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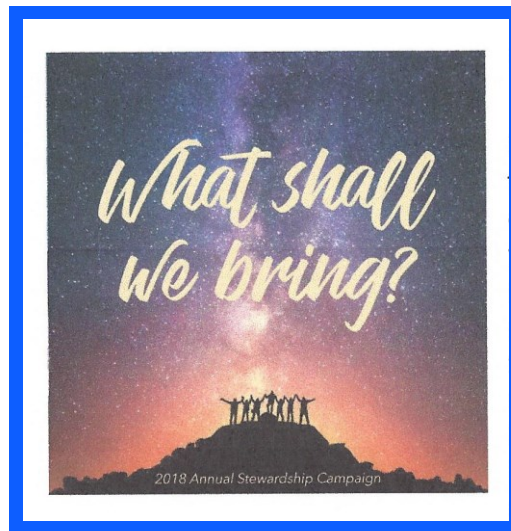
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Celebration of the Christian Church of Woodland

Please plan to be with us for **Commitment Sunday** on **November 18th**. We will have a party after church...and all of you are invited to join us. We will celebrate our life and ministry together and the abundance of goodness God has poured into our lives. It is also an opportunity to respond to this important invitation by turning in our estimate of giving cards for next year. The meal will be provided; you just need to bring yourself. Please join us in this celebration of our life together.

NOVEMBER 6TH IS ELECTION DAY.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

WEMM

Thanksgiving Service

The annual Woodland Ecumenical and Multi-faith Ministries Thanksgiving worship service is set for Sunday, November 18th at 4 p.m. at St. John's United Church of Christ. Please put it on your calendar and plan to join the Christian, Muslim and Sikh faith communities in Woodland for a time of giving thanks to God.

Adult Education Studies

Our three adult study groups are back in full swing after some time off during the summer. Here's what is going on with the three groups:

- The Monday women's study group is studying the gospel of John using the book John for Everyone by N. T. Wright who is one of the world's leading Bible scholars. In this study he unravels the complexity of the Gospel of John. That group meets at 3 p.m. each Monday.
- The Tuesday study group is studying the Book of Genesis which sets the stage for all the rest of the Bible. The group meets at 10 a.m. each Tuesday.
- The Wednesday study group is currently using some Bible study materials related to our annual stewardship campaign. The group meets each Wednesday at 7 p.m.

All three groups meet in the library in the education building. Each of these groups would be glad to welcome any and all interested persons. Contact Becky Holland for questions about the Monday study group and Pastor Larry about the Tuesday and Wednesday groups.

Youth Group Meetings

Our next two youth group meetings will be on Sunday, **November 11th** and Sunday, **November 25th**, both at 4 p.m. Call Larry Love if you have any questions about our upcoming youth group meetings.



Round About Us

*Pastor Larry is in Boise, Idaho, at his Aunt's Memorial Service. Unfortunately the **Round About Us** will not appear in this issue. It will be back next issue.*

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.

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteering is a great way to have fun, build community, and give back. JustServe is free app / website which acts as an electronic bulletin board for volunteering in Woodland and across the country. Find details on volunteering with St. John's Retirement Village, Fourth & Hope, the Personal Care Pantry, Cache Creek Conservancy, the YMCA, the CASA program helping foster children, the opera house, Yolo Search & Rescue, Meals on Wheels, and much more. Download the app or go to JustServe.org.

"We are called to listen to what the Spirit tells us. The Holy Spirit is always something new."

**- Pope Francis
10/29/2018**

Words from Regional Minister LaTaunya Bynum

Seasons

The play "Rent" produced an enduring song that says:

"Five hundred twenty-five thousand
six hundred minutes

"How do you measure a year in the life?

"How about love, measure in love,
seasons of love."

We are in the middle of several seasons.

We are in a political season that invites us to measure love of country by the way we vote.

PLEASE VOTE ON NOVEMBER 6.

It is Regional Assembly season for many Regions of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). For their love of the church members of our church are gathering across the United States and Canada in fall meetings. I will be attending the Regional Assembly of the Pacific Southwest, my home region October 19-20. I am looking forward to seeing friends and to learning how another Region of our church gathers for worship, renewed community, learning, sharing tables of food, and gathers at The Table with one another.

And in many of our congregations, it is Stewardship season, a time when our love of God and the church, and our gratitude for the ministry of Jesus, and our part in it is made visible through our offerings. How do we share love in this season? There are at least four ways.

1. Commit to doing at least one act of mission beyond the doors of your congregation. I know many of you already are doing so. Thank you for bearing witness to the love of God in community.

2. Write into your congregation's budget ongoing support for Disciples Mission Fund. DMF is the source of income for the whole church and as is true of giving in your congregation, the financial health of the Disciples depends on congregational giving to the Disciples Mission Fund. 35% of funds given to DMF are returned to Northern California-Nevada.
3. Receive the Christmas Offering in your congregation by Christmas Sunday - December 23. The Christmas Offering is one of the six Special Day offerings received and shared by the Disciples. 100% of the funds given to the Christmas Offering will remain in our Region.
4. Give to the Regional Fund. Formerly called the Annual Fund, these over and above gifts given by individuals and families help to maintain the quality of ministry in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Your gifts and the love and encouragement you show to the Regional staff and the ministry we do together help to strengthen us to develop leaders from every generation, celebrate that our part of the body of Christ is open and inclusive, and that in our broken world, we will continue to be a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

"Remember the love, measure in love.
Seasons of love."

From Steven Wong and Brenda Prichard

Hey all! I just wanted to let you know that you don't have to go to logon to Yolo FCU to get automatic amounts send to our church. I went down today and the lady set it up. So starting next Thursday, a check gets mailed directly to Christian Church of Woodland. Not sure when it arrives, but I do know it will get mailed out every Thursday from Yolo FCU. Don't need to write weekly checks!

WHY I GIVE to MY CHURCH

by Steven Wong and Brenda Prichard

As a newer member of Christian Church of Woodland, I wondered when I first came whether I should donate. This is my perspective.

First, my faith comes from experience. The Bible is the ONLY book where I heard God talking to me. Yes, I read other so called “bibles” but God did not talk to me through them. In fact, one of the new age religions’ so called bible was just a mental “mind trip”, it made my head hurt.

But in my hour of need, when things got really bad on the East Coast, and I had no one to turn to, I receive a Bible from my sister in Hawaii. It was the Wayward Bible. I opened it on the very day I was exposed to racism in the Federal Government. God talked to me and I understood him very clearly. He gave me explicit instructions on how to handle a racist supervisor. As I continued following his instructions, I began to understand. My Father was talking to me, and boy did I appreciate it. So, when a Bible study appeared at my 55+ community, I went and gave a little.

When I continued to listen to God and pray to Jesus, I was brought here, across the nation, to the Christian Church of Woodland. I knew from the moment I went into the church for the first time, I was home. I listened to the gentle guidance from our Father, and I started giving more. Well, it took me 6 months to get job here in Sacramento (tough competition from the U.C. grads). Plus, there was pressure to move closer to my fiancée (to move to Arizona or New Mexico), and finances were really tight. But I continued to pray, and as I came to church regularly, my Father indicated to me again and again, that he wanted me here at this Church in Woodland.

So, I gave more and became more involved in the Church going to Bible study, and choir practice. Then my prayers were answered. I got a decent job. With that, I increased my giving to the church listening to guidance from our Father from the Bible and the Worship Service. As I go deeper in being a disciple of Christ, I’m moving into a life of service, Hospice, Church, my job, and service to the Woodland community. I’m so grateful for all our Father has done for me.

My next step is to bring my future wife into this church, and I’m pretty sure I don’t know all of what my Father wants me to do, but I do know I’ll give more and more because I love God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit.

Giving more is basically saying to God, I love you, and I want to serve you more and more, and well, that to me is the life of this Christian as a Disciple of Christ.



November Birthdays

- 2 Robyn Stiles
- 5 Julia Klinkhammer
Lindsay Lowry
- 7 Michelle Lyster
- 10 Peggy Jahn
- 11 Jordan Roddewig
Paul Jorgensen
- 12 Shorty Wertman
- 16 Ingrid Jorgensen
Becky Gordon
- 17 Donna Aukes
- 20 Robert Jahn
- 21 Marj Hansen
- 23 Emily Pfaffenberger
- 24 Madeline Shull
- 26 David Kerr
- 27 Sami Walker
Ashlyn Barbieri
Jeff Heffernon



November Anniversaries

- 1 Bill & Lola Morgan
- 2 Jim & Chris Wilson
- 9 Bob & Marla Gordon
- 30 Jim & Cindy Walker



- November 4th Ann Edwards, Megan Shull,
MaryJo Holmes, Ester Stiles
- November 11th Becky Holland, Betty Bigelow,
Patty Clark, Marj Hansen,
Judy Mehrens
- November 18th Kristina Reimer, Wanda Freeman,
Marjorie Brown, Joyce Henning,
Melissa Paulucci
- November 25th Heather Craig, Gloria Dewey,
Becky Gordon, Sharon Armus

Upcoming Calendar Events

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

- November 3rd-4th CCNC-N Fall Fest (Youth
Event) @ Christian
Church of Vacaville
- November 13th P.E.O. Meeting
- November 13th Resource Ministry Meeting
- November 18th Commitment Sunday
Celebration of WCC
- November 18th WEMM Thanksgiving Service
- November 20th Program Ministry Meeting
- November 25th Elders' Meeting
- November 26th Special resource Ministry
Meeting (re: Budget)
- November 27th Board of Directors' Meeting

REMINDER: FALL BACK

Daylight saving time ends
at 2 a.m. Sunday.

Remember to set
your clocks back
one hour
before going
to bed



Prayer Concerns this Week

Gordon Davis, Alberta Bradley, Deanna Hinkle,
Skip Slaymaker, Roy Holmes, Cassandra Galley,
Dwain Thayers (Dona Ostergaard's brother),
Doug Garrison, Leigh Dieckman, Patrick Finegan,
Liz Shull, Lea Hull, Ellen & Short Parker,
Brian Reineke (*Diane Frank's cousin*),
Naomi Barrow, Rosie - *a friend of Becky Gordon*,
Archie Hall (*Dona Ostergaard's cousin*)
***Let's remember to pray and ask God's
blessings on our members and friends.***

November 6

Chris & Al Mancilla
Angie Martinez
Eleanor & Eldon Matal
Holiday Matchett
Barry Matz
Michelle & James McKinney

November 13

Edith & Wesley Medlin
Victoria Mendoza
Jeanne Moe
Ruth & Robert Moeller
Jennifer & Jason Montoya
Cindy Moore

November 11

"Lighting up the World"

Larry Love, Pastor

Sermon Scripture: Matthew 5:14-16
Scripture Text: John 8:12

Service in Worship

Worship Leader: Sue Tarleton
Children's Moment: Cathie Wicks
CWW: Katie Wilmot
Greeters: Heather Craig, Eleanore Garnett
Power Point: Nancy Love
Flowers: Flower Group
Candle Lighters: Maddy & Clara Shull

Service at the Table

Elders: Jeanelyse Doran, Linda Tuman
Diaconate Captain: Karen Webber
Diaconate Team: Gloria Dewey, Becky Gordon
Dale Stiles, Cheryl Bentz

Service in Ministry

Pastoral Care Elder: Linda Tuman
Fellowship: Becky Holland, Betty Bigelow
Patty Clark, Marj Hansen
Judy Mehrens
Building Monitors: Del Zeiger (11/5 - 11/11)
Kitchen & Nursery: Sharon Armus

November 4

All Saints Sunday

"It Takes a Village to Heal"

Larry Love, Pastor

Sermon Scripture: 2 Kings 5:1-15a
Stewardship Campaign Text
Scripture Text: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Service in Worship

Worship Leader: Becky Holland
Children's Moment: Bob Adams
CWW: Barb Patterson
Greeters: Barb Patterson, Marj Hansen
Power Point: Steven Wong
Flowers: Marj Hansen
Candle Lighters: Paulucci Family

Service at the Table

Elders: Katie Wilmot, Sue Tarleton
Diaconate Captain: Karen Webber
Diaconate Team: Gloria Dewey, Becky Gordon
Dale Stiles, Cheryl Bentz

Service in Ministry

Pastoral Care Elder: Sue Tarleton
Fellowship: Ann Edwards, Megan Shull
MaryJo Holmes, Esther Stiles
Building Monitors: Becky Gordon (10/29 - 11/4)
Kitchen & Nursery: Becky Gordon
Homebound: Cheryl Bentz, Heather Craig
Del Zeiger, Katie Wilmot

November 18

"The Call in a Nutshell"

Larry Love, Pastor

Sermon Scripture: Micah 6:6-8
Scripture Text: Micah 5:2-5a

Service in Worship

Worship Leader: Beja Springer
Children's Moment: Christian Lyster-Bradley
CWW: Sarah Danielson
Greeters: Nancy West, Donna Aukes
Power Point: Sue Tarleton
Flowers: Flower Group
Candle Lighters: Danielson Family

Service at the Table

Elders: Neal Hardman, John Chase
Diaconate Captain: Karen Webber
Diaconate Team: Gloria Dewey, Becky Gordon
Dale Stiles, Cheryl Bentz

Service in Ministry

Pastoral Care Elder: John Chase
Fellowship: Kristina Reimer, Wanda Freeman
Marjorie Brown, Joyce Henning
Melissa Paulucci
Building Monitors: Sharon Armus (11/12 - 11/18)
Kitchen & Nursery: Becky Gordon



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