

Magnolia Presbyterian Church UpLook

Mission Statement: Magnolia strives to share God's love with all and grow spiritually in relationship with Jesus Christ and each other.

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August 2018

Pool Party - Barbecue – Boat Race Saturday, SEPTEMBER 8

Yes, it's only the beginning of August, but summer will soon be coming to a halt. That means it's time for the all-church Regatta and End of Summer BBQ, on Saturday, September 8. So use those lazy days of summer to start on your boats now. The competition seems to get tougher each year.

Here are the rules for boat building:

- ♦ All boats must be homemade, (no kits.)
- ♦ Boats must be no larger than 3' x 3' x 3'.
- ♦ Your boat must be able to run 2 heats, if needed.

Prizes are given for sailboats, power boats, rocket boats, and the most unique boat (whether it floats or not).

No boat needed to attend. You're welcome to come and cheer on your favorites. Bring swimsuits and towels as the pool will be open for swimming and water volleyball until the races begin.

Please join us for an afternoon of fun, food, and fellowship at the home of Wayne & Kristi Andrew, Party begins at 3:00. Watch the weekly bulletins for sign-up news.

FUNDRAISER

Sunday, August 5th—ALL DAY

CPK Hours: 11:00am - 10:00pm

3540 Central Ave. Suite 308, Riverside Plaza

Bring the Flyer - 20% of your entire bill will be donated to Magnolia Presbyterian Church.



You MUST bring the flyer in order to support our Church! There's a flyer inside and they will be available in the bulletins too. Print as many as you need! Pass them out or email the flyer to friends, neighbors, grandparents, or anyone else you can think of and thank them for their support of Magnolia Presbyterian Church.

Encounter God Sundays — 9 a.m. (Fellowship Hall) and 11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Co-Pastors' Page

A Pastor's Ponderings

"The Sabbath was created for humans; humans weren't created for the Sabbath." Mark 2:27 (CEB)

The question I have been asked most often the last few weeks: "How was your vacation?" My response is usually (tongue in cheek), "It was rough. The weather was perfect. The food was delicious. And the view was amazing."

I did have a great time on my vacation. Michelle, the boys, and I went to Hawaii, specifically to Oahu, where we spent time with my family, swam almost every day, and ate...a lot. I also spent a lot of time relaxing, lounging, and even napping. For me this rest was the most essential part of vacation. I was able to recharge and return re-invigorated, which was a good thing because VBS started a week after I got back.

In our first meeting together after my vacation, Pastor Claire prayed that we would be able to find ways to recharge without having to go far away. This is my prayer, not only for Pastor Claire and I, but for all who call MagPres home. As a(n) *(insert description of yourself here)*, it is difficult to find down time. But God created us as beings who need rest and built a full day of rest into the plan for humanity. Even God rested after six days of work (Genesis 2:2-3).

During VBS, the theme of Day 4 was "Find rest on the river." Chris Stanley, our Youth Leader, invited the Jr High group to rest for just an hour. It was a difficult concept initially, but in the end a rewarding one.



Be intentional and schedule times of rest into your workday/week/month and find ways to recharge.

Your rested and re-charged co-pastor,

Pastor Paul

A Ministers Musing

"Come and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD and to the house of the God of Jacob, that He may teach us about His ways and that we may walk in His paths." Micah 4:2

On my recent trip to Israel, we did a lot of walking. I mean a LOT of walking. And as I think back before my trip, I knew I was going to be travelling the same roads that Jesus walked and I wondered how or if it would change me. As I reflect on my experience there I find that I am discovering more meaning as time goes on. There were moments such as sailing on the Sea of Galilee and visiting Jesus' birthplace that were especially meaningful. Walking the steps that Jesus walked after meeting with Caiaphas was poignant and deep. Reading scripture now has meaning as I read the names of the places and can picture what they look like.

The Bible has 229 references to walking. Some of it talks about literally walking as in the road to Emmaus but other references are more metaphorical. We are promised that though we used to walk in darkness, we have seen a

great light and though we walk through fire, we will not be scorched. What is to be our response to these promises? How are we changed as a result of this gift? Can anyone



see a difference? Numerous times throughout the Old Testament it speaks of walking in the ways of the Lord.

Literally walking in Jesus' steps is one thing but what does it mean to walk in the ways of the Lord as one of his followers? A quick survey of some of these verses speaks about walking in love, and truth, and holiness, or walking by faith not by sight or walking by the Spirit. What if we actually did all that? What if our lives reflected love, truth, holiness, and faith? What if the world looked at Christians and saw Jesus reflected in how we act toward others? What if after meeting us people came away changed?

In Christ,

Pastor Claire

TWO Exciting Social Programming Events



Thousand Trails

Idyllwild

When: September 28-30, 2018

Tent Space: \$35/night RV Space: \$96/night

Cabins: \$145/night (sleeps 5)
Three available: First Come, First

Served

RESERVE YOUR SPACE, August 5, 12 and 19.

Don't camp? Join us Saturday evening for potluck dinner and campfire

Saturday, August 18 4:00—9:00 pm Church Parking Lot

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FEATURING

Carnival Games

Food

Crafts

Vendors

Inflatables

Obstacle Course

INVITE YOUR Family ** Friends**Neighbors

Youth Group meets every* Sunday evening.

Middle School (grades 5 to 8) meets from 5 to 6:30 pm.
High School (grades 9 to 12) meets from 7 to 8:30 pm.
First Sunday of each month there is a meal for the combined groups.
COME TO YOUTH GROUP

BRING A FRIEND

*Schedule may change due to holidays, church events or offsite activities.

2018 "Our Year of Commitment" June Financial Report

The Treasurer's report contains great news!

It appears that many of you have taken our Stewardship theme for 2018 to heart, "Our Year of Commitment". Our income for June was \$197,943.37 and expenses were \$179,750.63. This results in a current positive balance of \$18,192.74 as of June 30th. Praise God!!

Also, if we consider the \$6,982.750 of endowment interest and \$544.77 of deficit reduction funds that were budgeted to meet potential shortfalls, our adjusted balance for mid-year 2018 is \$25,720.01.

Thank you for supporting your Church's 2018 budget by staying current with your pledge. The Stewardship Committee is confident that our church family will stay committed to the use of their Time, Talent and Treasures for our church.



What is the EASIEST way to contribute to MagPres? Buy some Stater Bros. gift cards.

Stater Bros. script cards are available in increments of \$25, \$50, & \$100 every. Sunday in Café Magnolia from 10:00 to 11:00. You can pay by cash or check. When you shop for your groceries – at any Stater Bros. store - you get full value for the card you purchase. MPC gets 6% of every card purchased!

Happiness is a Spaghetti Dinner! \$305 raised for Youth Programs.



VBS Collected \$170.35 for Living Waters for the World.





SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

Isthmus. [is-muh s] a narrow strip of land, bordered on both sides by water, connecting two larger bodies of land.



Just as an isthmus (my favorite one being Madison, WI) connects two bodies of land, the Presbytery of Riverside "connects local churches to the national denomination, interfaith efforts and the church universal."

In fact, the Mission Statement of the Presbytery of Riverside is: "Connected congregations in deep discipleship with Jesus Christ who are faithful and active witnesses to God's love, justice, and peace."

Each of the 34 churches making up the Presbytery of Riverside have voting representatives. Magnolia elects 3 Commissioners for 1-year terms. For the June 2018-June 2019 term, Session elected Cherylyn Thornton, who also serves as Presbytery Treasurer; Jeanie Riggs and Ann Laudermilk. They are all currently active Ruling Elders for Magnolia. However, Presbytery Commissioners can be any ordained elder, active or inactive. So, if you are interested in learning more about Presbytery; their responsibilities, committees, or meetings, please see one of our representatives or go to www.riversidepresbytery.com.

"Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." Roman 12: 4-5

Melanie Nelson Clerk of Session





Two BIG bags of pajamas have been purchased by the Mission Interpretation Team for delivery to FOSTER ALL (formerly Child SHARE). Thanks to Flora Livingstone and Cherylyn Thornton!

TWO-CAN SUNDAY REPORT

157 Cans Collected in July

Bring your two cans of food on Sunday,

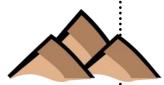
August 12

for distribution to Lutheran Social Services. What we give is MATCHED by a grant! So give generously.

Camp News

From MagPres, Estella Gettis attended Junior High Camp in July.

Scout Corner
Troop 16 has sent 8
youths and 2 adults to
Lost Valley.



August Birthdays

Marge Cox August 9				
James Doshier	August 9			
Bruce Ferrel	August 10			
Juanita Fages	August 12			
Evie Reidman	August 12			
Gary Grant	August 14			
Mikael Doshier	August 15			
Ryan Rehnke	August 16			
Taylor Stiffler	August 17			
Mona Vanderpool	August 17			
Beverly Williams	August 19			
Kathy Safford	August 20			
John Coolidge	August 22			

Kenneth Eberwein	August 24
Beverley Guidero	August 24
Sheryel Eberwein	August 25
Gerald Fisher	August 27
Barbara Johnson	August 28
Marti Hendrix	August 29
Robin Smith	August 29
Sheila Roche	August 31



August Anniversaries

Linda Welman

Cohen, Kathy & Neil August 14 Dickenson, Richard & Heather August 14 Copeland, Rev. Brad & Lori August 20 DeLeal, Gene & Sharon August 20

August 22

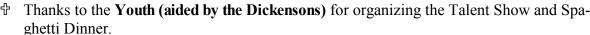
July (belated) Anniversaries

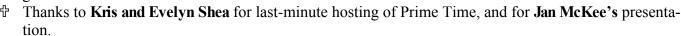
Gipson, Zach and Maddy July 2 Knopf, Paul and Michelle July 22



Time and Talent Recognitions







- Thanks to so many many* people who did so many many tasks for VBS, the campfire Friday night, and the Water Party on Sunday.
- Thank you to Esther Shin and Noah Park, who told us about their work in the Middle East.
- † Thank you to the **Deacons** for distributing Caring Baskets to church members.
- Proposition Rev. Dr. Garrett Andrew for preaching July 1.

*Laurie McCormick and Lisa MacDougall, Directors. Gary and Jeanie Belangeri; Kaycie Belangeri; Carla

Carrasco; Kathy Cohen; Aaron and Deanna Cohen; Heather Dickenson; Hannah Dickenson; Becky Doshier; AJ Belangeri; Brielle Wenze; Catelyn Garcia; Chris Garcia; Claudia Roman; Danielle Good; Holly Goulet-Perez; Makenzie Nelson; Tessa Islas; Michelle Knopf; Taylor Stiffler; Marge Ludwig; Laura Medrano; Chris Nettles; Jeanie Riggs; Claire Schlegel; Amanda Schlegel; Paul Knopf; Saw Shein; Chris Stanley; Margie Wilkerson. (Editor's Note: The number and activity of these volunteers was amazing and fast-moving. I hope I didn't miss anyone.)





A Bright Future



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Mon-Thurs 8:30 am-3 pm

Closed Friday

www.magpres.com



August 2018

Staff

Rev. Claire Schlegel Co-Pastor

Rev. Paul Knopf Co-Pastor

James Walters Music Director/Organist

Saw Shein

Contemporary Music Leader

John Wright Choral Director

Cynthia Wright, Pianist

Allison Robinson Nursery Attendant

Chris Stanley Youth Leader

Interim Media/Audio Coordinator AJ Belangeri

Diana Lewis Administrative Assistant

A merry heart does good ...

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WISE MAN LEADS FOOLISH MAN BY OVER 100,000 AS WE HEAD INTO FINAL JEOPARDY, WHERE THE TOPIC WILL BE ... "SOLID FOUNDATIONS"

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MagPres Master Calendar			August 2018			
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
4.			7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	Office Closed	8 am - EEEAC-S and FH, various
			1pm - Tai Chi @ Fellowship Hall	5:30pm - EEEAC Sanctuary Use	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Calif. Pizza Kitchen Fundraiser @	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	Office Closed	8 am - EEEAC-S and FH, various
9am - Worship w/ Communion @	1pm - Tai Chi @ Fellowship Hall	5:45pm - CE Committee	1pm - Tai Chi @ Fellowship Hall		7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	10am - Sack Lunch Prep @
11am - Worship w/ Communion +		6pm - MEW Committee	6:30pm - Troop 16 @ FH, CE 4		5 pm - EEEAC Worship-S	12pm - Sack Lunch Serve @
5pm - Combined Youth 5-6:,6-7,		7 pm - BaG Committee				4pm - Path of Life Meal Prep and
5pm - MS Youth 5-6:30		7pm - MIT Committee				
7pm - HS Youth 7-8:30						
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
TWO-CAN Sunday	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	UpLook Articles Due	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	Office Closed	8am - EEEAC-S and FH, various
9am - Worship + SS	1pm - Tai Chi @ Fellowship Hall	7pm - Stewardship Committee	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,		7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	4pm - Neighborhood End-of-
11am - Worship + SS			1pm - Tai Chi @ Fellowship Hall		5pm - EEEAC Worship-S	
5pm - MS Youth 5-6:30			6:30pm - Troop 16 @ FH, CE 4			
7pm - HS Youth 7-8:30						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Youth Sunday	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	Office Closed	8am - EEEAC-S and FH, various
10am - Unity Service	1pm - Tai Chi @ Fellowship Hall	7pm - Deacon Meeting	1pm - Tai Chi @ Fellowship Hall		7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	
11am - Ice Cream Social			6:30pm - Troop 16 @ FH, CE 4		5pm - EEEAC Worship-S	
5pm - MS Youth 5-6:30						
7pm - HS Youth 7-8:30						
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,				Office Closed	All dates, times, and
9am - CHOC "Walk in the Park"		7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,		locations are subject to
9am - Worship + SS	1 pm - Tai Chi @ Fellowship Hall	7pm - Session Meeting-L	1 pm - Tai Chi @ Fellowship Hall		7:30am - MPBSP @ CE Building,	change.
11am - Worship + SS			6:30pm - Troop 16 @ FH, CE 4		5pm - EEEAC Worship-S	See www.magpres.com/
5pm - MS Youth 5-6:30						calendar for the most
7pm - HS Youth 7-8:30						
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MagPres Prayer Calendar

August 20)18			August 2018 Su Mo Tu We Th 5 6 7 8 5 12 13 14 15 14 19 20 21 22 22 26 27 28 29 30	2 3 4	September 2018 Tu We Th Fr Sa 11 12 13 14 15 18 19 20 21 22 25 26 27 28 29
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Aug 1 King and Bev Williams	2 Kit and Dee Wilson	3 John and Cynthia Wright	4 Brenda Wynsma/Lucas Wynsma
5 Presbyterian Church, USA; www.pcusa.org	6 Carol Young	7 Lance and Jo Ann Alford	8 Mack Allert	9 Janelle and Jeremy Anderson	10 Ken Anderson	11 Wayne and Kristi Andrew
Riverside Presbytery; www.riversidepresbyt ery.com	13 Ruth Baker	14 Gary and Jeannie Belangeri	15 Bret and Debbie Benninger	16 Bill and Linda Bingham	17 Usim and Joy Bower	18 Ann Brady
19 Living Waters for the World; www.livingwatersfort	20 Dan and Karrie Brooks	21 Carla Carrasco	22 Merle and Doris Clark	23 Aaron and Deanna Cohen	24 Kathy and Neil Cohen	25 Jeff Conroy

Pray for the groups and individuals listed each day.

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Chris and Marge Cox

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David and Margy

Crowley

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Donna Crossen

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Workers

Esther Shin and Noah

Park; PCUSA Mission

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Sandy Cooper

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Rev. Brad and Lori

Copeland

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