Clarksburg Community Church

Chimes

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FROM THE PASTOR

This seems to be a year of extreme natural disasters. From our extremely wet winter in Northern California highlighted by the near collapse of the Oroville Dam, to a spring of tornadoes and flooding across the country and a summer of wildfires in the west, to earthquakes and a spate of hurricanes causing major damage, many people are not only concerned about the damage and the victims, but also fearful about the future.

Some are predicting that climate change is the new normal and natural disasters will be increasing. Certainly we are experiencing some new extreme climate changes, though climate has always been changeable. There do seem to be some indications that it will continue, though time will tell. While I don't personally subscribe too much of the political discussion, on possible solutions, I do think we would be wise to consider our responsibilities and response to climate change. And certainly natural disasters and storms will be part of our world and our lives.

Some are seeing these natural disasters as a fulfillment of biblical prophecy of the end times. Indeed, the storms are being reported in terms of biblical proportions. Without getting into all the interpretive detail, I simple caution that predicting the future from biblical prophecy is always problematical and rarely productive. The biblical prophecies always use symbolic and metaphoric language, making it difficult or impossible to assume it is literal, In addition, Jesus made it very clear the end will

come as a surprise, so predicting it is guess work. However I think the storms do remind us there will be an end to our lives and to the world. So, we would be wise to live with that in mind and attend to spiritual matters and seek the Creator and Lord and Savior of all so we are ready for the end.

I think we should also consider how we should respond to natural disasters. Whether they are personal or widespread, we are to respond with Christlike compassion and prayer seeking to find ways to help others in need. Rather than looking for a purpose or explanations -God caused or let this happens because...which Christians often do, it is much better to simply ask how can we/I respond in a supportive and helpful way.

Finally, we can trust God. Whatever comes, whether joy or suffering, God is still sovereign over creation, and is good, and always will be. Jesus faced the storm,

and said "Do not be afraid" and calmed the wind and waves and there was peace. As Katherine von Schlegal wrote (translated by Jane Borthwick), "Be still, my soul! God will undertake to guide the future as he has the past; your hope, your confidence let nothing shake; all now mysterious shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul! The wind and waves still know his voice who ruled them while he dwelt below."

Pastor Dennis

Worship in September Sunday School all ages 9:30 am Service Begins at 11:00 am		
Oct 1	"The Fall" Genesis 3	Communion
Oct 8	"Cain and Abel" Genesis 4. 1-6	
Oct 15	"Lamech and Enoch" Genesis 4. 17-24 Genesis 5. 18-24	
Oct 22	"Noah" Genesis 6-9	
Oct 29	"Tower of Babel" Genesis 11.1-9	

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

Did you miss a Sunday worship? Lost your copy of the Chimes? Don't fret, you can listen to past sermons or read current or past issues of the Chimes online on our website: www.clarksburgcc.org

Sunday School – All Ages 9:30 AM Worship 11:00 AM

Rev. Dennis Montzingo, Pastor

Office Hours: Tuesday through Friday 9:30

AM – 11:30 AM

(other times by appointment)

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TAKE THAT SURVEY!

Please take a few moments to complete the survey you were recently informed of. Each member of the household (15 and over) should complete the survey.

MONDAY BIBLE STUDY - 9:30 to 11 AM

We have chosen a Max Lucado book entitled "Grace: More Than We Deserve - Greater Than We Imagine" as our guide. All are invited to join our fellowship for an uplifting study and stimulating discussion. Please contact Charlyn Connor to see if you are interested.

MEN'S GROUP - FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH. OCTOBER 7TH

All men are invited to our first Men's group of the year meeting this Saturday at 6:30 AM at the church.

SENIOR LUNCH BEGINS OCTOBER 17TH

We hope to see all of you on the 3rd Tuesday of each month for a gathering of friendship, fellowship and great food prepared by willing cooks. The first Lunch of the year is October 17th at noon meeting at Clarksburg Community church. Mark your calendars!

COMING UP.....

ANNUAL CHURCH DINNER – NOVEMBER 5TH

Mark your calendars for the annual Church Dinner Nov 5th at 5 PM! Look for sign ups and program announcements soon.

WHAT OUR MISSION REALLY IS.....

The other day at Sunday school I was sitting across from a woman who I have been friends with for 50 years. As we sat there chatting and writing our letters to the mission children she stared at me for the longest time saying nothing. At one point it began to became a bit uncomfortable, and then, breaking the silence, she smiled and said "talking to you is like talking to your dad, I really do miss him!" Her comment took me by surprise, but reminded me that our legacy lives on in every generation. Yep, it's true, I do look like my dad, no question there, but her comment reminded me that the reputation of our family lives through our actions. People will look at me and say "she's a Golden, what a great family" or "wow, she's a "Golden" what a bunch of losers." As Christians we are held to an even higher standard, and, as a member of God's family, people will look at us in much the same way. When our actions in life clearly display to others that we are Christians, we can be an instrument of God bringing more people into his family, but when they don't, this is when we need to take a step back and remind ourselves what our mission really is.

-Lisa Kozlowski

ST BALDRICK'S SCORES FOR OUR CANCER WARRIORS!

If you noticed more bald heads than normal around Clarksburg Church there is a reason for that! Our St Baldrick's team consisting of David Kamminga, Bob Bartron and Mary Bartron are rocking the bald look after shaving their heads for childhood cancer awareness and research. We were the top team to raise the most money with over \$12,000 in donations! Also donating their hair to "Children With Hair Loss" that makes wigs for children was David Kamminga and Carol Bogart! Thank you Clarksburg for Going Gold For Childhood Cancer Awareness and supporting us as we Shaved For The Brave. Our St Baldricks Honored Kid, Amelia Riley was on hand to watch her grandparents go bald for her and all of our other cancer warriors. David Kamminga actually went bald on Good Day Sacramento a couple days beforehand to promote our event! Ask him to show you the special on camera clip.



UNION GOSPEL MISSION DONATIONS OPPORTUNITY

The Mission Committee, along with Union Gospel Mission, is asking for donations in October of:

- deodorant
- toothpaste/toothbrushes
- spray scents/perfumes

Please note:

DIAPERS are always needed.

Please bring your donations to the blue barrel in the Garden room at church. We will be collecting all of the October items until the end of the month. We will be asking for different donations each month to help those that are less fortunate. Please prayerfully consider being apart of this mission! Thank you.

COLLEGE ADDRESSES NEEDED

With the beginning of the school year, this means that our college students are returning to college and many have new addresses. Please send the addresses of your college student to Margie Montzingo at:

margiemontzingo@gmail.com

We would like addresses of all college students (both those staying locally and those away at school). Even if the address is the same as last year, please send it to Margie so that she can make sure to have current addresses for all students. Please send addresses ASAP so mailings can begin. College "care packages" as well as "Envelopes of Love" are sent over the course of the year. Thank you!

CALLING ALL BAKERS!!!

The Hospitality Committee will be calling upon all bakers to help with the Hospitality Fellowship coffee hours that are held when our Children's choirs sing. You will be called ahead of time and asked to bring 3-4 dozen of cookies prior to the worship service. It is our hope that all will be able to be a part of this wonderful church ministry.

THE CLARKSBURG COMMUNITY BAND INVITES YOU TO JOIN US!

How about dusting off that horn and getting involved!

We are a group of musicians that enjoy sharing our love of music with each other and our communities. We are looking to expand our ensemble and want to welcome those who are interested and who play a standard concert band instrument.

We meet:

Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 pm Delta High School 52810 Netherlands Ave. Clarksburg, CA 95612

For more information contact: Randall Veirs, Delta High School Band Director rveirs@rdusd.org

BOY SCOUTS TROOP 83 90TH ANNIVERSARY TRIP OF A LIFETIME

For Troop 83's 90th Anniversary, we celebrated by having our Boy Scouts go on a Trip of a Lifetime.

The scouts said they wanted to go out of state, they said they wanted to do some whitewater rafting, hiking, rock Climbing, so those were our goals. The trip began by going to Colorado via Amtrack.

Once there, we camped under the beautiful stars, hiked and climbed the beautiful Colorado Rockies, went whitewater rafting, accomplished rock climbing and ziplining, all in all Troop 83 Adventure of a lifetime.

While having fun, the boys learned, explored, tested themselves, and grew up a little, becoming great young men and Awesome Boy Scouts.

We Thank the Community and the Church for their support for the Troop.





