

### A NEWSLETTER FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

### A Word from the Pastor

"Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:28-31

It is a new year, a time to reflect on all that happened in 2019 and to anticipate and look forward to all that 2020 holds. It is a time that many folks around the world are making resolutions in an effort to make 2020 better than 2019, to make themselves healthier, or happier, or more fulfilled, or many other things. Hope springs eternal on January 1st and the possibilities for the new year seem almost limitless. It almost feels as though the slate is wiped clean and we get a fresh start.

And I think this idea of a fresh start is a very good thing for the church in the 21st century; we really could use a fresh start. Christians in the United States have, in many ways, lost sight of what it truly means to be the Church of Jesus Christ. In many churches, we have expended too much energy and effort in being culturally relevant, in fitting in with the ideals of mainstream society.



### Epiphany is January 6.

Epiphany commemorates the first occasion on which Jesus' divinity was manifested: when the three kings visited infant Jesus in Bethlehem. It is one of the oldest Christian feasts and has been celebrated since the end of the second century, before the Christmas holiday was established. It is commonly known as Twelfth Night, Twelfth Day, the Feast of Epiphany, or Three Kings' Day. It means "manifestation" or "showing forth."

In other churches, we have expended too much energy and effort in maintaining the status quo, in holding onto the past and what makes us happy.

And I'm here to tell you that both of these approaches to church are problematic. If we focus too much on being culturally relevant and fitting in, we run the risk of watering down God's Word and condoning sinful lifestyles and behaviors; if we focus too much on

### January 2020

maintaining the status quo, we run the risk of becoming unwilling to follow where the Holy Spirit is leading us. As the Church of Jesus Christ, it is our responsibility to boldly step out in faith and follow wherever the Spirit leads while also being unwilling to sacrifice or suppress the truth and commands of God's Word. The job of the Church is to go and make disciples, to be witnesses to the world of the love, grace, and mercy of God through Jesus Christ, and we cannot effectively accomplish this task unless we are willing to be both bold in following the Spirit and faithful to the Word of God.

My hope for our church, my resolution for our church, is that we will always remember to put our hope in the Lord. That we will continue to run the race that He has laid out for us in 2020 trusting that we will not grow weary or faint because the Lord will renew our strength. That we will boldly step out in faith and trust that the Lord will lead us to where He wants us to be. Our church is not without its challenges, we are a mid-sized rural church that is struggling to figure out how to reach the unchurched, that is struggling to figure out how to reach the younger generation; challenges which we share with many churches in our country, challenges to which we are still searching for the solution.

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### **GOLDEN NUGGET**

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### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We are the Church of the 49ers, where God is the gold. We serve and worship God in spirit and in the truth of the scriptures. We live by faith and will be known by our love for others and our voice of hope.

### Annual Meeting January 26

So how did we do last year? What did we do? What are the plans for 2020? Please **plan to stay after church on Sunday, January 26, for the Annual Congregational Meeting.** In addition to finding out the answers to all those questions in the back of your mind, you'll be able to vote on the pastor's terms of call, and elect a nominating committee. Hope to see you there!

Following the meeting, the Fellowship Committee is hosting Iunch in Faith Hall—a Baked Potato Bar!

# Session News

Session did not meet in December. The next Session meeting will be on January 22, 2020, at 2:00 pm in the Lower Sanctuary, and members are welcome to attend. Check with the Office first for the correct start time and location.

Diane Brandt, Clerk of Session

#### CHURCH FINANCIAL SUMMARY January 1 through November 30, 2019 (exclusive of other income/expenses)

	Budget	Actual	Difference Over/(Under)
Income	\$229,197	\$216,844	(\$12,353)
Expense	\$221,539	\$214,887	(\$6,652)

# Line Dancing

Carolyn Sylva teaches a FREE Line Dancing Class once per week in Faith Hall - from 9:30 to 10:30 am every Wednesday. If you're looking for a fun way to exercise, come on down to Faith Hall and join us. And bring your friends too!

# As We Say Goodbye

As we say goodbye To another year We've seen so much Joy And far too much sorrow But through it all He's held Steadfast That gentle Hand Calming Life's storms.

Let's enter in To 2020 Not focusing On the challenges But the loving Arms That carried Us through Those rocky Times, Smoothing The path Along the way.

Let's remember The many blessings He has given us And sing the praises Of the only one Worthy.

As we say goodbye To 2019 Let's look to 2020 With Praise And Promise!

(C) Michelle R Kidwell



### Grieving

Family and friends of **Peg McConnell**, who died December 8 at the age of 94. A memorial service for Peg will be on February 8 in the sanctuary, with a reception in Faith Hall. Time is still to be determined.

Henny De Haas and other family and friends of her husband **Tom De Haas**, who died December 10 at the age of 87. A memorial service for Tom was held December 28th in Ripon. Tom and Henny, longtime former members of our church, moved to Ripon in February 2015.

Family and friends of **Fred White who** died recently at the age of 98. A memorial service for Fred will be at 2:00 pm on January 18 in our sanctuary, with a reception following in Faith Hall. Fred moved to Reno, Nevada in October 2018 where he was cared for by his wife Paulann's family, following her death that year.

## Thank You

Jeff, Weston, and I are very grateful for the congregation's prayers and concerns after the vehicle accident that Jeff and I were in. God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit (thankfully) have been here with us, as well.

In God's Peace, Jeff, Shelly, and Weston Goularte

### Men's Breakfast Fellowship

All men are welcome to meet for a no-host breakfast at Brooks Ranch Restaurant on Mono Way in Sonora.

8:00 am Saturday, January 11

### January Birthdays

Happy birthday to you, Happy birthday to you. May the Lord bless you And keep you, Your whole life through.

		• No. 1997
	Jan 7	John Malaspino
<u>к</u>	Jan 12	Suzanne Williamson
./	Jan 13	Philip Balmet 🗧
	Jan 18	Bruce Bickell
	Jan 23	Kathy Sudduth
Ţ	Jan 24	Rob Clark 🔥
	Jan 25	Kim Overstreet
	Jan 28	Judy Nason 🧏
	Jan 29	Susan Plevancic
ζ	Jan 29	Carolyn Sylva
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# Happy Anniversary!

David and Carolyn Stearns 62 years on January 24



# **Big Band Concert Fundraiser Jan. 24**

"Jazzy Big Band Evening" is a fundraiser for the Sonora High Music Department on Friday, January 24, at 6:00 pm in the Sonora High School Auditorium. Our favorite trumpet player, **Brynna Neves**, is in the concert and her grandmother, Nora Neves, has tickets to sell at \$15 each. In addition to a performance by Sonora High's Golden Regiment Jazz Band, Rod Harris will be leading the Columbia College Jazz Band, so it will be an evening filled with big band music.

## Sacrament of Baptism

Both Ella and little brother Travis were baptized by their father, Pastor Keith Reid, during worship on December 8.



Valerie McCale, Parish Nurse, will provide free Blood Pressure Checks on Sunday, January 12, following worship, right inside the door in Faith Hall.

## Pastor

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However, I fully believe that if we put our trust and hope in the Lord, if we boldly follow His plans for our church, He will strengthen us and 2020 will be a year that the Church of the 49ers will soar on wings like eagles, a year where God will use us in amazing ways that we could never have imagined. So my hope is that each one of us, each member of the Church of the 49ers family, as we make our resolutions to exercise more, eat better, drink less coffee, spend more time with friends, or whatever else, we will also make a resolution to recommit ourselves to the truth of Scripture and commit ourselves to being bold in following the Holy Spirit wherever He might lead. If each one of us does that, there is no telling how high our church can soar and the impact that we can make for God's Kingdom in this world. I can think of no better resolution, no better goal, for this new year.

May the blessings of the Father and the peace of the Son be with you,

#### **Pastor Keith**

### Sermons and Scripture

Pastor Keith's sermon series this month is titled "Lamentations: Where is God in Times of Trouble?"

> January 5 Lamentations 1:11; Romans 11:25-36 "Zion's Grief"

January 12 Lamentations 1:12-22; Matthew 5:1-12 "A Passionate Plea"

#### January 19

Lamentations 2:1-10; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 "An Angry God?"

#### January 26

Lamentations 2:11-13; 2 Peter 2:1-9 "Distress for Jerusalem"

Visit churchofthe49ers.com to listen to any past sermons. Click on "Worship" and "Sermons" and then the small white triangle on the left underneath each sermon listed. The audio includes the Scripture verses being read and goes right into the sermon.



**Christmas Eve 2019** 



Pastor Keith gave a devotional at the annual Presbyterian Women Christmas Tea on December 5.



During the PW Christmas Tea, Rosie McCarthy was celebrated as the 2019 PW Honorary Life Member recipient. Along with a plaque, Rosie received a poem written for her by Jean Peters, titled "A Rose for PW."

### "A Rose for PW"

There's "Rosie the Riveter," "My Wild Irish Rose," "The Rose of Killarney," "The Yellow Rose of Texas;" And probably many more than that!

> I admit these "Roses" are pretty neat – Each has her charms – But, "The Rose of PW" has all of them <u>Beat!</u> (Let me tell you "WHY!")

It's hard to imagine a time without Rosie (Truly the "Lady of Smiles") How her presence <u>beguiles!</u> The Lord surely sent her to help us revive!

She adds "<u>A Lot of Life</u>" while minimizing strife!

Let's face it: She's "positively Positive!" So this is my Prayer: "May we follow her lead; (we're then <u>bound</u> to succeed) Not allow thorns to "scratch" nor our hearts to "harden" – AND we'll have an even more Wonderful Garden!

> Thank you, God, for giving us Rosie: "A Child of God" who is open, loving, helpful, caring, funny, joyful and smart!

Just amazing – "a perfect PW Woman" RIGHT? She's also "modest" and I'll make her BLUSH!

> By Jean Peters December 5, 2019



## Needed – Volunteers for our Nursery

The Sunday School teachers have been busy putting together lessons for our preschool/ elementary age children. We have a group of six teachers who are taking turns teaching one or two Sundays each month.

We would like to find two more volunteers to add on to our schedule. Each month we reschedule and each teacher picks the Sundays they are available. It is always necessary to have two adults in the classroom.

In addition to the Sunday School, we really need volunteers for the nursery. At this moment in time we usually have one or two babies/ toddlers in this classroom. Our goal is to find volunteers to share this responsibility. It isn't difficult and there is NO planning...just a loving heart and willingness to help (again on your schedule).

If you are willing to be a part of this team, please talk to Jon Whited, Karla Reid or Suzanne Williamson. We will be having a short "gathering" of Sunday School and nursery volunteers on Sunday, January 19th at 11:30 am in Faith Hall (at a corner table... somewhere).

Please give this some thought...pray about it and give it a try. We really need to find some folks to fill these spots.

Suzanne Williamson

## Helen Johnson Monday Night Dinners



Above: Pictured are some of our guests enjoying the Christmas Feast on December 16. Margie Fooshee reported that 112 people were served dinner that evening, which featured baked ham, scalloped potatoes, broccoli, jello salad, a roll, and pie a la mode for dessert; and 50 take-outs were also served up. Volunteers expended 72 man-hours to prepare, serve and clean up for the church's annual Christmas Feast for the community. Thank you to those who donated rolls and pies for this special Monday dinner.





**Above: Ed Hawkins** brought a doll to donate to someone at the Christmas Feast and gave it to **Harley**, Kathy Sudduth's great-great-granddaughter.

**Left:** Two friends enjoying fellowship time in Faith Hall on December 29: **Jim Brandt and Travis Reid**. Travis is one of our children you'd be privileged to spend time with if you take Suzanne's challenge to volunteer in the nursery.

### News from Allen Graham, Missionary

Happy New Year from southern Spain!

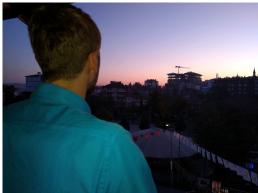
Last month, I promised to tell you about Alex, my translator at the writers' workshop where I taught in November. He comes from a Muslim background, as you can read from his story:

I come from a very conservative Muslim family. My father wanted to raise me as a great Muslim scholar. He wanted to give me a name, Hafiz, which refers to a person who has memorized the entire Quran in Arabic, but he couldn't because there were some problems. He raised me with a lot of knowledge of Islam and the teachings of Islam so even as a small Muslim child, I was fighting kind of a war to bring my Mus*lim brothers and sisters to the pillars of* Islam. I actually learned how to read the Quran in Arabic before I learned how to read (my own language), this is when I was four or five years old. When I was about eleven, I won a laptop from a written exam about the life of the prophet of Islam, Mohammad. That's how much I knew and how I grew up.

So when I was in high school, I actually started asking questions. I knew I believed what I believed, and am thankful to have been born into a Muslim country and into a Muslim family, because I knew it was the truth. However, I was feeling badly for a friend who was born into a Christian family. So I was thinking, "How should I respond? What do I say?" Islam actually gives an answer to that and says each person should do the research and find the answer for themselves. But when I heard that, I knew this was not only for them, but also for me, for everyone. So this is when I started searching about other religions. I thought that if I know more about other religions that will allow me to invite them to Islam. So if I know more about Christianity, for example, I will know how to respond to a question a Christian might ask, and convince them of the truth of Islam.

I was fighting like two battles: to be able to correct my Muslim friends to be better Muslims and to bring people who don't believe in Islam to that truth. So the more I researched, especially from an objective point of view and a historical approach, I realized there are contradictions between them, for example about Jesus' death. However, as I investigated more, the historians all pointed to the truth about Jesus' death on the cross. So I didn't know how to deal with how this contradicted what I knew and believed from the Quran. This is when I was about 15 years old. This was a big problem for me and I didn't know how to find a way out. This is when I really started to doubt Islam.

This led me to make a decision to follow Christ and my best friends then turned on me. I was persecuted by them and even by my family. I was attacked physically and emotionally. But I



Alex

needed to know the truth, not just go by what tradition tells us. I am now pursuing to understand more in order to react and respond to the challenges from my Muslim friends. I am grateful to God for the academic abilities He has given me.

Now 22, Alex' life verse is 1 Timothy 4:12, KJV: "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." His father has shown openness to learning about Jesus Christ. Alex also meets each week with about 15 young people for a seekers' Bible study.

What a privilege it was to get to know Alex and hear his story. Please pray for Alex; for His protection and for God to use Him to bring many to faith in Jesus. To God be the glory!

Allen

### **Interfaith News**

As we begin our New Year, I just want to say "Thanks" to everyone who has been able to help Interfaith this year in reaching out to those in need here in Tuolumne County. We have several from our congregation who work each month in various positions, plus all of you who have been generous with your giving of items which we need. We have been blessed with all the contributions received, both cash and items. Our Deacons have been sending \$2,000 a year for quite some time now and it has been extremely appreciated. As always, we are in need of volunteer workers in all departments. If you can be of help, please contact me, we'll find a home for you!

Vi Morgado, Interfaith Liaison

# Fellowship News

## Soup Lunch & Caroling

Following worship on December 22, the Fellowship Committee hosted the 12th annual Soup Lunch & Christmas Caroling in Faith Hall. Nine parishioners brought a delicious variety of homemade soups for the approximately 70 in attendance. Many thanks to our cooks: Betty Gilliam (Turkey Sausage Minestrone), Deb Handy (Bacon Corn Chowder), Kathi Lewis



(Creamy Zucchini & Bean), Pat Lincoln (Taco Soup), Nora Neves (49er Minestrone with Meatballs), Karla Reid (Sweet Potato & Chicken Stew), Betty Sagaser (Split Pea & Ham), Sandie Spicer (Turkey Noodle), Teresia Wilson (Vegetable Beef). Also, Cathy Crawfurd, Leslie Davis, Ben LeVine and John Malaspino brought breads, chips, and cookies.

Following lunch, Gary Davis led a few carolers and the crowd in singing Christmas carols, but this year we were unable to take our caroling out on the road to visit others. Hopefully next year...

### **Christmas Orphans Potluck**

Deb Handy and John Malaspino hosted the 2nd annual **Christmas Orphans Potluck** on Christmas Day. Fifteen enjoyed a potluck dinner and fellowship in Faith Hall amid all of the Christmas trees. John and Deb prepared a smoked turkey and ham, and others brought side dishes and dessert. We may not have had family members to celebrate Christmas with, but we enjoyed the afternoon with our church "family."

### **Community Event**

The Mother Lode Martin Luther King Jr. Committee presents its Annual Celebration - "Building our Own Beloved Community." This year Sonora High School students will present "Conversations to Bridge Differences."

When/Where: **Sunday, January 19, 2020 at 2:00 pm** in the Sonora High School Auditorium. Free admission.

For more information, visit motherlodemlk.org. And if you'd like to carpool, contact Leslie Davis at davisgold@gmail.com or 532-6604.

# Music

The 49er Chancel Ringers, led by Doreen Bass, performed several Christmas pieces for the congregation on December 15. The handbell ensemble is taking a break now from regular Friday



afternoon rehearsals, but will resume rehearsing on February 21 from 3:00 to 4:30 pm in the Lower Sanctuary. Contact Doreen if you are interested in playing bells .

### 49er Chancel Choir

The 49er Chancel Choir rehearses most every Friday morning 10:30 to noon from September through June. Contact choir director, Barbara Broad, if you would like to join the choir, which typically sings in worship on first and third Sundays.

# Tour Time: History Archives

#### By Dick Dyer, Co-Chair and Historian

Friends of Columbia's 49er Church, we are gratified and honored to be acknowledged for our archives, the most comprehensive collection among the churches in Tuolumne County – even California's Mother Lode (?). Today, we extend belated thanksgivings to individuals who have collected and preserved the records since Gold Rush days: pastors, elders and concerned members.

In 1990 the church archives was in a tiny damp closet next to the Sadie Nicholls Room underneath the church office; later it was moved into a cold basement space under the sanctuary; and finally to an unpretentious attic loft in Faith Hall. However, this latter improved location enabled the History Committee's technologically-gifted individuals to make available our resources for church members, friends and several local institutions. Soon, improved services are anticipated as we prepare for the "exciting electronics era."

Now, it is virtual tour time. Join us in Faith Hall as we ascend the stairs to the archives. BE CAREFUL. The stairs are narrow, and steep. First, we enter the outer room, a work room with supplies, donated archival information, not-yetscanned records in file cabinets, and even a safe for special records.

Once inside, a nearby door leads into the extensive collection, our Archives. Again, BE CAREFUL. The inclined ceiling isn't forgiving if you are a six-footer. Thanks to our technocrats, most of the historic records in this area have been scanned and organized for examination by conscientious researchers.

The collection is in helpful categories: ILLUSTRATIONS (photographs, sketches,

maps, etc.); OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS (Session Minutes, Church Directories, etc.): REPORTS (Church Histories, Annual Reports, Committee Minutes, etc.); RECORDS (Oral History Interviews, videos, CDS and 35mm slides): PASTORS; CHURCH HONORS; SPECIAL EQUIPMENT; and storage items.

To further illustrate, a few examples of the historic information available includes:

- In the 1860s, former 49er Church pastor Rev. Laurentine Hamilton was declared the first person to climb a mountain near San Jose - now, Mt. Hamilton.
- During the 1920s, Pastor Hugh Furneaux had erected a sign identifying the church as the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church; it remained as such for many years.
- The Annual Report of 1960 disclosed 217 church members.
- In 1965 and 1966 Barbara Eastman, a friend of the church, made available her hand-drawn plot maps of the 49er Church as well as parts of Columbia and even the Gold Discovery site
- In 1968 at the initial meeting of the 49er church Thrist Shop in Sonora, a pony was donated as a fund raiser (after several offers, he sold for \$25).
- The 2000 Time Capsule, awaiting a future public opening, features hand-prints in paint of Sunday School

students on the sides of the wooden box.

 In 2004, Helen McCleary Johnson organized the Community Dinner Program. Also, she was the first chef, bottle washer, hostess and contributor of appetizing recipes.

You might wonder what the History Committee does with such personal information. Well, the contributions to the public varies. Certainly, the first priority is to receive and manage the historic memorabilia for the church and others. To pursue this, articles are written for the monthly Golden Nugget newsletter. Photographs of historic items, activities and church ministers are scanned and then entered into appropriate files to assist others who publicize Our Story. Occasionally, brief Pulpit Talks are given, describing members and popular special events. Interviews with pastors and senior members continues to be recorded for future inclusion in written records. A few interviews have been transcribed; several have been donated to Columbia College's library. Occasionally, display of records and artifacts are exhibited and described at social gatherings in Faith Hall. Finally, History Committee stewards are able to assist researchers as they consult various archival files for their special projects.

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Location of the Church Archives: The History outer room is identified by the windows on the upper floor, and the actual Archives Room is to the right.

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So, why is the 49er Church History Committee overly immersed in the remote past? Are the members merely a novel version of that ancient "bird" that always flew BACKWARDS? Recall, the creature wasn't concerned WHERE it was going but was mightily concerned about WHERE IT HAD BEEN. Indeed, the committee members seem to have inherited a bit of its idiosyncrasy; however, they diligently focus on preserving and providing for future generations the archives as well as conveying to the entire community the rich heritage of the 49er Church. The committee's Mission Statement reads: The purpose of the History Committee of the Presbyterian Church of Columbia is to preserve and maintain for future generations the archives of the church and to develop projects that will convey to the community, the rich church heritage dating from the middle of the 19th century. Dated 2001.

Additionally, members desire to share the unique legacy of the church with friends in distant locales. The History Committee's Vision Statement is: *Our vision is to share with* 

Presbyterians and friends our influential and unique Mother Lode heritage as it continues to enrich our lives and communities.

Finally, I conclude with an historian's challenge for one and all: We long for the familiarity of the OLD without belittling the innovation of the NEW. However, there must be continuity between old and new as we worship in our 49er Church. Hallelujah!

Dick Dyer, Church Historian



The Mission Committee wishes everyone a Happy New Year as we look forward to continuing the spread of God's grace to our community and others in need of His help. Our work in 2019 was truly blessed and began by distributing \$3,524.87 to the Paradise fire relief efforts. Most, but not all of our congregation's support, came from special offerings generated in late December of 2018.

Our church, through our mission's outreach, contributed to 16 individual organizations during the course of 2019. We can all be proud of the fact that our congregation contributed a total of \$9,385.96 in addition to the money sent for the Paradise fire relief. Two community groups, Vets Helping Vets and Columbia Elementary School, extended their appreciation by presenting a painting and a plaque to our church respectively. know they are more than welcome to join our group. Our committee is very active and we strive to represent the interests and desires of the congregation to provide community outreach efforts. There is a sense that our church is very active in the community and we should all feel proud of that. Lastly, our involvement and knowledge of the community has been important in establishing whom and how we can best serve.

As we enter 2020, we all pray that God will continue to bless our church as we strive to continue and expand our mission outreach through His love to others in the coming year. Come join us!

Judy and Roger Haughton, Co-Chairs Mission Committee



May God's love light your way and lead you into a new year that shines with His special joy.

### **Adult Bible Studies**

All women are invited to join the Women's Bible Study led by Judy Nason. The group meets every Thursday at 2:00 pm in the Ramont Room, resuming their study of the New Testament book of *James* on January 9.

The Men's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 10:00 am in the Sonora Hills Multipurpose Room. Jon Whited is leading the men through the Book of *James* also.

As a committee we want to make certain that others in the congregation

# January Calendar

- 1 New Year's Day
- 3 49er Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am in SNR
- 5 Worship 10:00 am, Communion, 49er Choir sings; Worship Committee 11:30 am in RR
- History Committee 9:30 am in RR; Bible Study 5:00 pm in RR; Community Dinner 6:00 pm in FH; Spiritual Roads 7:00 pm in SNR
- 8 Line Dancing 9:30 am in FH; Men's Bible Study 10:00 am in Sonora Hills Multipurpose Room
- 9 Women's Bible Study 2:00 pm in RR
- 10 49er Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am in SNR
- 11 Men's Breakfast Fellowship 8:00 am at Brooks Ranch Restaurant
- 12 Worship 10:00 am; Deacons meeting 11:30 am in RR
- 13 Buildings & Grounds 10:00 am in RR; Bible Study 5:00 pm in RR; Community Dinner 6:00 pm in FH, Spiritual Roads 7:00 pm in SNR
- 15 Line Dancing 9:30 am in FH; Men's Bible Study 10:00 am in Sonora Hills Multipurpose Room
- 16 Women's Bible Study 2:00 pm in RR

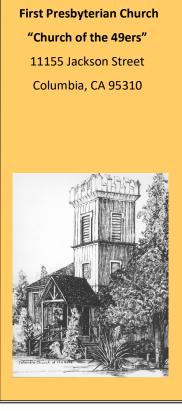
**Sundays 10 am** – Worship Service in Sanctuary, followed by Fellowship Time in Faith Hall. **Children's Sunday School** – Children are dismissed to Sunday School after the Children's Moment in worship. Nursery is available every Sunday.

Sunday meetings begin 30 minutes after worship ends RR = Ramont Room FH = Faith Hall CE3 = Christian Ed Bldg SNR = Sadie Nicholls Room LS = Lower Sanctuary (basement)

- 17 49er Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am in SNR
- 19 Worship 10:00 am, 49er Choir sings; Welcome & Evangelism 11:30 am in RR; "Just Dance" 1-4 pm in FH
- 20 Bible Study 5:00 pm in RR; Community Dinner 6:00 pm in FH; Spiritual Roads 7:00 pm in SNR
- 21 Finance Committee 1:00 pm in Office; Mission Committee 2:00 pm in LS
- 22 Line Dancing 9:30 am in FH; Men's Bible Study 10:00 am in Sonora Hills Multipurpose Room
- 23 Women's Bible Study 2:00 pm in RR
- 24 49er Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am in SNR
- 26 Worship 10:00 am; followed by Annual Congregational Meeting in sanctuary, and then lunch in FH
- 27 Bible Study 5:00 pm in RR; Community Dinner 6:00 pm in FH; Spiritual Roads 7:00 pm in SNR
- 29 Line Dancing 9:30 am in FH; Men's Bible Study 10:00 am in Sonora Hills Multipurpose Room
- 30 Women's Bible Study 2:00 pm in RR
- 31 49er Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am in SNR

#### Mondays

6 pm — Community Dinner served in Faith Hall. All welcome. **Tuesdays** 8:30 am — Intercessory Prayer in Pastor Keith's Office



#### TIME SENSITIVE MATERIAL

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