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SERMONS:

August 2: Matthew 14: 13-21 Feeding Frenzy
August 9: Matthew 14: 22-33 Rough Water
August 16: Rev. Steve Petty preaching
August 23: Matthew 16:13-20 Rock Solid
August 30: Romans 12: 9-21 Perfect Harmony

AUGUST 2026 HAPPENINGS

- **CWS LUAU POTLUCK:** August 1st at 5:30pm- 9pm in Bower Hall
- **COUNCIL MEETING:** August 4th at 6:30pm in Dreier Hall
- **BE BOLD:** August 7th & 21st from 6pm-8pm in Hamilton House
- **CHRISTIAN ED MEETING:** August 16th at 12pm in Lower CE
- **CWS MEETING:** August 16th at 12pm in Dreier Hall
- **TRUSTEE MEETING:** August 18th at 6:30pm in Dreier Hall
- **VESPERS:** August 20th
- **CRAFT CREATIONS:** MEETS MOST TUESDAYS at 10 am in Dreier Hall
- **BROWN BAG BIBLE:** TUESDAYS at 12 pm in Dreier Hall
- **ZUMBA:** WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS at 9:45 am in Dreier Hall
- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** MEETS WEDNESDAYS at 7 pm via Zoom.
All women of any faith are invited to our gathering of caring, sharing, and loving women. For more information, contact Jane Poole via email at jane.churchchimes@sbcglobal.net.
- **PAINTING CLASS:** THURSDAYS at 10 am - 12 pm in Dreier Hall

COMMUNITY WORLD SERVICE BOARD

Jane Poole



WOMENS ASSOCIATION

Diane Delaney

The Women's Association Vespers group had a fantastic night at Songs of Summer at The Garland in Los Angeles. With live music, great food, and plenty of laughs, it was a joyful evening—made even more meaningful when Jane Poole, NHIFP Board President, shared a heartfelt message about the pantry's mission. All net proceeds supported the North Hollywood Interfaith Food Pantry, blending fun with community impact.

FROM OUR SENIOR MINISTER

Mark your calendars! Magnolia Marketplace is coming to Congregational Church of the Chimes on Saturday, September 6, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon of shopping, community, and family fun featuring local vendors, handcrafted goods, live performances, and activities for all ages. It's a wonderful opportunity to support small businesses, connect with neighbors, and enjoy a vibrant day on our church campus. We can't wait to welcome you to Magnolia Marketplace!



Have you tuned into the Church of the Chimes podcast yet? Hosted by Rev. Dr. Beth Bingham, she and Cat Alvarado have inspiring conversations about faith, spirituality, scripture, and everyday life with God.

Simply scan the QR code to listen on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, YouTube, and more.

A special thank you to Cat Alvarado for her creativity and dedication in bringing this exciting new ministry to life!





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FROM OUR SENIOR MINISTER

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Bingham

Faithfully Yours

August didn't use to be this way—it was the joke that all the professional people took their vacations in August so nobody could get anything done in their absence: taxes, doctor appointments, insurance, etc. etc. etc. It was the last month before school began the day after labor day---children and youth counting the days. Some were anxious to go back to school, some were not, so this was their last breath of summer.

The rhythm of summer has changed. School begins in August now, which is tough in the hot weather for sure. Several of our youth have graduated from high school and are headed off to college, to new jobs, to new adventures.

But one thing never changes. It's what we have been talking about all week at Vacation Bible School on our 'Road Trip.' God is with us on all of our journeys. Starting college, beginning kindergarten, back to work after a more laid back summer, the program year beginning for churches.... God is with us on our journey. Even if we wander off course, even if we have strayed a bit away from God, or let our faith take a rest...God is with us no matter what. God is with us in our joy. God is with us when we are lonely. God is with us near and far. For our students going to college in Berkely or Arizona or Indiana or the Netherlands...God is always with you. For our children going to kindergarten or middle school or high school..God is always with you. For all who are beginning new jobs, or beginning a new life with someone they love, God is with you.

Because what we say is so so true; God is Good. All the time. God is Good. All the time!!!

Beth

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

As we wrap up an exciting summer, it warms my heart to reflect on the months of June and July. I am filled with gratitude for the many ways God has been at work through the children, youth, families, and volunteers of Church of the Chimes. During our summer ministries, we celebrated our High School Grads, supported ongoing Confirmation classes led by Rev. Dr. Beth Bingham, and welcomed new families to Sunday School and VBS. It has been a blessing to see children laughing, learning, singing, creating, and growing in faith together. None of this would be possible without our dedicated volunteers, staff, and church members who generously share their time, talents, and encouragement. I also enjoy how much laughter is shared between all of us.

One of the greatest gifts of Christian Education is watching relationships form across generations. Whether through Sunday morning conversations, youth activities, VBS, or service opportunities, our church continues to be a place where young people know they are welcomed, valued, and loved by God. Many of the VBS families reflected on how special it was to be involved in our 53rd Annual Vacation Bible School here on campus. This summer is also the first time we offered two sessions!

As we look ahead to August, our summer fun will continue at Sunday School where we will expand on the lessons from the Fruit of the Spirit and the Ten Commandments. We also look forward to continued progress in our church garden project. Our Youth Group continues to meet every first and third Friday of the month. Next month we are launching a new College Group Fellowship. God is so good.

Summer is a time to slow down and enjoy God's creation. As families traveled, spent more time outdoors, and enjoyed well-deserved rest, I hope everyone will remember that faith grows not only within church walls but also through everyday moments of gratitude, kindness, and connection with others. Thank you for your continued support of our children, youth, and families. Your prayers, encouragement, and involvement help make these ministries possible. Together, we are planting seeds of faith that will continue to grow for years to come.

I will be praying for all of our children and youth who will be returning to a new school year this month! Please join us on August 16th, at 12:00pm, for a Christian Ed Back to School School Ice Cream Social.

Grace and Peace, Tina Jasiukonis - ChristianEd@ChurchoftheChimes.org

DEACONS

Wade Young

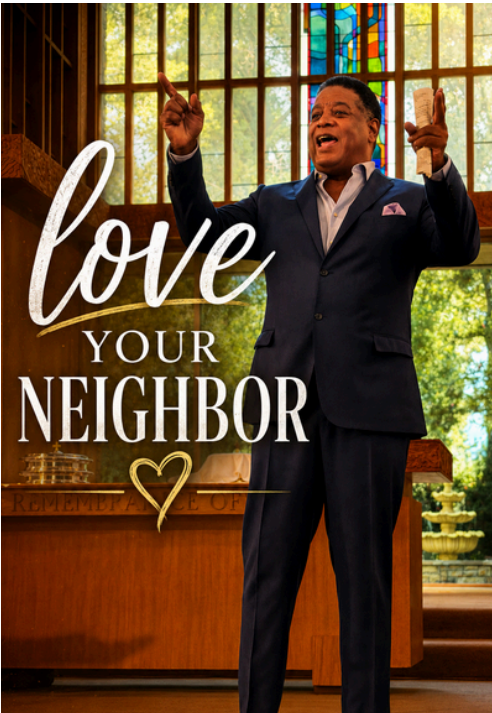


Christmas in July was a tremendous success! Thank you to everyone who contributed gift items and gift cards to brighten the day of foster kids in LA County! Thank you to Mrs. Clause (Louisa Larez) and Jaqie Jones for their fun video to advertise Christmas in July. If you've not already seen their skit, check it out on the Church's YouTube channel.

The Deacons will be hosting Hospitality in August. All Deacons should see Jaqie Jones to sign up to contribute items and volunteer to work and assist in hosting at least one Sunday during the month!

Due to the Deacons hosting hospitality, we will not be having a Deacons meeting during the month of August. Our next Deacons meeting will be following the Communion service on September 6.

4th of July Preschool Parade



COUNCIL

Diane Delaney, Moderator

The Church Council did not meet in July, so there are no new updates to share this month. Our next Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 4th, at 6:30 PM in Dreier Hall.

We warmly invite all members of the congregation to attend. Council meetings are a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the life and ministry of our church, hear about upcoming plans and decisions, and gain a better understanding of how the Council serves our church community. Whether you're simply curious or interested in becoming more involved, we would love to have you join us.



RACIAL EQUITY

Diane Delaney

The International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples is celebrated annually to promote and protect the rights of the over 476 million Indigenous individuals living across 90 countries. The global event raises awareness of Indigenous cultures and their ongoing resilience. The 2026 Theme is: “Honouring Indigenous Midwives: Safeguarding Life and Well-being”

On December 23, 1994, the United Nations General Assembly decided, in its resolution 49/214, that the International Day of the World’s Indigenous People shall be observed on August 9th every year. The date marks the first meeting, in 1982, of the UN Working Group on Indigenous Populations.

This year, due to 9 August falling on a Sunday, the International Day observance will take place online on Monday, August 10, 2026.



August 2026



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