



THE GRAPEVINE



**October
2016**

Annual All Church Work Day Saturday, October 8 8:30 am - ? (No later than Noon)

We have several outdoor and indoor tasks to share in as we clean-up, sort, and organize around the church. Specific jobs have been named and are listed on a sign-up sheet in the lobby. They include cleaning gravel area at north end, removing or pruning foliage, washing windows, painting foliage trunks, painting Jamie's (Finance) office, cleaning out shed, and sorting/reworking Christian education storage areas & closets. Pick-ups are appreciated to haul away debris. Breakfast snacks will be provided by Stan & Joan Smith and Diane Massey. Plan to participate in any way you can; come share in the fellowship of a day well spent serving God!



**CHURCH
WORKDAY**

Francis Court Graduation

On Friday, October 7th, 6:00–9:00 p.m. is **Francis Court Graduation Dinner**, their 8th annual transitional housing graduation celebration for residents that are successfully graduating. The event will be held at the Win River Event Center, 2100 Redding Rancheria Road.

We officially have two tables reserved. The names of those of you who signed up have been turned in. If, for some reason, you cannot attend, please find someone to take your place. Then let Dianne Burrell know the new name to be turned in for seating.

“All the Works of God’s Hands” 2016 Stewardship Focus Kicks Off Sunday, October 9

How marvelous are the works of God’s hands! We see God at work in our world, our lives, and our church, and very soon, we will express our gratitude for God’s activity among us. With the verses of Psalm 8 guiding us (take some time to read it in advance), we will consider ways we can protect and preserve our earth, along with managing our talent, time, and financial resources to further God’s work. Worship services on Sunday, October 9, 16 and 23rd will include response times for us to share with God how we will commit ourselves to “the works of God’s hands.” Church friends will receive letters with further explanations and enclosed note cards to be returned during worship, or by mail, as symbols of our commitments to God. Prayerfully consider how God needs you to respond to the needs of the church and our earth through your gifts. For more information, please contact the office or Bill Kipp, Stewardship Chairperson.



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“Stand Against Stigma”

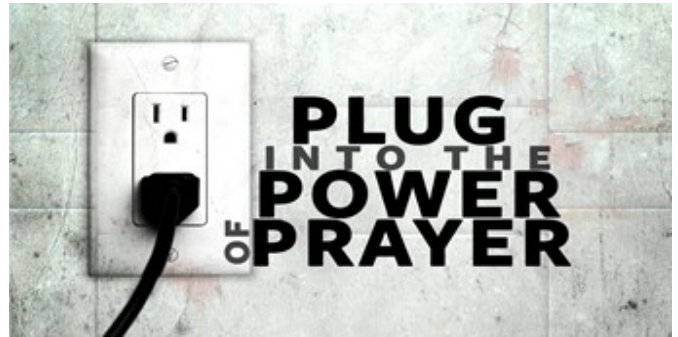
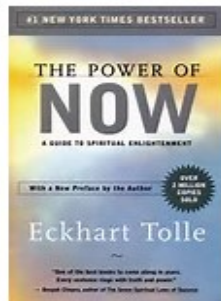
Changing Minds About Mental Illness

Sunday, October 16, 5:00 pm

Join us in an informal gathering to learn more about the efforts in our county to combat judgment and shame often affiliated with mental illness. Under the guidance of our own Roxanne Burke, and Community Education Specialist Marc Daddigan, a program was begun in 2012 as a way for community residents to reduce stigma associated with mental illness and suicide by telling their inspiring stories of recovery. In a format called “Brave Faces,” nearly 30 people have come forward to share their experiences and the misconceptions which prevent people from seeking help and support. We will host a couple of these “Brave Faces” on Sunday, October 16 in the sanctuary at 5:00 pm. “When you’ve finally been listened to, that’s when you become real to the world, that’s when you grow.” – James, “Brave Faces Portrait Gallery.” Come experience real stories of hope and recovery.

“The Power of Now” Book Study Begins This Week on Friday, September 30th , 4:00 p.m.

On Friday, September 30, an afternoon book study will begin on Eckhart Tolle’s “The Power of Now.” Sign up to indicate your interest. This study will tentatively be facilitated by Jessie McClelland.



The Power of Prayer Takes Action In Our Newly Revised Prayer Chain

We are a community that believes in, and has experienced, the power of prayer in a variety of ways. We are grateful for those who are willing to pray on our behalf. We have a new Prayer Chain roster based on those who indicated they are able to participate. New lists have been emailed and snail mailed to participants. Roster leaders are Linda Souder and Karen Severson who will start the requests as directed by the church office, Pastor, or Visiting Ministers. Emails will also be sent out by our Office Manager when requests come on week-days. Please note that prayer requests made on Sunday mornings via the prayer slips do not necessarily get added to the prayer chain unless previously requested. During Sunday morning worship, we are blessed by the gathered Body of Christ, unified in prayer, and one with the Prayer Chain.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let the office know.

YOUTH GROUP

Thank you so much to all who have welcomed me. I hope I get to learn all your names and faces soon. Special thanks to those who assisted last month with youth events.

Last month, I have developed a great friendship with a few youth members through games, a pool party, and just driving around town. Since my first day, they have been so generous to help me familiarize myself with the service, bring great attitudes, and a strong willingness to participate. Can't hope for a better group of kids! They are such amazing characters with a great zest for life.

I have been working hard to develop low-budget ideas and activities that would enhance their church experience. With the help and support of FCC, I look forward to teaching, learning, and growing with the youth. Best, Jamie Saelee

Serving 9:30 Service

October 2nd

Servers: Elder: Bonnie Sterling
Set-up: Joanne Gasser & Herb Morrison
Clean-up: Lesley Larson & Erin Regelin

October 9th

Servers: Elder: Eda Ebe
Set-up: Jessica Quiroga & Diane Massey
Clean-up: Gail Pittman & Bonnie Sterling

October 16th

Servers: Elder: Rosemary Hall
Set-up: Glen & Kathleen Coates
Clean-up: Jim & Julie Walker

October 23rd

Servers: Elder: Lesley Larson
Set-up: Jessie McClelland & Kate Pasley
Clean-up: Kathleen Wachter & Deanna Voorhees

October 30th

Servers: Elder: Norm Lougee
Set-up: Erin Regelin & Lesley Larson
Clean-up: Joanne Gasser & Herb Morrison

Note: First line of servers prepares communion and second line of servers does clean-up.

Serving 11:30 Service

Oct. 2nd: Elder: Bonnie Sterling
Oct. 9th: Elder: Kim Jensen
Oct. 16th: Elder: Wendy Sanders
Oct. 23rd: Elder: Lesley Larson
Oct. 30th: Elder: Norm Lougee

From Our Web Master

What should you do if you or a friend have a question about FCC Redding? Consider visiting our website at www.fccredding.org. On that site you will find lots of information about the church and programs, as well as copies of the monthly newsletter and Janet's sermons. If you haven't had an opportunity to view the website, please do. It is updated regularly, and suggestions are always welcome. Please forward your questions to Jason Torosian, Webmaster at jltoro-sian@gmail.com or Pastor Janet.

September Attendance

	1st Service	2nd Service
September 4th	67	11
September 11th	70	16
September 18th	78	14
September 25th	63	15

Sunday Scriptures

October 2nd - Luke 17: 5-10
October 9th - Psalm 8
October 16th - James 2: 14-17 (excerpts from Psalm 37)
October 23rd - Luke 16: 19-31
October 30th - Luke 18: 9-14

World Communion Sunday Sunday, October 2

The world gathers around the Lord's Table this Sunday and you are invited! Join us in communing with our brothers and sisters from all around the world as we are unified by bread and cup in Christ's name. Communion will be by intinction in both worship services.

Memorial & Honoring Gifts

Gifts were Received In Memory of:

Michael Slone by:

James & Alison Hedgehold

Nancy Keller by:

Dianne Burrell

Randy & Cindy Blackwell

Eileen Woodfill

Daniel & Josephine Sobieralski

~**THANK YOU**~

New Sanctuary Chair Racks

We are pleased to have new chair racks placed on the backs of our sanctuary chairs. The racks do not prevent the chairs from being stacked and will enhance our worship experience. They will hold the purple Chalice Praise books as well as prayer slips, visitor cards, and small pencils. By placing prayer slips in the racks, we will reduce the number that end up on the floor having fallen out of the bulletins each Sunday. We also hope to gain further information in order to follow-up with our weekly visitors who are willing to hear from the pastor or office afterwards. Special thanks to Chris Adams, Jim Blomster, Randy Haynes, Ellis Martin, and Stan Smith for their creative hand in make this happen!

Young Adults to Movies Sunday, October 2, 12:30

All young adults are invited to join together to see "Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children" at Cinemark 14 this Sunday, October 2 (show begins at 12:50). Bring \$\$ and meet us at the theatre by 12:50 or at church at 12:30!



Coffee 'N Tea With The Pastor

As a way to be more accessible to each of you, Pastor Janet invites you to an optional and informal get-together in the next few months. This would be a one-on-one, or just a few of us sitting down around a cup of coffee or tea to share together what is most important to us. It is intended for those who will find it valuable within their relationship to the church and pastor. Realizing that this description may not be a necessity for all, if this is something you would like to do, please let the church office know. In addition, you can indicate your interest on the "Note to Pastor" slip found in your worship bulletin, with your name, and drop it in the offering plate.

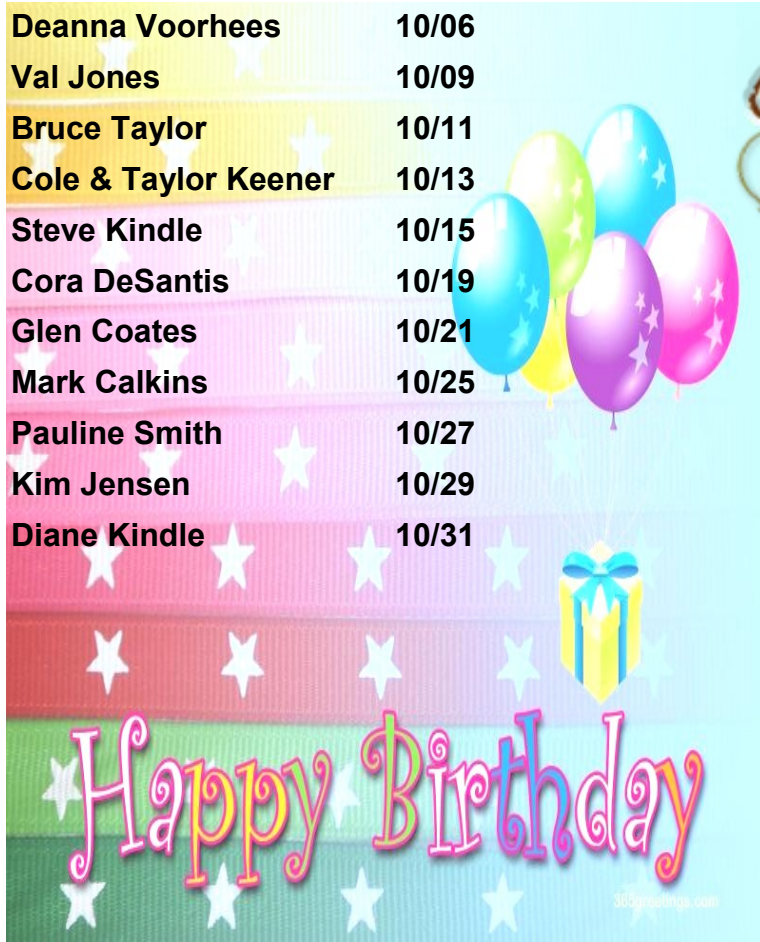
"Pride Unites Us!" Redding Pride Festival 2016 Saturday, October 15, Library Park, 1:00 – 5:00 pm

The Redding Pride event is the largest annual gathering supporting the local LGBTQ+ and Ally community and is sponsored by NorCal OUT-reach Project (NCOP). NCOP seeks to improve the lives of everyone by increasing understanding, acknowledgement, visibility and appreciation of the LGBTQ+ community, thereby making rural northern California a safe and more accepting place for all. ***Our congregation will host a booth at the upcoming Pride Festival and volunteers are needed to help set-up, host, and take down our booth.*** We want to share the message that we honor diversity while celebrating equality. Please sign-up on the sheet in the lobby. Those willing to walk in the Pride March and carry our church banner, plan to meet at the north end of the downtown mall at noon to prepare to walk together. Wear your church T-shirt if you have one, and together we will share the message of "Bold Faith – Deep Love!" Contact Pastor Janet for more info.



Slone Graveside Service Saturday, October 15th, 10:00 am

Michael Slone's graveside service will be Saturday, October 15th at 10:00 am at Redding Cemetery with a memorial luncheon afterwards at church. Michael and Virginia's love will be celebrated during this time as their remains are committed to their final resting place. To assist with providing food, please let Julie Walker know.



Ole & Kim Jensen	10/02/1979
Bob & Janet Phillips	10/03/1981

October's Outreach Collection

In October we will collect "operations" items for the Sierra Center (Women's Refuge, One Safe Place) as follows: antibacterial wipes, coffee filters, copier paper, dishwashing liquid, file folders, garbage bags (kitchen and outdoor), hand soap, laundry soap, paper products (towels, toilet paper, facial tissues), plastic bags (gallon, quart, sandwich), food storage containers, cleaning sponges, new white bath towels. Our church is so generous for these collections. Thank you all very much. Any questions? Ask Dianne Burrell or Joanne Gasser

August - By The Numbers

Average attendance per week: 84
(*includes both services)

Giving:

<u>Building Fund</u>	<u>Beg Bal</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>End Bal</u>
Aug results:	(\$ 1,185)	\$ 2,909	\$ 2,195	\$ 0	\$ (471)

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Beg Bal</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>End Bal</u>
Aug results:	(\$3,2141)	\$ 13,246	\$ 13,689	\$ 518	\$ (3,166)

Take Away —

The month of August was a bit better for the building fund but giving to the general fund continues to be lower than expected. The Finance team and your Pastor continue to watch our expenses very closely. As is normal during the summer months giving is down but our negative balance in the general fund is of concern for the remainder of the year. We would like to be able to pay all of identified outreach commitments by the end of this year. We have already made a large difference with our outreach payments but we still have more work to do. Please give as you are able and continue to pray for our outreach into the community.

As always I have faith in God and this congregation that we will continue to meet our normal obligations as well as our outreach commitments. Thanks for being a wonderful church home and family!!

**Friday, September 30th**

4:00 p.m.

Book Study "Power of Now"

Sunday, October 2nd

8:00 a.m.

Choir Practice

9:30 & 11:15 a.m.

Worship Services

12:15 p.m.

Elders Meeting

12:30 p.m.

Young Adults to Movie

2:00 p.m.

Holiday Boutique Crafters

4:00 p.m.

Youth and Children's Group
are going to Rare Air,
cost is \$13.50**Tuesday, October 4th**

5:30 p.m.

Yoga

7:00 p.m.

Community Choir

7:00 p.m.

Book Study

Thursday, October 6th

12:00 p.m.

Bible Study

5:30 p.m.

Yoga & Sharing Circle

6:30 p.m.

Youth Make Sandwiches

6:30 p.m.

New Testament Study

Friday, October 7th

8:00 a.m.

HOPE Van @ Breslauer Ln.

4:00 p.m.

Book Study "Power of Now"

6:00 p.m.

Francis Court Graduation
Dinner @ Win River
Casino Event Center**Saturday, October 8th**

8:30 a.m.

All Church WORK Day

Sunday, October 9th—Stewardship Campaign Begins

8:00 a.m.

Choir Practice

9:30 & 11:15 a.m.

Worship Services

12:15 p.m.

Personnel Meeting

2:00 p.m.

Holiday Boutique Crafters

Tuesday, October 11th

5:30 p.m.

Yoga

7:00 p.m.

Community Choir

7:00 p.m.

Book Study

Wednesday, October 12th

12:00 p.m.

S.C.I.F. Meeting

6:30 p.m.

Family/Child Care Mtg.

7:00 p.m.

Shasta Brass Practice

Thursday, October 13th

12:00 p.m.

Bible Study

5:30 p.m.

Yoga & Sharing Circle

6:30 p.m.

New Testament Study

Friday, October 14

4:00 p.m.

Book Study "Power of Now"

Sunday, October 16th

8:00 a.m.

Choir Practice

9:30 & 11:15 a.m.

Worship Services

2:00 p.m.

Holiday Boutique Crafters

4:30 p.m.

Youth Group Game Day

5:00 p.m.

Faith & Mental Health

Partners "Brave Faces"

Monday, October 17th—Pastor's Move Begins**Tuesday, October 18th**

5:30 p.m.

Yoga

7:00 p.m.

Community Choir

7:00 p.m.

Book Study

**Thursday, October 20th**

12:00 p.m.

Bible Study

5:30 p.m.

Yoga & Sharing Circle

6:30 p.m.

New Testament Study

Friday, October 21st

4:00 p.m.

Book Study "Power of Now"

Saturday October 22nd—Sunday 23rd

TBD

Youth Fall Fest in Woodland

Sunday, October 23rd—No Youth Group

8:00 a.m.

Choir Practice

9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

Worship Services

2:00 p.m.

Holiday Boutique Crafters

Tuesday, October 25th

5:30 p.m.

Yoga

7:00 p.m.

Community Choir

Wednesday, October 26th

7:00 p.m.

Shasta Brass

Thursday, October 27th

12:00 p.m.

Bible Study

5:30 p.m.

Yoga & Sharing Circle

6:30 p.m.

New Testament Study

Friday, October 29th

4:00 p.m.

Book Study "Power of Now"

Sunday, October 30th

8:00 a.m.

Choir Practice

9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

Worship Services

5:00 p.m.

Halloween Fest

People of Progress ***Octoberfest***

**A tasty repast inspired by potatoes
& other foods that sustain humanity.**

*Support Effective Kindness &
Essential Safety Net Services
in Shasta County*

This year we are honoring the many faith communities
who have directly supported our programs.
Octoberfest is a relaxed evening with plenty of
time to talk with old friend and make new ones.

Thursday, October 20th.

Doors open at 5:30, dinner at 6

**First United Methodist Church Social Hall
Corner of South & East streets in Downtown
Redding \$25 per person, Kids 12 and under \$10
Buy online at peopleofprogress.org/octoberfest
or reserve by phone or mail a check!
243-3811**

Visiting Ministers & Elders Connect With Our Homebound

We are blessed to expand our connection with those unable to worship with us on a regular basis. In addition to the elders who often send cards or make phone calls, our Visiting Ministers include Patty Benton, Dianne Burrell, and Lesley Larson who make face to face visits and phone calls. Communion is brought to those who request it monthly. Our pastor also joins in this ministry as needed and is open to visiting any who are in need. Please let us know in the office if you are aware of someone who may have a particular need. And thanks for your partnership in caring for our folks.



Holiday Boutique Coming Soon November 12th— 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Next month will be our annual Holiday Boutique! Yes, it's that time already! Susan Adams and her crew are planning a delicious brunch. Tickets will soon be available for the brunch for \$10. If you would be willing to sell tickets before and after church on Sundays, please let Dianne Burrell know. We need lots of great things to sell at the Boutique: handmade, crafted, sewn etc., as well as other unique, nice articles. Joanne Gasser is making calls regarding baked, cooked, canned items. Even if you miss her call, or don't get one, please make something. Our "pantry" area is very popular in our community, and we sell out fast. We will have two wonderful things to raffle: a beautiful layered fabric artwork made by Linda Gould (It is spectacular!), and a wonderful quilt made by Jessie McClelland. They will soon be available to see and purchase raffle tickets for. We will need a couple of volunteers to sell these tickets before and after church. Be a part of this exciting fund-raiser for our church.

Update Your Memorial Service Requests

Give the gift of relief and comfort to your loved ones by taking action now! Planning a celebration of life can be quite stressful on friends and family but they also need such events to find comfort and strength to carry on after our death. There is no greater gift you can give your friends and family than to take a few minutes to note your preferences in music, scripture, funeral/memorial arrangements, memorable moments, location, etc.

At the back of our sanctuary are flyers which can be filled out and returned to the church office which we will keep on file. Too many times, folks have longed that their loved ones had given some idea of what was meaningful to them so that could be included in a celebration of life. Please take this opportunity to do just that.

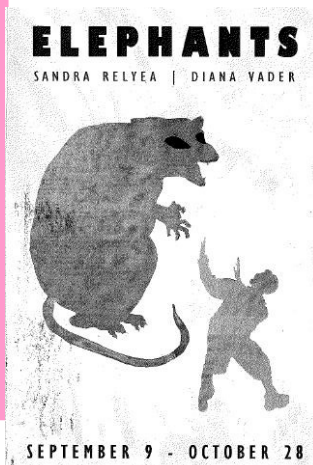
**Children's Group
Jumping for Air!
Sunday, October 2, 4:00 –
6:30 pm**

Elementary age kids are invited to meet at church to go to Rare Air Trampoline Park together this Sunday. They are "allowing" the older youth to join them (6th-9th graders) and it will be tons of fun. The cost is \$13.50, but if this is a problem, let Pastor Janet know – we really want you to come, so don't let the funds hold you back! Let the office or Pastor Janet know if you plan to come, and see you then!



**"Elephants" Fine Art Exhibit
Features Hope Van Participants
September 9 – October 28
Old City Hall, 1313 Market St.**

This artistic collection features human shadows as a representation of homelessness and the "elephant" in the room we

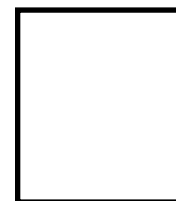


so rarely want to address. This denial is a result of our splitting off our own vulnerabilities and projecting them onto those among us who are the most disenfranchised, helpless, and disempowered in our society. In this particular exhibit, several of our local folks who are homeless are included as "models." For those who have served within our Hope Van ministry, you may recognize a "shadow" or real story featured. Sandra Relyea, Physician Assistant, created the pieces

in an attempt to show how we project shadow characteristics onto others, seeing these traits in those around us and judging others as wrong, undesirable, and different from ourselves. This moving and thoughtful exhibit is sponsored by the Shasta Arts Council.



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*October is
Breast
Cancer
Awareness
Month*

GRAPEVINE ARTICLE DEADLINE

**October 21st • Next mailing date, November 7th
& available to pick-up at the church Sunday, October 30th**