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St. Columba Episcopal Church
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St. Columba Episcopal Church

9720 Cuyamaca St., Santee, CA 92071

Worship Service Sunday 11:00AM

Pastor Rick Schowalter

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Pastor's Page

Numbers 11:27-29 "A young man ran and reported to Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses assistant since his youth, protested, 'Moses my master, make them stop.' But Moses replied, 'Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put his Spirit upon them.' "

As my retirement draws near I have a lot of people I am close to tell me that they wish I didn't have to go but they understand my desire to take care of my Mom when she needs me. I have said many times that it is important that people know that my role as a pastor is one where I want to share Jesus with others. As long as Jesus continues to be a part of our lives, that which we shared will always be strong and permanent and bring us together. One of my favorite sayings is that time and distance cannot separate those who share our faith in Christ.

Moses knew what I need to continue to explain. Once God's Spirit is shared with others it is the Spirit that validates the faith and not the relationship. The Spirit that is shared in Christ is what can never be taken away or removed. I may be retiring but the Lord continues to be strong between us even when we no longer meet or communicate. It is Jesus who brought us together and it is Jesus who will keep us together even when physically separated.

Jesus once said: "It is better that I go, so that I may send the Holy Spirit." In many ways what I have shared with you can be even stronger in my absence, because what we have shared is spiritual and not merely physical. The spiritual will grow stronger in the absence of the physical and it will become clear that the spiritual is really what is important.

Recently I spoke with our Stephen Ministers who have agreed to meet with more and more of you that I have visited because of some need that required extra attention. Often there is a chronic sickness involved or the frailty and isolation of age, but our Stephen Ministers are now able to take over where I leave off. The next pastor may also be important in keeping those relationships but I cannot speak for the new pastor or priest who is going to serve you. Each pastor or priest has different priorities and gifts

and it is most likely that this new shepherd of the flock will do some things I didn't do and not do some of the things I did. The wise among us will accept the new pastor or priest for what they uniquely have to offer.

But I will do my best to make sure there is a caring person who will meet with those I have been meeting with. I have a list of about 20 people I meet either, weekly or monthly, and some I have only been meeting with for only a short time and one I have been meeting with for the whole 12 years I have been at Carlton Hills and now St. Columba's.

I agree with Moses. Don't be jealous on my account. I freely share these wonderful relationships with others. I wish all God's people would take it upon themselves to visit those who are isolated from the church. Sickness and grief and old age with its limited mobility keep many people from the church, but it doesn't mean the church is not important and it certainly doesn't mean that these wonderful saints should be forgotten or neglected.

Another blessing I would like to share is my daily devotions. I have been writing these devotions for over 5 years and I would like them to continue even when I am no longer able to write new ones. I send the devotions to a list of over 100 people. I have often heard of those who send the devotions I write to others. The devotions are also found on the church web site. Possibly the new pastor or priest will write them in my absence. Perhaps someone from the congregation would be willing to write them or perhaps 7 people could agree to write the devotion for each of the seven days of the week. I am also willing to send someone the backlog of all the devotions I have written over the past years if someone is willing to be an editor of the devotions.

I would love to think that these daily devotions can become a part of the Carlton Hills and St. Columba's ministry for many years to come. Are you interested in helping this ministry continue? Let me know if you are and I will get you in contact with others who see the value in continuing the daily devotions for all to enjoy.

Pastor Rick

Attendance For February

	9:00a.m.	Tue	Total
2/5	51	11	62
2/12	69	10	79
2/19	76	11	87
2/26	70	11	81

February Finances

Income	\$9,143
Expenses	\$12,161

Senior Lunch Tuesday, April 11th

The second Tuesday of the month when you are invited to the Senior Lunch at a local restaurant. In March beginning at 11:30am, please join us at Café 67 at 12381 Maplevue, Lakeside.

Feed the Homeless

Monday, April 3rd at 2:30pm we will travel to T.A.C.O. or the Third Avenue Charitable Organization through First Lutheran Church in San Diego to feed about 200-250 homeless or low income people. Let Pastor Rick know if you can go so there is plenty of room in his car.

Lenten Worship Schedule Personalities Around the Cross

Wednesday April 5th
Soldiers and The Women: Mark 15:16-24

Maundy Thurs 7:00pm at
Carlton Hills April 13th

Good Friday Stations of the Cross
7:00pm at St. Columba's April 14th

Easter Worship

Sunday, April 15th

- 9:00am at Carlton Hills with Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Brunch to follow
- 11:00am at St. Columba's

Pastor Rick's Last Sunday April 23rd

Daily Devotions

Would you like to be a part of our church's daily devotions? Just let Pastor Rick or the Church Office know your e-mail address and you can receive the daily devotions via e-mail or stop by the table in the back of the church and pick up last week's list of daily devotions. Most of the devotions are written by Pastor Rick but some are shared by members on the list. If you want to submit a devotion to the list that has now grown to over 120 participants just write to Pastor Rick at SYMCN1@aol.com. What a great way to have Bible study a part of your everyday life a little Scripture at a time.

Grief Support Group

The grief support group meets the third Saturday of each month. The group will meet Saturday, April 15th at 10:00am at Norma Borgeson's at 2149 Hillslake Drive in El Cajon.

Women's Mid-Week Bible Study

You are all invited to a "Women of Faith" Bible Study on Thursdays in April at 9:00am in the church office.

Thursday April 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th. Come for the Word and the fellowship!!

Confirmation Sunday

Sunday, April 2nd

Congratulations to Austin Rones, CJ Reed and Caleb Reid from Carlton Hills and Tyler Seaman of St. Columba's

Come to worship to hear their faith statements on this Sunday and witness the reaffirmation of their baptismal vows. At 9:00am at Carlton Hills for Austin, CJ and Caleb. At 11:00am for Tyler at St. Columba's.

Preschool Coming Soon

The Preschool Planning Committee of Carlton Hills Lutheran Church has good news. We are planning on opening our preschool/childcare center soon. We have been considering this for some time and are working towards getting plans finalized and permits approved.

Here is a glimpse of our plans:

- Our preschool will be licensed for up to 24 children ages 2 to 5 per day.
- Our curriculum will be developed to meet the needs of the young children we serve. Including intellectual, physical and social emotional development in a loving Christian environment.
- The hours will be full time and depend on daytime community needs.

Much work has to be done before we will be ready to open. Work has started. Thanks to Mae Hustad our permit is being evaluated. We anticipate the building to be moved in April. Once the building is set up, we will need lots of help. Pastor has been working diligently to get ready for the move. Unfortunately we will not be able to open before he retires, however, let's see how much we can accomplish. Help is needed in many areas both work and donations.

One of the ways you can help is by purchasing one of the following:

Tricycles \$130 - \$150 each

Tables - \$240 each, we need 4

Chairs - \$40 each, we need 24

Cots - \$50 each, we need 24

Storage Cubbies - \$600 each

For answers to questions please text or call Marian (619-368-1092) or call the church office and leave a message.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE NOTES

The forty days of Lent are coming to an end with one more Wednesday night soup supper and service. Hope you have attended at least one soup supper! April will be such an exciting time and busy one on the Church calendar. Palm Sunday is on the 9th.

Did you know we have the palm trees on the parkway trimmed each year and use some of them in our Sanctuary? How beautiful and so meaningful for this day. We also have fan palms on our property. The leaves are cut and then trimmed to fold into palm crosses to be handed out on Palm Sunday. We will be placing palms in the Sanctuary and folding palm crosses on Saturday the 8th. A Palm Sunday Banner will be hung also. Come and help us!

Maunday Thursday will be in our Sanctuary this year. At the end of the service the Altar is striped in anticipation of Good Friday. Would you be interested in helping strip the Altar at the end of the service? We need two volunteers.

Good Friday services will be held at St Columba.

Then Easter Sunday on April 16th. A color change to white and gold on the Altar. A banner change to Easter and Lillies set out for our Easter garden. A brunch hosted by the Dorcas Circle will follow the service. Sign up to bring sweet rolls, coffee cake, fruit or juice. Also help is needed to clean up afterwards. Contact me....training is free and so rewarding.

Thank You to Usher team #4, Jen Brown, Dave And Kris Francis and the Arthurtons for serving in the month of March. Also to Laura Vaughan, Jane and Tom Reaney, Sara Paulson, for serving as various Worship Assistants. Also Thank you to the Youngbloods for preparing Communion each Sunday. May we all Serve The Lord With Joy!

Charlotte Arthurton
Worship Committee

A THANK YOU AND CONGRATS

Have you noticed the new fence on the east end of the parking lot? A big Thank You to Bryce Taylor for choosing our church for his Boy Scout Eagle project! Congratulations to Bryce on completing that project and receiving his Eagle Award at a Boy Scout Court of Honor ceremony this past month.

Interfaith Ministry with St. Columba's Episcopal Church

At 9720 Cuyamaca Street south of Mast on
Cuyamaca

Over the last 3 years Pastor Rick has been preaching weekly at St. Columba's Episcopal Church at 11:00am Sunday mornings. St. Columba's lost their priest to retirement and the ELCA is a "full communion" partner with the Episcopal church, which means among many things that they can share clergy.

During the next several years both churches are going to experiment with sharing the same pastor and a cooperative ministry. This has been a cooperation of ministry and not a merger. There has been two separate churches and one clergy. Both churches have remained separate, but they have also benefited from a close cooperation with the other.

This has been a great new direction for our churches and we have yet to determine if the change in pastors or priests will mean a change in this cooperation.

Crochet at Church

We meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month at 9am (on the 2nd Sat, this is right before Dorcas Circle). Come to learn, from scratch or help with a new stitch, skill, or pattern, or bring whatever project you're working on and come for the fellowship! (If you want to come just for the fellowship and leave off the needlework, we'd love to have you!) Kids are very welcome to learn or to play.

Altar Flowers

Have you noticed how beautiful the altar looks when we have flowers either in front or on either side? You can sign up to recognize someone with flowers and then take the arrangement home with you. During the school year, the flowers are provided by high school students who are taking a Flower Arrangement class at El Cap. So, not only are we beautifying our church, we are also giving the students an opportunity to practice their skills. Additionally, we get them at a great price – only \$25.00 per arrangement!

In the back of the church, there is a Flower Chart. Simply sign up for a particular Sunday or Sundays by putting your name and the reason for the flowers (for example, birthday, in memory of, or honoring someone). Please sign up at least two weeks ahead of time. Then put a check or cash for \$25 in an envelope in the offering indicating your name (and envelope number) and the date for the flowers.

If you would prefer to provide your own arrangement, please feel free. Sign up on the Flower Chart and additionally indicate that you will bring your own bouquet. There is no charge.

Also if you have any vases, baskets, or containers that could be reused for arrangements, please give them to Jean and she will deliver them to the high school.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please call Jean Setzer at 619-647-3517. Thank you.

April Anniversaries

- 5 Helen & Ronald Humphries
- 19 Eric & Heather Hustad
- 25 Sherry & Steve Martin
- 30 Brian & Victoria Grant

April Birthdays

1	Luke Stevens	24	Kris Francis
3	Benita Castro	25	Matthew Dinsdale
5	Deborah Callaway	26	Marie Youngblood
8	Angel Altringer	27	Pamela Meyers
10	Henry Meyers	27	Bryant Taylor
17	Edward Teichner	28	Mary Carlson
19	Lucas Paulsen	28	Brian Grant
21	Michel Weber	30	John Perna
23	Serenity Stark	30	Logan Cofrancesco

If anyone was missed, please call the church office, 448-1888

CHELC April Ministers

Coffee Fellowship: Nancy Funick,

Lector: 2- Jen Brown 9- Jane Reaney

16, 23- Laura Vaughan 30- Jane Reaney

Greeters: 2- Corky & Lee Strand

9- Carol & Ron Dixon 16, 23- Laura Vaughan

30- Corky & Lee Strand

Communion Assist.: 2- Jen Brown & Sara Paulson 9,16,23- Sara Paulson & Laura Vaughan

30- Jen Brown & Charlotte Arthurton

Communion Care: Arthurtons

Ushers: Darrel & Jeanna Timan, Ellie Timan,

Katie & Nathan Wentz, John Sevcik

Stephen Minister of the Week:

S. M., Communion

Prayer Loft

2- Diedra Zeller

Ellie Timan

9- Nathan Wentz

Marian Privettr

16- Heather Gasner

Jackie Gammon

23- Jeanna Timan

Katie Wentz

30- Ellie Timan

Carol Davidson

Sunday School Teachers Needed:

Sunday School teachers are needed for both the 9:00 session during church, and the 10:15 session after church. If you are interested, or would like more information please contact Selina.

Children/Youth & Family Ministry

Upcoming Summer Camp Events:

This time of the year is packed with fun events and preparation for Summer Camp! I'd like to share these events with you so everyone may be part of them.

Joyful Noise Summer Camp

July 10-28, 2017 9 am-3 pm

\$100 for the first week, \$25 each week after

This year we will have a Zoo theme!

Camper and Staff Applications will be available online, and in the church office. Camp is perfect for anyone between the ages of potty-trained Preschoolers to 8th graders! Camp staff should be at least 16 years old, have completed Confirmation, and be actively attending church and One Salvation youth group. Staff applications are due May 1, 2017 and interviews for those who have not worked before as paid staff will be on Tuesday evening, May 23, 2017.

Summer Camp Training

Friday, June 23-All day training at the Zoo

July 5-July 7-Training at church, times TBA

Summer Camp Fundraiser- LulaRoe!

Sunday, April 9 right after church, at church, until noon

LulaRoe is a clothing company that offers stylish, comfortable, and modest clothing. The company will match the amounts donated by our consultant! Come check it out, and spread the word- a flier will be coming around.



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When: Sunday, April 9th

Where: Carlton Hills Lutheran Church
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Time: After Church!
 10 am-Noon

Reason: To support Joyful Noise Summer Camp
 Camper scholarships

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Joyful Noise Summer Camp

July 10-28, 2017

Monday-Friday 9 am- 3 pm

Before & after care available

Pre-k to 8th grade

Zoo theme!

- worship • games • cooking • singing • arts
- & crafts • music lessons • sports • dancing
- videography • prayer • splash day • bible study • dress up days • acting • kickball • & more favorite camp activities!

Camp is only \$100 for the first week, and \$25 each week after!



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