

# Benediction Weekly

## October 9, 2016

St. Benedict's Church is an inclusive Christian community that celebrates the divine in all beings, and inspires spiritual growth through joyful sacramental worship, loving service, creative expression, thoughtful inquiry and commitment to social justice.

The people of St Benedict's are called to share God's love as we minister with and to all persons in Los Osos and beyond, providing worship, nurture, fellowship, and service. Our welcome knows no boundaries of age, race, ethnicity, culture, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, economic condition, or physical or mental ability. We embrace and seek to preserve the beautiful, amazing diversity of God's creation. We cooperate in ministry with other local churches and groups of God's people as we participate in the worldwide mission of Christ.

### CALENDAR – This week at St. Benedict's: (at the church unless otherwise specified)

#### TODAY

- 8:00 am – Contemplative Communion Service
- 9:20 am – Bible Study
- 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist w/music
- 12:30 pm – Lunch Bunch at Celia's Garden Café
- 4:00 pm – Sunday Session: "*Samba Loco*"

#### Tuesday, Oct 11

- 5:30 pm – Vespers, followed by potluck at 6:15
- 7:15 pm – Hollister Institute: Dietrich Bonhoeffer

#### Wednesday, Oct 12

- 10:00 am – Intercessory Prayer Circle
- 2:30 pm – Earthcare Meeting
- 7:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, Oct 13

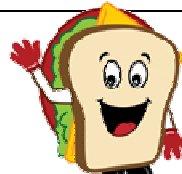
- 10:00 am – Hollister Institute: Dietrich Bonhoeffer

#### Saturday, Oct 15

- 8:00 am – Hunger Walk +5K in Morro Bay

#### Sunday, Oct 16

- 8:00 am – Contemplative Communion Service
- 9:20 am – Bible Study
- 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist w/music
- 4:00 pm – Sunday Session: "*Explode the Machine*"
- 4:00 pm – Chili Cook-off at St. Stephen's SLO



SLO COUNTY FOOD BANK  
**HUNGER WALK**  
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

**Join Team St. Benedict's  
for the Hunger Walk + 5K**  
Coleman Park, Morro Bay  
Saturday, October 15

44,000 of our neighbors in San Luis Obispo County struggle with hunger. 40% are children and teens 18 years and younger. 15% are seniors, often on a fixed income. Many are working parents who are faced with choosing to pay for utility bills or buy groceries.

*Hunger Walk + 5K* is an opportunity to make a difference in our community by raising funds so that the Food Bank Coalition can continue to provide food to those in need throughout San Luis Obispo County. This is a 5K fun-run. Participants may run or walk the 5K route. There will also be a 1-mile loop for those who don't wish to go the entire 5K.

To join Team St. Benedict's, as a participant or as a donor, please speak with Pamela Belisch.

SLO Canterbury Foundation presents:

### **Chili Cook-off & Chicken BBQ with Silent Auction and Raffle**

Sunday, October 16 4-6:30 pm  
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, SLO

Tablet Raffle: *Kindle Fire 7* or *iPad mini*  
Details on the flyer on our bulletin board. or contact  
Canterbury Foundation at 805-543-7212 ext 13

***Samba Loco***, an awesome Afro-Brazilian drum line, will be featured at 4pm today in our ongoing series of "Sunday Sessions", a service of music and spiritual connection and reflection. A Captain Nasty spin-off, Samba Loco is a 10-piece percussion group based out of San Luis Obispo's Drum Circuit devoted to high-energy entertainment and Afro-Brazilian percussion education.

St. Peter's Readers' Theater will present Agatha Christie's murder mystery "*The Clocks*" at 3 pm Sunday, October 16 in Morro Bay. Hercule Poirot, played by John Cribb, will exercise his "little grey cells" once again in the solving of the mystery. We have a great cast from St. Peter's, St. Benedict's and the community. Tickets \$15 at door.

### ***Serving God and the People of St. Benedict's this Week:***

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall; Eucharistic Ministers: Stef Shuman & Judy Schloss; Lectors: Bryson McKelvey & Bob Pelfrey; Ushers: Rod Morse & Margaret Fegan; Greeter: Bobbi Shields; Altar Guild: Pat Stoneman; Flowers: Laura Thompson; Coffee Hour Hosts: Diana Hammerlund & Charlene Morse; Tellers: Carol Baker & Judith Cadigan; Intercessor: Judy Schloss; Music Director: John Cribb.

***Thank you for your service!***



**On-Going  
Activities  
at St. Ben's**

**BIBLE STUDY** - Come join us for Bible Study at 9:20 a.m. every Sunday except first Sundays.

**DREAMS & SPIRITUALITY GROUP**— First and third Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm.

**EARTHCARE** – A discussion/action group to formulate local solutions to environmental concerns. Second Wednesdays at 2:30 pm.

**HEALING SERVICE** – a time for prayers for healing at the 10:30 service on 5th Sundays.

**HOLLISTER INSTITUTE** – Opportunities for stimulating discussion and thoughtful exploration for everyone, whether or not they are members of a church. See website.

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER CIRCLE**— Prayers for the community and the world. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays, 10am.

**LITLOVERS' BOOK CLUB** – Discussion and fellowship. 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays 1pm in members' homes.

**LUNCH BUNCH** – lunchtime social gathering following church, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays at Celia's Garden Café.

**MEET ME IN MORRO** – lunchtime social gathering, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at varying restaurants in Morro Bay.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST** – morning social gathering, 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays 9am at Sea Pines Golf Resort Grill.

**PEOPLE'S KITCHEN** – Providing and serving food at Prado Day Center, 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of odd-numbered months.

**POTLUCK AND PRADO** on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month donations to Prado Day Center are collected, and potluck lunch follows 10:30 service.

**VESPERS AND CONVERSATION** 5:30 pm Tuesdays. Vespers service using varying liturgies, followed by potluck supper.

**VESTRY / PARISH COUNCIL**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays at 6:30pm  
Maria Kelly, Sr. Warden  
Anne Kanter, Jr. Warden  
John Cribb, Francis Rivinus,  
Lisa Gonzalez, Barbara Schippers,  
Kathie West, Esta Kandarian  
Rod Morse and Ken Kenyon.

## St. Benedict's annual Gratitude Dinner will be held on Friday, October 21st.

*Be sure it's on your calendar!*



### Two PFJ Events Tomorrow Night:

People of Faith for Justice and Restorative Partners present:

**An Evening with Father Greg Boyle**, author and founder of Homeboy Industries, the largest gang intervention, rehabilitation and re-entry program in the US, on Monday, October 10, 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the Old Mission Church in SLO. Fr Boyle will be speaking on *“Lessons from the Field: Kinship as Gang Intervention,”* followed by a Q & A session. Free will donations will go to support Restorative Partners and Homeboy Industries. It will be preceded by a Meet, Greet & Eat event 4:30-6:30 with Fr. Boyle. Tickets \$100.

People of Faith for Justice and SLO Ministerial Association present:

*A Taste of The Hajj (Pilgrimage to Mecca)*

*Discussion: “Mere Christianity” by C.S. Lewis*

Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> - 7:30 pm - Mosque of Nasreen, 1136 Walnut Street, SLO  
Part of the ongoing series “Opening Doors of Interfaith Understanding”



### Voters' Guides

Not sure how to vote on all those propositions? There's a simple faith-based guide available from California Church Impact on the ushers table. Please take one. It also may be read online or downloaded as a pdf at <http://www.churchimpact.org/impact-blog>

Not registered to vote?

You can register here: <http://registertovote.ca.gov/>

Not sure if you're registered to vote? You can check here: [sos.ca.gov](http://sos.ca.gov)

### Hollister Institute – The Life and Writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Tuesdays Evenings or Thursday Mornings, beginning Oct 11 & 13

Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a German Lutheran pastor, theologian, anti-Nazi dissident, and key founding member of the Confessing Church. His writings on Christianity's role in the secular world have become widely influential, and his book *The Cost of Discipleship* became a modern classic. This DVD-based class will consider the major themes of Bonhoeffer's writing and speaking, his resistance to Nazism and how his beliefs continue to impact the church today.

There will be two class options: Tuesday evenings at 7:15 or Thursday mornings at 10.

October 11 & 13: What is the Church?

October 18 & 20: Living in Christian Community

October 25 & 27: Religionless Christianity

November 1 & 3: Come and Die

The conversations will be led by Caroline Hall+. Everyone is welcome, and participants can expect to be challenged with some new ideas about Christian community and our response to the Gospel.

There is an accompanying study booklet *Bonhoeffer Study Guide: The Life and Teachings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer* by Eric Metaxas which is available from Amazon and other booksellers.

**Keeping in Touch during the Week.** For counsel & spiritual care, please contact any of the clergy: The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall, 704-5826; The Rev. Mary Elizabeth Pratt-Horsley, 528-7497; The Rev. Donna Ross, 235-5117; The Rev. Barry Turner, 784-0670; or The Rev. Faye Hogan, 541-4595. Call Celeste Pennington with pastoral care & prayer chain requests, 771-8974.

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