

Press Bits

Newsletter of Christ Presbyterian Church in Terra Linda

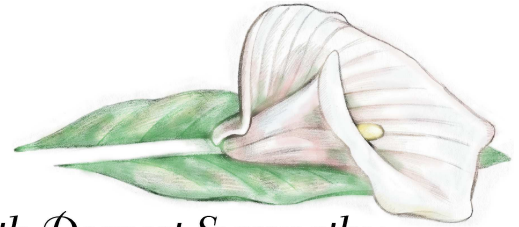


**Saturday
January 29th
7:00p.m.**

TA TA! THE PUPPETS ARE COMING
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Because we are such a friendly and cozy church, the San Francisco Bay Area Puppeteers Guild (SFBAPG) is having it's annual post holiday party at CPC! Sponsored by Elizabeth Hart, CPC Deacon and SFBAPG Life Member, this exciting event is on **Saturday, January 29th at 7:00p.m.** in our sanctuary with a "show and tell" afterwards. And, once again, our congregation is invited to become part of the audience at a wonderful puppet show-suitable for children and adults of all ages-free- as a thank you gift to CPC.

Water Works - Creative play abounds as a child and a duck splash through the seasons. Water Works is an original, half hour show, using a variety of beautifully crafted rod, shadow and hand puppets, presented by the award winning puppet company, Images In Motion. Images In Motion has been delighting families for over twenty years with their quality puppetry. Corporate clients include Leapfrog, Disney and PBS. Awards include six regional Emmys and 6 national Tellys. More info can be found at www.imagesmedia.com.



With Deepest Sympathy

CPC is saddened by the passing of Allan Mollison on December 7, 2010. Please keep Sarah and the family in your thoughts and prayers through this difficult time. No memorial service is planned as Allan had requested.



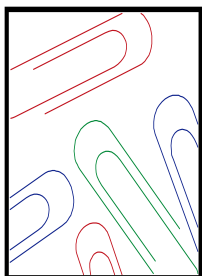
ANNUAL MEETING

Looking Ahead

This year's Annual Congregational Meeting will be something new and different

-- AND IT WILL BE IN FEBRUARY!

Please mark your calendars for **February 13, 2011** following worship as the time of our Annual Congregational Meeting. More details to follow.



**FROM THE
CHURCH
OFFICE**

**NEW CHURCH OFFICE HOURS AS OF
JANUARY 3, 2011**

**Monday and Wednesday 12:00 Noon to 5:00p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday 8:30a.m. to 1:30p.m.
Office closed on Friday.**

Providing Shelter

By Rev. Linda Lane-Bortell

On December 6 the Marin REST shelter program got under way at Christ Presbyterian Church. We have a permit to house up to 20 women on the floor of our sanctuary on Monday nights. Many hands make light work in this endeavor. You are invited to help. Set up, clean up, preparing meals, and eating with the guests are among the opportunities to help. Either sign up after church on the easel provided or phone one of our coordinators, Pat Long, 479-6333 or Carlene Searway, 472-5927.



The following is an excerpt from an email written to participating churches by Stephen "Walker" Bonspille, Co-Director, Marin REST.

"I would like to take a moment to tell you how proud I am of all of you who are taking part in this effort. I hope you don't mind that I tout you all as pioneering a community outreach effort in order to connect with the disenfranchised.

In the preface of the 2010 Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness, Pres. Obama makes it clear that it is not the government's sole responsibility to solve this problem, but that the solutions could come from every facet and segment of every community. In addition he states: "As we begin this endeavor, investing in the status quo would be inappropriate."

These words are not only a herald for change in policy, but a change in our perceptions of homelessness. They are also a call for commitment and outreach. In the future, this work will take an intensive effort by groups of community-minded citizens. Who in our community is leading the way in this work to connect with those who are experiencing homelessness? Look in the mirror and pat yourself on the back. Celebrate this with others you're serving with. I am honored to know you."

If you aren't already participating, you are invited to get involved with CPC's shelter program and be a part of this pioneering community outreach effort.



Sunday School Schedule

- January 2 - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL (Children are invited to Worship for Communion)
- January 9 - SUNDAY SCHOOL
- January 16 - SUNDAY SCHOOL
- January 23 - SUNDAY SCHOOL
- January 30 - SUNDAY SCHOOL

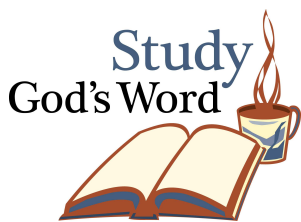
Ending time for Sunday School is 10:45a.m.

Nursery Care Providers
Sandy Mixsell & Elizabeth Hart

Sunday School Teachers welcome ALL children.

Nursery Room Policy Childcare ages 1 month to 3 years is available for young children in Room 8 during the worship service. Please feel free to make use of this service.

UPCOMING EVENTS



LINDA'S BIBLE STUDY meets every Tuesday at 1:00p.m. in Anise's Place beginning January 11, 2011. This Bible Study session takes a look at the weekly text for worship. Hope you can come join us in this new year. **ALL ARE WELCOME.**

TUESDAY EVENING 7:00P.M.-8:30P.M. BIBLE STUDY/WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY 10:00A.M. - 11:30A.M. meets in Anise's Place beginning January 11, 2011. We will be discussing

The Faith Club by Ranya Idliby, Suzanne Oliver and Priscilla Warner. Here is how they describe the book: "Welcome to the Faith Club. We're three mothers from three faiths - Islam, Christianity and Judaism - who got together to write a picture book for our children that would highlight the connections between our religions. But no sooner had we started talking about our beliefs and how to explain them to our children than our differences led to misunderstandings. Our project nearly fell apart." This book is their story of that experience. You are invited to join in this conversation, entering into dialogue with these women and with one another as we, too, seek to articulate our faith. If you read the book a few years ago this will be an opportunity to relive that reading and experience it with others. Books are available for purchase at less than \$10.00. Contact Margaret Veneman for more information.



JANUARY 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 WOMEN'S SHELTER

JANUARY 4, 11, 18, 25 GAHU PEOPLE DRUM GROUP See more information on page 5.

JANUARY 5, TAIZÉ SERVICE 6:00p.m in the Sanctuary. See more information at the bottom of this page.

JANUARY 9, WOMEN'S BRUNCH BUNCH meets at 12:15. Hostess to be announced please watch your Sunday bulletins and e-mails.

JANUARY 12, SESSION meets at 7:00p.m. in Anise's Place.

JANUARY 14, PRESS BITS DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY EDITION.

**DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

JANUARY 20, DEACONS meet at 7:00p.m. in Anise's Place.

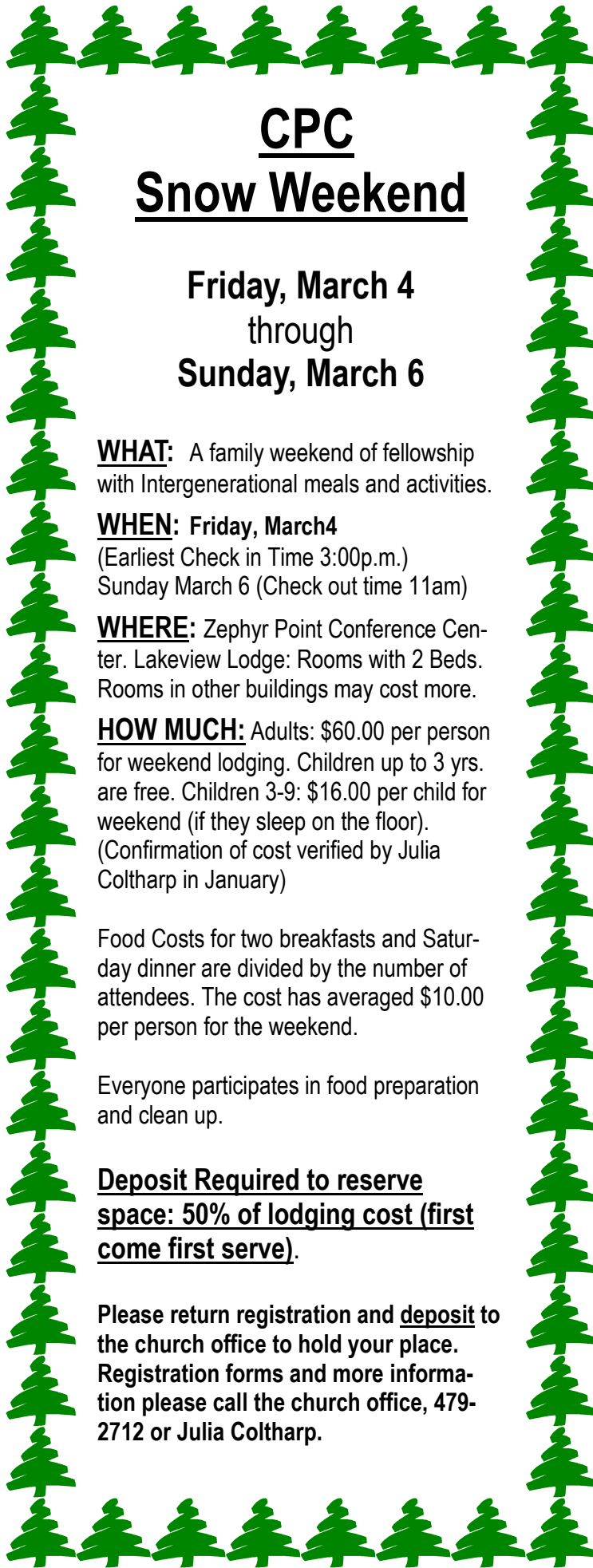
JANUARY 17, MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. HOLIDAY Church office closed.

JANUARY 19, PERSONNEL COMMITTEE meets at 7:00p.m. in Anise's Place.



**Taizé Service
on first
Wednesdays**

On Wednesday, January 5 a Taizé Service will be held at 6:30p.m. The service lasts about 30 minutes and consists of songs, readings, silence, and prayers. Anyone who can sit still for 5 minutes of silence can participate.



CPC Snow Weekend

**Friday, March 4
through
Sunday, March 6**

WHAT: A family weekend of fellowship with Intergenerational meals and activities.

WHEN: Friday, March 4
(Earliest Check in Time 3:00p.m.)
Sunday March 6 (Check out time 11am)

WHERE: Zephyr Point Conference Center. Lakeview Lodge: Rooms with 2 Beds. Rooms in other buildings may cost more.

HOW MUCH: Adults: \$60.00 per person for weekend lodging. Children up to 3 yrs. are free. Children 3-9: \$16.00 per child for weekend (if they sleep on the floor). (Confirmation of cost verified by Julia Coltharp in January)

Food Costs for two breakfasts and Saturday dinner are divided by the number of attendees. The cost has averaged \$10.00 per person for the weekend.

Everyone participates in food preparation and clean up.

Deposit Required to reserve space: 50% of lodging cost (first come first serve).

Please return registration and deposit to the church office to hold your place. Registration forms and more information please call the church office, 479-2712 or Julia Coltharp.

CPC Hosts Women's Shelter



**Refuge
for the
Homeless**

CPC is hosting women on Monday nights again this year as part of the Interfaith Emergency Shelter. There is always a need for help. Volunteer sign-up sheets are available in the Sanctuary. If you have questions please talk to Carlene Searway and Pat Long are our co-coordinators.



DO YOU LIKE SEEING BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS UP FRONT ON SUNDAY MORNINGS?

Please sign up on our new **2011 Flower Calendar** on the kitchen door. We need people to bring flowers from your garden or buy flowers. You may also give money and flowers will be purchased for you. Please sign up **SOON** on the Flower Calendar. Any questions you can talk to Deloras Jones or Patti McGeehon.

If you would like the support of prayers from CPC members and friends for yourself or others, please call Linda at the church office, 479-2712. If Linda cannot be reached, please call our Prayer Chain Coordinator, Millie Potter. If you would like to be a Prayer Chain member, offering daily prayers for others, please call Millie Potter or Pat Long.



YOUTH AND MISSION UPDATE

The final donation update for the Alternative Market is:

Church World Service	\$650.00
Heifer International	\$475.00
Project Homecoming	\$375.00

A big thank you the CPC youth group who donated 10 MP3 players and 3 \$20 Kohl's gift cards to Ritter Center.



MUSIC AROUND CPC & BEYOND

Eric Olbekson, Music Director

Phone: (415) 479-2712 Email – eolbekson@gmail.com

If you would like to be a part of the Choir and would like to join us please let Eric know. Rehearsals are in the sanctuary and the schedule is listed below. All are welcome!

Choir Schedule

- 2 – Sunday – NO CHOIR
- 9 – Sunday – NO CHOIR
- 13 – Thursday – 7:30pm – Rehearsal
- 16 – Sunday – 8:30am – Warm-up
- 20 – Thursday – 7:30pm – Rehearsal
- 23 – Sunday – 8:30am – Warm-up
- 30 – Sunday – 8:30am – Warm-up



GAHU DRUM AND DANCE GROUP

This group meets every Tuesday at 4:00p.m. in the Sanctuary for a beginning level drum class taught by Laurie Steese followed by the regular drumming session at 5:00p.m. A thank offering of \$5.00 per visit is asked for to support CPC's partnership with the GEC in Ghana. Questions call the church office 479-2712.

