



Beloveds of God,



In our conflict utilization training with Turning West we learned about the importance of

positive and negative social sanctioning for a healthy community. Positive and negative social sanctioning is the work of the whole community to name and reinforce those behaviors we value and name and discourage those behaviors we do not value in our community. A sanction is a reaction from the members of the community to the behavior of an individual or group with the goal of helping that individual or group participate effectively and appropriately within the system. As an example, in the second workshop time we were roleplaying and Deb, our consultant, was at a council meeting very angry about a council decision to borrow \$4million for building improvements. She was yelling at the council president and vice president for a lack of forethought and transparency. Another member of the group, who was also unhappy with the council decision, stopped her and said, “Deb, we don’t speak to our siblings in Christ like that at this church. We can disagree with them and we can tell them that but we need to treat them with respect.” Later in the same vignette, Deb was railing about the congregation blindly following whatever the council decides and she called the congregation, “a bunch of stupid sheep!” Again, a member of the group of people unhappy with the faux council’s decision stopped her and said, “Deb, you may disagree with some of the congregation but you may not call them stupid. We do not speak about each other this way here, it is not ok.” Those are examples of negative social sanctioning; consequences for acting in ways that the community does not value. In this case the consequence was simply to have the offending behavior named and admonished. Likewise, as the vignette ended a member of the faux unhappy group thanked the acting council president and vice president for listening to their concerns and treating them with respect. That is an example of positive social sanctioning; rewarding those behaviors the community values. In this

case the reward was simply naming the behavior, praising it, and showing gratitude for it.

During the training, Deb made the off hand comment that “this is not new; positive and negative social sanctioning have been around for a long time...” so that made me wonder: did Jesus engage in positive and negative social sanctioning? And if so, how and when? And would you believe it: Jesus sanctions positively and negatively throughout his ministry! Some of the sanctioning was much fiercer than we role played, and hopefully fiercer than we will have to practice in our congregation! For instance, he flips over changing tables and drives people out of the temple with a whip. Other times the social sanctioning was very similar to our role-play. Think of the story of the Canaanite woman who asks Jesus to heal her daughter and when he refuses, she calls him out (using negative social sanctioning, actually—calling him back to God’s abundance when he acts in scarcity). Jesus then positively socially sanctions that bold mother exclaiming, “Woman, great is your faith!” In contrast, Jesus uses negative sanctioning consistently with his disciples, the Pharisees, and the Sadducees rebuking them for their hardness of heart, stubbornness of will, and thickness of skull. Jesus also uses clear examples of social sanctioning when Martha is frustrated with her sister, Mary’s, unhelpfulness in Luke 10 and again when he heals the 10 lepers in Luke 17. In the garden at Gethsemane Jesus uses negative social sanctioning for the sleepy disciples and again when Simon Peter cuts off Malchus’ ear. He combines positive and negative social sanctioning at the Passover meal in which he is anointed. As the gospel according to Mark tells it, Jesus not only positively sanctions the woman’s actions by saying, “She has done what she could... truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her,” but also negatively sanctions those who accuse her, saying, “let her alone!”

In all of these examples, Jesus uses positive or negative social sanctioning to draw those around him back into participating in the coming of God’s kingdom and God’s will being done on

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**Sunday Worship at Mt. Carmel**

Summer Single Service  
9:30 AM  
June 17–September 9

8:45 AM—Traditional Service

11:00 AM—Contemporary Service

Holy Communion is offered at all Sunday worship services.

Child care available on Sundays 8:45 am-12:15 pm.

earth as it is in heaven. This too, should be our guide for employing the sanctions. That which we value and hold others accountable to cannot simply be what we personally desire, prefer, or are comfortable with, it must be that which serves God in proclamation of the gospel at this time and in this place. Our sanctioning must encourage each other to see the image of God in one another, to treat one another as beloved children of God, and to call each other back to discipleship when we (inevitably) stray. It is hard and holy work and I am thankful to be engaged in it with all of you.

Peace,  
Pastor Valerie



## BUDGET REPORT

### April Financial Report

The current general cash reserve at 4/30/18 (which do not include Temporarily Restricted Funds or Memorial and Trust Funds) was \$136k. This is 31% of the operating budget; exceeding a good guideline for cash reserves of at least 30% of the operating budget.

Offerings through 4/30/18 are \$214k. This is 73% of the budgeted offerings and we are 83% through the year. The total general fund revenue through 4/30/18 is \$298k.

We are 83% through the year. Our total general fund expense is at 67% of the full year budget. The largest expense line of Personnel is under budget at 64% of the full year budget - this is mostly due to the continuing unfilled Youth Director position. Net general fund income for the period ended 4/30/18 is \$9k.

The next **Council Meeting** will be held on **June 17th** at 6pm.

A new list of **Donor Numbers** is posted in the Narthex. Please take note of your new number and write it on your donation envelopes from now on. Thank you!

### Summer Services:

Beginning **June 17th**, we will be switching to single services at **9:30am** for the Summer months. The final single service will be **September 9th**.

### Proposed Budget:

The proposed budget for 2018/19 is available on the website. A hard copy can be found in the Narthex, or by contacting the church office.

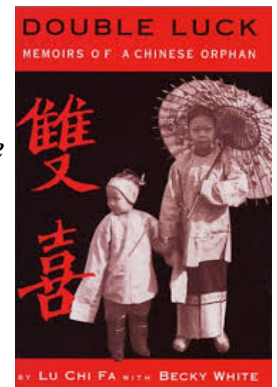
### Annual Meeting:

The annual meeting will be held after service on June 17th. Official invites and information will be sent out to the congregation in advance.

### Opening Doors of Interfaith Understanding:

The next meeting will be on **June 4 at Congregation Beth David at 7:30PM**. Fr Jim Nisbet will talk about the book *Learn to Dance the Soul Salsa* by **Leonard Sweet**. Fr Jim and Rabbi Linda Bertenthal will be talking about the sacredness of meals because at sunset we will break the Ramadan fast for our Muslim friends to pray, and for all of us to enjoy a meal together. **Donations of any size will be welcome** as the meal will cost us \$8 a person catered by Shalimar Restaurant.

MCLC Book Club Will meet at the home of Karen Petersen, **Sunday, June 10 at 6pm**. We welcome our guest **Chi Fa Lu (aka Gordon)** author of last month's book *Double Luck*. Looking forward to hearing more of his story. We will be taking July off and meet up again on August 12.





## To the wonderful family of Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church,

Thank you all so much for making this year's Get on the Bus another wonderful success! Your donations, monetary and in-kind, and volunteers were overwhelming! As I watched the smiles, heard the laughter, watched our guests being shown games, support and served ice cream sundaes, it was all I could do but walk around and smile with them. Your being a part of the party and making our guests feel loved and supported truly made this day very special.



As everyone got back on the bus, they were saying what a great time they had! I received a note from the Counselor on the Bus and he said they all talked about how they love coming to our party as they feel truly cared for and supported.

Your monetary donations brought a bus full of 21 children and their chaperones to CMC to visit their dads. The smiles and the love that filled the visiting room was incredible!



We will be missing one guest next year. One young woman, with her infant, who has come the past several years to visit her dad, will not be returning. As we got back on the bus, leaving CMC, she said this will be her last visit, as her dad is getting released in two months, to come home. Thank you for helping to bring this family together and giving this dad a reason to stay with his family and less chance to re-offend.



You truly are a blessing!

Peace and Joy,

Nancy Priddy Bus Coordinator

## Common Ground Tour:

Please join us on **Wednesday, June 13** for a concert performed by the youth from Bethel Lutheran Church. The **concert will begin at 7pm, preceded by a dinner at 6pm.** Performance will include music of today's top Christian artists and original videos and dramas. For questions or more info, please contact **Pastor Valerie** at [pastor.valerie.carlson@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.valerie.carlson@gmail.com).

# Mt. Carmel Youth



VBS registration is open!

Forms are available on the website and in the Narthex.

Open to all kids aged Pre K to 6th grade.

Dates: July 30—August 3

Times: 9am—2pm

Fee: \$50 per child

Contact Shannon Babcock for questions:

[sbabcock1996@yahoo.com](mailto:sbabcock1996@yahoo.com)

Bring in or mail forms and fees to the church office.

COMMON GROUND TOUR 2018



date **Wednesday, June 13**

time **7pm**

place **Mt. Carmel  
1701 Fredricks St.**

contact **pastor.valerie.carlson@gmail.com  
Pastor Valerie**



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Date	Time	Acolytes	Coffee Servers	Communion Assistants	Greeters
		Greeter/C.A.	COORDINATOR:	COORDINATOR:	COORDINATOR:
		COORDINATOR:	Carol Harvey	Parish Administrator	Parish Administrator
		Parish Administrator	481-2418	544-2133	544-2133
		544-2133		info@MtCarmelSLO.org	info@MtCarmelSLO.org
June 3	8:45		Steve & JoAnn Bennett	Mike Dresp	Carolyn Baker
				Nancy Priddy	
	11:00		Jeanie Schultz	Jenice Twomey	Pat Forrest
				Diane Mansell	
June 10	8:45		Jack & Roberta Moen	Betty Johnson	Dave Wilcox
				Maureen Dresp	
	11:00		Jan Uder	Holly Varni	Jenice Twomey
				Ben & Anders Varni	
June 17	9:30		Jess & Pat Bathke	Karen Petersen	JoAnn Bennett
			Mike & Val Lund	Mary Christenson	
June 24	9:30		Sid & Beryl Bennett	Sophia Parsons	Erin Parsons
			Vicky Tway	Micah Parsons	

Friday Morning Office Volunteers					
Pat Forrest	Dorothy McCoid	Carol Grosse	Mary Christenson	Carol Winger	Maureen Dresp
Jun-22	Jun-1		Jun-15	Jul-6	Jun-8
Jul-27	Jul-13		Aug-3		Jul-20

Date	Time	Lector(s)	Assisting Minister	Soundboard	Powerpoint
		COORDINATOR:	COORDINATOR:	COORDINATOR:	COORDINATOR:
		Wayne Lippold	Greg Zocher	Marshall Pihl	Marshall Pihl
			461-3128		
		wayne@pacific-arch.com	gzocher@slocity.org		
June 3	8:45	Greg Zocher	Rebecca Christensen	John Perreault	
	11:00	Kathleen Gremel		Marshall Pihl	
June 10	8:45	Mike Dresp	Greg Zocher	John Perreault	
	11:00	Rachel Mann		Marshall Pihl	
June 17	9:30	Kathleen Gremel			
June 24	9:30	Jess Bathke	Rebecca Christensen		

**Ushers:** 1st service ushers are scheduled for single services from June 17- July 29. 2nd service ushers are scheduled for single services from August 5- September 9.

	1st Sunday	2nd Sunday	3rd Sunday	4th Sunday
8:45	Jess & Pat Bathke	Norm & Mollie Smith	Glen Priddy	Warren Quist
	Steve & JoAnn Bennett	Dale & Betty Johnson	Burke Jr. & Kathy Towle	John Merrill
11:00	Sue Cummings	Bob & Carol Grosse	Alan Estes	Carol & Donley Winger
	John Sexton	Jeanie Schultz	Mike & Val Lund	Pat Forrest
	Bob Babcock	Linda Schultze	Dorothy McCoid	Andy Frokjer

Altar Guild	
June 3	Dorothy McCoid
June 10	Maureen Dresp
June 17	Vicky Tway
June 24	Pat Forrest
Next Altar Guild meeting: June 14 @ 2pm	

\*Reminder:  
If you are unable to serve, please notify your coordinator and the church office of your substitute as soon as possible.





## The People's Kitchen of San Luis Obispo

Mt. Carmel serves again on **July 6** at Noon at Prado Day Center.

**Volunteers:** Thank you, and be sure to check the schedule below for what is needed.

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	WHAT TO BRING	HOW MUCH TO BRING	DATE
Muller	Tina	CANNED FRUIT	2 LRG CANS SMART & FINAL	6/1/2018
Bobell	David	CANNED FRUIT	2 LRG CANS SMART & FINAL	6/1/2018
Mann	Rachel	HOT DISH	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	6/1/2018
Sexton	Janis	HOT DISH	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	6/1/2018
Towle	Kathy	HOT DISH	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	6/1/2018
Rollefson	Ruth	HOT DISH	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	6/1/2018
Senter	Jean	HOT DISH	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	6/1/2018
Forrest	Pat	HOT DISH	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	6/1/2018
Keisler	John	MILK	2 GALLONS WHOLE	6/1/2018
Martin	Julie	MILK	2 GALLONS WHOLE	6/1/2018
Columbo	Karen	SALAD	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	6/1/2018
Meyer	Kathy	SALAD	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	6/1/2018
Bremer	Judy & Walt	SALAD	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	6/1/2018
Uder	Jan	SALAD	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	6/1/2018
Bockelman	Karen	CANNED FRUIT	2 LRG CANS SMART & FINAL	7/6/2018
Cummings	Sue	CANNED FRUIT	2 LRG CANS SMART & FINAL	7/6/2018
Adams	Dorothy	HOT DISH	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	7/6/2018
Almas	Karen	HOT DISH	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	7/6/2018
Lex	Linda	HOT DISH	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	7/6/2018
Bennett	Steve & JoAnn	HOT DISH	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	7/6/2018
Tewell	Judy	HOT DISH	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	7/6/2018
Tietje	Sheilah	HOT DISH	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	7/6/2018
Bathke	Jess & Pat	MILK	2 GALLONS WHOLE	7/6/2018
Krueger	Laura	MILK	2 GALLONS WHOLE	7/6/2018
Bennett	Sid & Beryl	SALAD	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	7/6/2018
Christensen	Rebecca	SALAD	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	7/6/2018
Christenson	Mary	SALAD	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	7/6/2018
Rheinisch	Diana	SALAD	HEARTY 12 SERVINGS	7/6/2018



**Mt. Carmel volunteers provide a hot meal for People's Kitchen on the first Friday of each month.** If you would like to provide a hot dish, salad, milk or canned fruit with 12 hearty servings three times in the next year (and you're not already a volunteer) please contact Laura Krueger at [laurasalazar67@gmail.com](mailto:laurasalazar67@gmail.com) or [805-458-6012](tel:805-458-6012)





2 Ro Cannon-Miller	16 John Sexton
4 Aidan Dellinger	17 Lily Hinds
4 Vicky Tway	19 Erin Malone
5 Beverly Gingg	20 Dennis Amling
7 Pat Bathke	21 Paul Christensen
7 Jim Gorter	23 Callie Bobell
9 Ariana Holman	24 Sherri Parkinson
11 Sally Reck	28 Lisanne Martinelli
	30 Greig Cummings



6-10-61 Harry & Treva Thornton
6-10-06 Charles & Desiree Dellinger
6-12-76 John & Janis Sexton
6-14-52 Gary & Jeanie Schultz
6-14-69 Michael & Dianne Draze
6-17-72 John & Ruth Rollefson
6-17-11 Andy & Ingrid Frokjer
6-18-49 Warren & Betty Ann Quist
6-19-04 Carlyn & John Hinds
6-20-87 Kevin & Wende Dong
6-29-57 Robert & Mary Christenson

***\*Please let us know if we missed your birthday or anniversary***

*We always thank  
GOD for all of you  
and continually  
mention you in  
our prayers.*

I Thessalonians 1:2, NIV

### PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY:

June 3: John & Nancy Cook, Claudia Coughran & John Perreault, Nancy Crotty

June 10: Jen & Brayden DeClark, Charles & Desiree Dellinger (Aidan, Brennan, Brielle), Kevin & Wende Dong

June 17: Michael & Diane Draze, Ed & Maureen Dresp, Mike Dresp

June 24: Esther Droege, Sally Eggen, Dick Eschenbach

### Mount Carmel Staff

Valerie Carlson	<i>Pastor</i>
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Dave Becker	<i>Director of Contemporary Music</i>
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In times of crisis, please contact the church.

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or the MCLC Office

Have something you want to share, celebrate or commemorate?  
E-mail the details/pictures to the church office  
([info@mtcarmelslo.org](mailto:info@mtcarmelslo.org)) for publication in this newsletter and/or our  
weekly "Vistas" e-mail!

**Deadline for July "Summit" is June 25th**

