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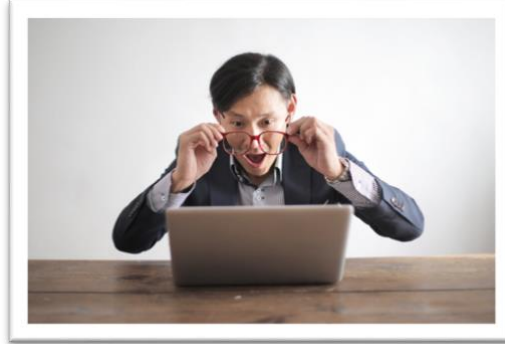
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Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together.

Stories you didn't learn in Sunday School



There are some interesting stories in the Bible that we do not hear very often in church. For the Sundays of May 30, June 6, 13, and 27 we will be looking at a few of these stories. But Pastor Andrew needs your help in deciding which ones to try and preach on. On a table in the narthex is a Bible with the date, the two choices listed on a bright pink paper, and a pen. Please add your tally mark below your choice and the one with the most marks win.

You may also vote by email (andrew@modcob.org), by calling the church, 209-523-1438, or DM the Facebook page (www.facebook.com/modcob). And if you need a Bible, you can get one at the church or a free, online option is: www.biblegateway.com.

June 6

Matthew 17:24-27

or

Mark 14:43-52

June 13

1 Kings 18:20-39

or

Judges 7:1-8, 19-20

June 27

Matthew 21:18-22

or

Acts 5:1-11



Sunday in-person worship continues weekly at Modesto Church of the Brethren. If you prefer, you may continue following the worship service online at the address below.



Allison Sampson asks for prayers for her father, as he has more tumor growth.

Bonnie Munson and others ask for a peaceful, healing service for Reagan Gepley's family.

Continue prayers for Norman Johnson, in hospice care at home.

Pray for safe travels to Benin, West Africa, for the Akpovi family.

Larry Cole now has his leg prosthesis, and will be trained how to use it.

Peaceful Phoenix Finding Peace in Difficult Times



We have a great week planned for Peace Week this year and hope you'll think of your grandchildren, children, neighbors, and friends to invite.

Having come through a very tough year for all of us, our theme of "Peaceful Phoenix" seems very fitting for rising up and starting anew. A Phoenix is a mythical bird in many cultures that rises up out of its own ashes to new life.

There will be an emphasis on changing loneliness to sharing, fear to courage, anger to action, worry to peace, and sadness to joy.

Loving one another and ourselves will be the underpinnings to five days of stories, songs, and crafts while all children explore the pathway to being a "Peaceful Phoenix". Registration forms are available at the church office, narthex table, or from Karleen Daniels.

Peace Week is open to children entering Kindergarten through 6th grade. The fee is \$15 or \$35 per family. Register as soon as possible!



**Wednesday Night
Dinner
"Summer Version"**

We have had such a good turnout for the Take-Out dinners, that we want to continue to provide one meal a month throughout the summer.

And, since the COVID restrictions have been reduced, we are changing the format of the dinner to: **Eat-Inside**, which means you eat dinner in The Gathering Place with tables spaced out appropriately; OR **Eat-Outside**, which means you can take your dinner outside to the back lawn area and eat it outside (weather permitting).

Hopefully this will provide more opportunity for community sharing, comradery, and exposing the lower half of our faces. Please continue to enter the church with masks on while you fill your plates, and then lower them to eat. We will provide Take-Out boxes if you prefer to pack your dinner to go.

Mark your calendars for June 23 @ 5:30 pm. If you feel like bringing your own table service, that would help with the cleanup effort. And if you have a favorite lawn chair, you can bring that too. Let's celebrate the summer and each other as we gather to break bread -- or in this case, baked potato with toppings, corn on the cob, salad, and dessert.

We ask that you continue to call or text in your reservation for dinner to help us prepare enough food for the gathering. Call **COB: 209 523-1438** or **Peggy: 209 815-3095**. Please reserve by Sunday, June 20. ~Peggy, Fellowship & Recreation



June Birthdays

Cica Akpovi - 1
Ashley Cearley Flores - 8
Emily Matteson - 12
Monique Sanders - 12
Felton Daniels - 17
Kelly Gepley - 17
Emily Gilstrap - 17
Tony Bates - 22
Mary Pieczarka - 23
Terhesa Gamboa - 25
Josh Roy-27

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If you know someone else who has a June birthday, please let us know!

Also, please let us know about other milestones, too: Anniversaries, graduations, new jobs, any other milestone in your life!

Welcome Statement

Believing that God's unbounded love and grace, as taught by Jesus, are offered to all and meant to be shared and celebrated by all, we embrace persons of every age, race, sexual orientation, ethnic and religious background, physical and mental ability, and economic means as vital and integral members of God's family. As an Open and Affirming congregation we welcome everyone to participate in the life and worship of our church.

*Articles and photos for
the next issue of Chimes
are due by Sunday, June
6. Email to:
chimes@modcob.org
The Editor thanks you.*

