

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid." Jesus (John 14:27)

Dear PB Pres Family and Friends~

Years ago, a back-to-school commercial played on TV this time of year that features a mom who is doing her best to manage the summer-related commotion of having kids around the house. While she loves the time with her kids, it's also clear that she's looking forward to the return of the school-time routine. The last scene of the commercial shows her sitting on her living room couch in a quiet house with a look of pure peace and contentment on her face. The kids are back in school. With great relief in her voice, she says,

"Hear that? That's the sound of September."



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What does September sound like for you? We often talk about the calm *before* the storm, but I sometimes feel it's much easier to appreciate the calm *after* the storm. For some of us, of course, September feels just like we're moving from one storm to another. And, it could be that the September storm is even bigger than what we've just left behind!

Whatever September sounds like for you, **my hope is that the peace Jesus offered to the disciples will find its way into your heart, mind and soul during the month ahead.** If it's inner peace you're looking for, may the love of God in Christ replace your troubled hearts and fearful minds with hearts and minds full of contentment, courage, hope and joy. If it's outer peace you're needing, may the God who placed the stars in the sky order the events of your life so that it is clear to you that He is working all things together for good. Either way, I look forward to continuing to serve alongside you as a congregation of People Bringing People to Christ!

With peace and joy~ Bill

During September and October, Pastor Bill will be leading a sermon series and Christian Education class inspired by Pastor Peter Scazzero's book *Emotionally Healthy Discipleship.* The class will be hosted in Founder's Hall from 9:00-9:45 AM on Sunday mornings, beginning on September 11 and continuing through October 23. The book is pictured below to assist with online ordering. Please RSVP for the class to <u>Pastor@pbpres.org</u>.

Emotionally Healthy Discipleship

Moving from Shallow Christianity to Deep Transformation





Esther Jordan Director of Worship Arts



Worship Services in the month of August were blessed by a virtual cornucopia of combinations of vocalists and instrumentalists praising God and helping all of us to worship! Special Music included Phil Dannels, exquisite piano arrangements of hymns such as "He Hideth My Soul;" Heidi Fleischbein, harp with a jazz variation of "Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine;" Classical Ladies Vocal Ensemble singing "Like a River Glorious;" Roa Paselio playing guitar and singing "Jesus We Love You;" Crusader Bells playing "Amen, Siakudumisa" as well as enhancing the congregational songs. All of this was in addition to our regular team of "Sounds of Worship" musicians that lead the congregational songs every week.

In case you have ever wondered who regularly leads our music on the platform each Sunday – here is the lowdown. Chelsea Johnson and Esther Jordan are the constant vocalists with Pat Hom, Kelsey Kammeraad, Nessy Kipuw, and Joy Phillips rotating in from week to week. Our regular instrumentalists are Steve Ritz, Larry Cox, Brian Zanchetta, Jeff Allen, and Esther Jordan.

September 4, we welcome back Anne Bay as our guest organist. Other Sundays in September include guest musicians such as Randy Plate, cello, and Heidi Fleischbein playing piano and organ. Lily Bodor will play an organ postlude later in the month.









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Grant Kay Director of Christian Education

Hello all!

September means back to school, which also signals the return of our weekly Kingdom Kids program! We have some exciting new changes at Kingdom Kids this year, and I want to tell you all about them. But first, on Wednesday 8/24 we hosted our Kingdom Kids Launch Party in the parking lot, and it was a great success! More than 20 kids got to play water games and have lots of fun, and we registered several families for Kingdom Kids.

On that note, one of the new things we're doing this year is online registration. Accompanying this article is a QR code that you can use to register if you have any eligible children who would like to attend! We are also shifting the time of our program, which will now run from 5:00 to 6:30pm every Wednesday. This new time will hopefully allow more families to attend every week!

Along with our new time, we have a new schedule that will make room for more music, crafts, and time spent growing closer to God. We also have a few new volunteers who will be helping make our gathering great each week! We're always looking for more help, though, so please let us know if you're able to join us on Wednesday nights!

Finally, while I will still be running Kingdom Kids, I am delighted to have some serious help in the person of our Community Connections Administrator (and my mom), Stacey Kay! Her role has been adjusted slightly to provide some hours helping out with Kingdom Kids, and for those of you who have been around a while at PBPC, you know that she is incredibly overqualified to help lead a children's ministry program! I am blessed to have her help in leading this wonderful ministry this year, and I hope you will join me in praying for our Kingdom Kids as they return to school and our church!



Stacey Kay Community Connections Administrator

Our Courtyard Sale was a success! We cleared out a lot of STUFF that had been accumulated over the past 10-20 years but was no longer needed or wanted. We made connections with some people in our community who came to shop. And we collected around \$500! After expenses, some of that money will go to support a program that gives homeless students school supplies, and some will go towards improving our church campus. A big thanks to Chris Woodruff, Grant Kay, Roa Paselio, Geof Hollenbeck, and Pastor Bill who helped make it happen.





Teroa Paselio Communications & Database Manager Roots Worship Director

Check out our website!

There are some really cool updates that have been brewing on the PBPC website and I am so excited to show you some of them! Check out our staff page and put a face to their name! If you're interested in watching past services, check out the "Online Worship tab". You can also locate past newsletters and calendars on our home page tab!

If you need help looking for something on our website, feel free to connect with me so that I can help!





CURRENT PRAYER CONCERNS

In Hospital: Ed Bodor, Rick's father dislocated his hip and is recovering in the hospital. Please keep Ed in prayer for a quick recovery and a return to his home. Also keep Ed's family lifted in prayer for their strength and comfort as they go through this difficult time.

On Hospice: Marlee Chapman is being cared for and being kept comfortable by the hospice team. Please keep Marlee in your prayers for God's peace and comfort to surround her. Also keep Marlee's family lifted in prayer as they journey through this difficult time.

At Home: Dick Wohletz has been diagnosed with a new case of pneumonia and is currently being treated at home with antibiotics. Please keep Dick in your strong prayers for his strength and comfort. Hank Imus is recovering well at home following a Bladder Irrigation Surgery on Saturday. He saw the Urologist yesterday and she was pleased with the results. He has another follow up next week. Please keep Hank in your strong prayers for his complete healing, strength and comfort. Ken Stahl continues to need our strong prayer support as he battles pancreatic cancer. Ken finished his last round of chemotherapy yesterday. He will have a CT scan next week, then will meet with the surgeon the following week to go over the results and see if surgery is an option. Please keep Ken lifted in prayer for his strength, comfort and healing. Also pray for the wisdom of the medical team in charge of his care. Marie Keinath is in need of our prayers. Marie broke her wrist on Monday. She has a partial cast following a closed reduction procedure. They will apply a full cast next week. Please keep Marie in your prayers for her complete healing and comfort. Tom and Darah Bascham continue to need our prayers for their healing and comfort. Darah is home from the hospital and seeing improvement in her wrist. Tom continues to make progress on the healing of his ankle. Please keep them both lifted in your prayers for their full recovery. Virginia Lennox's daughter, Christine, is having an excellent recovery following her knee surgery. She does not need physical therapy and requires no further surgery at this time. Virginia would like to thank everyone for their prayer support.

Needing Ongoing Prayer: Anthony Zarra needs our prayers for his safety as he serves in Syria. Betty Durst needs continued prayers for her strength and comfort.
Donna Pierce; continued prayers for healing and a full recovery. Ed Martin remains in need of our ongoing prayers for his comfort and continued strength. Helen Melbourne; continued prayers for her complete healing and strength. John Wehbring needs prayers for his comfort and peace. Joy Byars, needs our strong prayer support for her vision to be maintained as long as possible. Karen Lampard remains in need of our strong prayers for her strength and comfort in her battle with cancer. Robert Keller; prayers for his peace and comfort. Robin, Neil's friend, needs our continued prayers as she waits for her surgery on September 16th.

Mondays – By appointment Tuesdays – 9:30 AM – 5:30 PM Wednesdays – 3:30 PM – 6:00 PM Thursdays – 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

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SERMON SERIES SEPT 11-OCT 16

"BE BEFORE YOU DO" LUKE 10:38-42; PHILIPPIANS 3:7-14

> "FOLLOW WHO?" LUKE 9:18-26

"KNOW YOUR LIMITS" MATTHEW 4:1-11

"X MARKS THE SPOT" PSALM 34:15-22

> "MEASURING UP" 1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-13

"A THEOLOGY OF WEAKNESS" 2 CORINTHIANS 12:1-10

September Birthdays Larry Patterson - September 07 Shane Cowell - September 20 Ruby Adams - September 22 Marilyn Dietrich - September 23 Andrea Hollenbeck - September 23 Elizabeth Benson Stead - September 23 Lisa Berquist - September 24

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PBPC?



Stacey Kay our Community Connections Administrator leading Pre-school chapel for our little ones that attend the PBPC pre-school. Loving on these kids through the word of God is important. What a treasured time!

CHOIR / CHORAL SINGING UPDATE

With COVID and the age and health of our choral singers as well as the lack of air ventilation in the choir loft, Chancel Choir has been on a hiatus. We are forming small choral ensembles and trying various options before launching back full time into choir. People haven't been singing on a regular basis, so it's time for some "vocal yoga" to get us into singing shape! *(FYI: December 11 – Lessons and Carols Service!)*

'VOCAL YOGA' WORKSHOPS – <u>THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 AT 6:30 P.M. in</u> <u>the SANCTUARY & SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 at 11:30 a.m.</u> Any interested singers – any skill level – are invited for vocal exercises and gentle singing to tune up the voice.

Hopefully we will graduate to 'Vocal Aerobics' in October! The response and feedback from potential singers will determine future plans and rehearsals. For more information contact Esther at <u>esther@pbpres.org</u>

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- 1. P.B & Jazz on the courtyard , August 27 at 7pm.
- 2. Lord's Supper will be served the first Sunday in September (4th)
- 3. The Blessing of Animals ceremony will be held in the church courtyard on Sunday, October 2 at 6:30/7:00 pm. This event will be extended to the Pacific Beach community.
- 4. Tuesday, September 20, we are hosting the meeting of the San Diego Presbytery. Hours to be determined. Pastor Sperry will preach and the music team will play a role.
- 5. Stewardship committee is putting together ideas for the stewardship campaign.
- 6. Pre-school is looking for a teacher who will replace the beloved teacher who is leaving Aug 25.
- 7. The church sanctuary entry-way was cleaned up! We are hoping it feels more welcoming.
- 8. COVID TASK FORCE: As the C.D.C has come out with new guidelines, Not requiring mandatory masking and the 'tiering system' will no longer be in place, our C.T.F. is being disbanded. Any future action will be addressed by the entire session.
- 9. A professional is coming to analyze the office space for potential remodel.
- 10. Clairemont Family Day is Saturday, September 10 from 8 am- 4 pm at the South Claremont Rec Center.

