



# PRESBEAT



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*He says, "Be still, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth."  
The LORD Almighty is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our fortress.*

Psalm 46:10-11

"Be still, and know that I am God." I am struck by the first line in Psalm 46:10. There are times I find myself trying to move ahead or fix things in my own strength. I try to think myself out of an issue or simple desire to reach the next goal I have set. The world around may not be falling apart, and I may not be facing trouble as stated in this psalm, but even in times of peace I am not always cognizant of God in everything I am a part of. This psalm reminds me to slow down and acknowledge God in all I do.

"Be still, and know that I am God." It is interesting that in the stillness is when we can truly sense God at work. It is in the stillness, when we have quieted our hearts and minds, that we can hear the Holy Spirit. When we are still, we are in a position to put our trust in God to work out what ever situation we find ourselves in. When we are still, in a way we are saying "I surrender my desires, the outcome, my position of vulnerability into your hands. I trust you to act on my behalf."

"Be still, and know that I am God," is a reminder that "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble" (v1). As we move forward as a church family in seeking our interim pastor (IPSC), completing the mission study, seeking our next lead pastor (PNC), and becoming the people of God we called to become, let us pray that we will be still, and know that the Lord is God. In the stillness, may we hear the Holy Spirit and be confident that God is always with us.

"Be still, and know that I am God" is the reminder we need today and every day.

~ Pastor Katherine

Dear Nor Cal family,

Please allow me to share a little bit of my story with you.

Approximately 25 years ago, after hitting rock bottom I returned to church seeking answers for my drug and alcohol addiction. After just a couple of weeks of attending The Church of the Highlands in San Bruno, a brother, Jim Grier, invited me to hand out sandwiches to people on the street at the Peniel Mission in downtown San Francisco. At that time the mission was very small, so we invited 15 people who were standing on the corner of 6th and Minna to have a bite to eat and listen to a devotional from God's Word. I was immediately in love with helping the homeless on the streets of San Francisco. It was there that I found out that you can't out give the Lord. In the months to come I was blessed to achieve my sobriety, and knew in my heart what ministry God had called me to.



Since those early days in San Francisco, I've been involved in recovery and street ministry. My family and I moved to Mendocino County 17 years ago and within a few months I was volunteering at the Buddy Eller Center and later on became a Ministry Leader for Celebrate Recovery. For years I had a burden to open a faith based homeless service center where we could share the Gospel message and build relationships with the needy.

Then it happened! Seven years ago, I started talking to members of our faith community and members of our community that were already established in helping the less fortunate. In November of 2015 we incorporated and became Nor Cal Christian Ministries. As you might know, we are currently located at *The Center for Hope* on Luce Avenue in Ukiah. God blessed me with many mentors on my journey. Among them are Michael and Shirley Pounds, who were the directors of the Peniel Mission in San Francisco, and Jeff Gilman, who is the Executive Director of Redwood Gospel Mission in Santa Rosa. I have also been blessed by meeting people in Ukiah who have a heart for the poor and addicted like Jacque Williams, Libby Guthrie, Carrie Brigham, Sharon Govern and many more. I want to thank all of you. You'll never know how much I've learned from you.

Now it's time to pass the baton. As of June 30th, I'm stepping down as the Executive Director of Nor Cal Christian Ministries. This was a difficult and sad decision to make but I am excited for what the future holds. I will be taking this time to recharge and spend more time with my family. My mom, who just turned 90, lives in Walnut Creek, and I will now be able to help my sister care for her. I am also looking forward to spending more quality time with my two young grandsons who live here in town. I know God still wants me ministering to the less fortunate in our community, and I don't know what that will look like yet, but I do know it will be exciting!

In the timeless words of our Lord, "Let not your heart be troubled . . ." by this news. Nor Cal is being blessed. The morning program is thriving with Don Evans and Toni Fort as the lead facilitators. The MCAVHN/Street Medicine/Compass Team's Clinic, Catholic Charities, and Haircuts by Doris Bills are such a blessing as our target group is those who cannot or will not receive basic services. And this is not to mention the most important reason we exist, and that is to bring our encouraging word of the day, a daily devotional brought to us by our local pastors and laypersons. We are a gospel mission.

Please remember to pray for our guests, that they will make decisions for Christ, and for our Board of Directors, that God will bless them with the wisdom and courage to help this ministry flourish.

Love and need you all,

Tony Huerta (Brother Tony)

# FINANCE REPORT

Dear Congregation,

**We have a new format starting this month!** All information is year to date as of May 31st. The top section shows our General Fund Income (contributions) and General Fund expenses compared to budget. As you can see, we are behind by \$26,868. Please remember that we had a large payroll expense as part of the severance package paid to Pastor David in March.

The bottom section shows the balances in our checking, savings and investment accounts.

Prayerfully consider your tithes and offerings as we head into the summer months. The interim pastor search committee and session will have to decide on the compensation package that we feel we can afford to offer an interim pastor candidate.

If you have any comments or questions on the new format or any other finance concerns, please contact me. On a final note, Cindy DeVries has agreed to be co-treasurer along with Kathy Smith. We are blessed to have these two offer their time, talents and wisdom to our church and its finances.

Blessings,

Finance Elder  
Janet Noe

Finance committee: Elder Janet Noe, co-treasurers Kathryn Smith & Cindy DeVries, Denise Beckler and Pastor Katherine Schoen

## First Presbyterian Church Ukiah YTD Finance through May 31, 2021

	YTD Actual \$	YTD Budget \$	Positive/ (Negative) Variance \$
<b>General Fund Income</b>			
Faith Giving	103,196	112,500	(9,304)
Building use	275	-	275
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 103,471</b>	<b>\$ 112,500</b>	<b>\$ (9,029)</b>
<b>General Fund Expense</b>			
Pastoral Ministry	85,918	75,335	(10,583)
Administrative & Facility	36,611	39,071	2,460
Mission, Outreach and Cong. Care	2,229	2,820	591
Christian Education	30	971	941
Worship & Music	5,551	7,431	1,880
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$ 130,339</b>	<b>\$ 125,628</b>	<b>\$ (4,711)</b>
<b>Net Income less Expense \$ (26,868) \$ (13,128) \$ (13,740)</b>			
<b>Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2021</b>			
<b>Balance in Checking Account</b>			<b>Total \$\$</b>
Non-Designated Funds			\$ 77,774
Designated Funds			\$ 107,204
<b>Total Balance in Checking</b>			<b>\$ 184,978</b>
<b>Balance in Savings</b>			<b>Total \$\$</b>
Certificates of Deposit			\$ 44,645
Mutual Funds			\$ 32,664
Other Investments			\$ 88,154
<b>Total Balance in Savings</b>			<b>\$ 165,463</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>			<b>\$350,441</b>

Please continue to pray for our IPSC as they search for our temporary Interim Pastor and for our church as we transition through the process of receiving the person God is calling as our installed Senior Pastor.

## Session Members & Areas of Responsibilities

Phone numbers and email addresses may be found in the “Directory of Family and Friends” or by calling the church office at (707) 468-9235 or emailing the church office at [office@fpcukiah.org](mailto:office@fpcukiah.org)

**Buildings and Grounds** – Don Pera (*& Office*)

**Christian Education and Student & Family Ministries** - Pastor Katherine Schoen & Roe Sandelin

**Communications** - Pastor Katherine Schoen

**Fellowship and Congregational Life** – Lenord Swope (*& Deacons*)

**Finance** - Janet Noe

**Missions** - Randy Huffman

**Nominating** – Wilma Pribyl

**Personnel** – Shirley Lewis

**Worship** – Molly Schultz

*Did we miss your birthday???*

Please contact the church office or email Denise, [denise@fpcukiah.org](mailto:denise@fpcukiah.org) so that we can celebrate with you!

## Happy Birthday!

7/2 Kelsey Ingalls

7/6 Ruth Gomez

7/8 Randy Beckler

7/10 Meliah Singleton

7/14 Perrine Kirchen

7/21 Ethan Haselswerdt

7/22 Jaunita Coddington

Bryce Kirchen

7/24 Alan Grass

7/25 Dave Holland

7/26 Diego Manzo

7/30 Bob Schultz

7/31 Cherie Alton



## JULY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 10am Worship – Communion in person and live stream 	5 Office Closed for Holiday	6 Office hours 9am to 1pm 7am Men’s Bible study (Zoom)	7 Office hours 9am to 1pm 1pm Knitting group 1:30pm PW Bible Study 6pm Youth Group 6pm Worship Team	8 Office hours 9am to 1pm 8:30am Women’s Bible Study (Zoom)		10
11 10am Worship - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=presby+ukiah">https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=presby+ukiah</a> 11:15am Missions Committee	12 Office hours 9am to 1pm	13 Office hours 9am to 1pm 7am Men’s Bible study (Zoom)	14 Office hours 9am to 1pm 1pm Knitting group 1:30pm PW Bible Study 6pm Youth Group 6pm Worship Team	15 Office hours 9am to 1pm 8: 30am Women’s Bible Study (Zoom) 6:00pm Session		17
18 10am Worship - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=presby+ukiah">https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=presby+ukiah</a>	19 Office hours 9am to 1pm	20 Office hours 9am to 1pm 7am Men’s Bible study (Zoom)	21 Office hours 9am to 1pm 1pm Knitting group 1:30pm PW Bible study 6pm Youth Group 6pm Worship Team	22 5: Office hours 9am to 1pm 8:30am Women’s Bible Study (Zoom) 5:30pm Deacons		24
25 10am Worship - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=presby+ukiah">https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=presby+ukiah</a>	26 Office hours 9am to 1pm	27 Office hours 9am to 1pm 7am Men’s Bible study (Zoom)	28 Office hours 9am to 1pm 1pm Knitting group 1:30pm PW Bible study 6pm Youth Group 6pm Worship Team			31

Our Calendar is also available online @ <https://fpcukiah.org/resources/events-and-calendar/calendar/>



# WILDFIRE ASSISTANCE

Anyone impacted by wildfires in **Mendocino County** can receive free referral support, group support, and one-on-one crisis intervention by reaching out to **(707) 623-1762 AND**

**MendocinoWildfire@nationsfinest.org**. Virtual Sessions at <http://NationsFinestWildfireSupportMendocinoCounty.eventbrite.com>