

**Opportunities for Learning about the Faith** ~ As fall begins, also beginning are renewed opportunities for learning about the Christian faith and MPC is fortunate to be rich with them. Check them out in the additional insert here in the bulletin!



Janis Porter's new watercolors are being exhibited at the Mendocino Art Center's Gallery Ten until the end of the month. If you were unable to take advantage of her opening reception on Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup>, be sure to stop by the gallery between now and September 30<sup>th</sup>. http://www.mendocinoartcenter.org/MyLasso/GalleryTen.lasso

Great news! After a long wait of two years for spinal surgery, Ginny Wade has had a very successful operation and will be returning to join us in Sunday worship after a time of recuperation. Warren and she appreciate your prayers very much.

Pastor Don is looking forward to returning to the coast mid-week. He and Shari will be driving home in the next day or two and he'll be in the pulpit again September 29<sup>th</sup>.

In addition to the continued need for bags with handles for the Deacons' Outreach program, new or used bungee cords are needed for participants to keep bundles securely wrapped. Thanks for contributions . . . your donations are welcome and appreciated.

## "True hospitality is marked by an open response to the dignity of each person ...

For the monk, even repentance is seen in terms of hospitality. . . . It means recognizing that we have not always seen grace where it exists in the world, and agreeing 'to turn away from a stubborn and obdurate position that cannot accept what is new and different and therefore cannot entertain God's mysterious ways.' The word "entertain" is used advisedly here, as the monk goes on to speak of hospitality: "The classic sign of [our]



acceptance of God's mystery is welcoming and making room' for the stranger, the other, the surprising, the unlooked-for and unwanted" (pp. 198-9 of Kathleen Norris's book Dakota: A Spiritual Geography (Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1993)

News & Notes
MENDOCINO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
September 22, 2013



September/October Birthdays 22 Charlie Stone, 23 Linda Walker, 26 Debbie Turnbull, 26 Warren Wade, 27 Marie Matlin, 27 Shari McCullough, 29 Emmanuel Wotila, 30 Spring Wells; October 3 Patricia Lacey, 6 Jeannie Stickel, 8 Fred Lemin, 9 Steve Gray, 14 Jeremiah Wotila, 15 Gayle Christofferson, 16 Michael Matthews, 17 Carol Loomis

## Weekly Schedule:

Sundays 9 a.m. Adult Sunday School in the Ronn Garton Library, Preston Hall

Sundays 10 a.m. Sunday Worship Service in the Sanctuary

Sundays 10 a.m. Children's Sunday School and Childcare during Worship Service

Sundays 7 p.m. 3 Cups of tea Bible Study @ Dale & Lois Leister's home, 961-5457

1st Sundays Communion 10 a.m.

1st Mondays 5 p.m. Worship Committee meeting

2nd Mondays 6:30 p.m. Session Meets, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House

Tuesdays 9-12 a.m. Deacon's Outreach Program, including food and showers.

Tuesdays 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Library, Preston Hall

Wednesdays 2:30 p.m. Christian Spirituality Study, Library, Preston Hall

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 5:30 p.m. Taize Worship Service

Last Wednesday Evenings of Month, 5 p.m. Soul Food outreach dinner, Preston Hall

Thursdays 9:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House

Thursdays 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House

3rd Thursdays 4 p.m. Deacon's Meeting, Preston Hall

Fridays 5 p.m. Ringing of our bell, honoring the week's war casualties

Thursdays & Fridays, counseling sessions with Kathy Mooney, available by appointment, 937-5441.

**Note:** CD's of sermons available for check open hours of the Library or weekdays in the office.



Audio/Podcasts of sermons are made available each week on the church website.

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