

## The Chimes

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## Modesto Church of the Brethren

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

Pastor: Andrew Sampson



Transitioning to 'hybrid worship' is an ongoing challenge requiring new ways of doing things and having folks willing to try new things. Having a team of volunteers helping facilitate worship services is essential.

Fortunately, we have a team of folks willing to play piano or decorate our worship table one Sunday a month. Others are willing to be occasional Greeters, do Children's Time, be Worship Leaders, or even preach when asked. Hooray for willing workers!

A BIG challenge is training techy types to operate the new camera and sound system along the bumpy learning process. We also appreciate our hard-working Worship Planning Team: Kim Boardman, Mary Pieczarka and Johnathan Goodrich, who work alongside Pastor Andrew to plan and prepare worship services every Sunday.

Take a moment to thank those who graciously volunteer precious time and gifts to enable worship to happen both 'virtually & live' for the glory of God and our neighbor's good.

-The Worship & Spiritual Life Commission



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.





The July 25 worship service will feature Linda Owen speaking on "Strangers No More-at the US-Mexico Border".



Shari Sampson asks for prayers for friend Andrea as she has a cancerous kidney removed on Friday.

Continued prayers for the Gepley family. Johnathan Goodrich asks for prayers for his father who is having his second hip replacement surgery.

We rejoice that several of our youth are on their way to Camp Peaceful Pines. However, we miss them and their families in worship.

Prayers asked for a time of friendship, fun and spiritual growth for the children and youth at Camp Peaceful Pines.

Joann E. asks for prayers for the management of Casa de Modesto.

Prayers of thanks for the often challenging thoughts and words from our pulpit.

Luella Cole has a joy that her grandson Will is able to compete in Junior Olympics water polo this week.

Jim and Marye Martinez thank you for the prayers for their daughter Sandra, who is now back in her apartment.

Lauren Andree had a bad fall Jan 5 and is now confined to a wheelchair and can no longer drive. She wants to chat occasionally on the telephone or in person, since she has no friends or family closer than 1,200 miles away. Her telephone number. is 209-416-0456--afternoon is best

Keep in your prayers all these joys and sorrows, and remember those who are left unspoken but remain in our hearts.



Just a reminder to put June 28th on your calendars. The Wednesday Night Potluck will be happening beginning at 5:30 pm. Please bring your own table service and something yummy to share. No charge.

We will enjoy good food, cool surroundings and great company!

Peggy-Fellowship and Recreation Commission



## July Birthdays

1-Trish Galt
3-Chelsea Feeney
5-Dana Roy
8-Larry Cole
16-Sue Messamer
19-Chuck Messamer
20-Caleb Katen
24-Elaine Forcier
27-Shaun Gepley
31-Renee Gokey

Please continue sending birthdays, anniversaries, and any other milestones!



The Shower Shuttle boxes are back in the narthex, and this year, we are asking that members of the congregation donate not only socks, but—underwear! After a refreshing shower, guests of the Shower Shuttle need clean socks and underwear to feel clean.

As well as socks, the Shower Shuttle needs men's boxers, sizes Small, Medium, and Large. (NO brief-style tighty-whitey's) please!
Women's panties sizes Small, Medium, and Large. Any style. (Please note: Most of the women guests tend to be on the smaller side)

Another item that the Shower Shuttle can use is grocery bags. They can use both plastic and paper bags. If you have those, they can be placed in the boxes or under the table that holds the boxes.

Your donations may be placed in the Shower Shuttle boxes in the narthex if you visit the church. If you would like to donate, but can't get to the church, call Jim Costello at (209) 402-9191 or Luella Cole at (209) 402-2915 and we will pick up your donations.

Items for the next Chimes are due by 5 pm Sunday, July 25. Send to <a href="mailto:chimes@modcob.org">chimes@modcob.org</a>

## 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

