

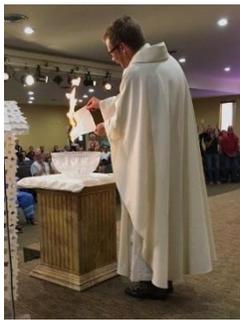
# THE MET LINK

THE METROPOLITAN  
COMMUNITY CHURCH  
OF SAN DIEGO



YOUR WEEKLY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPDATE FROM THE MET CHURCH

## Greetings!



What an awesome 48th Anniversary Service and entire celebratory weekend! The spirit and energy were sky high at worship on Sunday. The emotion and spirit built throughout the service to the burning of the mortgage, which brought thunderous applause and cheers and the congregation to its feet. Pastor Dan described it as "a crescendo of emotion, praise and joy." In his message he re-affirmed that our "house of prayer for all

people" is indeed "holy ground" built on "solid rock." The enthusiasm flowed right over into the Social Hall, where our Hospitality Team rushed to keep the food counter supplied with delicious cake. By the way, kudos to our awesome Hospitality Team who went the "extra mile" both with the morning refreshments and the evening's Ice Cream Social following the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Choir's wonderful concert. If you missed the **Anniversary Service** or just want to experience it again, view it on our **Facebook** page!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- This Sunday, Rev. Caedmon kicks off a new sermon series on ["Reclaiming Our Rites"](#) with a look at "Inclusive Language." The scripture is Genesis 1:26-27.
- Cinema fans: The 2018 **Filmout LGBT Film Festival** is this weekend at the North Park Theater.
- Mark your calendars for the next Hearts 4 Justice presentation on "Separation of Church and State" facilitated by Steve Ebner on Saturday, June 30, 10-11:30 AM in the 1st-floor Community Room.

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## PARKING LOT SALE



A gigantic thank-you to the Fundraising Team for Saturday's successful Parking Lot Sale. The Team spent countless hours receiving, collecting, organizing, pricing, setting up and selling items. Thanks, too, to all who contributed and stopped by. A total of \$1,582 was raised to support the ministries here at The Met®.

## FROM PASTOR DAN



This past week saw an incredible high at The Met® with our Anniversary Service and a reality check the very next day with the disappointing US Supreme Court decision in the Masterpiece Cakeshop case. The seeming dichotomy of the two events gave Pastor Dan (and others) pause, and he wrote some thoughts on it while looking ahead to the future for our faith community. His perspective is a message for us all: ""Together we are called to be a loving presence and available to act wherever God leads us in building a stronger and deeper foundation at The Met® for the next generation ..."" Read his complete [reflection](#).

## NEW WEBSITE LAUNCHED!

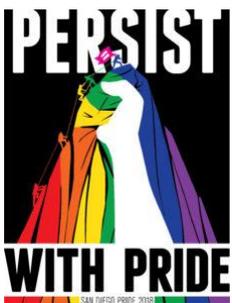
It's live! We are pleased to announce the launching of our fresh, refurbished website. Though still a "work in progress," we have streamlined and condensed the site, making the most desirable information, especially for visitors, front and center. Many thanks to Rose Yager for her valuable assistance. The old platform was increasingly difficult for the web provider to maintain. The web address of [themetchurch.org](http://themetchurch.org) is still the same. Please visit it, roam around, share it, and bookmark it to your favorites.

## LANDSCAPING MAKEOVER



The spirit and enthusiasm at church on Sunday was not limited just to worship and burning the mortgage. With the help of Jessie Black and Linda Leftwich, exciting plans were unveiled for a major makeover of the landscaping for the church. And the congregation responded positively, crowding around the project display, with some 20 people signing up to help! Jessie projects a groundbreaking right after Pride in July. The focus of the landscaping will be drought-tolerant and native plants, easy maintenance, and design consistent with our Southern California environment. Stop by Jessie's table in the Social Hall Sunday to learn more.

## THE MET AT PRIDE



Met Pride T-shirt sales and sign-ups for our Pride outreaches continue full speed ahead. Visit our Pride table in the Church Foyer on Sunday. Order your T-shirt, available in 5 brilliant new rainbow colors, still only \$15. The Met will be at all things Pride, but don't miss out on the engaging outreach opportunities and the fun by signing up to represent us at ...

- \* **SheFest, Saturday, July 7, 11 AM - 6 PM, North Park Community Park**
- \* **Trans Pride, Friday, July 13, 1 - 5 PM, Balboa Park, 6th & El Prado**
- \* **LGBT Pride Parade, Saturday, July 14, 11 AM, University & Normal Street**
- \* **LGBT Pride Festival, Saturday, July 14, Noon - 10 PM, Marston Point**  
Sunday, July 15, 11 AM - 9 PM, Marston Point

## SUMMER SOLSTICE & ABUNDANCE



Celebrate the changes in the season and celebrate our abundance on the Summer Solstice, the longest day of the year. Join Rev. Michelle Kirby & Marcia Randall on Wednesday, June 20 at 7 PM at church for a festive and meaningful time of sharing. Attendees are invited to bring something that represents abundance to share. Please contact Rev. Kirby for more information. All are welcome.

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