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June 2010

My Father, My Guiding Light

Dad, you're like the sun to me,
a sure thing, always there,
beaming light and warmth on my life.
Whatever is good in me today,
I owe to your wisdom, your patience,
your strength, your love.
You taught me by example,
as a role model,
how to be my own person,
how to believe in myself,
instructing me without controlling me.
Even when we disagreed,
you held us together,
so our bond was never broken.
I understand what you did for me,
and I am so grateful that I have you
as my solid foundation, my rock.
I respect you, I admire you, I love you,
my guiding light, my father.

By Joanna Fuchs
www.poemsource.com

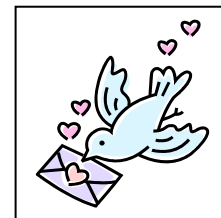
Note from the editor:

The next Sunnyhills Community Breakfast will be held on **Saturday, June 5, 2010**, hosted by the **Milpitas Police Department**. Breakfast begins at **8:00 a.m.**

The next Trustee's meeting will be **Saturday, June 12, 2010** at **9:00 a.m.** in the **church office**.

BEACON DEADLINE: For the July issue – Thursday morning, **June 17, 2010**.

June 27th is **Change-over Sunday**.



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Mission and Discipleship

We, the United Methodist Church, are now doing a denomination-wide church revitalization campaign under the slogan of “Re-think Church.” The Church leadership decided to launch the campaign hoping that it would reverse the decline of church membership. And the efforts are focused on engaging in mission with creative approaches with strong emphasis on discipleship.

Teachings on mission and discipleship are not something new in the church; they are as old as Christianity itself. Unwavering commitment to mission informed by discipleship transformed a small group of Galileans into an organized religious movement that later became a powerful institution in the Roman world. Therefore, it is necessary to rediscover these teachings, especially when the Church finds itself in need of revitalization.

According to J. H. Arnold, “Discipleship is not a question of our own doing, it is a matter of making room for God so that he can live in us.” This makes a lot of sense particularly as it is understood in light of prayer. Prayer is one activity that Jesus himself emphasized and practiced himself. I explained in my previous letter that the very act of praying is an act of petition and it is directed to God. When we pray, we make a conscious choice to invite God into our life. This act constitutes a real relationship with God.

What is actually happening when we pray? For me, until I am prepared to surrender my own will, real prayer does not even begin. I need to let go of all presumptions and put my faith in God, who is compassionate, just, and truthful, without reservation.

This view of prayer reminds me of Peter’s story in John. Jesus asks Peter three times whether he loves Jesus. Peter confidently answers Jesus. Then Jesus says, “I tell you the truth, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.” It seems like Jesus is giving him a warning to Peter so that he needs to make sure that he is prepared to accept the future no matter what.

Then, discipleship begins with prayer and praying is essentially preparing our self for mission by surrendering our self and renewing our determination and commitment to the purpose of mission. Come to think of it, there is so much the Church can do. There is no lack of what the Church should do. So the real question is whether the Church is willing, which returns to the question of discipleship.

Sincerely,

Chansoo



► **WRAP** The next **WRAP** will be held on **Saturday, June 5, 2010 at 9:30 a.m.** All are welcome. Please come and share your ideas.

► **Trustees** will meet next, **Saturday – June 12, 2010 at 9:00a.m.** We will have a small work day to finish one corner of the fascia on **6/19 from 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m.** Trustees are asking for three people to help out on that day. Some lunch will be provided. Others are always welcome to help out on whatever other projects they would like.

Thanks, Daislyn Pease



► **Lunch Bunch**

Please mark your calendars to join in the next **Lunch Bunch**. We will be going to **Liou's House** at **11:30 a.m.** on **Sunday, June 13, 2010** to enjoy some GREAT food and simply FABULOUS company. YUUMM!!

► **Change-Over Sunday** is **June 27th, 2010**. Penny by penny, it all adds up. Thank you for your generous support.



Happy Birthday Wishes to...

- 06/18 Lola Dorsey
- 06/22 Catherine Deppe
- 06/24 Erik Larsen
- 06/28 Laine Sazon



Church Anniversary

- 06/21 Janyce and Jim Singleton
- 06/21 Ron and Marilyn Ray
- 06/23 Jack and Marley Spilman
- 06/27 Eugenia and Don Egbert
- 06/27 Anna and Huy Phan

**Income and Expenses
April 2010**

INCOME

	<i>April</i>
Offerings	\$3,404.50
Bldg. Use, etc.	\$6,567.89
Special Giving	\$ 19.93
TOTAL	\$9,992.32

EXPENSES

	<i>April</i>
Mission & Outreach	\$ 1,667.86
Operating Expense	\$ 4,281.52
Pastor and Staff	\$ 5,517.32
TOTAL	\$ 11,466.70

FUND BALANCES

Cash on hand	\$33,114.04
Designated funds	\$23,741.32



Announcement!

Positions Filled at the Charge Conference

Effective immediately, the following appointments were determined at the Charge Conference on May 23, 2010:

Daislyn Pease --- Lay-Leadership Committee

Lola Dorsey --- Lay Leadership Committee

Laine Sazon --- Lay Leader

Guy Haas --- Ad Council Chair

Member -- Board of Trustees

A big heart-felt thanks and hug goes to each of you for extending your service to your church. Thanks Again!!!



NEWS!!!!!! NEWS!!!!!! NEWS!!!!!!

Effective July 1, 2010:

Our Bishop has appointed Chansoo Lee to Mountain View Trinity UMC and Shirley Macemon is returning to Milpitas Sunnyhills UMC.

Sincerely,

Bob Roll SPRC Chair



Believe Out Loud

Saturday, June 5th

7:00-9:00 p.m.

Jones Hall

Share our stories

Hear our friends and neighbors

Build relationships for mercy and justice

*For Jesus, discipleship meant getting to know other people;
sitting around the table, eating, drinking and sharing stories.*

Please join us for coffee, tea, dessert, and some great conversation!

Save the Date!

See you on June 5th!

CLIVEDEN & GUY

Foothill Presbyterian Church Music Series Proudly Presents:

MPRO

Mid-Peninsula Recorder Orchestra

Directed by Fred Palmer, MPRO has been playing imaginative arrangements of orchestral music for over 45 years. MPRO has preformed on television as well as at many venues around the Bay Area. This will be one of their only two concerts this year. They will be performing music spanning over 7 centuries with a program which includes English and Yiddish melodies.

°Saturday, June 5, 2010

°Suggested Donation: \$10.00

°Wheelchair accessible

°3:00PM – Foothill Presbyterian Church, San Jose

°5301 McKee Road, San Jose, CA

°Directions/ Maps are available in the Church Office

For Further information: email foothillpc@gmail.com or call (408) 258-8133

Calendar

June

- 5 Community Breakfast
WRAP at 9:30 a.m.
Believe Out Loud
- 6 Worship
- 7 Centering Prayer
- 12 Trustees' meeting
- 13 Worship
- 14 Lunch at Liou's House
- Centering Prayer
- 17 *BEACON Deadline*
- 19 Trustees' Workday
- 20 Worship
- 21 Centering Prayer
- 27 Worship Change-over Sunday

July

- 4 Worship - *Happy 4th of July!*
- 5 Centering Prayer
- 11 Worship
- 12 Centering Prayer
- 15 *BEACON Deadline (Early due to Vacation)*
- 18 Worship
- 19 Centering Prayer
- 25 Worship Change-over Sunday
- 26-30 Rhonda is on Vacation
- 26 Centering Prayer

The Beacon

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