

# ECSM NEWS

# Community Presbyterian Church, Pittsburg Sharing Ministry with First Congregational Church of Antioch



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#### From the CPC Pastor



Dear Friends,

As we recognize FCCA's Sesquicentennial anniversary, we also recognize that our two congregations share history all the way back to Nortonville where families in both of our churches were members.

I'll be sharing some songs along with Peter Tedeschi as folks enter to the Concert on Saturday evening. I'm excited to help be a part of this great community building event that will help more people find us. If you are attending the concert, be sure to follow the website to get your tickets.

This Sunday's Anniversary Worship Service will be followed by a catered lunch, so please invite folks to be a part of that celebration.

In an age where people are creating their own forms of community, we are finding that many people are joining the so called "none of the above." At a time when people may feel more isolated, the need for community may be increasing. This gives us an interesting opportunity to invite others to become members of our community.

Sometimes we feel as if we have already invited all of those we know to a church event, but we always meet new people – many of whom might be looking for greater ways to get connected and belong to a community of faith.

As we have found as we have met people who attend our monthly meal program, people need to be in community. They need to talk and to be heard, just as we do. That's the essence of treating others as we would wish to be treated.

Together we serve.

From the FCCA Pastor

Dear Friends,





Please join us and help us get the word out to others. Invite family and friends. There will be great music, lively worship, delicious food...all shared with a beautiful community of folks. 'Info is below.

### Anniversary Pride Concert Saturday, June 6 at 7:00pm

Featuring Cris Williamson and the Oakland East Bay Gay Men's Chorus Celebrating our Open and Affirming Welcome
No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!!!
Tickets are \$20.00 at

www.brownpapertickets.com/event/1606056.
All proceeds will be donated to Heifer International.

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Followed by lunch in the Social Hall Celebrating our faith, history, music, service and community.

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# FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF ANTIOCH



**FCCA Cabinet** will meet in the Stoneman Room on Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> following worship.



First Congregational Church of Antioch is celebrating her 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
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Sunday, June 7 at 10:00am

Followed by lunch in the Social Hall Celebrating our faith, history, music, service and community.

If you haven't RSVP'd please do so as soon as possible, 925.757.4094 or 925.439.9361

### Pastor Christy continues...

It is exciting to be celebrating 150 years of being church. We have a long and interesting history as a church. Part of our legacy is a commitment to living out the challenge of Matthew 25:40, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' Throughout our history, as a church we have reached out to those who are struggling or in need. One powerful example of this happened after WWII. The church partnered with the International Refugee Organization to welcome two families from Europe who had been displaced by the war. One of the daughters, Nina Feere, from those families still lives in Antioch. Her parents, who came over from Europe have both passed away. But Nina holds her parents memory dear and remembers with gratitude the role the church played in the life of her family.

In an article written in 1951 about her parents, we gain insight into their lives and the consequence of the war. "Like the pilgrim fathers who emigrated to America to escape the oppression of the Old World, the couple...came to this country from the slave labor camps of Europe searching for freedom and peace of mind....Alex (Nina's father) was born in a small village near Moscow, Russia. His father was a clergyman in the Greek Orthodox Church. When Hitler's armies surged across Russia in 1941, Alex had just finished school. The townspeople of his native village immediately became prisoners of the Germans, and were shipped away from their homes. Alex has not seen nor heard of his father since that day. Alex was first sent to Prussia and worked from dawn to dark in the coal mines. After that he went from place to place as a prisoner of war."

After the war he ended up in a displaced persons camp and it was from there that the International Refugee Organization made contact with him and worked to connect him with the church in Antioch which sponsored him and his family to move to Antioch. They arrived in Antioch and lived in the parish house for a number of years.

This is just one example from our history of the generous spirit that has defined who we are. Gratitude for all those who have preceded us in faith and service.

Come celebrate our anniversary with us as we honor the Spirit moving through our church as the church has moved through time

Blessings,

Christy



### Getting to Know Our New Members:

### Stephanie & Michael Capurro

This is a new feature from our Welcome & Marketing Committee. We have questionnaires for our new members to complete so we can get to know them a little better.



### About Stephanie...

I am: Very blessed

Proudest moment: Becoming a mother/wife

Biggest challenge: Health

**Perfect day**: 1) with grandkids; 2) alone with my

husband

First job: Nation's Hamburgers

**My inspiration**: To help others who may feel alone **A few of my favorite things**: Beach, good food wine

#### About Michael...

I am: So blessed

**Proudest moment**: Becoming a grandfather

Biggest challenge: Time balancing

**Perfect day**: 1) with grandkids; 2) prayer and really

good champagne

First job: Grocery store

My inspiration: To make everyone feel great about

themselves

A few of my favorite things: Antiques, vintage cars,

really good champagne

## Refinery Corridor Healing Walks

There are 5 oil refineries along the Northeast San Francisco Bay

### Tesoro - Shell - Valero -Conoco Phillips 66 -Chevron

Plus a proposal for the WesPac oil terminal in Pittsburg

These are Nonviolent Walks Led by Native American Elders in Prayer Join us as we walk in prayer & conversation for:

- Clean Air, Water & Soil Safe Jobs, Roads, Railroads & Waterways
- A Vibrantly Healthy Future for All Children
- A Just Transition to Safe & Sustainable Energy

### Join us!

**Saturday, June 20:** Benicia *Valero Refinery* to Rodeo *Conoco Phillips 66 Refinery* 

**Sunday, July 19:** Rodeo *Conoco Phillips* 66 Refinery to Richmond *Chevron* Refinery

Go to:

www.RefineryHealingWalks.com for more information

### THE SHARED LIFE OF THE CHURCH

### **Upcoming Small Group Meetings:**

The **Joint FCCA-CPC Women's Luncheon** will next meet Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:30 am at Dad's Cafe, 3421 Deer Valley Rd, Antioch.

Mondays in Antioch: We meet at 10:00 am at St. George's Episcopal Church, 301 E. 13th Street, for an informal time of conversation, prayer & study.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: We meet every Tuesday morning at 10:00 am in the CSR to explore various biblical and theological issues.

Outreach Committee: Our next meeting will be Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in the Stoneman room.

**LGBT Film Night:** Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the CSR. "Gen Silent" is a documentary on the changing state of Senior members of the LGBTQ community. Don't miss it! Bring a snack to share and share in the fun. All are invited!

**Fellowship Ministry:** Our next meeting will be on June 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM at Highlands Ranch park off of Buchanan Rd in Pittsburg. All are welcome to join.

**Welcome & Marketing Committee:** Our next meeting will be Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm in the Stoneman Room.

**Worship Committee:** Our next meeting will be Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm in the CSR.

**Theology Pub** will meet again on Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm at EJ Phair's in Pittsburg.



**RELAY FOR LIFE** - Pittsburg - July 18-19, 2015 Join our team, walk or rock (yes a rocking chair donated by Lanzafame needs to be moving throughout the Relay), or sponsor a team member. See Ginny McGuire.

#### **SURVIVOR & CAREGIVER SOCIAL**

light brunch, speakers, prizes 10 a.m. to noon - June 13, 2015 RSVP: Carol Czarnowski 925-439-4678 cmczar1@sbcglobal.net



### June

- 2 Gleam Green
- 4 Nancy Grissette
- 5 Mary Burks Katelyn Peck
- 11 Letha Arms
- 12 Elva Sullivan
- 18 Emma Brownrigg
- 22 Ingrid Broers
  Betsy Sullivan
  Brandon Peterson
- 23 Ken Lieber Kal Krishnan
- 26 Nolan Bishop

Clint Bishop (born 2 years apart)





6 Ken and Starr Lieber

10 Carol and Steve Hosmer

18 Reed and Ann Custer

# Weekly Worship Services CPC-FCCA June 21<sup>st</sup> will be our monthly

### Sparkle Sunday

wear something that shines to share the light of Christ.

Bring a can of food or a donation for the food banks.

Food Donations for Local Hunger: We collect shelf-stable and canned food the first and third Sunday of each month. The First Sunday is connected to communion and the Third Sunday is connected to our 2-Cents-A-Meal Offerings in the services. Please bring your donations in a grocery bag and leave them in the food barrels near the chapel entrance.

**Free Lunch Event:** Our church will now host free lunches every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month for the community. Seated lunches will be served in July, September & November. Bagged lunches will be provided in June, August, October & December. We are looking for volunteers! Please call (925) 439-9361 to learn more about this program.

### Sinner or Saint?

By Edie Lanstrom

Kendall and I like to watch mysteries stories on TV. We just finished watching a series titled Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries. The stories take place in 1920s Australia. The beautiful lead character Miss Fisher, who I would guess to be in in her middle 20s, epitomizes the "Flapper Girl."

The Flapper had an unmistakable look. Flappers discarded the Victorian long-hair style and "bobbed" their hair. Hemlines of dresses rose dramatically to the knee. Women learned to use make-up, to bind their chests and to wear high heels. The Flappers chose activities to please themselves, not a father or husband. Flappers of the1920s managed to have a good time.

Wealthy Miss Fisher lived in a mansion (I don't where her money came from), liked to sip champagne and took men to bed without any thought of morality. Miss Fisher also enjoyed zipping around town in her bright red roadster. "Good folk" had nothing to do with this hedonistic woman.

Yet, this self-indulgent woman brought a child of the streets into her home. She educated this "throwaway" human being who became her companion and friend. This dedicated Flapper found out the laundry to which she sent her clothes hired children as laborers so she stopped using that laundry.

Somehow Miss Fisher also managed to get herself involved in solving mysteries with the local police inspector who never succumbed to her obvious charms. In one mystery, the police knew a drug ring was being run by the owner of a "speakeasy" (nightclub) but couldn't get the evidence they needed to arrest him. Unorthodox Miss Fisher hired a dance teacher to teach her how to "fan dance." As a fan dancer in the speakeasy, Miss Fisher was able to get the evidence the police needed to arrest the speakeasy owner and his flunkies.

As I watched this series, I came to realize that Miss Fisher's life illustrated the predicament of human beings. All people sin. However, most people don't choose to sin as flamboyantly as Miss Fisher. Yet, I don't think Miss Fisher thought her behavior was sinful, and I think every day people don't characterize their sinful actions as sinful.

Rejecting someone who is "different." Taking part in spreading juicy gossip. Snubbing a person for unknown reasons. Rejecting a child who craves love.

More times than I care to admit, I have prayed to pray for forgiveness when I have indulged in hurting behavior. At times, I become impatient with Kendall when it is time to go somewhere and Kendall isn't ready. I snap, "Kendall, why aren't you ready? You knew you had to be ready at this time." (I rejoice when Kendall forgives for making the annoying comments.)

Most of all, I am grateful for a Savior who loves and forgives me when I act more like a self-indulgent Flapper than a follower of Christ. Forgiveness by my Savior frees me to keep on trying to live a life that shows the abundance of his love for all people, even people like Miss Fisher and me.

To ECSM Church Family,

Our son Matt, classical guitarist, is on a musical endeavor to record a beautiful CD of guitar compositions by Swedish composer Johannes Moller. Many of the pieces have been composed by Johannes Moller specifically for Matt to premiere. Matt has his info on kickstarter.com. We hope you will check out his information and enjoy a few moments of tranquility and solace while listening to some of his pieces. He gives a voiceover to explain his project. Any donations (and Thank You to those of you who have already donated!!!) or sharing of his website information with those you know who are patrons of the arts and music is appreciated. The actual link is:

https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/matt hewfishguitar/matthew-fish-debutclassical-guitar-album?ref=nav\_search or you can just go to www.kickstarter.com\_ and type in Matthew Fish in the search bar.

Enjoy his music and his message, and thank you for your support in donations, prayers, and sharing as he continues the process of creating this amazing CD to share the gift of music with others.

Jane and Paul Fish

## Annual Gathering of the NCNCUCC Conference

June 11 – 14, 2015 Sonoma State University

This year's Annual Gathering will be held at Sonoma State University in Rohnert Park. Our worship, plenary sessions, workshops and meals will take place in the university's Student Center. We will have access to its recreational facilities. We will use the university apartments for our housing.

#### **Pastors schedule:**

Christy and Will will be attending NCNCUCC Annual Gathering from June 11-14.

**Fellowship Hour:** I reviewed the sign-up sheet on the social hall bulletin board and no one has signed us for the rest of the year! We need you! The committee has been doing a lot of it recently with potlucks and all but we really do need your help. When there is no one signed up we will have to pull cookies out of the cupboard if there are even those available. Some Sundays it might just be coffee and drinks.

It doesn't have to be a lot. Team up with a couple of friends and sign up. If you have any questions please talk to me!

We still need clean up help, too. Thanks to Gayle and JoAnn and Carol and others who have recently helped out. It is so appreciated and team work is what it's all about!

Thank you all for helping out! Mary Burks, 925-427-7225

**Bountiful Table:** The table will still be set up and available for all of you who have extra produce to share. I know most of us no longer have gardens but for those who have fruit trees and do have a garden, please bring the extra you won't use! Drop it off in the social hall on the table near the drink table.

Thank you.

**Rummage Sale...**A date has been set aside for this if someone or several someone's come forward to help put this on. September 26, 2015. Talk to Mary Burks, Myrdell Dybdal or George Stephens.

### **Small Group Activities:**

The **Wine Tasting group** will be venturing to the Lodi wine country on June 27th. Jim and Janie Hodges are organizing this one so please contact them. 925-368-5797 or 925-368-5795 email: njhodges@aol.com

**The Garlic Brothers Lunch cruise** scheduled for July 25th is sold out!

Review the May newsletter for information on other small groups. YOU are always welcome to organize one.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Antioch Care & Share Faire:

Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at 620 E. Tregallas Rd, Antioch. Come & meet representatives from area nonprofits, government agencies and churches here to help you and your family thrive. Find out about different assistances available to adults, seniors, and youth. Resources and programs for every economic situation. Every kind of support you may need all in one easy location.

#### YOUTH GROUP

# think . . . Youth Group Adventures Goin' on a MISSION TRIP!

Leaders of the think . . . youth group are pleased to announce that we are going on a MISSION TRIP! Please mark your calendars for June 25-26 (Thursday-Friday). We have a wonderful opportunity to help hungry and homeless people through working with Friends Feeding Friends, a ministry of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Concord. Final details have yet to be worked out, but we will be doing projects such as organizing items to be given away (food, clothing, toiletries, linens, dishes), assembling dressers, and cooking a meal, then serving it to residents of a local shelter. There will be time for recreation and reflection. Thursday night, we will sleep at a local church. We'll end with a fun outing (such as Boomer's in Livermore).

There will be a regular-type meeting on June 11 (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday)—5:00 to 7:00 with dinner, games, discussion, and something spiritual. As always, friends are welcome.

Questions? Please contact Karen (call or text 325-7742; <a href="mailto:korgan81@yahoo.com">korgan81@yahoo.com</a> or Judie (call or text 354-4381; <a href="mailto:samoores@pacbell.net">samoores@pacbell.net</a> ).

and here are the calendar items:
Thurs. June 11 5:00-7:00p Social Hall
Thurs. June 25 (9:00a) - Fri. June 26 (11:00p)
think . . . Youth Group Mission Trip Concord

With many thanks for your input, Karen

**Westminster Woods:** Enrollment is open for Summer Camp! It's for grades 2-12! And the church has scholarships available! Talk to Karen, Judy or Mary. The link to register is: http://www.westminsterwoods.org/summer-camps/

#### A Special Thank you...

The Shipe and Fairhurst families would like to thank the Congregation for all their prayers during our time of sadness, and their words of comfort. We would also like to express our appreciation to the church members who helped out during the celebrations of life held in the Social Hall after the ceremonies, including Chuck Dybdal and Cherie Pershing. My mother, Dorothy would especially like to thank Carol Hosmer for her friendship and all the help coordinating both celebrations.

### JUNE CELEBRATIONS

June 7<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time **Anniversary Sunday!** 

Rev. Christy Parks-Ramage

June 14<sup>th</sup> 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Elaine Palmer

June 21st 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time **Sparkle Sunday Father's Day** 

1 Sam. 17: (1a,4-11,19-23) 32-49 and Ps.9:9-20; Or 1 Sam. 17:57-18:5, 10-16 and Ps 133; 2 Cor. 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41 Rev. Will McGarvey

> June 28th 13th Sunday In Ordinary Time Filipino Heritage Sunday Rev. Christy Parks-Ramage

### First Sunday is Deacons' Sunday

The first Sunday of each month is Deacons' Sunday. You'll find special green offering envelopes in the pews for a special contribution to the Deacons. The offering helps as we supply emergency relief for members of our church family and others in need.

Thank you for your support.

### **SAVE THE DATE!**



This year's Vacation Bible School will be August 7th - 9th. More details to follow. If you would like to be a part of the team please contact the Christian Ed director, Tristan Mendoza via email: ionicgrey@gmail.com



### WORSHIP LEADERS

June 7<sup>th</sup>

Liturgists Sandy Henry

Kenneth & Úmoz Umozurike Ushers Greeters Matt Taum & Tristan Mendoza

June 14<sup>th</sup>

Liturgists George Stephens Ushers Steve Hosmer Greeters The Sullivan Family

June 21st

Liturgists Steve Hosmer

Ushers Richard & Betty Pankey Greeters The Hosmer Family

June 28<sup>th</sup>

Liturgists New Wav

Ushers Matt Taum & Tristan Mendoza Greeters

The Umozurike Family

July 5<sup>th</sup>

Liturgists Myrdell Dybdal

Ushers Chris & Cherie Persing Carol Czarnowski Greeters

**Ushers:** Please let Letha Arms know by the Friday before your Sunday If you cannot make it on the date/date's above. You may contact the lead usher. Letha Arms at 925-427-2245 or armsl@comcast.net and she will find a replacement. If you have any questions or would like to become an Usher, please email or call her.

There is now an attendant in the nursery so if you have little ones please plan to come to church and know they will be taken care of.



### PRAYER PAGE

### **Prayers of Healing**

Renée Moore, Virginia Devens, Reggie Washington, Starr Lieber, Kathy Anderson, Pam H. & Rebecca P., Janis Harris Bellinger and Dorothy Shipe. Elaine Little, Carol Krishnan's sister. Lucille Corzine. Elaine Grothmann, Anne and Scott Cakebread, Jerry Castleberry, Richard James, Betty LaMar. Cherrie McNeilly, Edie Lanstrom, Kendall Lanstrom, Margaret Wilcox. Barbara Sellers. Cherie & Daniel Persing. Jim Magner. Kathy Kenney. Paul Telfer, Mary Vargo. Jackie in Israel, Lili's friend who is battling breast cancer. Jason, Becki Peterson's friend's son (9, chemotherapy). Kookie McGuire. Nora Buluran. Elwin, Bev Peterson's husband. Gayle Namanny's sister, Sue who has a severe bone infection. Adam Greenwood and family, relatives of Betsy Sullivan. Jessica's aunt in Puerto Rico undergoing surgery.

### **Prayers of Concern**

Those affected by the recent violence here and abroad. Those affected by the natural disasters in Northern & Southern California, Hawaii, the Philippines, New York, New Jersey, Japan, Chile, Panama, Haiti, Cuba, Vanuatu and Washington State. Safety for all in Syria, Afghanistan, Iraq, Yemen, Libya, Egypt and Sudan. California Public Schools and teachers. The economy, and those laid off or in need of employment. Those living without shelter, experiencing any form of mental illness and those without healthcare. Betty Pankey. The Shipe Family as they grieve the death of Jay Shipe. Lois Zollars.

### **Prayers For Our Mission Partners**

Prayers for the ministry of Habitat for Humanity and the Interfaith Council of Contra Costa County, Loaves and Fishes, P.I.C.E.S., the Antioch Ministerial Food Bank, the Literacy Project in Pittsburg, the Presbytery of San Francisco, the Bay Association of the Northern California-Nevada Conference, UCC,



Camp Cazadero, Rev. Charles Tinsley at Juvenile Detention Center, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Winter Nights Rotating Shelter, Shelter Inc., Shepherd's Gate, Heifer International, and the Al-Basma School and Program in Beit Sahour, Palestine, Joining Hands - Bolivia, Hesperian International, and the Keep Hope Alive Program.



**Prayers For Sisters and Brothers** Around the World

The North East; Conflict in the Middle East; Darfur, Sudan; East Congo, Bolivia; Colombia; Venezuela; Lebanon, Israel-Palestine, North Korea, and Mumbai, India. Long term aid to Tsunami victims; children in Tsunami areas and the victims of Hurricanes, those affected by earthquakes, and the unrest in Pakistan. For those who serve in the Armed Forces. For those who suffer from hunger and thirst: loneliness: illness: malnutrition: ageism. For those who are excluded; homeless; friendless; the underemployed and jobless.

### **June Prayer Families & Churches**

June 7

James Pickering Golden Gate Presbyterian Church Pamela Amison First Congregational UCC - Fresno

June 14

Sean & Blanche Poynter Delta Community Presbyterian Church -Discovery Bay Lois Arseneau

Community UCC - Guerneville

June 21

The Prizznick Family John Knox Presbyterian Church - Dublin Jim & Leah Becker Eden UCC - Hayward

June 28

The Ryan Family Immanuel Presbyterian Church - Fremont Janis Bellinger Harris United Church of Hayward UCC

Prayer cards are located in the Narthex by the Guest Book

### **UCOMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

### Minutes for Regular Stated Meeting of Session

May 19, 2015

**Call to order** at 6:35 p.m. at Myrdell Dybdal's home by checking in, reading the mission statement, and prayer led by Will.

Elders present: Ruling Elders: Tristan Mendoza, George Stephens, Dave Arms, Myrdell Dybdal, and

Teaching Elder/Moderator Rev. Will McGarvey. A quorum was present.

Elders excused: Mary Burks, Betsy Sullivan

Docket was read and approved.

MSC to approve minutes of April 21 Session Meeting.

#### SPECIAL REPORTS:

Clerk of Session: 68 members.

Correspondence: None

Pastor's Report: All the regular committee meetings, worship and bible study sessions. LGBTQ Film Night. Walk through with the Oakland East Bay Gay Men's Choir. Hosted a CCISCO leadership meeting. Keep Hope Alive meeting at Zelda's house. Met with Iris Hernandez and Keith Archuleta about East County Health and Wealth building initiatives. Theology Pub. Women's Fellowship. World Café planning meeting. Mission Responsibility Through Investment meeting at Old First in SF. Meal Program. Clergy and Musicians Lunch.

**Presbytery Meeting report**: Next presbytery meeting will be June 9 at Lafayette-Orinda PC. Packet will be available May 30 at sfpby.org. First two elders to sign in will serve as commissioners.

**Treasurer's Report**: Financial reports emailed by Carol Hosmer, reviewed. **Deacons**: Report of May 3 meeting emailed by Cherie Persing, reviewed.

Event Coordinator: Building policies for all users of the facilities emailed by Jessica 5/12. Events report emailed 5/18. Discussed issue of Ministerio Cristiano's late rental payments and building usage. MSC to direct Jessica to deposit cash received when it exceeds \$50 and immediately notify the Financial Secretary.

Nominating Committee: No report

**Personnel** Committee: No report. Two prospective members for the Personnel Committee, suggested at the April session meeting, have not yet been approached. Will again said he will talk to them.

**Partnership Visioning Council**: Second World Cafe is scheduled for May 31. We will host a Poverty Simulation on August 30<sup>th</sup> with leadership from CLUE California. Suggestion made by Will and agreed to by the PVC to suspend their meetings until after the World Cafe. The PVC needs clarification of their purpose. Lois Zollars has resigned from the PVC because of health issues.

**Meal Program:** Served 45 meals on May 16<sup>th</sup>, a new record. We are going to host a lunch every month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday. On the even numbered months we will serve bag lunches, on odd numbered months the meal will be prepared and served in the Social Hall.

Consent Calendar: None

#### **COMMITTEE/MINISTRY REPORTS:**

Building & Grounds: MSC to spend up to \$6,600 (after rebates) to replace all lights except the light poles, classrooms, offices, and Social Hall restrooms with energy efficient LED lights. Funds will come from the FCCA gift, and Dave will provide the labor. The payback is projected to be in three - five years. Motion passed with 3 yes, 2 no votes.

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Christian Education: MSC for Carol Hosmer to provide a Boy Scout curriculum to interested older scouts and non-scouts who would like to participate.

**Fellowship**: Report of 5/13 meeting emailed by Mary Burks. **Outreach**: Report of 5/11 meeting emailed by Barbara Sellers.

**Stewardship & Finance:** Money from sheet sales has been turned in but we don't yet know what the profit is. Discussed the desire to have those using the facilities help cover the expense so that we can continue to make the space available. First step is to categorize users of the facilities as sponsored groups, rentals, members, etc. George will begin working on this project.

Welcoming & Marketing: Report of 5/13 meeting emailed by Elaine Palmer.

**Worship:** Report of 5/13 meeting emailed by Ann Custer.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Welcoming workshops at a UCC church in San Rafael in August and September: We might consider this if FCCA and/or Welcoming and Marketing would like to participate and share the expense.
- Concern by FCCA Cabinet that newsletters have been getting out late: Cabinet recommends "that
  the newsletter deadlines as published in the announcements be adhered to pending
  Session/Personnel Committee action." This Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> is the hard deadline.

### **CONTINUING BUSINESS:**

- Need to develop written policies and procedures manual or standing rules for CPC: Myrdell will begin to get a group together to work on this.
- Need to elect four members-at-large to the Nominating Committee at an upcoming congregational meeting: If we have not had a congregational meeting by the September session meeting we will call one to elect Nominating Committee members.
- Improved projection in the chapel: There is no progress
- Community forum with representatives from the Pittsburg and Antioch police departments: No action has been taken and this item will be removed.
- FCCA 150th Anniversary celebration: George and Jude Stephens and Betsy Sullivan will take care of selling beverages after the FCCA concert June 6 as a CPC fundraiser.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 with final prayer led by Will.

Next Session Meeting: June 16, 2015 hosted by George George is scheduled to prepare elements for June communion

Myrdell Dybdal, Clerk of Session

### **CPC Treasurer's Corner**

Beginning Balance April 1, 2015 \$43,253.80 Income \$14.886.59 Expenses \$16,315.88 Ending Balance April 30, 2015 \$41,824.51

# Beautiful Weddings in the Camp Stoneman Chapel:

If you or someone you know is getting married, I would love to meet with them and help to plan their big day.

Lisa Hansen ~ CPC Wedding Coordinator.

Please contact our Events Coordinator, Jessica Natal for information. Private Rental rates for your friends are based on the number in attendance. CPC & FCCA members get the Church Member rates. Contact Jessica at 925.276.0960 or cpcpittsburg@sbcglobal.net

# JOINT CALENDAR OF EVENTS JUNE 2015

May 31 10:00 am World Café Sunday	June 1	June 2	June 3	<b>June 4</b> 6:30 – 7:30 pm Save	June 5	June 6
Service in the Social Hall  1:00 pm Pride on The Plaza at Todos Santos Park  4-7 MC - Sanctuary & classrooms	10:00 am Mondays in Antioch Bible Study 6:15 pm Cub Scouts - SH 6:30 pm Venture Crew - CSR 7:30 pm Boy Scouts - SH	6:30 — 8:30 HOA meeting – CSR	11:30 Women's Fellowship – Dad's Café 7:30 – 9 PM Ministerio Cristiano - CSR	6:30 – 7:30 pm Save Your Praise for God Bible Study – CSR 6:30 pm RCC Group – JR High Room 6:30 – 8:30 HOA meeting – SH 7:30 – 9 PM Ministerio Band Practice – Chapel	7:30 - 9 PM Ministerio Cristiano Sanctuary & 2 class rooms	FCCA 150 <sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Concert 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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14 8:30 Deacon's Meeting - SH 9:00 am Choir Warm up 10:00 am Sunday Service - Chapel 4-7 MC - Sanctuary & classrooms	15 10:00 am Mondays in Antioch Bible Study 6:15 pm Cub Scouts - SH 6:30 pm Venture Crew - CSR 7:30 pm Boy Scouts - SH	10 am Bible Study – CSR 6:30 pm Session Meeting	17 7:30 - 9 PM Ministerio Cristiano - CSR	18 6:30 – 7:30 pm Save Your Praise for God Bible Study – CSR 6:30 pm RCC Group – JR High Room 7:30 – 9 PM Ministerio Band Practice – Chapel	*July/August Newsletter articles Due to the Church Office today! 7:30 - 9 PM Ministerio Cristiano Sanctuary & 2 class rooms	20 12 noon Free lunch Meal Program out of the CSR 2:00 pm Privat event – SH
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28 10:00 am New Way Sunday Service in the Chapel 11:30 am FCCA Cabinet Meeting	28 10:00 am Mondays in Antioch Bible Study 6:15 pm Cub Scouts - SH 6:30 pm Venture Crew - CSR 7:30 pm Boy Scouts - SH	30 10 am Bible Study- CSR . 7:00 pm LGBT Film - CSR	July 1 7:30 - 9 PM Ministerio Cristiano - CSR	July 2 6:30 – 7:30 pm Save Your Praise for God Bible Study – CSR 6:30 pm RCC Group – JR High Room	July 3 7:30 - 9 PM Ministerio Cristiano Sanctuary & 2 class rooms	July 4  hoppy  *4th*
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### JUNE EVENTS AT ECSM



# Anniversary Pride Concert Saturday, June 6 at 7:00pm

Featuring Cris Williamson and the Oakland East Bay Gay Men's Chorus

# Anniversary Worship Service Sunday, June 7 at 10:00am

Followed by lunch in the Social Hall Celebrating our faith, history, music, service and community.