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Pastor's Page

Greetings

*And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you.
But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.*

Jesus in Luke 24:49

This month, we celebrate Pentecost on Sunday, June 9th. Are you wearing RED that day? After waiting 50 days, the early church got a jolt of power in the person of the Holy Spirit. Jesus calls him “the promise of the Father.” What a great name for the Holy Spirit.

As if seeing the risen Jesus wasn't enough, now they encounter the power that raised Jesus from the dead. The Holy Spirit comes upon them as they are gathered together and waiting. They are forever changed.

Incredibly, that same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead, lives in us. All the miracles of the New Testament were done by the same God present with us each week in worship.

Do you ever wonder why we don't see the same miracles and healings today? Has the Spirit run out of power? I don't think that's even possible. He's God for goodness sake!

This month, I invite you to spend time each day inviting the Holy Spirit to be with you. Ask God to fill you up each morning. Pray that his kingdom comes and his will is done. I wonder what the Spirit of Truth will teach us as we listen well this month.

It's also Father's Day on Sunday, June 16th. How appropriate that we celebrate the gifts our Heavenly Father sends. I hope you'll be with us as we celebrate the Dads in our lives.

May the Promise of the Father be yours,

Greg



DADS ARE
A GIFT!

Up Coming Events



Graduation

Graduation Celebration

Adam McCoid

Sunday, June 16th

We're so thankful for Adam and his commitment to God and the church. He's such a blessing around Saint John's. Come and pray with us for Adam as he graduates High School this month.



Nerf & Nachos

Sunday, June 9th 6:00-8:00pm

See page 4 for more info

Women's Group Potluck

Wednesday June 12 at 12:00 noon

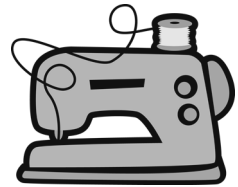
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Dress a Girl workshop

Saturday, June 15th at 10:00 am..

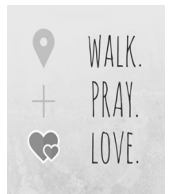
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Prayer Walk and Talk @ the Beach

Thursdays 8:30-9:30 am

Prayer is one of the most important aspects of living as authentic followers of Jesus. Through prayer we have the privilege to communicate directly with our awesome God and other believers! Join us any Thursday for a time of prayer, conversation, and a bit of exercise.



Kids Up and Coming News



Join us for an end of School year / Kick off Summer Nights with an evening of **Nerf & Nachos**

Sunday June 9th 6-8 pm

Open to all ages Kindergarten and up, adults too! Kids in K - 3rd grade need an adult present - we may even play against each other! 4th grade and up be sure to sign up with Cindi and have a current medical release on file (contact Cindi if you need one). We'll provide protective eye wear, regular sized nerf bullets, and nachos. Bring your own Nerf gun and a dessert to share!

Vacation Bible School



Don't miss our weekend VBS this summer at Saint John's, **August 2-4**. At Yee Haw vacation Bible school, kids experience God's Word through Bible adventures, fun and games, projects with a purpose, music and more!

Friday 5-8 pm join us for a fun family evening including dinner.

This year, Friday is a family event, all ages welcome. We will not have direct supervision for kids and at least one adult needs to stay with their child(ren). Please help us make sure we have enough food and include the number attending dinner on your registration sheet.

Saturday we are back at it again with small group, station rotations, and lunch provided. **Sunday morning** kids will help lead worship followed by crafts, games and our VBS wrap up time. Kids begin in worship with their families at 9:30 am.

VBS is open to kids ages 4 years of age through 6th grade. Registration forms will be available beginning mid June in the church office, on the church website, or by emailing cindi.

Of course, **Volunteers are absolutely necessary for the success of VBS!** We have volunteers from 7th grade up to adults of all ages. We need help before, during (directly with kids and behind the scenes), and after! Watch for details next month or talk to Cindi to get involved. Please **save July 28 for our VBS volunteer lunch**, training and prep day!





Youth Group News

Summer Mission Trip, July 7-12. We are headed to Los Angeles to partner with the organization, City Service Mission. We will be integrated into a variety of hands-on ministry opportunities to ensure that our time is spent supplying substantive help to God's people in the city. Please keep our students in prayer as we prepare for this awesome week.



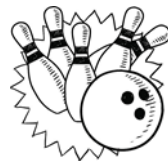
Thank you to everyone for your generous support of our youth and investment in their summer mission trip. Thanks to you we had an amazing fundraiser in May! A very special thank you all of the committees who donated baskets - they were such a hit! We are especially thankful for Pam Glenn and Dress A Girl for your dedication to earning and donating Disney tickets, Ron Lindstaedt and Dave & Janice Goodwin for your extra special live auction items!



Summer Fun has Begun!

Youth Group Bowling Sunday, June 2

In lieu of youth group we will head out for an afternoon of fun at Rancho Bowl in Santa Maria. Meet at Saint John's at 12:30. ***Please bring \$5 cash for shoe rental and money to cover your lunch.*** We'll cover the cost of lane rental for the group. Friends are welcome but please sign up so we have enough drivers and be sure to fill out a medical release form! All youth 6th grade and up welcome. Please let Cindi know if you can join us.



Nerf & Nachos Sunday, June 9th 6-8 pm

See articles on Children's Ministry page for details!



6th Grade Promotion Party & Middle School Lock In June 9-10th 8 pm - 8 am

Following Nerf & Nachos Night we will have a lock in to celebrate and officially welcome our New Middle Students to Youth Group at Saint John's. This will be a mix of fun and games, devotions and diving

into discussion about our identity in Christ, movies, downtime and possibly a little sleep. **What to Bring:** One bag of chips, cookies or snacks to share, one box of your favorite cereal to share, one 2 liter of soda or gallon of juice to share. You also need a sleeping bag, pillow, change of clothes/toiletries, and your Bible. Friends in 6-8th grade are welcome but please sign up with Cindi and be sure to fill out a medical release form!

Lots of special events and varied times in June. Be sure to watch your email and Sunday announcements for updates and reminders. No Youth Group on Sunday, June 23.



Welcome New Members

Getting to know you.....



Kent and Natalie Fossum

Kent was born in Hollywood, California and Natalie in Indianapolis, Indiana. Kent has two grown boys and they have five grandchildren all living in southern California. Natalie and Kent met while working in the commercial insurance business in Orange County. After 45 years of working they retired to the Central Coast! They love traveling all over North America by train, plane, ships, and automobile. They enjoy concerts and music shows. Kent is the lead singer in a rock band, “Old Guys Classic Rock Band” at Trilogy in Nipomo. Natalie and Kent are both saved and reborn and hope to live out their lives of service at Saint John’s. Kent’s background is in sales and marketing and is open to helping on different teams. They love our country and their family. They are philanthropists who like to support medical, educational, animal, and local needs.

Welcome! Welcome!! Welcome!!!

**We look forward to worshipping, fellowshiping, and serving together
in ministry with you as brothers and sisters in Christ!**

The Good News Team

Music News

MANY thanks to our faithful Heavenly Handbell players for their commitment to our music ministry team this spring season: Karen Correll, Earlene Leijonhufvud, Pam Webster, Carlyn Hinds, Janice Goodwin, Mona Hart, Sandy Varley, JoAnn Wing and Kathy Lindstaedt. They'll be enjoying a well-deserved summer break!



And thanks in advance to our Cross & Clef ringers, Mona Hart, JoAnn Wing, Sandy Varley and Kathy Lindstaedt, who will offer their final spring season piece on June 9th.

Saint John's is truly blessed with so many talented musicians, and I am honored to be a part of their leadership.

- Shari Bowman, Director, Handbell Ministries



SOS
Social Ministry
Committee

Make a Difference

Monthly Food Donations For The 5 Cities Christian Women's Food Pantry

The Social Outreach Services team is asking for you to join with us in donating specific foods each month to the Food Pantry as follow:

July-mac and cheese

August-canned meat

September-canned chili

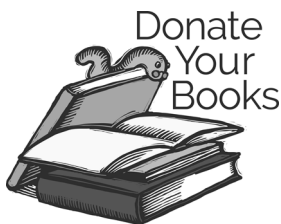
October-peanut butter

November-pasta and/or sauce

December-white rice, dry pinto beans, masa harina for Iglesia Luterana de Santa Cruz



June-Canned Soup



Children's Books Needed at Solid Rock Christian School, Arua Uganda

Do you have slightly used story books for elementary grade students that could be donated for use by the children of Arua, Uganda? Would you enjoy shopping for a book for a Ugandan child who wants to read but has few or no books?

We are seeking your help to expand the library offerings at Solid Rock Christian School. The books will be delivered to the school in Arua by Randy and Patty Ouimette along with Frank and Sandy Lebens. They are part of a mission team of thirteen led by Mick and Elaine Lebens representing the ZOZU Project travelling to Arua in June.

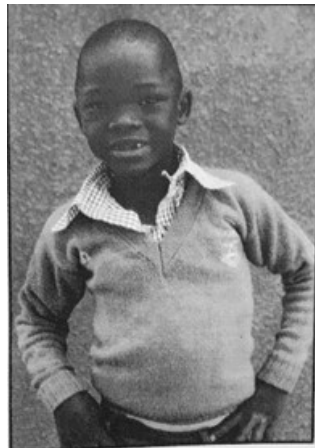
Donated books (new or gently used) should be placed in the box located in the Commons no later than Sunday, June 9.

Your book donations will make a difference in the lives of these precious children.
Refer questions to Sandy Lebens.

Dress a Girl

Dress A Girl and Duds for Dudes

Dress A Girl as a ministry at Saint John's, continues to grow. In addition to our monthly Workshop, we have several folks who take kits and make them at home. We have a fairly constant influx of completed dresses. Right now we have about 150 dresses that are ready to go. Thanks to Esther Jensen for taking Dress A Girl to Orcutt – we now have dresses being made there. Also Vicki Schmaeman, a new member, takes dress kits, 10 at a time, completes them and usually returns them within a week or so. Recently, one of the quilters who meet at Saint John's, also started taking kits and completing them at home. Our group is very diverse as we also have folks coming from Los Osos & Paso Robles, as well as several here in the 5 Cities area that go to other churches.



It is a great time of fellowship for all!. This past Workshop, we were blessed with lunch brought to us by Kathy Bobczynski – a wonderful soup that we brought toppings for. It was awesome! Thank you, Kathy. Additionally, we received some fabric from Mary Gabriel, who first came to our Dress A Girl Workshops early on from Paso Robles, and then decided she needed to have her own group at her church in Paso. That being said, she still comes to our group 2 or 3 times a year. Thanks, Mary! **In June, our workshop will be the third Saturday, June 15th.** Janice Goodwin will lead the group along with Kerry Wood, while Pam is out of town visiting her brother in Wisconsin. Remember, Be Blessed – Make a Dress!

Pamela Glenn, Dress A Girl Coordinator for Saint John's
Be Blessed – Make a Dress!



Global Missions

The team met on May 13, 2019. Our guest speakers were Pastor Jeff and Mim Nellermoe of China Service Ventures. He recently returned from China where tensions between U.S. and China are manifest. In fact, he was detained for several hours by Chinese officials. Pastor Jeff visited with students of Shanghai University and shared the help, care and love that Christians offer to the poor and marginalized people on China. He said that each student was given a red crocheted heart as a symbol of love and the students were very receptive.


Both Jeff and Mim will return to China in July 2019 to join other believers in having 200 disabled children for summer camps. Kathy Lindstaedt of Saint John's volunteered to go once again. The Missions team would like to find funding to help her with travel expenses, so we are exploring options. Also, we're seeking ways to help raise funds for vans and library materials that China Ventures missionaries and local staff can use at schools. Praise God and thank him in advance for his provision!

Reaching others for Christ,
The Global Missions Team

?? ? **Bible Quiz** ? ??

Which follower of Jesus preached to the crowds after receiving the Holy Spirit on Pentecost?

- A. John
- B. Peter
- C. Mary Magdalene
- D. Paul



Answer: B (See Acts 2:14ff.)

Women's Ministry



A big thank you to all who attended and helped out to make the WHAM Fundraiser a success. A total of over \$300.00 was raised. Everyone seemed to have a good time, and nearly all the of the prizes were gone by the end of the event.

Our next meeting is Wednesday June 12 at 12:00 noon. We will have a potluck salad luncheon, so please bring a salad of your choice. Dessert, coffee and water will be provided. Election of Officers will take place. There is a need for a President. Our Women's Ministry may not be able to continue our worthwhile activities without the leadership of a President. Please consider serving on the board.

Thank You from the Board of Directors:

Louise Frye, Sandra Kermoyan, Roseann Carroll, & Rena Weiger

Fellowship Folks

Thank you youth group for a wonderful evening, and thank you congregation for supporting our youth group by attending and financially supporting this very important part of our church.

Save the Date: Burgers & Bunco
Sunday July 21st hosted by the Drysdales and the Wallaces

Unfortunately no one or group has stepped forward to host June's gathering. I personally believe that it is important for our congregation to meet informally, get to know each other better, and have fun together. Everyone is eligible to volunteer to host.

Looking ahead, we are looking for host for the future starting in June. If you would like to host an event, you can pick the date, time and what you would like to do, just let us know by either jotting a note down on the attendance slip or give Frank Drake a call, so we can provide any assistance you might want.

Looking forward to a year full of fun and fellowship your faithful servant Frank Drake



Church Highlights

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Council approved a new “Youth and Children’s Ministry Policy and Procedure” document; Council is grateful for the time and effort provided by the Children’s Committee members and Julie Lebens and Cindi Wallace.

Council voted to allocate \$1000 from the Council Discretionary Fund in support of the China Services Ventures mission trip this summer.



Ray Houser

Jennifer Stowe

Vicki Schmaeman

Bob Storrey



Income/Expenses:

Income
Expenses

Apr 2019

32,157.23
37,497.08
-5,339.85

YTD

129,363.46
145,486.06
- 16,122.60



ATTENDANCE

May 5

144

(Family Sunday)

May 12

138

includes 15
in Kids Church

May 19

141

includes 11
in Kids Church

May 26

157

includes 16
in Kids Church



June

1 SHELLEY MALCOLM, MIRIAM RAVERA
 4 JAMIE ORMONDE,
 5 CINDI WALLACE
 11 ANGIE KING
 14 JEANNE HEIDPRIEM,
 NAOMI KLINKENBERG,
 CAMILLE PENNINGROTH,
 18 STAN ROBERTS
 19 YVONNE STEPHENS
 21 CHERYL PRICE
 22 ELLIOT PERRY
 26 DAVID GOODWIN
 29 RICHARD DROSTE, RICK TERBORCH
 30 CAROLYN SCHIRMER



3 JIM & JOAN MCBAIN
 10 FRANK & SANDY LEBENS
 DENNIS & JANEY HARSCH
 14 MIKE & CHERYL APFEL
 20 ED & DIANNA MURASKI
 SEAN & JANICE BORJA
 22 KEVIN & JULIA COLTON
 24 GREG & CYNDI WALLACE
 25 KENT & CAMILLE
 PENNINGROTH



Prayer Ministry

Our friends & family: Alan, Micah C., Ted, Kelly, Rylee, Shar, Linda, Brent, Rena, Axel, Tim, Trudy, Rose, Karen, Jim, Belinda, Hofstetter Family, Pam, Cheryl P, Arianna, Nancy, Jim, Beverly, Tyler, Kimmie, Janis, Jeff.

July Newsletter

Deadline is June 15th

Thanks to all the volunteers who have been such a blessing to the office. It would be impossible without you!

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