



Happy Birthday!



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

2 Gladys Boos	4 Avianna Wotila	6 Alene Lander	8 Margaret Calby
8 Doris Abram	14 Pat Westfall	16 Fred Nielsen	20 Hamilton Holt
21 Charlene Abels	27 Bob Christofferson	30 Michelle Flag	

COMING UP:

Weekly Meetings:

Sundays 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School in Ronn Garton Library, Preston Hall
 Sundays 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service in the Sanctuary
 Sundays 10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School and Childcare during Worship Service.
 Tuesdays 7:30 a.m. Breakfast, Fun, Conversation, Study, Alma Mendosa Room
 Tuesdays 9-12 a.m. Deacon's Outreach Program, including food and showers
 Tuesdays 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study
 Wednesdays 3:00 Christian Spirituality Group, Library
 Thursdays 9:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House
 Thursdays and Fridays, Counseling appointments with Kathy Mooney, Fireside Room
 Thursdays 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice, Alma Mendosa Room
 Fridays 5:00 p.m. Ringing of our bell, honoring the week's war casualties
 First Sundays Communion 10:00 a.m.
 First and Third Mondays 5:30-7:30 p.m. Jr/Sr High Youth Group, 12 & up. Preston Hall
 Second and Fourth Mondays 5:30-7:30 Jr/Sr High Youth Group, 1st Presby. Fort Bragg
 First Mondays 5:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting,
 Third Mondays 4:00 p.m. Deacon's Meeting, in the Ronn Garton Library
 Second Mondays 6:30 p.m. Session Meets Alma Mendosa Room
 Last Wednesday Evenings of Month, 5:00 p.m. Soul Food outreach dinner, Preston Hall

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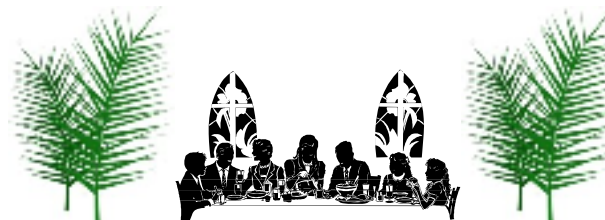


Easter Week Services

Maundy Thursday Communion Service April 5, 2012 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday Services: April 8, 2012

Two *identical* services: 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.



NOTE ON PALM SUNDAY SERVICE TODAY!

Please join us in Preston Hall for a wonderful
POTLUCK BRUNCH!

The *Easter Flowers* will be different this year! We are asking those who wish to donate toward Easter flowers to do so, and names of those you choose to honor or give in memory will still be in the bulletin on Easter, however we will be having only a few plants and those will be given to the Deacons to distribute after the Easter Service. The rest of the flowers will be to decorate our large cross.



There are envelopes for the flower donations are on the table in the back.

BREAKING NEWS FROM HAITI



John Turnbull has arrived safely in Haiti. He sent a message on Friday that the new clinic is very busy and **there is a dire need for reading glasses.** We will be collecting your old and unused glasses in a box at the back of the church until John returns to Haiti on his next trip.



NEWS FROM THE ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: **GIANTS OF CHRISTIANITY**

Devotional Classics is the subject of the Adult Class each Sunday at 9 a.m. We will be studying excerpts of writing by the giants of the faith in the six historic streams of Christianity. We will be using the book edited by Richard J. Foster and James Bryan Smith.

In the section on "Preparing for the Spiritual Life," our readings will include C.S. Lewis, Dallas Willard, Bernard of Clairvaux, Jonathan Edwards, and St. Augustine.

In the Contemplative Tradition, our readings will include Thomas Merton, Henri Nouwen, Frank Laubach, Evelyn Underhill, and Martin Luther.

In the Holiness Tradition, our readings Pascal, Thomas a Kempis, William



will include Gregory of Nyssa, Blaise Law, and Teresa of Avila.

In the Charismatic Tradition, our George Fox, Ignatius of Loyola, Isaac

readings will include Catherine of Genoa, Pennington, and John Bunyan.

In the Social Justice Tradition, our Jeremy Taylor, Elizabeth O'Connor, John Wesley, and Dietrich Bonhoeffer.

readings will include William Temple,

In the Evangelical Tradition, our readings will include Francis of Assisi, Madam Guyon, John Chrysostom, Charles Spurgeon, and Watchman Nee.

In the Sacramental Tradition, our readings will include G.K. Chesterton, Annie Dillard, Soren Kierkegaard, Dag Hammarskjöld, Kathleen Norris, and Brother Lawrence.

Come join us in Preston Hall next Sunday. These readings will bless your life--richly!



Community Easter Dinner



You are invited to join in celebrating the bounty of God's love through the Community Easter Dinner, April 8 at 4 p.m. at the **First Presbyterian Church of Fort Bragg, 367 S. Sanderson Way, Fort Bragg, CA.**

The dinner is an outreach to those who might otherwise be alone or not have means to prepare a meal on this special day. All are welcome to come and share in the dinner as well and help in the meal preparation and serving of the dinner.

*If you know of a shut in who would like to have a hot meal delivered to them on Easter Sunday, please phone Kathy Orsi at 964-2758 by **Friday, April 6.***

More information call the church office at 964-2316. This free Annual Community Easter Dinner is funded in part through a grant from Hunger Program of Presbyterian Church U.S.A. and other contributions.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – UPDATE

We received a call last week from Operation Christmas Child thanking us for participating. MPC provided 46 boxes of gifts to children. Our boxes are thought to have gone to the Philippines. And many other boxes are just now arriving all around the world. ***Thank you for all who bought gifts, filled shoe boxes and participated with donations.***



CHILDREN'S CLOTHING FOR HAITI - - -

Thank you to all of you who made dresses and pants for John Turnbull to take with him to the orphanage in Haiti. Perhaps we should now make some shirts for the boys. Watch for further announcements from Nancy Swehla, or call her at 964-0096.