

The Chimes

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Modesto Church of the Brethren

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Ministers: Every Member of the Congregation

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

Pastor: Andrew Sampson

Pastor Andrew's New Day Off

Pastor Andrew's day off will be changing from Friday to Tuesday the week of September 13. Below is his tentative schedule. Generally speaking, he will be available during these times to talk, visit, or over Zoom. However, there will be times when a visit, meeting, or unforeseen circumstance will necessitate that he be away from the church. To assure that he is available please call the church office, 523-1438, a few days ahead or email him at: pastor@modcob.org

Pastor Andrew's Office Hours

Beginning on 9/13

Monday: 8-2

Tuesday: OFF

Wednesday: 9-1

Thursday: 8-2

Friday: 8-1



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.





Hold Dave and Sue Messamer in your prayers for ongoing health concerns.

Joy for having Renee Gokey back in person at worship.

Gratitude for having Radio KCBP running from its new home in Room 5. Jim Costello and the Modesto Peace/Life Center thank you for allowing them to be there, and for giving generous support over the years.

More joys and concerns on the next page.



Allison asks for prayers for healthcare workers as things are changing again.

Mimsie asks for prayer for her dad, who is in assisted living in New Orleans. The center now has only back-up electricity for the kitchen and refrigerator, but no air conditioning. Fortunately he lives on the second floor. Prayers for all affected for Hurricane Ida.

Evan shared the joy of his mother's cochlear implant surgery, as she is now getting some hearing in an ear that has been deaf for 40 years.

Prayers for those in prisons that don't have access to the calming aspects of nature.

Prayers for Larry and Luella, as Larry is in the hospital with pneumonia and difficulty breathing.

Praise for the life of Roberta Matthias, who passed away last Thursday, and her life of faith, love, and service that blessed many.

Prayers for healing of Barbara Switzer's leg.

Lynda and Bob Sesser ask for prayers for a friend who recently lost his wife and is looking for a place to rent.

Prayers for Tammy Firch, who has been unable to attend worship during the pandemic but wants to share that she's doing well and misses everyone.

Luella asks for prayers for the family of her very congenial back-fence neighbor Mr. Rydquist, who passed away last week.



August Birthdays

30 Al Forcier
31 Marye Martinez

September Birthdays

7 Anna Hazen

9 Jeannie Canter

15 Tammy Firch

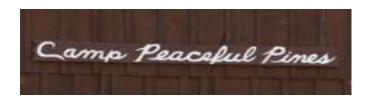
22 Dave Owen

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Please keep sending Milestones: birthdays, (are there more September birthdays?) anniversaries, graduations, new jobs, retirements, and other milestones in life.





Dear Campers, Board Members and Friends of Camp Peaceful Pines,

Closing camp is the weekend of September 4th, 5th 6th and 7th!!.

If you are free any of those days... Please come to camp!!

This camp is free but we ask you to come prepared to close up the camp for the season. We have a long list of activities to get camp closed down...

We ask you to let us know for planning for meals on Saturday, Sunday and Monday! If you are arriving on Friday evening dinner is on your own!

We welcome all for this camp!!

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Blessings
Garry Pearson, CPP board Chair

MONTHLY LABYRINTH WALKS



Did you know there's a website listing all the "International Days" for the year? These specially themed days are celebrated worldwide, with people of all cultures focusing on a common theme on specific days. Highlighting one theme each month for a labyrinth walk is a way for our congregation to focus on values we prioritize, with opportunities for action. Inviting the community to participate in these walks is also an opportunity to be 'neighborly'. Here's a list of dates/themes for our monthly labyrinth walks:

Tuesday, September 21 - Day of Peace



Saturday, Oct. 2 - Day of Non-Violence



Sunday, Nov. 28 - Day of Compassion



Saturday, Dec. 10 - Day of Human Rights



~The Worship & Spiritual Life Commission



Have you ever wondered who is behind the never-ending supply of colorful masks offered on our entry way table? Sandy Whitby is the person to thank for sharing her fabric and her sewing talents so faithfully. Many of us have been relieved to find a mask to wear after leaving ours at home....and some of us have even picked up a mask just because its color matched beautifully with our outfit (well, at least I have.)~Linda Owen



Thanks to all who are bringing items for the Shower Shuttle! Keep those socks, undies, and grocery bags coming!



The knitting/crocheting group meets at 2 PM every second and fourth Monday at Pat Royer's apartment, Casa de Modesto, #1004, gate code 1234. Enjoy knitting and chatting!

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.

Items for the next Chimes

are due by 5 pm

Sunday, September 5.

Send to <u>chimes@modcob.org</u>