



CPC Express

November 7, 2017



Sunday, November 12, 2017

Amos 5:18–24

*The day of the Lord is darkness;
let justice roll down like waters.*

Matthew 25:1–13

*The parable of ten bridesmaids;
keep awake, the Lord is coming.*

The Gospel of Matthew again returns to parables –
this week the *Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids*.

You have heard parables described as icebergs – the bulk of the meaning and the message below the surface. May I suggest parables are also narrative time bombs. These simple-looking stories get lodged inside our hearts and imaginations, slowly ticking away -- until finally, BOOM, one day they burst into a new awareness. Jesus' unpretentious stories about farmers and seeds and sheep and bread-making finally sunk in. May this time come now (and regularly) for you and me.

In this particular parable, it's hard to get past the meanness of the five smart virgins. We know they were smart; we know they had enough oil; we know they realized if they shared their oil there might not be enough to go around -- but still ... could they not, somehow, lamp-share?

Whenever we start thinking about how to get around this question, let's come back to the two central themes Matthew likes talking about:

- *important to Matthew is the anticipation of coming judgment*
(because we do not know when it will come, speculation is futile)
- *also, since this time will surely come, preparation is crucial.*

We need to adapt. We need to evolve. We need to test. We need fresh ideas. We need new vision. We need to accept sometimes we will fail. We need to accept not all our plans will be perfect. But then again, whenever has the Church been perfect? (Or meant to be?)

See you in worship,

Mike

WorshipLearnServe

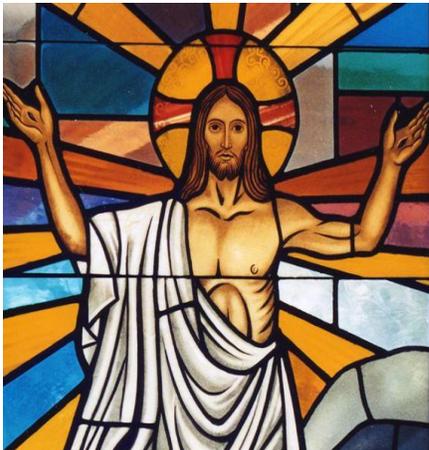


Marie Gans

Celebration of the Resurrection

Sunday, November 12, 2017

1:00 p.m.



Patricia Bathgate

Celebration of the Resurrection

Sunday, November 12, 2017

4:00 p.m.

Ballroom Bash – Second Friday each month in Fellowship Hall:



Friday, November 10:

Doors open 7:15 p.m. **Lesson ~7:35**

8:20 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. dancing to your favorite recorded music:

Foxtrot, Swing, Tango, Waltz, Salsa, Samba, Cha-Cha

Singles and Couples (18 and over), young and young-at-heart.

Complimentary soft drinks and delicious refreshments,
air-conditioned, non-smoking, and non-alcoholic.

Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering:



The PW Fall Gathering will be held on **Saturday, November 11, 2017, Veterans' Day, at 11:00 a.m. on Sue's Porch.**

The presenter will be Dr. Stephen Forrey of *American Family Housing* to speak on Potters' Village, a concept of providing housing for homeless veterans using cargo containers. This topic is quite appropriate for Veterans' Day.

Lunch will be typical American fare, hamburgers, potato salad, and apple pie. The cost for program and lunch is \$10.00. The program should be of interest to men, as well as women. All are invited.

Thanksgiving Food Collection:



Thanksgiving Food Collection now through Wednesday, November 15

Our annual Thanksgiving collection
of foodstuffs to partner
with Family Assistance Ministry (FAM).

Peanut Butter	Canned Fruit
Pasta Sauce	Cereal
Mac & Cheese	Rice/Beans
Pasta	Top Ramen
Canned Vegetables	Canned Tuna
Diapers (not a food, but in high demand)	

Pick up a shopping bag anytime at CPC and/or bring your own bag
with these items by **Wednesday, November 15.**

In addition, Thanksgiving items may also be donated -- canned yams, canned green beans, stuffing, boxed mashed potatoes, and other non-perishable Thanksgiving goodies.

Nourish Your Body & Soul:



Come for yoga . . .
stay for worship

Sundays at 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

\$5.00/person

Chair yoga instructor: Garrett Nelson

Chair Yoga on the following Sundays:

November 12 (next Sunday)

November 19

December 3

December 10

December 17

New Bricks for Rose Garden:

Help us make our rose garden even more beautiful. Many of the current plaques for the roses have faded and are deteriorating.

Please assist the Deacons in making more permanent and uniform plaques by purchasing engraved bricks going from the old bricks to the new bricks:



OLD



NEW

How you can help? Adopt a brick or two, or three, or more. New brick plaques range in price from \$23.60 to \$41.20, depending on amount of text needed.

If you could help with this project, please make a check payable to CPC with Rose Garden Renovation in the memo line and send to:

Community Presbyterian Church
32202 Del Obispo Street
San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675

Your help would be most appreciated.

Life Line Screening Event:



Life Line Screening is pleased to offer a preventive health event at Community Presbyterian Church on **Monday, December 4, 2017**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis.

Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **There are three ways to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call toll-free 1-888-653-6441 or visit <http://lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle> or text the word circle to 797979.**

FAM Satellite Program – Food Distribution Every Wednesday:



The pantry will be open in the **Youth Center, Bldg. 2**
11:00 a.m. and continue until 1:00 p.m.

To volunteer contact Leanne Strommen
at outreach@sjcpres.org.

Homework Club:



Volunteers needed!

We are tutoring students in 3rd to 5th grade at
Kinoshita School from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

To volunteer contact Leanne Strommen
at outreach@sjcpres.org.

Volunteer Opportunity – Preschool/Kindergarten:



The preschool / kindergarten staff appreciate the church members who volunteer in our classrooms, help at our special events, and maintain our yards and classrooms.

We could sure use your help at these upcoming events. Please contact me at terribeck@sjcpres.org if you can lend a hand.

Thank you so much!

Thanksgiving Feasts—three or four volunteers each day to help Terri and Jeannie place the food onto plates for each child and teacher (approximately 122 plates/day). Beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Thursday, Nov. 16 _____

Friday, Nov. 17 _____

Chancy & Bruce Kindergarten Readiness Screening—two volunteers each day to help escort children to and from their classrooms. Begins at 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, January 18 _____

Friday, January 19 _____

Pastor's Office Hours:

Mondays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. *In addition, other times are available for appointments to meet individual needs.*



Ann Anderson
The Bathgate Family
The Sheaffer Family

Steve
Schenkenberger
Our Preschool

Our Kindergarten
Our Youth



Church Calendar

Wednesday, November 8	10:00 a.m.	Lydia Circle, Offsite
	10:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting, Office
	11:00 a.m.	FAM Satellite Food Bank, Youth Center, Bldg. 2
Thursday, November 9	9:30 a.m.	Martha's Circle, Fellowship Hall
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Music Room
Friday, November 10		Veterans' Day Observed – Office Closed
	9:00 a.m.	Beach Cities Quilters, Fellowship Hall
	7:15 p.m.	Ballroom Bash, Fellowship Hall
Saturday, November 11	11:00 a.m.	PW Fall Gathering, Sue's Porch
Sunday, November 12	8:00 a.m.	Worship Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	8:30 a.m.	Chair Yoga, Fellowship Hall
	10:00 a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary
	1:00 p.m.	<i>Celebration of the Resurrection</i> – Marie Gans
	4:00 p.m.	<i>Celebration of the Resurrection</i> – Patricia Bathgate
	6:00 p.m.	Lighthouse, Office
Monday, November 13		
Tuesday, November 14	7:00 p.m.	PW Mary-Deborah Circle, Offsite

Ministers
 Pastor
 Pastor Emeritus
 Parish Associate
 Worship Band Leader
 Chancel Choir Director
 Organist
 Preschool/Kindergarten Director
 Children's Ministries Director
 Manager of Accounting
 Administrative Assistant
 Sound Technician
Liturgist: Sunday, November 12
Ushers: Sunday, November 12
Golf Cart Driver: Sunday, November 12

All the Congregation
 Michael Vaughn
 Robert Schwenck
 Leanne Strommen
 Megan Theodorou
 Will Reeder
 Judy Richter
 Terri Beck
 Debbie Reeder
 Suzanne Stamos
 Jean McCormick
 Weston Lewis
Julie Boyd
Larry Brubaker/Don Seapy
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Community Presbyterian Church is a congregation that

Worships Christ
Learns to live as disciples
Serves the wider community in building the Kingdom

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