

AVUCC KALOS

Newsletter for the
Almaden Valley
United Church of Christ

Pastor Kevin's Corner:

Forgiveness

"Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors." *Jesus is not saying that God's forgiveness is conditional upon our forgiving others. In the first place, forgiveness that's conditional isn't really forgiveness at all, just Fair Warning; and in the second place, our unforgiveness is among those things about us which we need to have God forgive us most. What Jesus apparently is saying is that the pride which keeps us from forgiving is the same pride which keeps us from accepting forgiveness, and will God please help us do something about it.*

-- Frederick Buechner

I delivered a sermon a while back at another church that touched briefly on the attack on the World Trade Center in New York by the radical fundamentalist Islamic terrorists. I felt I needed to give a warning to the congregation that I was preaching to that there would be some tough questions asked. I would be asking, for instance, can we forgive the terrorists who are blowing up buildings and trains and children on buses? Could we forgive someone who was nailing our flesh, or the flesh of our loved one, to a tree as happened to Jesus?

In the end, though, I really don't know how hard it was for the people of this congregation to hear this sermon. I'm sure they have heard a million times that we Christians are to forgive, and even love, our enemies and "turn the other cheek." Was it hard from the distance at which we sat in Boston to

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conceptually forgive Osama bin Laden? Perhaps, or perhaps conceptually not. What does real—deep down in your heart—redemptive forgiveness really mean? When it comes to acts of terrorism, I suppose that unless the act was committed against our own persons or someone we know or love that *conceptual* forgiveness is not too difficult—and for most of us, that is what much of conceptual forgiveness is—perhaps too easy, especially as time fades the memory. But what about the forgiveness that is closest to home—the forgiving of ourselves? How well do we forgive ourselves so that our brokenness over wrongs we have done others actually gets healed? How can we tone down that little self-critical voice in our heads because we have not actually forgiven ourselves for past actions or hasty words?

Upon reflection, I think this sermon was indeed a tough sermon to deliver because in the back of my mind it reminded me of all times in my life when I have not taken the time and given the thought—and asked God—to help me really forgive myself for callous or cruel actions I have taken that have proven to be hurtful of others. I suspect that a lot of our adult brokenness may stem from the many times over the years since our childhood that we may have glossed over or rationalized away our responsibility for wrongs we committed. It may also stem from when we may have actually asked God for forgiveness but forgot to ask God to help us forgive ourselves.

Some of my own desire that everything will work out perfectly is due in some part because I have not always learned how to really forgive myself for times I've come up short or missed the mark. Forgiving ourselves helps us understand we are not and will never be without blemish. In times when I cannot forgive myself for coming up short, my hubris is showing and I end up believing perfection can actually be achieved!

If we cannot really forgive ourselves—forgive ourselves enough so that the wound can be healed and so that we can grow—how can we expect to really

be able to learn to forgive others? In the Gospel of John, Jesus is quoted as saying to the disciples “If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained (John 20:23 *NRSV*).” Holding onto wrongs done against you or done by you weakens our spirit. Retaining sins, whether the sins are yours or belong to others, creates a burden that you really do not have to hold onto. In following Jesus Christ, who on the cross said “Abba, forgive them for they know not what they do,” we have learned that it is possible to forgive the worst sins. But can we learn to forgive sins of our own? If we cannot forgive ourselves, how can we ever truly learn to forgive others? How can we move on to create peace in our relationships and peace on earth? Amen.

Pastor Kevin

Church Council Notes

Moderator: Steve Coutinho

Vice-Moderator: Kelly Yamanishi

Treasurer: Jay Caturay

Recorder: Carolyn Dingman

At-Large Members: Dot Allfrey, Sue Hamilton, Al Nieders, Janey Sanders, and Bart Smith

Pastor Kevin Smith, *ex officio*

Summarized below are minutes from the Church Council meeting on June 13, 2006. Complete minutes of Council meetings are posted on the bulletin board outside Fellowship Hall once they have been approved.

Pastor's Report

During Pastor Kevin's vacation, guest preachers will be Terry Shoup on 7/2 and Rev. T'Shala Oliveri on 7/9; she is chaplain at Watsonville Community Hospital's Wellness and Rehabilitation Center.

A policy has been established that AVUCC will pay up to \$250 for outside guest preachers, with payment coming from the Worship Committee budget.

A volunteer is needed to work with Father Stephen Mills of ECA on designing a new sign for the front of the church facing Camden Ave. The new sign may be lighted and will have room for publicizing church events.

Treasurer's Report

Financial reports for the month of May were approved.

The Budget Committee that met last year will reconvene to begin planning the budget for 2007; members now include Al Nieders, Betsy Shoup, Jay Caturay, Carolyn Dingman, and Kelly Yamanishi.

Old Business

Members of the Long Range Planning Committee joined the Council for a discussion of the next steps AVUCC should take to address the issue of handling conflicts and differences in the church. It was decided to present the Guidelines for Communication at the June semi-annual meeting and seek feedback from the congregation.

Other Business

The Council took a free-will collection to send to Kim Scow as thanks for her leadership of the facilitated meeting with LRPC and Council.

*Carolyn Dingman
AVUCC Recorder*

People In The Pews

THANK YOU

– For all the positive comments you have shared with me regarding this column. I love doing it, but would also appreciate any input you might like to have included in this column.

Thank You to Al and Tami Nieders for making our Annual Church Picnic such a fun time. The food was delicious – to Grillmasters John Graham and Stan Yumen – and thanks to all those who provided salads and appetizers. It was such fun to watch all our youngsters having fun together, even watching as they used a hose to squirt each other (the water guns just didn't do it!). Volleyball was again very popular and kids of all ages got to participate. This event has proven to be a real favorite and hope it will continue in the future.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

- We celebrated with the Hall family as son Harry was confirmed.
- Laura Click played the piano during Communion and she did such a fine job – (we look forward to hearing you play many times in the coming years, Laura)
- Tom Rose shared the Children's Time and was very creative in his presentation – the children go the message am sure!
- We said a sad Goodbye to Dick and Joanne Specht. They will be living in Grand Junction, CO. Know they will be happy there in their beautiful new home (on the 18th green), but we will miss them as they have both been such an important part of our church family for many years.

People In The Pews, continued

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED

On June 11th, we were honored to welcome into our church family Bruce Sunseri and his children Hannah, Rebecca and Anthony and Danielle Hall and her daughter Rachel.

Our congregation is fortunate to have these new members worshipping with us and we look forward to their continued involvement with our worship and the work of AVUCC.

Than you to Betty Benson for providing flowers for our new members.

We like Pastor Kevin's new robe, a beautiful shade of blue. This was a gift for Pastor Kevin at his installation.

On recent Sundays, we have been blessed to have several of our young adults worshipping with us again. Growing up in our congregation and now attending college and working part time is Susanna Hough. Susanna and her friend Sean have become familiar faces at worship and we are delighted to have them. Kendrick Hough was there on Pentecost Sunday, and it was good to see him too. Kendrick is in Jr. College and participates in drama whenever he can. Betsy Dingman is back from the east coast for the summer and sharing her beautiful voice in our choir. Watching Betsy, Kendrick and Susanna at coffee hour chatting and catching up with each other was wonderful to see.

For those of us who have been a part of AVUCC for many years, we feel very lucky to have been a part of your children's growing up years and now to see them as young adults, it is a real joy. Our children are the future of AVUCC, and we need to let them know how much we care for them and give them opportunities to share their gifts and talents with all of us.

People In The Pews, continued

MISSING FOR THE SUMMER

- will be Sue Scaff. She has a new granddaughter, Tessa Rose Cahill who was born May 7th. Sue will be spending the next two months in Brooklyn visiting with her daughter Ros and her husband Mike and helping with the care of Tessa and her brother Rowan.

ASSOCIATION/CONFERENCE NEWS

Pastor Kevin was elected Vice Moderator of the Santa Clara County Assn. of the UCC. Terry Shoup not long ago vacated his position on the Northern CA/Nevada Conference of the UCC Committee on Ministry, Sections A&B, and Sandy Baldwin moved into Terry's spot on that committee. Thanks to all of you for representing AVUCC in those Assoc./Conf. Positions!

CONGRATULATION TO...

Terry Shoup who will be installed as President of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers in S.F. on June 20th. This role will entail extra traveling.

FOLKS NEEDING EXTRA T.L.C.

Morpha Caturay is recovering from a surgery which will hopefully relieve her problems with dizziness. She is currently on a medical leave of absence from her job. Barbara Thompson is recovering slowly from a recent fall. Chuck Smith was hospitalized following a serious reaction to his chemo treatments. Debbie Bemis is having a great deal of discomfort after her first chemo treatment. Wai Mun and Toh-Bee Syn are recovering slowly from their surgeries. Jean Shipe is also on the mend following her surgery. We pray these special folks will have a return to improved health and be back worshipping with all of us real soon.

People In The Pews, continued

NEW FOLK CHOIR MEMBERS...

Welcome to Chuck Benson playing the guitar, Karen Click playing the viola and Kevin Haley back with us again on the saxophone. Our Folk Choir is such an important part of our worship once a month and we welcome the newcomers and of course the old faithfuls! Thank you for providing us with such great music!

LITTLE THINGS THAT MEAN A LOT...

A firm handshake
Handwritten thank-you letters
A sense of humor in a bad situation
Sincere compliments
Letting the person with just two items go ahead of you in the grocery line
Birthday cards
Volunteering to help without being asked, and then following through
Saying "bless you" when a stranger sneezes
Finding time for a walk
Babysitting for new parents
"Please" and "thank you"
Hugging your kids every day

Christina Hutchins Honored

Christina Hutchins, daughter of Bessie Hutchins, will be spending two weeks in June in St. Petersburg, Russia with a group of twenty American and twenty Russian writers. They are guests of the Russian government as a result of a competition which included 1400 American writers. She will also be giving an invited paper in July at the 6th Annual Whitehead conference on the same trip. Since she recently learned that she is also among 25 finalist in the National Poetry Series awards, this is turning into an exciting summer for her. The NPS awards are being judged by Robert Haas, poet laureate emeritus of the US and include about 1600 entrants. This award is for interregnum manuscripts

Christina Hutchins Honored, continued

(ready to be published but not yet submitted for publication) and is one of the most prestigious awards for poetry in our country. It will be awarded in July.

Christina is a graduate of UC Davis and Harvard Divinity School. She is currently finishing her doctoral thesis at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley where she is an adjunct professor of preaching and process theology at Pacific School of Religion and also an administrator with the Disciples of Christ Seminary program. Her poetry has been widely published and she is author of the book "Collecting Light". If you are interested in learning more about Christina, just ask her proud mother.

Bessie Hutchins

Thanks to our dear AVUCC friends.

We want to thank Pastor Kevin, members of the Caring Committee, and our friends in the church community, for your prayers and kindness during our illness. The number of get-well cards and notes was overwhelming; they lifted our spirits up in a potentially disheartening time.

Toh-Bee's total knee replacement was successful, and, under physical therapy, she is improving daily ... inch-by-inch, perhaps. Wai Mun's heart problems are carefully monitored by his physicians, and he too is mending well.

Thank you all for your loving care.

Wai Mun and Toh-Bee Syn

Outreach and Caring

Loss/Grief Support Group

—Is on hiatus for the summer.

Caring Committee

The co-chairs for June and July are Kathy Kisabeth and Sharon Cannon. As always, volunteers are greatly appreciated.

Beneficio Coffee

Imagine!...One regular AVUCC "Beneficio More Than Fair Trade Coffee" customer recently ran out of the precious ground beans and resorted to buying the "Hills" brand off the grocery store shelf... She later said that "It just didn't cut it"...

Some may not know that the J.V. Churches are now serving "Beneficio" at their coffee hours. People sometimes ask whether extra bags of the coffee are available other than those that are ordered; that's usually not the case. The coffee is very fresh and is best used within four months, and it does not like to be refrigerated or frozen, for the best taste.

An AVUCC order consists of twenty-four bags (\$6.75 for 12 oz.); whenever requests for that many bags are placed, an order will be submitted, the coffee will be freshly ground in Sacramento, and will arrive at AVUCC, sometimes as quickly as one day. Thank you for your support of "Beneficio" and the farmers in Costa Rica! For any questions or to request coffee, please contact Phyllis Chai.

Phyllis Chai
408-266-7150

Events and Schedules

Tacky Supper and Really Nice Fashion Show

The fourth Tacky Supper and Really Nice Fashion Show was held in May. About seventy-two attended. All proceeds (about \$850) are going to support medical needs and school supplies for over 150 Ugandan orphans.

Field flowers, arranged thoughtfully by Jorge Romero, graced each table along with balloons and mismatched serviettes. Attendees supplied delicious homemade salads, soups and bread. Charlie's Cheese poppers were touted and served right from the box. Guests wore their most tacky attire: the bag lady came in several layers of clothing, a knit hat, her boots and all her jewelry. Sister Odiferous of the Perpetual Essence attended (and they don't let her out very often!)

At the Really Nice Fashion Show the Unicorn (Our In-Valley Upscale Boutique) was praised for its support of EMQ's nationally-recognized wrap-around program for troubled children. Lo and Behold! after a rather uninspired Sunday night rehearsal, models at the Tuesday Show absolutely scintillated. They were: Stephen Mills, Kevin Smith, Ellie and Faith Mills, Carol MacDonald and her granddaughter Carrissa MacDonald, Michael Cox, Karen and Laura Click, Sandy Baldwin and her grandsons Alec and Eric Fernandez, Jenny Hoyt, Sharon Mills, Marilyn Williams from the Unicorn, and Martha Lou Reynolds.

Mary Sheehan and her assistant Jean Hembrooke, both from the Unicorn, directed the models from the wings. Mary Leal and Betty Consorte were the gracious moderators, and Phyllis Chai was the ever talented and flexible pianist.

The Unicorn made \$250 from sales of the modeled fashions. We want to thank Sharon Coburn, president of the Unicorn, for help with racks, delivering

Tacky Supper and Really Nice Fashion Show, continued

and picking up, and her generous support and encouragement for this event.

Special thanks to Joan Wagner and Anna Spanjaart for kitchen cleanup and table cloth laundering when everyone else was spent. It was wonderful fun for good causes.

Sandra Mueller

Women's Network Fall Retreat

Calling all women: To quote the flyer on the downstairs church bulletin board..."Take a break--Rest, study, sing, worship, create, laugh!" It's still not too late to register for the Women's (UCC) Network Fall Retreat which will be, probably for the last time, at the lovely Mercy Center facility in Burlington the week end of October 13-15, 2006. The theme will be "Vessels of Love, Voices of Light" and the keynote speaker will be the Rev. Judith Jones. At least several AVUCC women plan to attend. Hope you can, too! If you have questions, feel free to contact Phyllis Chai.

Phyllis Chai
408-266-7150

QUEST

The Quest Group has had its last meeting (Wednesdays at church from 0930 till 1100) until resuming in the Fall on Wednesday, 9/6/2006.

We are very grateful to Pastor Kevin who has shepherded us throughout our gatherings this year. He led us in interesting and inspiring studies of the books:

1. IF GRACE IS TRUE (WHY GOD WILL SAVE EVERY PERSON) by Philip Gulley and James Mulholland,

2. THE GREAT THEMES OF THE QUR'AN by Jacques Jomier, with a visit arranged by Pastor Kevin, at the culmination of the series, to the S. Bay Islamic Ass'n., very warmly hosted by Imam Tahir Anwar.

3. THE HEART OF CHRISTIANITY by Marcus J. Borg.

One day each month, including the summer, the participants of the group, with the able assistance of Jan Day and Desi Brown, assemble and ready the "Kalos" for mailing.

New members are always welcome to be a part of "Quest." There is no initiation fee and no hoops to jump through...Just come, as you are!

Phyllis Chai

Music Notes

SUMMER MUSICAL – PERFORMANCES

Tickets are on sale now for performances Fridays and Saturdays July 7, 8 and 14, 15. Admission is \$15.00 per ticket. All performances will be at 7:30pm, but come early to find a good parking space, a good seat, and hear additional Cole Porter tunes performed by our cast. I think you will enjoy coming to see all your AVUCC and ECA friends perform in this hilarious show, with great music by Cole Porter. Some of his best songs are in “Anything Goes.” They include: “It’s Delovely,” “You’re the Top,” “Blow, Gabriel, Blow,” “I Get a Kick out of You,” “Friendship,” and, of course, the title song, “Anything Goes.”

SUMMER MUSIC at WORSHIP

John Hawes has scheduled some wonderful music for this summer’s worship services, as the AVUCC Shalom Choir rehearses and performs “Anything Goes,” then takes a well-deserved break in August. In July we will hear Hi-Dong & Phyllis Chai, Debbie Bemis & John Hawes, as well as the Folk Choir. Our guest organist on July 23 and 30 will be everybody’s favorite, Jennifer Baham!

How can I say thanks for the things You have done for me?

Things so undeserved, yet you gave to show Your love for me;

The voices of a million angels could not express my gratitude.

All that I am, and every hope to be ...

I owe it all to Thee.

To God be the glory, to God be the glory, to God be the glory for the things He has done.

With his blood He has saved me; with his power, He has raised me.

To God be the glory for the things He has done.

- - Andrae Crouch, 1971 (New Century hymnal # 14)

John Leslie

Youth News

Sunday School

Fellow parishioners,
It's that time again when all need to ask themselves if they are willing to see a successful children's program at AVUCC and ECA. The only way this can happen is when 18 adults make the commitment to teaching our young Christians. 18 parishioners who only teach approximately 10 times during the school year is not very much but has a huge impact on the health of our churches' Sunday school program and affect on our children. Please look to your heart and prayerfully consider joining this ministry. Contact Katie McCormick via the church office with the choice of grade you wish to teach. God Bless all of you.

Katie McCormick

Heifer Project Global Village

The SHYGS trip to Heifer International was one that will be kept in our memories forever. When the group first arrived we were shown an informative video about how the project reaches out and why we were there to help. The video was only our first immersion into what life is really like to be in a 3rd world country. After our thoughts were shared on the videos and a short orientation was given to us we went to sleep with mats, and a roof, wondering what the next day was going to be like.

Unfortunately our day started around 6:15 when the roosters decided it was time to wake up. After everyone was out of bed and we had our breakfast we set off to do our morning work assignments around the farm. My group went to scrape paint of the fence and then repaint it. The next group that had split off of us cleaned out the algae infested water troughs and helped out in the garden. Once we cleaned up as best we could it was time for team work building games.

Heifer Project Global Village, continued

At first they seemed like your typical cheesy games, but after the first couple it was interesting to see the ways we rethought the directions given to us to complete our challenges. One game in particular involved the group of about 13 of us placed on a log. We were then told to not talk, not touch the ground with our feet, and arrange ourselves in birth-day order. After many times of trying to inch around people and failing, Faith sat down and kept her balance with her hands. Then we realized we could touch the ground with our hands. We had all assumed to not touch the ground at all. That taught us our first lesson of how to really listen and think

Heifer Project Global Village, continued

outside the box to get things done. After a series of other games each teaching us a different lesson it was time to get ready for the Global Village.

The object of this night was to really feel everything that some one much less fortunate than us feels. After we got sleeping bags (no pillows) and the clothes we could fit on our backs we got ready to hear which houses and people we were assigned to. Each group ended up with a pregnant mother to add to the mix (they ended up being three guys). The first group received the Asian house made of bamboo, the envy of the other groups. The second group



The Cast of "Anything Goes"

Heifer Project Global Village, continued

was assigned the Mexican mud/straw house and lastly my group got the Urban Slums made up cardboard and spiders.

The catch was limited or no food to last the night. My group consisted of five kids, no food and fire. We then had to pull together and trade all our assets just to be able to survive the night. Each group ended up with something small like fried rice with eggs, or a potato, carrot and rice for five people.

At first we were selfish and would only give up what little we had in return for something else. After everyone had food we realized we needed to share everything to make it. Only after dinner did we give up everything we had freely. Once everyone had their fires going the entire Urban Slum group decided we didn't want to sleep inside with the spiders we would rather sleep in the dirt outside. It was such a repulsive idea to sleep in the dirt and bugs that many of us tried to stay up all night, but failed. It is horrible to think that every night people just like us have to live like this.

By the time morning rolled around everyone was very excited to get up and eat food. We cleaned up, talked about our nights and headed home with new found appreciation for every little thing we have in our lives. I am still sick from the cold of that night, but every time I take food for meal or turn on the water I remember how lucky I am to have everything I do.

Kristin Petruzelli

SHYGs Update

It's July and SHYGs are out of school and loving the summer in a lot of different ways. Some are just kicking back and enjoying the opportunity to sleep in, others are working, traveling, playing sports and planning for college. Yes, planning for college! We're so excited for Matt Rimroth, Hannah Ward and Greg Lukanc who will spread their wings this fall

SHYGs Update, continued

and explore the halls of higher learning. We wish them well.

Last month we had a parent's BBQ and potluck at church-We had some awesome food-Potlucks are such a treat to try stuff you never make for yourself! The teens played volleyball and the parents had a great meeting to discuss what's been going well, what could be done differently and ideas for new additions to the senior high program. Terry and I are very grateful to have such terrific parents. We had 28 attend representing almost every teen in the group, and we can't tell you how supported we felt to have them care enough to attend and give us their thoughts. Some of the items that came out of that meeting were: The parents love the group and are pleased with what is being offered to their teens; they would like bible study to be offered to senior high students; they would like to have more service projects that a) are hands on with people and b) are closer to home. In addition, our parents signed up to help drive, help shop, help make phone calls and to loan out their larger cars when we require lots of seat belts. This was such a crucial issue with 8 more freshmen joining us this summer. Our group will be over 30.

We have formed a parent's committee comprised of Roger Hoyt, Leslie Rousseau, Kathryn McAbee, Sharon Hall, Anne Tysanner and Anna Spanjaart. The committee will meet once a month at first and then will meet as required. This group will confer with Terry and me about new calendar items and other issues that may come up within the group. Kathryn and Sharon will then attend the Christian Education committee as liaisons from the SHYGs committee to communicate what each group is doing. We appreciate the commitment of time from all of these folks.

Greg Lukanc earned his Eagle Scout award and several SHYGs and parents attended the ceremony at church on June 17th. We are very proud of Greg and all the time and effort it took to earn this award.

SHYGs Update, continued

Check out the summer and fall calendar elsewhere in the newsletter. We'll be playing volleyball, riding bikes on Angel Island, camping at the beach, building another Habitat House and going on a trip to Camp Oakhurst to do some fun teambuilding activities. So, it's a busy time. Keep us in mind when you travel and bring back your toiletries for the low income students at West Valley College. A new box is in the hallway.

Have a great summer!

Robin Root

SHYGS

Summer and Early Fall Schedule

Volleyball at Church-We hang out and play volleyball and snack and talk from 7-9:00. Dates this year are all on Thursdays, starting on June 22nd.

June 22, June 29, July 6, July 13, July 20, July 27, Aug 3, Aug 10

Train Ride to SF and bike ride around Angel Island-We'll leave from Tamien train station with our bikes and arrive in SF. We'll ride along the Embarcadero and catch the ferry to Angel Island. There's a level, easy 7 mile ride around the island. Bring your lunch and money for the train and ferry-Details later.

Saturday, July 8

SHYGs Update, continued

Beach Camping Trip to welcome Freshmen and say adios to our Seniors-We'll be camping at Half Moon Bay State Beach for 3 nights. You can come for all or part of this, but if you come for part you'll need your own rides. Dates:

Tues, Aug 15 at 1:00 through Friday, Aug 18th around 2:00.

Family Potluck and BBQ at church to kick off the new season: The whole family comes and eats and plays volleyball and hangs out.

Sunday, Aug 27 5-8:30

Ropes Course-We are tentatively planning to attend the ropes course in the central valley, but still need to confirm the cost and date. This is a great opportunity to bond the new group!

Please put Sept. 15-17 on your calendars.

Habitat for Humanity-We are scheduled to work on a building project for Habitat in North San Jose on:

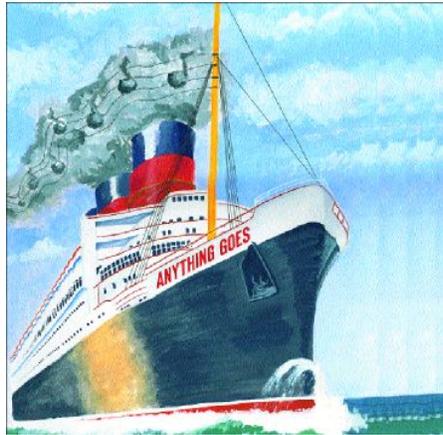
Sunday, Oct. 1 8:00 a.m.-3:30

Limit: 25 workers

That's it! It will be a fun and busy summer and fall. If you've got any questions give us a call or send an email. Robin and Terry Root: 268-1203 or robin-root@yahoo.com

Music at Joint Venture Churches
Presents

Cole Porter's smash hit musical



*It's Delovely
I Get A Kick Out of You*

*Friendship
Blow, Gabriel, Blow*

**“Anything Goes”
July 7, 8, 14, 15**

7:30 P.M. in Fellowship Hall

All tickets \$15.00 – Child Care will be available.

Starring

Gwen Hacker as Reno Sweeney, Byron Henderson as Billy Crocker,
Bart Smith as Mr. Whitney, Lynn Widman as Mrs. Harcourt
And as Moonface Martin & Erma:
Dennis Elliott & Judy Martin (July 7, 8)
Taylor Wing & Susie Ferguson (July 14, 15)

Featuring our Guest Star

* Jen Ellington, Bret Harte Middle School Drama Director *

With

Stephen Mills (Captain), Steve Coutinho (Purser)
Jim McPherson (Bartender), Arnold Moore (Minister)
a “cast of thousands” !

Special Choreography by P. J. Gallego

Cheering Squad

Karen & Laura Click, Sarah Dunn, Cindy & Lin Eschenfelder,
Meghan Hall, Claire Henderson, Susana Machado,
lin McPherson, Kara & Kristen Nieders, Anna Pfeffer



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July Birthdays

Bee Mannia 7/2
Alex Fernandez 7/2
Helen Clay 7/3
Richard Daley 7/4
Terry Shoup 7/20
Thomas Hall 7/20
John Hawes 7/24
Karen Click 7/27
Cliff Click 7/27
Evan Quint 7/30
Susan Gaydon 7/30

July Anniversaries

Greg & Regina Hearn 7/8
Kyle & Leanna Dando 7/15
Bill & Charlotte Duerksen 7/30

Worship Schedule

July 2 Terry Shoup
July 9 Rev. T'Shala Olivieri, Chaplain at
Watsonville Community Hospital's
Wellness & Rehabilitation Medical
Center
July 16 Pastor Kevin
July 23 Pastor Kevin
July 30 Pastor Kevin

Ladies Lunch/Dinner

Ladies Lunch for July is:

Thursday July 6th
(note date change because of 4th of July)
At Bahama Billy's in Carmel Valley.

The restaurant is located in the Barnyard Shopping Center and is a great place to browse at stores and landscaping. We will carpool from church at 10 am.

Ladies dinner for August is:

Tues, August 8th, 6 pm,
At PF Chang's, Oakridge Mall.
Meet at 5:30 pm at church to carpool.

More information:

Amy Griffith
408-268-0920

JULY 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room 10:00 AM "Anything Goes" Tap Rehearsal
2 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room 9:00 AM AVUCC Worship 12:30 PM Anything Goes Rehearsal 6:30 PM "Anything Goes" Cast Rehearsals 7:00 PM "Anything Goes" Rehearsal	3 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room 6:30 PM Anything Goes Rehearsal 7:00 PM "Anything Goes" Rehearsal	4 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room 7:30 PM Christian Ed Committee Meeting	5 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room 9:30 AM Quest 6:30 PM Anything Goes Rehearsal 7:00 PM "Anything Goes" Rehearsal	6 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room 6:30 PM Anything Goes Rehearsal 7:00 PM "Anything Goes" Rehearsal 7:00 PM SHYG Volleyball	7 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room 10:00 AM Loss Grief Caring Group 4:00 PM Anything Goes 7:30 PM "Anything Goes" Show	8 JV Aluminum Can Drive Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room SHYG's Train Ride to SF and Bike around Angle-Island 1:00 PM Anything Goes 7:30 PM "Anything Goes" Show
9 JV Aluminum Can Drive Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room 9:00 AM AVUCC Worship	10 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room	11 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room 7:00 PM UCC Council	12 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room 9:30 AM Quest	13 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room Kalos Deadline 7:00 PM SHYG Volleyball 7:00 PM "Anything Goes" Rehearsal	14 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room 4:00 PM Anything Goes 7:30 PM "Anything Goes" Show	15 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room Kalos Deadline 1:00 PM Anything Goes 7:30 PM "Anything Goes" Show
16 Props Up in Choir Room For "Anything Goes" Room 9:00 AM AVUCC Worship	17	18 4:15 PM Avucc Shelter Food Service 7:30 PM JV Board Meeting	19 9:30 AM Quest	20 7:00 PM SHYG Volleyball 7:30 PM JV Book Club	21 10:00 AM Loss Grief Caring Group	22
23 9:00 AM AVUCC Worship	24	25 7:30 PM AVUCC Long Range Planning Committee Meeting	26 9:30 AM Quest	27 7:00 PM SHYG Volleyball	28	29
30 8:00 AM AVUCC Children Bread Making 9:00 AM AVUCC Worship 9:15 AM AVUCC Children Bread Making	31					

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-Daily Lectionary- July, 2006

These lectionary readings are from A Daily Lectionary-Scripture readings for Every Day based on the New Common Lectionary. Please share this resource with members of your church.

**The readings listed for Sundays are from the UCC Desk Calendar and are not part of the daily lectionary cycle.*

Day	Date	Old Testament	New Testament	Epistle
Sat.	July 1	1 Sam. 19:1-18	John 20:19-23	2 Cor. 11:30-12:6
*Sun.	July 2	2 Sam. 1:1, 17-27	Mark 5:21-43	2 Cor. 8:7-15
Mon.	July 3	1 Sam. 19:19-20:17	John 20:24-31	2 Cor. 12:7-11
Tues.	July 4	1 Sam. 20:9:18-42	John 21:1-14	2 Cor. 12:12-18
Wed.	July 5	1 Sam. 21:1-15	John 21:15-19	2 Cor. 12:19-21
Thu.	July 6	1 Sam. 22:1-23	John 21:20-25	2 Cor. 13:1-6
Fri.	July 7	1 Sam. 23:1-23	Mark 1:1-11	2 Cor. 13:7-14
Sat.	July 8	1 Sam. 23:24-24:22	Mark 1:12-20	Eph. 1:1-10
Sun.	July 9	1 Sam. 5:1-5, 9-10	Mark 6:1-13	2 Cor. 12:2-10
Mon.	July 10	1 Sam. 25:1-22	Mark 1:21-34	Eph. 1:11-15
Tues.	July 11	1 Sam. 25:23-44	Mark 1:35-45	Eph. 1:16-23
Wed.	July 12	1 Sam. 26:1-25	Mark 2:1-12	Eph. 2:1-10
Thu.	July 13	1 Sam. 27:1-28:2	Mark 2:13-22	Eph. 2:11-23
Fri.	July 14	1 Sam. 28:3-25	Mark 2:23-3:6	Eph. 3:1-6
Sat.	July 15	1 Sam. 29:1-30:10	Mark 3:7-19a	Eph. 3:7-13
*Sun.	July 16	2 Sam. 6:1-5, 12b-19	Mark 6:14-29	Eph. 1:3-14
Mon.	July 17	1 Sam. 30:11-31	Mark 3:19b-35	Eph. 3:14-21
Tues.	July 18	1 Sam. 31:1-13	Mark 4:1-9	Eph. 4:1-6
Wed.	July 19	2 Sam. 1:1-16	Mark 4:10-20	Eph. 4:7-16
Thu.	July 20	2 Sam. 1:17-27	Mark 4:21-32	Eph. 4:17-24
Fri.	July 21	2 Sam. 2:1-17	Mark 4:33-41	Eph. 4:25-32
Sat.	July 22	2 Sam. 2:18-32	Mark 5:1-13	Eph. 5:1-14
*Sun.	July 23	2 Sam. 7:1-14	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56	Eph. 2:11-22
Mon.	July 24	2 Sam. 3: (1-5) 6-21	Mark 5:14-20	Eph. 5:15-24
Tues.	July 25	2 Sam. 3:22-39	Mark 5:21-34	Eph. 5:25-33
Wed.	July 26	2 Sam. 4:1-12	Mark 5:35-43	Eph. 6:1-9
Thu.	July 27	2 Sam. 5:1-16	Mark 6:1-13	Eph. 6:10-17
Fri.	July 28	2 Sam. 5:17-6:11	Mark 6:14-29	Eph. 6:18-24
Sat.	July 29	2 Sam. 6:12-23	Mark 6:30-44	Acts 21:37-22:5
Sun.	July 30	2 Sam. 11:1-15	John 6:1-21	Eph. 3:14-21
Mon.	July 31	2 Sam. 7:1-17	Mark 6:45-52	Acts 22:6-11

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