



BE the BLESSING

May 23, 2021

Welcome!

Thank you for joining us for virtual worship. We pray you will encounter God as we worship together.

Today

- 10:00am In-person Worship Service (registration required)
- 10:00am Virtual Meet-and-Greet via YouTube Chat Box
- 10:15am Virtual Worship Service via YouTube
- 11:15am Virtual Lobby via Zoom
- 4:30pm Middle School Pod

Upcoming Events

- May 25 Guys' Group (location varies)
- May 26 Hungry / Thirsty (Walls' home)
- May 26 High School Pod
- May 27 Conejo School Tutoring (Zoom)
- May 27 T.O. Life Group (Fosters' home)
- May 31 Memorial Day Picnic
- June 5 Office Moving Day
- June 6 Senior Sunday Celebration

Birthdays This Week

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| Joe Cocke | 5/23 |
| Luke Zola | 5/24 |
| Sheridan Brawner | 5/27 |
| Jeremy Johnson | 5/27 |
| Rick Marrs | 5/28 |
| Mark Davis | 5/30 |

A Prayer for Pentecost

[**Editor's note:** Today is Pentecost, the day in which the Holy Spirit fell upon the early gathering of Christians gathered in Jerusalem and marking the birthday of the Early Church. The following prayer, by C. Welton Gaddy, leans into that reality by inviting the Spirit's ongoing guidance, strength, and comfort.]

Triune God, for the gift of your Holy Spirit, we offer praise and thanks.

Send your Spirit to guide us—teaching us how to live as well as what to believe, leading us through dark valleys as well as along sunny slopes, directing us toward persons in need and places of mission, enabling us to dream, to venture, and to risk in your name.

Send your Spirit to strengthen us—enriching our joy in discipleship, giving us courage to remain faithful to our convictions and loyal in our moral commitments, binding our covenants with one another and with you.

Send your Spirit to comfort us—calming our anxieties, stilling our worries, granting us your loving presence when we feel alone, drying our tears, preventing prolonged grief, assuring us of the resources of faith.

O God of Pentecost, let us live forever in your Spirit—guided, strengthened, and comforted. And may the Christ who taught us of the Spirit be our Lord forever.

Amen.

Memorial Day Picnic / May 31

It's baaack! Conejo's annual Memorial Day picnic is slated for Monday, May 31 at Dover and Hendrix Park in Thousand Oaks, starting at 10am. This is a great day for fun, food, fellowship, and games. It is also an opportunity to introduce friends from outside of the congregation to our church family in an informal and friendly atmosphere.

One significant difference this year will be that we will NOT have a shared potluck. We ask that each person or family bring their own food. Our plan is to circle up for a pre-lunch prayer at noon. Come and share in a meal and a day of fun together in a park!



Office Moving Day / June 5

On Saturday, June 5, we plan on moving our church office back to the church building. We could use assistance in disassembling office furniture and computers, moving desks and bookshelves, removing shelving and putting in holes, setting up the new office at the building, and moving some large items to storage. We plan on starting at 9am at 31225 La Baya in Westlake. Many hands make light work—please make plans to come join us!

2021 College Graduates



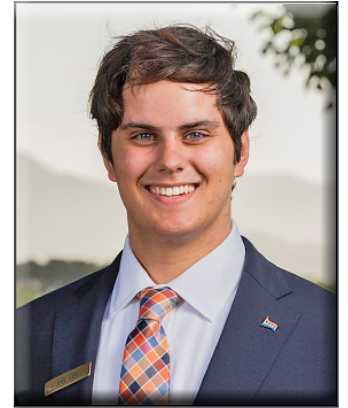
Gabrielle Antonio
Bachelor of Science
Sports Medicine
Pepperdine University



Abigail Carstens
Master of Business
Administration
Pepperdine Graziadio
Business School



Zach Carstens
Juris Doctor
Pepperdine Caruso
School of Law



Joel Cox
Bachelor of Arts
History and Philosophy
Pepperdine University



Anika De Long
Bachelor of Arts
Music (Vocal) and German
Pepperdine University



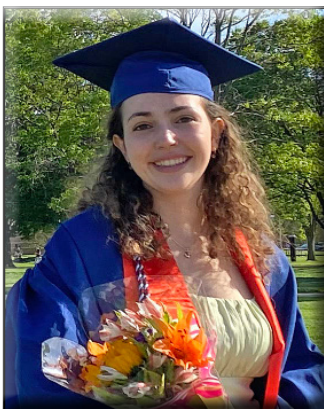
Evan De Long
Master of Music
Violin Performance
University of Denver
Lamont School of Music



Savannah Hayes
Bachelor of Arts
Screen Arts
Pepperdine University



Jacey Katch
Master of Science
Accounting
Elon University



Rachel King
Bachelor of Science
Consumer Economics and
Finance
University of Illinois at
Urbana-Champaign



Rachel Miner
Bachelor of Arts
Music (Viola) and
Hispanic Studies
Pepperdine University



Berkley Muncy
Bachelor of Arts
Chemistry
Pepperdine University



Valerie Patenaude
Bachelor of Arts
Psychology
Minor Hispanic Studies
Pepperdine University

High School + Middle School

Summer Camps

We are very much looking forward to summer camps this year! For all of the information on dates, registration, and 2021 theme click on the links below:

[Click here for Teen Camp](#)

[Click here for King's Kamp](#)

Youth Group Pods

In the month of May, each pod is going through a series called "Anthem!" [Click here](#) to learn more about times and theme.



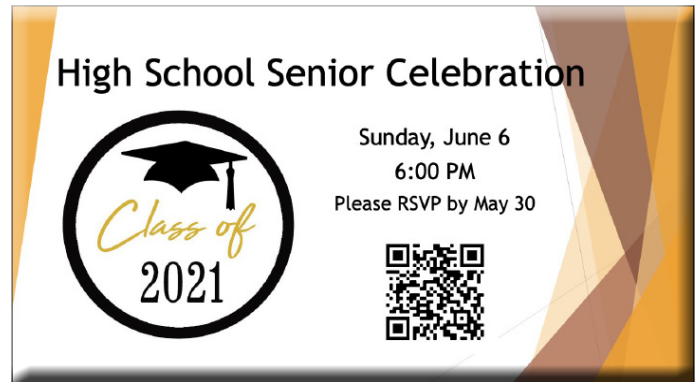
family, cheering them on as they move forward in faith. For the next three Sundays, Bibles for the graduating classes of 2020 & 2021 will be available on tables outside for you to write messages of love and encouragement for our high school graduates.

Senior Banquet - Later in the evening of June 6, at 6pm, we will gather for an outdoor banquet in the church backyard to honor our 8 seniors and hear their family blessings. If you plan to attend this dinner, **we need your RSVP by May 30**. Just use the link emailed to you from the church office, [click here](#), or you can open up the camera on your smartphone, hold it up to the QR code on the screen, and the registration link will open for you. We'd like to have an accurate count for outdoor seating and catering, so this would be very much appreciated.

Senior Sunday & Graduate Banquet / June 6

This year, we will honor our 2021 high school graduates on Sunday, June 6. During the morning service, each student will be mentioned, presented with a gift, and then prayed over as they begin a new chapter of their life.

Senior Bible Messages - It is a great tradition for the Conejo family to give Bibles to our graduating seniors. We enjoy having members write notes of encouragement inside these Bibles for the graduates to read and draw encouragement from as they take this next step and beyond. These messages can show them they have a great cloud of witnesses from the Conejo



Children's Ministry

Children's Worship for May 23

Have you ever been lost? Join us in-person or online for Children's Ministry for a 'lost' story! Link available through the "Worship Info Links" e-mail sent on Friday or Saturday.

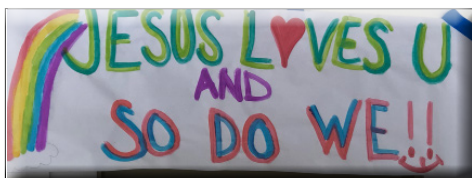
Children's Worship at the Building!

We are back with two (2) in-person worship programs for our children. **Toddlers/2's/3's** will be in the 2's/3's classroom with doors open to the outside for air circulation. A child safety gate has been installed in the classroom door to keep the little ones in! Children **ages 4-5th grade** will worship outside on the playground - bleacher area.



Thank you

Many thanks to Judy Tapper for cutting and hemming floor mats for Children's Ministry. We will enjoy decorating and sitting on these mats as we gather together at the building.



Vacation Bible School / June 14-17



Come join us for a trip down the Rocky Railway as we learn about how Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through.



VBS is set for **June 14-17 (Mon-Thu)** from 9:00-11:00.

It's time to register!

VBS Registration Form 2021

<https://forms.gle/CQnVsgUDc4BeFFdZ6>

Youth Volunteer Sign-up 2021

<https://forms.gle/t6TkDTRCpgeDH7UH6>



Scripture Memory Verse

Lead a life of love, just as Christ did.

He loved us.

He gave himself up for us.

Ephesians 5:2 NlrV

Prayer Corner

Devote yourself to prayer being watchful and thankful. Colossians 4:2

PRAISES

Marilyn Aurand – Pet scan and cat scans on May 10 indicated she's cancer free!

Recent College Graduates

Josh Horton – recovered from post-surgery complications; so grateful for the prayers and support!

NEW MEMBERS: **Barbara Schlosser, Brian Smithers**

THOSE GRIEVING

Carol McNutt – loss of brother-in-law, Steve Hallman

Rachel Miner – loss of mother, Shera Miner

Matt Joyner – loss of aunt, Nan Fox

Christina Eng – loss of aunt, Cathy Littlefield

Sharon Mitchell and family – loss of mother, Lacreata Scott

Scarberry family – loss of Frances Scarberry, mother of Shirley, stepmother of Mark

Joe Cocke – loss of wife, Kathy

Maribel Guevara – loss of uncle, Carlos Hernandez

Mary Jo Hardman and family – loss of husband, Stu Hardman

Joy Rhoades – loss of sister, Lani Shearn

Mike Rivas – loss of niece, Ilesha Moreno

Guy Patenaude – loss of aunt, Chris De La Rosa

Matt Joyner – loss of grandfather, Steve Eckstein

Tim Horton – loss of brother-in-law, John Lamm

FIGHTING CANCER

Joella Michael – recovering from recent surgery to remove cancer from lymph node in neck; immunotherapy continuing

Dan Scarberry (brother of Mark Scarberry) – recently diagnosed with metastatic kidney cancer

Patricia Sparks (sister-in-law of Shannon Latson) – recurrence of uterine sarcoma carcinoma following treatment; immunotherapy

Karen Kennedy (friend of Lisa Scott) – Stage IV kidney cancer

Barbara Sanders (mother of Ed Sanders) – colon cancer

Ted McAllister (former member) – chemo following successful stem cell transplant

Lucinda Hodges (sister-in-law of Darlene Rivas) – multiple myeloma and cardiac amyloidosis

Jim Bishop (friend of Lisa Scott) – cardiac issues and leukemia

Kurt Krebs (friend of Ed and Sheryl Sanders) – multiple myeloma

Marlene Michaels (friend of Lisa Scott) – stage IV cancer

Justice Howard (cousin of Yashica Budde) – thyroid cancer

VARIOUS CONCERNS

Jim Kutil (friend of Shannon Latson) – hospitalized with Sarcoidosis, may need a lung transplant

Gary Tiner – (brother of Sandy Stivers) – encouragement during the long recovery from recent heart surgery (6 by-passes!) and

leg wound from surgery

Calleigh Hunnicutt – having difficulty standing and walking; in constant pain; some improvements

Joan Nicholas (mother of Rene Heard) – recently suffered additional mini-strokes; steadily declining

Pat Tudor – working with doctors regarding immunotherapy

Eileen Charles (step-mother of Robert Charles) – suffered recent stroke

Roger Dillion (father of Jacqueline Dillion-Wiens) – suffered recent strokes

Martha Condley (daughter of Janie Condley) – lupus

Sara Hodges (mother of Darlene Rivas) – serious health issues

Al Odenath (father of Nick Odenath) – on hospice dealing with anxiety and confusion in memory care unit

Teachers, students, parents, and administrators during this unusual academic year

Researchers, doctors, nurses, and patients battling COVID-19

Andrea Thomas Carter (friend of Lisa Scott) – several medical issues

Healing, peace, and justice in our nation and communities

Marilyn Aurand – physical therapy for spinal stenosis and to improve mobility

Mary Zollman (friend of Lisa Scott) – multiple sclerosis

Ashlyn Thomas – continued

health issues; pray for answers and successful treatments

Harriet Nutter (mother of Daphne Green) – depression and loneliness

Betty Brown – pain relief, healing, and regaining of strength

Carol McNutt – neuropathy

Caleb Rodriguez (son of Marcus and Julia) – ongoing seizures

MISSION EFFORTS

Raul & Betty Alvarado – mission efforts in Panama

Tom Bonner – mission work in Albania

Julie Broyles – Bible English Study Center in Cambodia

Made In The Streets – ministry to street kids in Nairobi, Kenya

Megan Randolph – teaching in Thailand

David & Danna Willis – mission work in Samoa

MILITARY SERVICE

Tyler Scott – stationed in HI with the Navy

Michael Warford – stationed in FL with the Navy

Derek Willis (nephew of Tim Willis) – serving in PA in the Army

Attendance + Giving

May 16 Attendance

Online Viewing	61
In-Person Service	72

May 16 Giving

\$9,178

Weekly Giving Average	\$13,925
Weekly Giving Budget	\$13,410
Be the Blessing Giving (To Date)	\$1,590,994
Property Settlement	\$225,000

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