



Beaumont Presbyterian Church

October 2018

Worship Services
Sunday 8:30 AM
and
10:00 AM

Korean Church
12:00 PM

Adult Sunday
School
9:10 AM

Children's
Sunday School
10:00 AM

Nursery
10:00 AM

Fellowship Hour
9:30 AM and
11:00 AM
In the Social Hall

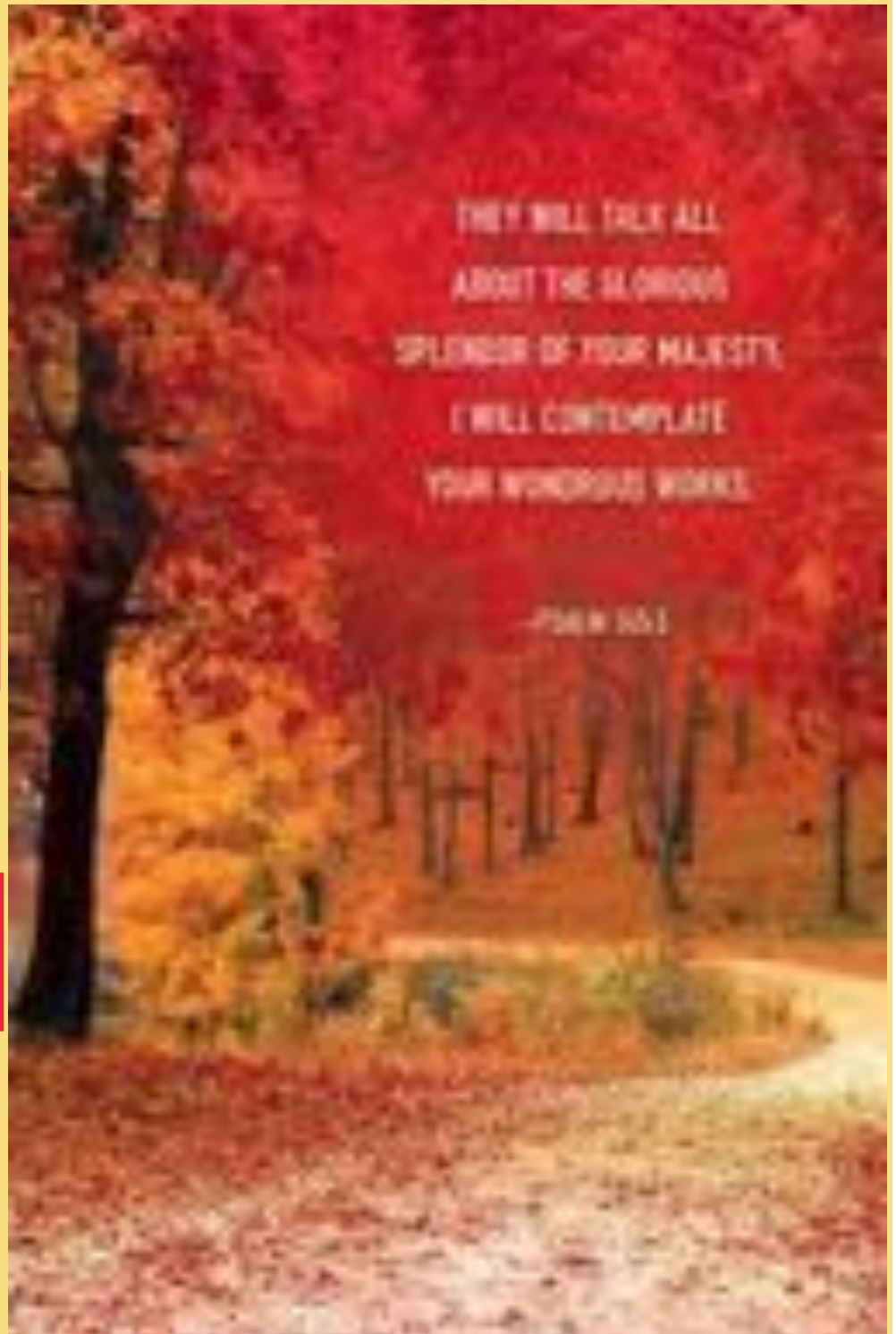


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Our Mission

A Christ-centered family of God's people, growing in faith, caring for each other, bringing others to Christ, and ministering to the needs of our changing community and world.

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*I will lift you up high,
my God, the true king.
I will bless your name
forever and always.*

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A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

I really enjoy snorkeling and scuba diving and hiking and backpacking. I also like taking pictures of animals, birds, fish and flowers. Below are a few of my favorite animal pictures I took in recent months. I met the inquisitive marmot at over 14,000 foot elevation near the summit of Mt. Whitney. The huge sea turtle and small octopus pictures were taken while snorkeling in the Pacific Ocean when we were in Hawaii celebrating our 25th wedding anniversary. Recently in our yard I took pictures of giant yellow dahlias, yellow sunflowers and yellow hibiscus.



Job 12:7-10 says

- ⁷ “But ask the animals, and they will teach you;
the birds of the air, and they will tell you;
⁸ ask the plants of the earth, and they will teach you;
and the fish of the sea will declare to you.
⁹ Who among all these does not know
that the hand of the LORD has done this?
¹⁰ In His hand is the life of every living thing
and the breath of every human being.

When I look at the magnificence of creation it always points me to the glory of the Creator of the universe. God seems to like a world with a lot of variety and color and beauty. Job tells us that in some way, at some level, even the animals and birds and plants and fish bear witness that life and breath are gifts from the hand of God. However, this world is a work in progress and we have a role in doing what we can to make it better until the time that Christ returns. One way we can make this world better is to be a blessing to those in need and this month we focus on those with mobility challenges. October is “Wheelchair Month” in our church. Donations can be made to “Beaumont Presbyterian Church” or “BPC” with “wheelchair” listed in the memo portion of the check. All donations will be forwarded 100% to Free Wheelchair Mission to send wheelchairs in Jesus’ name to children and adults in 93 countries. Wheelchairs cost \$80 each. Gifts of any amount are welcome and will be matched in October by anonymous donors to double our impact! Your gifts will be a great blessing to children and adults forced to drag themselves on the ground as they have no wheelchair.

Yours in Christ,

Scott



NOTES FROM YOUR ELDERS

From Your Session Clerk

This summer we reluctantly accepted the resignation of Elder Jim Searcy due to health problems. Our best wishes and prayers for a prompt resolution were expressed for him.

September brought many items for Session attention. One item was the high water bill noted for the parking lot area recently. Discussion suggested checking for a leak, taking out the shrubbery, shutting the water off, or using drip irrigation. The Landscape Committee is exploring solutions and welcomes any additional input from the congregation members.

October is the time of year that we nominate new Deacons and Elders. Please help strengthen and nurture the faith and life of our church by joining us. Prayerfully consider serving and encouraging others in the congregation with your support.

“Getting to Know You” groups are ready with 8-10 members and will be meeting in October for one time, either Sunday or Wednesday. Pastor Scott has freed his calendar and looks forward to meeting with us for friendly fellowship. Members that signed up will be contacted with information on date and place.

Bev Webster, Clerk of the Session

Membership and Evangelism

New membership of the church has been somewhat slower than past years. Total membership has been reduced, especially with the passing of many this year. We are striving to reach more potential members who have recently moved into the area.

While we have always welcomed any age group to the church, we have been much more attractive to senior citizens verses others. We do not want to ignore any group but consider this statistic. In Banning and Beaumont Senior Citizen communities, such as Sun Lakes, 4 Seasons and Solaro are large and growing. In Sun Lakes, a 30-year-old community, about 10% of the homes turnover with new residents. This represents over 300 households each year.

How do we increase awareness of our church? Plans are underway to address senior communities and make them more aware that Beaumont Presbyterian Church. We are a community of believers and we gather every Sunday at the Stone Church with a Loving Heart, and much more. If you would like to join our committee to help in this endeavor. Please let the Church office know.

Fellowship

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Membership

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Personnel

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Worship

Kathy Faber &
Chandra Smith

Clerk of Session

Beverly Webster

IMPORTANT DATES



Deacons Meeting:

Tuesday, October 2nd at 4:00 PM

Small Group gathering #1:

Wednesday, Oct. 3rd, 5pm to 7pm



New Members Class:

Sunday, Oct. 7th, 11:15am

Small Group gathering #2:

Wednesday, Oct. 10th, 3pm to 5pm



Presbyterian Women's Gathering:

Saturday, Oct. 13th, 9:30am \$10.00

Four Seasons BPC'ers:

Sunday, Oct. 14th, 3pm to 5pm



Session Meeting:

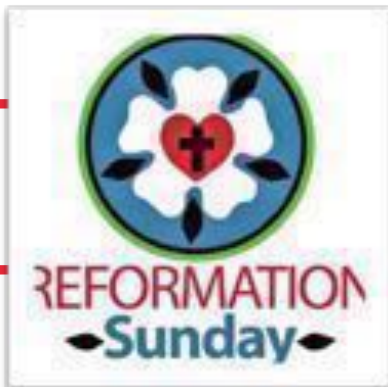
Tuesday, Oct. 16th, 4pm

Small Group gathering #3:

Sunday, October 21st, 3pm to 5pm

Small Group gathering #4:

Wednesday, October 24th, 3pm to 5pm



Reformation Sunday:

Sunday, October 28th

Small Group gathering #5:

Sunday, October 28th, 3pm to 5pm

MEN'S MINISTRY

**November 17, Beaumont
Presbyterian Church men will meet in
the social hall at 8:00 AM for
Breakfast.**

**Food, fun, fellowship, and an inspiring
message by John Guldseth round out
the morning.**

**Melinda McNabb has graciously
volunteered to prepare breakfast
again. You won't want to miss this
treat.**



A WORD FROM YOUR CHOIR DIRECTOR

As I write this, I am waiting to hear the results of two medical tests that will either bring relief from anxiety or cause even more. All of us at one time or another have faced a challenge; be it medical, financial, emotional or spiritual.

Last month, I was challenged by the loss of two of the cats that had belonged to mom. I realized that I was, in fact, sorrowing over the loss of mom, as much as I grieved for the cats. I found so much comfort in the hugs of my family here at Beaumont Presbyterian. We must always remember to recognize when someone is in pain and be willing and able to listen to, pray with and comfort our fellow sojourners in this trek we call life on earth.

Pastor Scott reminded us that God is always available, willing and able to listen to us when we call on him with our prayerful requests. Obviously tonight I am praying my test results turn out to be negative.

We all pray for each other, with the faith that God will give us what we need (even if it's not necessarily what we want). Oh, and you probably know, I continue to pray for more choir members. In this, and all of our challenges today, praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Wishing you many blessings,
Dawn Kehret, BPC Choir Director

CELEBRATIONS



OCTOBER

BIRTHDAYS



1	Ed Hiett	13	Jackie Solomon	24	James Kim
4	Georgeanne Shuey	14	Yoklan Teo	25	Carolyn Day
5	Bob Sutton	20	Joan Marie Patsky	27	Pat Cummings
8	Jim Miller	20	Jorgeanna Clifton	31	Brenda Knight
9	Marlene Moore	21	Ricardo Luevano	31	Cathy Calhoun
12	Connie Presson	22	Jim Myers	31	Donna Lester
		24	Bill Mann		

ANNIVERSARIES

1	Michael & Carol Rhine	15	Jack & Ruth Schoonover	20	Dean & Cheri McKernan
2	Roland & Jean Lau	15	Walter & Beverly Webster	25	Brooks & Linda Adams
7	Ed & Beth Hiett	31	Dave & Brenda Knight		
8	Hal & Barbara Ely	19	Oscar & Kris Reade	31	Rene & Carolyn Moreno



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

We hope to see you on, Saturday, October 13, for the first Gathering of 2018-2019. This will be a special Gathering – we are hosting the Riverside Presbytery Gathering for all women attending churches throughout our area. We will start at 9:30 a.m. and conclude about 1:30 p.m. Our meal will be a salad buffet with desert. At the time of this writing we have 27 signed up and look forward to seeing all of you then.



While in the fellowship hall, check out the BPW bulletin board for more information about the 2018 Thank Offering. The recipients for this year are described in the article out of the Horizons Magazine which is attached to the board. We will collect this offering during the October circle meetings.

The Beaumont Presbyterian Women's only fund raiser is the beautiful wall calendars we will begin selling October 7. They make beautiful Christmas gifts.

Bible Studies continue weekly:

- Thursday, 10 a.m., at Liz Linden's 951-845-9908
- Friday, 9:30 a.m., at Betty Mann's 951-845-3800
- Friday, 10:30 a.m., at Sally Burse's 951-769-5980

Study ^{the} Bible
with us



Circles meet once a month: (September through May)

- Esther/Lydia every 3rd Wed., 1 p.m., Rm. 1 of the Church.
Contact: Marge Shearer 951-922-6679
- Ruth Circle every 3rd Thurs., 1 p.m., locations determined monthly.
Contact: Jerry Schneider 951-845-1014

Blessings,

Cathy Calhoun

BPW Moderator



TABLE OF PLenty

Our numbers were up this month; I guess the earlier hot weather kept people away.

We are seeing more homeless people; not the ones panhandling or parked on the grass along Highland Springs with their shopping carts. But young couples, middle-aged couples, and most heartbreakingly, a 79 year old woman who lost her home.

This is tough. She is trying to navigate through all the steps to obtain help but is consistently thwarted. Her husband was a veteran but the VA said she didn't qualify for aid. She has tried to apply for a Title-8 voucher for housing and her paperwork was lost; twice. She has a son in Orange County who rebuked her for paying for storage in which to store some of her furniture. She told him; "I'm not going to be homeless forever." We wish we could solve her problems but of course we can't.

So, we do what we do best; we serve nourishing food, give hugs and smiles and listening ears.

On a positive note. You received a brochure about Table of Plenty in the order of service. Non-profits are encouraged not to spend more than 35% of their income on administrative costs. Because we are 100% volunteers, our administrative costs are: 1.8%! You can be assured that your money goes directly for food.

Jodie

HOLY HUMOR



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Did America have a Religious Founding? (Part 2)

The Pilgrims were English Puritans who came to North America to seek religious independence. They were a Puritan separatist's congregation who held Calvinist religion beliefs. They had rejected the Church of England, wanting to construct an ideal Christian society in the New World. They rejected the Church of England because it still maintained many characteristics too similar to the Roman Catholic Church. These Puritans supported a greater form of purity in doctrinal worship and being highly anti-Catholic, they believed that the Church of England required further reform. Upon arrival in the new world this separatist group developed a unique form of governance called the Mayflower Compact. The compact were rules to ensure a functioning social structure in their new society. They knew life without laws and rules could prove catastrophic. It was the first formal framework of government in North America and was created to prevent dissent between Puritan separatist and non-separatist. The Mayflower Compact was the seed of the American constitution and has been referred to as the world's first written constitution. William Bradford, a leader of the Pilgrims, helped develop the compact and went on to serve as Governor of the Plymouth Colony intermittently for about 30 years.

If the Pilgrims finding the only place in Plymouth that would allow them to survive their first harsh winter was the first miraculous occurrence, then the second miracle was their encounter with a Patuxet Native American man named Squanto. Although the Pilgrims caught glimpses of native people, it wasn't until several months after their arrival that the colonists met and communicated with them. One day, after the harsh winter, a tall native man came walking toward the Plymouth settlement. The Pilgrims went for their guns because there had been previous attacks. But when the man was within hearing distance he exclaimed, "*Welcome Englishman.*" Then he said, "*Do you have beer?*" His name was Samoset and he had learned some English from traders who had been traveling the Atlantic coast for a century trading with the native tribes. Most likely this is how he acquired his taste for beer. But the Pilgrims had run out of beer, so they offered him brandy instead. Samoset next brought another native man to the Pilgrims, and history remembers him as Squanto. Years before, Squanto had been captured by English sailors and sold into slavery. While living in England he learned English and eventually returned to his homeland. Squanto was then captured a second time and sold as a slave in Spain. Some Spanish friars rescued him and Squanto was able to travel from Spain back to England. There he lived with a wealthy merchant as a likely indentured servant. In 1619 Squanto was able return home again where he made the sad discovery that no one in his village was alive. They had been wiped out by a European disease for which there was no immunity. Squanto then went to live with the neighboring Wampanoag tribe.

After Squanto's introduction to the Pilgrims, Massasoit, the Wampanoag tribal chief allowed him to stay and advise the Pilgrims. Squanto settled in with the Pilgrims who were sick and dying from the harsh winter. They lacked food and needed help. Squanto taught them how to fish, hunt and cultivate corn. He acted as their interpreter which led to trade and peace between the Wampanoag tribe and the Pilgrims. Massasoit also decided to follow Squanto's advice and sign a peace treaty, which formed an alliance with the Pilgrims. The alliance helped the Wampanoag fend off threats from enemy tribes because the Wampanoag tribe had been weakened by disease and warfare. Also, the alliance certainly was beneficial to the struggling and out-numbered Pilgrims. The hand of God seemed to be working in Plymouth for the survival of the colony.

Next month the autumn celebration that has become known as, "*The First Thanksgiving*."
Thanks for reading. Marty Mangan

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

This year marks the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation so it seemed appropriate to devote a Bible study to this topic.

Rob Fuquay just released this DVD and study program in August called the New Reformation – From Luther's world to ours. We are enjoying seeing the sites in Germany where Martin Luther began his humble beginnings as a monk. After posting his 95 Thesis on the door of Castle church in Wittenberg, Luther's message sparked two key themes of the Reformation.

Sola Scriptura, Latin for scripture alone, meant the church could not replace the role of the Bible as the primary means of hearing God's voice.

The second concept was Sola Fide, Latin for faith alone. Luther held that God's grace grants salvation through faith alone, so human beings' good works do not earn the free gift of salvation.

