

Boulder Creek United Methodist Church Mountain Messenger July, 2019



Our Vision

*"To illuminate the world with
God's love by serving our
community as faithful followers
of Christ."*



Adventure Day Camp

"Under the Sea"

was a great success. Sixteen children enrolled to recount familiar Bible stories such as Noah and the flood, parting the Red Sea, and Jesus calming the storm. The program ended with a BBQ and swim party on Friday.



Words from the Redwoods

Saturday, July 20, 7:00
At Boulder Creek United Methodist Church

Featuring:

Cathy Warner, author of *Home by Another Road*
and former pastor of Boulder Creek UMC
Kristin Centofanate, creator of Kreative Ways
Jade Bradbury, author of *In the Willing Dirt*
Laura Devine, Santa Cruz Musician
Carol Park, writer of poetry and fiction
and more...

Capital Fund Drive **Our goal is \$5,000**

This is an opportunity for us to get the floor in our social hall refinished, anticipate some repairs to our roof and support our tutoring program. The Leadership Team has already committed \$1,750 toward our goal, and looks forward to the generosity of our members and friends.



We Create ways to Memorialize Significant Life Events

*Clyde's
Corner*

As a pastor I am called upon to celebrate important life events with people. Infant baptism is my favorite, and is a way we honor the reality that our child is also a Child of God and loved by God. Marriage is a way for a couple to share their commitment of love with family and friends. At a memorial service we can remember, and call upon other family members and friends to share our grief and to recall stories that celebrate the life of someone we love.

One of the unique blessings of my role is that I get to meet people at these peak and very emotional times in their lives. I can share their tears and their laughter. I often get choked up at the funeral of someone I don't know. The family's stories move me and make me wish I had known them.

Just a couple of observations about these mile-markers. If a couple are not married when they ask me to perform their ceremony there is nothing I can do. I wish I had some magic dust to make them "happily ever after" but I'm not a magician. The wedding is a way to share the reality of their love with family and friends.

Some people ask that there not be a funeral for them. This is not really fair to the friends and family. They need to process their loss. It does not require a huge event in church. I have often met in a home or garden, but there we can tell stories and remember.

Again, I'm honored to be a part of your lives when you are marking a life-changing event.

Blessings,

~Rev. Clyde

You Are Welcome Here!

"As a Reconciling Congregation, we celebrate God's welcome to us and to all people, affirming persons of all sexual orientations and gender identities and their families.

At Boulder Creek UMC your friendship is valued and safeguarded. You are accepted for who you are. You have a home!"



A Word from Ted

This June has been a very busy month for BCUMC. Our adventure day camp was a raging success with 16 campers. This year we learned about that God is Lord of nature and he cares about all living things. Many of our campers have been coming for several years now, and this year it really felt like we built some close relationships. All of these children have stories that involve immediate and extended family, and not all of these stories are pleasant or free from hurt and grief. One repeated comment from the parents is how grateful they were to have something fun and positive for their kids to do during the summer. I believe that there are

opportunities to provide support and community for each of these families. Please pray that God would reveal opportunities to further serve these families.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to our volunteers, without whom Adventure Day Camp would never have happened! Alora Bond helped me plan almost every single activity, craft and snack, and she was there helping almost every day. Amanda Horne was there prepping snacks, running activities and being an extra set of eyes the entire time. Clyde Vaughn came almost every day and led the majority of the Bible lessons. Carol Baggerly helped with games, activities and preparing snacks. Arinn Styczynski was our teen volunteer. She helped with prepping activities and snacks. Miho Young helped with clean up, and Matthew Parham helped with activities and was our lifeguard on Friday.

Wednesdays are community day at BCUMC. From 3:30 to 5:30 we have youth swim with our new lifeguard, Matthew Parham, and from 7 to 8 pm, we are continuing our Bible Study through the sermon on the Mount. This year we supported Matthew with math tutoring. I am not allowed to say what his grades were, but I will say I am pleased. Matthew is also turning out to be a great lifeguard. He is attentive and assertive.

Wednesday afternoon swim and evening Bible study will be cancelled Wednesday July 3, as both Matthew and I will be out of town.



JOYS:

We rejoice with **Frank & Karen Golding** as Becky & Jared Kenyon have been able to adopt their daughter, Rachael. Born premature she is up to 9 #'s as of this writing.

Char & John Beisner's daughter, Dawn, had surgery last month and it was very successful.

CONCERNS:

Frank Golding had a heart attack and required a stint. He is at home and in fact has returned to work. Our prayers are with Frank and his very competent nurse, **Karen!**

Greg, Clyde's son-in-law, had his second surgery for a brain tumor. He continues to grow more confused. Prayers for him and his family, **Noel & Amanda**.



For our Family and Friends: On Sundays we name those whose situations rest heavily on our heart, or who have reason for a new joy. If you have a prayer concern please be

sure to share it with the pastor or Linda, our prayer coordinator.

For immigrants and Border Patrol officers as they deal with a difficult and confusing problem. May God guide decisions being made.

For those who are hungry and homeless that they may find an environment where they can move into a stable lifestyle.

For our **shut-ins** who are unable to be in church because of age or illness. Our prayers are with them.

If you have joys or concerns and desire prayer, please contact Linda Lininger, our prayer coordinator, LindaLinCA@aol.com, the Pastor or the church office with your request.

To Ted Bond for planning and leading a very successful Adventure Day Camp and for his great volunteers. For the list of volunteers, please see Ted's article. He recruited a wonderful crew.

THANK YOU!



A Memorial Service for Ron Perry will

be held at our church on Sunday, July 21, 3:00. We will want to gather with Becky and Elise to celebrate and remember Ron's life. If



you cannot be present, please keep the Perry family in your prayers. Cards or remembrances may be sent to the church, P. O. Box 2187, Boulder Creek, 95006.

Be sure to log in to our church Facebook page to see the sermon from previous Sundays.



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July Birthdays

- 1 Gabe House
- 3 Maxine and Sophie Parr
- 6 Anastasia Carr
- 7 Vanessa Schlesinger
- 11 Lelanya Carr
- 12 Craig Johnson
Cathy Warner
- 14 Jade Ann Jimenez
- 15 Alysa Zigelhofer
- 26 Kevin Golding
- 28 Mae Slayer



July Anniversaries

- July 9, 1990 Mike and Aolele Johnson
- July 11, 2009 Rex and Mardell Lawson
- July 19, 2008 Wayne Rollins and Carole Reid
- July 19, 2008 Carol Casey and Ty Littell

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed and you would like to have it added, please send your information to the office: bcumc@bcumc.com

Words from the Redwoods

A reading of Poetry & Prose with Music



Saturday July 20th 7 pm

Featuring:

Cathy Warner, author of *Home by Another Road* & *Burnt Offerings*

former pastor of Boulder Creek UMC

Redwood City Writer **Carol L. Park**

Kristin Centofante, creator of Kreative Ways

Jade Bradbury, author of *In the Willing Dirt*

Santa Cruz Musician **Laura Devine**

and more

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Featured in Words from the Redwoods



Cathy Warner has authored two books of poetry; *Home by Another Road*, and *Burnt Offerings*. Her fiction, memoir, and essays have appeared in dozens of publications. She is recipient of the Steinbeck and SuRaa fiction awards and nominee for the Pushcart Prize and Best American Essays. Former pastor of Boulder Creek United Methodist Church (2003-2010), Cathy now lives in the Puget Sound region where she writes, teaches, edits, renovates homes, and sells real estate. Find her at cathywarner.com.



Carol Park's homes range from the San Francisco suburbs, to California wilderness, to cultural mazes of Japan. While teaching and befriending English learners from far places, she's learned how little she knows and how precious is the meeting of minds over tea. Her poetry and fiction appear in a variety of publications including *SLANT*, *Minerva*, *Black Fox* and *Cordoba*, and also within India in university's journal. She's revising a novel set in Tokyo. She often reads at the San Jose Flash Fiction Forum and other local venues.



Whether knitting, painting, or writing, Kristin Centofante strives to live creatively every day and hopes to inspire others to do the same. A native of Florida, Kristin now lives in Northern California where she teaches others how to add creativity to their lives. Find her on Facebook at *Kreative Ways*.



Jade Bradbury has lived in California 45 years, ten of them in Los Angeles, working in Hollywood, National Press Service, and Los Angeles Times; the remainder in the South Bay where she served on the Los Gatos Arts Commission. Jade's been published in poetry anthologies and journals, presented at regional festivals/events, KKUP radio, and the Flash Fiction Forum in San Jose. Her chapbook, *In the Willing Dirt*, is forthcoming from Purple Passion Press.



Vocalist and dulcimer player Laura Devine Burnett enjoys a variety of musical styles including jazz, folk, gospel, and pop. Former Choir Director at the Boulder Creek United Methodist Church, she is featured in the documentary *Hearts of the Dulcimer*, and performs widely in the Santa Cruz area with her husband, guitarist Bob Burnett. Her youtube video "Old Ways" with Dulcimer Girls has over 31,000 views.

Activity Day Camp, 2019





Calendar

July 7, Rev. Clyde, "Who Are We Foolin'?" Galatians 6:1-10, Communion

11:30 Leadership Team

June 10, 3:00 - 5:00 Afternoon Swim Party (every Wednesday)

July 14, Worship led by Gabe House, Luke 10:25-37

July 20, 7:00, **Words From the Redwoods**

July 21, Rev. Clyde, "A Message of Reconciliation" Colossians :1:21-29, Communion

July 28, Worship led by Gabe House, Luke 11:1-13

Aug. 4, Worship led by Gabe House, Luke 12:13-21

Wednesdays, 7:00, Study on the "Sermon on the Mount," led by Ted Bond

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Prayer Chain, please contact the pastor, or the prayer chain coordinator, Linda Lininger, LindaLinCA@aol.com, if you wish prayers for family members or friends.

Worship Leadership

Ministers: People of the parish

Music Director: Gabriel House

Check out our website at www.bcumc.com.

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The **August Mountain Messenger** deadline for information will be Sunday, July 28.

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