

The Beacon August 2017

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Pastor Chris's Message

It's hard to believe it's already August! At times it feels like we just finished our Christmas services. Where did the time go? Part of the reason it feels time is flying is that this has been a very exciting year at Bethania. It's been a time of increased activity, new and renewed programs, new members, and a growing family! As a church we have been reaching out to the community and letting people know Bethania is a place of welcome centered in God's love.

I want to take you back to last November. Council presented a budget that reflects all the wonderful things we're doing at Bethania and it was a budget that had a slight deficit. We are in a healthy place as a church and we felt the time was now to try some new stuff in the hopes of including new people into our community and all of that was going to take an investment by the church.

As the pastor of Bethania, I'm happy we passed this budget and I have faith that we are getting involved with the community in a Christ-led way. One of our hopes as council was that our church members would see what new ways we're reaching out and feel a sense of ownership as our call to spread the Good News of God's love for all people by giving a little above our regular giving when possible.

The income of our budget this year has pretty much been on par with the last few years and as we get towards the end of the summer we're still running a slight deficit. Summer is also a difficult time when typical giving drops because people go out town on vacation.

I wanted to take this time to remind everyone of the wonderful work we're doing at Bethania and where those offerings go. Our youth program is back on its feet and we're continuing to grow, we are hosting more community events that are welcoming more and more new people to our church, we've started a second service which has a strong core of people who were previously not part of Bethania and now call it home, and we are continuing to be a source of support and love for Iglesia Santa Cruz and our brothers and sisters struggling overseas in impoverished parts of the world. We are an active church!

I know many of our members give what they can and it's a lot. I don't want to discount anyone's giving because it's meaningful. But if anyone can find it to increase their giving to the smallest amount, or if anyone has been unable to give in a while because they've been out of town and would be able to do so, or if anyone has the ability to make an increased one time gift above their regular giving, all of these would go a long way.

There are amazing roots and an incredible history here at Bethania. I've heard so many stories of your fondest memories and what you love about this church. For a long time now, a lot of ministries and programs have taken a drop – programs like Vacation Bible School, which we just started again for the first time in 10 years. My dream for Bethania is that it is the buzzing place many of you remember, but in order to do that we need to continue reaching out and welcoming new people. We have a budget that reflects that dream and we can continue to use your help in any way you can. Thank you all so much for how dedicated you are to this church and to its ministry and I continue to look forward to our future together.

**In Christ's Love,
Pastor Chris**



Picture of the Browns

We're happy to share the news of the arrival of Vesper Livier Brown, born on July 15. She weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz. Her happy parents, of course, are Pastor Chris and Livier Brown, Director of Youth & Family Ministry

Welcome, Vesper!

Ministry at Bethania

Sunday School Starts Up

Sunday School for children pre-K - 8th grades will begin Aug. 20 at 5 pm in the Fireside Room.

Sunday School Teachers Needed

Sunday School is getting geared up for its start day on Sunday, Aug. 20th and we need your help! You don't have to be a teacher and you don't have

to be an expert. You just need a desire to help out! Sunday School will be every Sunday evening during our 5 pm service. We're doing a registration push to get more kids signed up for the upcoming program year, but we need teachers to help out, so if this is something you'd like to do, please talk to Pastor Chris or Donna Hinsbeeck.

Confirmation Begins

Confirmation begins with orientation on Sunday, Aug. 27 from 3-4 pm in the Fireside Room. Students entering 6th or 7th grades are invited to attend, as well as 8th graders.

Bethania Preschool & After School Program

Hard to believe another summer has gone by. We ended our summer programs with a Celebration Splash!! We had a water slide, a picnic and ice cream sundaes!

We are busy preparing for the new school year. Classrooms are being “spruced up”, and lesson plans finalized. Our new year will begin on Aug. 17, 2017.

Our staff includes:

Eileen Knotts, Director – 27 years

Wanda Piatt, Preschool Teacher – 23 years

Angelica Jimenez, Office assistant/snack cook – 17 years

Christina Corona, Preschool Teacher – 12 years

Stephanie Diaz, Preschool and After School Teacher Aide – 11 years

Melissa Gould, Preschool Teacher – 6 years

Anahi Uribe, Preschool Teacher – 2 years

Diana Solorzano, Preschool Aide/After School Teacher – 2 years

Monica Berch, Preschool Aide – 1 year

Alicia Fournier, Preschool/After School Aide – 5 months

Fabiola Garcia, After School Aide – 1 month

Please stop by sometime and see your Preschool in action!

- **Eileen Knotts**

Ministry in the Community and Around the World

Noisy Sunday is Coming: Aug. 27

Preschool Teachers & School Supplies

The next “Noisy Sunday” is coming on Aug. 27, so get ready! We will use the donated change to help meet the needs of our Preschool teachers (*see related article*) and other children, along with purchasing some of the materials needed for our school and health kits. School supplies are a great deal right now with lots of sales, and we are gearing up for our big packing day in September for both of the LWR kits. See the item list elsewhere in the Beacon for items you can pick up (some for as little as \$0.25!) We all really “make change for the better” with the Noisy Sunday! So bring your coins and make a noise on Aug. 27th. Together, we can CHANGE the world by helping our teachers, students and children, here and around the world.

Grief Group meets on 3rd Mondays

Our Grief Group gathers Monday, **Aug. 21** (and on the 3rd Monday of each month) at **5:15 pm** in the parlor at St. Mark's Episcopal Church. The group is led by an experienced facilitator, **Anna Cook**, who brings significant background and training to the leadership of the group. Please pass the word about this resource. All are welcome at this non-sectarian program to regain strength after loss.

Food Drive for Iglesia's Pantry Continues

Iglesia Luterana is a mission start-up church based at Bethel Lutheran. The members of Iglesia are mainly field workers, who depend on the strawberry crops and other picking jobs for income. Many of these families support extended family members who are single parents or parentless children. If you would like to contribute funds to this project and have us do the shopping, you can earmark your donation "**Iglesia Food**" and drop it in the offering plate or at the church office. If you would like to donate, items most needed at this time to re-stock the pantry for Iglesia families include:

5 lb. bags of flour (maseca) **5 lb. bags of white rice** **3 lb. bags of Pinto beans**
Peanut Butter **Canola Oil (used for cooking their tortillas)**
Canned chicken (no tuna, please!)
Canned Vegetables (Corn, Green Beans, Refried Beans, Peas, Mixed Vegetables)
Large cans of Hominy **Canned Soups (Chicken Noodle or Beef)**
Breakfast Cereal and Breakfast Bars **Diapers (any size, age)**

Items which Pastor Esteban could use for the Youth program:

Packaged Cookies **Microwave Popcorn** **Snack Crackers**
Juice (Apple Fruit Punch, Lemonade, Orangeade)

The list above is also in the narthex at church.

Thank you for making a difference to people who are struggling in our area, and supporting other Christians involved in a young, vibrant mission church. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 688-3059 (home) or 688-5219 (work) or by email: vikingsprint@verizon.net

- **Linda Marzullo**

Help Supply the Preschool Teachers

A new school year is fast approaching and our very own excellent Preschool Teachers could use some help. Here are a list of the items the teachers would love to have, so that they don't have to purchase them out of their own pockets:

Clorox Wipes Stickers for rewards DVD player Dress up clothes
Barbies and Barbie clothes & accessories Colored sharpies Wagon
Dry Erase Markers Toys or money for new toys
Gift Cards for WalMart, office supply stores or CVS

You may deliver these items to the church office, Eileen's office, or the Parish Hall box for the Preschool. Thank you!

- **Linda Marzullo**

Note: Some of the funds from this month's Noisy Offering may be used to help our Preschool Teachers with their supplies. See related article.

LWR Kit Assembly Day: Sept. 10th

Personal Care & School Supply Kit Items Still Needed!

As part of the ELCA "Day of Service" on Sept. 10, we will be assembling both School Kits and Personal Care Kits in the Parish Hall. All ages and abilities are welcome to help – you can be a part of the "assembly line" no matter what your age or skill level. There are plenty of spaces for willing workers! You can count, gather, wrap, tie, box...fun for all ages as we see the piles mount and boxes fill up. Our collection of the needed items continues to grow as we head towards the finish line – but don't stop just yet! We will continue to collect items for the final assembly day through Sept. 10th. Donation boxes are in the Parish Hall by the Sunday School office, or you may drop items off at the Church Office during the week.

Why Personal Care Kits? When LWR distributes these kits, it's often to people who have lost everything. Around the world people suffer each day because of lack of basic hygiene. In refugee camps and in the world's poorest communities, a few simple items can mean the difference between sickness and health, and life and death.

Why School Supplies? To the children who receive School Kits, these supplies mean the difference between getting an education or not. In the places where LWR works, even a few required supplies, like pens and paper, may be more than many families can afford. And when parents can only afford to send one of their children to school, girls rarely get priority... yet the education level of women has the biggest impact on entire communities. Thanks to funds from Thrivent Financial, the purchase of the backpacks to pack the school items into has been granted for our use.

Here are the items we are collecting. Watch for sales and specials to get the best deal on these items! Or donate to the Noisy Offering on Aug. 27th, or earmark your donation funds on your offering envelope.

Items needed are:

1. Bath size towels (light weight, between 20"x40" & 27"x52"), dark colors preferred
2. Bars of soap (4-5 oz., any brand, in original wrapping – 2 per kit)
3. Toothbrush (adult size, in original packaging – bulk buys can be repackaged by us)
4. Comb, sturdy wide toothed
5. Nail clippers (with or without nail files)

For School Supply Kits:

1. 70 sheet College ruled Notebooks (spiral bound)
2. Rulers with centimeters and inches
3. Pencil sharpeners
4. Blunt tip scissors
5. #2 Pencils
6. 2-1/2" Erasers
7. Black or Blue INK pens (not gel)
8. Box of Crayons (16 or 24 count)

If you have any questions, contact the church office or Linda Marzullo at work: 688-5219 or via email: vikingpressprint@verizon.net

A Modern Day Good Samaritan

Upon delivering a combined 62 lbs. of food, clothing and toiletries to the Iglesia congregation at Bethel Lutheran in Santa Maria, Pastor Esteban and his wife Angie shared photographs and stories of their previous week's work in Santa Maria.

During the Alamo Fire, Pastor and Angie had to take a long way home to Bakersfield since Highway 166 was closed. During one of these trips they saw a car by the side of the road. They stopped to see if help was needed. The man had blown his tire, had no spare, and only \$3 in his pocket. He had run out of water and food long before Pastor and Angie had stopped. Pastor Esteban and Angie shared with him what they had in food and water, and asked him to give them this tire. He was very reluctant, but finally gave the tire to them. They then backtracked to a place where they could get the tire repaired. Upon hearing their story the repair shop charged no labor, just the cost of materials. They stopped at a 7-11 and picked up some sandwiches and drinks for the man, and upon hearing their story the clerk charged them only for the sandwiches, not the drinks! When the stranded motorist saw them returning he started crying...and thanked them profusely for their help. Apparently, he was afraid he would never see them again and his tire would be lost to him.

They also related another tale of their previous visit to the strawberry fields, and shared the photographs. They had fed 110 field workers that day, with the permission of the foreman. The workers were grateful. At the end of the meal, the only food that remained was one small bread roll! Angie stated that luckily she took photos, since some people have refused to believe that they would actually go to the fields and take care of the workers this way.

Iglesia Luterana Santa Cruz is doing great work and outreach under the guidance of Pastor Esteban and Angie. I am proud that we support them and their ministry with our donations of food, clothing, sanitary items and financial support. They are truly being "good Samaritans" to so many needy people.

- Carolynn Petersen

Note: See the list of items needed by Iglesia in this issue of the Beacon.

Keep it Coming...and Going - Helping Yourself and Others!

As of July 23, you have generously donated and "purchased" \$1000.00 to fight World Hunger through the ELCA Good Gifts program, which provides baby chicks, fruit trees, sheep, cattle, water wells, fish farms and more together with the training to make these projects successful. Please continue to share your abundance from your garden (or your neighbor's garden!) and check out the Produce Table in the breezeway following morning worship service. Any questions? Do you want to help? Let me know.

- Carolynn Petersen 688-6243

P.S. Rosa at the Strawberry Stand on Alamo Pintado Road has been very generous to the Produce Table. Please support her if you need strawberries or other fresh produce (that we don't have on the table!). And please say "thank you" to her for her donations and support.

Church Life

It's



Time!

The Outreach Committee has planned another End of the Summer Barbecue for families and friends of Bethania on

Sunday, Aug. 13th

We will gather following our 9:30 am service for a lunch of hamburgers and hot dogs, with some special fun and surprises for children and their families!

Lunch will be served at 11:15 this year!

We will also be registering children for our 2017/18 Sunday School year so make sure you come ready to sign your children up for year of fun and sharing about our relationship with God!

We hope you will plan to attend and share an afternoon of fun, food and fellowship. **Please bring the whole family and a salad to share.** We are providing hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, and strawberry shortcake for dessert.

Mark your calendars and plan to join us as we share a good time, good food, and a great afternoon! Every year we get bigger and better!! Come see what we have planned for this year!!

Sunday, Aug. 13, 2017 11:15 am

Summer Theo Pub

Theology Pub is continuing through the summer, but in its summer format. For August there is no planned topic. It's a time for people to come with their questions, their topics, their doubts, or with whatever is on their mind. It's a safe space to talk about anything surrounding life or faith or whatever is on your heart. Gather with good friends, refreshing drinks, and great conversation every Second Thursday of the month (Aug. 10) at 7 pm at Solvang Brewing Company. See you there!

Bethania Book Group

We are reading Against the Flow, The inspiration of Daniel in an Age of Relativism by John C. Lennox. We meet the third Wednesday of each month from 2-3:30 pm so next meeting will be Aug. 16 in the Parish Hall.

Gather Bible Study

The Gather Bible study will be held on Thursday, Aug. 17 at 10:30 am in the Atterdag Lounge on the campus of Atterdag Village. The Apostle Paul wrote to the Christians in Rome, advising them to be good citizens. See Romans chapters 12 -14. The Pharisees had strict rules about doing any work on the Sabbath, but Jesus healed people on the Sabbath because he cared about them. See Matthew 12:1-24. This study is printed in the July-August "Gather" magazine. All are welcome.

Coffee Hour at Bethania

How many of you enjoy the fellowship of joining with others after our worship on Sunday morning for a hot cup of coffee and a nice snack of cake, cookies, muffins or strawberries? It is a wonderful time to great other members, visit with friends, catch up on news and greet visitors who have joined us for our worship service.

This very special experience couldn't happen without the generous time given by those who volunteer to bring those wonderful "goodies" that we all enjoy so much and then set up and clean up afterward.

If you have noticed there is a calendar at the coffee table each Sunday. It is there for members to sign up to host coffee time on one or more Sundays during the year. Many of our members are especially generous and sign up for many Sundays, however there are often times when no one has signed up. This is happening more and more often lately and we are hoping with a little encouragement we can get a few more wonderful members to join in as coffee hosts once in awhile.

You do not need to do anything fancy. Just bring in some cookies or coffee cake or buy something to share. I know sometimes it seems as though people prepare impressive displays, but that is not necessary at all. We enjoy a plate of cookies as much as something fancy and time consuming to prepare.

If you would be willing to host coffee but feel that it would be nice to share the job with someone else there are many in the congregation who would be more than willing to do that. If you need to have help finding someone let Marilyn Larsen or Kristyl know and they will be glad to help connect you with someone. Marilyn is also always more than willing to help with what needs to be done to get everything set up and cleaned up.

We are extremely grateful to Bob Jensen who always makes the coffee and gets most of the set up done for us! That makes our host's job much easier!

Thank you in advance for your help in making our coffee time continue to be a time that we can all enjoy.

- Marilyn Larsen

Thumbnail Portrait - Get to Know Your Bishop: Bishop R. Guy Erwin



Picture of Bishop Erwin with Dan and Robin Gehrs

Preface from Robin Gehrs: I have just returned from a most insightful educational tour to Germany led by Bishop Guy Erwin and Pastor Russ Gordon following the footsteps of Martin Luther and the Reformation on this 500th anniversary of his posting of the 95 Theses in Wittenberg. (I know you enjoyed last month's Thumbnail Sketch of Martin Luther written by Emily Abello!) Dan and I were so impressed with the Bishop's depth of knowledge that I wanted to learn more about him. I have always felt Bishops in general were on an esteemed

level so far above us as to be untouchable, yet we found Bishop Erwin to be not only extremely intelligent but also to be very approachable, kind, and friendly. Here is his story:

Bishop Guy Erwin was born in Pawhuska, Oklahoma, a suburb of Tulsa and a small town of less than 4,000 located on the northern border of the state. It is the county seat of Osage County. The Osage tribal government opened its tribal offices there in 1872, and indeed Bishop Erwin is a member of the Osage Nation. Another claim to fame of Pawhuska is that the first United States Boy Scout troop was said to have organized there in 1909.

Bishop Erwin as a scholar and academic found himself led to studies of Luther and the Reformation. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Harvard College in 1980.

He continued his schooling at Yale Graduate School of Arts and Sciences including time spent in academia abroad at the universities of Tübingen and Leipzig in Germany. Bishop

Erwin is fluent in German. He earned his Master of Arts and Master of Philosophy before moving on to achieve his Doctor of Philosophy from Yale University.

From 1986 to 2000 Bishop Erwin was a parish associate at Emmanuel Lutheran church in New Haven, Connecticut. From 1993 to 1999 he was a lecturer in church history in the Yale Divinity School where he taught History of Western Christianity as well as courses on Martin Luther, the Pietists and other specialties.

In 2000 Bishop Erwin began teaching at California Lutheran University in Thousand Oaks. During the 2006-2007 academic year he was Visiting Professor at Yale Divinity School while on sabbatical from California Lutheran University. In August 2008 he advanced at California Lutheran University to the rank of full professor.

On May 11, 2011 Bishop Erwin was ordained. On May 31, 2013 Bishop Erwin was elected to serve a six-year term as Bishop of the Southwest California Synod ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church of America), which coincidentally is the largest US Lutheran denomination. He was not only the first gay bishop to be elected but also the first bishop of Native American ancestry, he was a PhD, and one of the world's best known Luther scholars.

Bishop Erwin was married to Rob Flynn in August of 2013 and they live in Los Angeles.

He has been a familiar face at Bethania serving as both our Bishop and as a speaker at our Farstrup-Mortensen Lecture Series including this past February when he spoke on "The Reformation and It's Consequences".

Bishop Erwin tweeted on July 4, 2017 "A people united in compassion and fairness can change the world, even in the face of human flaws and the limits of our vision. To be such a people should be our common goal; our loyalty should be to that ideal." A very humanistic statement from a very human man.

- **Robin Gehrs**

Congregational Business

Council Highlights - Meetings of June and July 2017

- At our June meeting the Council voted to request that the Heritage Fund look at the possibility of purchasing new cushions for the church pews, and at getting an estimate for the refinishing of the pews.
- At the July meeting Council spent time discussing the financial report, which showed offerings below budget and expenses above income. This was noted of and it was agreed we need to keep a close eye on our income for the next few months to make certain we are covering our expenses.
- Pastor Chris reported that VBS went extremely well with 23 children attending and 65 volunteers working very hard to make it a great week for all.

Marilyn Larsen, Council Secretary

Treasurer's Report/June Financial Statement - July 15, 2017

Balance sheet:

- The cash position is at its lowest point of the year, with only \$6,506 in the cash account. We would prefer to have at least \$10,000 in the cash account at all times. The primary reason for the drop in the cash account is the offerings for the month were \$6,385 below budget.
- The money market fund went up slightly (\$400) to \$91,780.
- All liabilities are current with the normal exception of the pension fund (\$1,767)
- There is cause for concern with the erosion of cash on the balance sheet. Thus far we have been able to meet our obligations, but we will need to see improvement in the cash position as we go through the summer.

Profit & Loss Budget Performance:

Income:

- Other income (rental receipts, etc.) slowed down in June, as there was not significant rental income, and we refunded \$205 from a previous rental. However, we are still significantly ahead of budget in this line item (\$7,596 versus \$4,719 budgeted) for the first six months.
- We also received donations for VBS in the amount of \$1,035. At this time we do not know the total expenses, as some bills were received in early July.
- Other receipts totaled \$950 versus \$725 budgeted.
- Total income for the month was \$15,685 compared to \$21,921 budgeted. Total income for the year was \$132,581 compared to \$134,795 or 98% of the budget for the first six months.

Expenses:

- Benevolence was down by \$675 largely due to decreased offerings.
- Salary & benefits were up by \$1,623 for the month. Most of the increase came from site supervisors (paid for rental groups) of \$750 and guest pastor (\$373). Salary and benefit expenses are at 106% of budget through the end of June.
- Staff expenses were up slightly for the month, but are at 89% of year to date budget.
- Office administration expense were up by \$814 for the month. Most of that increase was related to printing and office supplies for VBS
- Property expenses were up by \$1,020 for the month. As our liability insurance renewed, we had to pay a deposit premium in addition to the normal monthly insurance amount.
- Utilities for the month were up slightly, but are at 91% of budget for the first six months.
- Christian education was up significantly due to VBS expenses (\$878 thus far)
- All other expenses were at or below budget.
- Overall expenses were 104% of budget compared to 98% of income.

Overall:

June was the first significant month where we incurred a sizable deficit. Our overall expenses exceeded our overall income by \$11,711. This is a serious concern. Historically the summer months have shown a drop in overall giving. If we are to balance our budget for the year, we need to reverse this trend for the next two months of summer, and increase giving through the remainder of the year.

- Ron Walsh, Treasurer

Thank You...On behalf of the all the staff and especially the children who attend Circle V Ranch Camp, I want to thank you for your very kind and generous donation of \$182. Please know that Circle V Ranch Camp greatly appreciates your support and commitment that gives youth the opportunity to make new friends, experience the great outdoors and grow in faith. Your desire to support youth is evident with your generous donation. I, along with all the staff at Circle V, am most grateful to you. Thank you for being a Friend of Circle V Ranch Camp.

- **Nadine Melancon, Committee Chair, Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

Thank You...My thanks to the Child Care Board for the tree planted in my honor. What a surprise!! Bethania can be so proud of this program. The director, Eileen, and her staff not only teach and take care of the children but they are very caring in the way they do it. It has been a privilege to have serve all of these years and see the progress that has been made.

- **Myra Petersen**

Thank You...

DearCarolynn D. Petersen,

I am writing to thank you for generously awarding me the Bethania Lutheran Church Endowment Fund Scholarship of \$1,000. I intend to go to California State University Northridge and study business, specifically accounting. As for a career, I would like to become an accountant just plain and simple. Your scholarship will help me achieve these goals and I am honored to have been a recipient of the church's generosity. By awarding me the Bethania Lutheran Church Endowment Fund Scholarship, I am able to concentrate on what is important for me: education. Your financial generosity has allowed me to be one step closer to my goal and has inspired me to help other students achieve their goals just as you have helped me. One of my goals is to have my own local scholarship.

**With gratitude,
Andres Navarro**

In Our Hearts, In Our Prayers

Immediate Prayer Concerns: Brianna Ceballos, Pat Green, Kathy Hackler, Berdella Johnson, Staff and Volunteers at Circle V Camp, Rancho Alegre and Camp Whittier

Other Prayer Concerns: Robin Adkins, Esther Bates, Baby Leo (Iglesia Luterana), Joe & Pat Bode, Annette Clausen, Caylin, Katy & Kay Corlee, Dolores Dederding, Don DeLaney, Lois De Meyer, George Eckman, Terri Elwess, Armando Franco, Chris Frederiksen, Debbie Fritts, Dolores Gehrs, Chris Gideon, Sharon, Sarah & Casey Harris, Carolyn Henrikson, Michael Jech, Robert & Gail Jennings, Chris Kaping, Kim Kenton, Kate Knotts, Carol Lake, Stephanie Larrabee, Curtis Lee, Richard Lindekens, Ethel Litwiler, Steve & Betsy Logan, Anne Mansfield, Linda & Rick Marzullo, Amber Mee, Brian Merrick, Denise Morris, Roger Myers, Helen Nielsen, Marie Ostertag, Marc & Laurie Owens, Bree Parker, Doyle Phillips, Jonathan Poldberg, Audrey Robinson, Chris Roed, Jean & Bill Stelling, Carol Summit, Dave & Theresa Tannascoli, Clay Tremblay-McGaw, Tina Walen, Alisha & Anna Marie Wilson and Robert Workman

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6 9:30 am Worship: CH 5 pm Evening Worship: CH	7 9:30 am Staff Mtg: OFC 6:30 pm Tai Chi:PH 8 pm AA:FR	8	9 12:45 pm Quilting/ Sewing: PH	10 12 noon-2 pm Jodi House Support Group:PH 7 pm Theology Pub: Solvang Brewing Co.	11	12 Set-Up for BBQ: PH
13 9:30 am Worship: CH 11:15 am Church BBQ 5 pm Sunday School: FR	14 9:30 am Staff Mtg: OFC 6:30 pm Tai Chi:PH 8 pm AA: FR	15	16 2 pm Book Discussion Group: PH	17 10 am Communion: AV 10:30 am Gather Bible Study:AV 12 noon-2 pm Jodi House Support Group:PH 7 pm Council: FR	18	19
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Sunday Schedule
9:30 am Worship
11:00 am Adult Forum
5:00 pm Worship
5:00 pm Sunday School

Summer BBQ

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11:15 a.m.