



The Beacon

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August 2010

GOD OF WONDER, GOD OF BEAUTY

Loving God, we are privileged with the gift of time, the days of the week, the months of the year along with the four seasons that parallel the life cycle.

You have blessed us with the ability to think and to learn, and to make choices. We are gifted with our five senses that drink in the wonders around us and the glories of summer.

We realize the fragility of our human condition and we readily accept one another as gift.

Bless all who bring beauty and joy into our lives through their creative talents.

We pray for all who assist us in leading happy and productive lives so that we are cognizant of Your love in creation all around us. We remember in prayer all the sick and dying, the lonely, the brokenhearted, the lost and most especially for all our families, relatives and friends. Bless us with a happy and serene spirit.

God Most High, by Your Word You created a wondrous universe, and through Your Spirit You breathed into it the breath of life. Accept creation's hymn of praise from our lips, and let the praise that is sung in heaven resound in the heart of every creature on earth, to the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

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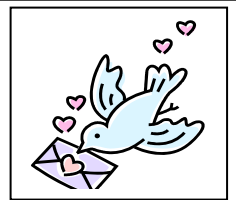
Hurray for GAME NITE! Don't miss the next one...Friday, August 13, 2010 at 6:30 p.m..

The next Lunch Bunch will be August 15TH, @ 11:30 a.m..

BEACON DEADLINE: For the September issue – **Tuesday morning, August 17, 2010.**

August 29th is Change-over Sunday.

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Dear Friends:

I'm writing on July 14, so I've been back with you for exactly two weeks. It was great to see so many of you at worship, and at the welcome BBQ that Karen Schreifels held last week. I'm slowly getting settled into my office, getting the computer just so, and learning of all the changes that we've all had over the last four years.

The obvious is that we're all four years older. That was brought home in a tangible way on Sunday: Johanna and Isak Larsen came to worship with their grandmother Cathy Deppe. It seems like only yesterday when Johanna was baptized, and Isak was off to kindergarten. Needless to say, 4 years has changed them a lot!

In my own family, Jon is still employed at HP, working in development support. Rebecca has just graduated from Cal Poly in Pomona, with a B. S. In Animal Health Science. Leah is attending West valley, and Kim, our chosen daughter, is a firefighter with the Santa Clara County Fire Department.

I know that summer takes all of us in different directions. Vacations and tending to older family members are both frequent Sunday activities. I'll be away on July 18. And August first, continuing my commitment to our conference camping programs.

When you are in town, I urge you to come to worship. Every one of you makes a difference on Sunday morning (and the rest of the week as well!). When you are away, please don't forget your pledges. Lights, water and especially our apportionments don't take vacations.

We're working out the most convenient ways to be in touch. I'll be in the office a couple of afternoons each week, but won't settle into a schedule until fall. Feel free to leave me a message on the office answering machine, or drop me an email (smacemon@gmail.com). If you have an emergency, call my cell phone, 408-504-6462.

I'm thrilled to be back, and am excited to discover together where God is leading us as United Methodists in this community.

Blessings,

Pastor Shirley

► **Lunch Bunch** will have their next outing, **August 15, 2010 at 11:30 a.m.** Location to be determined.



► **Game Nite!**
Fun for All and All for Fun!! Don't be shy. Come join in the fun on Game Nite, Friday, **August 13**, at **6:30 p.m..**

► **Change-Over Sunday** is **August 29, 2010.**
Support to this ministry may enable some families to provide adequate back to school supplies for their children. Thanks again for your continued commitment to this very important cause.



Some things we all can do to help with Shirley's return to Sunnyhills.

1. Be sure to share your name with the Pastor for the first few weeks. We have one name to remember, she has many.
2. Feel free with your expressions of appreciation, if you like something your Pastor has done, please say so.
3. Express your appreciation without comparing the new pastor with a former pastor.
4. Don't make promises you cannot keep.
5. Understand that the new pastor's style of showing care may be different than former pastors.
6. Tell the pastor what you need and what you think.
7. Take your church responsibilities seriously and follow through with your appointed tasks without having to be reminded.
8. Acquaint your pastor with those who are ill and with those who are new visitors to the church.
9. Hold the transition process in your prayers.

P.S. Constructive feedback is always welcome regarding sermons, whether they be Shirley's or someone else's.
Sincerely, *Your SPRC*

Happy Birthday Wishes to...

08/05 Evelyn Middleton
08/09 Hoan Phan
08/16 Thelma Wilber
08/16 Colleen Babbel
08/19 Jim Singleton
08/22 Terry Johnson
08/22 Emily Pease
08/29 Jessie Pereyra
08/30 Eric Valderrama



Church Anniversary

Special Congratulations to Joyce and Terry Johnson celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

08/14 Joyce and Terry Johnson

Income and Expenses June 2010

INCOME

	<i>June</i>
Offerings	\$3,641.00
Bldg. Use, etc.	\$3,930.21
Special Giving	\$189.43
<i>TOTAL</i>	\$ 7,780.64

EXPENSES

	<i>June</i>
Mission & Outreach	\$ 760.00
Operating Expense	\$ 1,966.54
Pastor and Staff	\$ 5,622.70
<i>TOTAL</i>	\$ 8,349.24

FUND BALANCES

Cash on hand	\$33,325.05
Designated funds	\$24,002.01



Community Breakfast Schedule

The following is the Community Breakfast Schedule of the 2011-2011 season. Presenters/participants will be announced in the September *Beacon*.

September 11, 2010

October 2, 2010

November 6, 2010

December 4, 2010

January 8, 2011

February 5, 2011

March 5, 2011

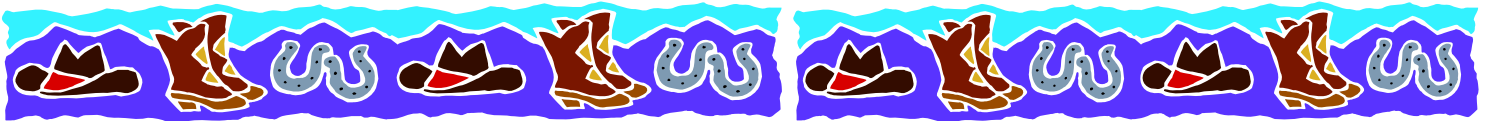
April 2, 2011

May 7, 2011

Jun 4, 2011

All participants are responsible for food and paper items for which you will be notified in advance.

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Hey Everybody...mosey over to the Lawn around 11:30 a.m. on August 29th.

That would be a little while after Worship on Change-Over Sunday, for a

Root'n Toot'n, Kick-Off Bar-B-Que

to celebrate the beginning of the 2010-2011 School Year, Choir Season and
End of Summer.

Don't Y'all be shy, no-one wants to miss this one.

Folks are back from vacation, and it's a great time to get together and tell tales.

Mark your calendars now.



Calendar

August

- 1 Worship
- 2 Centering Prayer
- 8 Worship
- 9 Centering Prayer
- 13 Game Nite
- 15 Worship
- Lunch Bunch
- 16 Centering Prayer
- 22 Worship
- 23 Centering Prayer
- 29 Worship – Change-Over Sunday
- Kick-off Bar-B-Que
- 30 Centering Prayer

September

- 2 Choir Practice
- 5 Worship
- 6 Labor Day (No Centering Prayer)
- 9 Choir Practice
- 11 Community Breakfast
- 12 Worship
- 13 Centering Prayer
- 16 Choir Practice
- 19 Worship
- 20 Centering Prayer
- 21 *BEACON Deadline*
- 23 Choir Practice
- 26 Worship Change-over Sunday
- 27 Centering Prayer
- 30 Choir Practice

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