

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



Dear PB Pres Family and Friends~

On September 20th, PBPC hosted the Presbytery of San Diego for its seasonal stated meeting.

From what I understand, it's the first time in over ten years that our congregation has hosted our regional body of leaders.



These are some of the comments I heard from fellow presbyters.

- “Your music team is incredible. That’s the best music I’ve heard at a presbytery meeting in a long time.”
- “What a beautiful sanctuary this is. You’re so fortunate to worship in a space like this.”
- “The snacks you provided saved me today. I might have passed out before my presentation if not for that bag of trail mix.”
- “Your team did such a great job organizing everything. The parking lot signs really helped me know I was in the right place and made me know you were prepared for us.”
- “This is the most fun I’ve had at a presbytery meeting in a long time.”
- “Thank you.” “Thank you for hosting.” “Thank you!”



Wow! I'm so thankful to represent as pastor the team of staff members and volunteers who pulled together such a great event. In less than a week, we hosted Kingdom Kids and Youth Group, the onboarding of a new Church Custodian (Rene Cruz!), a wonderful memorial service for Marlee Chapman and family, two worship services, a Sunday evening community dinner, mail service for our clients experiencing houselessness, and a presbytery gathering with over 70 people in attendance. There is no moss collecting around this congregation, and I appreciate all of the hard work many of you do to serve God, church, and community.

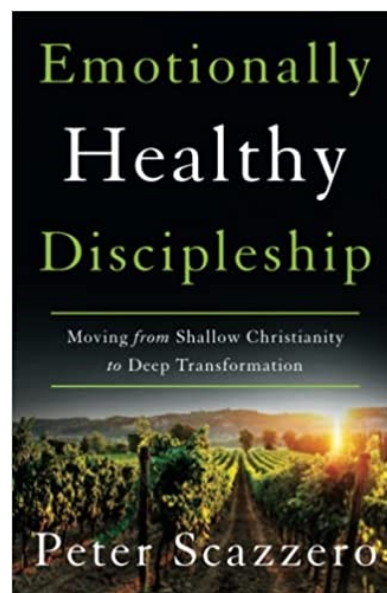
As this newsletter reveals, October will be another full month. As we kick off our Stewardship Season, we'll also be wrapping up our Emotionally Healthy Discipleship series and beginning a series for the Reformation Season called "The Five Solas." The Deacons will host the Annual Fall Patio Picnic as a BBQ on October 2 after the morning worship service. And, we'll be involved in a variety of ministries to the community, including Pacific Beachfest (Oct. 1), the Blessing of the Animals service (Oct. 2), our Preschool Fall Harvest Festival (Oct. 6), and the Annual Trunk or Treat (Oct. 28).

There's a lot of life in and around PB Pres! I hope these activities will engage you and not just make you busier but make you better. And, Lord willing, you'll find ways to use your time, talents, and treasures to make our mission and ministry efforts even better, too, so that many will discover this wonderful church and come to saving faith in Christ.

We're in it together. I look forward to sharing the month with you.
For His glory ~ 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
Pastor@pbpres.org.





Esther Jordan
 Director of Worship Arts

September was filled with diverse and beautiful music in our worship services! We welcomed organists, Anne Bay, Heidi Fleischbein and Lily Bodor as well as special guest instrumentalists such as Randy Plate, cello and Phil Dannels, piano. “Vocal Yoga” workshops and flexible small group rehearsals resulted in the choral offering of “Take Up Your Cross” on September 18, with text that matched the scripture reading. We were blessed with 13 singers lined up across the front of the choir loft.



“Sounds of Worship,” with the addition of Roa and Bill led the music for the Presbytery Meeting that we hosted on September 20. It was awesome to hear the San Diego Presbytery church leaders join in song and flood the sanctuary with joyful sound! On a personal note, I was thrilled that we could finally sing “God So Loved” with our music team on a Sunday morning as well as at the Presbytery worship service. This song was originally planned to be part of our Palm Sunday program in 2020, but the process was halted due to Covid. It took until the present to be able to get the right combination of musicians together to rehearse, work out the kinks, and use it in a live worship service. Praise the Lord!



Grant Kay

Director of Christian Education

Boo! Did I scare you? How about this: 66% of youth will likely stop attending church at some point during college! But churches that have strong intergenerational discipleship and integrate people of all ages in worship see that number drop significantly. As we enter spooky season, let's keep in mind that the work we do now can make a lifetime of difference for the young disciples in our care. As a church, we need to commit to not just caring for and about children and youth, but actively including them in the life of the church! The time you spend connecting with a child or teenager in our congregation could be the reason that they remain part of our church (or any church) when they go to college, and for the rest of their lives.

With that in mind, there are so many ways for you to make a connection with our young folks this October! For one thing, Kingdom Kids and Youth Group are happening every Wednesday night from 5-6:30 (Kingdom Kids) and 6:30-8:30 (Youth Group). We'd love to have you stop by once or commit to volunteering more often!

We also have several special events in October that you can participate in!

-Friday 10/21 - Youth Group Halloween Party featuring dinner, fun activities, and a Halloween movie

-Wednesday 10/26 - Kingdom Kids Halloween Party where we'll have our annual candy maze and pumpkin smash!





Steve Ritz

Outreach & Missions Commission

Wow, I am excited to share we have several events happening in October, be sure to come and join us on at least one of them.

Oct 1st – PB BeachFest 2022 11:00 – 5:00pm

We start the month off on Saturday October 1st with PB BeachFest 2022.

This is a huge event hosted by Discover PB and we have hosted a booth at this event for years since it's been running. This year we will once again host a booth and we have Youth and Preschool participating.

Steve will have a sign up sheet available on the patio following services.

Set up: (Meet at Church 10:00am) | Prayer Station | Driving volunteers to the event from PBPC | Hand out water | Lead Games at the booths.

Oct 2nd – Blessing of the Animals Service 6:30pm

Sunday October 2nd, 6:30pm on the patio we will be hosting a “Blessing of the Animals” service. Come bring your pets and stick around and enjoy our evening service called Roots. It will be a relaxing evening of fellowship!

Oct 6th – Fall Festival 4:00 – 6:00pm

Annually our Preschool hosts a Fall Festival in our parking lot and this year it will be held October 6th, 4:00 – 6:00pm.

It's a fun time for young families and gives a great opportunity for us to meet and greet the families in our community as we have fun as a PBPC family.

Oct 28th – Trunk or Treat 4:30 – 6:30pm

Come down, dress up your trunk in Halloween fashion and hand out goodies to the kids that show up! They will be decked out in pretty awesome outfits for halloween. It is another event that you can come bring a chair and cheer on those who have dressed up for the occasion!

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Life Packs

I hear good things from those who have handed out our Life Packs. It is now time to restock our Life Packs before the cooler months roll in. Leslie and I will be doing an inventory of items we have and then reach out and share what is needed. We already know a few things we could really use: *Travel size Advil or Tylenol and Emergency Thermal Space Blankets.*

We will also host a packing day where you are welcome to come down and join Leslie and I as we pack up supplies into Life Packs and get them ready to be gathered by the congregants to be handed out.

It's been an exciting year so far with plenty of events to keep us busy. If you haven't been to one of our events you are really missing out on some great fellowship time and opportunities to meet and greet those possible future members. Come on down to at least one of our October events, you will be blessed and also might find that not only are they more relaxing than you expected, but you might be drawn to come to more events. Come see.

-Steve





Amy Jones
Pre-School Director

We started our new school year with some much needed time for the staff to get together, share, reflect, and collaborate. Jeannette Prince, an atelierista from North County shared her knowledge and encouraged us to create a collaborative art piece that we will be hanging on campus. We've hired two wonderful new teachers to join our staff. Ms. Lizzy (left) graduated from UCLA with a BA in Psychology and a minor in Child Development and Ms. Elayne (right) graduated from De La Salle University with a BA in Psychology and a Masters in Early Childhood Education.



Ms. Stacey Kay has been leading chapel time for the children in the 3 and 4 year old classrooms. We are learning about God's creation found in Genesis 1:1. She has awesome bible songs to go with her teachings!



The Harvest Festival will be October 6th!



The ponies and petting zoo are booked and we are looking for a few volunteers to help run our booths and the jump house. Coach Steve Ritz will run his soccer game again and Grant Key will be on the grill. We could use a food handler or someone on ticket sales which helps offset the cost of the animals. Come on out for a fun time and yummy food! Your grandchildren, neighbors and friends are welcome!



Tony Daskalakis
Director of Youth Ministry

Hi everyone!

We're well into our fall season now! The leaves are changing color, the air is getting colder, and pumpkin spice jokes are already getting old. Among all those exciting things, we also get to celebrate a successful launch of Kingdom Kids and Youth Group! Looking back over the past month, I am so thankful for each of the volunteers who helped make our Wednesday night programming possible - from cooking dinners, to playing games, it wouldn't be possible without the volunteers God has blessed us with! I want to offer a special thank you though to Stacy Kay, who has graciously extended her years of experience to help us grow and develop the program, as well as Roa Pselio, who leads us in all kinds of silly song and dance at the start of each night!

If you'd like to join that group of Volunteers, of whom I am so grateful, don't worry! There are PLENTY of opportunities to serve - be it on a regular basis Wednesday Nights, or just once at a future event. Either way, we would love to have you! Speaking of future events, we have our Trunk or Treat happening on October 28th, the Friday preceding the Halloween. For those who missed it last year, or Trunk or Treat is an event where we open up our parking lot to the local community and invite young children to "trick or treat" in costume as we hang out, have fun, and enjoy the stunning works of art people create out of the trunks of their cars. We're going to need volunteers and candy donations to really make this event as great as it was last year though! More info about how to get involved will be available soon, but in the meantime, if you're interested in donating unopened bags of Candy or serving at the Trunk or Treat, please let myself, Grant Kay, or Steve Ritz know!

Thanks so much for making what I do possible, and I am eager for the opportunity to bless our community with an AMAZING Trunk or Treat on the 28th, and our students each and every Wednesday night with our incredible programs!

In Him,
Tony Daskalakis
Director of Youth Ministry

Prayer Concerns

In Hospital: Ed Bodor is being treated in the hospital and slowly improving. Please keep Ed in your prayers for his strength and healing, also hold his family up in prayer during this stressful time.

On Hospice: Dolores, John Melbourne's cousin, is nearing the end of her earthly journey. The family is praying that she will soon be released from her suffering and pain. Please lift her up in prayer for God's mercy to be with her and give strength and comfort to her family.

At Home: Ken Stahl is scheduled for surgery on October 4th to remove the tumor on his pancreas, it will be a 6 hour surgery. Prayers for wisdom are needed for the medical team in charge of his care. Please keep Ken in your prayers for God to send His strength and comfort to him as he waits for his surgery, as well as God's peace to be with his family.

Marie Keinath needs our prayers as she continues to heal from her fractured wrist.

Robin, Neil's friend, had successful breast surgery last Friday, the 16th. Please keep Robin in prayer for her complete recovery. **Darah Bascham** had her cast removed and began her P.T. this week. Please keep her in prayer for her complete healing. **Tom** continues to have wound treatments on his ankle, he will be seeing his doctor on November 16th. Please pray for his complete healing. **Van Cooke** is making good progress, her knee is no longer giving her problems and her scalp is healing well. Please keep her in prayer for her strength and balance and God's peace to surround her.

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. **Glenn Graham** needs our prayers for God's peace and comfort to surround her. **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 continued healing. **Lori**, Gerry Ritz's daughter, continues to need our strong prayer support for her strength and comfort in her battle with cancer. **Robert Keller**; prayers for his peace and comfort.

Dick Wohletz was called home to be with the Lord on Saturday, September 17th. Please hold Dick in your prayers as he makes his spiritual journey to his heavenly home. Lift Lynda and their family up in prayer for God to surround them with His peace and comfort during this difficult time.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PBPC?



Please join us in welcoming our Church Custodian,
Rene Cruz!

You can find Rene on campus:

Sunday and Friday: 7 AM – 12 PM

Mon, Tue, Wed, and Thursday: 7 AM – 2 PM

Rene can be reached by email at Rene@pbpres.org.

Vocal Aerobics

Will be held Thursday, October 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. This will be a great time for singers of any ability (or lack thereof) to stretch out the vocal folds, increase breath control, expand range, sing an anthem or two and have fun with your singing mates! Other flexible time small rehearsals will be arranged as needed. A choral anthem is planned for October 9! For more information and rehearsal updates, please contact Esther at esther@pbpres.org

Quarterly Fireside Chat
with Pastor Bill on Sunday,
October 23 at 11:15 AM

PASTOR BILL'S WEEKDAY OFFICE HOURS

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

October Birthdays

Larry Cox - Oct 01
Barbara Abrams - Oct 04
Helen Stahl - Oct 04
Donna Pierce - Oct 05
Betty Durst - Oct 09
Polly Imus - Oct 10
Janice Myers - Oct 10
Bill Adam - Oct 12
Dolores Seale - Oct 12
Robert Gerow - Oct 17
Jean Stone - Oct 17
Frances "Fran" Aitcheson - Oct 24
Grant Kay - Oct 25
James Stahl - Oct 25



PHOTOS FROM SEPT 20 PRESBYTERY MEETING

Frances Lin (Stated Clerk) & Rev. Dr.
Greg Bostrom (Pastor, Christ
Presbyterian)



Rev. Dr. Paul Cunningham
(Pastor, La Jolla Presbyterian)



View from PBPC Chancel



Complimentary Refreshments Station

Presbytery Meeting

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OCTOBER SERMON SCHEDULE

Fall Season 2022 Sermon Series: “Emotionally Healthy Discipleship”

<u>Date</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Scripture</u>	<u>Special Event</u>
October 2:	“X Marks the Spot”	Psalm 34:15-22	The Lord’s Supper
October 9:	“Measuring Up”	1 Corinthians 1:1-13	Peace & Global Witness Offering
October 16:	“A Theology of Weakness”	2 Corinthians 12:1-10	Grant Kay preaching

Reformation Season 2022 Sermon Series: “The Five Solas”

<u>Date</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Scripture</u>	<u>Special Event</u>
October 23:	“Sola Scriptura”	2 Peter 1:12-21	Quarterly Fireside Chat
October 30:	“Sola Fide”	Romans 1:16-20	Stewardship Season Kickoff