

Golden Nugget

A NEWSLETTER FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

A Word from the Pastor

“Paul and Barnabas appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, committed them to the Lord, in whom they had put their trust.” Acts 14:23

Some of you are very sharp readers of the *Nugget*! In the Session Minutes section of the December 2017 edition, there was a very brief mention of my intention to retire in two years- at the end of 2019. About a dozen folks have asked me about it; I am glad to know that the *Nugget* is being thoroughly read. Leslie Davis works really hard on it, and it deserves a close reading. The *Nugget* is the best church newsletter I've seen anywhere. Thank you, Leslie!

Yes, I am planning to retire in two years, at the end of 2019, for family and health reasons. I am looking forward to traveling with Rob, serving as an accompanist, hiking, growing vegetables, and babysitting our grandson. We plan to stay in the Sonora area.

Fortunately, ECO is developing resources for congregations whose pastors are retiring. Right now, 40% of ECO pastors are over the age of 60; there is a wave of pastoral retirements going on. Because my retirement is two years away, that allows plenty of time for our congregation to take advantage of the help that ECO can give us through a pastoral transition.



For example, the Rev. Dana Allin, Synod executive of ECO, will be assigning a coach to the Session this month. The coach will help us do a good job of succession planning- figuring out what kind of pastor our church needs. Succession planning helps us decide things such as: do we want a pastor who will lead our church through major change, with an eye toward bringing in the people who aren't yet part of our church? Or do we want a pastor who will make changes slowly and gradually? Do we want to mentor and train a younger pastor? Or do we want an older pastor to attract the retirees moving into our area? Do we want the pastor to work with our committees? Or do we want the pastor to work with volunteer and paid staff, and not work with committees?

If we do our succession planning well, there may not need to be an interim pastor between me and the next installed pastor. That would be less disruptive to the congregation.

As another example, ECO has created matching tools, to help a Pastor

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Nominating Committee select a pastor with the leadership style that matches the leadership needs of the church. Some churches want a pastor with a more authoritarian style: "You're the pastor, you tell us what to do." Other churches want a pastor with a more collegial style: "We all have gifts to offer, so let's decide together." It's important that an authoritarian-style church be matched with an authoritarian-style pastor, and that a collegial-style church be matched with a collegial-style pastor.

As a third example, ECO offers a program called *Flourish* that a Session and a congregation can use, which helps to create flourishing disciples within the congregation. The program's philosophy is, "Flourishing disciples lead to flourishing leaders, who lead flourishing churches." If our own discipleship is flourishing, we are more likely to discern and respond to God's leading in our church's life.

Christ's churches have weathered changes in pastoral leadership since the days of Paul and Barnabas until now. God has been faithful to our church for generations, and has sent us many good pastors. I am sure he will send us good pastors for the generations to come.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Janet

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The First Presbyterian Church of Columbia (Church of the 49ers) exists to glorify God and enjoy Him forever. We seek to do this through:

WORSHIP—expressing our love for God directly to Him;

NURTURE—studying and teaching God's Word;

FELLOWSHIP—direct association and involvement with other believers;

OUTREACH—bringing the lost to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ; to be committed to Him, His church, and His work in the world.

We will seek to fulfill this purpose in a way consistent with Scripture through the Spiritual Gifts in our church. We will strive to minister to the needs of ALL people while being committed to Jesus Christ, His church, and His work in the world. In all things we will seek to be a people of prayer, realizing our complete dependence upon God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

WORK PARTY

Pew Restoration January 13th

Typically, work parties organized by the Buildings & Grounds Committee are held periodically on a Saturday morning to clean up the grounds, wash windows, etc. This one's a little different. It has been a long process, but our planned sanctuary renovations are slowly coming about. Comfortable new seat cushions have been ordered and should be delivered in March - in time for Easter.



The men of the church will be having breakfast together at 8:00 that morning in Sonora, so we'll expect

them to come in a little late. There is no set end time - work as long as you can. Gloves and cleaning supplies will be provided.

But the pews and other woodwork in the sanctuary are showing their age (63 years) and must be refinished or at least touched up before the new cushions - and expected new carpet - are installed. The B&G Committee came to the conclusion we must touch up the pews in-house - using labor by our own volunteers, rather than pay to have them stripped and refinished.

There are 47 pews in the sanctuary, therefore this is a call for many volunteers. It is likely additional work parties will be scheduled until the work is completed.

If you can't make it on the 13th, but want to assist with this project, and/or if you have experience in restoring wood furniture and can help us prepare for the work party, contact Leslie Davis at 532-6604.

Our first work party to wash and touch up the pews is scheduled for Saturday, January 13th, beginning at 9:00 am.

Session News

Session did not meet in December. The next Session meeting will be on January 18, and members are welcome to attend. Session meetings typically begin at 2 pm, but it's a good idea to contact the church office to get the start time.

Diane Brandt,
Co-Clerk of Session

CHURCH FINANCIAL SUMMARY January 1 through November 30, 2017 (exclusive of other income/expense)

	Budget	Actual	Difference over/<under>
Income	\$215,142	\$216,271	\$1,129
Expense	\$217,333	\$229,575	\$12,242

Mortgage balance as of Nov. 30: **\$141,275.10**
 Nov. 2017 mortgage payment: **\$2,257.50**
 Net Ordinary Income as of Nov. 30: **(\$13,304)**
 Checking Acct. Balance as of Nov. 30 **\$9,216**

49er Family News

Congratulations!

Members Brian Annett and Jessica Davenport were joined together in marriage on December 21 with their three children in attendance (Jimmy Davenport and Angelica and Taylor Annett).



Weston Goularte is Sonora's November "Student of the Month"

Weston, son of Jeff and Shelly Goularte and a senior at Sonora High School, was honored recently as "Student of the Month." Weston is a hard-working student, ranked No. 2 in his graduating class with a GPA of 4.34, and someone who "generously gives back to the community" as a volunteer in various capacities.

Grieving

Calder Lowe and family on the death of her husband, **Al Lowe**, age 75, on November 26th.

Dana and Monty Youngborg and family on the unexpected death of Dana's granddaughter, **Morgan Abell**, on December 26. Morgan was only 28 and the mother of three young children.

We just learned of the death of member **Dawn Sarto** on May 6, 2017 at the age of 79 in Los Angeles.

Men's Breakfast Fellowship

All men are invited to meet up for a no-host breakfast on Saturday, January 13, at 8:00 am at Brooks Ranch, the restaurant on Mono Way in Sonora formerly known as Jeb's.

Contact Pastor Lee Warford at 925-470-9953 for more information.

Line Dancing

Carolyn Sylva teaches a fun, FREE Line Dancing Class on Wednesdays from **11:30 to 12:30** in Faith Hall, and all are welcome.

If you're looking for a fun way to exercise, come on down to Faith Hall and join us. And bring your friends too!

January Birthdays

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

- Jan 7 John Malaspino
- Jan 12 Suzanne Williamson
- Jan 13 Philip Balmet
- Jan 18 Bruce Bickell
- Jan 23 Kathy Sudduth
- Jan 24 Rob Clark
- Jan 25 Molly Marston
- Jan 28 Judy Nason
- Jan 29 Susan Plevancic
- Jan 29 Carolyn Sylva

Happy Anniversary!

David and Carolyn Stearns
60 years on January 24



Parish Nursing

Valerie McCale, Parish Nurse, will provide free **Blood Pressure Checks** on Sunday, January 14th, following worship, right inside the door in Faith Hall.

Send your articles and Family News items for the February 2018 issue of the *Golden Nugget* by January 25th to Leslie Davis at davisgold@gmail.com or call her at 532-6604.

Annual Meeting on January 28

The annual meeting of the Church of the 49ers will be held at 11:15 am on Sunday, January 28, in the sanctuary, with lunch to follow.

Sure, you've attended annual meetings before. But you'll want to be sure to attend this one, because we'll be hearing about budget cuts, the status of several capital projects, and the priorities of the pastor and Session for the next two years.

Bring your questions and come!

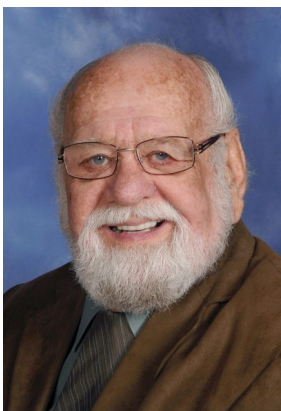
The Story Starts Up Again!

We took a break for Christmas. Now it's time to get back to The Story. For the next few weeks, we will be reading about the prophets and the messages they spoke to God's people. Please read Chapter 15 before you come to church on January 7th. Discussion groups will be starting up again on Sunday the 7th and on the subsequent Monday, Tuesday and Thursday of that week.

Pastor Janet

From Pastor Lee Warford

I am reminded by the light of every dawn of the transcendence of God's artistic consideration and, more, His love.



The color of the sun rising seems to remind me of His power and the possibilities which lie ahead for the day and yes, at this time, the Year! That moment, all

too short lived, is filled with the excitement of knowing who Jesus is and why He came to earth. I recall years of watching, on the other side of the day, the beauty of the sun setting over the Pacific Ocean and having, on occasion,

conflicting emotions wondering, "have I today satisfied His requirements for me in the past twenty-four hours"? "Has it been a time reflecting to the folks I met today, a 'changed lifestyle,' or an attitude of competition?" Particularly, that 'person' who cut me off in traffic, or crowded in front of me as I stood in line waiting to buy what could possibly be the last ticket to the Opera!?! OR, did that evening, sharing a cup of coffee with my soul-mate, take precedence over the day's discomforts and allow me to focus on The Peace Maker/ Promise Keeper?

A British artist, Lilius Trotter, said: "Many things begin with seeing in this world of ours. There lies before us the possibility of a beautiful life." Think about that in light of "...through the eyes of Faith...."

Upcoming Sermons

January 7
Hosea 1:1-2:1, 3:1-5
Matthew 20:20-28
"Ransoming Many"
Chapter 15
Pastor Janet preaching

January 14
Isaiah 6:1-13
Matthew 13:10-17
"Hearing Aids"
Chapter 16
Pastor Janet preaching

January 21
Jeremiah selections
Readers' Theater
by Denella Kimura
Chapter 17
Congregation

January 28
Jeremiah 29:1-14
1 Timothy 2:1-10
"Communities' Welfare"
Chapter 18
Pastor Janet preaching

Listen to scripture readings and sermons on our website at www.49erchurch.org.

I savor the moments of intimacy with Christ as they are the most treasured of my memories. Too often, however, those moments slip away under the pressures of life. I know that simply wanting 2017 to be over is not the answer because we "...know not what tomorrow may bring...," and remember, the most compassionate man ever said "...each day has enough trouble of its own...." Our New Year's resolve?? To be like Jesus!!

Pastor Lee

Soup Lunch & Christmas Caroling to Shut-Ins December 17

The Fellowship Committee hosted a Soup Lunch for the congregation, with delicious homemade soups and bread. Many thanks go to Cathy Crawford, Leslie Davis, Denella Kimura, Kathi Lewis, Judy Nason, Nora Neves, June Perea, Janet Russell, Betty Sagaser, and Janice Williams for lunch!



After dining together, our 49er Carolers ran through a quick rehearsal and then hit the road - to go out and sing carols to some of our parishioners who cannot make it to worship.



John Morgado



Elvy Peterson

Others who welcomed carolers were Catherine Dies, Jewel Guhl, Eleanor Lillie, Bob and Alice Morris, and Carolyn Weber, but unfortunately we don't have pictures of them with their carolers.

Leslie Davis, Fellowship Chair



Helen Johnson



Royce Rickman

Presbyterian Women Christmas Tea December 7

Valerie McCale was surprised to learn she had been chosen to receive the PW Honorary Life Member Award. In addition to her certificate presented by Nora Neves, Valerie was delighted to hear the poem especially written for her by Jean Peters, titled "V is for Vision and Valerie."



After a devotional by Pastor Janet and singing Christmas carols together, the ladies adjourned to Faith Hall for a Christmas Tea.



PW Calendar

- Naomi Circle ladies will provide Fellowship refreshments on January 7th.
- PW Circles will meet for Bible Study on January 11th.
- The Coordinating Team will meet 10 am January 25th.
- The next PW General Meeting and Potluck is February 1st - a Valentines Party!

Gwen Harris, PW Moderator

Christmas Feast December 18

The Christmas Feast at the Church of the 49ers was a great success! This special Helen Johnson Community Dinner served on the Monday before Christmas was a joint effort between many church volunteers, several from Columbia College, and volunteers from Nancy's Hope Community Center. The church and the college volunteers cooked for two full days, served the food, and cleaned up afterward; and Pastor Janet played Christmas carols the whole evening. Nancy's Hope volunteers provided wrapped gifts for families with children, and gave away bicycles to families with the lucky number on their tickets. By our reckoning, 193 people in our community were served, and a total of 250 meals were provided (including the takeouts).

Volunteers from our church included Kathy and Ed Sudduth, Patti and Doug Lau, Diane and Jim Brandt, Leslie and Gary Davis, Jennie Moiso and John Etheridge, Deborah Handy and John Malaspino, Margie Fooshee, Gwen Harris, Vi Morgado, Lyndol McCalip, Peg McConnell, Kathi Lewis, Elizabeth



Kathy Sudduth, master chef

Wallace, Sandy Lisius, Melody Wright, Sharon Poff, Millie Batchelor, June Perea, Steve Ames, Janet Russell, and Suzanne Williamson. And many more from the church congregation donated turkeys and hams and pies toward this Christmas community outreach.

"In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" Acts 20:35



Patti Lau

Interfaith News

The report this month may sound like a repeat of past articles. This is because we basically have the same ongoing needs continually each month.

Most needed items are toiletries, as we have a growing number of families - last report the number was 637. It takes a lot to provide them with their needs.



And we get requests for warm blankets, sleeping bags, tarps and tents. If you know of a source where these are donated to agencies, please let me know so I can pass along the information. We still have a lot of "winter" days and nights ahead.

Also, this year I am going to change my approach from a one-month appeal for certain items

(like in November) to a more current list of items that I will tell you about as we have specific needs monthly. Since I work each Friday, I feel I can spot the area where we can be of the most help and let you know. Feel free to pass this information on to your friends who don't receive our newsletter.

Once again, thanks for your past contributions and call me with any questions.

Vi Morgado, Interfaith Liaison

News from Allen Graham, Missionary

Dear Church of the 49er family, Happy New Year from Europe! Praise God for a new year and many new opportunities to serve Him and be a witness of His Son, Jesus Christ.

2017 was quite a year, with the transition from Ecuador and Latin American culture, to that of Spain and Europe. I've had so many new things to learn as part of the new position with Reach Beyond. It's been a year of much traveling and meeting many, many new people. Thanks for walking this year with me through your prayers and financial gifts.

This year has also been a year of waiting. During that waiting though, seeds were planted that are now beginning to bear fruit. At a conference in March, we made contact with a like-minded media ministry. A few weeks ago, we

formalized this partnership in order to work closely together in 2018 on a major component of our outreach, which has been in much need of renovation. Last week, I visited a creative access country in our region where I was able to meet face-to-face with "Rafael," a man from a neighboring country. Rafael is doing local outreach in several languages. We are excited to be able to come alongside of him and his team. Please pray for protection for Rafael and his family.

In my meeting with Rafael, I asked him to give me one word that describes what people in his country need most. His answer - HOPE. Please pray as we partner together to bring some small glimmer of hope to his people.

In the picture, I'm standing in front of a tapestry that hangs in my office. It



shows closed doors, 27 of them to be exact. As a team, we pray every day for God to open new doors for ministry into the many creative access countries in our region. In 2018, will you please pray with us for these doors to open?

This year would not have been possible without your prayers and gifts. Thank you very much, and once again, Happy New Year!

Allen

Helen Johnson Community Dinners

Suzanne and Margie would like to thank each person who helped this past year to make the Community dinners a Big Success. We certainly hope that each volunteer knows that we could not have done it without your help, and we trust you will continue to assist with this important community outreach in 2018. Even if it is just a few hours there is always something to do. Please add your name to the Sign Up Sheet in the alcove between the kitchen and the ladies restroom (under the appropriate dates), so we can know how many workers will be there each Monday. Especially needed are volunteers (new ones also) to do clean up, which usually takes about an hour and a half - and doesn't require any special food handling training. Come at 6:00 o'clock for a good dinner and then clean from about 6:20 to 7:45 pm.

Thank you again,
Margie Fooshee and Suzanne Williamson,
Co-chairs



The Church of the 49ers has a hand bell choir again - after the bells sat in a closet unused for many years. Bell ringers were warmly received after their debut during the Christmas Eve service.

If you are interested in joining the music ministry, either playing the hand bells or singing in the choir, contact Barbara Broad.

From the History Committee:

CALVIN CREST

By Dick Dyer

Occasionally we need to reminisce about our historic church's involvement while a member of Presbytery. For instance, several of the 49er Church's pastors were among the organizers responsible for the development of Calvin Crest, the Presbyterian Christian Conference Center. During the late 1940s, San Joaquin Presbytery began searching for a central Sierra location as a site for an annual operating conference facility serving young and old Christians representing more than fifty valley and foothill area churches. THE DREAM, as expressed by organizers and Psalmists was, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help."

Rev. George Crichton (49er Church pastor 1958 - 1968) was a member of Presbytery's Governing Board of the Conference Grounds and Search Committee. After considering several sites, the Committee proposed securing a facility at the Wells Ranch near Highway 49 and Yosemite National Park. In Columbia, on December 7, 1954, during an almost week-long 100th anniversary of the 49er Church, over 125 Presbyterian ministers voted to acquire the 340-acre Wells Ranch. The 1909 homestead, including the ranch and aged buildings, was purchased for \$86,000, payable over ten years. For several years, Presbytery's Board of Trustees pursued various options to pay the debt to the Wells family. During the interim, only a few camp programs were available. "Campers slept on the ground in sleeping bags" frequently while construction of modern facilities was underway.

Finally in 1958, Rev. Joseph Hillhouse, recently retired 49er Church pastor,

became the first resident executive director of the emerging Christian campus. Rev. Hillhouse's initial plan for Calvin Crest was visionary but was to be realized by his successors. On November 26, 1960, the Hillhouse family was enjoying a Thanksgiving holiday at Calvin Crest. Arm-in-arm, Larry, Rev. Joe and Jim were returning to camp after a nature trail walk. Rev. Joseph N. Hillhouse collapsed and died instantly. Later (September 10, 1995) Mary Jacobs, a family friend, wrote, "What a special way to go; walking with a son at each side after a joyous holiday, without pain or suffering." Today, Calvin Crest's guests also enjoy walking to the house on a knoll—we know it as THE HILLHOUSE.

Rev. James McCluskey, while a 49er Church pastor (1976 - 1994), was fondly christened Calvin Crest's "Deep Fat Friar" while at the camp during several summers in the late 1970s. For several years Pastor Jim and wife Martie encouraged church and community Christians to join them at the camp to worship during a *Sierra Splendor for Seniors* week and enjoy the autumn colors.

Today, 49er Church support for Calvin Crest is still obvious. Church Session continues to authorize partial payment of the modest tuition for students for their special spiritual outing at the High Sierra camp. Adults continue to attend various year-round conferences. A church member (Gwen Harris) has attended a Women's Retreat yearly for over twenty years, with yet another scheduled this year. A few of the church's old-timers recall those unforgettable Mother Lode summers.

Now and then, an increasingly smaller number reminisce about transporting excited and VOCAL kids with their kit-bags to camp, almost 100 miles from Columbia. Do YOU remember OLD Highway 49? Our vehicle was a VW bus without air conditioning...90 to 100 degrees...steep...hazards...narrow...delays. We agreed, "We'll never do it again," but we did! Today, I still can be BEDAZZLED when I recall our lively passengers singing ONE HUNDRED BOTTLES...well, you know the rest but do you know how long it takes to sing from one hundred to ONE?



Bryna Neves and Jenna Anderson at Calvin Crest's Middle School Camp last summer

Eventually, kids, adults and vehicles reached isolated Calvin Crest. At about 5,000 feet, the area was COOL and REFRESHING, enhanced by fragrant ponderosa pines, lush meadows, seasonal streams and small woody lake. Today, the Christian camp features a vast selection of activities for campers from Archery to Zip-line. Understandably, many young and old 49er Church members and friends have been blessed by THE DREAM while at the Sierra retreat. The young campers "...can grasp a higher vision of the challenges of the Christian life in a mountain-top experience." The older ones "...enjoy a quiet communion together and with God."

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A few 49er Church campers have provided us with personal descriptions of their mountain-top memories. To ALL it was special—spiritual...fun...busy, busy, busy! A few described the early years as campers—city kids were “unplugged” (Kirsti)...counselors became friends (Bob)...scrumptious breakfast in bed/tent (Kim)...a concern: candy sales, only about an hour a day (several)...rock climbers challenged: “If you trust in God, everything will be okay (counselor to Rich)...RAIN! “Mom, send money for warm clothes” (Kati)...AND, “Why did we have to wear awful GREEN TUNICS and PETER PAN hats?” (Kim)



Image of Sherwood Forest Camp at Calvin Crest - July 2017

Recent youngsters described other activities—enriching Bible study around the campfire (Brynna)...FIRE! My head ached (Jimmy)...HOT! Down the water slide into the COOL lake (several)...long-time favorites: “Capture the Flag” (Jimmy and others)...awesome food (all). Additionally, several adults have provided their reflections—TEARS: new friend went home... SPIRITUAL: worship in the woods... POPULAR: sing-alongs...DIFFERENT: Miwok encampment...THRILLING: Zip-line, eyes OPEN... Also, several 49er Church teenagers returned year after year, a few as camp attendants. FINALE: Although

former participants seem to be somewhat forgetful, their attractive adult spiritual appearance is apparent today.

The 49er Church parents agreed, the Calvin Crest staff was exceptionally gifted—spiritually, creatively, personally. Bill Dodge, a long time 49er Church friend and Calvin Crest supervisor from the early years into the early 2000s, reminded us that “...it is a joy ‘n blessing to be able to serve HIM here” [Calvin Crest]. Also while exchanging communications with Bill, after his visit to the 49er Church, he wrote, “I sure do like that region of the Sierra” [Columbia]. In a personal letter (January 9, 2008), he wrote about THE DREAM. “No matter where the program takes place or what the

activities will be, the real focus will not be the creation but the creator and savior.”

AMEN

Dick Dyer,
History Committee

A New Year With The Lord

A new year is about to unfold
With new opportunities to explore
Doors will open for new experiences,
New adventures with the Lord

Remember not the former things,
The things of this past year,
The Lord will do new things in us,
Much more than we are aware

For He will make a way for us
As we put our trust in Him
And He will guide our every step
By His presence we have within

What God has placed within our hearts,
We find we'll be able to do
If we look for the opportunities,
We'll see the door to go through

We mustn't let anything hold us back
But rise up and take our place
And be all that God wants us to be
With a fresh touch of His grace

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www.heavensinspirations.com

The History Committee is not meeting in January. Next meeting is February 5 at 9:30 am in the Ramont Room.

Editor: *Following is information about Calvin Crest gleaned from their website.*

“We are a summer camp, conference center and outdoor school that has been partnering with churches to make life-long disciples of Jesus Christ for more than 60 years. Our secluded 340-acre grounds are surrounded by the Sierra National Forest. We have a blend of hotel and rustic lodging, meeting spaces, outdoor activities, and indoor dining. Located an hour north of Fresno and 30 minutes from Yosemite National Park, retreat groups gather here to rest, worship and connect with God in the majesty of his creation.

Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ, practice biblical hospitality, invite people to experience and know God’s creation and partner with peacemakers to bring health and wholeness.”

Coming Up:

Women’s Retreat - April 20-22, 2018

“Women everywhere are welcome to join us as we come together to learn, enjoy community, encourage one another, and celebrate the beauty around us. Women ages 13 and older (must be accompanied by a guardian if under 18 years old) are welcome to attend our annual Women’s Retreat during our lovely spring season.”

January Calendar

- 1 New Year's Day. Community Dinner 6 pm in FH
- 3 Line Dancing 11:30 am in FH
- 5 49er Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am in SNR
- 7 Worship 10 am, Communion, 49er Choir sings; The Story Study Groups 9 and 11:30 am in RR; Worship Committee 11:30 am in RR
- 8 Buildings & Grounds 10 am in RR; The Story Study Group 5 pm in RR; Community Dinner 6 pm in FH
- 9 The Story Study Group 2 pm in RR
- 10 Line Dancing 11:30 am in FH
- 11 The Story Study Group 10:30 am in Library at Sonora Hills; Finance Committee 1 pm in Office; PW Circles meet for Bible study
- 12 49er Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am in SNR
- 13 Men's Breakfast Fellowship 8 am at Brooks Restaurant; Work Party 9:00 am in sanctuary
- 14 Worship 10 am; The Story Study Groups 9 and 11:30 am in RR; Blood Pressure Checks in FH; Deacons meeting 11:30 am in LS
- 15 The Story Study Group 5 pm in RR; Community Dinner 6 pm
- 16 The Story Study Group 2 pm in RR

Sunday meetings begin 30 minutes after worship ends
RR = Ramont Room FH = Faith Hall CE1 = Christian Ed Bldg
SNR = Sadie Nicholls Room LS = Lower Sanctuary (basement)

- 17 Line Dancing 11:30 am in FH
- 18 The Story Study Group 10:30 am in Library at Sonora Hills
- 19 49er Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am in SNR
- 21 Worship 10 am, 49er Choir sings; Fellowship Committee 11:30 am in FH; "Just Dance" 1 - 4 pm in Faith Hall
- 22 The Story Study Group 5 pm in RR; Community Dinner 6 pm
- 23 Welcome & Evangelism 1 pm in LS; The Story Study Group 2 pm in RR
- 24 Line Dancing 11:30 am in FH
- 25 PW Coordinating Team 10 am in RR; The Story Study Group 10:30 am in Library at Sonora Hills; Session meeting 2 pm in RR
- 26 49er Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am in SNR
- 28 Worship 10 am, Country Western Sunday; The Story Study Group 9 am in RR; Annual Congregational Meeting 11:15 am followed by lunch in FH
- 29 The Story Study Group 5 pm in RR; Community Dinner 6 pm
- 30 The Story Study Group 2 pm in RR
- 31 Line Dancing 11:30 am in FH

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 (2nd, 3rd, 4th Sundays). Nursery is available every Sunday.

Mondays

6 pm — Community Dinner served in Faith Hall. All welcome.

Tuesdays

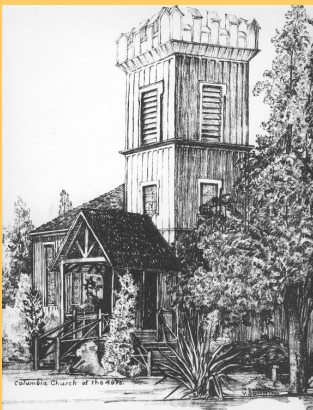
9 am — Intercessory Prayer in Pastor Janet's Office

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