St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Heartbeats Weekly Updates For the Week: 10/8 - 10/<u>14/2023</u>

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Weekly Calendar:		
<u>Events This Week:</u> Oct 8 8:30 AM Choir Practice	Happy Birthday! Joanne Benson Oct 8	Rev. Jeffrey Nelson Pastor Elissa Mitzen Diractor of Vouth &
8:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Worship 10:45 AM Adult Education Class 11:00 AM Confirmation 12:00 PM Worship and Music Commission Oct 11 11:00 AM Bible Study (Zoom) 6:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)	Happy Anniversary! Boyd & Cheryl Guildner Oct 13 Wednesday Bible Studies 11:00 AM Bible Study (Zoom) 6:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)	Director of Youth & Family Ministries Randy Guiaya Organist/Choir Director Matthew James Praise Team Director Art Revueltas President Debbie Warren Vice President
Sunday School: 8:30 AM. We meet every Sunday. Hope to see you there!	Contact the church office to be added to the Zoom email updates each week. Linda Ludwick <i>Treasurer</i> Susie Besack <i>Council Secretary</i> Diane Fort Woody	<i>Treasurer</i> Susie Besack <i>Council Secretary</i>
<u>Worship Assistants for Oct 8, 2023</u> Reader: Barbara Revueltas PowerPoint: Marie Jorgensen Organist / Choir Director: Randy Guiaya Praise Team: Matthew Sivertson	<u>THROUGH THE NEW TESTAMENT:</u> <u>This Week's Reading Matthew 21-</u> <u>25</u> Join us as we read through the New Testament in a year! Pindors with study questions for	Suzanne Thompson Mission and Service Isla Holmes Hospitality Vicki Linta Worship and Music Len Bobier Evangelism Leader
The Flower Chart 2023! The Flower Chart for 2023 is available for you to sign up for donating flowers for Sunday mornings. <u>October open dates: 15, 22</u> The cost is \$40 per bouquet. Please indicate 'flowers' in the memo line of your check. Thank you for your generosity. <u>Snack Sign-Up: WAT Group</u> Thank you for providing snacks this Sunday!	Binders with study questions for each chapter are now available at church for a suggested donation of \$10. You are welcome to take the study binder even if you don't have the funds to donate. <u>October is peanut butter month!</u> We are collecting peanut butter for the Interfaith Food Center (IFC) in October. Please bring your donations to church on Sunday mornings or to the office during the week.	
Adult Education Sunday @10:45 AM Grab your cup of coffee (and a cookie!) and join us in Room 7. We're looking forward to meeting with everyone in a non-Zoom conversation!		

Come celebrate the Interfaith Food Center's 40-year anniversary!

Attend the special event on October 21

The Interfaith Food Center (IFC) in Santa Fe Springs will be celebrating 40 years of serving the community with an event on Saturday, October 21 from 1-3 pm.

IFC began as a community-based food distribution center organized by a compassionate group of local churches and synagogues that recognized a developing need as the number of malnourished senior citizens in the Whittier and La Mirada area continued to grow. The non-profit began by serving some 30 low-income families, and is now one of the largest food pantries in California, serving more than 1,300 households on a weekly basis. The need continues to rise, and, in fact, has risen 79 percent over pre-pandemic numbers.

Join the anniversary celebration

Attend the anniversary celebration and take a tour of the facility, meet the staff and volunteers, see the work the IFC does in the community, and enjoy some food, raffles and entertainment.

Event details

Date: Saturday, October 21 from 1-3 pm Location: Interfaith Food Center, 11819 Burke Street, Santa Fe Springs <u>RSVP by:</u> Monday, October 16 in one of three ways: Via email at acatt@interfaithfoodcenter.org Via phone at (562) 903-1478 x204 Via IFC website at https://interfaithfoodcenter.charityproud.org/ EventRegistration/Index/12379





Giving back to local veterans on November 10

St. Andrew will be hosting our third dinner for members of Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post #9148 in La Mirada on Friday, November 10 at 5 p.m.

We will be serving a baked potato bar, complete with chili and all the fixings, plus salad and dessert.

Volunteers are needed to make/donate the food that we will serve, as well as a very small number of people to set up the dinner.

Please see the sign-up sheets on the table in the entry for opportunities to join in this valuable effort.

Monetary donations are also welcomed to help defray the cost of some of the food items that must be purchased. Please feel free to write a check to St. Andrew and put "VFW dinner" in the memo line.

Questions? Contact Suzanne Thompson via email at italia4me2@gmail.com or phone at 562-943-5161.

IFC holiday food drive: October 1-December 10

St. Andrew will once again be collecting Thanksgiving and Christmas food and financial donations for the Interfaith Food Center (IFC) between October 1 and December 10. Your donations can help make a difference, and create a memorable holiday season for families in need this year.

You can bring your food donations anytime during that time period, and drop them off in the church entry or the office during office hours.

Contributions collected between October 1 – November 5 will be delivered to IFC in time for Thanksgiving. Donations collected after that and up to December 10 will be delivered for Christmas.

Most needed items

Mashed potatoes	Gravy	Chicken or vegetable broth
Canned vegetables	Cranberry sauce or jelly	Cream of mushroom soup
Canned yams	Stuffing	Macaroni and cheese
Cornbread or cake mix	Dried beans	Jell-o or pudding
Fruit juice	Cooking oil	Canned pumpkin

Gift cards versus toy donations – deadline December 10

Friends and Family

•Chiari Eliazarras

•Marcus Glidden

•Shirley Loveless

•Jim & Kim O'Connell

– Long Term

•Grant Eyles

•Matt Fantz

•Gail Nance

•Jovce Benson

•Jennifer Jessie

In lieu of toys, the IFC will be accepting \$20 gift cards for Target, Walmart or Amazon. Gift cards can be placed in the Sunday collection plates or dropped off in the office until December.

Financial donations welcome

Checks can be made to St. Andrew and note "Interfaith Food Center- Thanksgiving (or Christmas)" in the memo line, or on the offering envelope if cash. Checks or cash can be placed in the offering plate or church mailbox. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Members - Long Term

•Lynn Burns

- •Ken Christiansen
- •Leslie Barr
- •Grace Gundell
- Shirley Kellison
- •Sally Sauer
- Jeff Woody
- •Nolan Berner
- •Jim Johnson
- •Sharon Pollard
- Earl Ruschmeier
- Community Prayers:

Pastor Tim at River of Hope, Habitat for Humanity, Our brothers, and sisters in Pachacamac, Peru, and at San Juan Camino de Esperanza in Lima, Peru; All veterans and current military, victims of violence and natural disasters, ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Pacifica Synod Bishop Dave Nagler, and our Pastor Jeffrey Nelson.

Prayers

- •The Ruiz Family
- •Christy Marie Van Patten
- •Sherri Wagner
- •Mike Hornback
- •Carl Batchler
- •Mr. Rubio and Family
- Joyce Combes
- •Katy Parker
- •Bruce Adair
- •Kenneth Jones
- •Cavez Isais

Friends and Family

- •Magnus, Matt, Amrita & Arjun Dickerson
- •Annette Navarre
- •Phil Gallego
- •Arlene Gallego
- •Ann Phelps
- •Joe Lipps
- •Dylan Lipps

- •Edward James Olmos
- •Mark Fonvergne
- •Family and Friends of Dolores
- •Billy
- •Family and Friends of Rev. **Ginny Erwin**
- •Sandra

Members

- •Kathy Mitzen
- •Gloria Morse
- •Diane Fort-Woody
- •Jon Woody
- •Chris Allen
- •Christine Perez
- •Jennifer Oertel

Former Pastors

- •Pastor Mary Rowe
- •Pastor Les and Helen Hoffman