



Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to All God's People



*“Words and hearts
should be handled
with care for words
when spoken and
hearts when broken
are the hardest things
to repair.”*

September 13, 2015
10:00 a.m. Worship
16th Sunday after Pentecost

***First time here?** We are happy to have you visit with us today and hope that your worship experience is blessed. Please pick up a free visitor bag in the narthex. All are invited for coffee and fellowship in Bowen Hall after the service.*

***Children with you?** Activity materials for young worshippers are in the entry way. Child care (2-3yrs) and Sunday School are provided during the service. Infants with a parent may enjoy our quiet room while listening to the service.*

***Assistance needed?** The ushers have large print bulletins and hearing devices for you.*

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

**One asterisk signifies the congregation stands if able.*

Throughout the service the bold type is spoken by the congregation

PRELUDE "Pange Lingua" (Bread of Life) A. Boely

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE CHIMES 25 cents a day offering for Hunger Task Force

INTROIT "Let's Sing unto the Lord" Carlos Rosas, 1976

**CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)*

We come here because God loves us in spite of our imperfections.

We come knowing that those who humbly serve like Jesus did are the faithful and fulfilled in this world.

The brightest ideas and the deepest truth will come from those who see themselves as children of God.

O Lord, open up our minds and our hearts, and our words of praise as we bring glory and honor to you.

Let us worship God!

**HYMN #307* "God of Grace and God of Glory" John Hughes, 1907

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (responsively)*

God of Mercy, we come before you – seeking to live as you command, but often failing. As a result we are overcome by cries of despair, loss of power, and control lost to foolishness. We allow stumbling blocks to come in the way of our relationship with you despite your clear and pure love for us in the Word.

As you poured out your love in the Word may we hear your word and follow; may the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts lead us to you. Amen.

**WORDS OF AFFIRMATION (responsively)*

Hear the Good News of the gospel: As a voice from heaven said to Jesus, so God says to each of us: You are my beloved child with whom I am well pleased.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE* #581 Gloria Patri

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Elevation" Louis Vierne

**DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison) Hymn #458

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 19

This is the Word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

“*Soli Deo Gloria*”

arr. Mark Hayes

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: James 3: 1-12

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SERMON:

“Blessing and Cursing”

Rev. Dr Cynthia Alloway

**HYMN #722*

“*Lord Speak to Me That I May Speak*”

Robert Schumann, 1839

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Gentle God, we come before you giving thanks for all our blessings: the gifts of life, hope, faith, love, family, friends, and all we care for this day.

We pray for the church....strengthen us to follow you more faithfully, and devote our lives to sharing your abundant grace with others.

We pray for the world.....help us all to heed your voice of wisdom, calling out for compassion and peace, and justice here on earth.

We pray for loved ones and unloved ones....Hear the cries of those who call upon you. Help us to be your hands and voice for those in need.

May your word pour out of us like water to the thirsty, and may our lives be full of the fruit of your Spirit. All we are we give back to you with open hands knowing that all our needs are met when we go with the flow of your grace. Teach us how to love like you.

Remind us to love first and speak second, as we pray the prayer you taught us saying: (The Lord’s prayer) CHORAL RESPONSE

**HYMN #693 “Though I May Speak” English folk melody; adapt. Hal H. Hopson, 1972*

**BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE

“*Voluntary X*”

edited by Richard Peek

Did you know? “God of Grace and God of Glory”

This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widely-known and influential pastor, Harry Emerson Fosdick, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.



*Prayer Requests: Please include in your prayers
Those mourning the loss of a friend or family member*

- ❖ Please pray for the family of Joyce Beckner as they mourn her passing on Aug. 24th. Her memorial service will be Saturday, October 3rd at 2 pm.
- ❖ Please pray for the family of Bill Smith as they mourn his passing.
- ❖ Please pray for the family of Genevie Grand as they mourn her passing on Aug. 6th.
- ❖ Please pray for the family of Sara Alden as they mourn her passing on July 21st.
- ❖ Please pray for the family of George Menchen as they mourn his passing on July 14th.
- ❖ Please pray for the family of Bill Fuller as they mourn his passing on May 31st.

Please pray for those facing health issues

John Baker
 Judy Bello
 Helen Burns
 Steve Cairns
 Krissy Healy
 Sam Imbimbo
 Ron Kram

Helen MacKenzie
 Lorraine Nichol
 Marie Patchin
 Albert Reil
 Alan Reil
 Pamela Sage
 Ed and Fay St. John

Eloise Stephan
 Sam McClure
(in hospice care)

Those serving in our military

Sgt. David A. Dickens, USAF Jason Morse, US Navy Jason Imbimbo, Coast Guard Lt. Ian Alloway Culver, Lt. Col. David Trowbridge, U.S. Army, Fort Lewis, WA. David continues to serve in the Army as Chief of Cardiology at Madigan Hospital.

 **Helen MacKenzie is living in a Care Home at 5039 Parkhurst Dr. Santa Rosa, CA 95409. Her new phone # is 539-6677.**

Liturgist: Nita Pinney



*The flowers are given this week by
 Christie and Ward Page in loving memory
 of Ward's mother, Margaret Page.*

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UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY! SEPTEMBER 13 USHER TRAINING in the Narthex after church. Can you Smile? Are you willing to help on Sunday morning? We need you to usher! There will be a brief meeting after church to hit the highpoints of ushering and show you just how rewarding and full of good fellowship it can be. Yes, substitutes are needed and appreciated but, especially, we need “regulars” who will commit to a given Sunday of their choice where spots have been vacated or need to be filled to make the magic number of 4.

SEPTEMBER 14 at 10 am on Mondays, EASY SENIOR EXERCISE in the Rose Rm.

SEPTEMBER 15 Tuesday at 10:30 am PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: PW begins a new year of study and fellowship. The Horizons Study for this year is *Come to the Waters* by the Rev. Judy Fletcher, examining some of the many Bible passages that feature water. Study books (\$10) are available in the office.

On Sept. 19, San Francisco Theological Seminary is offering an opportunity to meet the author herself. A car pool will be available for those who would like to go. Register on the SFTS website. The \$35.00 fee includes lunch.

Our Sept. 15th luncheon will be a salad potluck. Please bring a small salad to share. Bread and dessert will be provided. Our speaker for the day will be Barbara McElroy. We have asked her to tell us about our new hymnal and teach us some of the great hymns. We've also persuaded her to tell us about her wonderful horse *Windsong* who helps her win all those championships!

SEPTEMBER 16 at 4-6 pm Wednesdays LOSS SUPPORT GROUP: Help and encouragement after the loss of a spouse, child, family member, or friend to death, dementia or separation.

SEPTEMBER 16 WEDNESDAY THIS WEEK ONLY! CHOIR! Join us at 6:30 for Bells or 7:30 for Chancel Choir! Normally meets every Thursday.

SEPTEMBER 16 at 7 pm on Wednesdays AND...

SEPTEMBER 17 at 9:30 am on Thursdays CULTURAL LITERACY FOR RELIGION: Everything the well-educated person should know is your chance to experience the breadth and depth of the world's religions from *all* angles—historical, theological, and cultural. A new Great Courses Video class with Prof. Mark Berkson of Hamline University.

SEPTEMBER 17 Thursday at 3:30 pm BOOK CLUB: Major Pettigrew's Last Stand by Helen Simonson. An endearing love story.

SEPTEMBER 19 Saturday BIBLE STUDY DAY at SFTS presenting the Rev. Judy Fletcher, author of this year's Horizons Bible Study: "Come to the Waters". A \$35 Fee includes lunch. Register at SFTS website or mail check to SFTS c/o Janel Stewart.

SEPTEMBER 19-26 PEDAL FOR PROTEIN: Presbyterian fundraiser for hunger! Fair Trade items for sale after church! Help support this wonderful cause!

SEPTEMBER 20 at 8:15 am New KERYGMA BIBLE STUDY begins "Amos & Hosea" Boundaries, Tough Love, Amazing Grace. On Sunday mornings.



SEPTEMBER 20 KICK OFF THE CHURCH YEAR!
Bring a friend!

SEPTEMBER 22 Tues. 2-3 pm OFFICE VOLUNTEER TRAINING for new volunteers or those wishing to refresh their skills. Please RSVP to the office.

SEPTEMBER 24 Thursday at 2 pm FAVORITE FILM SERIES: The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel. Further adventures of those retirees to India.

FRIDAYS NOON HOUR OF PRAYER, meditative music and readings. Join us!



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Voyagers Clam Chowder at Bodega Bay DATE CHANGED to October 10 at 4 pm.

Thank you to the congregation members and the Windjammers who have contributed to the security cameras fund. We still have a long way to go so if you can help, please contact the office.

Room Wanted: A single female church member needs a place to stay for a few months. She has 2 Jack Russell dogs with her. Hoping a small dog lover might have some extra space in their home. The donation or very reasonably priced small "home worthy" RV or trailer would be appreciated as well. It does not need to be long distance drivable. Please contact Pastor Cindy if you can help.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR THE SOUNDBOOTH:

If you're interested in learning how to operate the sound booth and can help out, please contact Hal Sneath: 578-7143



PEDAL FOR PROTEIN 2

SEPTEMBER 20 - 26, 2015

Help us support North Coast food banks!

Every dollar raised buys \$3.00 or more of high quality protein food for the families, young children and seniors who could benefit greatly by having protein in their daily diets.

<http://www.imathlete.com/donate/BillNancyMorganPCoftheRoses>

(Or make checks payable to the Redwood Presbytery with Team PCOR in the memo)

With great appreciation from

Bill & Nancy Morgan – Team PCOR

Fair Trade Items will be for Sale after church!

Help support Pedal for Protein!



Rose Clippings Newsletter Update: We will no longer be mailing out the newsletter except to our homebound members and those who request it. We will hold your copy for a month. *Please contact the office if you would like to have your copy mailed regularly.*

Get a Flu Shot, Give a Flu Shot! Walgreens accepts Medicare and most insurances. This offer helps people receive a flu shot that may not be able to afford it.

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**Presbyterian Women
Tuesday Sept. 15
Bible Study 10:30 a.m
Salad Potluck 12:15 p.m.**



**Songs and Windsong
Barbara McElroy**

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