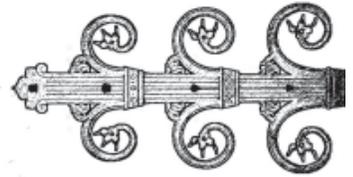


First Church News



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To Make God's Love Known

By the Rev. Timothy C. Ahrens, Senior Minister



The Mission at San Louis Rey was founded in 1798 as one of 21 California missions founded by the Spanish in their conquest of the Camino Real. Throughout the long history of the mission, their purpose has remained the same – “To Make God Known.”

In 211 years, the mission's strategies “to make God known” have changed while their purpose has remained the same. At times, they have focused on conversion, then education, then spirituality and Christian formation. Through hundreds of years, the Mission at San Louis Rey has sought “to make God known.”

What is our purpose as First Congregational Church? How would you answer this question? We have our mission statement. We have our Open and Affirming Statement. We have our church's covenant. All of these are meaningful and helpful. But, how can we articulate our purpose in one memorable phrase? Having done so, how do we invest our time, talent and treasure in this vision of God's love?

Let me give this question a try. Our purpose is “**To Know God's Love and Share God's love with others.**” How do we come to know God's love? How do we share God's love with others? I hope each one of us will come to more fully know God's love and share God's love with others through worship, prayer, study, mission, music, developing our spiritual gifts, supporting existing small groups and launching more, offering love and compassion to others and by always remaining open to the power of the Holy Spirit as we will grow as a community of faith.

Let's take time this summer to reflect on how God is made known to us and how we share God's love with others. We can do this through weekly worship, daily prayer and meditation, individual study, community mission, glorious music, developing the gifts of God that are within each one of us, and through reaching out in compassion to others. I will not offer specifics on “how to do this” here. Stay posted. Bring your thoughts to me. Share them one another.

I would like to go one step further. I invite you to meet me in the parlor at 10 a.m. on one or all of the Sundays in August. We will pray and reflect on our “purpose” and plan some future ministries and missions around this purpose. I have been dreaming of a few (see Page 4). I look forward to “making God's love known” with you and through you.



Rev. Tim Ahrens makes a presentation to Marti Rideout, interim music minister, on May 31, her last day at First Church. See Page 4.

“Bring a Friend Sunday”

On July 5, bring a friend to worship! It is a great day to be in church at 9 or 11a.m. It is the first day for Jamie Bobb, our new minister of music! Jamie will play a short patriotic music program at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary after the 9 a.m. service and again at noon after the 11 a.m. service.

FIVE MORE REASONS TO COME:

- 1) Short sermon - 10 minutes tops!
- 2) Great music!
- 3) Informal communion at both services!
- 4) Dress is casual!
- 5) A great ending to a great holiday weekend!

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When I Can't Be Jovial

By the Rev. Barbara R. Cunningham, Associate Minister



"When the heart weeps for what it has lost, the spirit laughs for what it has found." It takes awhile for the recognition of the laughing spirit, especially if we are experiencing a tremendous problem. Blaming others and lashing out only hurts the inside soul of the one in anger.

How do we create the threads that hold us and get us through the darkness and emptiness of illness, loneliness, or loss? Sue Monk Kidd, in her book

"When the Heart Waits," reminds us that we have a strong inner core of guiding grace, especially during these times of "waiting" to feel differently as we go through transformation.

When we remember the scripture, I Corinthians 3:16, "*Do you not know that . . . God's Spirit dwells in you?*" we can remember that at the innermost center of our being there is a place where we're deeply and profoundly known and loved by God, and it is that presence that we can depend on.

Sometimes we need to connect a thread to that inner core and wrap ourselves in a cocoon, letting go of the clogged thinking of our minds created by the pain and hurtful ways of acting. We then can slowly heal the hurt, recreate the time it takes to green our soul from the bleakness and devastation of life's losses, and begin to move to the new.

"Living through" a time is letting yourself feel what you feel, be what you can be for that moment, letting go of the expectations of others and holding your heart in that cocoon filled with love and comfort. When you are ready you will once again emerge the beautiful butterfly, never the same, but never forgetting where you've been and with whom you have lived.

"When I planted my pain in the field of patience," wrote Kahlil Gibran, "it bore fruit of happiness." Perhaps in this year of struggle for many, our words will be, "Have patience and live in the moment." How blessed we are to have what we have, and how blessed we are to have the relationships we have to nurture and enjoy.

To the Congregation and Staff:

I will be gone for the month of June, having surgery to replace my left knee. Many of you have watched me struggle to get up off the bench on Sunday, so hopefully this will help. You are welcome to call me after the first two weeks. Summer is a time of slowing down (I hope) for all of us, getting a bit of renewal, rest and recreation. Rev. Tim will be here, as well as Rev. Sarah Reed, our senior deacon, and Rev. Dale Ann Gray, who have graciously agreed to fill in some of the time. Thank you all for your love and concern for me and for each other. Be well and I will see you in July.

- Rev. Barb

Remember the Church In Your Will

By Phil Stichter, Trustees Chairman

Many people consider a bequest in their will to be an ideal way to benefit their church. Such a gift allows you to support the missions of our church, such as the music program, educational activities for all ages, the maintenance, beautification, and preservation of our building, the ministry or the general operating budget. Or you may want to make an unrestricted gift for the general benefit of our church and not specify any particular program or use.

What makes the bequest ideal for so many people? There are two primary reasons:

1. A bequest in your will offers you flexibility. A bequest lets you balance your support for our church with your concerns about living expenses, future medical costs and loved ones. Because you are not parting with your assets today, you don't need to worry that you won't have enough to live on in the future should you need the assets after all. In addition, you have the option to change your mind at any time in the future, should circumstances change.

2. A bequest in your will lets you be comfortable in making your commitment. Your gift can be stated as a percentage of your estate. Most of us do not know what the exact size of our estate will be at the time of death; therefore, designating a percentage amount can be a more appropriate way to divide your estate. It allows you to benefit our church and your loved ones in relative proportion to your wishes.

Please contact one of the trustees or advisors to the trustees if you would like to explore this planned giving. The trustees include myself, Joyce Canfield, Wally Giffen, Randy Hoffman, Matt Lazar, Patty Pohlman and our moderator, Melody Leidheiser. Advisors are our treasurer Bill Johannes, our legal counsel and secretary, Mark Knueve, and our senior minister, Tim Ahrens.

Nursery Workers Needed

First Church is hiring nursery workers. Applications are available in the church office. Questions? Contact Mark S. Williams at 228-1741, ext. 15, or mwilliams@first-church.org.

2009 Budget Gets Some Revisions

By David Holt, Treasurer



Church Council has made several small modifications to our 2009 church budget. Details of this year's budget can be found in the insert included in this newsletter.

Two modification items were a result of additional funds becoming available: 1. An upward revision to the budgeted revenue from the Davis-Cook Fund via the Columbus Foundation (\$3,795), and 2. A correction to the office pension budget (\$1,521). Most of these additional funds were put to use by funding the following items: Beckerath organ maintenance (\$1,500); Final payment for the Parish Hall chairs and tables (\$2,251); Graphic art expenses (\$1,011).

We also have made two modifications resulting from proposals that were funded by anonymous donors. The Deacons recommended and Council concurred that we should maintain two worship services through the summer, rather than changing to one service as we did last year. This involved a few additional costs, one of which was the cost of the 9 a.m. music leader. Anonymous donors offered \$600 to cover this additional cost.

Secondly, the Church Growth Committee came forward with a proposal to hang banners from three light poles along 9th Street during the Arts Festival. The Remembrance Committee funded part of the cost and another donor offered \$500 to fund the balance.

This illustrates that we have lay leaders bringing good ideas forward, that we have willing donors for special needs, and finally that our budget is very tight and even minor changes have an impact.

Nancy Fields was appointed by Church Council in February to be the Assistant Treasurer. Nancy grew up in First Church and she is a great addition to the church's lay leadership. One of the duties of Treasurer is to count the loose change offering each Sunday after worship, with Nancy as Assistant Treasurer the two of us now rotate this duty.

The Budget and Finance Committee has been forecasting our budget scenarios for 2010-2012. The last two years we have carried deficits forward to the new budget year, which put further pressure on already strained budgets. In the coming years we forecast that our trustee and Columbus Foundation revenues will be down or flat due to the condition of the stock market over the last year. We forecast that our rental and other income will be flat or have modest growth of 1-3%.

In order to keep up with utility and health care cost increases, maintain our current staff level, give staff raises and maintain the high quality programs that we have come to expect at First Church, then we will need our pledge income to show strong growth in 2010 and beyond.

The last two budget years we have offered pay raises to staff of 0% and 1%, we have slashed budget requests and we have reduced our contribution to the denomination through Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM). Without future pledge growth, further significant and painful cuts will be very likely.

Council is optimistic about our future and we need all of your support to make that bright future happen. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at davidholt131@aol.com or 614-353-5932.

Be a Part of the Volunteer Ministry at First Church

Do you like to have fun, learn new things, meet new people and work with other church members?

If so, we have an opportunity for you to help the church with projects, mailings, answering the phones, tours, greeting visitors and MORE! If you are available and would like to help, we would love to have you be a part of First Church's volunteer team.



We are looking for volunteers who can work Monday-Friday between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Contact either Sharon Leidheiser (sleidheiser@first-church.org) or Denny Mahoney (dmahoney@first-church.org) or call the church office (228-1741).

First Church Forums to Examine Important Issues

There will be two congregational forums this summer to discuss some important issues facing First Church.

The first forum will be Sunday, July 12, at 10 a.m. The second will be Sunday, August 2, at noon.

Among the items to be discussed will be possible changes in the constitution, staffing and the proposed purchase of the nearby Platt property.

The First Church constitution recently was emailed to members, and copies are available in the display case outside the church office. Those wishing to comment on possible changes in the constitution may email comments to Carol Gallagher, council secretary, at cgal0444@yahoo.com.

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A Midyear Look at 2009

By the Rev. Timothy C. Ahrens

This has been an interesting year so far. With new church leadership, transitions in staffing, and the continuing challenges of our economy, we have all been facing many challenges amid our glorious celebrations.

We can celebrate: Worship attendance increases (including a glorious Easter Sunday topping 1,000 people!), a Justice Ministry Team launching and over 110 people attending the Nehemiah action on May 4 (a 65+% increase from last year); a great confirmation class, a large and strong mission trip team; a great interim ministry of music under Marti Rideout transitioning to Jamie Bobb (beginning June 29), significant growth in our endowment funds since January, new and continuing lay leaders and volunteers who bring a great spirit of love and care to our members, the building, our grounds, and our multiplicities of ministries, the celebration of Bill and Natalie Wright as our newest Lay Leaders' Award Winners; 18 new members and their six children; Good Samaritan increase; a second year of successes with the Arts Festival; faithful giving; a new softball team under the leadership of a new coach Ben Rowley; a wonderful educational year just being completed; the launch and opening successes of Pub Theology and our Parents in Service groups; and your spirit in giving and service which always blows me away.

We can grieve: The passing of too many loved ones; the move of Bill and Natalie Wright to Massachusetts; the struggles of loved ones with jobs and life transitions; surgeries and illnesses; and the departure of Rev. Lori in early January.

We can look forward to: New vision and purpose; movement on the purchase of the Platt Plot (aka 414 East Broad St. or the Byer's Lot); plans for six more months of service, stewardship, mission, education, music and ministry in Christ's name in the heart of Columbus.

Stay close and stay posted. The best is yet to come!

Dear Members of the Choirs, Staff and Congregation:

Thank you so very much for your extraordinary farewell to me on May 31. Your words will long be remembered and your gifts will be treasured.

I was simply overwhelmed by your generosity and your precious spirit. My time serving God with you in this special place has been filled with wonder and the joy of being in relationship with you and making music together.

You have given me memories beyond measure and I am humbly grateful. Thank you.

- Marti Rideout

*Read the First Church News online
at www.first-church.org*

I Have a Dream

By the Rev. Timothy C. Ahrens

I have a dream. My dream to be a church that touches every life in our fellowship every week. I dream that we might find more creative ways to pray and worship in the coming years. I have a dream that we will open our hearts and doors to new ministries which God will reveal to us.

I have dream to purchase land to the west of our property and make great things happen in on that new plot of land. I dream of a vibrant youth ministry program and young adult ministry. I dream of having a full-time associate minister on staff in the near future.

What are your dreams for the coming months and years? Come and share them with me August 10, 17, 24 and 31 at 10 a.m. in the parlor.

Recent Celebration Gifts to First Church

By Bill Johannes and Jane Werum

In memory of Kimberly Bowling by:
Bob Davis Jr.

In memory of Jerome Dailey by:
Pauline Endo

In memory of Henry Hunker by:
Bill and Patty Donnally
Deborah Anderson
Carol and Frank Hussey
Mr. and Mrs. John Alexander
Fred Hunker
Margaret Atkinson
Erich and Mary Hunker
Wayne and Tonia Erdman
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leister
Lee and Carolyn Norton

Your gifts, payable to First Congregational Church, are appreciated. Celebration Gifts may be designated to the Remembrance Fund or an endowment fund and given in honor of a particular moment in the life of a friend or family member. The gold Celebration Gift folders are found in the pews and office.



Welcome Our Newest Members!

These four joined the First Church family during our June 7 service.



Julie M. Vore is from Lewis Center, where she lives with her husband and three children. She is a mortgage banker. She visited many churches before deciding First Church is for her.

Jessica Benner lives in Columbus. She is doing graduate work at Nationwide Children's Hospital. She and her fiancé, Mario Catenacci, will be married at First Church next May.



Barbara Ritter lives in the Bexley-E. Broad Street area with her husband, who is from New Guinea, and two children. She was raised in the United Church of Christ. She is a former high school social studies teacher.

Dodji Eric Mathey-Apossan is originally from Togo. He now lives in Canal Winchester. His native language is French.



The next new members class will be Sept. 19, 9 a.m. to noon. They will join the church on Oct. 4.

Fellowship Hour Beverage Sales

Coffee and tea sales will be available on July 5 and 19 during Fellowship Hour. This is a UCC coffee project initiative and your participation is greatly appreciated.



Mission Offerings Schedule

In July, the undesignated loose offerings will benefit the following missions that First Church supports:

July 5 - TBA

July 12 - Back Bay Mission

July 19 - Good Samaritan program

July 26 - Neighbors in Need

Member Happy July Birthdays

7/1:	Larry Walquist	7/16:	Michelle Gies
7/1:	Roger Fox	7/17:	David Carpenter
7/3:	Judith Wolff	7/19:	Bob Avers
7/3:	Laura Hadley	7/19:	Bev Cook
7/4:	Corinne Rowley	7/20:	Dale Ann Gray
7/5:	Nancy Evans	7/20:	Karen Swatsler
7/5:	Susanna Heer	7/21:	Debra Hadley
7/6:	Kevin Leidheiser	7/22:	Eric Chambers
7/7:	Kathy Brownfield	7/23:	Jim Kyle
7/7:	Carrie Keller	7/24:	Bob Williams
7/8:	Joyce Campbell	7/24:	Stanley Myers
7/8:	Sandra Geronimo	7/24:	Kristie Thompson
7/8:	Mike Rippel	7/24:	Linda Gieseke
7/9:	Ed Waller	7/24:	Fred Hadley
7/9:	Joan Lebold	7/25:	Nancy Braverman
7/9:	Scott Sass	7/25:	Fred Hunker
7/10:	Shun Endo	7/25:	Sarah Welsh-Huggins
7/10:	Monique Penfield	7/26:	Joanne Morse
7/11:	David Bowers	7/28:	Steve Sterrett
7/13:	Carol Lowy	7/28:	Katelyn Hoffman
7/14:	Jack Davis	7/29:	Jason Bryant
7/15:	Joe Glick	7/30:	Karen Carpenter
7/15:	Patty Amy	7/30:	Priss Endo
7/15:	Elise Faith	7/30:	Fran Panek
7/16:	Sharon Leidheiser	7/30:	Ryan Weddle
7/16:	Steve Brandehoff	7/31:	Carolyn Watkins
7/16:	Twink Starr	7/31:	Leon Axt
7/16:	David Majors		
7/16:	Mark Brown		
7/16:	Elizabeth Drotleff		

Member Happy Anniversaries

7/1:	Robyn and Mike Petras
7/1:	Sharon and Larry Walquist
7/4:	Nancy and Lee Burba
7/4:	Sandra and Gilman Kirk
7/7:	Trish and Tom Bishop
7/7:	Kerry and Rob O'Leary
7/8:	Denise and Nate Vogt
7/9:	Mary Ann and Herb Goetz
7/11:	Shelly and Tom Gies
7/11:	Murley and Alan Miller
7/12:	Devon and Barry Bastian
7/12:	Cindy and John Deliman
7/13:	Julia and Tom Stewart
7/14:	Christen Coyle and Jason Holton
7/14:	Carrie and Patrick Keller
7/15:	Anne and Gerry Hudson
7/15:	Sarah and Erik Mitchell
7/17:	Carol and Jim Gallagher
7:23:	Lissa and Drew Wade
7/26:	Catherine and Todd Cunningham
7:31:	Catrina and Jim Drotleff

If we miss your birthday or anniversary, contact Denny Mahoney at 228-1741, ext. 17, or dmahoney@first-church.org.

Sunday, June 21

9 am - Early Worship - San
11 am - Worship Service - San
12 pm - Fellowship Hour

Monday, June 22

7:15 pm - Softball - Whetstone Park

Tuesday, June 23

12 pm - Card Care Ministry - PFR

Wednesday, June 24

9:30 pm - Staff Meeting - LC

Sunday, June 28

9 am: Early Worship Service - PH
11 am: Worship Service - San
12 pm: Fellowship Hour - PH

Monday, June 29

6 pm - Stephen Ministers - Adult Lib
6:15 pm - Softball - Whetstone Park
7 pm - BREAD Dinner - PH

Tuesday, June 30

12 pm- Card Care Ministry- PFR
7 pm - Council - LC
7 pm - Personnel Committee - PFR

Wednesday, July 1

9:30 am: Staff Meeting - LC

Friday, July 3

Office and Building Closed for 4th of July

Sunday, July 5

9 am - Early Worship Service - PH
11 am - Worship Service - San
12 pm - Fellowship Hour - PH

Monday, July 6

12 pm - Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, July 7

12 pm - Card Care Ministry - PFR
5:30 pm - Sacred Earth Committee - LC
6:30 pm - Children's Ed - Ed Wing Rm C
7 pm - Executive Committee - PFR

Thursday, July 9

2 pm - Arts Committee - PFR

Friday, July 10

3:45 pm - Parents for Others - Toddler Room

Saturday, July 11

10 am - Quilters at First Church - LC

Sunday, July 12

9 am - Early Worship Service - PH
10 am - Congregational Forum - PH
11 am - Worship Service - San
12 pm - Fellowship Hour - PH

Tuesday, July 14

12 pm - Card Care Ministry - PFR
6:30 pm- Pub Theology
7 pm - Missions Committee - PFR

Wednesday, July 15

9 am - Newsletter folding - LC
9:30 am - Staff Meeting - PFR

Thursday, July 16

7 pm - Deacons - LC

Saturday, July 18

10 am - House and Grounds - LC

Sunday, July 19

9 am - Early Worship Service - PH
11 am - Worship Service - San
12 pm - Fellowship Hour - PH

Monday, July 20

6 pm - Stephen Ministers - Adult Library
7 pm - Budget and Finance - LC

Tuesday, July 21

12 pm - Card Care Ministry - PFR

Friday, July 24

6 pm - Faith Mission Shelter Meals
Annual Gathering - Ohio Wesleyan University

Saturday, July 25

Annual Gathering - Ohio Wesleyan University

Multi-Purpose Totes For Sale



The Sacred Earth Committee is pleased to offer high-quality, earth-friendly, reusable tote bags as part of our effort to reduce the use of disposable plastic and paper shopping bags. All proceeds are directed to repairing our building in ways to improve its energy efficiency. Choose from two

designs, either the logo and Psalm 24:1, or the logo with church name. They will be on sale June 21 for \$10.

Needs of Pantries Still Climbing: While Gladden Community House greatly appreciated receiving a major grant from the Columbus Foundation for the purchase of food, the numbers of families seeking assistance continues to rise. First Church divides its collections between Gladden Pantry and the Broad Street Presbyterian Church pantry. Please continue to share your abundance for those in need.

Tea Room Was Arts Festival Hit

The First Church Tea Room was a great place to cool off from the heat outside at the Columbus Arts Festival. Visitors were cooled, too, with our offerings of chilled Vichyssoise soup, tea sandwiches, green and regular teas, lemonade and fresh, home-baked cookies.

Our art exhibits from Judy Hazen and Rebecca Taft pleased our visitors as well. Sales of tote bags, ornaments, stationery, CDs and fair-trade coffees, teas and cocoa added were options to visitors. Proceeds from the sale of our fanciful birdhouses and from the Tea Room benefited Habitat For Humanity.

- Anne Hudson

Prayers

Prayer Request: Please let us know of a prayer concern for yourself, a family member or other church member by calling the Rev. Barbara Cunningham at 614.228.1741, ext. 22, by using Prayer Request Cards found in each pew or by emailing bcunningham@first-church.org.

Please pray for those who continue to walk through grief and loss, for those battling illness and addictions in their families, for all serving in Iraq and elsewhere and for others in need. Please offer prayers for those who are lonely, lost and hurting. Pray for our nation as we face all too much anxiety, fear and uncertainty with faith, hope and love. May God bless you in your giving and in your living in Christ's love and grace. Amen.

Baptisms

Lily Hogarth Schneider - May 31
Chase Matthew Washington - May 31

Weddings

Christina Kish and Jerod Swinehart - May 30

Deaths

Melvin Koch - May 8
Jerome Dailey - May 17
Lillian Brownfield - May 20

Wednesday Night Book Club: The Wednesday Night Book Club is up and running and you are invited to come for light refreshments and lively discussions. The group is meeting Wednesdays 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Family Room. These are the book selections: July 15 – *Eat, Pray, and Love* by Elizabeth Gilbert; August 5 – *The Color of Water* by James McBride; Sept. 2 - *Left To Tell* by Immaculee Ilibagiza, followed by popcorn and a viewing of the movie *Hotel Rawanda*.

**Remember Your Loved Ones
With A Dedication of Flowers**
Contact Marty Worth at 614.228.1741, ext. 12,
mworth@first-church.org

July Fellowship Hour

July 5: Colossians
July 12: Corinthians
July 19: Daniel
July 26: Deuteronomy

July Acolyte Schedule

July 5: Michael Warrick & Nick Warrick
July 12: Ella Kosher & Katie Wagner
July 19: Emma Welsh-Huggins & Katie Gies
(Schedules online @ www.first-church.org)

Next Newsletter Deadline

Articles Due: Monday, July 6 by noon
Email: dmahoney@first-church.org
Folding Team: Wed., July 15, 9 a.m.

Worship CDs Available: We are now able to provide you with copies of worship services on CDs. The CDs are available in the literature rack outside the church office after the worship service is finished. A \$1 donation for the CD can be left in a container on the church office counter.

Church Staff

Timothy C. Ahrens.....Senior Minister
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SUNDAY WORSHIP HOURS

Worship at 9 a.m. ~ Parish Hall
Worship at 11 a.m. ~ Sanctuary