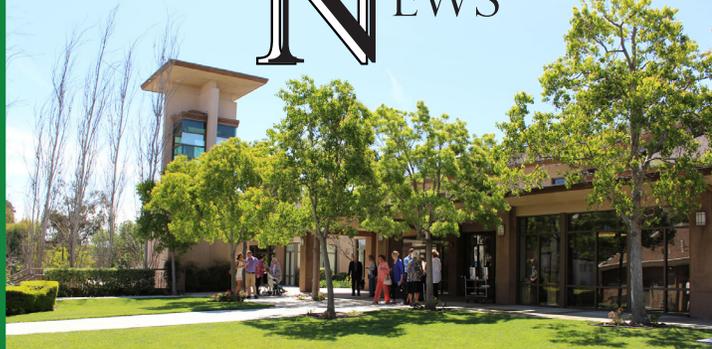


FAITH FAMILY NEWS



Faith Presbyterian Church Monthly Newsletter

Pastor's Ponderings

From our first Sunday joined together 2 years ago on March 5th, 2017 for the joyful Faith Presbyterian Church anniversary celebration of 22 years, and on through the worship services and meetings and get-to-know-you conversations and fellowship since then, I have over and over rejoiced in the Lord to be a part of the Faith Presbyterian Church family! Thank you for the open arms, hearts, and hugs shared so freely to Rosalind and me! As your Interim/Transitional Ministry Specialist Pastor, I have found that the words from Paul to the Philippians in 1:2-6 resonated with what has been in my heart: ²*Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.* ³*I thank my God every time I remember you,* ⁴*constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you,* ⁵*because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now.* ⁶*I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ.*

Steadily over these past two years, as we moved forward to complete a mission study of Faith PC, selected those God had chosen to serve on the Pastor Nominating Committee, came to terms with history, discovered renewed identity, experienced leadership changes and shifts of power, and received excellent support and resourcing from San Diego Presbytery servant leaders, the Faith Presbyterian Church Family has developed a shared vision of its future and has now called Pastor Sam Codington to lead her into a new future together. I

love the way the Lord works in our midst!

Over the course of my final 5 Sundays with you in March, I will be preaching a series of messages focusing on where the church has been, what wonders lay ahead, and in preparation for a pastoral leadership shift, like Moses to Joshua into the promised land. As the Interim Pastor, I have served as the forerunner to prepare the way for your Installed Pastor, like John the Baptist to Jesus. My last Sunday to preach and lead worship will be March 31st. Pastor Sam will be getting into San Diego the first week of April and will be preaching and leading worship starting April 7th. I lift up great thanks to the Lord for the privilege to have served as your Pastor!

As I prepare to say farewell, I have many special memories I'll treasure from these 2 years with you. One of the anointed times which inspired me came during VBS by an enthusiastic little 4-year-old boy named Elijah, a natural born leader and motivator. During the opening session in the sanctuary each morning, as Emilia was giving the "go" signal to Janet controlling the sound in the balcony, Elijah would pop up from his front pew seat among his fellow 4 year olds, clap his hands and look up toward Janet and speak out with excitement toward her and whoever was around him to hear, "O.K., we're ready now...ready for the music and to sing...c'mon guys, let's go!" I feel that way now about you all! God kindled my passion afresh for participation and service in the Body of Christ through this precious little disciple of the Lord! No matter our age or stage in life, we are ever called to committed participation in our walk of faith. I wholeheartedly commend this mindset to you as you welcome and embrace Pastor Sam, Esther and Ezra next month.

Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

Gary

Faithfully, Yours in Christ,
Pastor Gary

**THE GIANT
IN FRONT OF YOU
IS NEVER
BIGGER THAN THE
GOD INSIDE
OF YOU.**

YOU LED US THROUGH TWO PLUS YEARS OF TRANSITION

WE THANK YOU, WE LOVE YOU,
AND
WE WILL MISS YOU GARY



THOUGHTS ON GARY

Two years ago, as I was writing the “Pastor’s Page” for our 2016 annual reports, after Chris had just left, I made a couple of statements that I truly believed---and still do!! One was in quoting Jeremiah 29:11...”for surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope”... The other was that God, having brought us this far, would grace us with a new servant leader to guide and direct our efforts. I must admit that I was looking further down the road than just 2 months. But God has always been many steps ahead of my thinking and He delivered within the space of 2 months---His servant leader Gary Ziccardi. And for 2 years and 27 days, Gary has been just that---- a servant of God and a leader of men and women. I remember when the search committee settled on Gary as their choice for an interim, my thoughts went like this----“ I really like this man, he seems open and warm and theologically very much in keeping with Faith Presbyterian Church, but he is coming from 26 years in the military. Is he going to think we are another military installation to which he says “jump” and we respond with “how high?”. As always, God knew exactly what He was doing and Gary has been a joy to have with us for these few short years. He has led, taught, supported, even followed when appropriate and best of all, loved unconditionally.

We trust that in another month, God will again deliver His gift to us, in the person of Sam Codington and we eagerly await that day. And part of the reason we are so eager is that we have seen just how good and gracious God continues to be, In the person of His gift of Gary. Gary, we send you off with our deep gratitude for all that you have given to us and our wishes for God’s continued Blessings wherever He decides to lead you. Those who receive you have more to be thankful for than even they know.

Nancy Harber

GARY AND ROSALIND



AND WHO COULD
EVER FORGET THIS



RALLY DAY 2017

PREACHING THE WHOLE TIME AND
NOT ONCE DID HE GASP FOR BREATH!





FENCE REPAIR

Here are two of the energetic volunteers who built a new fence on the south side of the church property on the mornings of February 9th and 16th. After the wood dries out, the Facilities committee will schedule another Work Party to paint the fence.

George Crownhart (right) and a friend of his, Don (left)

MEMORIAL SERVICE

FOR

DAVID PAIN

(07/31/1922 - 02/14/2019)

SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH

2:00 PM

SANCTUARY

RECEPTION

3:00PM

FAITH FAMILY CENTER

Save the Date

Bob Plimpton has been invited to present a lecture at Bethel Seminary San Diego on Friday, April 26, 7 PM on the topic "Music in the Worshipping Community: Three Streams from the Old Testament to the Present." A performance-based lecture spanning much of the history of congregational music, Bob will tackle head-on the counterpoint between folk and art music in the church. He will lead in song at a number of points along the way as he teaches about the powerful ways music has informed the Christian community and life. The public is invited to attend. Nearer the time there will be a website to indicate your intention to attend (refreshments are planned). Bethel Seminary is located at 6116 Arosa Street, SD 92115, directly across from the College Avenue Baptist Church parking lot.

Women's Group Bible Study

Third Saturday of the Month
(next one MAR 16th)
FPC, Library
6:30pm
Study the Bible

Bible Study

Wednesday Mornings
FPC, Room #2
10:30am - 11:30am
Study the Bible

Women's Circle

Second Thursday of the Month
(next one MAR 14th)
FPC, Room 3
11:00am
Study the Bible
Discussion
Sharing

SOME OF OUR
FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Men's Breakfast

Monday Mornings
Living Room Cafe
7:30am - 8:30am
Pray
Eat
Fellowship

Tuesday Eves

Every Other Tuesday
(next ones MAR 12th & 26th)
FPC, Library
7:00pm
Study the Bible

Faith Family Life

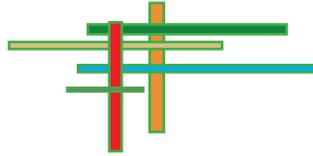


THE CHANCEL FLOWERS

THE FLOWER
CHART IS UP
IN THE NARTHEX

THE CURRENT
PRICE IS \$75.00.
JUST A REMINDER
THAT THE COST OF THE
FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS
CAN BE SPLIT WITH
ANOTHER MEMBER.

SHARON CAMERON
FLOWER MINISTRY



Tree of Life
Derrick Travis James Harvey III
Born February 4, 2019
Son of Derrick and Sarah Harvey

DEATHS

David Pain
Passed away on February 14th

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Gracia Tiglao - 5th
Aaron Lafferty - 6th
Mary-Margaret Allen - 7th
Howard Harvey - 11th
Donna De Young - 22nd
Doris De Young - 22nd
Monica Radcliffe - 22nd
Elizabeth Van Boskirk - 22nd

If you would like to see your birthday listed in the newsletter with just the day, not the year. Please email that information to Joe Rodriguez (jcr14@att.net)

FAREWELL BOOK FOR PASTOR GARY: LOVE

Sometime during March, please take a minute to make an inscription on any page you'd like in the brightly colored YELLOW book entitled LOVE. The book will be available in the office area and during committee meetings. It will be a lasting treasure to Pastor Gary and Rosalind and find a prominent place on their coffee table at their home.

BABY SHOWER FOR SARAH HARVEY

Join us on Sunday, March 24th, at 11:00 for a baby shower for Sarah and Derrick Harvey and to welcome baby TJ. There will be sandwiches, cake and punch, games, and lots of fun. We all know that babies need LOTS of diapers so bring an extra package and help us make a diaper tree for TJ. Sarah is registered at Target and Amazon under Sarah and Derrick Harvey. Please RSVP to Kim at (619) 947-2931 or Marvyvans@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!

NURSERY CARE NEEDED

Nursery Care Needed: We have been advertising and actively looking for months to add regular coverage for our nursery, but to date we don't have anyone permanent. We need coverage for March 3rd, 10th, 31st. Please see Pastor Gary to sign up to cover one of these Sundays.

Financial Report 01/31/2019

Envelope Offering for January 2019 was \$25,042.86

Envelope Offering monthly budget 2019 is \$25,529.83 per month

Please pay your Per Capita! (\$40.00 per member)

2019 Per Capita Assessment is \$7,209.04

Made up of the following:

Presbytery	\$4,919.84
Synod	\$552.90
General Assembly	\$1,736.30
	\$7,209.04

Budget

% of Per Capita



67%

Summary

Total Per Capita

\$7,209

Total Income as of 01/31/2019

\$4,840

Per Capita collected in January was \$4,840.00, this is an excellent start!

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 2nd - Parent's Night Out - 5:00pm (Faith Family Center)

March 5th - Pancake Stand - 10:00am

March 6th - Imposition of Ashes - 7:30am (Sanctuary)

March 6th - Ash Wednesday Service - 7:00pm (Sanctuary)

March 10th - Daylight Saving Time Begins

March 16th - Youth Group to Belmont Park

March 21st - Newsletter Deadline

Sam Codington's First Sunday With Us
April 7th, 2019

SERMONS FOR MARCH

March 3rd	Pastor Gary - <i>Here Comes the Future: Moses & Joshua</i>	Numbers 27:12-23
March 10th	Pastor Gary - <i>The Promised Land</i>	Deuteronomy 8:1-10
March 17th	Pastor Sam - <i>Getting Off on the Right Foot</i>	Deuteronomy 26:1-11
March 24th	Pastor Gary - <i>The Lord is With Us</i>	Joshua 1:1-11
March 31st	Pastor Gary - <i>How to Welcome a New Pastor</i>	Deuteronomy 31:1-3, 7-8

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Update

by
Joe
Huffaker



Rev. Sam
Codington

Welcome to our new pastor, Rev Sam Codington. The weekend of Feb 16 & 17 was a great one, with a welcoming reception, candidating sermon, and follow-on congregational meeting where we elected Sam as our next installed pastor. It was a great opportunity for the folks to meet him. Two days after the congregational meeting, Sam was presented to Presbytery where his call and Presbytery credentialing were accepted. About 15 members from the congregation were in attendance, cheering him on.

Sam grew up in the foothills of South Carolina as the son of a Presbyterian pastor and high school teacher. His grandparents were Presbyterian missionaries in Brazil, Korea, and Bangladesh. Sam's early experiences in the Dominican Republic and Haiti played a significant role in forming his imagination and heart for a life of faith and inquiry.

Through his teenage years, he could be found on a skateboard or on the soccer field most days. After graduating college in Columbia, South Carolina, he moved to California where he met his wife Esther in her home town of Paso Robles. They spent their first full day together walking downtown San Francisco.

After getting married, they moved to Pasadena for Sam to attend Fuller Theological Seminary. Sam especially enjoyed studying ethics, New Testament, and Reformed theology.

Since moving to the east coast, Sam has served as a hospital chaplain resident and the pastor of several Presbyterian churches in North and South Carolina. Sam values opportunities to bring together people of diverse experiences and perspectives to enrich the church's life and faith. Some of his favorite moments in ministry have come as barriers were dismantled.

Sam and Esther's three-year-old son, Ezra, loves all things monster trucks and Legos, though Sam is attempting to imbue a love for soccer.

Last year, Sam began a Doctor of Ministry program with a concentration in Spiritual Leadership at San Francisco Theological Seminary. Sam has a particular interest in spiritual practices and formation, and he has been a contributor to Runner's World, Sojourners, and The Presbyterian Outlook.

Sam enjoys running trails and marathons, and since childhood, Sam has been an insatiable reader. Fyodor Dostoevsky and Thomas Wolfe are among his favorite novelists

If you'd like to read Sam's Statement of Faith, please email Joe Huffaker (jwhuffaker@cox.net) for an electronic copy.

PNC is very grateful to the congregation for your support and humbled in your trust in the committee during this process. Thank you! We also want to acknowledge Pastor Gary's leadership and stewardship of our congregation during this transition period. Thank you, Gary,!

Sam's first Sunday will be April 7th.

MEMBERS OF THE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Joe Huffaker, Chair - Jill Gustafson, Co-Chair

Ben Holman - Dr. Gordon Lillie - Sue Razaia - Anastacia Tobin - Kim Wilson



INTERFAITH SHELTER NETWORK

Who Are We?

Interfaith Shelter Network links the hands and hearts of thousands of individuals, social service agencies and government agencies to provide a safety net of support for San Diego's 6,500 "situationally" or short-term homeless. We currently engage more than 4,000 volunteers each year and provide numerous opportunities to individuals and organizations for involvement. Everything we do is geared toward helping people overcome homelessness and re-claim permanent housing. While low incomes and lack of affordable housing are major obstacles for many in San Diego, each person has a unique set of circumstances that have resulted in homelessness. Our case managers work with individuals and families to identify their specific challenges and create a plan of action to take steps towards overcoming them. Interfaith Shelter fills some significant gaps in San Diego homeless services with its three core programs: Rotational Shelter, El Nido Transitional Living, and Rapid Re-Housing.

WHAT: Case-Managed Emergency Shelter from October to May.

WHO: More than 260 family members, singles or couples stay for over 9,000 nights/year (an average of five and a half weeks per guest). The program is open to those who are clean and sober, free of severe mental illness and willing and able to work on a plan to end their homelessness.

HOW: 65 -70 congregations of faith open their doors for two or four weeks a year to 12-15 guests/clients referred by participating case management agencies. These congregations of faith are assisted by 55+ other support congregations that help in providing nighttime staffing, three meals a day and other needs in the shelter. The guests receive a lot of one-on-one attention from the volunteers.

SUCSESSES: Over 50 percent of guests leave the shelters for their own housing. 50 percent of adults have procured a job or other source of income before leaving. Stays of up to eight weeks are permitted, based on compliance with rules and progress on a mutually agreed case plan.



It's that time again, San Diego Military Outreach Ministries [SDMOM] is hosting our annual fundraising luau event:

Date: Saturday, March 30th, 2019

Time: Doors open at 5:30pm / Dinner starts at 6:15pm

Location: Ascension Parish Hall in Tierrasanta

Price: \$30 per person

Tickets on sale now at SDMOM La Mesa office. If you have any questions, please contact us. Please save the date and we hope to see you there!

SDMOM

4426 Harbinson Avenue
La Mesa, CA 91942-8710

Office4sdmom@yahoo.com

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Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 9:00am-1:00pm



MEET & GREET PASTOR SAM





Sermon on the Steps
Pastor Sam with the Kids



Pastor
Sam
Teaching
Us

**SUNDAY
FEBRUARY
17TH**

Joe
Huffaker
Preparing
Us to Vote



He's In!!!

FUN FOR THE KIDS

DAYS OF CREATION

Play this game to remember when God made each of his masterpieces.



What you need:

- Paper
- Rulers
- Pencils
- Markers or crayons
- Dice
- Bibles (open to Genesis 1:1-2:3 for reference)

What you do:

1. To make game boards, draw a grid with four rows and seven columns, totaling 28 squares.
2. Across the top row, write DAY 1 in the first square and continue through DAY 7.
3. Take turns rolling one die, or all players can roll at once. For the number rolled, draw something God created on that day (in the correct column).
4. When you fill an entire row, draw a smiley face in the DAY 7 square. The first player with two smileys wins.



Decode The days

At this time of year, God's creation "springs" to life.

Directions: After reading Genesis 1:1-2:3, write the correct Creation day number under each picture. Then add up each day's total and write it on the correct blank below.

Day 1 (light) ____ Day 2 (waters) ____ Day 3 (land and plants) ____ Day 4 (heavenly bodies) ____
 Day 5 (birds and water animals) ____ Day 6 (land animals and people) ____ Day 7 (God rested) ____

Answers: Day 1 = 3, Day 2 = 3, Day 3 = 10, Day 4 = 6, Day 5 = 10, Day 6 = 15, Day 7 = 2

College Park Preschool

NANCY MCGEATH, DIRECTOR



March is the month current and new families register for the upcoming 2019-20 school year. Registration packets have been distributed to returning families, and new families will receive notification of enrollment the first two weeks of March. Our waiting list numbers have increased and we expect full enrollment for the fall. Most of the families on the waitlist are from 'word of mouth' referrals. It's wonderful to know CPP is a place where families feel comfortable to share information about our school to others.



A couple of the classes have been experimenting with color mixing. They have read books like Mouse Paint that show what happens when you mix 2 primary colors to create a new color. The children did some mixing themselves with watercolor paints. Then they put white flowers in colored water to see what would happen. Each day the children would be excited to see if there had been any change in the flowers.

The teachers incorporate music and movement into each day. Music is a fun way to learn new words by singing and making up their own words to a familiar tune. Sometimes they take the music outside giving everyone a lot of room to dance.



On March 7th & 8th, College Park Preschool will be closed for school conferences. School conferences are a time when teachers review a child's development progress with parents and provide a portfolio for parents to see evidence of their child's growth and learning. In addition to our school conferences, March 14th and 15th is also when our CPP Parent Group will host their annual fundraiser, a Street Art Fair in the Faith Presbyterian Church parking lot. The event time will be from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. We will be selling a variety of art created by the children. We hope to have a good turn out and sell all of our wonderful art projects.

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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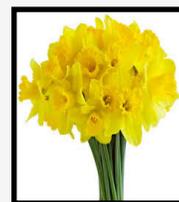
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“Ask & it will be
given to you;
seek & you
will find;
knock
& the door
will be
opened
to you.”

MATTHEW 7:7

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**DEADLINE FOR
NEXT
MONTH**



**MAR
21**