

January 2020

As we celebrate the twelve days of Christmas, it's a good time to reflect on the deepest meaning of Christ's birth. The poet, Howard Thurman, expresses it simply and powerfully in his "Christmas Poem."

When the song of the angel is stilled when the star in the sky is gone, when the magi and the shepherds have found their way home. the work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost and the lonely one, to heal the broken soul with love. to feed the hungry children with warmth and good food, To feel the earth below, the sky above!

To free the prisoner from all chains, to make the powerful care, to rebuild the nations with strength and good will,

To see God's children everywhere!

To bring hope to every task you do, to dance at a baby's new birth, to make music in an old person's heart, And sing the colors of the earth.

Our celebration of the incarnation of Emmanuel—God with us—is to incarnate in our own lives the Way of Jesus; the way of compassion, healing and hope.

Peace,

Pastor Richard

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Thursday, January 9 at 6:00pm

Music in the Schools Benefit Concert Sunday January 26 at

Sunday, January 26 at 3:00pm

Sunday Worship at Mt. Carmel Sunday Worship Service

9:30am

Holy Communion is offered at all Sunday worship services.

Join us for coffee on the patio immediately following the service.



ADULT FORUM Sundays 11:00AM Quist Hall

January 2020 Adult Forum Schedule

Sundays, January 5, 12, and 19:

The First Letter of John

A three part Bible Study presented by Pastor Richard on the New Testament Epistle that focuses on themes of love and light.

Sunday, January 26, Film Showing:

Imprisoning a Generation

We are re-showing a documentary film following the stories of four young Palestinians who have been detained and imprisoned under the Israeli military and political systems. Their perspectives, along with the voices of their families, combine to form a lens into the entangled structures of oppression that expand well beyond the prison walls.

Presented by the Middle East Peace Task Force, the Southwest California Synod, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

LUMIN PANCAKE PALOOZA

The LuMin Team welcomed students from Cal Poly and Cuesta College with pancakes on the first night of finals week. Students were able to choose from a variety of fresh made pancakes, including Nutella, blueberry, chocolate chip, and more. Toppings ranging from maple syrup to chocolate sauce, fresh berries, and whipped cream were also available.





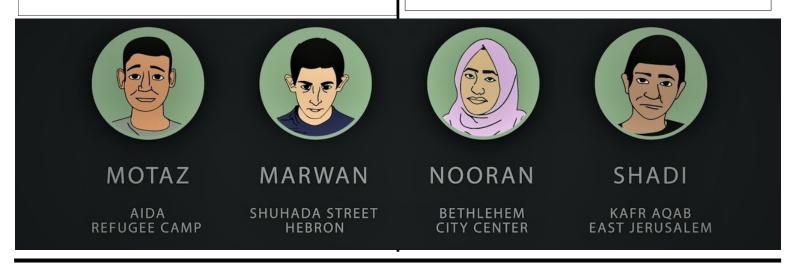
SUCCESSFUL BENEFIT CONCERT FOR DR. ANDREW PETERSON, DC

On behalf of the friends and family of Dr. Andrew Peterson, heartfelt gratitude is extended to all the members of Mt. Carmel who helped set up, oversee and coordinate the music, intermission, security and clean-up of the benefit concert held at MCLC on Sunday, November 10th. And many thanks to all those members who attended and supported the fundraiser for this much-loved man who recently had to undergo open-heart surgery.

Approximately 90 people were in attendance, and \$1,500 was raised to help Dr. Peterson through his recovery.

We want to express our deepest appreciation for the use of this beautiful church, and for all the kind and generous help so selflessly given by the members of Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church.

Thank You!



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 2019

The children of Mt. Carmel told the story of Christmas during worship on December 15. It was a wonderful program narrated by Allie and Daniel Schultze who also performed a beautiful duet.





DATE	ACOLYTES	COFFEE SERVERS	COMMUNION ASSTS	GREETERS	LECTORS
	COORDINATOR	COORDINATOR	COORDINATOR	COORDINATOR	COORDINATOR
	John Keisler	Carol Harvey	None	None	Wayne Lippold
1/5	Allie Schultze	Jan Uder	Janis Sexton; Diane Mansell; Maureen Dresp	Janis Sexton	Janis Sexton
1/12	Andrew Moersdorf	Jenice Twomey	Karen Petersen; Betty Johnson; Jenice Twomey	Betty Johnson	
1/19	Adrian Schultze	Mike & Val Lund	Nancy Priddy; Sandy Rowland; Cyndi Rollefson	JoAnn Bennett	
1/26	Lily Hinds	Jack & Roberta Moen	John & Nancy Cook; Mike Dresp; Lisanne Martinelli	Pat Forrest	
2/2	Allie Schultze	Carol Harvey	Janis Sexton; Diane Mansell; Maureen Dresp	Ro Cannon-Miller	

*Reminder:

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

FRIDAY MORNING OFFICE VOLUNTEERS			
January 3	Dorothy McCoid		
January 10	Carol Winger		
January 17	Maureen Dresp		
January 24	Pat Forrest		
January 31	Pat Ramsay		

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE
SOMEONE SPECIAL, CONSIDER
SPONSORING
FLOWERS FOR OUR CHANCEL.
Two bouquets for \$55.00.
Thank you, Jeanie Schultz, Altar Guild

FLOWER SPONSORS			
January 5	Gary & Jeanie Schultz		
January 12			
January 19			
January 26			
February 2			

MOUNT CARMEL COUNCIL MEMBERS

President Marshall Pihl
Vice President Patti Frey

Treasurer Sherri Parkinson

Secretary John Merrill

Carol Harvey Jan Uder

Matthew Schultze Wayne Lippold

DATE	USHERS	SOUND BOARD	POWER POINT	ALTAR GUILD	CHILDREN'S CHURCH
	COORDINATOR	COORDINATOR	COORDINATOR	COORDINATOR	COORDINATOR
	Jess Bathke	Marshall Pihl	Marshall Pihl	Jeanie Schultz	Ingrid Frokjer
1/5	Steve & JoAnn Bennett; Jess & Pat Bathke; John Sexton	John Perreault	Carol Grosse	Maureen Dresp	Jenice Twomey
1/12	Norm & Mollie Smith; Burke & Kathy Towle	Marshall Pihl	Matthew Moersdorf	Mollie Smith	Sandy Rowland
1/19	Glen Priddy; Cyndi Rollefson; Dale & Betty Johnson	John Perreault	Linda Schultze	Dorothy McCoid	Val Lund
1/26	Warren Quist; John Merrill; Andy Frokjer; Carol & Donley Winger	Marshall Pihl	Dave Parkinson	Pat Forrest	Diane Mansell
2/2	Steve & JoAnn Bennett; Jess & Pat Bathke; John Sexton	John Perreault	Carol Grosse	Maureen Dresp	Ingrid Frokjer

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The People's Kitchen of San Luis Obispo

Mt. Carmel serves again on January 3rd at 11:45 AM at Prado Day Center.

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

Please find your own substitutes if you cannot provide this month.

Email Jan Uder at j.uder@yahoo.com if you have any questions about The People's Kitchen program or would like to volunteer.

Please have your clearly marked items at church by 11:00am, (heated and ready to go)

Our volunteers on January 3 Hot Dish (serves 12+)	B: Dianne Draze Maureen Dresp Julie Martin Karen Petersen Nancy Priddy Carol Winger	Looking ahead to February 7 Hot Dish (serves 12+)	Kathy Towle Pat Forrest Kathy Meyer Ruth Rollefson Janis Sexton
Salad (serves 12+)	Jennifer Remington Judie Kirkhart Cheryl Garnsey	Salad (serves 12+)	Rebecca Keisler Karen Colombo Jennifer Bobell
2 Large Cans of Fruit	Laurie Musial Betty Johnson Nancy Cook		Tina Muller
		2 Large Cans of Fruit	Judy & Walt Bremer
2 Gallons Whole Milk			Jan Uder
		2 Gallons Whole Milk	Julie Martin

Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church presents:

Dave Becker, The Central Coast All Stars, and 44K

With special guest performances by SLO County student musicians

January 26, 2020



3:00pm

Doors open 2:30pm

Suggested Donation - \$20.00

All proceeds benefit music programs in San Luis Coastal High Schools and Middle Schools

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Information: www.mtearmelslo.org, info@mtearmelslo.org

BIBLE STUDY

Friday Mornings at 10:00

Four Cats Café 1531 Monterey San Luis Obispo

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

Saturday Mornings at 8:00

Mt. Carmel in the Brick Area



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 07 Ed Dresp
- 08 Jerry Kirkhart
- 10 Sally Eggen
- 13 Erin Garnsey
- 15 Nancy Priddy
- 15 Donley Winger
- 19 Sheryl Huffaker
- 19 Janis Stansfield
- 21 Ty Bomba
- 24 Jeannie Ledford
- 23 Margaret O'Neill

- 24 Phil Twomey
- 26 Carlyn Hinds
- 27 Elsa Brody
- 27 Ryan Mansell





PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY:

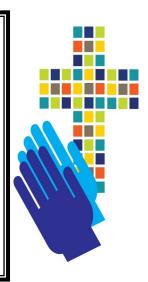
January 5—Sharon Haupt; Susan Hay; Carlyn, John & Lily Hinds

January 12—Jean Hohenstein; Monica, Ariana & Caleb Holman; Sheryl, Tony, Lauren & Fiona Huffaker

January 19—Bev Humphry; MaryAnn & Ken Jakes; Ed & Paula Jaster

January 26—Barbara Jauregui; Russ & Kay Jensen; Steven & Jill Jobst

February 2—Dale & Betty Johnson; John & Rebecca Keisler; Jackie, Steve, Sarah & Jenni Kinsey



Have something you want to celebrate or commemorate?

E-mail the details/pictures to the church office - info@mtcarmelslo.org - for publication in this newsletter and our weekly "Vistas" announcements!

Deadline for February Summit is January 20

Mount Carmel Staff

Rev. Richard Rollefson Paul Woodring Dave Becker

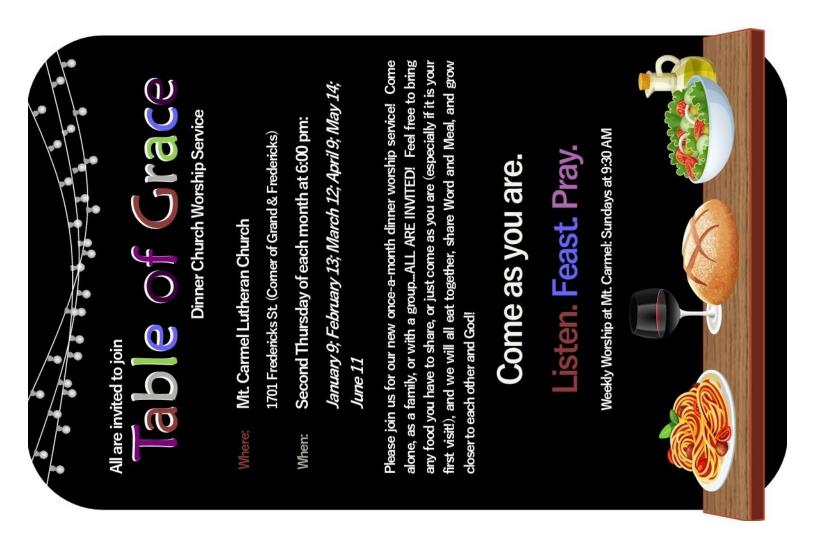
Tony Bloodworth Mary Ann Jakes Interim Pastor
Organist
Director of
Contemporary Music
Custodian
Parish Administrator

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Our pastoral staff is here for you.

In time of crisis, please contact the church office or Pastor Richard Rollefson 858-349-8862





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