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## *From the Pastor's Desk*

### “Mountaintops and Valleys”

This Sunday we will be starting a new sermon series looking on people's experiences of God on the mountaintops and in the valleys. Both are places of uncertainty. There have been plenty of mountaintops and valleys experiences, recently, for us individuals and as a church family. One of the things that Scripture makes crystal clear is that the Lord of All is actively and powerfully at work in all our valleys and mountaintops. In these passages I have found that He works in surprising ways in both these places. He is faithful and good, but He is also the God of the unexpected.

In this time, we, as a church family, are finding Him at work in ways that we were not expecting. First, I have found that the pastoral side of ministry has become much more “pastoral.” People are open to and need to talk about the deeper issues of life and faith. And I know other staff members here are experiencing the same thing. The prevalence of these conversations is more frequent and intense, but it also takes place in ways that we had not previously thought about. I jokingly tell people that since the “stay at home” order my cell phone has been burning up. People need to talk about these issues of faith and life and, believe it or not, it can be done over a cell phone! Please look for and follow-through on those pastoral opportunities.

We, along with other churches, have begun to work together with Jubilee Ministry to find ways to address the increased need for resources. This too will be a ministry where a pastoral touch will be extremely important and it has been remarkable how the Lord has drawn the churches together in a common mission.

Additionally, we were pushed to figure out how to bring the family of God together in worship and amazingly we discovered the best way to do that was through Facebook! Since doing this we found we were reaching far more people than if we were in the building! Don't misunderstand, we are looking forward to being back together, but we will continue to stream the services in order to reach a wider audience. This, in turn, has pushed us, as a staff, to start working on, developing, and paying attention to a communication plan as a means for getting the gospel out. In all of this, the odd thing is that in some ways we are just as busy as we were before. Worship was suspended but church never stopped!

I would also ask for your prayers as the staff and leadership of the church begin to consider our “re-entry” plan. There will be some kind of progression to this and we need to prayerfully consider how and when to do this in a way that is safe and productive.

Blessings, Pastor Paul



# COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*Stay connected...*

\*Our website is being updated weekly, [www.prosserpres.org](http://www.prosserpres.org)

\*Weekly sermon materials (family worship, going deeper, and updates) are available on the website. You can choose to open and view or print.

\*Facebook-you can find posts about upcoming sermons and the link to watch Promiseland on YouTube.

\*Email blasts-we are sending out emails to our church family with any changes/updates and prayer requests.

\*Weekly mailings-we are providing family worship outline and study guide.

\*The staff is available during the week for any concerns/prayer requests, errands you need help with, or if you just need to talk.

\*Our church family is being covered in prayer by staff and your Elders-we are family!

Social media platforms to keep connected:

Instagram: [prossercovenantpres](https://www.instagram.com/prossercovenantpres)

Twitter: [@PCovenantPres](https://twitter.com/PCovenantPres)

Church website: [www.prosserpres.org](http://www.prosserpres.org)

Find us on Facebook too!

Do we have your email address? We have a great email program that we use for prayer requests, upcoming church events, volunteer needs, and weekly updates. If you want to be added please call Bonnie.

**Our staff is here for you!**

**Please feel free to call any one of us on our cell phones:**

**Pastor Paul 509.303.0765**

**Pastor Jacki 509.378.9679**

**Pastor Shane 509.833.8851**

**Bonnie 509.832.0682**

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Friday Closed*

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January-April 2020

Actual Budgeted Income: \$ 114,211.97\*  
Actual Budgeted Expenses: \$-100,343.94  
\$ 13,868.03

\*includes a 3 pledges fulfilled for the year

RENOVATE Giving: \$394,816  
(thru end of April)

RENOVATE Commitments: \$479,980

RENOVATE Projected Cost: \$618,000

RENOVATE Estimated Shortfall: \$138,020

\*if you are interested in looking through our RENOVATE information packet they are available in the office\*

It is with immense gratitude and a sense of humble awe that I share this with you. As we have been going through this time of uncertainty one concern has been how this might impact our church family financially. This concern is amplified by the fact that I believe that on the other side of this we will be seeing a new kind of ministry need - to come alongside of those who have been set back financially because of lost jobs and lost paychecks. To minister in this "new normal" I believe it will be vitally important to keep the church strong resource-wise. It is with great joy that I tell you that people have been amazingly diligent with their giving and some have even gone above and beyond! We have also seen people giving extra to our emergency fund which we use to help those in difficult financial situations. Thank you for your generosity! This is an amazing church family! Blessings, Pastor Paul

**Giving options:**

- **mail your check (we have a secure, locked mailbox)**
- **set up bill pay through your bank**
- **go to our website [www.prosserpres.org](http://www.prosserpres.org) & look for the giving tab**
- **if you are on a walk, you can drop your check in the secure, locked mailbox (staff checks the mail almost daily)**

Thank you for your commitment to our church family. If you have questions please call Bonnie at 786-1594 or 832-0682.

## ***I SAW JESUS WHEN....***

Jan and I went to Costco recently. We found a good parking spot, went to the door, and saw a long line to the end of the building. We started to leave and a very kind man said " here you take my cart; I will go to the end of the line." We were able to go right in, what a blessing that day, truly we saw Jesus in this man. Jan & Gerry Don

Going grocery shopping was a major concern of mine since people who have or have had cancer need to be extremely careful. I was very pleased when our very own Food Depot started curbside grocery pickup. The staff who collected and brought out my groceries were so very kind! They've made sure my order was correct and complete. What a blessing it has been to have this service in our small town. Carolyn Montague

Recently while talking with a counselor she gave some insight: We are in a unique time. This isn't spring break from school or even summer vacation. Our bodies are under stress mentally as we process the ever changing social landscape. We are used to getting many things done in a day. Now in these days we shouldn't expect that of ourselves because it takes more energy from the mental stress we now have. I really found it reassuring when she said that my feelings were normal.

So friends don't worry if your laundry isn't caught up and you didn't alphabetize your spice rack today. Go easy on yourself as you navigate these mentally and physically challenging days. We can find HOPE in knowing God is still in charge. We can find PEACE in the fact that God still loves us whether we accomplish one thing or five things each day. Rene

I saw Jesus when friends of mine invited me to be a part of an online devotional group. We use the YouVersion Bible app and can select from so many different devotional reading plans. Since we're all linked to the same reading plan we can read together and respond to each other right in the app. It makes having a small group experience possible during this closure time. Michelle

# YOUTH INFO

zoom

Youth Group is meeting online through Zoom  
Sundays at 11:30am-Meeting code 905-694-158  
Wednesdays at 3pm-Meeting code 371-474-470

Zoom meetings can be from your phone if you get the app or you can use your computer/laptop and just sign in to Zoom website using the above codes and password 8851. We also ask you to use your proper name when joining the meetings. This is for security purposes.

**CONTEST**

## YOUTH CONTEST:

Details are on our Facebook page as well as our website. If you don't have internet access text, call or email me and I will send out a packet to your family. As part of the contest we are memorizing scripture so encourage your youth to dig deep into God's Word during this season.



If you need to contact me for any reason my cell is (509) 833-8851. If you would like to talk face to face we can set up a private meeting via zoom. Be safe but remember Matt 6:25-35 God knows where we are at.

Shane Williams



## MARKET STREET KIDS

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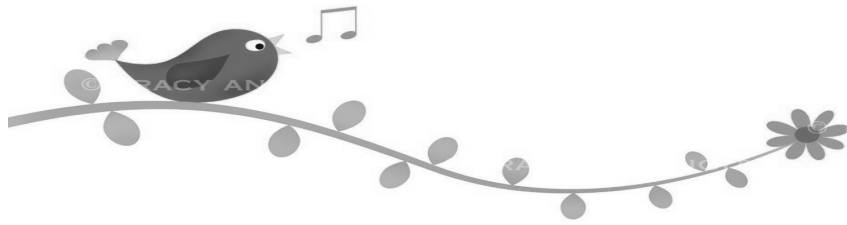
Please join us in  
**Celebrating**  
our MSK 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduates!

Austin Candanoza  
Natalia Roehl  
Collin LaMarsh  
Victor Aguilar  
Zuley Mendoza



As the end of the school year approaches, the Market Street Kids Ministry Team is proud to see our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students making the move from MSK into Youth Group! We look forward to seeing all of you sitting at the "big kid's tables" this fall!

We also look forward to holding your official graduation ceremony (complete with Bibles and Fish!) during Sunday worship just as soon as we possibly can.



Dear Church Family,

Kathy and I want to thank you all so much for your prayers, calls, cards, food, flowers, texts, emails and visits. My surgery was a great success and recovery has went well. I'm 8 weeks post surgery and feel better every day. God has truly blessed us. Thank you and we can't wait until we can all be together again.

Love and blessings,  
Randy & Kathy



Church Family,

Thank you so much for your recent thoughts and prayers for my shoulder surgery. The surgery went well and I am continuing my recovery at home with my parents as I do my college classes online. Thank you also for the gift bag. It was appreciated.

Thanks again,  
Jude Schnellbach

*Thank  
You!*



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Lifetouch has canceled all of their photography dates through August. We will have our new photography dates to you this summer. We will offer all the same ways to sign up and we apologize for any inconvenience.

**Be strong in the Lord  
and in the strength of His power.  
Eph. 6:10**



**In the quest for the King's Armor, Vacation Bible School  
Knights will "armor up!" with Truth! Justice! Peace!  
Faith! and Salvation!  
We will keep everyone posted on when the epic quest will  
take place. It's going to be a shield shaking adventure!**



# MAY 2020

## May Birthdays

5/01 Donna Greenough  
 5/02 Jacob Rainer  
 5/05 Jon Don  
 5/05 Nicole Fredericks  
 5/06 Jim Milne  
 5/07 Carolyn Montague  
 5/07 Jude Schnellbach  
 5/10 Dany Taylor  
 5/12 Ellie Fredericks  
 5/14 Brittany Keller  
 5/14 Ross Thomas  
 5/15 Hanna Rankin  
 5/16 Isidro Jr. Castillo  
 5/16 Kendra Candanoza  
 5/16 Dennelle McKinney  
 5/17 Drew Renollet  
 5/17 Janeel Hemming  
 5/20 Maria Castillo  
 5/20 Virginia Bradbury  
 5/21 Natalie Schmick  
 5/21 Jan Don  
 5/22 Barb McMullen  
 5/28 Pam Rankin  
 5/29 Judy Harwood



## June Birthdays

6/1 Scott Roehl  
 6/2 Kathy Taylor  
 6/3 Austin Candanoza  
 6/4 Ginger Quaresma



## May Anniversaries:

5/09 Dan & Heidi DeVriend  
 5/22 Guy & Anne Auld  
 5/26 Don & Joyce McFerran

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3 10a Worship on Facebook 1130a Youth SS on Zoom PL on YouTube	4	5	6 3p Youth Group (Zoom)	7	8	9
10 10a Worship on Facebook 1130a Youth SS on Zoom PL on YouTube	11 Team Meetings via Zoom	12	13 3p Youth Group (Zoom)	14	15	16
17 10a Worship on Facebook 1130a Youth SS on Zoom PL on YouTube	18 Session Meeting via Zoom	19	20 3p Youth Group (Zoom)	21	22	23
24/31 10a Worship on Facebook 1130a Youth SS on Zoom PL on YouTube	25 Memorial Day	26	27 3p Youth Group (Zoom)	28	29	30