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Monthly Newsletter of San Mateo Presbyterian Church, San Mateo, FL

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Letter from the Editor

As the person that assembles the information for the newsletter, I get to pick what I would like to know more about. (If there is something that you would like to know – send me an email and I will do my best to get the information.) Most of the members of San Mateo Presbyterian Church have been here for “ages”, know each other and are somehow related. However, there are a growing number of new(er) members, that, like me, would like to know a little bit more about the workings of this church.

I called Mr. Lynwood Timberlake to ask him about the Session and his role. He has been attending SMPC for about 45 years. During his time here, he has done many things but most recently, he is a member of the Session (on his second term) and head of the Worship Committee. The Worship Committee meets after church (in the Potter’s House) on the third Sunday. They handle things like the flowers in the sanctuary, planning for special services i.e. Mother’s and Father’s day, etc.

Did you know that as a member of the congregation YOU may join in on any committee? I thought you had to be a member of the session to be on a committee. If you want a say in what goes on at the church attend the meetings. After the third consecutive meeting you will have a vote.

Committees are Worship, Christian Education, Building and Grounds, Mission / Fellowship / Evangelism, and Finance. There is a place for you at San Mateo Presbyterian church and it is not just in the pew. Look around you, there is a lot of great things happening here. I know some would like a personal invitation but that may not happen so please step up and call a session member (last page of the newsletter). Jobs are small and large; from wiping down doors to coordinating the monthly community dinner.

Sincerely,
Leslie Mullins

May Happenings

Sunday 1

9:15 a.m. Bible Study / Sunday School
Study the book: It. Contact Andi Wells
386-937-1184 or Amy Poupore 386-937-2956.
Study Acts. Contact Anna Hadrava 386-559-7244
10:30 a.m. Worship Service (Peg and Jane)

Church Officers meeting after service.

Tuesday 3

Presbyterian Women meet in the Potter's House conference room at 10:30 a.m.
Contact Sandi Carle 386-972-5177

Wednesday 6

6:00 p.m. Choir practice.
Contact Lulu Gail 386-972-3250

Saturday 7

Sew Saturday with the SMPC Women 10-2.
Bring a lunch. All skill levels welcome.
Sandi Carle is the contact.

Sunday 8 Mother's Day

9:15 a.m. Bible Study / Sunday School
Study the book: It. Contact Andi Wells
386-937-1184 or Amy Poupore 386-937-2956.
Study Acts contact Anna Hadrava 386-559-7244
10:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sandi and LuluGail)

***Fellowship lunch immediately after service.
Bring a side dish to go with the chicken 😊***

Wednesday 11

6:00 p.m. Choir Practice Contact Lulu Gail 386-972-3250

Saturday 14 10:30 a.m. Bread of Life work day.
Contact Candy Tilton 386-325-3553

Sunday 15

9:15 a.m. Bible Study / Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service (Amy and Jody)

Worship committee meeting after service.

Wednesday 18

5:30 p.m. Adopt-a-Soldier will pack boxes,
contact Leslie Mullins 803-422-0532
6:00 p.m. Choir practice.
6:00 p.m. Youth dinner / movie night.

Thursday 19 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. Community Fellowship Dinner – Chicken this month!!!
Cooking and prep starts earlier. Help is appreciated and needed for prep, serving and clean up. Contact Weezie 386-972-3081.

Sunday 22

9:15 a.m. Bible Study / Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service (Leah and Weezie)

Session meeting following service in the Potter's House contact an officer to confirm.

Wednesday 25

6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Sunday 29

9:15 a.m. Bible Study / Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service (Casey and Sabrina)

Newsletter Information

Please send in any announcements, information or photos, etc., to Leslie notfrom17here@yahoo.com or Amy poupores513@gmail.com .

Check us out on the web at SanMateoPres.com
Do you know the weekly sermons and bible verses are online? If you are out of town or want to share a particular message with a friend, visit our website @ SanMateoPres.com.
To find the sermon archives, click on "About Us" then select "Sermon Archives".

Committee News

Session

- Session meeting is **tentatively** scheduled for after worship service May 22

Presbyterian Women

- meeting is May 3 @ 10:30 a.m. Sandi Carle is the contact
- Sew Saturday will be held from 10 – 2 on the first Saturday of the month. Come join us as we make fun items to sell. There is something for everyone to do.

Mission, Evangelism & Fellowship

- Adopt-A-Soldier next packing will be May 18 at 5:30 p.m. Leslie Mullins is the contact.
- Bread of Life will be May 14. Calendar available in Potter's house to sign up. Candy Tilton is the contact.

Christian Ed

Adult Bible Study class: one is studying the book of Acts, the other is studying "It."

New Leaders for Sunday school are needed (see more information later in newsletter)

Worship Committee

- Worship Committee meetings will be the 3rd Sunday of the month after the service. May 15th is the next meeting. Lynwood Timberlake (386-546-2186) is the contact if you would like to become involved.

Save the date: VBS

We are gearing up for Vacation Bible School to be held July 18-22 from 5:15-8:15 p.m. **We need volunteers!** Group leaders (pre-k, k/1, 2/3, 4/5), session leaders and helpers. Please contact Amy if interested. 386-937-2956 or poupores513@gmail.com

Sunday School

The church and children need teachers for the upcoming year. Currently, there is a need for a Sunday school teacher for the 4th and 5th graders (two to three students). Curriculum is provided.

Starting in June there will be a need for an instructor for the 1st through 3rd graders.

At the end of summer – about August 14th – there will be a kick off for the new church year of Sunday School classes with new teachers.

Quilt of Valor Presentation



We presented TWO quilts of valor April 10th. Richard Solana served in Vietnam and Richard Jr just returned from Afghanistan. Richard Jr. spoke with the congregation briefly about how much the Adopt-a-Soldier boxes mean to a person deployed. **Thank you so much for your service.**

Joys and Concerns

We have so much for which to be joyful. Rylee Kenyon was the Student of the Month for March at her school. And for those of you that missed the quilt show April 15 and 16th, Leslie Mullins won three ribbons for her entries. {If you have more JOYS and Concerns – please contact the editor for inclusion in the newsletter.} Worship Committee would like to remind you to please fill in the sheet in the Narthex as you enter church services.

Devotional - Chameleon Crawl from Our Daily Bread April 17

When we think of the chameleon, we probably think of its ability to change color according to its surroundings. But this lizard has another interesting characteristic. On several occasions I've watched a chameleon walk along a pathway and wondered how it ever reached its destination. Reluctantly, the chameleon stretches out one leg, seems to change its mind, attempts again, and then carefully plants a hesitant foot, as if afraid the ground will collapse under it. That was why I could not help laughing when I heard someone say, "Do not be a chameleon church member who says, 'Let me go to church today; no, let me go next week; no, let me wait for a while!'"

"The house of the Lord" at Jerusalem was King David's place of worship, and he was far from being a "chameleon" worshiper. Rather, he rejoiced with those who said, "Let us go to the house of the Lord" (ps 122:1). The same was true for believers in the early church. "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. . . . Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts" (acts 2:42, 46)

What joy it is to join with others in worship and fellowship! Praying and worshiping together, studying the Scriptures together, and caring for one another are essential for our spiritual growth and unity as believers.

Our Church Officers

In the Presbyterian Church there are three types of ordained office: Ministers of the Word & Sacrament (Pastors), Elders, and Deacons. According to our Presbyterian Church (USA) *Book of Order*, all ministry in the Church is a gift from Jesus Christ. Members and officers alike serve mutually under the mandate of Christ who is the chief minister of all. His ministry is the basis of all ministries; the standard for all offices is the pattern of the one who came “not to be served but to serve.” (Matt. 20:28) Thank you to our Church Officers for their service!

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