

# PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

September 2024



**PILGRIM**  
CONGREGATIONAL  
**CHURCH**

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## WELCOME HOME!

### Mission:

Pilgrim Congregational Church is an independent community of Christian faith which glorifies God through worship and service to others, respects individual spiritual growth, and inspires compassionate fellowship.

### Vision:

Pilgrim Congregational Church is the spiritual home of our community where all people are welcomed, known, and loved.

### Church Office Hours:

Monday - Friday, 9am to 4pm  
Appointments are recommended.

### Worship Service:

Sundays at 10am ~ In-person or Online

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# MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR MINISTER

## A Salty Church

*"Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another." ~Mark 9:50*

Jesus spoke in Mark 9 to the disciples about how to relate to those that were not part of the followers of Jesus. He encouraged his disciples to support anyone that was not against them. He went on to speak in graphic terms about how to relate to those that were against them: basically, don't have anything to do with them.

Jesus' remarks remind us that we can discern between those who are with us and those who are against us. The difference does not concern whether they follow us or agree with us or use our language. The difference is between those who love creation as God does and those who don't. This is not a matter of what people say; this is a matter of what people do. We can see the difference between those who love and those who don't.

When Jesus speaks of salt he is speaking about relationships. Salt retains its value when it is mixed with what is good but loses its value when contaminated with what is bad. We are not given the authority to determine who is in and who is out of the kingdom of God. But we *are* given the ability to discern between those who love and those who don't.

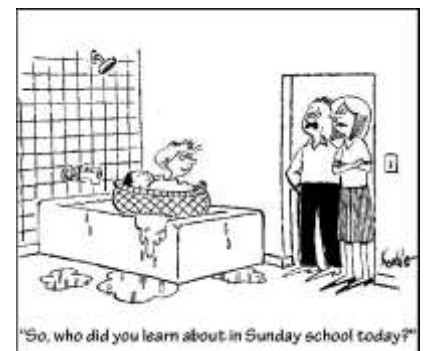
Our saltiness, as a church, will work best if we work with those in the community who love God's creation. This is a matter of discerning who in the community is living that love and joining forces with them as salt added to good food. We do this by supporting some very good organizations in our community. We provide financial support for some of these organizations, and we pray for them and encourage them in their work. We might also work with them on specific projects.

We strive to be a church that is the spiritual home of our community. Let us continue to be a salty church, supporting any group in our community that is doing the work of loving the community.

**Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn**  
**Senior Minister**



## HOLY HILARITY



## MESSAGE FROM THE MODERATOR



HAVE NO  
FEAR



THE  
MODERATOR  
IS HERE

**Alan Roxburgh**, a featured speaker at the annual meeting of the NACCC, asserted that the “story” we have lived by in Western Culture since World War II (With hard work, education, and technology we will be successful.) has come unraveled like a child’s security blanket that can no longer be repaired. He pointed us to our foundational story—the Bible—to see where and how God’s people found God at work when their story (With the proper rituals at the Jerusalem temple and a faithful descendant of David on the throne we will be successful.) came unraveled with the destruction of the Temple and the Babylonian exile. For the Old Testament, he pointed to the letter of Jeremiah to the exiles (Jeremiah 29) advising them to settle down where they were and pray for the welfare of that place, for in its welfare would be their welfare. He called those who told the exiles that they would soon return to Jerusalem “false prophets.” A Jewish colony was established in Babylon that continued, but

when the Persian Empire was established and return was possible, some exiles did return and focused on rebuilding Jerusalem and the temple and reestablishing life there.

For the New Testament, Roxburgh pointed to Luke-Acts. The city and temple had been rebuilt, but no descendant of David sat on the throne. People began to expect that such a descendant (the Messiah) would come and Israel (with its “story”) would be restored. The disciples and others recognized Jesus as the hoped-for Messiah, but he rejected efforts to make him a political king (as Dr. Horn emphasized in his sermon on August 4.) Shortly before the birth of Jesus, Herod had rebuilt and greatly enlarged the Jerusalem temple. In Luke 21:5-6 we read “When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ‘As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.’” (The Romans would destroy Jerusalem and the temple in A.D. 70, shortly after the time of Jesus.) When Jesus appeared to his disciples after his resurrection, they asked “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” (Acts 1:6) The disciples, as well as many in Judea, were still hanging on to their story that was coming unraveled.

After Jesus returned to heaven, the believers initially stayed in Jerusalem and Judea, and returned to the temple. They chose another follower of Jesus to replace Judas, so that there would be 12 apostles, as there had been 12 tribes of Israel. Even after they were empowered by the Holy Spirit at Pentecost they initially kept their focus on Jerusalem and the temple.

“Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.” (Acts 2:46-47)

Things changed only slowly. Persecution scattered believers from Jerusalem. God used a vision to convince Peter to share the gospel with a gentile family. On Paul’s second missionary journey, after the Holy Spirit had not allowed them to continue their planned itinerary, “During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, ‘Come over to Macedonia and help us.’ ... we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia.” (Acts 16: 9-10) The believers found God was at work, and churches began to spread in Europe and throughout the Roman Empire.

~Keith Eades,  
Moderator

Pilgrim’s Progress ~ September 2024



INVITATION FROM PILGRIM AUXILIARY PRESIDENT



Join us for the  
**PILGRIM AUXILIARY**  
Meeting, Program & Luncheon  
1st Tuesday of the month

10:00am ~ Meeting  
11:30am ~ Program  
12:30pm ~ Potluck Luncheon

Our next program will be  
**October 1st, 2024**

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the  
program beginning at 11:30am in Pilgrim Hall.

Pilgrim's very own

**Thea Clark**

will share interesting and enjoyable  
highlights of her life.

Plan to remain for the Potluck Luncheon to  
enjoy delicious food and fellowship.

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## RUMMAGE SALE UPDATE



### Rummage Sorting

Join us on Fridays, 8:30am–10:30am when weather permits.

We enjoy good fellowship while serving Pilgrim Church sorting through donations for our Rummage Sales. Please call ahead to confirm there have not been any changes to the week's schedule.

### Mark Your Calendars

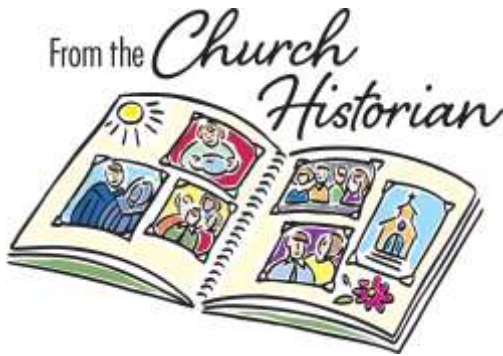
**October 7th:** Last day to bring rummage donations.

**October 13th:** Moving Day/Set-Up Day  
(Lunch is provided for workers.)

Assistance will be provided to move any boxes delivered to wrong locations.

**October 19th is Sale Day, 8am to 1pm**

## The Pilgrim Auxiliary: Then & Now



**The Pilgrim Auxiliary** began as a women's organization at Pilgrim Congregational Church in Pomona. The "Women's Mission" & auxiliary groups were formed at Pilgrim Congregational Church Pomona well before women in this country were allowed to vote! (1920). The first record of a "women's organization" at Pilgrim is dated July 1887, at which time women of the church organized and formed a "society" connected with the furtherance of the church and for charity work. This comes from notes found in early church ledgers. Any women member of Pilgrim could join the organization by paying an entry fee of 25 cents and monthly dues of \$0.10 each month.

This early women's organization formed a reception committee to welcome new church members, provided flowers for church services, decorated the church and its parlors, purchased six dozen silver-plated spoons (for \$0.75 per dozen) and plates and dishes for fellowship dinners. A new name for the group was adopted: "The Woman's Working Chapter," an understatement then and now!

The focus of the women's group in the early years (1887-1889) was to support the missionary work of the church and they later added fundraising projects in support of the church choir and for upgrading furnishings in meeting areas. In 1890, \$133.00 was raised and sent designated in support of the "Leper Fund." No details were provided on this project but surely it must have been appreciated!

**In 1906**, the women's organization raised funds for the earthquake victims of the San Francisco Earthquake. (I dream of someone finding an old diary in their attic that holds some early Pilgrim's recollections of this!) Over the years, 1914-1918, the women's organization funded the purchase of sewing machines to be used for various church projects, and these sewing machines were used by Pilgrim women to assist the Red Cross with making bandages during World War I.

**In May 1910**, Pilgrim women determined that the City of Pomona, which had established a zoo exhibition at Ganesha Park., an exhibit of caged wild animals, was being managed with inhumane treatment of the animals. The women's group, in true Congregational form, met, voted and adopted a Resolution of Concern for Cruelty to Animals, and challenged the city of Pomona, bringing about the closure of the caged animal exhibit. The outreach projects went on over the decades to include the founding of the Pomona Valley Hospital Women's Auxiliary Program, the Girls' Brigade, and "The Largest Community Rummage Sale in the Pomona Valley" (which continues today, twice yearly,) and many more church community alliances.

**In 1917**, the group reformed and renamed itself the "WOMENS AUXILIARY OF PILGRIM CHURCH" and included the development of 12 women's guilds' in service to the various goals and missions of the church and the community. The guilds were given Pilgrim names, such as "Harmony," "Mayflower," etc. Other guilds were added later such as the Patience Guild in the 1960s and the Friendship guild in the 1980s. Several of these guilds remain active today.

The Pilgrim Historian is most grateful for the fortuitous fact that, "WOMEN WRITE THINGS DOWN." Thanks to the trail of information and the preservation of precious item, we have been able to track ANY and MOST parts of our amazing Pilgrim History. Also, from time to time, great bits of Pilgrim and Pomona history show up from the hidden corners of many of our Pilgrim's lives.

*Thank You!*  
*Diana Smith, Pilgrim Historian*

## FROM THE LIBRARIAN



The Library Committee met at the end of August to select new books.

Popular authors **David Baldacci**, **Rhys Bowen**, **James Patterson** and **Daniel Silva** all have new books.

Reader **Celeste Palmer** gave us *Must Love Flowers* by **Debbie Macomber**. Library committee treasurer **Janet Stevenson** donated the newest “Cat in the Stacks” mystery, *Requiem for a Mouse* by **Mirada James**.

Now that summer activities are winding down and there’s more time to read, please come by the library and check us out!  
~Megan

## MUSIC NOTES



**The Pilgrim Congregational Church Choir returns from summer hiatus on Rally Sunday, September 8th singing “Ain’t-a That Good New,” and yes it is!**

For Christmas Eve, the choir, led by music director, Susan Winckler, will perform the entire “Vivaldi Gloria.” Choir Sunday will feature “Twilight Mass” by Ola Gjeilo orchestrated by Tom Mazur with Ola’s permission.

We welcome back returning soloists, Leeza Yorke, Debbie Dey, Steve O’Donnell, Gary White and Patrick Blackwell. We also welcome two new soloists, Jeremy Taylor, bass and Janelle Perez, soprano.

***Stay tuned for a fabulous 2024/2025 season.***

W E L C O M E  
B A C K , C H O I R 

**Mark your calendars for these musical events:**

**Sept. 8th ~ Rally Sunday (Choir Returns)**  
**December 7th ~ Christmas by Candlelight**  
**Dec. 24th ~ Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**  
**June 1st ~ Choir Sunday**

# PILGRIM PROFILE



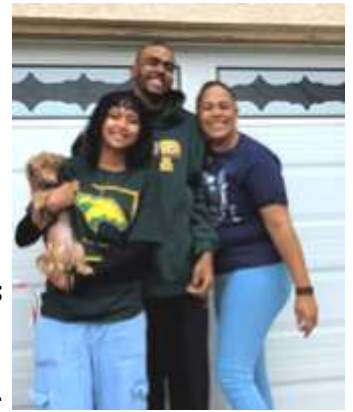
This month's profile is **Heather Hilliard Bonds** who went to NAPF/Hope with our youth and held a wonderful art workshops with them. On October 6<sup>th</sup> she will be teaching an art class here at Pilgrim after church. She will also be the speaker at the Youth Retreat in November.

Heather is an artist, raised by her mother Nancy Hilliard, from the Altadena and Pasadena Area. She has been an artist since she first picked up a crayon. She has always had a love for children and began her career in childcare. This experience led to an internship with the Armory Center for the Arts where she realized she could combine her enjoyment of working with children with her other passion in life, which is art. Heather attended college at Texas Southern University, Pasadena City College, and Cal State of Los Angeles. She has a degree in Art Education.

Heather teaches art to all age groups, from preschoolers to the elderly and enjoys it all. She has provided art classes for the Etiwanda School District, Fontana Art Depot and the ARTS Academy in Covina. She also works with children and adults with special needs and disabilities and is a certified Art Therapist. The love she has for art is also shared with Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Youth Leadership Programs. She creates curriculums for scout merit badges and workshops for these youth. She has participated in several art shows. She creates chalk murals for the Pasadena Chalk Festival.

Heather is also a doll maker and often exhibits her handmade dolls in galleries and art spaces. Heather is a published writer and illustrator. She's illustrated several books for authors and has written children's books, coloring books, and poetry books of her own. She is also a spoken word artist whose performed at many venues.

Heather is a proud mother of four, including **Stephen & Jaylah Bonds** who are active in youth groups here at Pilgrim and a grandmother. She says she can see the influences of her love for art trickling down to her children, grandchildren, and students. She loves it and hopes to bring smiles to the children and adults she works with. She also wants to inspire others, so that they can get a greater appreciation of art and create for themselves.



*Jaylah, Stephen & Heather Bonds*

Heather is teaching a Watercolor Painting class at Pilgrim Congregational Church on October 6<sup>th</sup>. If you love to paint or never picked up a paint brush in your life, Heather can help you make a masterpiece of your own. Be sure to sign up today.

## Watercolor Class & Chili Luncheon Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at Noon

*Leading the class will be professional artist & teacher:*

***Heather Bonds***

*The class will follow a homecooked Chili luncheon prepared by DJ Campbell.*

Watercolor Class: \$30 (supplies included)

Chili Lunch: Donation

**RSVP by Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

Call: 909-622-1373 or Email: [Membership@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:Membership@pilgrimchurchpomona.com)





Pilgrim Congregational Church's  
**the BIG SHOW**

**Sunday, September 22nd**

**Lunch following worship service**

**Noon: SHOWTIME**

There will be a cupcake dessert following the show.

If you are joining us on stage or just coming for the show, you don't want to miss out on this day of fun & fellowship.

We are requesting donations for the lunch to help with expenses, otherwise the show is FREE.

**Please submit your act to Bill Parnell ASAP.**

**Please RSVP for the lunch by Wed. Sept. 18th at 909-622-1373**

**or email [Membership@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:Membership@pilgrimchurchpomona.com)**

Please let us know of diet needs such as vegetarian or allergies.





# Knit & Crochet Workshop

Sunday, January 12th at Noon

Leading the class will be  
*Megan Parnell*

Join us for an Introduction to Knitting and Crochet Workshop. The class will include supplies, basics for beginners, step-by-step instructions and tips for the more advanced. Light refreshments will be served.

More information coming soon, meanwhile, SAVE THE DATE.



**NOV 9**  
**10am**

600 N. Garey Avenue  
Pomona, CA. 91767  
909-622-1373

**Tickets: \$65 per person.**

Light refreshments will be available.

If you are renewing your card or learning CPR for the 1st time, this class is for you!

If you took this class at Pilgrim the last time we had it your card will be expiring December 3rd. Get it renewed before then. Sign up today by emailing

[Membership@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:Membership@pilgrimchurchpomona.com)

## NAPF/HOPE

New date for Youth Car Wash is here:

### CAR WASH

**Saturday, September 7th**

**9am to Noon**

**\$10 donation**

Snack Bar will be available for buying snacks & drinks while you wait.



(Anyone who purchased tickets, should come and redeem them and anyone who wants a car wash can purchase one on the day of.)

Pilgrim Congregational Church ~ South Lot  
600 N. Garey Ave., Pomona

All profits go toward the NAPF/HOPE 2025 Conference in St. Louis, MO.

## PREMIERE CONCERT

Come check out the new alternative rock band:

### Maralana

at their premiere concert

**Inland Empire: A Day Will Come**  
**Friday, September 13th, 2024**  
**8:30pm**

at Pilgrim Congregational Church  
600 N. Garey Avenue, Pomona, CA. 91767



# HOMECOMING

you're invited to

# RALLY SUNDAY

Sept.  
8th



*Come on over to Pilgrim Congregational Church for Faith, Fellowship, Fun & Food  
And beautiful music with the return of the choir.*

9am ~ Sunday School & Volunteer Registration

10am ~ Worship Service

Blessing of the Backpacks & Acolyte Recognition

11am ~ Christian Education Banquet

Hawaiian BBQ with special presentations

*The banquet is presented with thanks from the CE Board & Youth  
for all of your support of Christian Education Programs at Pilgrim!*

**RSVP by September 1st to office at 909-622-1373  
or email [pilgrimoffice@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:pilgrimoffice@pilgrimchurchpomona.com)**



Rally Sunday Theme:  
In Paradise

Remember to wear  
your Hawaiian shirt  
to church on Rally  
Sunday and join us  
for a delicious  
Hawaiian BBQ  
for lunch.

September is  
**Starbucks Sundays!**

Each student who brings  
a friend to Sunday School  
will receive a \$5 Starbucks  
gift card.



**Youth & Family Field Trip**

**Knott's Berry Farm**  
**Saturday, Oct. 5th**

More information & flier coming soon.

We are looking for volunteers to chaperone and/or drive.  
Please call Christine Vanyo at 909-919-4621 if you would  
like to participate.

# PILGRIM'S TRUNK OR TREAT



AT PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

*Join us for Fun, Games & Candy!*

**OCT 26**  
**4pm to 7pm**

600 N. Garey Avenue  
Pomona, CA. 91767  
909-622-1373

Membership is planning to have games and the CE will provide carnival activities. All church Boards, Committees and Families are encouraged to host a trunk or an EZ-up canopy. Hotdogs and drinks will be available.

Questions or to sign up email [EducationBoard@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:EducationBoard@pilgrimchurchpomona.com)



## TRUSTEES

Pilgrim Congregational Church

**WINE**  
*Tasting*



**SEPT.**  
**29**  
**4pm**

Tickets: \$30

Join us at the home of Sherry Glab  
Mail in RSVP to Beth Brooks:

PO Box 7787, La Verne, CA. 91750

with name, contact number & check made payable to Pilgrim Congregational Church.

Questions? Call Beth: 909-229-5921



**PILGRIM'S**  
**ANNUAL**  
**AUCTION**

**Saturday, Nov. 16th**

Doors Open: 5pm / Dinner @ 6pm  
Tickets: \$40 / \$5 for 12yrs and under

RSVP with check payable to  
Pilgrim Congregational Church sent to  
Beth Brooks at  
PO Box 7787, La Verne, CA. 91750

Auction donations are being accepted. If you have items for the auction please contact Jan Manildi or Judy Sanders. Consider collecting gift cards from your favorite restaurants. Beth Brooks has a non-profit organization letter to present with your request.

Questions? Call Beth Brooks  
909-229-5921

## COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH



The Kindness Carnival is a great opportunity for good ol' fashioned family fun as well as allowing Pilgrim Congregational Church to join in fellowship with the Pomona community. Pilgrim Congregational Church's **Membership & Outreach** boards will be hosting a game/informational booth so come on down and visit us between the live music, games and other activities.

**Kindness Carnival 2024**  
**Saturday, October 5th**  
**2pm to 5pm**  
**@ Washington Park**  
**865 E. Grand Avenue, Pomona**  
**Email: [Membership@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:Membership@pilgrimchurchpomona.com)**

# SUMMER YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT



PILGRIM  
CONGREGATIONAL  
CHURCH



# BACK TO SCHOOL

## SUPPLY DRIVE

## Last day to donate: September 1st

Pilgrim Youth are collecting school supplies for children in need as they prepare to return to school. We are also accepting cash or checks made out to Pilgrim Congregational Church. (Memo: School Supply Drive) Monetary Donations are due by Aug. 25th. All donations will be included in the Blessing of the Backpacks on Rally Sunday, 9/8 before being given to Hope Partners.

Questions: Christine Vanyo  
[ChristianEducation@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:ChristianEducation@pilgrimchurchpomona.com)

**Items Needed:**  
Greatest needs in bold.  
**Red & Blue Pens, Lead Pencils,**  
Notebooks, Folders, **3' Ring**  
**Binders,** Colored Pencils, Crayons,  
Calculators, Highlighters,  
Backpacks, Copy Paper, Index  
Cards, **Lined Paper, Rulers,**  
**Scissors,** Glue (sticks & bottles),  
Erasers, & **Pencil Pouches.**





LEARNING & FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY

NATIONAL DAY OF  
**VOLUNTEER**  
YOUTH MINISTRY  
**TRAINING**

**SAVE  
THE  
DATE!**

**September 28, 2024**

9:00am - 12:00pm

**Oneonta Congregational Church**

**1515 Garfield Ave.**

**South Pasadena, CA 91030**

**Get Your Entire Volunteer Team Trained for Free!**

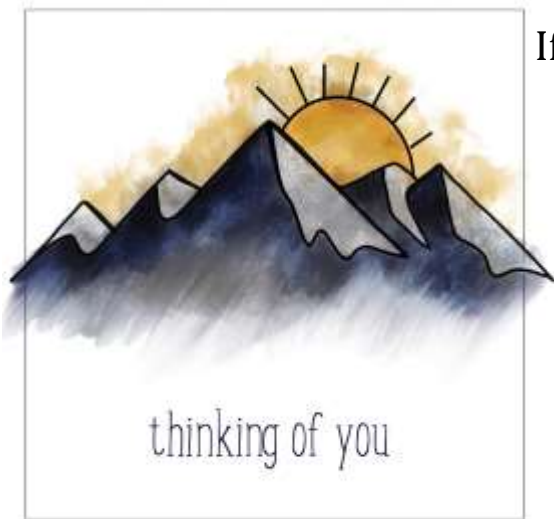
**email [Sara.Oneonta@gmail.com](mailto:Sara.Oneonta@gmail.com)  
for reservations and more  
information**

# A CHURCH THAT PRAYS TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER!



If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please send your Band of Prayer requests to Sue Shedd via email at [saintshedd@roadrunner.com](mailto:saintshedd@roadrunner.com) or leave a message at 909-622-1373.

## REMEMBRANCE



If you know someone who would love to receive a card or note from Pilgrim Auxiliary, please submit their name and address to Sarah by email at [sarah@pilgrimchurchpomona.com](mailto:sarah@pilgrimchurchpomona.com). These can be a notes of celebration, sympathy, get well or just thinking of you.

*It's always nice to receive a note "Just Because!"*

## WAYS TO GIVE

### ONLINE



Visit our link

<https://pushpay.com/g/pilgrimchurchpomona>

### MOBILE



Text

PILGRIMCHURCH  
To 833-813-9522

### MAIL

Pilgrim Church  
600 N. Garey Avenue  
Pomona, CA. 91767

Send a Check



When you send "PILGRIMCHURCH" to 833-813-9522 you will receive a one-time reply containing a link to give to PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH (1msg/request). Please be aware that Msg & Data rates may apply. For full Terms & Conditions please visit <http://pushpay.com/terms>. For the Privacy Policy please visit <https://pushpay.com/privacy>. For help reply HELP or STOP to cancel. **If you have any questions please call the church office at 909-622-1373.**

# SERVICE NOTES

## September 1st

### Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn  
Worship Assistant: Ms. Sherry Glab  
Lesson 1: Psalm 15  
Lesson 2: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23  
Theme: Evil and the Heart of Humanity  
Sermon: The Source of Evil  
Color: Green  
Fellowship Host: Friendship Guild  
Ushers: Susan Shedd, Sharon Willison,  
Lisa Keepers & Michael Lawing  
Acolytes: Isabella & Jasmine Marcellano

This morning's flowers are provided:

*"With sincere gratitude for the wonderful music provided by Susan Winckler, Bruce Jones, Nancy Rodewald, and all the talented musicians throughout this past summer."*

## September 8th

### Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

#### Rally Sunday & CE Banquet

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn  
Worship Assistant: Ms. Carina Caballero  
Lesson 1: Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23  
Lesson 2: Mark 7:24-37  
Theme: Removing Barriers to Community  
Sermon: Crossing Barriers  
Color: Green  
Christian Ed Banquet: Christian Education Board  
Ushers: Sylvia Osborn, Guadalupe Ocegueda,  
Jenni Whyte, Lorraine Rogers  
Acolytes: Samantha Campbell & Armondo Piercy  
*"This morning's flowers are lovingly provided to all of our Church Members who are grandparents: Happy Grandparent's Day, with Love and Appreciation for all you do."*

## September 15th

### Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn  
Worship Assistant: Mr. Ron Vanyo  
Lesson 1: Proverbs 9:1-6  
Lesson 2: Mark 8:27-38  
Theme: Jesus' Death Gives Meaning to Death  
Sermon: A Fate Worse Than Death  
Color: Green  
Fellowship Host: Friendship Guild  
Ushers: Ben & Sue Selters, Janet McBride  
& Axford Manness  
Acolytes: Kodie Gray & Emmanuel Rickards-Ruiz

This morning's flowers are joyfully provided by: Bonnie Seath,  
*"To the Glory of God, and in loving celebration of nephew Cory's son Eli's 7th birthday, with extended love to his wonderful wife Rebecca and precious daughter Eva."*

## September 22nd

### Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn  
Worship Assistant: Mr. Nathaniel Campbell  
Lessons 1: Psalm 1  
Lesson 2: Mark 9:30-37  
Theme: The Least are the Greatest  
Sermon: Greatness  
Color: Green  
Fellowship Host: Patience Guild  
Ushers: Meggen Olson, Christine & Ron Vanyo,  
& Dulce Ruiz  
Acolytes: Preston Dauge & Charlie McCormick

This morning's flowers are lovingly provided by: Patty Schelling,

*"In memory of my dear cousin Marcia White Sollee, who unexpectedly passed earlier this year. She was my Australian traveling buddy and a wonderful companion. Her ultimate journey was to Heaven, and I feel she's happy now, singing His glory in the choir."*

## September 29th

### Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn  
Worship Assistant: Mrs. Sue Selters  
Lesson 1: Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22  
Lesson 2: Mark 9:38-50  
Theme: Characteristics of a Strong Church  
Sermon: A Salty Church  
Color: Green  
Fellowship Host: Membership  
Ushers: Susan Shedd, Sharon Willison,  
Lisa Keepers, & Michael Lawing  
Acolytes: Isabella & Jasmine Marceleno  
This morning's flowers are thoughtfully & lovingly provided by:  
Marria Casner, *"In appreciation of wonderful Pilgrim Church."*

Boutonnieres for **September** are anonymously and thoughtfully provided, *"With prayers for Pilgrim's bright future."*

### Liturgical Notes by Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn:

**Green** is used in Ordinary time, the period of the Church calendar which gives attention to the Lord's life and ministry; it reminds us that the mission of the Church is to love the world and share the hope of Christ.

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# SEPTEMBER

## WEEKLY / MONTHLY

### **EVERY MORNING, MON. - FRI.**

Daily Devotional  
9am via Facebook Live and Zoom

### **EVERY SUNDAY**

9am – Adult Sunday School  
9am – Gather & Greet  
10am – Worship Service (In-person & Online)  
Sunday School for 1st – 7th grade  
(following Children’s Message)  
11am—Fellowship Hour

### **EVERY TUESDAY**

Twilight Bible Study  
5:45pm via Facebook Live & YouTube

### **EVERY 1ST TUESDAY**

**(OCTOBER - JUNE)**  
Pilgrim Auxiliary  
Meeting, Program & Luncheon

### **EVERY 1ST WEDNESDAY**

7pm ~ Church Council Meeting

### **EVERY THURSDAY**

10am ~ Joyful Endeavors

### **EVERY FRIDAY**

Men’s Breakfast ~ Roberta’s at 8am  
Rummage Sorting ~ 9am to Noon

### **EVERY 3RD SUNDAY**

11:30am ~ Board Meetings



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **September 2nd**

Labor Day ~ Office Closed

### **September 4th**

Church Council Meeting

### **September 7th**

NAPF/HOPE Car Wash  
Pizza Lunch & Rally Sunday Set-Up

### **September 8th**

Grandparents Day  
Rally Sunday  
Blessing of the Backpacks  
Christian Education Banquet  
Choir Practice

### **September 10th, 11th, 12th & 13th**

Maralana Concert

### **September 11th**

Patriot’s Day

### **September 19th**

Choir Rehearsal

### **September 22nd**

First Day of Autumn  
Trustees Meeting  
Pilgrim Talent Show & Lunch

### **September 25th**

La Nueva Voz Special Event

### **September 26th**












Choir Rehearsal

### **September 28th**

Nat’l Day of Volunteer Youth Ministry Training

### **September 29th**

Trustees’ Wine Tasting at Sherry Glab’s

| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Monday                                                                                                                                                                               | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                             | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Friday                                                                                                                                  | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <p>1<br/>9am~<br/>Adult Sunday School &amp; Gather &amp; Greet<br/>9:45am Worship Service<br/>11am Fellowship Hour</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <p>2 Office Closed<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>10am<br/>Alanon "Serenity"<br/>6:30pm AA</p>  | <p>3<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>9:30am CEA/HOW<br/>5:15pm<br/>Young Champions<br/>Cheerleaders<br/>5:45pm<br/>Twilight Bible Study<br/>7:30pm AA</p>                                               | <p>4<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>6:00pm Basketball<br/>7:30pm NA Support</p>  | <p>5<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>10am<br/>Joyful Endeavors<br/>7:30pm<br/>AA Mother Group</p>                                    | <p>6<br/>8am<br/>Men's Breakfast<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional &amp; Rummage Sorting</p>                                               | <p>7<br/>9am<br/>NAPF/HOPE<br/>Car Wash<br/>NOON NA Group<br/>NOON<br/>Pizza Lunch &amp; Rally Sunday Set up<br/>3pm<br/>Private Reception</p>                               |
| <p>8 Grandparent's Day<br/>9am~<br/>Adult Sunday School &amp; Gather &amp; Greet<br/>9:45am Worship Service<br/>11am CE Banquet<br/>11:30am Choir rehearsal<br/>3pm Moose Meeting</p>                                                 | <p>9<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>10am<br/>Alanon "Serenity"<br/>6:30pm AA</p>                                                                                                 | <p>10<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>9:30am CEA/HOW<br/>5:15pm<br/>Young Champions<br/>Cheerleaders<br/>5:45pm<br/>Twilight Bible Study<br/>6pm<br/>Maralana--Asante and Carlos Band<br/>7:30pm AA</p> | <p>11 Patriot Day<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>6pm Basketball<br/>6pm<br/>Maralana--Asante and Carlos Band<br/>7:30pm NA Support</p>                            | <p>12<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>10am<br/>Joyful Endeavors<br/>6pm<br/>Maralana--Asante and Carlos Band<br/>7:30pm<br/>AA Mother Group</p>                                                                        | <p>13<br/>8am<br/>Men's Breakfast<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional &amp; Rummage Sorting<br/>6pm<br/>Maralana--Asante and Carlos Band</p> | <p>14<br/>Noon NA Group</p>                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p>15<br/>9am~<br/>Adult Sunday School &amp; Gather &amp; Greet<br/>9:45am Worship Service<br/>11am Fellowship Hour<br/>12:30pm Isan Foundation/Saba</p>                                                                             | <p>16<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>10am<br/>Alanon "Serenity"<br/>6:30pm AA</p>                                                                                                | <p>17<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>9:30am CEA/HOW<br/>5:15pm<br/>Young Champions<br/>Cheerleaders<br/>5:45pm<br/>Twilight Bible Study<br/>7:30pm AA</p>                                              | <p>18<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>6:00pm Basketball<br/>7:30pm NA Support</p>                                                                                  | <p>19<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>10am<br/>Joyful Endeavors<br/>7:30pm<br/>AA Mother Group<br/>7:30pm<br/>Choir Rehearsal</p>  | <p>20<br/>8am<br/>Men's Breakfast<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional &amp; Rummage Sorting</p>                                              | <p>21<br/>9:30am<br/>NCNW Meeting<br/>10am<br/>Christian Business<br/>360 Meeting<br/>NOON NA Group</p>                                                                      |
| <p>22 First Day of Autumn<br/>9am~<br/>Adult Sunday School &amp; Gather &amp; Greet<br/>9:45am Worship Service<br/>11am Fellowship Hour<br/>11:30am Trustees Meeting<br/>NOON Talent Show &amp; Lunch<br/>3:00pm Moose Meeting</p>  | <p>23<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>10am<br/>Alanon "Serenity"<br/>6:30pm AA</p>                                                                                                | <p>24<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>9:30am CEA/HOW<br/>5:45pm<br/>Twilight Bible Study<br/>7:30pm AA</p>                                                                                              | <p>25<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>9:30am<br/>Library Committee<br/>6:00pm Basketball<br/>7pm<br/>La Nueva Voz<br/>Special Event<br/>7:30pm NA Support</p>      | <p>26<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>10am<br/>Joyful Endeavors<br/>7:30pm<br/>AA Mother Group<br/>7:30pm<br/>Choir Rehearsal</p>  | <p>27<br/>8am<br/>Men's Breakfast<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional &amp; Rummage Sorting</p>                                              | <p>28<br/>8am<br/>Nat'l Day of Volunteer Youth Ministry Training<br/>NOON NA Group</p>  |
| <p>29<br/>9am~<br/>Adult Sunday School &amp; Gather &amp; Greet<br/>9:45am Worship Service<br/>11am Fellowship Hour<br/>4pm Wine Tasting at Sherry's</p>                                                                             | <p>30<br/>9am<br/>Morning Devotional<br/>10am<br/>Alanon "Serenity"<br/>6:30pm AA</p>                                                                                                |                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                              |

# SALTY CHURCH ~ MARK 9:30-50

**S A S E A S P I B J J O C L G**  
**E C H I L D J R T E A C H I M**  
**R S A L T E D O E T L L A S T**  
**V R G P O W C O A A W I N A W**  
**A C A S E A S O N G L E E L R**  
**N H L E G R E A T E S T L V G**  
**T R A C A P N T I K O W S S E**  
**F I R N L E A A L R C E E H U**  
**I S I R I A C N U A H L M P J**  
**T T S O L C A M O M P V O E O**  
**E F I R E M R N A I E E C C H**  
**A L I F E E O S C H A R L N N**  
**S E A N W J E S U S C H E I L**  
**A L H O A R I S E R E A W S E**  
**C A P J G D I C P F I R S T B**



Can you find:

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| BELIEVE   | CAPERNAUM |
| CHILD     | CHRIST    |
| DISCIPLES | FIRE      |
| GALILEE   | GREATEST  |
| JESUS     | JOHN      |
| MARK      | NAME      |
| PEACE     | POWER     |
| RISE      | SALTED    |
| SEASON    | TEACH     |
| TWELVE    | WELCOMES  |

3 Bonus words found in bible verse. Hint: Mark 9:35



## Did you know...

The bible is a mini library of 66 books. These books are divided into two sections; the old and new testaments. Most likely you already know that the old testament is everything that happened before Jesus was born and the new testament is everything that happened after. However, did you know that the old testament contains 39 books divided into 4 sections; Laws, History, Poetry & Prophecy? The new testament has 27 books divided into 4 sections as well; the Gospels (or "good news,") History of Jesus, Letters and Prophecy. **Can you name all the books of the bible?**

*"I will teach you hidden lessons from our past—stories we have heard and known, stories our ancestors handed down to us. We will not hide these truths from our children; we will tell the next generation about the glorious deeds of the Lord, about His power and His mighty wonders."*  
 ~Psalms 78:2-4