



*August 2014*

# The Beacon

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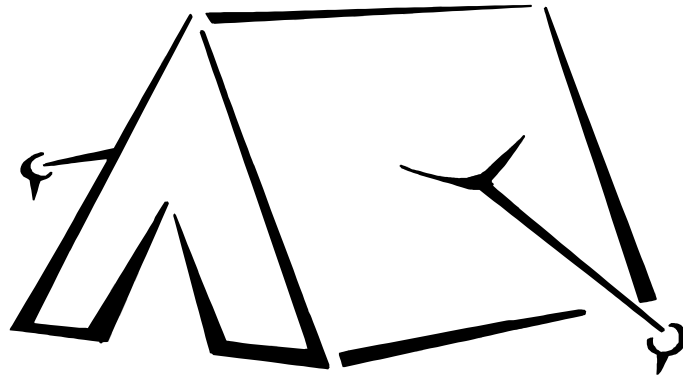
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## Note from the editor:

- The next **Community Breakfast** will be **Saturday – September 6, 2014 at 8:00 a.m.**
- **Trustees** will meet on **Wednesday August 13, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.** at Karens’
- **Ad Council** will meet again, **Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 7:00PM** in Jones H
- **BEACON DEADLINE:** For the **September** issue – **Thursday afternoon, August 21, 2014.**



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Dear Friends,

I've just returned from my annual foray to the mountains for our Conference Kids camps: Super camp for middle schoolers, and Super Kid Camp for elementary children. This year we served 67 campers with 13 cabin counselors and 9 in the support team. As usual, I spent my time in arts and crafts, logistics, campfires and music. Our theme, "Get Real" used stories of Jesus as teacher, healer, friend, and savior. Worship, music and even our craft projects reflected the theme. On our last day, when asked what they learned this week that they want to share at home, the most frequent answer was "God loves us!"

This was especially brought home to me with a special request for our Saturday morning worship. That service is the last thing we do as a group, and always includes communion. This year, it also included a brief "God parenting" liturgy. One of our long time counselors lost his Mom 5 years ago, and his family has not recovered. Over that time, one of our support staff members has been there for him, mentoring, guiding and lifting him up during difficult times. And this year, they decided to make an official statement of this relationship, deciding "Godmother" and "Godson" were the appropriate names, even though the relationship is most often used for newborns. I was honored to be part of this, along with our staff members daughter, and our counselor's good friend. God loves us, and this was one more tangible way to show it.

On a completely different note, we've had some ongoing and long term internet problems at the church office. If you've sent something via email and haven't gotten a response, call the office. It may have been overlooked in the on-again off-again Internet saga.

And finally, Sunday, August 17 is Pride Silicon Valley. Sunnyhills is sharing a booth with several other United Methodist Churches, and many of us will be there all day. Call the church office, or sign up in the Sanctuary if you'd like to be a part of this festival.

Blessings,

*Pastor Shirley*



**The Sunnyhills United Methodist Church**  
**Choir** The choir is in their Summer hiatus. Please join me in appreciating the time Choir members have spent bringing beautiful music to our Sunday services. Choir rehearsals will resume in mid September. New voices are always welcome!

**Ad Council**

The **Administrative Council** will meet at **7:00PM** on **Wednesday, September 3, 2014** in Jones Hall. Please contact Bob Roll for additional information.



**Change-Over Sunday**

The weather is warm and the rain is long gone, but the demand for help from the Milpitas Food Pantry remains constant. The next **Change-Over Sunday is August 31, 2014**. Your continuous support is so greatly appreciated.

**The Trustees**

The Trustees will meet again, Wednesday, **August 13, 2014 at 7:30PM, at Karen Schreifels'.**



**Lunch Bunch**

No Lunch Bunch in August. Please join us on Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup> for the Sunnyhills Reunion BBQ.

**Happy Birthday Wishes to:**

- 08/02 Todd Mathiesen
- 08/09 Hoan Phan
- 08/09 Mary Schreifels
- 08/16 Thelma Wilbur
- 08/18 James Singleton
- 08/22 Terry Johnson
- 08/22 Emily Pease
- 08/23 Lola May Henderson
- 08/29 Jessie Pereyra
- 08/30 Eric Valderrama



**Happy Anniversary!!**

08/14 Joyce and Terry Johnson

**Income and Expenses  
June 2014**

<b>INCOME</b>	<i>June</i>
Offerings	\$ 3,624.31
Bldg. Use, etc.	\$10,191.11
Special Giving	\$ 185.49
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$14,000.91

<b>EXPENSES</b>	<i>June</i>
Ministry & Outreach	\$ 1,234.41
Operating Expense	\$23,413.49
Pastor and Staff	\$ 4,852.06
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$29,499.96

**FUND BALANCE**

Cash on hand	\$21,827.30
Designated funds	\$ 9,375.47



## Spiritual Life Work Group



Our purpose is to be the hands and feet for Christ. Our goal is to spearhead community and congregation outreach. Reaching out and sharing Christ's love with others. This is a great opportunity to be a part of something more. If you would like to join us, for one or more of the following dates they are below. We will meet directly after church services on the following date in 2014: Oct. 12

Sincerely,  
Mary Schreifels

## Scrip

Our scrip coordinator has opened again - Monday 7/28. So Daislyn can start taking your scrip orders!. The coordinator sometimes comes back from her summer schedule with updated forms with new vendors available. But for now, the form in the back of the sanctuary should still work. Don't forget that you can also order by going through [go.milpitas.com](http://go.milpitas.com) and the church still gets credit. See last month's Beacon if you're interested in that.

This is still an easy way to help support your church. We get a small percentage of everything you order on scrip.

Call Daislyn if you would like to order scrip. 408-656-6023.  
Thank you!

## Participate in Silicon Valley Pride

Silicon Valley Pride Festival is August 17! We are co-sponsoring a booth with several other United Methodist Churches and need your support to prepare materials and staff the booth. Please contact Cliveden Chew Haas if you would like to help finalize a Sunnyhills Brochure. Call the church office if you'd like to take a hand at staffing the booth.

# *Calendar*

## August

- 10 Worship
- 11 Centering Prayer
- 13 Trustees Meeting
- 17 Worship
- 18 Centering Prayer
- 24 Worship
- 25 Centering Prayer
- 30 Sunnyhills UMC Reunion
- 31 Worship

## September

- 1 Centering Prayer
- 3 Ad Council
- 7 Worship
- 8 Centering Prayer
- 14 Worship
- 15 Centering Prayer
- 21 Worship
- 22 Centering Prayer
- 28 Worship
- 29 Centering Prayer

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