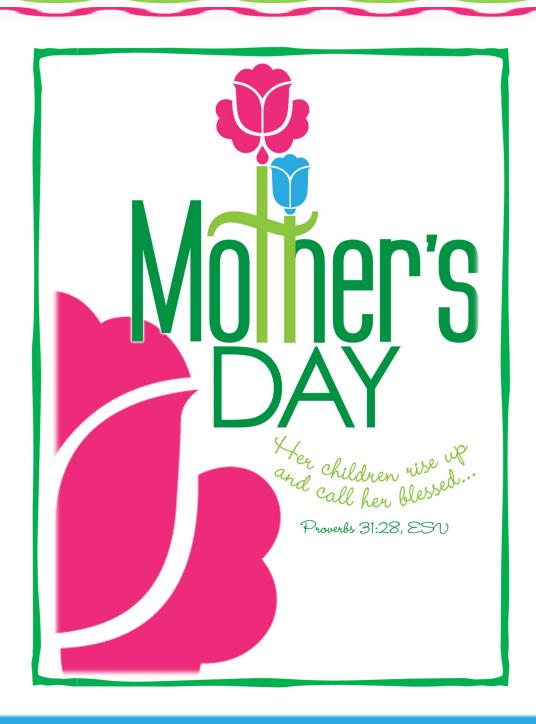


## The Covenanter

**MAY 2023** 





	MONDAY 1	TUESDAY 2	WEDNESDAY 3	THURSDAY 4	FRIDAY 5	SATURDAY 6
May	Tai Chi II:30am, FH	Staff Meeting 10:30am, Rm 301 Young at Heart Concert 2pm, Sanctuary	Coalition Mix & Bake Brownies 9am/Kitchen WM Ringers 6pm, Rm 102 Chancel Choir 7:15pm, Sanctuary	Coalition Prepare Meal 9:30am/Kitchen	Coalition Food Prep 9am/Kitchen Serve the Meal 3:30pm/FH-gather 4:00pm/Depart	
SUNDAY 7	MONDAY 8	TUESDAY 9	WEDNESDAY 10	THURSDAY 11	FRIDAY 12	SATURDAY 13
Communion Worship Svc. 8:15am-Chapel 10:30 am-Sanctuary Sunday School 9:15-10:15am Children's Church During 10:30 Service	Hannah Circle 6pm, Rm 301	Staff Meeting 10:30am, Rm 301	WM Ringers 6pm, Rm 102 Chancel Choir 7:15pm, Sanctuary		Kid's Night Out 5pm, FH	
SUNDAY 14	MONDAY 15	TUESDAY 16	WEDNESDAY 17	THURSDAY 18	FRIDAY 19	SATURDAY 20
Worship Svc. 8:15am-Chapel 10:30 am-Sanctuary Sunday School 9:15-10:15am Children's Church During 10:30 Service	Tai Chi 11:30am, FH	Staff Meeting 10:30am, Rm 301	PS Board Mtg 10:30am, Rm 301 WM Ringers 6pm, Rm 102 Chancel Choir 7:15pm, Sanctuary	Communion Svc at Westminster 11am Deacon Meeting 7pm, Rm 301	Tai Chi 11:30am, FH	
SUNDAY 21	MONDAY 22	TUESDAY 23	WEDNESDAY 24	THURSDAY 25	FRIDAY 26	SATURDAY 27
Worship Svc. 8:15am-Chapel 10:30 am-Sanctuary Sunday School 9:15-10:15am Children's Church During 10:30 Service	Tai Chi I I:30am, FH	Staff Meeting 10:30am, Rm 301	WM Ringers 6pm, Rm 102 Chancel Choir 7:15pm, Sanctuary	Session Meeting 7pm, Rm 301	Tai Chi 11:30am, FH	
SUNDAY 28	SUNDAY 29	SUNDAY 30	SUNDAY 31			
Worship Svc. 8:15am-Chapel 10:30 am-Sanctuary Sunday School 9:15-10:15am Children's Church During 10:30 Service Bible Recap Group 11:40am, Rm 301	MEMORIAL : DAY	Staff Meeting 10:30am, Rm 301	WM Ringers 6pm, Rm 102 Chancel Choir 7:15pm, Sanctuary			

### Note from our Postor

This month we welcome on board our new Children's Ministry Director here at WPPC. We are excited to introduce to you, Mrs. Mary Grace Gabriel. She is a Rollins graduate, finished her M.Div. at Fuller Theological Seminary, while also serving as First Impressions Coordinator at Bel Air Presbyterian Church. As part of our interview process, we asked Mary Grace to submit a Faith Journey Statement. Portions are included below.

While reflecting on my Christian experience and those who have influenced me the most, my very first thought brings me back to a minister named Pastor Tabor. He was my pastor when I was a young child, and he truly modeled the love of Christ. I was about five years old when I gave my heart to the Lord and felt the call of God on my life to serve in the ministry. At a very young age I began to share my faith with others and as a teen served in youth outreach and teaching ministries.





I served in the local church for many years as a young adult and felt the Lord calling me to attend Seminary in 2009. After graduating with my MA in Intercultural Studies: Youth, Family and Culture (2012), I continued with the M.Div. (2016). While attending to Fuller Theological Seminary I worked on staff at Bel Air Presbyterian Church as the First Impressions Coordinator overseeing the volunteer ministries and helped in many other areas of the church.

After finishing my studies at Fuller Theological Seminary, I moved east to care for my grandmother in her last years and continued working in the local church in pastoral care, prayer and teaching ministries. After my grandmother's recent passing, we felt lead of the Lord to return home to Florida and are praying on our next steps in the local ministry.

We are so grateful that her next steps include ministry among us at WPPC. Please join me in welcoming Mary Grace and I hope you will have an opportunity to get to know her and her husband Emmanuel. Mary Grace has hit the ground running and is already engaging volunteers for our week of Summer Bible Camp. If you would like to help or simply just say Hello, I know Mary Grace would love to hear from you.

Welcome Mary Grace Gabriel!

Grace and Peace,

**Pastor Darren** 

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH



**10:30am Service:** The children will be dismissed to Children's Church (CC) after the Children's Moment. Please sign your child(ren) in for CC in the lobby before service.

Ages: 3 years old (potty trained) – 3rd Grade

**Pick Up:** The same parent/guardian must pick up/check out the child(ren) after service at the library/classroom. \*

\*All children (Age 3 years old- 3rd Grade) will have class in the library. As the ministry grows, we will add additional classrooms and additional grades.

**Questions:** Please contact the Children's Director Mrs. Mary Grace Gabriel: <u>marygraceg@winppc.org</u>.



400 S. Lakemont Ave., Winter Park, FL 32792 Office: (407) 647-1467

# Winter Park Presbyterian Church Vacation Bible School Camp



# Volunteers Needed Children of parents volunteering attend free.

Where? 400 S. Lakemont Avenue | 407-647-1467

When? Monday, July 24th - Friday, July 28th

What time? 9am - 1pm

#### For information, call or contact

Mary Grace Gabriel | marygraceg@winppc.org

For children ages

3 years (potty trained) - 5th Grade

REGISTRATION
\$30 PER CHILD
\$55 / 2 CHILDREN
\$80 / 3 OR MORE CHILDREN

#### **VBS CAMP**

FOR CHILDREN AGES

3 YEARS (POTTY TRAINED) - 5TH GRADE

JULY 24 - 28 9AM - 1PM

Childle Name



#### REGISTRATION

\$30 PER CHILD \$55 / 2 CHILDREN \$80 / 3 OR MORE CHILDREN

### Please bring a lunch and drink. Snacks will be provided.

Child's Name		
Date of Birth	Age	Last school grade completed
Parent/Guardian Name		
		Secondary
Home Church (if any)		
Emergency Contacts		
Name		Phone
Name		Phone
Dismissal Information		
Name(s) of person(s) who may pick up this chi	ild from VBS Camp.	
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I hereby give permission for photographs and/o	or video in which my child a	appears in to be used by the church in printed and/or electronic me
including the church's website.		
Signature		



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#### WNT POTLUCK DINNER

Our inaugural Wednesday Nights Together gatherings finished up on March 29th. We were blessed to have speakers on a variety of topics, and celebrated with a potluck dinner on the last night! We are already thinking ahead to the fall and would love to hear your



thoughts and ideas of interesting topics. Thank you to all who have been sharing ideas already; it is much appreciated! Please email Lisa Dreasher at lisa.dreasher@gmail.com.

#### YOUNG AT HEART SPRING CONCERT

The Young at Heart Chorale will present its Spring Concert on Tuesday, May 2nd at 2:00 PM in the WPPC Sanctuary. All are invited to this free event.



Christian Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of

Lois Robertson 3/30/1923 - 2/15/2023

Dana Irwin 9/30/1939 - 4/25/2023

# WPPC News & INFO

### SPECIAL OFFERING—CARING FOR GENERATIONS SUNDAY, MAY 14TH

For more than 50 years Florida Presbyterian Homes and Westminster Communities of Florida have been connected to the church through a covenant agreement, first with the Synod of Florida and then with the Synod of South Atlantic. Due to generous contributions by Presbyterian congregations, residents at Florida Presbyterian Homes and Westminster Communities of Florida can count on the Benevolent Assistance program for support. This safety net assures residents that they will continue to remain in their homes and get the care they need, even though they have outlived their financial resources. They can experience an increased lifespan due to better health and medical care. Higher costs of healthcare, prescriptions, and the economy have presented a whole new set of concerns which could be overwhelming without assistance from those who are more fortunate.

Jesus reminds us in Matthew 25:40:

"As you did to one of the least of My brethren, you did to Me."

WPPC will gratefully accept your special offering on Mother's Day, May 14th. All of the donations we receive will be sent to the Westminster Retirement Communities Foundation.

### PENTECOST OFFERING—AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE SUNDAY, MAY 28TH

Each year on Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit, descending as tongues of fire over the heads of the Apostles, giving them the gift to speak to all nations in their own tongues and spread the Good News. The Spirit also brings us a new life on this day. With the Spirit's coming, we no longer need to settle for business as usual but can know the transforming, redeeming love of God that makes the impossible "possible". This special offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people by inspiring them to share their faith, ideas and unique gifts with the church and the world to build a life of faith--all in the name of Jesus Christ.

The Pentecost offering is one of the four Special Offerings of the PC (USA) during the church year. The first 60% of our donations will be sent to the Presbyterian Mission Agency (25% to assist young adult volunteers serving communities; 25% to guide youth ministries; and 10% to advance child advocacy). The remaining forty percent of our offering will be used on behalf of children-at-risk in our own community. This year we are supporting The Center for Women and Families at the Coalition for the Homeless. This residential shelter serves single women, single women with children, single men with children, and intact families. With your support, these agencies can help meet the needs of these vulnerable neighbors.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration to support these most worthy causes on Sunday, May 28th.

Remember to wear RED to celebrate Pentecost!

THE COMPASSION COMMITTEE THANKS ALL WHO SUPPORTED THESE SPECIAL OFFERINGS.

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#### LIBRARY NEWS DORIS ANGUISH, LIBRARIAN

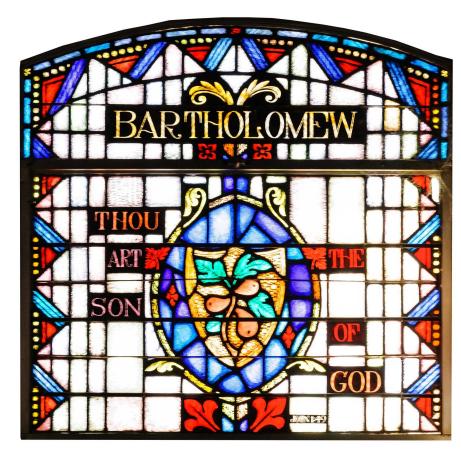


The next window is about Bartholomew. The words shown here are not his but those of Nathanael (Gift of God). In the four lists of the Twelve, Bartholomew is in each list while Nathanael is in none. Yet all we know about Bartholomew is his name. Nathanael appears only in the Gospel of John.

The stained glass artist put those words and the symbol of the fig tree in this window. There are questions regarding these two names. Some say that Nathanael was one of the disciples of Jesus but not one of the chosen Twelve because Nathanael is not on any of the lists. John's gospel strongly implies that Jesus was impressed with Nathanael and did choose him as one of the Twelve.

It is agreed that Bartholomew and Nathanael are one and the same person. A first name is often followed by one to indicate family origin—the father's name. Bar in Hebrew means son of. Jesus addresses Peter on one occasion as Simon Barjona and Judas Iscariot as Joseph Barsabas. Names identifying family origin dot the New Testament.

Jesus knew something impressive about Nathanael Bartholomew. When asked, "How do you know me?" Jesus replies: "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." (The fig tree 10-15 feet tall abounded in Palestine offering a wide leafy oasis from the heat of the sun



making shade for study, prayer, and mediation.) Jesus saw this and decided Nathanael Bartholomew was very earnest, searching the scriptures, looking for the consolation of Israel, the Messiah. John also writes that Nathanael is one among the seven disciples by the Sea of Tiberius to whom Jesus appeared after His resurrection.

Legends and traditions mention this apostle as a widely traveled evangelist. His ministry belongs to the Eastern churches more than to the Western churches. Bartholomew's name is on this window and also the fig tree under which our Lord first saw Nathanael Bartholomew who said, "Thou art the Son of God."



### COMMUNITY LIFE/OUTREACH COMMITTEE REFLECTIONS OF A PARTICULARLY SIGNIFICANT LENTEN JOURNEY

As members of the committee gathered in the WPPC Sanctuary on Ash Wednesday evening, our meditative focus gave way to a swirling sea of doubt as we contemplated how our scant seven members could accomplish the myriad of details involved in orchestrating two events critical to the outreach mission of the church within the next six weeks. However, once the prelude drew our attention from the superficial, the message of Ash Wednesday began to calm our minds as our hearts were opened to the peace which comes from the fact that Almighty God would work through us as we endeavored to step forward in faith sharing our talents with generous spirits.

We welcomed thirty members to the first WPPC New Members' Luncheon held since well before the pandemic and surprised ourselves that the hours of preparation yielded enthusiastic interest in programs as well as two newly committed members to the CLOC team.

Interactions with preschool staff members while serving during "Kids' Night Out" resulted in assistance with placing flyers for the Easter Egg Hunt in the hands of preschool families and the use of giant eye catching eggs to mark the entry to the fellowship hall where most of the activities would take place.

Members of CLOC who assisted during "Wednesday Nights Together" networked with members of the Christian Ed Committee which ensured an informed number of crafters who graciously instructed the throngs of youngsters anxious to fabricate Easter creations during the event.



The Property Committee provided the flowers, fertilizer and expertise during the annual Saturday springtime enhancement project as they welcomed volunteers from CLOC for a morning of hard work and good-natured fellowship. Thus, the upgrades to the grounds in order to create a colorful springtime setting in which to hide eggs that seemed insurmountable to members of CLOC came to glorious fruition just in time to set the tone on Palm Sunday.

The office staff played a supportive role during the preparation process as they ensured that publicity articles were printed with eye catching visuals, flyers and signs were created while they offered an abundance of technical support throughout. Mary Grace embraced the efforts of CLOC members and extra essential volunteers during two lengthy preparation sessions. She made herself available to all during the entire Easter Egg Hunt event as she introduced herself to youngsters while engaging parents with aplomb. Pastor Darren's active presence contributed significantly to the success of the event.

The heartwarming efforts of members of the WPPC family of faith who contributed the huge bags of candy and colorful plastic eggs in such abundance that eggs were delivered and gratefully accepted by the children during the Coalition for the Homeless meal the evening prior to the Easter Egg Hunt underscored community outreach. Clearly, the WPPC Easter Egg Hunt represented a collaboration of efforts by members who embraced a worthy effort beyond their committee boundaries; a process which evolved over six weeks set apart as CLOC members took the first step in faith. . .

-Jeanne Vinci

#### WHY AREN'T WE COLLECTING TOILETRIES ANYMORE?



Before Covid, the Compassion Committee collected toiletries from the WPPC congregation and distributed them to our

homeless "community" still living on the streets that came to the Coalition for evening meals. Now, toiletry supplies are provided to all "residential" and "community" guests, so we will

no longer be collecting these items.

We still have a huge bin of toiletries that have been waiting for three years to be distributed. Since the Coalition no longer needs these items, we looked to the City of Winter Park for suggestions on folks that would welcome these toiletries.

The Winter Park Housing Authority referred us to their Resource Coordinator, who suggested that the 290 seniors living in two of their public housing locations would appreciate toiletries. These places have monthly food

pantries, and she would love to have toiletries to offer to the residents. So, the Compassion Committee will organize an "Assembly Line" event in the Fellowship Hall after the 10:30 service on May 28th, where all church members and visitors can take part in putting together the bags. Each bag, in addition to the 4 or 5 travel size toiletries, will have a WPPC message card. In this way, we give not only some useful items, but an unexpected Act of Kindness from our church.



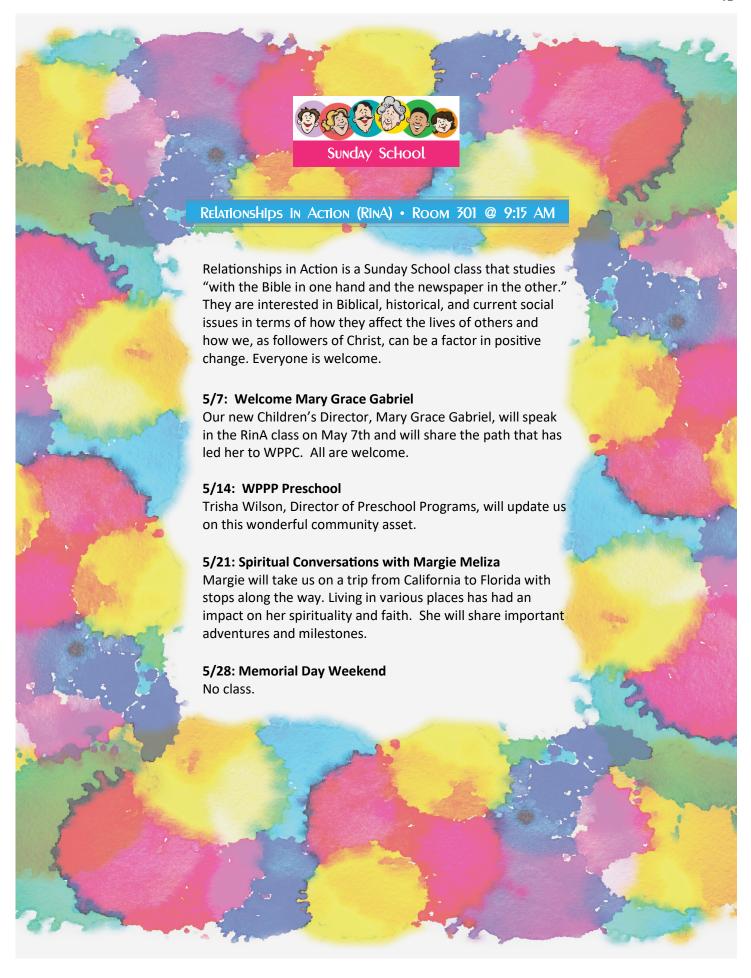
### Please Join us on Sunday, May 28 after the 10:30 service in Fellowship Hall.





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#### April 8, 2023

#### Dear Friends,

Four hundred nine. That number may not hold any particular significance for the typical American, but most Ukrainians would know immediately that that's how many days Russia has been at war with Ukraine to date. My Ukrainian friends are indeed counting the days, and 409 days is a lot of days to be living with the trauma and uncertainty that wartime causes.

The people of Ukraine are worthy of our admiration. They do not cower, they do not surrender, they do not complain, although I'm sure I would in their place. Instead, they continue to live their lives in as normal a fashion as can be when a war is being fought over their heads and in their backyards. They live, they love, they work, they play, they fix what has been broken, they rebuild what has been torn down and, most importantly, they help and care for one another. And they need our assistance.

My news is not really new. We just keep on doing what we have been doing for many years now. It seems, though, that our mission has grown exponentially in the last year because of the war. This rapid growth sometimes takes my breath away. Our priority is and always has been to support our orphan families, both in Odesa (and in Germany now, too) and, as we have funding to do so, we also feed the local Odesa community of pensioners and widows. As our mission grows, and the needs multiply, your support and gifts become increasingly important and are so cherished when they arrive.







SOME OF OUR SWEET PENSIONERS.

Our families are growing. Two older girls joined the girls' home family in Odesa in the fall. I had the opportunity to meet them when I was there in November. Now, this same family has grown by three more as they welcomed three little sisters who have recently become orphaned. We are extremely grateful that our two new homes will be completed soon. The final touches are being added and then we will need to furnish them. We are hoping to be move-in ready by the end of May. No small feat, understanding that construction has been done during and around a war.



CONNECTING ELECTRICITY TO OUR ALMOST COMPLETED HOMES





SISTERS!

Four hundred nine days and counting. Although accounts of this war appear in the news every single day, it may have become everyday news that is easy to relegate to the back burner. Upon perusing the headlines, one might think, "Oh, yeah, is that still happening?" or, with a shrug, "Just more of the same," because our lives may seem untouched by this war. But that may not be the case in the future or even now. In the end, regardless whether or not we are affected, there are people in Ukraine, our people, our brothers and sisters, who continue to need our assistance, even after 409 days and counting, and I would simply ask that you not forget them among the busy-ness that we all face every day. Please continue to send your thoughts, prayers, and your resources as you are able.

Finally, and most importantly, wherever we may be and whatever our circumstances may be, the holy season of Easter is upon us again. I want to send a heartfelt Happy Easter to all of you along with many thanks for traveling this journey with us. For us in the United States, Easter is tomorrow; in Ukraine it will be next Sunday, April 16. The date may be different, but the message remains the same here and there:

Xpucmoc воскрес! Во истину воскрес! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

With gratitude and love, Audrey

#### **Donation Information**

Checks may be written to:

#### Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation, Inc.

541 Evening Sky Drive Oviedo, FL 32765 -or-

3530 Diamond Leaf Lane Oviedo, FL 32765

Online options to donate can be found on our website: www.transitionsoaf.org



time of day did the Holy Spirit come upon the disciples on Pentecost?

- A. 9 a.m.
- B. Noon
- C. 3:30 p.m.
- D. 9 p.m.



Answer: A (See Acts 2:15.)





#### 7ind, fire & spirit

Acts 2 describes the amazing events of Pentecost, when the apostles received the Holy Spirit.

Directions: The last letter(s) of each word is the beginning letter of the next. Fill in the missing words to complete Acts 2:1-4. NIV.

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4. ONGUE	9. A
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of fire that se	parated and came	to	on each
of them. All of them were	filled with the Holy	y	and began
to speak in other	as the Spirit	2	them."
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7. rest, 8. tongues, 9. saw, 10. wind



#### **JOKES ONLY A MOTHER COULD LOVE**

Why is a computer so smart? It listens to its motherboard.

Why did you chop the joke book in half?

Mom said to cut the comedy.

Why do mother kangaroos hate rainy days?

Because their kids have to play inside!

What did the mother rope say to her child?

"Don't be knotty."





#### **COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS - Here's How to Help**

Winter Park Presbyterian Church has been involved in a feeding ministry even before the Central Florida Coalition for the Homeless was created in 1987. We serve on the 1st Friday of each month. If you would like to donate your time to prepare the food during the week before the 1st Friday, please review the information below and contact the Team Leader listed. If you would like to serve, please sign up on the Coalition serving list posted in the hallway near the office, or contact Anna Caparis at 707-889-4768/annafromal@yahoo.com.

What	When	
Bake brownies / Bonnie Gaughan 407-804-2565	Wed 5/3 9:00-11:00 AM	
Prepare meal / Anna Caparis 707-889-4768	Thurs 5/4 9:30-11:30 AM	
Bag brownies / Joanne Robertson 407-678-8254	Fri 5/5 9:00-10:00 AM	
<b>Donate</b> reading materials: Magazines for men, women, & children (news, cars, sports, National Geographic, religious magazines/booklets, paperback books)	<b>All month:</b> Place in <b>COALITION</b> giant storage box in Fellowship Hall.	
<b>Prepare</b> to transport: Gather supplies, load food & supplies into bus Anna Caparis 707-889-4768	Fri 5/5 3:30-4:00 PM	
<b>Serve</b> the Meal. Join us in the WPPC kitchen for departure to Coalition at 4:00 PM and return by 7:00PM. Volunteers please wear closed-toed shoes; it is a violation of health code to wear flip-flops. Please sign up in office hallway <u>and</u> call Anna Caparis (707-889-4768) by the Wednesday before if you would like to serve. The Coalition requires each volunteer to register.	Fri 5/5 4:00-7:00 PM <b>NOTE:</b> The church bus is reserved for this function.	
Cleanup kitchen: Wash, sanitize items used; store supplies	Fri 5/5 7:00-7:30 PM	
<b>Financial Donation</b> : Make check out to WPPC; note on the memo line "Coalition for the Homeless" - mail to WPPC or bring to the church office.	Anytime	

#### **HOMELESS COALITION TEAM NEEDS VOLUNTEERS**

Each month about 40 devoted WPPC volunteers handle the many tasks to provide and serve a wonderful meal to our guests at the Coalition. We are in need of additional volunteers for various projects, and backup volunteers when regulars must be absent.

Any of the above gifts, or your time, are so appreciated!

To help in any way, please contact: Anna Caparis

707-889-4768 or <a href="mailto:annafromal@yahoo.com">annafromal@yahoo.com</a>



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	Beverly Salmon Bethanne Seel		Almeda Dean		John Conner Fred Murray Dennis Salmon	Phil Ettinger
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Jessica Davidson Annette Weidner	Joann Robertson		Griffin Seel	Beverly Carpenter	Ryan Yadav	David Dodd
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Crystal Fern	Alan Davis		Stephen Boyle Sue Howard Margie Meliza			



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11 Janet Barnes	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	14 Bill Duncan Mariya Lampe Alexander Reece	15 Abbie Lampe Winnifred Riccio	<u>16</u>	17 Nancy Glancy Eric Schieber Donna Thompson
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25 Patrick Boyle	<u>26</u>	27 Dan Meadors Sue Rudolph	28 Gary Wolf Tom Woodward	29 Denise Ferguson	30 Mitch Bargar Don Paulsen	





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In honor of Earth Day and the season of Spring on Saturday, April 22 the preschool invited Mr. Lorenzo Zayas, an Entomologist from Nature's Way Butterfly Gardens to visit our preschool. He conducted 30-minute interactive butterfly demonstrations and encounters for 3s and VPK students. For several years he has visited our school to share his collection of caterpillars, butterflies, moths and other live insects. Seven classes had the opportunity to participate in this wonderful experience. The children enjoyed it immensely! Mr. Zayas' is at the Winter Park Farmers Market every Saturday and you can also check out his website at <a href="https://www.butterfliesandmore.net">www.butterfliesandmore.net</a>.

As the 2022-2023 school year quickly comes to a close, our preschool parents will be honoring our amazing teachers and staff during Teacher Appreciation Week, May 1-5. Then on Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at Noon, families will join us for our VPK Chapel Celebration/Graduation in the Sanctuary. 50 of our fabulous VPK students will be moving on to Kindergarten in the fall. All classes will end the school year with water days and end of year parties. The school will open up again on June 5th for six weeks to welcome our Summer Campers. Thank you for all your support of our wonderful preschool!









The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor
Justin Chase, Director of Music
Penny Walsh, Organist
Sandra Shafer, Pianist
Carolyn Achenbach, Director of Operations/Accountant
Cindy Mitchum, Executive Assistant
Barbara Hordern, Administrative Assistant
Mary Grace Gabriel, Children's Ministry Coordinator
Tricia Wilson, Director of Preschool Programs

#### SESSION

#### 2023

Syd Davis Fred Kittinger Malcolm MacDiarmid Jim McKinney Dawn Sumrall

#### 2024

Mike Galyean John Gehrig Jayne Leach Audrey Santiago Sara Van Arsdel

#### 2025

Theresa Coker Mary Ferguson Cathy House Glenn Riccio Ron Thompson

#### **DIACONATE**

#### 2023

Ron Ellman Betty Johnston Sevilla Morse Cynthia Nants Jyme Smith

#### 2024

Lisa Dreasher Jerry Fitzgerald Nancy Galyean Andy Riccio

#### 2025

Meg Baldwin Anna Caparis Lynne McKnight Debbie Pauzar Deborah Roberts

#### **MISSIONARIES**

Mark Hare & Jenny Bent - Costa Rica Dr. Dan & Elizabeth Turk - Madagascar