



Clarksburg Community Church

Chimes

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Worship Schedule for August Worship at 10:00 AM

11:00 Worship resumes September 1st
Sunday School resumes September 8th

August 4	"Building and Blessings" Psalm 127	Communion
August 11	"Challenges and Encouragements"	Rev. Sandy Adams - Preach 4:00 PM Ice Cream Social
August 18	"Poor in Spirit" Matthew 5.3	
August 25	"Mournful" Matthew 5.4	

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FROM THE PASTOR

In the early hours of June 15th, our grandson Joshua, having endured two heart surgeries during his short five months of life, died from an aortic aneurysm. We weren't surprised by his death, but we also weren't prepared for it because we hoped and believed he would heal, and we could watch him grow up. We want to say a heartfelt thanks to all for all your love and prayers which have been such an encouragement to us during this time, and to share some lessons learned from Joshua.

Lesson one, courage. Joshua's life verse was Joshua 1.9, "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord you God will be with you wherever you go." Though he was suffering much of his 5 months of life, we were always encouraged by his strong spirit, bold smile and impactful life. He showed us how to live with courage, and his little life strengthened our family and our faith.

Lesson two, grief hurts. We were devastated by his Joshua's death, and though I have been through many other deaths, grief has never been so deeply painful. We were comforted by many who had also experienced the painful loss of a child.

Lesson three, we couldn't do this alone. Our family all gathered and held close throughout, and friends and churches expressed support and helped in many thoughtful and practical ways. We learned we have strong ties with many who love us and whom we love.

Lesson four, God is good and is always present. In many ways the Lord stood with us and we did not lose hope. Although the grief is always there, there is also a real sense of peace and even joy, and that life is worth living. Although circumstances are hard, we know in Jesus Christ death has been overcome and we look forward the final fulfillment of all his promises.

Lesson five, priorities. Hold close what is most important. As The apostle Paul concluded when writing to the Corinthians about love, "And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love." Always hold close those whom you love.

Pastor Dennis

FROM THE YOUTH LEADER

This month, one year ago, I started at Clarksburg Community Church as the youth director. This year has been full of deepening relationships, walking through good times and bad with our teens, growth in many areas, learning, and listening closely to the guidance of the Lord. As I look forward to another great year, I think of all the good things the Lord will do.

I have been reading a book recently about being aware of the presence of God. And that's what hope we can do together in youth group. His kingdom is ushered in when His presence is known and when we let His power reign in our lives. I pray that this year, the youth and I can discern His presence more and be continually shaped by it. In Him,

Blessings, Amanda

Sunday School Changes!

Sunday School Classes For All Ages Will Be Offered This Year As Usual, With 2 Changes:

1. September 8th starting date, {this is later than in past years}.
2. 9:45 AM start time.

Watch for more information in the next Chimes and plan to join us for bible study on Sunday, September 8th at 9:45 AM

Charlyn Connor Announces Handbell Directing Retirement

We seem to be nearing the end of an era in the music ministry of our church, an era of volunteer leadership inspired by the God given passion for music. It began for several of us as newly-weds and now, 60 years later, we must acknowledge diminished abilities. In our recent music committee meeting we confronted this reality as we reviewed past and present and talked of possibilities for the future.

We are praying for God to raise up the next generation of leaders.

Who will lead? What will their vision look like?



I have been passionate about the mission of the adult choir (12 years as director) and that of the bell choir (37 years as director) and feel enormously blessed by the privilege of leading both. Now my failing eyesight, somewhat forgetful mind, and deteriorating body require me to step away from leadership by the spring of 2020 or before. Those of us who are "aging-out" wish to thank our church family for all the years of loving affirmations given us through expressions of gratitude and celebrations in our honor. I offer encouragement and training in conducting and bell ringing to any who feel called to this beautiful and meaningful ministry.

Sincerely, Charlyn

31st Annual Wines of Clarksburg and Art Auction Fundraiser

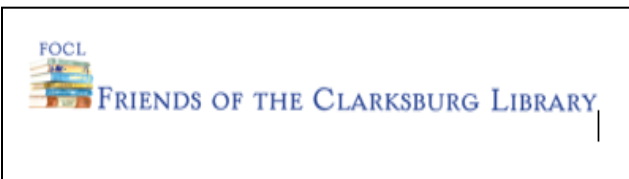
Sunday, Sept 15TH - 1 to 4 PM
Heringer Ranch
37375 Netherlands Road
Clarksburg, CA 95612

Enjoy an elegant afternoon of gourmet food samplings, local wines, live music, gift basket auction and a fine art.

The Friends are pleased to announce that small bites will be prepared by Acoustic Events catering and gorgeous floral décor will be crafted by What The Flowers. Sacramento artist Patris will be painting on-site and Delta sculptor Angelica Boessl will be creating pottery. Live jazz provided by guitarist Jon Merriman.

Proceeds from this event will benefit the Clarksburg Library, which is the only community-owned public library in California.

You may purchase your tickets online:
<http://www.clarksburglibraryfriends.org>



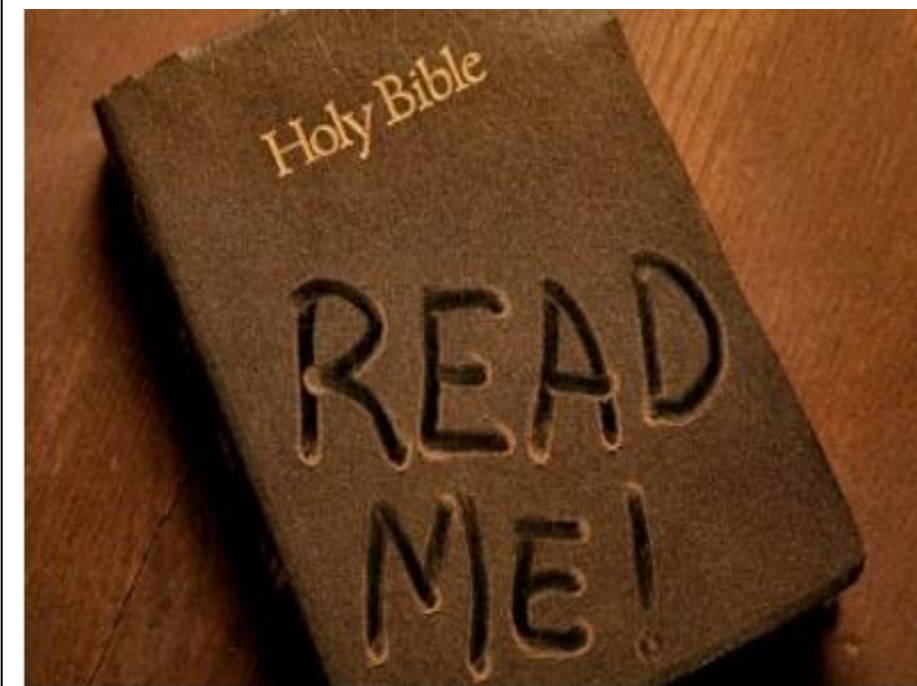
Tickets for the event are \$50 per person and \$65 on the day of the event. This year we are proud to offer a VIP ticket which includes expedited entrance, a glass of wine from Silt Wine Company, as well as a reserved seating area which will feature unique appetizers.

For more information, please see the event's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Clarksburgartwineevent>

You can also contact the event chairperson, Lacy Berry at FOCL1965@gmail.com.

MUST BE 21 TO ATTEND



What is the Christian bible?

The Holy Bible is the written Word of God. It's the book in which God reveals Himself to mankind. The bible is God's love letter to His children.

The Christian bible is the book of all books. It's the most famous book ever written and it tops the best seller list with world-wide sales of over 100 million copies each year.

The word bible is the English form of the Greek word Biblia. The word bible means "books." The Holy Bible is a collection of 66 books written by 40 different authors who were inspired by the Holy Spirit. These writers consisted of men in many different social ranks from kings, peasants, fishermen, tax collectors, educated and uneducated, Jews and Gentiles.

The Christian bible contains 39 books in the Old Testament and 27 in the New Testament. The Old Testament was written before Jesus and the New Testament is about the life and teachings of Jesus Christ, the son of the living God.

Psalm 33:4-11 (NIV)

For the word of the LORD is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.

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“I just don’t have enough money to give to this Faith Promise Drive.”

A Christian financial counselor starts every session with a new client by stating an undeniable fact: “Everything is God’s. We are merely stewards of his creation.” It is not “our” money, “our” savings, “our” house or car. All is merely on loan from God. We should take confidence that when He directs us to use these “loaned assets” to do His work, we really are risking nothing of our own.

As we work to raise additional money to cover the cost of two pastors for the next ten months, we need to remember that God not only gave us the riches we enjoy, He also gave us good sense and talents in managing the gifts he has bestowed on each of us.

See Matthew 25: 14-30 to read what Christ said we should do with His gifts.

How can we keep faith with what God has given us? We can all look at our finances and easily justify that we are stretched too thin to give more than a very little over our current contributions for the next ten months. But is that really true? I encourage you to carefully examine where the assets God has entrusted to you are used. A little creative thought on everyday expenses we incur might yield some opportunities you haven’t considered. Some of the fluff in our daily routine we probably can do without—i.e. daily Starbucks coffee, bloated cell phone plans and cable/satellite costs, etc., If you don’t see any fluff currently in your monthly budget—**especially if you don’t!**—then a pledge made to honor God’s answer to earnest prayer will provide Him the opportunity to show His faithfulness in honoring your commitment. God always keeps his promises. Pray for His guidance in helping you manage the resources He sends to you over the next ten months.

Give God an opportunity to shower you with unexpected blessings by considering to pledge “sacrificially”.

We have a chance to grow our faith and closeness to the Creator of all things by stepping forward and say by our actions, “God, we believe in your promises.”

Bob Bartron



Rev. Sandy Adams, Jr.

Our new Pastor arrives August 3rd to begin his ministry at Clarksburg Community Church! Please attend worship August 11th at 10:00 AM to hear Sandy with an ice cream social at 4:00 PM to welcome Rev. Sandy, wife Michelle and son Samuel.

A little bit about Sandy.....

Born in Kentucky in 1971 (Age 48); Married almost 26 years to Michelle who was raised on an Illinois farm and is a talented singer and involved in the ministry; adopted 9-year old son Samuel the day he was born.

Lead Pastor, Cross Keys Fellowship, New Oxford, PA { 2014-2019 }

EDUCATION

- Masters of Theological Studies (Summa Cum Laude) Palmer Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, PA 2009
- Master of Arts in Education (Summa Cum Laude) Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN 2000
- Bachelor of Arts (Pastoral Training & Theology) (Cum Laude) Welch College, Nashville, TN 1994
- Additional studies include: one year at Asbury Theological Seminary; one year at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Ice Cream Social!

Please join us in a **Community wide** ice cream social to welcome Sandy, wife Michelle and son Samuel

~ AUGUST 11TH AT 4:00 PM ~
AT CLARKSBURG COMMUNITY CHURCH

