

# FAITH FAMILY NEWS

## Faith Presbyterian Church Monthly Newsletter

### *Rev. Dr. Gary Ziccardi Will Be Faith's Temporary Pastor*

Pastor Gary will be our Temporary Pastor starting May 20th thru December 30th, as the Church continues its search for an Interim Pastor. Along with leading our Sunday services during this time, Pastor Gary will be on campus and in the office on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Pastor Gary, who has recently served as a Guest Pastor with us, served here at Faith PC for 2 years as the Interim/Transitional Ministry Specialist Pastor 2017-2019 and Co-Pastored the Palisades Presbyterian Church with his wife Rev Rosalind Ziccardi as the Interim/Transitional Ministry Specialist Pastors 2019-2021. He is active as a Member at Large in our San Diego Presbytery providing pulpit supply. In April-May 2023, Gary engaged in the 500 mile 15 miles-a-day Camino de Santiago Frances Christian pilgrimage across northern Spain. Last September Rosalind and he walked the Camino de Santiago Portugues Coastal path. Gary & Rosalind's wonderful sons are Andrew & Benjamin. Beautiful little Sophia, grandchild #1 for them & niece #1 for Benjamin from Andrew & Sana was born on February 7 (his birthday!) last year, praise be to God!

**APRIL 2025**

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR HOLY WEEK

**APRIL 13 – PALM SUNDAY AT 9:30AM**  
Worship with a procession of palms.

**APRIL 18 – GOOD FRIDAY AT 7:00PM**  
Reflections on the passion of Christ.

**APRIL 20 – EASTER SUNDAY**  
**9:30AM - WORSHIP**  
Easter Flower Cross

**10:45AM - EASTER EGG HUNT**

**11:00AM - EASTER POTLUCK BRUNCH**  
Remember to sign up for brunch!

Come one, come all to the 4th annual All Church Easter Potluck Brunch. Ham and rolls will be provided. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt following the church service. Signups are available during Sunday service for side dishes, salads and desserts.

REMEMBER HIM?

REV. DR. GARY ZICCARDI  
WILL BE OUR TEMPORARY PASTOR  
MAY 20TH THRU DECEMBER 30TH



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## MEETINGS of OUR Fellowship Groups

### Wednesday Bible Study

FPC, Room #2 at 12noon - 1:00pm

We are studying 1 John

### Tuesday Eves

Second Saturday of the Month

Saturday, April 12th

FPC, Library at 2:00pm

### Women's Circle

Thursday, April 10th

FPC, Room #3 at 10:30am

### Women's Group Bible Study

Saturday, April 19th

FPC, Library at 2:30pm

## THIS IS US

Faith Presbyterian Church gathers in the College Area from all across San Diego. We desire to embody beloved community. We are diverse. We are people of color, white, gay, straight, married, single, parents, old, young, and with various abilities. We share a common life characterized by concern for justice, delight in education, and excellence in music through all stages of life. We carry living traditions with us as we grow in faith, with the triune God as our best expression.



Yes I am finally home and recovering although more slowly than I would like. For all of your calls, cards, good wishes and prayers I am truly grateful. And for your support of those people who have picked up my work and are covering for me, thank you so much. I am still confined to wheelchair and walker but hope it won't be too many more weeks before I can get around better. Until then many thanks for your concern and blessings to all.

Nancy Harber



Aluminum cans

Plastic bottles

Glass bottles

Water jugs

The Deacons are continuing to collect recycling. Please contact Nancy Flynn at (619) 813-7063 or email at [esch46@hotmail.com](mailto:esch46@hotmail.com) to make arrangements for her to meet you in the church parking lot.

# Faith Family Life

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Jason Lafferty - 1<sup>st</sup>

Briana Bashaw-Wood - 3<sup>rd</sup>

Ryan Lafferty - 7<sup>th</sup>

Sue Razzaia - 25<sup>th</sup>

Kevin Maeda - 28<sup>th</sup>

If you would like to see your birthday listed in the newsletter with just the day, not the year, please email that information to Joe Rodriguez (jcr14@att.net).

## DEATHS

Donna Koehler

Daughter of Bonnie Koehler,  
died February 28th, 2025.  
Her Memorial Service will be  
April 5th at 11am:  
here at Faith.

Bob Arthur

Husband of Charlene Arthur,  
died March 12, 2025.

## THE CHANCEL FLOWERS



THE FLOWER  
CHART IS UP  
IN THE NARTHEX.  
THE CURRENT  
PRICE IS \$90.00.  
JUST A REMINDER  
THAT THE COST OF THE FLORAL  
ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE SPLIT  
WITH  
ANOTHER MEMBER.

DEBBIE LENART, FLOWER MINISTRY

## DATES TO REMEMBER

April 10th – Women's Circle, 10:30am, Room 3

April 12th – Tuesday Eves, 2pm, Library

April 13th – Palm Sunday Service, 9:30am, Sanctuary

April 13th – Deacons Meeting, 11am, Room 1

April 13th – Session Meeting, 11am, Room 2

April 18th - Good Friday Service, 7pm, Sanctuary

April 19th - Women's Group, 2:30pm, Library

April 20th - Easter Sunday Worship, 9:30 am, Sanctuary

April 20th - Egg, Hunt, 10:45am, Courtyard

April 20th - Easter Sunday Brunch, 11am, FFC

April 24th – Submission Deadline for May Newsletter

April 24th to 25th - Preschool Art Walk - Faith Family Center, 9am to 5pm

## Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 10:00am – 3:00pm

Please note that the office is closed on Fridays

February 28, 2025

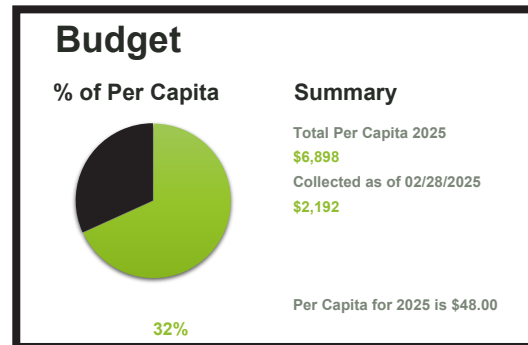
# Financial Report

Envelope Offering for February 2025 was \$19,416.15  
Envelope Offering monthly budget 2025 is \$19,666.92 per month

Mortgage Balance was \$625,718.21



Per Capita for 2025 is  
\$48.00 per member



## SERMONS APRIL

April 6th	Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Bob Mentze
April 13th	Guest Preacher: Kristi Van Nostran
April 18th	Guest Preacher: Kristi Van Nostran Good Friday Service - 7pm
April 20th	Guest Preacher: Kristi Van Nostran
April 27th	Guest Preacher: Rev. Dr. Bob Mentze



As stated in previous newsletters, CPP is an emergent curriculum preschool with teachers following the interests of the children and collaborating and learning alongside them. During the month of October, the children were discussing Halloween, costumes, candy, and jack-o-lanterns. All classrooms carved pumpkins and allowed the children to explore the insides. Many classrooms carved jack-o-lanterns and roasted pumpkin seeds. A few classrooms read the book Pumpkin Jack, which is about a little boy named Tim whose first pumpkin he carved was fierce and funny, and he named it Jack. After Halloween was over and Pumpkin Jack began to rot, Tim set it out in the garden and through the weeks he watched it change. By spring, a plant began to grow. The children in the Bee's room asked if they left their Pumpkin Jack out, would a new one grow. That one question, sparked a months long project. After carving a pumpkin into a jack-o-lantern, and naming it "Pumpkin Jack", the children placed it in a soil filled container, and have observed the changes over the months. Since their Pumpkin Jack is placed outside their front door, other classrooms walk by it every day and observe and document the changes as well. When Meghan tours prospective families, Pumpkin Jack is discussed as well. By mid-December, Pumpkin Jack was covered in white, so there has not been much change. The children are hoping to see more changes soon.

## COLLEGE PARK PRESCHOOL

WHERE IMAGINATION SOARS

Meghan Stubbs, Assistant Preschool Director

Children from the Wild Things Classroom observing the changes to Pumpkin Jack.



The Bee's Classroom documents each day with a new date and any changes in Pumpkin Jack.



Pumpkin Jack on March 17, 2025

During this project the children have learned the life cycle of a pumpkin.



There has been a discussion as to why Pumpkin Jack has not changed in a couple months, unlike the book. Teachers are thinking that placing it inside an air-tight container, as opposed to in an open air garden, changed the life cycle of the pumpkin. We will continue to observe Pumpkin Jack as the year progresses. Since most of the children in the Bee's classroom will be entering Kindergarten in the Fall, they will need to decide at the end of the year what to do with Pumpkin Jack.

I was out the other day, using duct tape on the lid of my wheelie bin as the trash trucks beat these up. My neighbor was out doing something in his yard, and came over to speak to me.

We have never been best friends, but I am always cordial to him and his wife. He shared with me his recent and ongoing battle with cancer and his wife's heart surgery. They are sleeping in separate bedrooms as that makes sense for them at this time. I told him I would pray for him and his wife. He wanted to talk and I happened to be there. He mentioned that he never had a serenity and peace with personal spirituality. I listened. He is a Reformed Jew and his wife is a Christian. I suggested he speak with someone, perhaps a rabbi or a chaplain. His son is a physician with the psychiatric unit with a local hospital. I mentioned that there might be more resources that he had not known about that might be available at little or no cost. Our conversation lasted about 20 minutes.

What if I had been taping the lid up 10 minutes earlier? What if it was the next day? We never know how we may touch others' lives and I truly believe that God had our paths cross. Trash cans? God works in mysterious ways.



## Ministry Over the Trash Cans

by Kate Cameron

Blessings, Kate

**Easter Egg Hunt for the kids  
in the courtyard on Easter Sunday  
right after our Easter Service  
at 10:45am.**



**We Celebrated Our  
30 Years as Faith  
Presbyterian Church  
on March 2nd.**



WE ARE A  **MATTHEW 25 Church**

**'TRULY I TELL YOU, JUST AS  
YOU DID IT TO ONE OF THE  
LEAST OF THESE WHO ARE  
MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY,  
YOU DID IT TO ME.'**

FROM MATTHEW 25:40 (NRSV)

**Every Sunday**

8:45m Choir Warm up – S  
9:30am Worship – S  
10:00am Sunday School – 3

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 4:30pm Gift of Dance – S 7:00pm SDHR - FFC	2 12:00pm Bible Study – 2 1:05pm Staff Meeting – O	3 6:30pm Bells – 2 7:30pm Choir -1	4	5 11am Memorial Service for DK – S
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b> 6 8:45m Choir Warm up – S 9:30am Worship – S 10:00am Sunday School– 3 12p-3p – GS Troop, FFC	7 1:30pm – PS Playball-FFC-1 hour	8 4:30pm Gift of Dance – S 6pm – Rental – 2 7:00pm SDHR - FFC	9 12:00pm Bible Study – 2	10 10:30am Women’s Circle – 3 6:30pm Bells – 2 7:30pm Choir -1	11 2pm – Tuesday Eves – L	12
<b>Palm Sunday</b> 13 8:45m Choir Warm up – S 9:30am Worship – S 10:00am Sunday School– 3 11am Deacons Meeting – 1 11am Session Meeting – 2	14 10am Prayers & Squares–3 1:30pm – PS Playball-FFC-1 hour	15 4:30pm Gift of Dance – S 7:00pm SDHR - FFC	16 8am – PS parent group – 2 12:00pm Bible Study – 2 1:05pm Staff Meeting – O	17 6:30pm Bells – 2 7:30pm Choir -1	<b>Good Friday</b> 18 7pm–Good Friday Service– Sanctuary	19 Set up of Easter Brunch – FFC – all day. 2:30pm Women’s Group–L
<b>Easter</b> 20 8:00am Flower Cross - 1 8:45m Choir Warm up – S 9:30am Worship – S 10:00am Sunday School– 3 10:45am Egg Hunt 11am Easter Brunch – FFC	21 1:30pm – PS Playball-FFC-1 hour	22 4:30pm Gift of Dance – S 7:00pm SDHR - FFC	23 8a to 5p – PS Art Walk–FFC (Set up) 12:00pm Bible Study – 2	24 <b>Newsletter Deadline</b> 8a to 5p – PS Art Walk–FFC 6:30pm Bells – 2 7:30pm Choir -1	25 8a to 5p – PS Art Walk–FFC	26 Parking lot closed – Rental 11am to 3pm
8:45m Choir Warm up – S 9:30am Worship – S 10:00am Sunday School– 3	27 8am – PS vision screen – 2 10am Prayers & Squares–3 1:30pm – PS Playball-FFC-1 hour	28 8am – PS vision screen – 2 4:30pm Gift of Dance – S 7:00pm SDHR - FFC	29 8am – PS vision screen – 2 4:30pm Gift of Dance – S 7:00pm SDHR - FFC	30 12:00pm Bible Study – 2	31 6:30pm Bells – 2 7:30pm Choir -1	

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GIVE THANKS TO  
THE LORD, FOR  
HE IS GOOD.  
HIS LOVE ENDURES  
FOREVER.  
PSALM 136:1

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NEXT  
MONTH



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