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Fall Arrives in Sacramento!

September is here, bringing the first hints of fall and a fresh season of fellowship! As summer winds down and routines begin again, we look forward to gathering together, reconnecting, and seeing what God has in store for us in the months ahead. May this new season bring renewed energy, joyful hearts, and plenty of opportunities to share God's love with one another and our community. We've got a full newsletter edition for you, with new classes, Oktoberfest, and we're introducing new members. Read on and enjoy!



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Worship at Faith

Faith Presbyterian Church

625 Florin Road
Sacramento, CA 95831
916-428-3439

Pastor Jeff Chapman

Associate Pastor Brett Shoemaker

Services on Sunday

9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Livestreaming at 9:00 a.m. at
faithpresby.org

RISE Kids' Worship

Pre-K - Grade 6

9:00 a.m., Rooms 4 & 5

Sunday Morning Adult Christian Formation

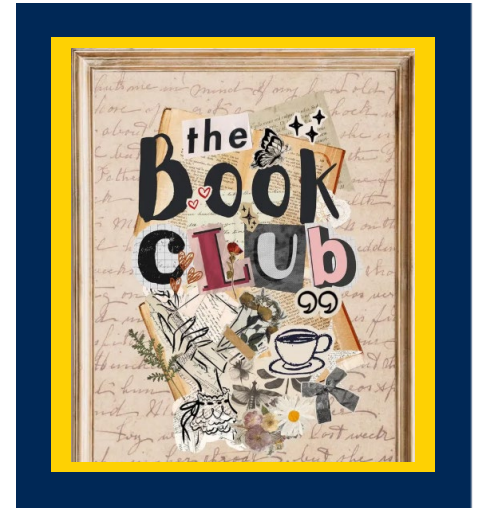
10:15 to 11:15 a.m., Grace Room

UPCOMING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Monday Evening Book Club

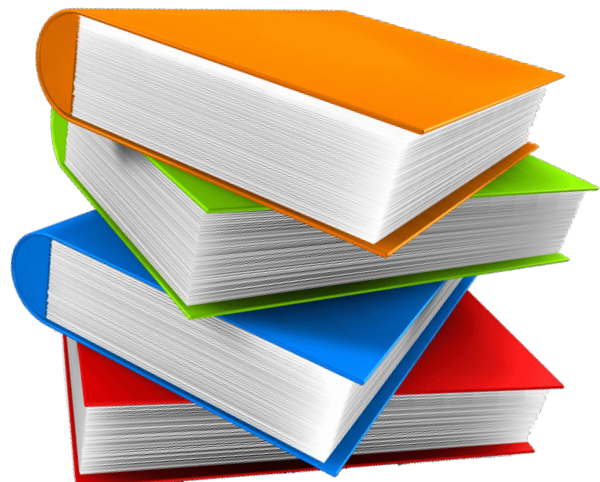
Thanks to the participation of our members, the books for the 2026-2027 Faith Book Club have been selected. And what a great list it is! Many genres, many topics, and many plots, characters and challenges to discuss. It will be an outstanding year of reading.

The most votes cast went to *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi. This international bestseller is self-published, so its meteoric sales surprised everyone, especially Mr. Levi. It is a gentle story of a man who lives for a while in Golden, blessing the town by inviting townspeople to tell him their stories. Although it is fiction, it exemplifies what it means to follow Jesus and can teach us how to follow in practical, loving ways. In addition, we were blessed to obtain Book Club in a Box copies. So *Theo of Golden* will be our September selection!



Coming up in October is *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks, also available in Book Club in a Box. And to complete a selection of animal stories, *The Penguin Lessons* by Tom Mitchell will be shared in November.

The September meeting is on the 28th at 7:00pm. The location is still to be decided. If you are interested in seeing the Book Club calendar and being included in Book Club emails, please contact Nancy Hom (nneuhom@gmail.com; 916-475-2392) or Barbara Hull (barbarah16@surewest.net; 916-616-1278). We look forward to welcoming new book club members as we begin this new year.



ADULT CHRISTIAN FORMATION

A Life Empowered by the Holy Spirit... The One Called Alongside to Help

Dates: Wednesday, September 23 to November 11
Time & Place: 7:00-8:30 p.m., on Zoom
Facilitator: Alice Parente



As you walk through your life, do you continually have a sense of Someone walking with you and living inside you? Someone wanting to help you at all times ... giving you the ongoing message "**Here if you need me.**" In the Gospel of John, Jesus promised us just that: a "Paraclete," or "one called alongside to help." Jesus described this Someone as our divine Helper, Advocate, and Counselor who would stay with believers forever.

If this has not exactly been your lived experience, you are not alone. And you are invited to join an eight-week exploration with others wanting to delve into what exactly Jesus' promise means for each and all of us today. We will explore:

- **The biblical history of the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament, the life of Jesus, the book of Acts**
- **What exactly Jesus promised his disciples**
- **The roles of "the Helper": advocate, comforter, counselor, strengthener**
- **How the Helper works – teaches, prays for us, lives inside us.**

There will be no book for this class. Instead, we will utilize teachings, videos, and podcasts of Tim Mackie (*The Bible Project*), Tyler Staton (author of *The Familiar Stranger*), and others.

You are invited to come and see how the Holy Spirit speaks to us today. And what "**Here when you need me**" might mean for you.

If you are interested in joining or have questions, please let Alice Parente know at vsas77@earthlink.net.

Adult Sunday School in September: Fall Retreat Reprise

Dates: Sundays, September 20 & 27
Time & Place: 10:15–11:00 a.m. in the Grace Room
Facilitator: Walter Newport

Walter Newport warmly invites you to join him on these two Sundays as he offers an overview of the teaching of our fall retreat speaker, Wayne Weissman, about biblical priesthood. In addition, this will be an opportunity to discuss in greater depth the scope and trajectory of the biblical priesthood, which culminates in our great high priest, Jesus Christ. Perfect for both those who did not attend the All-Church Retreat and those who did!

Meet Faith's Newest Members!

Faith's Elders recently met with these four individuals seeking to become members of Faith. The Elders had the privilege of hearing them share their journeys of faith and of hearing them answer in the affirmative the questions of membership. If you haven't already had the pleasure of meeting these folks, we hope you will soon. In the meantime, by way of introduction, here are some brief bios based on information they shared with us.

Mark Markarian & Jessica Flash

Mark is a California native. In fact, except for some years spent in southern California, he has lived all his life in northern California. Mark is a software engineer with SiriusXM, the satellite radio company. In addition to his work, Mark especially enjoys playing guitar (you may recognize him as one of our Worship Band members!) and spending time with his family, including his wife Jessica and daughters Amara and Melina.

For her part, Jessica originally hails from Ohio. Her family moved to California when she was 11 years old and has since resided in various cities and towns around the state, including Bangor, Yuba City, Davis, Oakland, Alameda and Sacramento (which she now calls home). Jessica homeschools Amara and Melina and considers herself "a student of life, moving ever more towards being a disciple of Christ." One fun fact about her is that she loves tea, especially herbal teas.

When asked how they ended up coming to Faith, Mark and Jessica share that their girls were invited to Vacation Bible School in 2025. It sounded like a great program and so they registered their daughters, even though they were not actively looking for a new church at that time. Once they started coming to Faith as a family, however, they knew this was the place God was calling them to grow in Christian faith together. Mark says that VBS was a positive experience, and their family's early connections here were even more so. Now, by taking this step of membership, Jessica and Mark are acting on their desire to continue deepening their meaningful connections here, both with the people of Faith and with the Lord.



Dennis & Margie Montzingo

While Dennis and Margie have been in California for the past 38 years, Dennis hails from Williamsville, NY, and in later years spent time in Seattle, Boston and Connecticut before settling in Clarksburg as pastor of the Clarksburg Community Church, where he and Margie lived and served for 37 years. (Margie is mum on where she lived prior to Clarksburg; we'll leave it to you to find out the details in your conversations with her. ☺)

Both Dennis and Margie are now retired, and Margie enjoys the time she spends knitting, quilting and gardening. For his part, Dennis enjoys studying and teaching the Bible, walking, reading, doing crossword puzzles, traveling, and watching sports. He has also become involved this past year with Faith's outreach ministry at the Sacramento County jail, where he leads a Bible study. Margie and Dennis have four adult children, and they love spending time with them, their children's spouses, and their 16 grandchildren.



Dennis & Margie Montzingo, Continued

Margie and Dennis began coming to Faith in 2021 during the pandemic. Despite how strange things were at that time, they sensed God calling them to stay and so responded in obedience by putting down roots here at Faith.

Michelle Tattersall

Michelle spent most of her growing-up years in Central Florida, while also living in Pennsylvania and Colorado for many years. She is a newcomer to California, having moved here just two years ago.

Michelle recently retired from her work as a Registered Nurse who practiced primarily in the perioperative field. These days she works “only” in a volunteer capacity. She is a certified AARP tax facilitator and a group leader with the Bible Study Fellowship women’s group that meets here at Faith on Tuesday mornings. She also watches one of her grandsons twice a week. Here at Faith, she serves as an assistant teacher in Worship and Wonder, 3rd to 6th grade Sunday school class.



When not volunteering, Michelle enjoys studying the Bible, hiking, reading, crafting and exercising. Especially dear to Michelle’s heart is her family. She and her husband, David, celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary on August 28. Michelle and David have two adult sons, both married, who have blessed them with three grandchildren whom Michelle adores and with whom she loves spending time.

When Michelle moved to Sacramento, she started looking for a church. One day while she was out walking, she passed by Faith and saw the inscription of John 13:34 on our wall; she immediately felt drawn to Faith. She began attending Sunday worship, took part in classes, joined a women’s Life Group and began volunteering in several capacities. Almost before she knew it, Faith had become her church home.



Randy & Cydne Valenzano

Randy and Cydne have spent the majority of their lives in and around Sacramento. Cydne retired from the State after 32 years and now works with her husband, a local business owner. Randy is president of two Sacramento businesses – Plumbing Service Company, Inc., and Backflow Distributors, Inc.

Beyond their work life, Randy and Cydne enjoy spending time together, as well as with their three adult children, Morgan, Jesse and Beau, and their 2½-year-old granddaughter, June, and her mom. They also enjoy doing K-9 nose work with their dog.

Randy and Cydne arrived at Faith by invitations from two different friends: Margie Montzingo invited Cydne, while childhood friend Frank DeYoung invited Randy. Now settling into their life here at Faith, Cydne shares, “I love the Lord and became a Christian when I was 19 years old.” She and Randy are looking forward to seeing all that God has in store for them here as they continue to walk with the Lord alongside the people of Faith

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR TEAM: FAITH AND FRIENDS!

We are participating in the Sacramento Urban Cow
5K on Saturday, September 26, 2026 and
half marathon on Sunday, September 27, 2026.

We'd like to invite you to help us move toward ending the clean water crisis!

These are some of the ways you can partner with us on our mission:

1) PRAY!

Please pray for our team. Our names are listed below. We would especially welcome your prayers for us to remain injury free and for healing for those of us who are currently struggling. We all need endurance to complete our training, to not lose sight of our inspiration, to be bold in our fundraising invitations, to be good witnesses to those around us, and to complete the race set before us!

2) SHOW UP ON RACE DAY(S)

We need cheerleaders along the route and people to welcome our team members to the celebration tent as they cross the finish line. For more information, please contact Jill Whitney at whitneydds@gmail.com.

3) MAKE A DONATION

This is your opportunity to join our team in providing clean water for those in need by donating money to help children survive & thrive and help us reach this year's fundraising goal of providing 700 people with clean water by raising \$35,000!

Any amount helps and non-cash donations are tax deductible.

Every \$50 raised provides clean water for 1 person for a lifetime!

Checks can be written to **World Vision** and handed to one of our runners.

Donations can also be made online at www.teamworldvision.org

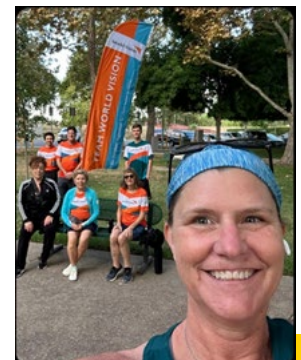
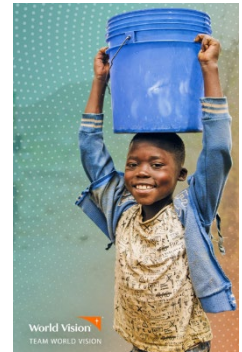
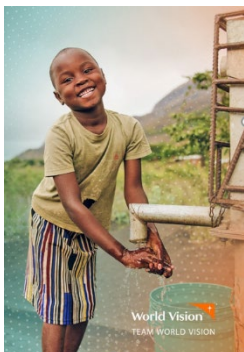
(please search for our team "Faith and Friends" or an individual listed below), by selecting the Team

World Vision special giving option
on our church website or by scanning this code:



Our official Team World Vision members as of 8/12/2026:

Cynthia Abbott, Wendy Benjamin, Roy Chastain, Gregory Collins, Sarah & David Espinoza,
Cathy Healow, Ross Leader, Maria Mar, Denise Mitchell, Margie Montzingo, Anna Niemann, Lorraine Otani,
Darcy Owen, David & Alexander Reynen, Brett Shoemaker,
Charlotte Van Wagner, Michelle Ward, and Jill Whitney



Join Us for
OKTOBERFEST

Faith's Annual Fall Dinner, Silent Auction & Raffle
Saturday, October 10, starting at 4:00 p.m. in Link Hall

Fall is just around the corner, which means it's time for Faith's annual fall dinner. This year we are celebrating Oktoberfest, and we really hope you will join us for this fun-filled evening. There will be delicious Oktoberfest fare and time to enjoy the fellowship of others in the Faith community. And, of course, there will be plenty of items to bid on in our silent auction, ranging from gift certificates to In 'n Out, the Sac State Aquatic Center, Scribner Bend Vineyard and Scott's Seafood, to baskets of goodies from Trader Joe's and Mrs. Renfro. And more vendor donations are still coming in! It's a great night filled with laughter, fun, and quietly



determined bidding. And don't forget that all net proceeds benefit the Pat Tatro Scholarship/Campership Fund. These funds help make camp and retreat experiences more affordable for individuals and families.

Tickets are now on sale. You may purchase tickets in the narthex each Sunday morning after worship through Sunday, October 4. Or, you may purchase yours online using the QR code at right. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 13-18, and free for ages 12 and under. The deadline to purchase tickets in person or online is Sunday, October 4, after the second service. (Note that tickets are not available for purchase in the office during the week.) Please feel free to invite your friends and neighbors to this fun, intergenerational event!



Call for Auction & Raffle Items

One of the really special aspects of the silent auction and raffle is all the wonderful donations given by members and friends of the congregation. These donations can be physical objects, like tickets to sporting events or a basket full of car-care items, or they can be donations of your time and experience, such as housecleaning, babysitting or yardwork; knitting lessons; a golf outing; or boating on the SF Bay. Use your imagination and share your wonderful skills and resources! Group donations from Life Groups, book clubs, and other groups (PW, deacons, elders) are welcome! Donation forms will soon be available in the narthex. The deadline to drop off your donation is Sunday, September 27.

If you have any questions about this year's Oktoberfest celebration, or if you would like to help the Fellowship Team as they put on this multifaceted event, please contact Fellowship Elder Rich Hendricks at ickskiing@gmail.com or 916-798-8393.



Presbyterian Women: September Fellowship

Wednesday, September 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Link Hall

Check-in begins at 11:15 a.m.; meeting starts promptly at 11:30 a.m.

Our speaker is Kyle Vanek, a Detective with the Elk Grove Police Department. He has been a police officer for 10 years. He investigates financial crime cases including embezzlement, fraud, forgery, financial elder abuse, and theft. He's a long-time Sacramento resident and attends River's Edge Church. He will share the most current and prevalent scams currently impacting our communities and will provide resources and tips to avoid becoming a victim of these scams.

There will be time to catch up with one another over lunch and to hear from our board members. We welcome you to bring fall and Halloween décor for the bazaar table as well as other treasures you are parting with. We will have a raffle – be sure to stop by the bazaar table!

All Faith women are warmly invited to join us for this time of Christian friendship. Bring your lunch; drinks, chips and dessert will be provided.

Contact Kathy Ellis at trvlkath@comcast.net for more information.



MONTHLY FOCUS REPORT: WORSHIP MINISTRY

Elder: Paul Kinney
Report Date: July 2026

Looking back over the past 12 months, both the Christmas and Easter seasons went smoothly. Candle holders were added to the pews to prevent them from being knocked over, improving both safety and appearance, and beginning in September, Barbara Beattie will take the lead in organizing the decorating team for the coming Advent season.

Volunteer coordination across several ministries remains stable. Karena Van Duyn will continue overseeing and recruiting acolytes, Julia King has the usher team running efficiently, and greeters are well managed under Georgianne Becker. In the flower ministry, Janet Leader has stepped down, so we are **seeking additional helpers** to come alongside Jane Dickson and create a "Flower Team."

Several improvements were made to facilities and safety procedures. Brian Heiden joined the lock-up crew and offered a number of helpful suggestions that led to the creation of lock-up checklist cards and the installation of a new lockbox for the keys. AED training was held on February 22 for staff, and annual refreshers are recommended using YouTube instructional videos.

Music and worship preparations are progressing well. The choir will return on September 20, with the first rehearsal scheduled for September 3. Recruitment will take place from the lectern in late August because we're always looking to grow our choir! Communion continues to be handled effectively by Margie Montzingo, and a gluten-free option has been added to the bread tray to better serve congregants.

On behalf of the **Worship Ministry Team**, we look forward to worshipping with you the remainder of the year and into 2027.



MONTHLY FOCUS REPORT: FAMILY MINISTRY

Elder: Susan Murray
Report Date: August 2026

KIDS CLUB (approximately 20 regular kids)

Kids Club will start back up on September 16 and continues on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. Leaders are Lindsay, Brett, and a variety of parents and high-school students.

JONI AND FRIENDS: We are partnering with *Joni and Friends*, an organization that trains, supports and helps with starting a special needs ministry. We would like to begin in January.

11 a.m. Sunday Children's Program: We are having conversations about the possibility of offering children's programs during the 11:00 worship service.

Vacation Bible School: VBS this year was a huge success with record numbers of volunteers, both youth and adults. Now would be a great time to start recruiting a VBS subcommittee, which would make it all run even smoother.

Fall Retreat: This year will be very exciting, with over 20 children ages 12 and under attending, along with two babies, plus the youth. We had to find an extra room for the babies to hang out in as well as extra volunteers to help with the children. In years to come we will need more lodging space to account for an increase in young families in need of cabins or larger spaces.

Faith Presby Pumpkin Patch: Saturday, October 17, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in Link Hall.

Bibles: We will be handing out "action" Bibles this year to our 3rd graders, which are a little easier to read and hopefully more engaging. Our hope is that this will help these youngsters as they develop the daily habit of opening their Bibles and talking with God. We will hand out the usual NIV Bibles to older children as they leave 6th grade.

Commissioning of Teachers and Leaders: We will be having the commissioning of our teachers and leaders as well as welcoming kids who will be moving up into their classrooms in September.

Confirmation for Youth: Finally! Confirmation will be returning, an opportunity for youth in junior high and high school to explore deeper faith in Christ with a mentor, develop spiritual rhythms and practices, and work on building their own faith statements.

Overall Vision: Family Ministry team members continue to build a program that:

- Offers an **overarching faith-building plan** that is unified from birth through graduation;
- **Equips parents** with practical, hands-on and online resources for discipling children;
- Offers a regular **plan of connection** for parents to support each other and collaborate in faith-building and raising children.

WORLD COMMUNION OFFERING

“What does the Lord require of you, but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?” – Micah 6:8

Loving-kindness is one of the most beautiful threads woven throughout the Old Testament.

Again and again, we are reminded that the people we meet are not strangers or enemies but beloved children of God. The prophet calls us to recognize the inherent worth of every person, to practice welcome and to make room at the table for all God’s children. This is expressed in action, often involving mercy, faithfulness and steadfast commitment.

It means making sure there is a place for everyone at Christ’s communion table, at the tables in our homes, among our friends and families, and here in our life together as a church. Loving-kindness is the work of making sure every person is seen, every person knows they are loved by God, and every person has what they need to flourish – because that is what God desires for all of us.

Through the **World Communion Offering**, we join with other congregations in supporting the wider church in the work of racial justice, gender justice, peacemaking, global witness, and ecumenical and interfaith relations. In a world that often feels divided, this Offering helps us remember that we belong to one another, even to people we may never meet.

As we participate in this Offering, we join siblings in Christ across the globe in God’s mission of welcome, justice and hope. We step beyond the boundaries of our neighborhood and into the life of the worldwide church, learning to see God’s image more clearly in one another. You are invited to take part in this Offering, as together we celebrate what it means to belong to a global, connected church shaped by God’s endless love. Please give generously to the World Communion Offering on **World Communion Sunday, October 4, 2026**.



Pastor Jeff on Sabbatical This Fall

"I have discovered that all the unhappiness of men arises from one single fact, that they are unable to stay quietly in their own room."

-Blaise Pascal

Faith Church's Personnel policies allow for our ordained pastors to take sabbatical leave after every six full years of service. The primary purpose of such leave is to allow our pastors extended rest and time with family so they can return to their responsibilities at Faith with renewed energy, spiritual vision and effectiveness.



The Session at Faith has approved a sabbatical for Pastor Jeff Chapman this coming fall. His last sabbatical was in 2019. To gain approval, pastors are required to submit a sabbatical plan which is designed to accomplish the stated goals of this leave. Pastor Jeff has determined that a major focus of this sabbatical will be the practices of solitude and silence. To quote from his proposal, which was approved by Session this spring:

As our congregation continues to think carefully about the various spiritual practices of the Christian life, and as I teach on these same practices here and in the Torchbearers ministry, these are two practices I recognize are vital in the life of every Christ follower (and too often lacking in the life of this particular Christ follower!). I've come to agree with Dallas Willard when he writes, "Of all the disciplines of abstinence, solitude is generally the most fundamental in the beginning of the spiritual life, and it must be returned to again and again as that life develops." Of course, with solitude naturally comes silence. That wonderful line in Psalm 46:10 reminds us that until we learn to practice solitude and silence, we may struggle even to know God in the first place: "Be still and know that I am God."

Jeff and Esther will spend a significant portion of their time in the national parks of the United States and Canada. This will afford them both the opportunity not only to study about the practices of solitude and silence but also to put them into practice daily, regularly dedicating significant time each morning to these practices. Jeff and Esther will end their sabbatical in Costa Rica, where their time will include a week of teaching at the Portantorchas (Torchbearers) School in San Jose.

Pastor Jeff will be away from September 4 through November 1. Though sabbaticals are generally 12 weeks, this sabbatical will be only eight weeks. Because Pastor Jeff is already away each spring on ministry leave in Kenya for four weeks, it was requested that he shorten his sabbatical by four weeks. This arrangement included financial compensation for the abbreviated sabbatical. Pastor Brett will serve as acting Head of Staff during that time, and Jeff's duties will be covered by other staff or volunteers in the church. We offered a prayer of sabbatical blessing over Jeff and Esther in our worship services on Sunday, August 30, and together we commit to remembering them in our prayers during their time away. Christ's blessings, Jeff and Esther!

Session Highlights

What is Session? Session is the governing body of our congregation. Made up of 15 members (pastors and elders) who are called by God and elected by the congregation, Session is charged by God to oversee the ministry and mission of Faith Presbyterian Church. By God's grace, Session works hard to make sure that we are becoming, day by day, the sort of church God wants us to become – *a community loving Christ, building disciples, serving all.*



What has Session been up to lately? The following are some of the decisions which were made this season at Session and some of the areas of ministry which were celebrated. We hope you share in the enthusiasm of Session for all that God is doing in our midst. As a reminder, Session meetings are held the second Monday of most every month at 7:00 p.m. here at church. Unless otherwise determined, they are open meetings and church members are always encouraged to come listen in. We'll even share our snacks!

- **New Members Received** – The last few months we have received nine new members into Faith. When this happens, new members come to meet with the elders and share some of their testimony of coming to faith in Christ, along with how the Lord led them to Faith Church. It's always a joy to hear these stories. These new members were presented in worship on August 23.
- **Session Realignment** – Session is taking time to consider some realignment of our elder positions, possibly combining a few of the positions and creating a smaller Session. If Session ultimately agrees on these changes, they will have to come to the congregation for consideration and approval.
- **Baptismal?** – The elders, at the request of Pastor Jeff Chapman and elder Paul Kinney, have considered the possibility of purchasing a baptismal which would allow us to offer baptisms by immersion for those who want to be baptized in this way. No decision has been made. *Note: We are not considering something that would require the installation of a tank in the sanctuary.*
- **Inactive Members** – In August, Session voted to move a small group of members to inactive status. Most of these individuals have moved out of the area and/or joined other congregations. In a few instances, these are individuals who have not been actively involved in the life of Faith Church for a considerable amount of time despite efforts to reach out to them.
- **Presbytery Involvement** – Session recently discussed how we can have better elder representation at our Presbytery and keep better abreast of things happening in our presbytery and denomination.
- **Baptism Approved** – Session approved the upcoming baptism of Joel Gilbert, son of Erin and Jay Gilbert. This baptism is scheduled for August 30.
- **Budget Reviewed** – Honoring a commitment we made to ourselves when the budget was approved at the beginning of the year, Session took time at our July meeting to evaluate the budget to see if any changes needed to be made. No changes were suggested.



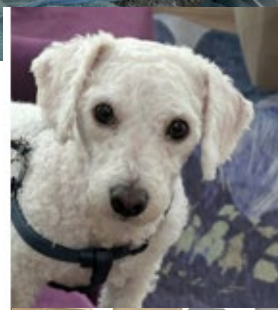
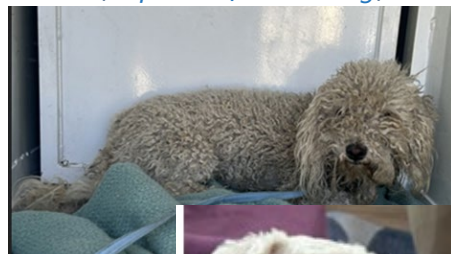
PRESBY PETS: FAITH'S FEATHERED AND FURRY FRIENDS

By Suzie Hughes

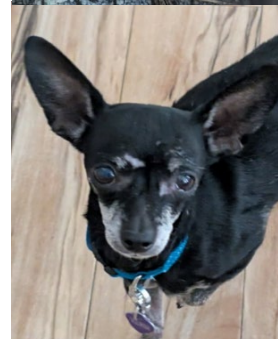
Over the years, we've featured many of our church family's animal family members, and we're continuing the tradition! This month, I'd like you to meet my two new foster dogs, Mojito and Mila. As many of you know, I've fostered for a local shelter for years, but they discontinued their dog program and now are a cats-only facility. So, a group of us have started up a new Sacramento dog rescue called Misfit Mutts (<http://misfitmutts.org>).



Mojito is a 12-pound poodle mix with more personality, energy and athleticism than self-awareness. 🐾 He came to Bradshaw Animal Shelter filthy, fearful and shy, having been found in a field with hair so long, matted and full of foxtails that he had to be sedated to get it all shaved off. What a transformation – and he is now the happiest guy you'd ever want to meet. Every day is the Best Day Ever for Mojito! Once all of his coat grows back, we'll find out what he really looks like, but he's adorable even with his buzz cut. He's on the lookout for his forever home!



Mila is a 7-pound chihuahua mix that came to the Front Street Animal Shelter after being hit by a car. Miraculously, she survived with scrapes and a 6-inch laceration on her hip. I picked her up a few days after her surgery, and she just got her stitches out. She's understandably shy and nervous, but she's coming around. She really seems to like being an indoor dog! The picture in the crate is her "freedom ride" from the shelter – though she does not look too happy about it. She seems to prefer the couch. 🐾 She's a foster



right now, but it's possible that she has found her forever home here with me.

Here are a couple of pictures of pets that will be featured soon. Check back to get their stories!



If you have a pet story to share, please send to suzan.hughes@synectics.net.

Be sure to include photos!

