

**Music Box**

— MAY 31, 2015

**Al James, vocalist, songwriter, guitarist  
Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano & organ**

*Prelude, Offertory, Postlude Selections to be announced*

I'm pleased to introduce Al James to Church in the Forest. This talented vocalist, songwriter and guitarist is a local musician from Seaside who performs a mix of gospel, soul, rock, world-beat and the occasional reggae-inspired number. His musical style is drawn from a rich blend of American popular music and his voice is smooth as silk. You can often hear him locally, including downtown Monterey's popular Tuesday Farmers' Market, where I first heard him and recently talked him into coming to CitF to sing for us early in the morning.

It is a voice and a style that goes straight to those regions of the heart where faith resides.

Please give him your warmest welcome.

*Melinda Coffey Armstead*



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Monday morning, May 25, 2015

Dear Members and Friends,

## A Thought for the Week

Silence is not always golden—sometimes it is downright evil. We all read and hear about violence and destruction, massacre, bombings and hijackings. All of that attracts attention and makes news. Poverty and prejudice and injustice aren't heard about as much, but they can be more vicious because most of us stay silent, stand by and allow it to continue.

English poet, novelist and essayist Stephen Spender, who concentrated on themes of social injustice wrote: "As terrible as were the actions of the Nazi's in the 1930s and 40s, the indifference of many people to their actions was worse! The lack of horror in the face of horror—a moral indifference in those not directly involved."

Martin Luther King, Jr., found out and warned that the real danger was not the violence of the bad people, but the silence of the so-called good people.

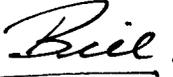
At times, not to be outraged in the face of evil can be just as horrific as the evil itself, especially among people who could act, or write letters, or bring pressures to bear.

Someone has said that poise is the art of raising the eyebrow instead of raising the roof!

I would venture to say that the world has suffered from respectable poise as well as from social cruelty. That is to say that if you see or know of actions that are inhumane, unjust or cruel, the moral response is not politeness, but outspoken outrage.

That said, love still wins out. (Check out the Pine Cone this week and see if you can find that phrase!)

See you in church

  
William B. Rolland

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

This coming Sunday, the following people will be uniting with the Church in the Forest: Sallye McCarty, Connie Smith, Don McBride, Michael Bowhay and Alice Bowhay. Please make sure that you welcome them royally!

Your Search Committee is pleased to report additional progress as follows. With 2-3 person sub-committees formed to pursue specific tasks and then reporting via email, we have found a structure that seems to work well. Thus far we have rough drafts or completed documents for the Pastor ad, application, job description and history, congregation response to questionnaires, FAQs (frequently asked questions or ones that should be), response letters for receipted packets, and referrals. A strategic decision has been made to make this entire search process electronic via email versus paper processing and through the use of Skype or Facetime (computer audio visual media) for initial interviews. This approach will streamline the process, require some technological expertise from applicants, significantly reduce administrative impact and be less costly. All the documents mentioned above and other items/links will be placed on our updated Church in the Forest website in a section marked "Pastor Search." Thus, candidates will learn a great deal about us while accessing our requirements for their consideration. Our total website offers public access, providing our congregation further transparency about our search. Target date for webmaster incorporation is a tentative June 1, but we will not disseminate the ad until our process is in place and well tested. Thank you for your continuing support of this vital task. —*The Pastor Search Committee*

### Calendar

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| <b>Sunday,</b>  | <b>May 31, 2015 — Trinity Sunday</b>   |
| <b>8:30 AM</b>  | <b>Bible Study in the Multipurpose Room with the Rev. Ken Feske</b><br>"A Walk on the Water" — Matthew 14: 22-36               |
| <b>9:15 AM</b>  | <b>Music Prelude</b>   |
| <b>9:30 AM</b>  | <b>Morning Prayer</b>  |
| <b>Passages</b> | Romans 8:12-17; Psalm 29: 1-5 & 11; Revelations 4  |
|                 | <b>Lector</b> Anne Sadovsky  |
|                 | <b>Crucifer</b> Judy Fletcher <b>Acolyte</b> Jacob McCarthy  |
|                 | <b>Flowers</b> Staff <b>Cookies</b> Judy & Bob Fletcher  |
|                 | <b>Altar Care</b> Martha Jordan <b>Ushers</b> Robert & Cynthia Perry   |
| <b>Sermon</b>   | the Rev. Ken Feske   |
| <b>Title</b>    | "Two-thirds Is Not Enough"   |
| <b>Sunday,</b>  | <b>May 31, 2015 — New Members received and luncheon for them</b><br>at the Manse after the service.                            |
| <b>Tuesday,</b> | <b>June 2,</b> Small Study Group at Ruth Gleisner's, 10:15-11:30.<br>Ken Feske leading, "The Power of Blessing," Luke 2: 21-40 |
| <b>Sunday,</b>  | <b>June 7,</b> immediately following the morning service, the<br><b>Annual Meeting of the Congregation.</b>                    |