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**Our Mission:**

To bring people into a lifelong  
 relationship with Jesus Christ,  
 to know Jesus Christ more deeply,  
 to grow in His likeness  
 and to show His love  
 and truth to each other  
 and to our community.

**Redwood Bark Team**

Kelly Gibbs,  
 Leslie Nelson, Bobbie Bond,  
 Keith Carpenter

*Be patient with each other making allowances for each other's faults because of your love. Ephesians 4:2*

**What's Happening in October**

**October 31 5:00-7:00**

**Fall Fun Fest**

In the parking lot of FPC

The Fall Fun Fest is an All Church / Community Event. All friends and members of FPC are encouraged to take part in this creative outreach to the community. We will be decorating the trunks of our cars (we will provide ideas and examples) and inviting the community to bring their kids to trick or treat in our church parking lot. We hope to provide some games for kids to take part in and hand out free hot dogs.

**Lunch Bunch**

Lunch Bunch began September 30 after a summer vacation. Thank you to Tina Cochran, Elsie Dunhaver, and Peggy Winkler for their help and Ken Clouse for his program presentation. October schedule is as follows:

October 7	Nelda Lewis	Singing in Croatia
October 13	Joan Maruska	Fun and Games
October 20	Pastor Ed	Surprise
October 27	Joan Maruska	Music by the Gaithers

**Birthdays**

Henry Crandell	October 4
Kathleen McNair	October 8
Glendean Luttrell	October 10
Joan Maruska	October 12
Eg Long	October 15
Katelyn Deeble	October 20
Cari Wade	October 20
Bob Weston	October 23
Leslie Nelson	October 25
Jacob Oiesen	October 27
Peggy Winkler	October 30

Did you know?  
 FPC has two women who are over 100 years old.  
 Mary Eklof was born in 1914.  
 Dixie McNeil was born in 1913.

**Women's Association**

All women of the community are invited to Women's Association on Thursday, October 8, at 10am. Lou Tomlin will be leading the Bible study with refreshments and fellowship to follow.

## From the Pastor's Desk

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Dear Family and Friends at Felton Presbyterian Church,

"You shall be my witnesses." These words mark the beginning and the heart of the Christian Church. They represent the calling, the purpose, and the potential of church. However, these words also mark the greatest shortcoming in the church today.

Of all the things we are and do as a church today, witnessing to others about our relationship with Jesus Christ is not at the top of the list. According to The Barna Research Group, only 35% of all adult Christians in America actually believe they have a responsibility to share their faith with others. Ninety percent of Christians in the United States have never helped someone else come to faith in Jesus.

And yet, the concept of "witness" is so prominent in the book of Acts. It appears forty-two times. As you read the book of Acts, and in fact the entire New Testament, you come to the realization that the Christian Church is not a club, a humanitarian organization, or an institution.

The Christian Church is a missionary church. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, the Church acts as an extension of Jesus' ministry and proclaims the amazing news that salvation is available to all through faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. This is exactly what followers of Jesus Christ have done throughout history. As the Holy Spirit moved ahead, opening new doors, revealing new implications and defining daring outreaches, the Church has indeed been a witness for Jesus Christ to the "ends of the earth." That is why we are now part of the Christian Church. We can call on the name of Jesus as Savior and Lord because others obeyed and followed Christ. And now the baton is passed to us.

As a church, we have a mission statement. It is to **"bring people into a lifelong relationship with Jesus Christ."** Are we actually doing this? Do we want to do this? We are delighted at Jesus' birth, because we know God is with us. We are inspired by His teachings and miracles. We are overcome by God's love for us when we remember the cross. We are filled with the hope of eternal life when we recall His resurrection from the dead. But when Jesus commands us to go and make disciples and be His witnesses where we live and around the world freeze up. It is as if we believe we have nothing good to share.

The truth is, like so many Christians before us, we are witnesses to the transforming power of God. We all have a story to tell about what God has done to save us through Christ. This is our hope and it is the hope of the world. It is also, no doubt, the best thing that has ever happened to us. Talking about the best things in our lives comes naturally. I have noticed that as a church we don't struggle to talk about our kids, our grandkids, our blessings, our

joys, our vacations, our accomplishments and our recreational activities.

These good things in our lives naturally come to the forefront of our conversations. Witnessing is simply telling other people the good things that God has done in our lives. It is sharing the joy of who God is. We are not called to convict or convert others to Christ. That is God's job. We are simply called to share the story of how God has filled us with joy and given us hope.

Perhaps it would be good to write down some of the ways God has loved you, healed you, and changed your life in Christ so that you will be ready and excited to share your story with those God brings into your life. Together, let's live out our mission. Let's be a church on a mission. Let's bring people into a lifelong relationship with Jesus Christ.

In His Grace,  
Ed Snedeker

## Financial Report for September

Receipts \$167,545.86

Expenses (\$172,093)

Receipts **below** Expenses \$4,547.83

## Goodbyes

After 30 years **Barbara Lang** has resigned as organist. Her music filled the sanctuary during communion, hymns, and funerals. (On a personal note: What a blessing her music was at the funeral of my husband, Bob) Thank you, Barbara.

**Sandy Thormann** has resigned as treasurer of FPC. Thank you to her for her many years keeping all the financial records accurate. She will be missed.

Goodbye also to **Lois Cochian** who is moving to Arizona. Lois and her late husband, George, were an important part of the Tuesday ministry to the homeless. We will miss her and also her beautiful voice. Her address is:  
334 E. El Paso St, Mesa AZ 85205

Also moving to Arizona: **Jim Pilkington**. Jim will be missed. He helped with Tuesday Lunch and did lots of the gardening chores on the church property. His address is:  
4595 E. Cochise Dr., Rimrock, AZ.

**Dennis and Janice Provencal** have moved to Washington to be with their daughter. Dennis retired from Safeway following two heart attacks and open-heart surgery. While at FPC Janice played the keyboard and taught guitar to various children. (Contributed by Ken Clouse)

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When the husband finally caught on to what was happening, his life underwent drastic changes and the family came together.

## Address Requested

## Youth Events for October

*Rachel Lockridge*

**Sunday Connection** begins at 10am in the main service. At 10:15 after Time with Children, we leave for Starbucks in Scotts Valley until 11:15. We are currently studying *The Character of God*. Bring money for your latte/frappuccino!

**High School** meets **Tuesdays** – 7:00-8:30 in the youth room. We are currently going through *The Story* by Randy Frazee in a small group format.

**Middle School** meets **Wednesdays** 6:30-8:00 in the youth room. We are currently going through *The Story*, teen curriculum with games, lesson and application.

**Halloween night** – 5-7pm See front page about Trunk or Treat Event. Come enjoy the fun checking out decorated trunks and pick up some treats.

## Guess Who??

This picture was taken on the day he met his future wife. (They have been married 38 years.) Has lived in France and Germany  
His father was a writer for Red Skelton



**Long-time** member, usher, deacon  
Daughter of a minister  
Great tennis player  
Loves golf  
Fervent 49er fan



## Last Flea Market of the Year

**October 17** – 8:00am – 3:0pm Children's Ministry  
Rent a space for \$20 or come find a treasure for yourself.

## Kids Club Dinner

**November 4<sup>th</sup>** – Our Kids Club will honor all those who are 80 years old by inviting them to dinner at 5:30. (All ages invited to join this event.)

## ISIS is Helping Us Let People Know the Truth From: *Voice of the Martyrs*

Because of how shocked he was with the actions of the ISIS inspired by the Quran, the man asked a man for a Bible. He began reading the story of the woman caught in adultery.

Jesus' response, "He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first" filled him with joy and relief. He shouted "This is God! This is the real God we should worship!"

He (Joseph) began attending a Christian church and urges fellow member of the congregation not to leave Iraq. He challenges his fellow Christian to PRAY. He also urges Christians in

Happiness is like potato salad – when you share it with others, it is a picnic.

Be careful how you live – you may be the only Bible some people read.

A recipe that is not shared with others will soon be forgotten, but when it is shared, it will be enjoyed by future generations

Shirley Pilgrim      Jeff Juliano

## Let's Pray! Nancy Maruska

Every Sunday, a bunch of people from our church get together downstairs in the Fireside Room, also known as the Library and just pray.

It starts promptly at 9:15 and we say Amen at 9:45. What do we pray about? We talk to God about our church, the people who come, the pastor and the worship service.

There is a focus on family, so much of our prayers are for Malcolm & Donna, Rachael and Matt, Kids' Club and the Youth Groups We are also privileged to pray for how God wants to use every friend, visitor and member in bringing young families to this church.

There is a clear commitment to Christ Jesus, a practice of referring to and depending upon His Word. We want YOU to come and pray with us because God will use every single person to do His work. Don and Linda Broesamle lead this time in a gracious, light and comfortable manner. Won't you please pray with us? (*Matt 18:20*)

## Deacons Field Trip to See "War Room" Nancy Maruska

***The movie equivalent of repeatedly being punched by a Bible, War Room is so brazen with its Evangelical agenda ... that nonbelievers will find it laughable.*** This is part of a secular movie review I found on Cinema Blend, written by a Gregory Wakeman. Ah, but I *am* a believer and I have a different story to tell. The Movie is not just a call to prayer, it's a call to a Spiritual Battle.

I saw *War Room* with a bunch of Deacons and a few other mighty Christian warriors. There were very few other people in the theatre, and our little group of believers were caught up in the story of a man who had become something of a selfish jerk, his wife who was trying to keep it together and the 10-year old daughter who was watching with sad eyes. The wife met a great, funny older lady who shared what she called her War Room, a closet converted into a place of prayer where she met with God and asked Him to fight the battles of her life.

The wife took her up on the idea of meeting together weekly and through these discussions she learned about prayer and converted her own closet at home into a War Room, where she fought for her husband, her marriage, her daughter –her family! And she fought to get her joy back through Christ. She fought the devil, yelling at him to leave her home, claiming their home for Jesus. See the movie to learn the outcome.

Read 11 Chronicles 7:14. I was inspired to develop a prayer plan for my life. The power of prayer is often left untapped. Imagine life transformed through this active time of praying through scripture!

"If you can walk out of this movie the same way you walked in, then you need to walk back in and watch it again". Now there's a review I can get behind! If you didn't catch the movie before it snuck away from the theatre, and you want to hear more, please feel free to talk with me about it. I think it's a life changer.