

# The Beacon

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## Pastor Chris's Message

### There's Always Room at His Table By Scott Macaulay

In September of 1985, when I was 24, my folks decided to get divorced. I was taught that to be a good son, I needed to be supportive and loving to each parent and to my siblings. But nobody was talking to anybody.

If you were nice to one parent, the other one would get mad at you. So when October came, I thought, "What's going to happen at Thanksgiving?" And I just did not like the thought of being home alone—or anywhere alone—on Thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving is not about gifts or fireworks or hoopla. It's a meal around a table where you give thanks for the blessings you have, and you really can't do that by yourself and have much fun.

I decided to put an ad in the local paper: If people thought they would find themselves alone, they could give me a call, and I would make a Thanksgiving dinner. That first year, a few people came, and they had a good time. I was nervous about making a mess out of the food and disappointing people. But the food was OK, and I didn't burn anything.

I've held the dinner every year since. Last Thanksgiving, 84 people showed up. Sometimes they're new to town; sometimes they're recently divorced or widowed. I've had people who were new to the country and didn't speak any English, but they enjoyed my Thanksgiving dinner. I've had poor people, people who come from AA, old people. Also, not counted within that number: I always feed the police. The firefighters and EMTs are in buildings with kitchens and can have their own Thanksgiving dinner among themselves, but the police officers are in their cars, driving around town on call.

Two years ago, a woman with Parkinson's disease came, and she was not good on her feet. She had been in a nursing home for seven years and had never been out. Somebody told her about the dinner, and she hired an ambulance to bring her, at \$200 plus mileage. She had a great time, and she cried when the ambulance returned to get her. She didn't want to go home.

Most of the people who come don't know who I am. They know that there's some skinny guy in the kitchen, but they don't know my name. I think the theme of my life, and everything I do, could be summed up with the name of an old hymn called "Brighten the Corner Where

You Are." I hope my legacy will be that I came into the world, I brightened the corner, and then I quietly left the world unnoticed.

*Recorded on October 21, 2010. This year, Scott will host his 28th Thanksgiving dinner, which will be held at the First Baptist Church in Melrose, Massachusetts. He'll spend the day before the feast decorating the room, and on Thanksgiving, he'll arrive at 4 a.m. to put the turkeys in the oven.*

## Ministry at Bethania

### Youth and Family Ministry



Pastor Chris, Livier and youth at the Escape Room in Goleta and Hans Christian Andersen Park



## **Hello Bethania and Intrigued Visitors,**

Confirmation will be meeting Sunday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> from 3-5 pm in our Fireside Room. Please invite any middle schoolers who want to learn more about the Bible and one's path in faith.

Youth Group will be meeting on Sunday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> from 3-5 pm in our Fireside Room. Please feel free to invite any high school aged students to join in conversation and fun activities.

We are collecting books for a book sale. The proceeds will go to help fund the ELCA Youth Group trip to Houston, TX. A collection has begun in the back of the stage in the Parish Hall. The formal book sale will be this season. We thank you for your donations. We accept any monetary donation to help the kids attend the gathering as well. Please make check to Bethania and Youth Fund in the memo line.

ELCA Youth Gathering will be next summer and the deadline is fast approaching. The longer we wait to register the higher the admission will be. Keep in mind it will be in Houston, Texas where the devastating hurricane and flooding took place. Let us all continue to keep those affected in our prayers and send whatever resources we can. I feel our youth have so much to gain in attending the ELCA Youth Gathering next summer. It will be a great learning and faith building opportunity to be a part of and look back on.

Please let us encourage our efforts to promote our mission that all are loved.

Be kind and loving to one another,

**Livier (Liv-EE-air) Ghamari-Brown**

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## **Check Out Bethania Preschool & After School**

It's time for Fall projects at the Preschool. We will be using a variety of art supplies and nature finds to create fall leaves, corn, cornucopias, scarecrows, trees, leaf rubbings, wreaths and of course, turkeys. The children will learn about the changes in weather and trees, animals preparing for hibernation, Pilgrims, Indians and the first Thanksgiving. Each classroom will have its' own "Thanksgiving Feast". Each child will bring something to the "feast" just as the Pilgrims and Indians did. Some classes will celebrate with traditional Thanksgiving foods, while some will celebrate by bringing in their favorite food. Either way it is a chance to contribute and share, a great teachable moment. In addition Miss Wanda's class will be performing a short skit about the first Thanksgiving.

We at the Preschool and After School wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving.

**Eileen Knotts, Director**

## Ministry in the Community and Around the World

### Grief Group Meets on 3rd Mondays

A Grief Group gathers Monday, Nov. 20 at **5:15 pm** in the parlor at St. Mark's Episcopal Church. The group is led by our very own **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 time of sharing to regain strength after loss.



We recently received a **Certificate of Appreciation from the ELCA World Hunger/Good Gifts Program** for our \$2000 donation from the Produce Table. Thank you to everyone who contributed to world hunger relief. The original certificate is on display in the Parish Hall.

## **Christmas Angels & Preschool Presents: Calling all Angels!**

Would you like to be an "angel" to a needy child? Dust off your angel wings if you would be interested in helping to make Christmas special for a child this year.

Close to home, the **Christmas Angel** project helps the members of Iglesia Luterana Santa Cruz by providing Christmas gifts for needy children. Iglesia is a mission start up church based at Bethel in Santa Maria, which serves the very poorest of the farm workers who often live in difficult circumstances. Oftentimes families share one bed or live in someone else's garage without heat or running water. Many of the children may not have shoes, warm clothing or enough to eat. Agricultural conditions, weather and the economy directly affect these hard-working families, especially during the winter months. *(The Noisy Offering on Nov. 26 will support the Christmas Angels/Preschool Presents gift purchases - see related article.)*

Even closer to home, the **Preschool Present** project helps to support local families who attend Bethania Preschool and After School program. These local families are chosen by Preschool Director Eileen Knotts. Your donations will assist us in purchasing gifts and other necessary items for local children, to help these families who require some assistance to make their child's Christmas special. If you would like to shop for a Preschool child or make a donation to this project, you can earmark it "Preschool Presents". *(This is a different donation from the Preschool Scholarship Fund.)*

We would be happy to have your Angelic assistance for any of these children. If you are interested in sponsoring a child through the Christmas Angel or the Preschool Presents Projects, donations of any amount are welcome. If you would prefer to do the shopping on your own, or make a contribution of an item on a child's wish list, please let Linda Marzullo know. All of the children/families have specific needs and/or requests we are going to try to fulfill, based on their "wish lists". As soon as we receive the "wish lists" we will be able to coordinate meeting the children's needs. Contact Linda Marzullo if you would like to be an Angel and adopt a child through fulfilling their wish list.

We need willing hands and generous hearts to make these gifts happen and keep our funding through Thrivent. Would you consider enriching your holiday by helping others in need?

Our "Christmas Wrap" Party, when we package and wrap the gifts for the children while Carols are sung, will be held Dec. 17, and the gifts delivered to Iglesia in time for their Christmas Party.

Please contact Linda Marzullo with any questions at [vikingpressprint@verizon.net](mailto:vikingpressprint@verizon.net), work 688-5219 or the church office.

## InGathering of Supplies for Lutheran World Relief



John and Chris Jones ready to go to Mt. Cross Lutheran Church in Camarillo

Our thanks...

...to the women of the quilting group who made 43 quilts for Lutheran World Relief  
...to the members of the congregation who donated materials and assembled 197 personal health kits and 204 school kits, and for the "Noisy Offering" (\$259.68) in September to help with shipping costs  
...to John and Chris Jones for taking these supplies as well as those from Hope Lutheran Church, Atascadero (71 boxes total), to Mt. Cross Lutheran Church in Camarillo for the InGathering. (John really knows how to pack their truck!)

**Lutheran World Relief** also thanks Bethania for the tremendous support "for families in the world's poorest communities. In 2016, your support of LWR reached 3,467,823 people in 32 countries through 118 projects." ([LWR.org](http://LWR.org))

Besides quilts, school kits, and nursery kits, Lutheran World Relief also is able to help with other needs for people struggling with daily survival. One such area is Syria. LWR has worked to help repair and renovate bakeries in two areas of the Aleppo district. Those bakeries will provide affordable, daily bread to more than 80,000 people.



71 boxes of supplies from Bethania and Hope, Atascadero

## Food Drive Continues for Iglesia Luterana Santa Cruz

You are invited to bring donations to the box in the Parish Hall to help the members of Iglesia. The people who attend Iglesia Luterana de Santa Cruz in Santa Maria are the poorest of the poor. Iglesia is a mission start-up church based at Bethel Lutheran. We have become partners in their ministry and continue to support their work. Pastor Esteban Salazar and his wife Angie are very enthusiastic and have so many exciting plans to develop the scope and mission of Iglesia Luterana Santa Cruz.

One of the many innovative things Pastor and Angie have been doing include making free lunch for field workers and bringing it to them in the field. Pastor loves to cook, and they have also been making large meals for families in need in their congregation, bringing the food directly to their homes and ministering to the families. They have also been called upon

many times for emergency funds for medical care, transportation to hospitals, help in translating and explaining medical procedures, and being at the medical centers with frightened, often uneducated people to assist them with the complex system of health care.

Iglesia also serves many families in their congregation through their food pantry, which is a shed on the church grounds at Bethel. In addition, we occasionally contribute gift cards so that families may purchase meat, fresh vegetables, dairy products and other necessities such as diapers. This past year we have been asked to contribute more regularly to their food needs than ever before, and I appreciate your kind and loving support of the food drive over these last months.

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. We encourage everyone to become more educated about families who are the "working poor" and who struggle every day to feed their families in our area.

Items most needed at this time to re-stock the pantry for Iglesia families include:

<b>5 lb. bags of white flour</b>	<b>5 lb. bags of white rice</b>
<b>3 lb. bags of Pinto beans</b>	<b>Canned chicken (no tuna, please!)</b>
<b>Canned Vegetables (Corn, Green Beans, Refried Beans, Peas, Mixed Vegetables)</b>	
<b>Large cans of Hominy</b> ( <i>very popular and relatively inexpensive if you watch for a sale</i> )	
<b>Canned Soups (Chicken Noodle or Beef)</b>	<b>Peanut Butter / Jelly / Honey</b>
<b>Breakfast Cereal and Breakfast Bars</b>	<b>Diapers (any size, age)</b>
<b>Toilet Paper</b>	

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: [viking-pressprint@verizon.net](mailto:viking-pressprint@verizon.net)

## **Noisy Sunday is Coming - Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>**

Our donations from the offering will be used to help purchase Angel Gifts for the children at Iglesia Luterana Santa Cruz (*see related article*).

### ***What will our donations be used towards?***

Donations on Noisy Sunday will help us kick start the purchase of Christmas gifts for needy children who attend Iglesia Luterana Santa Cruz in Santa Maria. The church provides the "wish lists" and we provide the Angels who try to fill the requests. Any amount, large or small, is much appreciated so that we can purchase clothing, jackets, blankets, jackets and shoes in addition to toys for these children.

We all really "make change for the better" with the Noisy Sunday! So bring your coins and make some noise on Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>. Together, we can change a child's world!

## Ongoing Produce Table...until the frost!

We have met our goal of support for the ELCA World Hunger - Good Gifts program of \$2,000. We have now switched to supporting local needs through the Santa Ynez Valley Extension of the Salvation Army.

As of Sunday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, you have donated \$760.88 towards our local needs, which include Holiday Meals, funds for stranded travelers, camperships, and much more. Your donations now will go into the same pot that the Bell Ringers in Solvang collect for during the holiday season!

We will continue the table as long as we have produce, but there have been 3 mornings of frost so far. Even though it usually warms up in the afternoon, and temperatures as I write this are nearing 100°, I cannot say for certain when the table will end. We shall see...If you have produce to share, please bring it and we will see how well we can fulfill our local needs with our gardens.

Much appreciation to everyone who has brought produce for the table, manned the table in my absence and been so encouraging! And an especially heartfelt "thank you" to all of our generous donors (shoppers)!

- **Carolynn Petersen**

## Veterans Stand Down

2017 marked the 6th annual Veterans Stand Down in Santa Barbara County. The event is modeled after other communities that have successfully served homeless and at-risk veterans for years. Last year the Veterans Stand Down served 579 people, of which about a third were homeless. Women veterans also receive special support at the Stand Down. Many veterans wait all year for this event, and must travel to attend. Vandenberg AFB provided support and assistance to the veterans who arrived, as did many other groups.

With the support of donations made to various projects, Bethania was able to provide:

**39 lbs of soap, 22 toothbrushes, toothpaste and shampoo**

The event took place at the Santa Maria Fairpark on Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>, and the following services were some that were provided at no cost to these veterans:

New Clothing and Towels  
Flu Shots  
Mental/PTSD Counseling  
Medical, Dental, Vision  
and Hearing Services  
Employment Counseling

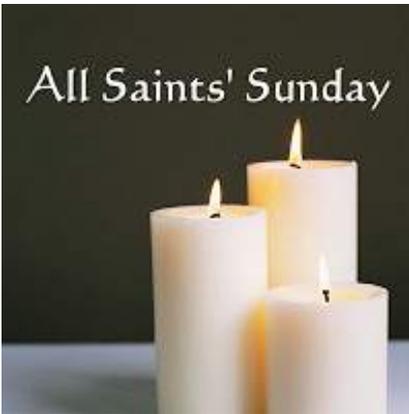
Hygiene Products  
Chaplain Services  
Legal Services  
Social Services  
Kid's Zone for Veteran Families  
Pet Zone including medical, grooming and  
care packages

Haircuts  
Food  
Entertainment  
Transportation

We hope to be able to support next year's event also.

- **Carolynn Petersen**

## Church Life



On Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017 we will light candles in memory of those saints who died between Nov. 1, 2016 and Oct. 31, 2017. We invite everyone to this special remembrance.

Rose Skytt  
Marilyn Morgan  
Lois Vind  
Kirk Ewell  
Connie Mogensen  
Ken FitzGerald  
Edith Moeller  
Tove Matherly

Gerda Larsen  
Myrtle Emerson  
Pete Knoles  
Mary Mathiasen  
Ellie Andrews  
Donna Besser  
Gary Lake

Jack Larsen  
Marian Petersen  
Matt Hatch  
Cora Vandecar  
Pat Knotts  
Geraldine Murray  
Margaret DeMeyer  
Evelyn Helvig



## **Day of the Dead Commemoration**

We invite everyone to contribute an item or picture of a loved one who died to the "Day of the Dead" altar located in the church. Whereas the All Saints' Ceremony remembers the people who died in the last year, the Day of the Dead altar commemorates anyone who has died at anytime. Mementos can be a geranium, a hat or scarf, a butterfly or a favorite quote, for example, nothing irreplaceable. You may also bring any "Day of the Dead" painted rocks from last year (or this). Perishable items may be brought only on Nov. 5. This display will remain in the church until All Saints' Sunday. This altar truly comes to life as our photos are placed on it! Thanks to everyone for participating!



## Interfaith Thanksgiving Service



The annual SYV Interfaith Thanksgiving service is at St. Mark's-in-the-Valley Episcopal Church in Los Olivos at **7 pm Tuesday, Nov. 21**. Bethania, St. Mark's, the Santa Ynez Jewish Community and representatives of Roman Catholic, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist and other communities of faith will join in offering thanks from our various religious traditions, affirming our unity as grateful neighbors. A reception will follow the service. **All are welcome to come and sing with the choir** - rehearsals will be held on Nov. 2, 9 and 16 from 7 to 7:45 pm. Music will be available before and at the rehearsals. For more information contact Nichole Dechaine at [nichole@smitv.org](mailto:nichole@smitv.org) or Bev Staples at [bev@smitv.org](mailto:bev@smitv.org).

## Worship & Music

The Worship and Music Committee would love to include all interested volunteers who like to smile and greet! Yes...we need greeters and ushers. If you are friendly and like to give a welcoming "hello", then call Lou Fox Bender at [805 245-0553](tel:8052450553). She is in charge of scheduling greeters. And if you enjoy passing out bulletins and walking a little, then give Thora Mae and Andy Andersen a call at 688-5157. They are in charge of scheduling ushers and they will be glad to train you and add you to their list of ushers.

## Bethania Book Group

The Bethania Book Group has changed its meeting time to the second Tuesday of each month at 2-3:30 p.m. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, Nov. 14 in the Parish Hall. We will begin reading **The Folly of God** by John Caputo, one of the two speakers for the Feb. 23-25, 2018 Farstrup-Mortensen Lectures. The title, taken from I Corinthians 1:22-25, opens the door to a provocative introduction and 10 chapters about God in 148 pages. We will read the Introduction, Chapters 1 and 2 for our November meeting.

If you have been thinking about joining Bethania's Book Group, a good time to do so is when we are beginning a new book. It can be purchased from the Book Loft or online.

## Theo Pub is Back!!!!

As our program year kicks off again, I'm happy to announce that Theo Pub is back in full swing. We will be meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month at Solvang Brewing Company to share our thoughts and questions around a topic. This month we will be talking about Hell! Is it a real place? An experience? What is its history? What does the bible say about it? Everyone is welcome to join us. There is no need to have any biblical background or a specific faith tradition. Your thoughts and presence are most welcome! We will meet at 7pm outside by the fire pit on Nov. 9. Invite any friends or family members you think might enjoy something like this. See you there!

## **Gather Bible Study**

The Gather Bible Study meets on Thursday Nov. 16 at 10:30 am in the Atterdag Lounge, located in the Atterdag Village of Solvang. The topic for discussion is "The Apostles' Creed", session 3, entitled " We Believe in the Holy Spirit". The text is John 20;24-31. This study is printed in the November "Gather" magazine pp. 25-31. Come and join us!

## **Holy Land Tour**

Pastor Russ and Jeanie Gordon invite you to join them on a tour of the Holy Land in April 2018. Walk where Jesus walked. See the Biblical sites of Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Galilee and more! If you are interested, email Pastor Russ at [slogordons@charter.net](mailto:slogordons@charter.net) or call him at 805-704-2199.

## **Get Ready for "Unbelievable God?"**

Our illustrious Farstrup-Mortensen speakers of 2018 have given us reading suggestions so that we can prepare to get the most out of the talks. Read any one of them or all of them!

Caputo, John D. *The Folly of God*. (Salem, Oregon: Polebridge Press, 2015.)

Patterson, Stephen J. *The God of Jesus: The Historical Jesus and the Search for Meaning*. (Harrisburg, PA: Trinity Press International, 1998.)

Scott, Bernard Brandon. *The Real Paul: Recovering His Radical Challenge*. (Salem, Oregon: Polebridge Press, 2015.)

Scott, Bernard Brandon. *Re-Imagine the World, An Introduction to the Parables of Jesus*. (Santa Rosa: Polebridge Press, 2002.)

**Happy readings!**

**Jarmo**

## **Congregational Business**

### **Council Highlights - Oct. 19, 2017**

- Council approved the recommendation from the Memorials Committee for \$350 to complete repairs to the church sign.
- Council held a lengthy discussion on the proposed budget for 2018 and after several changes had been recommended and agreed on, the proposed budget was sent back to the Finance Committee for their approval.
- Council approved Dec. 3, 2017 as the date for the Annual Congregational Meeting.

**Marilyn Larsen, Council Secretary**

## Giving Options

Here are some of the funds at Bethania:

**PreSchool & After School Care Program Funds:** Our pre-school and after school care program receives many requests for tuition assistance and they do budget for this on an annual basis, however the requests are usually greater than the funds available. Gifts to this fund will help increase the amount of tuition assistance available, or provide additional program supplies for the Pre-school.

**Youth Fund:** This fund is primarily for the youth program at Bethania. We need to continually reach out to our youth to engage them in our congregational life. Gifts to this fund help with our programs to attract and hold young people in our Church.

*Our thanks to Ron Walsh, Bethania's Treasurer, for writing these descriptions in Sept. 2015.*

## Treasurer's Report - September 2018 Financial Statements

### Balance Sheet:

- Cash position is the lowest it has been this year (\$7,171). This is well below the threshold that we like to have (\$10,000) after all bills have been paid.
- The money market fund is stable at \$92,917. Total of cash is \$100,188.
- Fund accounts (Cemetery, Endowment, and Heritage Fund) remain stable at \$1,692,014.
- All liabilities are current.
- The total net asset value of Bethania Lutheran Church is \$3,496,418.

### Profit & Loss Budget Performance (statement of operations):

#### Income:

- Offerings were \$4,726 below budget for the month. This is a serious concern as we go into the last three months of the year. If we are to close the gap on revenue, we will need \$62,456 in offerings. Offerings for the year are at 94% of the budget.
- Other receipts are up for the month by nearly \$500. This is due to the continued increased usage of our facilities. We are at \$9,613 for the first 9 months and have already exceeded the total budgeted for the year (\$8,500).
- Total income for the year to date is 97% of the budget (\$201,453 vs. \$205,705 budgeted).

#### Expenses:

- Benevolence is up due to special benevolence giving by members to the synod. 112% of budget.
- Salary expenses are 103% of budget. Pastoral benefits had a significant raise in costs, due from several sources: medical benefits went up by 5%, and an additional \$382 per month was added to cover Vesper on the medical plan.

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- Staff expenses were at 83% of budget year to date.
- Office administration expenses went down significantly, as we were recording janitorial supplies in the office administration line item. Those expenses were moved to property expenses where they now reflect the correct accounting. As a result, office administration is now at 81% of budget, and the property expenses went up to 109% of budget to reflect the increase of janitorial supplies.
- Utilities for the month were \$223 below budget and for the year to date at 94% of budget.
- All other expenses were at or below budget for the first nine months of the year.
- Total expenses for the first 9 months were at 100% of budget compared to 98% of income.

Overall:

As noted earlier in this report, we continue to be below budget on offerings. God has richly blessed us as a congregation with faithful givers, a wonderful Christ centered staff, and dedicated volunteers in our ministry to our not only our congregation but to our community as a whole. Let us all strive to give God of our first fruits, so that we can continue the ministry that He has called us to.

**Ron Walsh, Treasurer**

## **Save these Dates!**

- November - Social Ministry Planning meeting - *Please contact the office if interested*
- November (no set date) - Christmas Wish Lists become available
- Nov. 26th - Noisy Sunday Offering, benefitting Christmas Angels Project
- Dec. 17th - Christmas Party Wrap Day for Angels Project

## **Annual Meeting**

The Annual Meeting, pt. 1 will take place in the Parish Hall Sunday, Dec. 3, 2017 after the 9:30 worship service. The 2018 congregational budget and elections of Council Members will take place. The budget will be available on the counter in the narthex or in the church office before the meeting.

## **Thrivent Members Contribute Via Thrivent Choice**

Thanks to Thrivent Financial members directing their Choice Dollars, our Church has received \$598 and our Preschool \$1,894 for the year to date. The Preschool's donations go into the Fundraiser Fund from which they are used for tuition assistance, curriculum materials and other special needs not covered by the General Fund. Please do not let your Choice Dollars go unused. You must act before the end of March to distribute your 2017 Choice Dollars.

If you are a Thrivent member but are not sure if your products earn Choice Dollars, please call Thrivent at [1-800-847-4836](tel:1-800-847-4836) and ask for Thrivent Choice or you can check online at [thrivent.com](http://thrivent.com). If you have questions, please call Nancy Emerson, 693-1386.

If you want to learn more about Thrivent Financials services, Brian Boyle, our Thrivent Financial Consultant now has an office in Santa Barbara at 5290 Overpass Road, Suite 115. His local phone number is [805-692-1122](tel:805-692-1122) and his e-mail is [brian.boyle@thrivent.com](mailto:brian.boyle@thrivent.com).

Just a reminder that Thrivent members are eligible to plan and execute Thrivent Action Team projects. These can be used for service and fundraising projects in both church and community.

## In Our Hearts, In Our Prayers

**Immediate Prayer Concerns:** Lee Aulman, Brianna Ceballos, Denise Chaboya, Kathy Hackler, and Steve Logan

**Other Prayer Concerns:** Robin Adkins, Baby Leo (Iglesia Luterana), Joe & Pat Bode, Barbara Boyd, Annette Clausen, Mary Conners, Caylin, Katy & Kay Corlee, Dolores Dederding, Niels Djaernes, George Eckman, Terri Elwess, Armando Franco, Chris Frederiksen, Debbie Fritts, Dolores Gehrs, Chris Gideon, Pat Green, Sharon, Sarah & Casey Harris, Carolyn Henrikson, Michael Jech, Robert & Gail Jennings, Berdella Johnson, Chris Kaping, Kim Kenton, Kate Knotts, Carol Lake, Stephanie Larrabee, Richard Lindekens, Ethel Litwiler, Betsy Logan, Anne Mansfield, Rick Marzullo, Brian Merrick, Denise Morris, Roger Myers, Helen Nielsen, Marie Ostertag, Marc & Laurie Owens, Bill Petersen, Edith Plam, Doyle Phillips, Jonathan Poldberg, Audrey Robinson, Edna Robbers, 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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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wedn'day	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
CH = Church PH = Parish Hall FR = Fireside Room OFC = Office AV = Atterdag Village of Solvang	BPSAS = Preschool & AfterSchool SME = St. Mark's Episcopal Church		1  3:30 Chapel: CH 7 pm Choir:FR	2  12 noon-2 pm Jodi House Group:PH	3	4 Youth meet at 9:15 am for Boomers. Fall Time Change
5 <b>All Saints' Sunday</b> 9:30 am Worship: CH 5 pm Sunday School: FR 5 pm Evening Worship: CH	6 6:30 pm Tai Chi:PH 8 pm AA: FR	7 11:30 am Chapel: CH	8 12:45 pm Quilting/ Sewing: PH 3:30 Chapel: CH 7 pm Choir:FR	9 12 noon-2 pm Jodi House Group:PH 5:45 pm Touch- a-Truck:FR 7 pm Theology Pub: Solvang Brewing Co.	10	11
12 9:30 am Worship: CH 3 pm Confirmation Class: FR 5 pm Sunday School: FR 5 pm Evening Worship: CH	13 6:30 pm Tai Chi:PH 8 pm AA: FR	14 11:30 am Chapel: CH  2 pm Book Group: PH	15 3:30 Chapel: CH  7 pm Choir:FR	16 10 am Communion: AV 10:30 am Gather Bible Study:AV 12 noon-2 pm Jodi House Group:PH 7 pm Council: FR	17	18
19 9:30 am Worship: CH 5 pm Evening Worship: CH 5 pm Sunday School: FR	20 9:30 am Staff Mtg: OFC 5:15 pm Grief Group: SME 6:30 pm Tai Chi: PH 8:00 pm AA: FR	21 11:30 am Chapel: CH 7 pm Interfaith Thanksgivin g Service: SME	22 Beacon Deadline  BPSAS Closes at 3 pm	23 <b>Thanksgiving</b> The OFC & BPSAS are closed through Nov. 24	24	25
26 9:30 am Worship & Noisy Offering: CH 3-5 pm Youth Group:FR 5 pm Evening Worship: CH	27 9:30 am Staff Mtg: OFC 6:30 pm Tai Chi: PH 8:00 pm AA: FR	28 11:30 am Chapel: CH	29 3:30 Chapel: CH  7 pm Choir:FR	30 12 noon-2 pm Jodi House Group: PH		

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Ann Tucker

Sunday Schedule  
9:30 am Worship  
5:00 pm Worship  
5:00 pm Sunday School

## All Saints' Sunday

Nov. 5, 2017

Candle Lighting Ceremony  
9:30 am

## Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2017  
7 pm

St. Mark's Episcopal Church