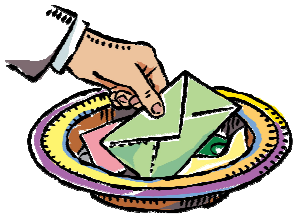


Benediction Weekly

November 11, 2018

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, education, nurture, fellowship and service.



Today is Pledge Ingathering Sunday

Please fill out your Pledge Card for 2019 and put it in the offering plate. Cards are available at the usher's table. If you can't fill it out today, please turn it in next week, or mail it in as soon as you can.

Thank you!

This Week at St. Benedict's

(at the church unless otherwise specified)

Sunday, Nov 11 – INGATHERING SUNDAY

8:00 am – Contemplative Communion Service
9:20 am – Bible Study
9:30 am – “Messy Church” family worship
10:30 am – Holy Eucharist with music

Tuesday, Nov 13

5:30 pm – Vespers, followed by potluck supper

Wednesday, Nov 14

2:30 pm – Earthcare Meeting
7:00 pm – Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, Nov 18

8:00 am – Contemplative Communion Service
9:20 am – Bible Study
10:30 am – Holy Eucharist with music

WARMING SHELTER HELP NEEDED



Volunteers are needed for various duties to ensure the success of the Los Osos Warming Shelter program once the rainy season begins. In extremely cold or rainy weather, Los Osos Cares

– in collaboration with the South Bay Community Center, People Helping People and St. Benedict's Church – operates an overnight warming shelter at the South Bay Community Center for up to 15 people a night. Overnight volunteers are needed, as well as volunteers to help set up and take down or provide light meals for dinner and breakfast of up to 15 people. For more information, speak with Steve Hirahara. To volunteer, contact Elaine Watson at 805-528-3995 or Elaine.watson@charter.net



TURN IT OFF, LOCK IT UP

There have been a number of incidents recently when something was left running or unsecured that shouldn't have been, especially following evening programs. Please remember, when you are among the last to leave the building, to make certain that heat, lights, and water taps are turned OFF, and that doors are locked AND latched.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Everyone is invited for dinner at St. Ben's at 1 pm on Thanksgiving Day. If you wish to bring a dish to share please let us know what, but it isn't required. Just join us! Sign ups are posted on the board, to give us an idea of how many people to expect. Pamela Bleisch will coordinate the meal. Contact her with questions.



RECTOR'S VACATION - Rev. Caro+ will be on vacation until Tuesday, Nov 20th. In her absence, please contact the wardens Pamela Bleisch or Michael Lucas for church business, office manager Danna Dykstra-Coy for administrative matters, Celeste Pennington for pastoral concerns, and Fr. Barry Turner for spiritual counsel.

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

Celebrant: The Rev. Barry Turner; Preacher: Jim Arnold; Eucharistic Minister: Diana Hammerlund;
Chalice: Ann Edwards; Lectors: Jane Wu and Lisa Gonzalez; Ushers: Connie Weldon & Steve Hirahara;
Greeters: Ann Edwards, *pre* & Alan Kiste, *post*; Flowers: Jo Oliver; Altar Guild: Diana Hammerlund;
Coffee Hour Hosts: Maureen Titus & Alice Welchert; Tellers: Mary Ellen Rico & Steve Cake;
Prayer Team Member: Judy Schloss; Music Director: John Cribb

Thank you for your service!



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

ABUNDANCE SHOP – Thrift shop at 2025 9th St. Tues- Sat 10am-4pm.

BIBLE STUDY – Sundays at 9:20 am

COMMUNITY DINNER – Providing and serving food at Trinity UMC, on 1st Monday of odd-numbered months in conjunction with Los Osos Cares.

EARTHCARE – 2nd Weds 2:30 pm. Discussion/action group seeking local solutions to environmental concerns.

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

HOLLISTER INSTITUTE – Varying programs of stimulating discussion and thoughtful exploration for everyone. See website.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER CIRCLE Prayers for the community and the world. 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 10am.

LAUNDRY LOVE - 5-9pm on 4th Wednesdays at Osos Clean Laundry, helping low-income families with funds, soap, and friendly assistance.

MEN'S BREAKFAST – morning social gathering, 2nd Saturdays 9am at Sea Pines Grill.

MESSY CHURCH - Sunday morning worship geared towards young children and busy families. 2nd & 4th Sundays in the Great Room

PEOPLE'S KITCHEN – Providing and serving food at Prado Day Center, 1st Saturday of even-numbered months.

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

SATURDAY EUCHARIST - Evening Eucharist on 2nd Saturdays at 5:30pm, followed by potluck supper.

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

VESTRY / PARISH COUNCIL
3rd Sundays at 12:30pm
The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall, *Rector*
Pamela Bleisch Strawn, *Sr. Warden*,
Michael Lucas, *Jr. Warden*,
Lisa Gonzalez, *Treasurer*,
Diana Hammerlund, Alan Kiste,
Esta Kandarian, Barbara Schippers,
Lorienne Schwenk, Lynn Wise

The Ones That Didn't Make It

Saturday, November 17 – 9am-5pm – St Stephen's, SLO

This Saturday, St. Stephen's will host a one-day seminar entitled **"The Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha: The Books that Didn't Make it into The Bible."** Lenore Erickson, Emeritus Faculty Member of Cuesta College, will be leading 5 sessions (in one day) on differently-themed writings that were considered for the Canon of The Bible, but were not included, known as "non-canonical books".

Why did some books get into the Bible and others, extant at the time, did not? What is in these other books? Were they secret, heretical, or banned? We will examine genres of Jewish literature which are biblical-like in style and theme but which were not included in the Hebrew Bible canon as it was developed. In five 50-min. sessions, we'll be reading texts of various of these books seeing how they are similar to or differ from narratives in common with the Bible, and we'll highlight new ideas in Hebrew thought for which the books are vehicles.

The day in Ramsden Hall will be laid out so that you can come for one or more sessions that you are particularly interested in, or you can come for the whole day. It will start with coffee and snacks, include lunch and end before dinner. There will be no fee.

Lenny Erickson taught Philosophy and Religion at Cuesta College for 33 years, and, upon retirement, short courses in philosophy and religion for Cuesta College and for the community for 17 years. She has an MA in Philosophy from the University of Chicago.

Full details of the day's schedule on our bulletin board. (or see [St. Stephen's Newsletter](#))

SLO Ministerial Association Invites you to share in the annual Thanksgiving Service

"Being in Community: Giving Thanks Together"

Sunday, November 18 – 3pm United Church of Christ Congregational, SLO

An Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration Through Music, Spoken Word, and Reflection. An offering will be collected for 40 Prado, Restorative Partners, and Stand Strong. You are also invited to bring non-perishable food items for the Food Bank. This is a family-friendly service. Refreshments & Childcare provided. Additional information: Jason Sisk-Provencio – Jason@sloucc.org or Nita Kenyon – Nyenyon7@gmail.com

Local Senior Resource Presentation

Tuesday, November 27 from 1-2pm at St. Benedict's

Do you want to know more about free and low-cost resources for seniors? Come and learn what to do when you don't know what to do! Anya Kaufman, the executive director of Senior Connection, will give a talk about finding the help that Los Osos seniors seek. There will be a resource table with lots of information to share. Refreshments will be served.

Senior Connection is a specialized information and referral service for senior individuals and their caregivers. This program is provided by the Central Coast Commission for Senior Citizens to assist people looking for information on resources specifically for the elderly. <http://www.centralcoastseniors.org/senior-connection/>

Keeping in Touch during the Week. Contact any of the clergy for counsel & spiritual care:

The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall (805)704-5826; The Rev. Barry Turner (805)784-0670; The Rev. Faye Hogan (805)541-4595

Call Celeste Pennington with pastoral care & prayer chain requests: (805)771-8974

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