



# CONEJO VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

# BE *the* BLESSING

June 19, 2022

## Welcome!

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

### Today

- 9:00am Promotion Sunday  
Combined Classes in Auditorium
- 10:15am On-Site Worship Service
- 10:15am Virtual Worship Service via YouTube

### Upcoming Events

- Jun 21 Moms in the Park
- Jun 26-Jul 1 Mexico Mission Trip
- Jul 10-16 Teen Camp
- Jul 15 Moms Better Together
- Jul 17 All-Sing and Ice Cream
- Jul 24-30 King's Kamp
- Jul 31 Won By One

### Birthdays This Week

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| Ed Sanders     | 6/19 |
| Zach Johnson   | 6/20 |
| David Stephens | 6/21 |
| Cary Mitchell  | 6/22 |
| Carlton Norris | 6/23 |
| Grace Moore    | 6/24 |

### Welcome and Response

Please contact the ministers or elders if there are ways that they can pray for you or those you love.

## For Dads on Father's Day

By Andy Wall

*"Every father should remember one day his [child] will follow his example, not his advice."*

**Charles Kettering**

Happy Father's Day dads! Whether you receive socks, BBQ utensils, a Leatherman multitool, or hand-crafted cards, I hope you get to enjoy the day with those who call you "Dad."

Newsweek magazine once ran a cover story on former General Electric CEO Jack Welch. Lionized for helping GE grow over 100-fold during his 20 year tenure, Welch wrote his book, "Winning," to describe his eight "rules" for running a successful business. While Welch obviously knows how to run a large company, I was stunned by one of his comments on work and family: "Your boss's top priority is competitiveness. Of course he wants you to be happy, but only inasmuch as it helps the company win. In fact, if he is doing his job right, he is making your job so exciting that your personal life becomes a less compelling draw."

Welch's phrase that stuck in my mind is "that your personal life becomes a less compelling draw." What does he mean? I wanted to ask him, "Do you mean 'personal life' as in marriage, children, service to others or health?" Two weeks later, in a letter to the Newsweek editor, Mark Logan of Santa Barbara reacted to this very statement: "Jack Welch's views on "winning" epitomize the pathology of American culture: addiction to power, status and money at the expense of family."

There is no doubt that Jack Welch is much admired by many. Newsweek wouldn't have put him on its cover if he wasn't. But on this Father's Day, I would remind our Dads that no one ever lies on his deathbed and wishes he had put in more hours at the office. Yes, we have work responsibilities and we are called by God to carry them out with excellence and due diligence. However, if you don't make time to be your kids' Dad, who will?

***Here's a final quote, both challenging yet reassuring, from J. Philip Wogaman:***  
***"On all hands we see people who need to be successful as a way of reassuring themselves that their lives matter. It is a way of saving oneself, peculiarly suited to the modern world. Christians do not need this form of reassurance, having already the deeper assurance of God's love in Jesus Christ."***

# What's Happening At Conejo



## Summer Sermon Series: "Slow to Speak, Quick to Listen"

During the summer months, we're reflecting on interpersonal communication as it relates to fostering our faith in God and our relationships with one another. In today's sermon message, we'll focus on the practice of listening, whether to the voice and Word of the Lord or to those with whom we share human relationships.

It's fascinating how often the stories of Scripture invite God's people to listen: "Hear, O Israel, the Lord your God is one." "Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear." "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" Truly, listening is no minor biblical theme!

The best relationships are based on listening, which enables us to get to know others' hopes, joys, and needs. But listening is about far more than hearing sounds. Listening is about attending to reality and involves our ears, eyes, observation of non-verbal cues, attentiveness, imagination, curiosity, and empathy. Listening also requires an openness to receiving what is outside of us, echoing the New Testament's teaching on hospitality, on being welcoming to the one outside our circle.

## Promotion Sunday Bible Classes / Today

Please join us today for our annual promotion Sunday class. This is a time to celebrate the growth of our children as they move from one grade to the next, recognize their teachers, and celebrate with our fifth graders as they move from the Children's Ministry into the Youth Group. It is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate, reflect, and recommit to partner with the parents in our congregation as together we attempt to grow in God's grace and love.

## Thiel Family Farewell

Join us at the home of Stu and Co Warford for a come and go farewell gathering on Saturday, July 25 from 5-8pm for the Thiel family. Finger food will be provided. The Thiels are preparing to move home to Wisconsin at the end of the month. Nathan, Kellie, Noah, Sylvia, Jubilee, Mercy, and Felix, we pray for God's blessings on each of you as you make this transition and godspeed as you travel.

## Monday Night Women's Bible Study

The Monday Night Women's Bible Study group invites you to join them weekly via Zoom. This group spends time praying together weekly, as well as sharing in a book or Bible study. They start a new study of 1 John with the Serendipity Bible tomorrow evening. If you have questions, please contact Paula Marrs at paulamarrs@outlook.com or (805) 479-7267. [Zoom Meeting Link](#).

# High School + Middle School

## Youth Group Bible Class

Please help our students participate, learn, grow, and encourage one another by taking part in our weekly bible class time together. Bible class is on Sunday mornings at 9am. Separated middle school and high school pods will reconvene in mid-August just before school starts. [Click here](#) to learn more about this month's theme.

## Family Outreach Event at Defy / June 20

Our next young families outreach event will be at the trampoline sports park DEFY (formerly Dojo Boom) in Janss Marketplace tomorrow from 5-7:30pm. Like our last axe-throwing event, this will be the first summer opportunity for our families with kids to invite friends with the purpose of building community and getting to know members of our church family better. The event is for families with kids and costs \$30 per person. Like last time, if you bring a friend who is not a member of Conejo the cost is free for you and the friend/family you invite. Look for an email with a sign up link so you can reserve your spots. Looking forward to another fun night of fellowship and blessing our friends!

## Summer Bonfires are BACK!

During the summer, youth groups from Hilltop, Culver Palms, CVCC, and University Church come together for bonfires at

Dockweiler Beach. The first bonfire is scheduled for Tuesday, June 21. The van leaves Conejo at 3:30pm and returns at 10pm. Those going should bring their own dinner and what they need for the beach. RSVP for a van spot with Travis. Both middle schoolers and high schoolers are invited to attend the bonfires. Parents, we may need drivers to help carpool depending on how many attend. These gatherings are a great opportunity to make new friends with kids from other churches and build positive memories tied to Christ!

## Mexico Mission Trip 2022 / June 26-July 1



The mission team of 20 plans to leave next Sunday morning, June 26, and return Friday afternoon, July 1. Our theme this year is "Poured Out" and comes from Romans 5:1-11. God has poured out His love on us in Jesus; concrete will be poured out for a family in need of a new home. Please

commit to join us in praying for our team's preparation and for our trip. Join us in praying for our safety while working, for protection from sickness, and for God to use us to bless the family we receive. It is our desire that this family will get what they need and understand how much God's love has been poured out for them.

# Children's Ministry

## Hooray! Haylie is Here!

We are thrilled to announce that Haylie Douglas has arrived to begin partnering with us as the Children's Minister. Next week we will have a more formal welcome and introduction. We ask that you welcome and pray for Haylie as she enters into this next chapter of her life and joins with us for the next chapter of Children's Ministry at Conejo Valley Church of Christ.

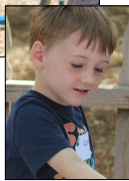
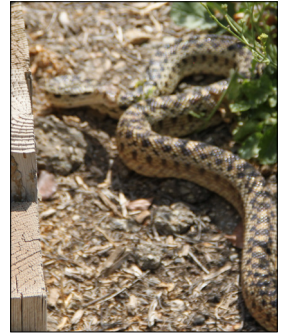


our children throughout the week. Well done VBS team!

Together, we experienced God's story through scripture, music, drama, crafts, games, missions, active play, prayer, and snacks. We explored the truth that God loves us no matter what, that God is with us everywhere, that God is in charge, and that God is surprising. It was a monumental week of celebrating God's greatness with our friends!

## Rattlesnake Awareness

Just a reminder to our parents and children. As the weather gets warmer, there are snakes on the property from time to time. The playground will be checked prior to children going onto it each week. **Parents, please be sure that children stay out of the flowerbeds and plant areas between the upper and lower parking lots.**



# Prayer Corner

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

## PRAISES

**PREGNANCY: Lauren Kliest-Blankfein** (July)

**BAPTISM: Kiley Hays**

**WEDDINGS:**

**Brian Smithers and Sonia (Forman) Smithers**, May 21  
Arrival of **Haylie Douglas** to serve as the new Children's Minister

## THOSE GRIEVING

**Tim Willis** – loss of mother, Evelyn Willis

**Jeff, Josh, Beth Brown** (former members) – loss of wife / mom, Robin Brown

**Jim White** – loss of father, Donovan White

**Lisa Scott** – loss of friend, Karen Kennedy; loss of aunt, Betty Brown; loss of cousin, Margi Dalmas

**Alyssa West and her mother, Kathy Stetz** – loss of Mark Stetz, Alyssa's uncle

**Maureen Thomas** – loss of mother, Barbara Lewis

**Tim Rockey** – loss of father, Steve Rockey

**Eric Short and Erin Opdahl** – loss of father, Sam Short

**Christian Socquet** – loss of father, Johnny Cowan

**Phil Daringer** – loss of mother, Joyce Daringer

**Judy Tapper** – loss of sister, Muriel Meador

**Lauren Kliest-Blankfein** – loss

of grandmother, Marylee Illiff

**Mark and Suzanne Scarberry** – loss of daughter, Caitlin; loss of Mark's brother, Dan

**Sue Ann Meador** – loss of father, Joe Burroughs

**Darlene Rivas** – loss of mother, Sara Hodges

**Jacqueline Dillion** – loss of father, Roger Dillion

## FIGHTING CANCER

**Joella Michael** – recurrence of cancer in liver

**Patricia Sparks Feet** (sister-in-law of Shannon Latson) – recurrence of uterine sarcoma carcinoma; currently in ICU

**Ted McAllister** (former member) – in UCLA hospital for CAR-T trial

**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

**John Willis** – as he grieves the loss of Evelyn, his wife for 66 years

**Eric and Michele Grant** (son-in-law and daughter of Mark and Suzanne Scarberry) – Infant daughter, Carina, has a rare genetic disorder, Russell-Silver Syndrome

**Jonathan Meador** (brother of Judy Tapper) – having variety of health issues

**Sonia Forman Smithers** – safety for friends and family who reside in Ukraine

**Children's Ministry 2022** – smooth transitions for children, Haylie, and Penny into this next chapter

**Linda Rice** (mother of Char Hurley) – infection in legs, high blood pressure, poor circulation

**Kendra Davis** (sister of Suzanne Scarberry) – recovering from recent surgery

**Pat Tudor** – tolerating immunotherapy

**Martha Condley** (daughter of Janie Condley) – lupus

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

**Marilyn Aurand** – physical therapy for spinal stenosis and to improve mobility; recovery from numerous infections

**Mary Zollman** (friend of Lisa Scott) – multiple sclerosis

**Harriet Nutter** (mother of Daphne Green) – depression

**Carol McNutt** – neuropathy

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

## MISSION EFFORTS

**Raul & Betty Alvarado** – mission efforts in Panama

**Tom Bonner** – retiring from mission work in Albania; prayers for his transition to life stateside

**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

June 12 Attendance	
On-Site Service	140
Online Viewing	122

June 12 Giving		\$11,390
Weekly Giving Average		\$14,895
Weekly Giving Budget		\$13,410
Be the Blessing Giving (To Date)		\$1,632,090
Property Settlement		\$225,000

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