

Church in the Forest

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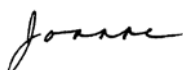
Monday morning, July 17, 2017

Dear Friends,

It's a privilege to hear your stories of answered prayers, of God's clear help in your struggles. Every Sunday (indeed, almost every weekday) you tell of answered prayers for healing, resolution of unsolvable problems, guidance and strength. We're not a "testifyin'" church, but, boy, we have a lot of testimonies about the power of God!

In this Sunday's sermon lesson Jacob, in a time of trouble, darkness and fear, has an astonishing experience of God. Jacob marks the spot of that experience with a stone. Are we marking our experiences of God's help with a testifying "stone"? We'll explore that question on Sunday!

See you in church,



The Rev. Joanne M. Swenson, Th.D.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: We need you! Might you be able to offer some lay help to CitF... serving as lector, usher, cookie purveyor? Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board or you can contact **Sherry** directly. Please see if you might lend us a hand this summer.

For those seniors in our congregation who are interested in alternative transportation... doctors appointments, shopping, visiting, or going to church, **Independent Transportation for Seniors, ITN**, will be available for information, explanation, and application, **Sunday July 30**, after church. Several of our members find this service reliable, convenient, and reasonable. While CitF does not endorse or underwrite ITN, you may be interested in this aid to independence. Further information at: itnmontereycounty.org

Small Groups are gatherings where CitF members and new friends can explore questions of faith and deepen fellowship. These groups are open to visitors who wish to find out more and experience a meeting.

You are invited to the *Small Group Bible Study* that meets every **Sunday at 8:30 AM** in the Multi-purpose Room where the topic is the day's sermon scripture lesson.

Tuesday, July 18, at 10:15 AM, *Small Group Study* led by the **Rev. Ken Feske** at the home of **Gloria Bigelow**, 3138 Bird Rock Road, PB; 10:15-11:30 am. Topic: "Helping the least."

—*Matthew 25*

The next *Soul Sisters Small Group* meeting will be **Thursday, July 27, 10–11:30 AM** at **Janet McDaniel's** home: 158 Littlefield Road, Monterey. You all are invited to our next gathering for answering the question, "How goes your soul?" Questions—contact **Janet** at janlaine@comcast.net or call 831.646.8910.

Calendar

Sunday July 23, 2017 — Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 AM Bible Study in the Multipurpose Room led by the Rev. Ken Feske
Topic: Genesis 28:10–19

9:15 AM **Chapel Concertino**

9:30 AM **Morning Prayer**

Passages First Corinthians 2: 1–5; Psalm 18; Genesis 28:10–19

Lector Bob Janzen

Crucifer Judy Fletcher

Ushers Bob & Leslie Mulford

Flowers Howard & Linda Colehower

Altar Care Martha Jordan & Pamela Jordan

Cookies Paula Beckman

Coffee Hour Hosts Bob & Cynthia Perry

Sermon The Rev. Joanne M. Swenson, Th.D.

Title "Fresh Starts from Old Stories ~ A Sermon Series on Genesis"
This Sunday: "Fresh Faith from Old Stones"

Wednesday, July 19 & 26, *Carmel Bach Festival* Twilight Concerts at CitF

Saturday, July 22, 10 AM, Memorial Service for **David Mackie** at CitF

Sunday, July 30, following the service, A presentation by **Independent Transportation for Seniors, ITN**, will be available for information, explanation, and application,

Music Box

JULY 23, 2017

**Alyson Harvey, mezzo-soprano
Melinda Coffey Armstead, piano & organ**

CHAPEL CONCERTINO

- Esurientes implevit bonis
from MagnificatJ. S. Bach (1685-1750)
English translation: The hungry he has filled with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.
- Deep River traditional Spiritual
arr. H. T. Burleigh (1886-1949)
- How can I keep from singing? Robert Lowry
arr. Alan Bullard (b. 1947)
- Love bade me welcomeRalph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
- Toccata in C Major.....Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Welcome back Alyson Harvey! Alyson has been a participant of the *Bach Festival* for eleven seasons now. She holds degrees from the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music (MM and Artist Diploma in Opera) and Westminster Choir College (BM). With performances reviewed as “theatrically meaningful” and “beautiful, compelling, and inspired,” her solo appearances include work with the Atlanta Baroque Orchestra, the Berkshire Bach Society, the Mostly Mozart Festival, the Spoleto Festivals of Charleston, SC, and Spoleto, Italy, working with Gian Carlo Menotti, and the Philadelphia Orchestra under the batons of Bobby McFerrin and Stephane Denève. She made her Carnegie Hall debut in performances of Messiah with the Masterwork Chorus of NJ, and her Alice Tully debut in Copland’s “In the Beginning” at the New York Philharmonic’s Copland Festival. Her regular professional affiliations have included work with Fuma Sacra, the Philadelphia Singers, Opera Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Symphonic Choir, Rodeph Shalom Synagogue, and St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church in Philadelphia. Alyson also maintains an active private voice studio in Philadelphia, PA.

Please give her your warmest welcome.

Melinda Coffey Armstead



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