



Happy Birthday!



MAY BIRTHDAYS

14 Rosalie Scott 21 Danny Nelson 26 Rod Lorimer 26 Jan Littrell
27 Betty Freeman 30 Thelma Gray 31 Wheatley Allen

Weekly Meetings:

Sundays 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School in the 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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We're called to be witnesses, not lawyers or Judges.

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WELCOME BACK PASTOR DON

Your church family is grateful to have you and Shari back with us!

"Opera Concert at the Sanctuary"



Singers Carlos Montané, tenor; Erika Raschke, soprano; Elise Marie Kennedy, soprano; Lei Pan, baritone; Simon Lee, tenor; Joseph Noelliste
Executive Chef Bernd Liebergesell of the St. Francis Hotel on Union Square will be in the kitchen at the Mendocino Hotel.

Concert Program is a virtual World-Wide Tour of the familiar, and perhaps, not so familiar pieces.

LAST CHANCE, ONLY 6 DINNER TICKETS LEFT!

Tickets are now on sale and available in the church office.

Benefiting the MPC Deacons' Fund

This Tuesday, May 22, 2012

Tickets for Dinner at Mendocino Hotel, Opera and Dessert - \$70 (\$20 tax deductible donation)

Tickets for Opera and Dessert - (\$20 tax deductible donation)

Bountiful Number of Raffle Tickets Still Available – 1 for \$3, 2 for \$5, or **10 for \$20!**

Drop by the MPC Office between 1 and 5 pm to buy or pick up your tickets.

Raffle tickets available from your Deacons

Call 937-5441 for information.

Many Raffle Prizes including: 4 bottles of 2008 Nickel & Nickel Suscol Merlot;
Maple Creek Winery sampler (4 bottles); 2 nights at the Sutter Home Victorian Inn;
Dinner for two at the Mendocino Hotel; 2 sets of fine china; Art work and much more.

NEWS & NOTES

May 20, 2012

MENDOCINO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FOR HAITI



We are collecting old and reading glasses for the clinic in Haiti where John Turnbull has been recently. There is a box at the back of the church where you may place your donations. John will return to Haiti in a few months and take the collection of eye ware with him. Thank you for your help. The people of Haiti have so many needs.

ALSO LOOKING FOR SEAMSTRESSES TO SEW DRESSES FOR HAITIAN CHILDREN - Call Nancy Swehla 964-0096 If you don't sew Nancy may have some suggestions for you!

The benefit to raise funds for sewing machines on Sunday, May 13th, was a big success. Thank you to all who participated.



A Woman's Friend Pregnancy Care Center has kicked off their annual fundraising event, the Baby Bottle Boomerang, last Sunday. If you would like to help, you can pick up a baby bottle and fill it with spare change/bills and return the baby bottle on Father's Day. We hope the bottle can be a reminder to pray for the mothers and fathers and their babies, as well as for A Woman's Friend volunteers and staff.

THE LODGE AT THE WOODS PRESENTS: "AN INTIMATE AFFAIRE" with "In the MIX"
Tuesday, May 29, 2012 3PM Refreshments will be served. **Information 937-6132** 6 VOICES IN HARMONY



The Adult Sunday School Class: Giants of Christianity -- *they are just finishing the first section. All are invited and the word is that "it's fabulous".*

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

They are just finishing **Preparing for the Spiritual Life** with readings from C.S. Lewis, Dallas Willard, Bernard of Clairvaux, Jonathan Edwards, and St. Augustine.

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

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



5/17/2012

Greetings from Boston,

In answer to last weeks question, yes, birding trips led by local experts do turn up more good birds! We took two guided bird hikes (over a mile each, with Ginny on her scooter), and saw a bunch more birds that we hadn't seen yet. The best for me was a beautiful Broad-winged Hawk, soaring overhead. We left Cape May on Monday, drove to Westfield, NJ, where Ginny spent her early years. After touring the town, and Ginny photographing everything in sight, we went to her old house (built by her father in 1935), met the current owners, had a fine time talking to them and touring the house, and were invited to stay overnight, sleeping in Ginny's sister's old room. Yesterday, after they served us breakfast, we toured Westfield some more, and then drove to Boston. I am still astounded at how small the eastern states are – in 5 hours we did northern NJ, NY, CT and MA., and here we are back where we met, in 1957, dated and lived for four months after we were married. We are staying in Lexington, MA, and have not seen Boston yet, but the last time we were here in 1970 Boston was already unrecognizable! If I see anything I remember, I will be very surprised. Next we go to Ocean Beach, Maine, to see Ginny's old Social Worker boss.

Warren and Ginny Wade

A Call for Your Time and Talent

Have you been thinking about serving at MPC as a Deacon? This is the perfect time to try on the garment of deacon and do some of the work we do to see if the robe fits. Your deacons will be calling you to help with the various projects and monthly duties that we perform. We hope you will accept the invitation to witness the everyday miracles of Christ's presence through service.