

**First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino** 

# First Press December 2023/January 2024

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Join us for worship on New Year's Eve as we celebrate 150 years of ministry in San Bernardino.

We will begin with a joyful worship service. We will celebrate our worship traditions with an all church, all season procession. We will worship and remember God's faithfulness through the years.

After worship, we will see a skit about the foundation of the

First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino

invites you to our

"Heart in the City for Good"

### **150th Anniversary Celebration**

Sunday, December 31, 2023 10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. If you cannot join us for worship, please join us for lunch in Fellowship Hall at 11:30.

Please RSVP to pres.first@gmail.com or (909)882-3308 by December 15, 2023

congregation (written by our own Ernie and Dotti Garcia), eat a traditional Southern Californian Mexican lunch, reflect on who we are as a congregation, create liturgical art together, and sing around the "campfire."

This is an opportunity to celebrate together who we have been historically, who we are now, and who we will be as we listen and follow God's calling. I hope to see you there. --Pastor Wendy



# Mission Assessment Team

#### Mission Assessment Team (MAT) Update

The Mission Assessment Team looks forward to seeing you at the 150th Anniversary where we will celebrate our history and look forward to our continued ministry together. We continue to value and evaluate the insights you are providing through your comments and survey responses. During the 150th Anniversary lunch, we hope to invite your discussion and gather your feedback on the common themes and values that are emerging in our Mission Assessment Process.

Have you missed a survey? Previous survey questions:

Survey 1: Why We Are Here

Survey 2: Our Call

Survey 3: Inviting

Survey 4: God in Our Church

Survey 5: Wants & Needs

Survey 6: Counting Our Blessings

You can find survey forms and a box to return them to on the table in reception and on the website at https://fpcsb.net/ mission-assessment. Or just chat with any MAT member (*Jim, Mary, Brent, John-Paul, Nancy, Irene, & Marilyn*)

### **Mission Assessment Team**

Mary Bolaños, John-Paul Fletcher, Nancy Horstmann, Marilyn Kraft, Jim Morris, Brent Nord, Irene Sandoval Suverkrup



# **Pastor's Corner**

The day of the Lord is surely coming; the promise of God will be fulfilled. (Jeremiah 33:14) Advent begins this week. Thank you to each of you who contributed to our Advent Meditation Book. I think it is lovely. You may still pick up a meditation booklet or sign up for the mailing list if you wish.

We have much coming up in our common life this December even as we pause to reflect and long for the coming of Christ. Advent services will be held at 10:30 Sunday morning December 3 (Fear Not, Zechariah--Hope!), 10 (Fear Not, Mary--Peace!), and 17 (Fear Not, Joseph--Joy!).

We will hold the Longest Night Service on Thursday, December 7 at 6:00 pm. If you know anyone who might be struggling during the season, you might personally invite them. Also, consider whether you might be able to offer a ride to someone who loves this service, but doesn't drive at night.

We will be Christmas Caroling after worship on December 10. We will eat lunch together and then drive to several houses/facilities of our homebound members and sing Christmas Carols. If you would like to sing carols during Advent, this is your chance! We would love to have people join in. If you do plan to come, please RSVP to the office or to Mary Bolaños or Robin Edwards so we can plan for lunch.

Christmas Eve service (Fear Not, Shepherds--Love!) at 5:00 on Christmas Eve. **We will not be holding a worship service on Christmas Eve morning.** We will flow from Advent 4 to Christmas Eve in one service.

As we consider the message of the angels and the liminal space of Advent, I invite all of you into the hope, peace, joy, and love of the season.

~Wendy (Commissioned Pastor)

# Notes

The *First Press*, the newsletter of the First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino, is edited by Wendy Lamb. Please submit content to Wendy at newsletter@fpcsb.net.

The deadline for the February newsletter is the 20th of January.

# **Financial Notes**

Financial Report as of **as of** October 31, 2023. General Fund

	Actual	Budgeted	Over/(Under)
Pledges	\$301,123.93	298,036.66	3,087.27
Other Income*	\$124,601.39	111,460.76	13,140.63
Expense	\$459,700.31	466,447.18	(6,746.87)
Net Income	\$(33,974.99)	(56,949.76)	22,974.77

Division Consolidation

October	rear to date
1,190.12	(33,974.99)
(74.10)	11,375.38
1,116.02	(22,599.61)
	1,190.12 (74.10)

### From Your Deacons

Thank you to all who signed up for the blood drive. The blood drive goes on all morning this Sunday. If you did not sign up, but still want to contribute, stop by Fellowship Hall and see Brad. We will be there until noon.

Many thanks to those of you in the Congregation, especially Presbyterian Women and the Circles and the Deacons for scrambling to put together toy baskets for 20 children. We are a Congregation that we all can be proud to be part of!

## **Board of Deacons 2023**

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### Rebecca Allen, Moderator; Steve Smith, Pastoral Support

Class of 2023: Rebecca Allen, Sharon Landeros, Joyce Lyons, Joanna Nord, Chris Wright Thomas Class of 2024: Dan Direen, Robin Edwards, Marianna Fowles, Richard Rodriguez, Katie Smith Class of 2025: Brad Smith, Dave Thomas

#### Keep Military Members in Your Prayers Sgt Jacob Allen, New Orleans, Louisiana Cpl Jeremy Allen, Okinawa, Japan FPC Ethan Gano, Pensacola, Florida Seaman Mark Munz, San Diego, California Petty Officer First Class Robert Sandoval, Virginia Petty Officer Noah L. Wierenga, Sector Upper Mississippi River CW3 James Bentley Wilson, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington Cadet Grace Wilson, Colorado Springs, Colorado

### In Memoriam November 2023

Betty Thomas died November 25, 2023

"In life and in death we belong to God."

## PW Alternative Christmas

We invite you to join with Presbyterian Women in celebrating an Alternative Christmas event in Fellowship Hall on December 10, 2023 following Worship. We are calling this year's Alternative Christmas. "A Season of Hope" as we are highlighting three wonderful programs here at First Presbyterian San Bernardino.

LIFE SKILLZ PROGRAM FOOD MINISTRY

#### INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Please stop by the Alternative Christmas tables on December 10 and talk with the adults and young people in these programs. We hope you will learn more about the programs and consider supporting them with a donation of your time or money or both! We will provide thank you cards to share with your friends and family to show your support. We will most gratefully accept your donation on Dec. 10 and Dec. 17 following Worship.

### An Amazing LifeSkillz and Intern Story

This is a story about a girl who started coming to LifeSkillz in 2018 and became an intern in 2019, about 4-1/2 years ago. At the beginning of her first term as an intern, she seemed very quiet, but she always worked hard and the work she was asked to do always got done. This girl is small, and I will never forget that she taught me never to underestimate an intern just because she is small. There was something that was heavy and difficult for me to move. She knew it had to be moved, but I was waiting for someone who I thought would be stronger just because I thought they would be stronger. This girl picked up this box and moved it to where it needed to go.



This girl's name is Marlene Olivas. She

was an intern leader the following year and taught other interns by the way she did the work she was assigned to get done. Her quiet way of teaching others was an amazing thing to see. When the Internship Program needed a new supervisor, it was obvious to me who should be given the job. She does so well at having our interns get work done.

Marlene is now in her sophomore year at Cal State San Bernardino majoring in Child Development. She has also started another job working with a family who has a child who is on the autism spectrum. She spends several hours each week working with the child and his family.

Marlene and her mother Martha come to the church every week to help with our weekday food giveaway; without their help it would be very hard to get the daily food giveaway done each week. Also, Marlene is at the church to help set up for coffee hour and if you come to coffee hour after service on Sundays you will see Marlene serving coffee to the members of our church family.

Marlene does so much for the First Pres family, does well while taking a full load of classes at Cal State, and has another job. She is an amazing young woman.

### **Kudos to our Church Family**

When I volunteered our church (with Session's blessing) to host a Presbytery Assembly (PA) I knew it would be a lot of work, but I underestimated what would be involved. It's been many years since we hosted, although we are one of the more centrally located churches. For those not aware, PA meets 4 times a year and this was the first all in-person gathering since November 2019! We provided a continental breakfast and lunch for 60-65 people.

We were applauded for our hospitality, food, and lovely sanctuary space! I want to personally thank so many that made the day possible. Sue Alexander, Jeanne Clark, Claudia Oakes, Susan Skoglund, Rebecca Allen, Chris Wright, and Mary Bolaños set up breakfast. Rebecca and Chris left after breakfast and returned to help with lunch along with Robin

Edwards, Linda McCarl, Janet McKinster, and Claudia. All helped clean up along with Lily Bolaños. Rebecca Allen went to the store at the last minute to buy gluten-free bread, and Robin Edwards went to the sanctuary to do last minute Communion set up (as well as cleaned up after Communion!). Rick Rodriguez, Dave Thomas, Mark Adelson, and Marilyn Kraft were on security duty and organized the Interns to help direct parking and welcome people to our campus. The worship was lovely with Dan Direen on sound and William Zeitler playing the organ. Finally, a shout out to Jeanne Clark and Mary and Lily Bolaños for the initial food planning! It definitely takes a village, and I am so blessed to be a part of this one! Hope I didn't leave anyone off! [Maybe just yourself, Amy. Amy spent many hours working with Presbytery and our members planning for the event, buying and preparing food, and making sure everything ran smoothly. --ed.]

With thanks and blessings to you all,

Amy Smith

Our hardworking team members serve themselves lunch after all have been served.





## Intern Team #22

#### by Rick Rodriguez

We are now on the 22nd team of interns. This team, like every other, is different than the ones before them. One thing that makes this team different is we have no high school seniors and no freshmen. This team is all sophomores and juniors. We also had a very large number of applicants for this term, a total of 18. We had to ask 4 of them to apply for our next term because the extracurricular activities they were in would have caused them to miss several of our scheduled workdays.

Since this team started they have now mowed the church lawns almost every Saturday. They prepare areas for our Sunday services. They keep the playground area clean for the Oak Tree and Key Essential kids. They clean up trash from the church parking lots. They help with a lot of food ministry work along with many other things.

They have become a close knit team that works well together, and they have all made new friendships. Some of the extracurricular activities they are involved in are Tennis, Water Polo, Volleyball, music workshop, and many others. They all maintain high GPAs and have bright futures ahead of them.

Marlene and I are really enjoy working with this team. They are an energetic and fun group to work with. The things that keep Marlene and me busy is we don't have a lot of experience on this team. Three of the kids are interns for the first time, Yadi, Isabelle and Vincent. Our two team leaders, who are both sophomores, Pati and Ana, have never been leaders before and have been learning what it means to lead a team throughout this term. Our last intern team member is Maraie, who has been on a team once before. All the members of this team are doing great work.

We only have a few more weeks to work with this team; their term is over right before Christmas. So, if you see our interns, say "Hi!". I am hoping the members of this team will apply again since they all have several chances to be hired for another team before they graduate and move on to the next part of their life's journey.



# Birthdays and Anniversaries

#### December

Dec 1	Elaine Saenz
Dec 2	Sarah Godby
Dec 3	Cindi Pringle
Dec 5	Bobbie Terrell
	Curtiss & Rebecca Allen
Dec 7	Zienna Long
Dec 9	Maddie Ramirez
Dec 11	Christi Showman Farrar

- Deagan Belle
- Dec 16 Jon Horstmann
- Dec 18 Patrick Garcia
- Dec 19 Jim & Carol Coyne Kristin Arellano
- Dec 20 Melodee Kistner
- Dec 21 Danielle Garza
- Dec 22 John Garten-Shuman
- Dec 23 Ray Nelligan
- Dec 28 Lillian Franklin
- Dec 29 Irene Sandoval &
  - David Suverkrup
- Dec 30 Charlotte Pringle

#### January

- Jan 1 George Biddlecombe III Jeremy Allen
- Jan 2 Carol Wright
- Jan 3 Alex Smith
- Jan 4 Alex Rueda
- Jan 5 Sheila Cimino
- Jan 6 Rachel Garvin
- Jan 10 Dwight Murray
- Jan 11 Jean-Luc Nicks Dawn Morris
- Jan 13 Zane Preciado Stephani Congdon
- Jan 14 Patrick Morris
- Jan 16 Esther Olsen
- Deon & Patrick Garcia Jan 17 Lvnette DuClos-Adelson
- Mark Munz
- Jan 20 Beverly Kristoffersen
- Jan 23 Dan & Cheryl Direen
- Jan 28 Linda McCarl
- Jan 29 Brenda Frederick

# Meet Your Session Members compiled by Margaret Doane

"As a church of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), our congregational life is governed by the Ruling Elders of our current Session," notes the back of our weekly bulletin. Session members were asked to write short bios so that the congregation can know these people better. In addition to the Elders whose life snapshots appear below, Session members include Pat Morris (Buildings and Grounds).

**Lily Bolaños** (Nuture): I have been a part of First Pres most of my life. During middle and high school, I participated in FOC, went to camp every year, and attended Presbyterian Youth Triennium. I graduated from Cajon High School and Azusa Pacific University. While at university, I participated in the PCUSA General Assembly (GA) as a young adult advisory delegate (YAAD). I am excited to be attending this year's GA as the Ruling Elder Commissioner from the Presbytery of Riverside. I am currently working at Toyota of San Bernardino but continue to pursue my career in screen writing and film production.

**Mary Bolaños** (Worship, chair): I was born and raised in southwestern Ohio and moved to the California Bay Area after high school. Mario and I settled in San Bernardino in early 2004 with our (then) three-year-old daughter Lily. I worked for awhile at a tax preparation company but I've really loved being the librarian at a small private PS-8th school since 2008 and added Reading Resource Specialist to my duties in 2021. I started attending FPCSB in 2004 and the family officially joined in 2006. Since then I've been the PWC treasurer, Circle moderator, Ruling Elder, and moderator of Nurture, Worship, and Nominating Committees. I love to help with food distribution and I belong to the Kerygma group which studies together on Friday mornings. I am deeply invested in and committed to our church family.

**Jeanne Clark** (Nurture): I grew up in San Bernardino and have attended First Pres since I was seven. I became a member in my teens, and was a part of Jim Huffstutler's musical revues every summer. I graduated from Pacific High School and Cal State San Bernardino, where I received a teaching credential. I taught elementary school full time for 33 years and then was a sub for another 11 years. I have served on Session and the Nurture Committee and taught church school off and on (mostly on) through the years. I have also raised two children, Tom and Nancy, and one granddaughter, Katrina, in this church.

**Margaret Doane** (Stewardship, chair): I grew up in Garden Grove and graduated from Garden Grove High School. I have a BA in English from the University of Redlands, an MA from Northern Arizona University, and a PhD from the University of Oregon. I joined the English faculty at Cal State San Bernardino in 1976 and taught literature there for 43 years, retiring just before the pandemic. Even though I've lived in San Bernardino since 1976, I continued to attend and be active in the church I grew up in, Garden Grove United Methodist Church, for another thirty years, until both my parents had died.

I began attending First Pres in 2014. I've served as Deacon Moderator and currently am on Session and am the chair of Stewardship. I also have worked in Food since I came to the church, and I am an usher and a member of Friendship Circle. Bill McIntosh was especially kind in welcoming me as a Deacon and usher, and in showing me the ropes of how to participate in Food. This Church has always been extremely dear to me, but I have really been blown away by the caring shown to me after I fell off a ladder two years ago and shattered my leg. So many people, even people I didn't know well, sent cards, called, and visited. And three people stand out amid so many who have been kind: Laurie called so frequently! Made food! Visited!; Marilyn took me to several appointments, even one that was unexpected and inconvenient for her, brought food, and rolled my trash cans out to the curb; and Sue Alexander brought over a friend of hers who installed rails so that I could get out of my house, and she visited and brought food and treats! What a wonderful community of caring this is!

**Brooke Dvorak** (Stewardship): FPCSB is my home. I was raised at Calvary Baptist Church at 19th and E Streets. Some of you may remember it, though it no longer exists. I discovered FPCSB when attending a memorial service for Ray Snell about 6 years ago. I had known him since I was a child. Being raised in SB (with a three-year stint from '57-'60 in Tachikawa, Japan), I attended SBHS, graduating in '66 and am currently Pres. of the Alumni Association. One day shy of the 40th anniversary of my HS graduation, I graduated from CSUSB. This was made possible through my employment with San Bernardino County Credit Union (now Arrowhead CU) where I retired in 2010, after 36 years. In July 2022, I moved to Solera, a 55+ community in Beaumont, after the death of my mother, Betty Sabine, with whom I had lived for 20 years since the death of my father. When friends ask why I am so busy volunteering my time to Stewardship, Session, Life Skillz, I explain that I receive so much more than I give. I love doing puzzles of all types, Wordle being my current favorite. Using my hands, crocheting, knitting, needlepoint, embroidery, etc, take up my spare time (Ha Ha!)

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**Jonathan Horstmann** (Stewardship): I grew up in upstate Schenectady, New York; Nancy was raised in Massapequa, Long Island. We met on a blind date while we were both attending different colleges in Upstate.

We married soon after graduation and worked in Albany, New York, I as an entry-level urban planner and Nancy as an elementary school teacher. Two years later, I was accepted into the pharmacology program at Washington University, St. Louis. We took the plunge and moved to St. Louis where we remained for 6 years; two years doing graduate pharmacology and 4 years at the medical school.

After Medical School graduation, further training consisted of a year internship in San Diego (where daughter Amy was born), one year of emergency medicine in Chicago and 2 years Family Medicine at University Hospital, Stonybrook, NY (where daughter Melanie was born).

We moved to the Inland Empire to start medical practice. I knew there was a doctor shortage in this area. After 4 years of small group practice in San Bernardino, I joined the Beaver Clinic Colton office and Redlands Community Hospital where I practiced there for 31 years, retiring 3 years ago. i was a member of the Clinical Faculty at UCR School of Medicine where I enjoyed teaching Medical Students and helping other practicing physicians to kindle their enthusiasm by teaching. I presently keep my hand in Medicine by volunteering with the Lestonnac Free Clinic in San Bernardino.

We joined FPSB 20 years ago on the invitation of Rev. John Inglis and appreciated the warm welcome we received. I feel we have found a spiritual home in this congregation.

Phyllis Hough (Stewardship): Immigrated from Scotland in 1948.

Attended San Bernardino schools -- Del Rosa Elementary, Golden Valley Jr. High, and graduated from Pacific High School

Attended San Bernardino Valley College

Moved to San Diego in 1963

Married Michael Hough in 1964 and was married for 50 years

I have three children, seven grandchildren, and four great grandchildren

Moved back to San Bernardino in 1974

Retired in 2017 as Office Manager of a CPA firm

I am a member of Assistance League of San Bernardino and Chair of the Dr. Earl R. Crane Children's Dental Health Center

Martha Pinckney (Nurture): Born in Gallup New Mexico and moved to SB/Highland area in 1949.

Education: Attended Warm Springs Elementary School, Highland Junior High, Pacific High School, San Bernardino Valley College and University of LaVerne for Bachelor's and Master's Degrees.

Career: Was a teacher, then a Principal from 1959 to 1999. Mostly in Highland School District/SBCUSD. Received the first Golden Apple given in SBCUSD. While principal at Hillside, we received local, state, and national awards. Hillside was the first school in our district to integrate a Severely Handicapped Class on a standard campus. Also, we pioneered bilingual classes.

Family: Widow. Son Steven and three stepchildren, Lisa, Diana, and Chris and nine grandchildren.

Activities: Church (Deacon Moderator for two years, chair of Friendship, leader of Bible Study), Rotary, Salvation Army, Assistance League and social groups for MahJongg, dinners, reading, and travel -- my most recent trip was to Morocco.

**Susan Skoglund** (Worship): Susan Skoglund is an outgoing member of Session. She is past Church treasurer and currently serves on our personnel committee. Susan grew up in Texas, graduated from Angleton High School, attended Baylor University, graduated from Auburn University in Montgomery and has an MS in Personnel Management from Troy State University in Montgomery. Her husband was a career Air Force officer who died in 1996. Susan is active at all levels of church governance, currently serving as Treasurer of the Synod and Chair of the Presbytery Personnel Committee. She loves to read, to shop and to spend time with her family, daughter Jennifer, granddaughters, Addy and Lexi, and great grands, Emmy and Ellis. She is working with the 2024 Church wide Gathering Planning Team as Chair of Volunteers.

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**Alex Smith** (Buildings and Grounds, chair): As someone who has attended First Pres San Bernardino for their ENTIRE life, this church community has been family to me for 33 years and counting. My level of involvement in church activities has ranged from the Fellowship of the Carpenters Mission Trip to New Orleans, to Youth Sunday, and now as a Session Member for the last 4 years. My career as a Commercial Real Estate Broker with Lee & Associates--Riverside has helped me build a skill set that I have used as the Chair of Buildings and Grounds Committee since 2021. When I am not in Session or committee meetings, I enjoy spending time with my fiancé Brittany and daughter Emma at our home in Anaheim Hills, or on the golf course. As Emma has gotten older, I have recently developed a new hobby/title (and personal favorite), soccer coach!

**Amy Smith** (Clerk of Session): Amy Smith was raised in a Presbyterian church in Cincinnati, Ohio. I moved to California in 1978 and became a member of First Pres in October, 1989, three months before Alex was born! I became more involved when Jim Huffstutler called me to teach Kindergarten Church School the day I found out I was transferred to Riverside and didn't have a 3 hour commute (and had no excuse anymore!). I became more involved when asked to become Vice Moderator of Presbyterian Women and was assured it was an easy position! Little did I know, I was responsible for the Quarterly Gatherings programs and dinners! Steve Smith's sister-in-law, Janet, catered many of our meals. After that I decided not to return calls from Dotti Garcia!! But I'm thankful for that experience which made me familiar with our wonderful kitchen. From there I was asked to be an Elder and have served more terms than I can remember. Sandy called me and asked me to fill the position of Clerk. She knew I loved to be involved in the goings-on of the church and thought it was something I was capable of doing. I had serious doubts but agreed to try. It's been a steep learning curve but many have helped along the way and I am now comfortable in the position. It allows me to be in the loop and I still serve on Worship Committee, Personnel, and am Chair of the Committee on Nominations for Presbytery of Riverside.

**Tim Usher** (Buildings and Grounds): Tim Usher, married to Carolyn, father of Virginia and Christian. Physics Professor at Cal State SB for 33 years. Happy to speak with anyone planning to attend college, particularly in science, math, or engineering. Grew up on a farm in North Carolina. BS from Appalachian State Univ and PhD from Univ. of South Carolina. Fulbright Scholar to Ireland 2008/2009 and sabbatical in New Zealand 2018/2019. Joined First Pres SB around 1992. Served, and currently serving, on Session and the Buildings and Grounds committee. Is a co-inventor of NI-ELVIS, an electronics lab learning tool.



### Session 2023

Back: Tim Usher, Jonathan Horstmann, Steve Smith (Moderator), Alex Smith, Pat Morris Middle: Brooke Dvorak, Wendy Lamb (CP), Susan Skoglund, Mary Bolaños, Amy Smith Front: Lily Bolaños, Martha Pinckney, Phyllis Hough, Margaret Doane, Jeanne Clark First Presbyterian Church

December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service 11:30am Congregational Meeting	27 7:00pm Circle of Kindness	28 7:00pm Mission Assessment Team	29 12:30pm Staff Meeting 5:30pm SESSION	30 5:15pm Yoga Class	1 9:30am Kerygma	2 8:00am Symphonie Jeunesse 10:00am Straight Up AA
3 Communion Sunday Deacons' Blood Drive 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service 11:30pm Deacons	4 5:00pm PW Coordinating Team	5 12:00pm Circle of Faith 3:30pm 150th Anniversary Team 7:00pm Mensch Group	6 5:30pm Worship Committee	7 5:15pm Yoga Class 6:00pm Longest Night Healing Service	8 9:30am Kerygma	9 8:00am Symphonie Jeunesse 10:00am Straight Up AA 5:00pm Galleons Gathering
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First Presbyterian Church

January 2024

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14 Ordination & Installation of Officers 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service	15 Church Office Closed. Martin L. King, Jr. Day	16 1:00pm Circle of Grace and Hope 7:00pm Mensch Group	17 5:00pm Stewardship Committee	18 9:00am Friendship Circle 5:15pm Yoga Class 5:30pm Buildings & Grounds Committee	19 9:00am Food Bagging 9:30am Kerygma	20 Deadline for First Press articles 9:00am Deacon Food Distribution 10:00am Straight Up AA 1:00pm Symphonie Jaunesse
21 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service 12:00pm Youth Lunch	22 7:00pm Circle of Kindness	23	24 12:30pm Staff Meeting 5:30pm SESSION	25 5:15pm Yoga Class	26 9:30am Kerygma	27 8:00am Symphonie Jeunesse 10:00am Straight Up AA
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The Rev. Jim Huffstutler Pastor Emeritus

It is the Mission of First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino, inspired by the Holy Spirit, to proclaim the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through worship and celebration, and teaching and learning, so that lives are transformed and members are encouraged to use their special gifts to care for and value, as God's Beloved, each other and the community in which we live.