

San Jose Christian Reformed Church

“God’s love to us, God’s love through us...”

May the Lord bless us all as we worship Him here today! We extend a special welcome to our visitors. Pastor Al Helder will be preaching for us today.

Worship, Communion and Stephen’s Ministry Service October 8, 2006

CELEBRATION OF GOD’S LOVE

Praise in Worship

Prelude: God’s People Prepare for Worship

Welcome / Greetings

Praise to God:

*Praise to the Lord, PH#253
Shine On Us
O How He Loves You and Me*

Serving and Giving in Worship

Interview re. Stephen’s Ministry: Brenda L.

Introduction of present Stephen Ministers

Congregational Prayer

Song:

Here I Am, Lord

Deacon’s Prayer

Offering: Church Ministry Fund

Special Offering: Ministry Shares

(At this time the children are excused for Kids’ Life)

God’s Word in Worship

Scripture Reading: John 15:1-17 (text 9-17)

Message: *The Joy of Obedient Love*

Prayer

The Sacrament in Worship

Institution

Invitation

Memorial (in unison):

We shall do as our Lord commands.

We proclaim that our Lord Jesus was sent by the Father into the world,

That he took upon himself our flesh and blood,

And bore the wrath of God against our sin.

We confess that he was condemned to die that we might be pardoned,
and suffered death that we might live.

We proclaim that he is risen to make us right with God,

and that he shall come again in the glory of his new creation.

This we do now, and until he comes again.

Song:

There Is a Redeemer

Communion

The elders will serve you the juice (place it in the pew cup holder) and then the bread. We will take them together.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessing

Closing Song:

Bind Us Together

If you are a first time visitor today, please complete a “Communication Card” and stop by the welcome table in the back of the sanctuary for a gift and information packet.

Today there will be a Congregational Town Hall Meeting immediately following the morning worship service in the sanctuary:

“Coffee Time” to follow in the Social Hall.

At 11 am: No adult class. Classes for grades one through High School will meet as usual.

Next Sunday at SJCRC...

October 15, 9:30 am: Worship Service- Pastor Bruce Ballast will be preaching. There will be a brief question and answer time immediately following the service in the sanctuary. A luncheon will be provided at about 11:15 am. No 11:00 am classes next Sunday, Oct. 15.

Church News and Events

From Your Pastoral Search Team: *Today* we will have a brief Town Hall Meeting in the sanctuary immediately following the worship service to update the congregation. *Next Sunday, October 15*, Dr. Bruce Ballast, a prospective pastor, will preach during the 9:30 am Worship Service. Immediately following the service there will be a brief question and answer time for the congregation with Dr. Ballast. Please join us for a luncheon at 11:15 am: No 11:00 classes. We encourage all to attend these important events.

Coffee Break meets this Wednesday, October 11, 10 am: All ladies are welcome to our Wednesday morning Bible study. We are doing a study on heaven. Please join us!

GEMS and Cadets meet this Wednesday, October 11, 7-8:30 pm. Don’t miss it- bring a friend!

JJs (Jr. High) and Sonlife (High School): Plan to attend the “Harvest Festival”, a Christian music celebration at the HP Pavilion this Friday evening, October 13. We will be leaving church at 6 pm: the concert begins at 7 pm. Your leaders will be contacting you all soon.

Church News and Events (continued)

Reserve this date, Saturday, November 4, 8:00 am to 10:00 am. The Deacons invite the congregation to a "Pancake Breakfast". Come and bring your friends and family to enjoy delicious pancakes made by the Deacons themselves. Please plan to attend.

Stephen's Ministry: Have you had a job change or loss? Have you been searching but are discouraged with your options? Would you like someone to talk to about it? Stephen Ministers are supportive members of our church who have been trained to be a confidential resource. If you, or someone you know, would like to talk to a Stephen Minister, please contact Pastor Al or Brenda L. We want to be there for you.

The September/October schedules for greeters, ushers, coffee servers and nursery volunteers are available and in your mailboxes in the social hall. Pick them up today!

The October "Prayer Guide", the September/October "Today" devotionals, and the September/October/November "Our Daily Bread" devotionals are available in the information racks. Please pick up your copies.

What does it mean to be Christian Reformed? Have you ever wondered this yourself? An attractive booklet "What it Means to Be Reformed" is available for your reading. Please pick up a copy at the information table in the entry of the church.

Church Bulletin: Miss a service? Current and archived bulletins are online at www.sjrc.org. *Please have any bulletin announcements for this coming Sunday into the office by Thursday evening at the latest.*

Deacons' Report

Sept., 2006: CMF (Church Ministry Fund) \$21,251.10 vs. a monthly budget of \$26,416.00

Special Offerings, Sept.: Faith Promise: \$502.00
Ministry Shares: \$1,299.00
Christian Reformed World Relief Committee: \$697.00
Care: \$796.00

Our Church Family

Please pray for these personal needs:

- * **Jeff B.** – Jeff had a malignant brain tumor removed on Friday, September 29. This was a very serious operation. He is making a good recovery from the surgery. Jeff is now at Mission Oaks for a few days of therapy before returning to his home to continue recovery and further treatment. Jeff is anticipating changes to life, but is not afraid. Taking comfort in God's promise in Isaiah 26:3: "Thou will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee, because he trusteth in thee." Please remember to keep Jeff, Estella and Brendan in your daily prayers.
- * **Bill G.** – Bill was recently in the hospital to have a procedure done to his heart. This has helped him to be a bit more mobile and comfortable. Continue to pray for Bill.
- * **Charlie B., Irvin D., Rein G. and Cobe R.** – Please pray for these members of our church family who have continuing health problems. Remember these friends with your cards and visits: they appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Please be in prayer for Jennifer C.'s mother, Linda H., who recently had extensive surgery. Also, remember Jennifer and her family.

Pray for our church. Please remember:

- our youth (JJs and Sonlife) as they begin a new year of learning and plan for fun times together.
- our GEMS, Cadets and other children's groups as they begin a new season.
- our men's and women's Bible studies
- our various committees as they seek God's direction for our church
- our search for a new Pastor

Address and email: Cadet Jacob Loman, U.S.C.G.A., 7761 Chase Hall, New London, CT, 06320-8119 email: Jacob.J.Loman@cadetmail.uscg

Elder-Deacon Care Groupings: Elder/deacon phone numbers are in the church directory. *Please inform them directly* of any need you might have.

<u>Last Name Beginning:</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
A-B		Mark L.
C-F		Steve S.
G-Ki	Harvey V.	Dan M.
Ko-L	Steve B.	Bruce G.
M-O	Bryan P.	Doug B.
P-S	Jeff B.	Steve M.
T-Z	Randy M.	Gert B.

To contact Pastor Al Helder: Please call his cell phone: (209) 614-5761 or the church office: (408) 266-4412 Email: PastorAl@sjrc.org

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Helping This Sunday, October 8

Greeters: Josef and Cecelia C.

Ushers: Pat V., Norm B.

Hospitality: Bryan and Mary Ann P.

Audio/Visual: Mike K., Scott F.

Coffee: Russ and Sue S., Steve and Alexis S., Hollianne G.

Nursery: Brenda L., Jennifer L., Dale B.

Kids' Life: Paula G., Arlene D., Judy V.

Helping Next Sunday, October 15

Greeters: Gene and Cathie G.

Ushers: Fred and Irena R.

Hospitality: Doug and Betty P.

Audio/Visual: Mavis M., Bruce G.

Coffee: Cornell and Harriet V., Bryan and Mary Ann P., Norm B.

Nursery: Lucille H., Abram C., Isaac V.

Kids' Life: Rose S., Sue S., Bill C.

Schedule of Events: October 8 - 15, 2006

This Sunday:

9:30 am – Worship, Communion and Stephen's Ministry Service
followed by Congregational Town Hall Meeting

11:00 am – Refreshments and Fellowship

11:00 am – Classes for Grade 1 through High School

Tuesday:

7:30 pm – Council Meeting

Wednesday:

10:00 am – Coffee Break Women's Bible Study

7:00 pm – GEMS and Cadets Meeting

Thursday:

7:30 pm – Praise Team

Friday:

6:00 pm – JJs and Sonlife: Leave church for the "Harvest Festival"

Saturday:

6:30 am – Family Shelter Breakfast

Next Sunday:

9:30 am – Worship Service: Pastor Bruce Ballast preaching

Question and Answer Time after the service

Luncheon to follow at about 11:15 am

*Overeaters Anonymous meets Mon., Tues. and Thurs. evenings
and Sat. mornings. Alcoholics Anonymous meets Tues. evenings.*