



# Christ Lutheran Church

*O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*



## June Calendar

### Every Tuesday

Bible Study  
10:00 a.m.

### June 3

Vote!  
Book Club  
Fireside Room - 5p.m.

### June 6

Women's Harmonium  
Free Concert  
Sanctuary - 7:30p.m.

### June 12

WELCA Bible Study  
"Rahab, a Faithful  
Businesswoman"  
1p.m. in the Fireside  
Room

### June 18

Council Meeting  
Fireside Room -  
5:30p.m.

### June 22

Congregational Meeting  
Sanctuary - 9:15 a.m.

### Sunday Worship

Beach Worship  
8:00AM

Sanctuary Service  
10:30 AM

## WE PREPARE TO CALL A NEW PASTOR- ALLELUJAH!

Your Church Council, working with Bishop Murray Finck of the Pacifica Synod and acting under the Bishop's endorsement as Call Committee, has spent the last two months interviewing and getting to know Pastor Brenda Kay Bos and her family and sharing our church's past, present and hoped for future with her. Rather than our trying to tell you about her, she has provided a personal bio, which you can read on the following page. Briefly, though, Lutheran ministry is a second career for her (TV production was her first) and this will be her first call, after serving an internship year at St. Paul's Lutheran in Santa Monica. She is married to Janis Reid and they have an adopted 17-year-old son, Joshua.

After prayerful consideration, a good hard look at our financial situation (blessed with consistent giving and thanks to Pastor Harvey's taking a much less than full-time salary and not requiring us to pay health or retiree benefits, we have a healthy reserve), the Council expects to recommend a 75% call to Pastor Brenda, starting July 1, 2014. Her call and compensation package will be the two agenda items at a Congregational Meeting set for 9:15 a.m. on Sunday, June 22, in the Sanctuary. We encourage everyone to attend and have a vote in this most important step in the life of our congregation. If you have any questions about the candidate, the call process, the compensation package or the church's financial position prior to the Congregational Meeting, please talk to any of your Council members. Our phone numbers and emails are listed below.

Please pray along with us that Brenda and

CLC are a match made in Heaven. Thanks be to God for blessing Christ Lutheran Church, Pastor Brenda and her family, our members, our staff, our preschool and staff, and our ministries in the community. Amen.

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### LET'S THANK HARVEY & RUTH!

When Pastor Harvey agreed to help CLC out in our time of need after interim Pastor Darryl Kozak's resignation in January 2013, little did PH think he'd still be in the pulpit one and a half years later. We are ever grateful! We would like to say, "Thank you" to the Andersons for their faithful service in a pastoral capacity at a breakfast in their honor between services, starting at 9:15 a.m., June 29 at the Sanctuary. Please plan to attend, after Beach Church or before Sanctuary Service. This is a time for us to thank them individually and as a congregation.

## Pastor Brenda Bos

[Here is a brief introduction to Pastor Brenda in her own words before we welcome her to deliver the sermon on Sunday, June 8th at both services.]

I first felt a call to ministry when I was in high school. I went to a small Christian school in Southern California and students were encouraged to give chapel talks. I loved talking about God and really loved coming up with new ways to describe the Christian experience. But my denomination (Christian Reformed) wasn't ordaining women and I didn't want to be a missionary, so I gave up any ideas about ministry.

I worked in television production for eighteen years, almost exclusively on sitcoms, including *The Golden Girls*, *Suddenly Susan* with Brooke Shields and *The George Lopez Show*. I was a production manager, which is the person in charge of all logistics and administration: hiring, firing and general encouragement of the troops. My favorite part of the job was standing on a television stage in the middle of one hundred people doing their jobs, all working together to create a product we were proud of. Hearing a live audience laugh and cheer wasn't bad either.

The production life is all-consuming. I worked long hours and had quite a bit of power and wealth. But I began to long for a simpler life.



In 2005, I was asked to lead a funeral service for a young woman who was on the crew of one of my television shows. I stood on a soundstage in front of one hundred and fifty Hollywood professionals and told them about the love of God. Afterward, several people came to me and suggested I was in the wrong line of work. They had experienced something sacred and wondered if perhaps I should be a pastor. One of the ways a person discerns a call to ministry is if their community lifts them up. I suppose it's rare for a Hollywood community to be that community, but that's how my call came.

It's a long road to ordination. I started seminary in 2007, graduated from Claremont School of Theology in 2011 and had a church blessing with my wife Janis Reid that same year. I then had to study at a Lutheran seminary in Berkeley for a year and upon my return served as the vicar (intern pastor) at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Santa Monica. I was approved for ordination in August, 2013.

Janis and I were legally married a few weeks after the Supreme Court decision of 2013. We adopted our seventeen-year-old foster son Joshua in November, 2013. Janis is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, working at HillSides, a Pasadena-based agency which supports school-age children and their families.

I have lived through a variety of job and financial circumstances, and yet God is faithful. I have felt called to share the good news of God's love my whole life. Sometimes this happens in high school chapel, sometimes it happens on a soundstage, and sometimes it happens from a pulpit. I look forward to our time together on June 8 and pray we will have a spirit-filled day.

Brenda Bos

## What in the world of WELCA?

Christ Lutheran's WELCA Bible study meets the second Thursday of each month at 1:00p.m. in the Fireside room. Join us for our new study, "Of Many Generations: Mary, Elizabeth and Lydia". In this session we will look at the remarkable meeting of two generations of women in Mary and Elizabeth. Here we have Mary, a young girl from the North, who finds herself miraculously pregnant, and her older cousin Elizabeth who also finds herself miraculously pregnant. They alone are the literal bearers of good news- to each other, to us, and to the whole world.



Women are invited to participate in our relaxing, warm, monthly church fellowship. A copy of GATHER is in the Narthex for you to borrow, read and return. We hope to see you there!

## CLC Book Club Meeting Tuesday, June 3rd at 5:00 p.m.



We meet Tuesday, June 3, 5:00 p.m. (note different date and earlier time) in the Fireside Room at church to discuss "The Invention of Wings" by Sue Monk Kidd, the story of a slave girl (fictional composite) and a plantation owner's daughter (actual historic figure) who grow up together in South Carolina. The events that befall them both and the paths they take require great strength, intelligence, devotion and courage, as abolition is catching fire in the north and south. Honoring the importance of quilting in the book, we will make a "salad quilt" for dinner, with everyone bringing something to add to the salad.

Whether you've read the book or not, please join us for a great discussion and good time together as fellow readers.

The CLC Book Club will go on summer hiatus after June 3, but look for the announcement of our September "good read" in August. Questions? Call Judy at 949-493-3826 or email [junofranz@aol.com](mailto:junofranz@aol.com).

## Monday Night Kayak Resumes June 2

Tim, the owner of Dana Point Jet Ski and Kayak Rental at Dana Harbor (34671 Puerto Place, south end of the harbor), is once again allowing us to rent kayaks at 5:30 p.m., returning them after the rental company closes. We take one loop around the harbor and then head off as a group to happy hour somewhere close by (Wind & Sea or El Torito). Rentals are \$15 for a single, \$20 for a double. Just be there in time to rent your kayak and "embark" by 5:30. Call Norman Franz at 626-497-5200 or 949-493-3826 for more info. Join us for Christian fellowship (and a good upper body work out) on the water!



## CHRIST LUTHERAN OUTREACH - SERVING OUR COMMUNITY! JUNE OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to CLC's involvement with San Clemente Military Family Outreach, we also support Family Assistance Ministries in our community. News about FAM's needs or special events (other than the Annual October Hunger Walk, in which we always participate) often comes too late for us to put the requests in the newsletter (and sometimes even too late for the church bulletin), but we encourage you to sign up individually for FAM email at <http://www.family-assistance.org/>. This is an amazing ministry, a homeless prevention agency providing a hand up in time of need. You can also volunteer and donate on line! Thank you so much for supporting FAM individually or through our church's group efforts, especially first-Sunday food offerings. Pick up your FAM grocery bags (with a list of needed items printed on them) any Sunday.

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### ALOHA! Marine Wives Celebrated at Semper Fidei-Tea/Luau

Christ Lutheran was a big part of San Clemente Military Family Outreach's 2nd annual Semper Fidei-Tea for 20 Marine and Navy wives on Saturday, May 24, at Camp Pendleton--a tea with a decidedly Hawaiian menu (Spam and cheese sandwiches on King's Hawaiian rolls, anyone?) and luau atmosphere.

"Thank you to all from our church who helped with food and/or door prizes, including Mary Monasmith, Louise Gilliam, Donna and Warren Vidrine, Norman Franz and Mary Whitman," said Judy Franz, who also chaired the event for SCMFO. "Each guest left with a door prize, goodie bag and, we hope and pray, the knowledge that the San Clemente community and local churches truly care about military families and the sacrifices they make on our behalf. I am so appreciative of the giving nature of our church members, including Mike LaPlant who generously donates to SCMFO several times a year, with no fanfare."

Seven local businesses, seven churches and 24 individuals contributed in various ways to this morale event for military wives. SCMFO has a hotline for military families in need that operates 24/7 (949-388-2812--calls returned daily); hosts morale events throughout the year (Thanksgiving dinner giveaway for 1000 families, "Thank a Family" at Christmas, teas and baby showers, support of San Onofre School on base); and holds a Variety Show that funds most of the other events. Watch for more information about the show, set for October 25 this year with "Paperback Writer", an internationally acclaimed Beatles tribute band, as the headliner!

Visit [militaryfamilyoutreach.com](http://militaryfamilyoutreach.com) for more information.



Military wives at the luau/tea



Volunteers (Marian Fournier, at far right, from St. Andrew by the Sea Methodist, is a founding member of SCMFO)

## WALKING THE WALL

Linda Hardy's daughter Jessica was featured as a "Weekend Warrior" in this month's *Health + Fitness* magazine. She's a triathlete and runner who used to do roller derby. Among her accomplishments are finishing first in her age group in the Race for the Summit 4-miler, finishing first place with 69 miles in the Tour d'Esprit 24-hour run, and finishing first in the females with 168 miles in a 24-hour bike ride for St. Jude (during which she took a "break" to help the River Chicks row to victory in the Dragon Boat Races). Linda might need to do some serious work outs to keep up with her daughter when they embark on one of Jessica's future goals and walk the Wall of China together!



**JOIN US** for a free concert at the Sanctuary on June 6th, 7:30 p.m. The UCI Women's Harmonium Choir directed by our own Kenneth Haro will be performing an eclectic mix of world music. Reception to follow.

## CONNECTIONS

WELCA's Pacifica Partners newsletter supplied some useful informational websites this month:

**[www.boldcafe.org](http://www.boldcafe.org)** - *Café* is the free website for women 20-35 from WELCA.

**[www.thebreastcancersite.com](http://www.thebreastcancersite.com)** - Click on this site once a day to provide free mammograms for those who otherwise would not be able to have them.

**[www.giveaminute.org](http://www.giveaminute.org)** - Click on this site once a day and the sponsor will contribute funds for a minute of care for the needy Indian children of the Tarahumara Children's Hospital in Creel, Mexico. This site has a mission information link and photo gallery which shows pictures of the area as well as some of the children. This site also links to the Hunger Site where sponsors will give a cup of grain for a click.

**[womenoftheelca.org/apps](http://womenoftheelca.org/apps)** - For Daily Grace on your iphone or android phone.

## FROM YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL

Council meets the third Wednesday night each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room at church. Guests are welcome, as well as prayers for the decisions that Jesus would make. We encourage you to contact us with ideas, concerns, needs and prayers.

# La Cristianita Preschool Newsletter

## From the director...

How does it happen that each year seems to go by even faster than the previous year? It seems impossible to believe that we have already had the Mother's Day Tea, and Dad's Night & Graduation are right around the corner.

In September, our toddler room had babies in it. We now have a class full of toddlers who are blossoming and developing so much each and every day. Our preschoolers looked so little and so many of them were shy and timid. Now, they could run the class for us if their teacher were out sick. PreK was full of preschoolers, now they are "big" kids that are completely ready for kindergarten and are ruling our school.

Before we know it, summer will be in full swing and we will be preparing for the start of another school year. I often wish there were a way to stop time. To preserve the memories of today

since tomorrow comes all too quickly. Unfortunately, there is no way for this wish to become reality so it is up to us as parents to stop and appreciate today. To make the most of our time with our children and remember that they are – just kids.

So what are your plans for the summer? Many of us will still go to work, and the kids will come here to school. Some of us have the gift of spending the summer with our kids. And some of us experience crazy schedules as children come and go from house to house. Whatever your schedule may hold, take the time to enjoy where your child is right now – cherish the moment and offer your child the amazing gift of time with you. It doesn't have to be big, elaborate outings – just time. Read a book, play a game, color a picture, make cookies, or just hang out and snuggle. Enjoy them...time goes

by all too quickly.

For many of you, change is in the air as your children transition from preschool to "big" school. As you prepare for whatever changes may be taking place in your lives for next year, please remember La Cristianita Preschool. We all cherish each and every one of you and think of you often as you move on in life. Please take the time to drop by, send a note, or even have your child color a picture for us! We love to continue to watch them grow and develop – so please don't forget us! For many of you, we look forward to a great year next year with your family. For those of you who are graduating, good luck and remember you will be deeply missed! Thank you all for a fantastic year!

*With many blessings,*

*Leigh Ann Downie*

Director

*Chapel Time...*  
 Please join us June 5 & 11!



**DATES TO REMEMBER:**  
 JUNE 5—DAD'S NIGHT 6:30PM  
 JUNE 19—GRADUATION (7:00 P.M.) AND LAST DAY OF SCHOOL  
 JUNE 20—SCHOOL CLOSED!  
 JUNE 23-27—DAY CARE ONLY  
 JUNE 30—SUMMER SESSION BEGINS  
 JULY 4—LCP & CLC CLOSED!!  
 JULY 28 - AUGUST 1—VBS WEEK!

**Summer 2014 at La Cristianita:**  
 Don't miss the fun this summer at La Cristianita Preschool! We will be celebrating Disney this summer as each week we set out on a Disney Playhouse adventure! We will have water days, bounce houses, a story teller, traveling tidepools, face-painting and more!! It's not too late to sign up...schedules for the summer can be flexible! Sign up today!

**Spread The Word!!!**  
 There are still a few spaces available for the 2014/15 school year!!  
 Please tell your friends and neighbors!

**VBS 2014...July 28—August 1, 2014 from 9am—noon. Join us on a Treasure Hunt through God's Word!! Registration is available in the office now!**

*In Our Classroom...*

June is busy, busy, busy! With Father's Day just ahead of us, our big kids will be getting ready for Graduation. We will all be talking about the end of the school year and what we will be doing over the summer. We will also be learning about dinosaurs and talking about the many wonders on the Ocean. We will be reviewing all of the things we learned this year - we hope you can help us at home over the summer so we don't forget. There's a lot happening so please be sure to read everything that goes home, we'd hate for anyone to miss anything! Stop by and take a look - we can't believe the year is over already!



ABC's and 123's, sharing God's love and being good friends, building with blocks and tying their shoes are just a few things they've learned how to do!

Please join us for the  
 La Cristianita Preschool Class of 2014  
 Graduation ceremony!  
 Thursday, June 19, 2014  
 7:00pm  
 In the sanctuary

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

...Christ Lutheran Church, our congregation and the calling of a Pastor;

...The staff and families of La Cristianita Preschool;

...Bishop Elizabeth A. Eaton and the ELCA, Bishop Murray Finck and the Pacifica Synod;

...Those battling health issues for strength and healing;

...Those serving in the military and their families.

*"Into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."*

**WE'RE ONLINE!**

Lost your calendar? Forgot where to park for beach church? Need to contact us? Well now you can stay connected with CLC 24 / 7 through our website and Facebook pages.

Website: [www.clcsancllemente.org](http://www.clcsancllemente.org)

**BIBLE STUDY EVERY TUESDAY AT  
10 A.M.**

Join us in the Fireside Room for our Bible Study with Pastor Harvey. See you there!

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!**

*Did you know Father's Day was founded in Spokane, WA at the YMCA in 1910 by Sonora Smart Dodd. Her father, who was a Civil War veteran, was a single parent who raised six children. After hearing a sermon about Mother's Day in 1909, she told her pastor that fathers should have a similar holiday honoring them. Although she initially suggested June 5th, her father's birthday, the pastors did not have enough time to prepare their sermons so the celebration was deferred to the third Sunday in June.*

*The holiday was not signed into law until 1972, when President Nixon made it official.*

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