

"The Grapevine"



June Flower Calendar



June 4

Alex & Darline Pineda

June 11

Roger & Tricia Winkler

June 18

Jill Bailey

June 25

Nancy Morgan Link



DEACONS BARREL ITEM:

"TOILET PAPER/ CLEANING PRODUCTS"

Events this Month:

FKEC Parking Lot Rummage Sale

Saturday, June 3 @ 8am

Piano Recital – Facility in Use

Saturday, June 3 @ 1233pm

Zephyr Point Family Camp

Sunday, June 4 - Friday, June 9

Feeding the Hungry

Tuesday, June 6 @ 415pm

Men's Circle of Faith (Church S. Hall)

Saturday, June 10 @ 830am

Men's Breakfast (Four Corner's)

Saturday, June 17 @ 8am

Father's Day

Sunday, June 18

Juneteenth - June 19



- 4- Connie Hill
- 12- Mike Little
- 17- Belle Twitchell
- 29- Terry Harries
- George Buffleben

Happy Anniversary:

- 3 - Bill & Ann Swenson
- 15 - Jim & Pat Kruse
- Roger & Tricia Winkler
- 16 - Don & Char Bisbee



Dear Church Family,

We are now in the season of Pentecost. The time in which we not only celebrate the gift of **God's Holy Spirit**, it is a time to consider how does this great power impact our personal lives, but also how it empowers and guides the people of God's church. This is the personal presence of God dwelling in our hearts, minds, and very being with God's Holy presence!



Jesus' last words to his disciples was to send them into the world to make disciples and to baptize in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Matthew 28: 16-20

This is a very important call to every follower of Jesus and the Church universal. We are to "go" not stay in one place. But we are to be living peaceful, joyful, wise messengers of our Risen Lord and Savior! Not only worshippers on Sunday mornings, but active, open, caring people of God's "Son" to a hurting and broken world! Keep your eye out and your heart open to help Jesus find His lost sons and daughters. They are all around us!

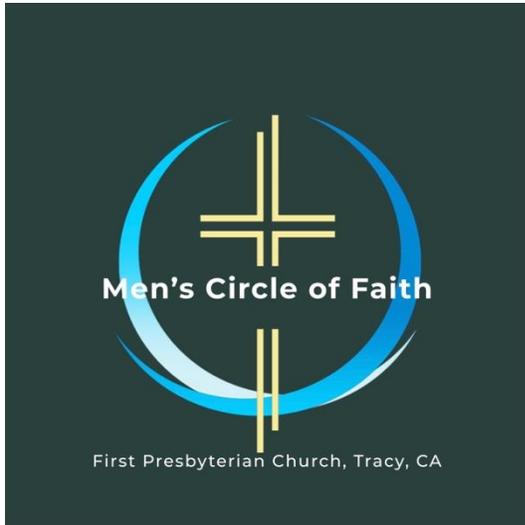
May God's love and peace bless you and guide you in blessing others in Jesus' name! You might find it exciting!!

In Jesus' Joy & Love,

Your Pastor,

David

New Fellowship Group – Men's Circle of Faith



The Fellowship committee is calling on all the men of the church to join us in a new fellowship group – **Men's Circle of Faith**. This group will meet on the second Saturday of each month, **beginning June 10th** in the Agnes Lea lounge. We will gather at 8:30am for a morning meal and fellowship followed by a short bible study, faith discussion and everyday application.

Pastor David Hill has graciously agreed to lead us in study and prayer by exploring the Life of Christ in context and through scripture. The first lesson will cover the Gospel of John – Chapter 1.

“Creator’s Word became a flesh and bone human being and pitched his sacred tent among us, living as one of us. We looked upon his great beauty and saw how honorable he was, the kind of honor held only by this one Son who fully represents his Father – full of his great kindness and truth. “

- First Nations Version. An Indigenous Translation of the New Testament.

Deacons' Doings'

The Deacons thank everyone for their generosity and caring. The Barrel for items for Tracy Interfaith is filling up every month. There is a great need. Tracy Interfaith is helping almost 400 families a week. Most of them are very low income. The items for this month are “toilet paper & cleaning products”.

Also, thank you to the members who are signing up for flowers for the sanctuary and donating money to the Deacons Fund. Your support also goes to Tracy Community Connections Center, Tracy Volunteer Caregivers, and the Cpl Palmer Memorial Troop Support Program, and many other projects.

Session

The Session and the Board of Deacons met in joint session, which the Book of Order requires to be done at least once a year. The Deacons made the Session aware of several ideas that they are exploring.

Escrow for the sale of the property adjacent to the church is scheduled to close on June 6th. The process seems to be moving along without any problems.

Nancy Rusch presented Session with a summary of the conclusions reached by the *ad hoc* committee considering uses of the new site property. As indicated by the responses to the questionnaire the committee asked the congregation to complete, an overwhelming majority are in favor of selling the 2 parcels to the highest bidder and using some of the proceeds to refurbish the existing facility. The Session received the report and discharged the *ad hoc* committee with thanks for their work.

A report was made on the tax status of the new site property. When the parcels were acquired in 1997 and 1998, title was recorded in the name of the Presbytery of Stockton. Subsequently a community garden was established on a portion of the area and the County Assessor granted a partial welfare exemption of the assessed value. In 2022 the Presbytery of Stockton was dissolved and merged into the Presbytery of North Central California. With the dissolution of the Presbytery of Stockton, title was conveyed to the First Presbyterian Church Society of Tracy, and the Presbytery of Stockton's Organizational Clearance Certificate, that permitted the welfare exemption, was revoked. These actions resulted in reassessment of the property value and the loss of the welfare exemption. An application for an Organizational Clearance Certificate in the name of the church has been submitted to the State Board of Equalization but has not yet been received. When it is received, the County Assessor will reinstate the partial welfare exemption on parcel 1, where the community garden is located, but not on parcel 2. This reassessment has resulted in a supplemental tax bill of approximately \$6,200, due by the end of July 2023. The Session voted to appeal to the County Board of Supervisors the reassessment of property value based on the conveyance of title, because in accordance with Presbyterian polity, as stated in the Book of Order, all property is held in trust for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), regardless of the name in which tile is recorded, so ownership of the property has not changed.

Financial Summary

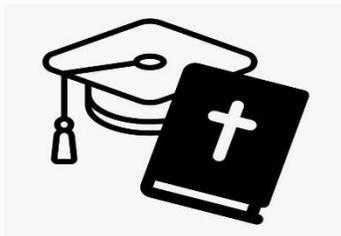
APRIL 2023

DESCRIPTION	MONTHLY	YEAR TO DATE
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>		
DEPOSITED WITH THE BANK OF STOCKTON		
BALANCE FORWARD		\$ 23,443.69
INCOME	17,238.00	58,968.59
EXPENSES	12,075.01	64,130.04
GENERAL FUND BALANCE	\$ 5,162.99	\$ 18,282.24
<u>DEDICATED FUNDS BALANCE</u>		
DEPOSITED WITH THE BANK OF STOCKTON		
SPECIAL FUNDS		\$ 16,756.91
IN-AND-OUT FUNDS		13,637.05
DEPOSITED WITH THE SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC		152,802.60
DEDICATED FUNDS BALANCE		\$ 183,196.56

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*Congratulations to our Class of 2023 High School Graduates & this year's recipients of The Maxine Fairchild Memorial Fund Scholarship:*

*Katherine Dubie, Maili Malabey,*  
**Kathleen Morelos, Chidiebere Nwadike,**  
**DIEGO VERGARA**



*May God bless you and guide you always, and know we are all so proud of you!*

## *Mission Committee Update:*



On May 2, 2023 we provided 55 meals to “Feed the Hungry.” Thank-you Sandra DeVos for providing pull pork sandwiches, green salad, and chips. I provided oranges and cookies were also provided. We do now have the June and July meals planned. If anyone would like to do the main dish in August or provide finances toward these meals, it is greatly appreciated. Thank-you Sandra DeVos, Sunday Borges, Don and Fang Burnett for helping me serve.

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## *Evangelism Committee Update:*

Saturday September 9, 2023 a Youth Membership Class from 10:30 am until 2:00 pm has been placed on the Church Calendar. If you are of high school age or graduated this year and are interested, we would love to have you attend; please contact the church office. After the class you can become a Member of the Tracy First Presbyterian Church. Evangelism Committee will provide a pizza lunch.

A new box for Wi-Fi has been installed for live-streaming worship on Facebook. The cost for using at the previous box was \$60.00 per month to the church. The new cost to the church will be \$0, the site now cost \$20.00 per month, since cost is being picked-up by anonymous donors. With the help of Connor Winkler, we are working on a system that will make the recording clearer; this should be available by June.

I am sorry that there was no recording of the church service on May 21. The normal tech person was sick and the only other one who is trained was providing major roles in the church service, we had no other choice. Jill will be providing pictures of the High School graduates on Facebook. After the services Fang Burnett has volunteered to learn the system. Thank-you Fang. Others who have some knowledge of tech systems are welcome to volunteer.

