across the country and many regions of the Disciples of Christ are already cancelling in person camps and going to some virtual/online, maybe Zoom, version of camp. Elsewhere in this newsletter is a letter from Leanne Stump, chair of the CCNC-N Outdoor Ministries Committee. Leanne encourages families to go ahead and register their children and youth for camp...with the full assurance that if our camps are cancelled, they will receive a full refund. She has done an online meeting with the Association of Disciples in Outdoor Ministries to discuss the whole situation. She will meet with our region's Outdoor Ministries Committee on May 1st and they will make further decisions at that time. In the meantime, you can go ahead and sign up for camp confident that any cancellations will mean you get the full registration fee returned. Remember also that our church pays half scholarship for all of our children, youth, and young adults who attend camp. Contact Larry Love if you have any questions.)

Camps are available for all ages.

Young Adult/Adult Camp

June 4-7, 2020

For young adults 18 to 100+ years old

Junior Camp

(graduates of 3rd-5th grades)

June 21-27, 2020

Chi Rho Camp

(graduates of 6th-8th grades)

June 21-27, 2020

Joy Camp

*(Formerly Grandparents and Me)
(Entering grades K through 3rd grade)*

June 27-29, 2020

CYF Camp

(graduates of 9th-12th grades)

June 28-July 4, 2020

Registration is available online at ccncn.org from February through May. Remember, our church pays half scholarships for all children, youth and young adults who wish to attend a camp at CGC!

Registration forms are due in the regional office by May 17th!!!

We need your registration information in the church office by May 12th so we can make sure the church's half-scholarship is sent to the region before the deadline.

If you have any questions, please speak to

Larry Love

Spring Faire

Patty Overfield has pushed the "Spring Faire" (vendor fair) back to May 30th...in hopes the shelter in place orders will be eased by then. If not, she has already set the date for the "Summer Flea"—June 27th. Watch coming newsletters for more details.

Phone Troubles

Our phones continue to be an issue at this time...but Larry has discovered how to retrieve our voicemails from the church's 662-9356 number. The easiest and fastest way to contact Larry is to call his home number since he is currently working from home, 530-666-2069.

"In the time of trial that new are presently undergoing, we experience our frailty.

We need the Lord, who sees

an irrepressible beauty beyond that frailty.

With Him we rediscover how precious we are, even in our vulnerability."

Pope Francis

4/21/2020

Sermon and Worship Info

April 26, 2020

Message: A Future with Hope
Sermon Text: Jeremiah 29:11
Scripture Text: Romans 5:1-5

May 3, 2020

Message: "An Ancient Church for a Modern Time"
Sermon Text: Acts 2:42-47
Scripture Text: John 13:31-35

May 10, 2020—Mother's Day

Message: A Shepherd for the Shepherdesses"
Sermon Text: Psalm 23
Scripture Text: John 10:1-10

May 17, 2020—Grad Sunday

Message: "Some Bread for the Journey"
Sermon Text: John 14:15-21
Scripture Text: Acts 17:22-31

May 24, 2020

Message: "A Spirit of Strength"
Sermon Text: Acts 1:6-14
Scripture Text: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

May 31, 2020—Guest Preacher—Larry on vacation

Financial Report

March 2020

Financial Statement

000000Income	\$ 12,661.80
Expenses	<u>\$ 14,613.07</u>
Net Income/Loss	\$ -1,951.27

Year to Date

Income	\$ 41,139.35
Expenses	<u>\$ 40,892.88</u>
Net Income/Loss	\$ 246.47

Thank you for your faithful giving to the congregation over these first three months of 2020. As you can see, the March giving is down from where we need to be...and, of course, that is the effect of not doing in person worship. The bright side is that we are still in the black for the year. I am also very pleased at the number of people who are sending their tithes and offerings through the mail. A reminder, the church's mailbox is locked and secure...and Larry will make sure the mail is checked and picked up at least every other

day...and the counters will process those gifts each week. I am also hoping we can get some kind of on-line giving in place in the not too distant future. Again, thank you for faithful giving.

April 2020

(Through April 15, 2020)

Financial Statement

Income	\$ 8,004.00
Expenses	<u>\$ 4,133.24</u>
Net Income/Loss	\$ 3,870.76

Year to Date

Income	\$ 49,143.35
Expenses	<u>\$ 45,026.12</u>
Net Income/Loss	\$ 4,117.23

(This statement does not include Payroll for April.
Payroll is approximately \$5,600
with tax liability of \$635)

New Addresses

Linda Quinn has moved to Red Bluff and has sent us a new address: 20902 Pebblestone Drive, Red Bluff, CA 96080. Her new phone number is 530-727-9280.

Janese Jenkins address here in Woodland is 643 College Street #G, Woodland, CA 95695.



Round About Us

We rejoice with **John** and **Sharon Armus** at the birth of their grandson, **Theodore John Miller**, to **Travis Blaschek-Miller** and **Martha Miller** on Friday, April 17th in Walnut Creek. Theodore weighed in at 9 lbs., 14 oz. and was 21 inches long. Congratulations to the whole extended family!

We extend our sympathy to **Roy Holmes, Marjorie Brown, Sam, Heather, Saige, Ivy, Judah Morgan**, and the whole Holmes family (as well as our whole church family) at the death of our beloved **MaryJo Holmes** on Monday, April 6th. MaryJo was a precious gift of God to her family and to our church and we will all miss her so very much. A service celebrating her life will be scheduled once the COVID-19 pandemic has subsided. We also offer our sympathy to the family at the death of MaryJo's sister, **Peggy Epstein**, just three days before losing MaryJo.

We also extend our sympathy to **Dale, Esther**, and **Robyn Stiles** at the death of Dale's sister, **Loretta** on Thursday, April 9th, after a long battle with cancer.

Janese (Neal) Jenkins shares with us that her mother, **Erma Elizabeth Watts** is now on hospice at Alderson's Convalescent Hospital. Erma is a retired school teacher and formerly a member of this congregation.

Sue Lund appeared on the front of the Yolo County Housing 2019 Annual Report and 2020 calendar! Sue now resides in a senior housing complex here in Woodland and secured her apartment through Yolo County Housing.

Bob Adams shares that his son, **Cameron**, and his partner, **Sarah**, welcomed an 8 lb., 10 oz. boy on April 8th in Oakland. This new grandson is **Harrison Shiloh Adams**. Congratulations to all!

Dave Cooper, Jaime Gordon's father, **Sean** and **Jack Gordon's** grandfather is in ICU at Woodland Memorial. Prayers are appreciated for Dave and his wife, **Paula**.

Bob Goodell, Greg Hayakawa's father-in-law, is on hospice in Davis with a cancer diagnosis.

Deanna Hinkle is recovering from surgery at Stollwood where she now resides. Deanna has also tested positive for COVID-19 ... though she is not symptomatic.

Stollwood Convalescent Hospital is a hotspot in Woodland and Yolo County for COVID-19. **Chris Mancilla's** mother-in-law resides there and Chris suspects she may be positive for COVID-19 though her initial test was negative. **Shirley Pasanen** also resides at Stollwood. **Dr. Cleve Baker** also lives in one of the St. John's Village Cottages. Please keep all of these members of our church community in your prayers...as well as all of the residents and staff at Stollwood and St. John's Village.

We have a number of our church members who work in health-care...including **Kristina Reimer** in the pharmacy at the UC Davis health center, **Katelyn Reimer**, also at the UC Davis health center, **Ramon Sosa** (maintenance at WMH) and **Jeremy Gordon** (an EMT in Sacramento). We also have a number of church members who continue to work in supermarkets, senior housing, and other settings that interact with the public and we pray for their health and well-being.

Special thanks to **Esther Stiles** and **Patty Clark** who have made masks for a bunch of people. Ramon Sosa, who works at Woodland Memorial Hospital was the recipient of 3 Esther Stiles made masks...and Larry Love is also sporting one.

Ana Mangandi, an unhoused woman who worships with us on a regular basis, is among the 85 vulnerable homeless persons housed in motels throughout the city to try to keep them healthy and safe during this pandemic. There are 255 persons so housed in Yolo County.

We are also grateful to a neighbor of the church for taking groceries to Ana twice in the last week and a half.

Skip Slaymaker was in the hospital for several days a couple of weeks ago, but was able to return home (with special thanks to Neal and Susie Hardman who gave him a ride home)...but then last Friday or Saturday, he returned to the VA hospital at Mather for a

couple of days and just returned home on Monday, April 20th. He is doing better. Prayers are appreciated.

Lila Lawson, whose husband, **Doug**, is a descendant of Joshua Lawson, one of our church's founders, died recently where they had been living the past few years in the Santa Rosa area. Lila and Doug attended our church for a number of years.

Larry Lyda, who is currently living in Atascadero sent word recently that his wife, **Louise**, died a few weeks ago in Santa Rosa. Our sympathy to Larry.

Larry and Nancy Love made a whirlwind trip to Seattle to bring **Micah** home to Woodland for an extended spring break. Larry and Nancy left Woodland on Thursday, March 19th at 5:30 a.m., picked up Micah at about 6:30 p.m., and arrived back in Woodland at 6:45 a.m. on Friday. They took turns driving of course. Micah was able to be home for two weeks, including for his 30th birthday. He is now back in Seattle finishing his third quarter in a master's program at the University of Washington.

Alexa Love has been hired full-time as a pre-school teacher at St. Luke's Pre-school, the pre-school she attended as a 4 and 5-year old. She is scheduled to begin May 7th.

Beginning March 22nd, we began doing church via Zoom. After a slow start learning the technology, we have about figured it out. On Easter Sunday we had 60 computers, I-pads, and phones logged in with at least 73 people sharing our worship service...including Austen Sandifer and Brody from Asheville, North Carolina, Beth Cantavella from Magnolia, Texas, Robyn Stiles from Baton Rouge, Louisiana, as well as folk from the Bay Area, Davis, Bangor, Williams and Sacramento. Last Sunday saw 47 computers and other devices logged on with 69 persons worshipping.

We have also begun doing Wednesday night studies and a Tuesday morning prayer time via Zoom. We also did Maundy Thursday and a Good Friday service via Zoom.

Special thanks to **Jeanelyse Doran** who secured the Zoom account for us and has managed the use of the application for worship and other events...and taught the rest of us to use it. We also thank **Steven Wong** for purchasing the camera and all the other needed hardware to enable us to record and post our worship services on our website...and to begin streaming it on Facebook. Special thanks to **Jay Surdell** who joins Steven, Jeanelyse and Larry in the sanctuary each Sunday morning to provide music for the service. We also give thanks to **Kris and Megan Shull** for providing us with a computer for the Zoom worship and assisting with a practice Zoom session which helped us work out some of the troubling wrinkles.

Al and Chris Mancilla, along with grandchildren, **Joey and Nick Christison**, enjoyed some time away up at their cabin in Dunsmuir.

Del Zeiger was furloughed from his job as a delivery driver for Mengali's Florist when the stay at home orders went into effect...but now he has found a new delivery job as a "Door Dash" delivery person taking orders from restaurants to the homes of Woodlanders. He says all he has to do is take a sealed bag with the meals to the door, ring the bell...and dash!

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.



A letter (dated March 27th) from Leanne Stump regarding our 2020 Summer Camps at CGC

Greetings Friends, Participants, Parents, and Guardians of CGC Campers,

I pray you and your families are doing well in the midst of this COVID-19 pandemic. I am sure you have been thinking about what effects this situation might have on our summer camps coming up in June. While it is too soon to tell if things will be better, worse or the same in 12 weeks, rest assured we are already thinking and making plans to keep the campers of our region safe whether that means going ahead with our camps with increased health safety measures or in the worst case scenario canceling them. Disciple camp leaders across the US are collaborating and we will make decisions together.

Currently, all of our 2020 Summer programs are still on! After a long period of isolation, we will need camp more than ever. With the **due date of May 17** and in order to help you register with confidence, we have decided and promise:

- If CCNC-N Region Outdoor Ministries and CGC make the decision to cancel a program, you will receive a full refund.
- In the event you would need to cancel a registration due to illness or circumstances related to COVID-19, you will receive a full refund.
- We will make a decision on or before June 1 if we need to cancel.

Please register for summer camp today at
https://ccncn.org/Regional_Calendar.php?action=display&event=329

You can register online OR the forms can be downloaded, printed, completed, and taken to your church.

As usual, all campers will be health checked by a licensed nurse upon arrival at CGC, and parents or drivers are asked to wait until the full check is complete before they leave. Our registered nurses will measure campers' temperatures as an increased safety measure at check in, so any camper with a fever can be quarantined and sent home.

We ask that you take the step of faith to register your sons and daughters for camp with the comfort of knowing that we are monitoring the situation and that you can cancel at any time with no penalty. We are all already praying for this pandemic to subside soon. Please join us in also praying that we will be able to have our camps because we believe that the ways God touches young hearts and souls at CGC will be very healing emotionally and spiritually.

Thank you for all the ways each of you are taking steps to keep your family and neighbors safe. And thank you in advance for registering your child/youth for camp. We appreciate and take very seriously the trust you place in us.

Looking forward to connecting with you this summer,

Leanne Stump, CCNC-N Chair of Outdoor Ministries Committee (Jokeca@aol.com)

Let's Talk About the "D" word...

Tuesday, May 19th at 7:00 pm
(Via Zoom – link to be provided)

Death is a natural part of life. Yet, in a culture that is death phobic it can be hard to have the very important conversations we need to have. People often ask me, "How do I talk with my child about death." If you have, or are wondering, how to help your child understand dying and death please join Jeanelyse on Zoom for a conversation May 19th at 7:00 pm. All questions are welcome. Please email Jeanelyse at Revjeda@gmail.com for the Zoom link or with questions.

If you are a grown up and would like a conversation about how to start a conversation with your family about your own wishes, please email Jeanelyse at Revjeda@gmail.com If there is enough interest she will initiate a Zoom conversation for that very important conversation too.

Prayer Chain...

As you know, we have Prayer Chain that notifies folks of prayer requests.

Anyone can make a prayer request and anyone can receive prayer requests.

If you would like to receive prayer requests, please contact

SUE TARLETON mmmanor@aol.com
or NANCY LOVE docmicah68@yahoo.com

Also, if you want to ask for prayers to go on the prayer chain, please contact Sue or Nancy at the above email addresses or .you can call them.

Currently we have a very limited PHONE prayer chain. If you do not have access to email and would like a phone call to receive a prayer request or ask for a prayer request please contact Sue Tarleton 916-709-8556.

Help Request

Many of you will remember Kuks Tsujimoto who has worshiped with us for several years. I have been trying to contact Kuks, but have not been successful with the information in the church directory. If anyone can help me, please call me. .

Thank you!

Sue Tarleton
916-709-8556

*"On the road that escapes Jerusalem
and winds along the ridge to Emmaus
two disillusioned youths
dragged home their crucified dream.*

*" They had smelled messiah in the air
and rose to that scarred and ancient hope
only to mourn what might have been.
And now a sudden stranger fall
upon their loss
with excited words about mustard seeds
and surprises hidden at the heart of death
and that evil must be kissed upon the lips
and that every scream is redeemed
for its echoes
in the ear of God and do you not understand
what died upon the cross was fear.*

*"They protested their right to despair
but he said,
'My Father's laughter fills the silence
of the tomb.'*

*Because they did not understand
they offered him food.*

*And in the breaking of the bread
they knew the impostor for who he was —
the arsonist of the heart."*

- Excerpts from
- "The Hour of the Unexpected"
- by John Shea



April Birthdays

- 23 Nikole Patterson Molina
- 25 Carla Smith Holland
- 26 Chuck Lopez
- 27 Wanda Freeman
- 30 Kathy Wertman
- Miles Reid Wilson

May Birthdays

- 1 Jenny Wilson
- 4 Ally Jahn
- Robin Faille
- Linda Tuman
- 6 Julie Campos Felix
- 8 Everett Frank
- 10 Alice Schoner
- 11 Patricia Overfield
- 13 Kathy Cholewinski
- 14 Ursula Heffernon
- Michael Phillips
- 17 Nick Christison
- 20 Austen Sandifer-Williams
- 21 Bert Boyd
- 24 Susie Hardman
- 26 Erin Hardman Wilson
- Linda Greb
- Cathie Wicks
- 29 Jean Gormley
- Jeremiah Braziel
- 30 Mike Abele
- Carson Frank
- Leigh Dieckman
- Julie (Zeiger) Feist



April Anniversaries

- 30 Evan & Hilary Williams

May Anniversaries

- 1 Ryan & Sue Holland
- 8 John & Sharon Armus0
- Doyle & Linda Tuman
- 13 Jon & Kristina Reimer
- 17 Mike & Lindsay Crawford
- 21 Chris & Melissa Paulucci
- 23 Jay Surdell & Pam Pratter
- 28 Jason & Katie Wilmot

Prayer Concerns this Week

All those suffering from Covid-19, their families ,, and those suffering then loss of loved ones, Stollwood Convalescent and St. John's Village, Roy Holmes & Marjorie Brown, Dale, Esther & Robin Stiles, Elizabeth (Erma)Watts (Janese Neal Jenkins' mother), Dave Cooper (Jaime Gordon's father), Bob Goodell (Greg Hayakawa's father-in law), Deanna Hinkle, Katherine (Patty Overfield's mother), Ken Craig (Heather Craig;s brother), Pam Prater's mother (Jay Surdell's mother-in-law) Hilary Oldenkamp, Becky Holland, Joyce Henning, Leigh Dieckman, Skip Slaymaker, Marty (Alice Schoner's nephew and Patti (Alice Schoner's niece), Doctors, nurses and other health related workeers..including Kristina Reimer, Katelyn Reimer, Ramon Sosa (maintencen@WMH) and Jeremy Gordon (EMT in Sacramento), Supermarket employees, first responders, delivery drivfers, public works and other city staff, the unemployed as a result of COVID-19 ,, and a lot of Woodland restaurants and other small business, the homeless.

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

April 28

Sarah Tarleton
Sue Tarleton
Flo Tinsley
Kuks Tsujimoto
Linda & Doyle Tuman
Jeanne Vaughn

May 19

Lori & Jim Williams
Ryan Williams
Katie & Jason Wilmot
Shirley & Bill Wilson
Erin Hardman & Drew Wilson
Christine & James Wilson

May 5

Iris Velazquez
Samantha Walker Childress
Judy & Mike Wall
DeLois & Bill Watkins
Karen & Jim Webber
Michael Webber

May 26

Brenda Small & Steven Wong
Tim Young
Pam & Del Zeiger
Jen Zeiger
Chuck Zimmer
Jennifer & Michael Abele

May 12

Shorty & Kathy Wertman
Daniel West
Nancy & Richard West
Andrea & Carson Whitehead
Cathie Wicks
Hillary & Evan Williams

June 2

Debbie & Phil Abele
Bob Adams
Nicole Anderson
Lisa & Austen Armus
Sharon & John Armus
Kathy & David Aukes



April

2020

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 6:30 PM - Lenten Study Series via Zoom	2	3	4
5 10:00 AM Worship Service - Livestream via Zoom	6	7	8 6:30 PM - Lenten Study Series via Zoom	9 6:30 PM - Maundy Thursday Worship Service via Zoom	10 3:00 PM - Good Friday reading of Mark's Passion Story (via Zoom)	11
12 10:00 AM Worship Service - Livestream via Zoom	13	14 11:00 AM - Zoom Prayer Time	15 6:30 PM - Book Study via Zoom	16	17	18
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May

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