

Weekly Prayer Focus

Please pray for the church here and around the world.

FMCSB Family: Lito Hernandez; Rick Heyman; Collin and Carrie Hill; Gina Hollywood; Susan Horne.

Bible Study/Small Group: *Women Rooted in the Lord*, Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the library with Bonnie De Simone and Kathryn Reichwald.

Children's Ministries Leaders: Elementary teachers and aides, Kathryn Reichwald, Mark Bates, David Schulte, Trish Craig, Nancy Ranck, Daisy Moschitto, Kylie Carter and Kellie Landrum.

Cliff Drive Care Center: The Board of Directors and Chair Pamela Shaw.

CDCC Families: Cameron Blancarte, Gray and Millie Bolger, Ixchel Bonilla, Haven and Hope Borum, and their families.

Santa Barbara Churches: Cambridge Drive Community Church on Cambridge Drive.

FM Conference: Pastor Kevin Boyce and Light & Life in Downey.

Recovery Programs: The Santa Barbara Rescue Mission's residential recovery program strives to bring individuals from addiction back to sobriety, health, and wholeness through God's transforming power.

Missions, Impact Latin America (ILA): The people of Ecuador desperately need your prayers. Please pray for this nation, for the house churches, the work of Jeferson (community church planter) and others to spread the gospel, and for Marjorie (professional basketball player who recently decided to follow Jesus) and her teammates.

Praying for the Global Church, Myanmar : The military's increasing use of sophisticated technology, much of which comes from China and Russia, is presenting another challenge for believers in Myanmar. Those under suspicion are likely to face intrusive surveillance, making it difficult to escape the military's clutches. Christians also have to be mindful of what they say on the phone, while local partners must be careful in their communications and financial transactions. In the immediate onset of the coup in 2021, phone and internet lines were cut in Christian-majority areas to prevent news spreading of what was going on, and today, anyone who shares anything online about the authorities risks severe consequences. Pray for the protection of churches and Christians, and that believers will be given wisdom as they respond to different challenges.

*To submit prayer requests or to join the prayer chain, please contact
Juanita Collins: prayer@fmcsb.org or 805.895.7511*

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CHURCH OF SANTA BARBARA

"We often don't realize that where God puts us is the very place we need to be to receive what He wants to give us."

Priscilla Shirer

"How you live your life is a testimony of what you believe about God."

Henry Blackaby

"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation."

Jesus in Mark 16:15

April 28, 2024

Our Mission

By the power of the Holy Spirit and with Jesus' transforming love,
we draw people to Christ, disciple them in the faith
and equip them for ministry.

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Monday, — Ice Cream Social for College Students

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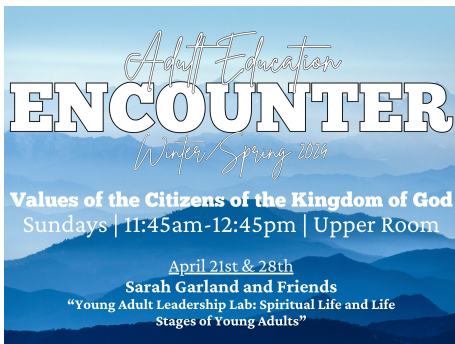
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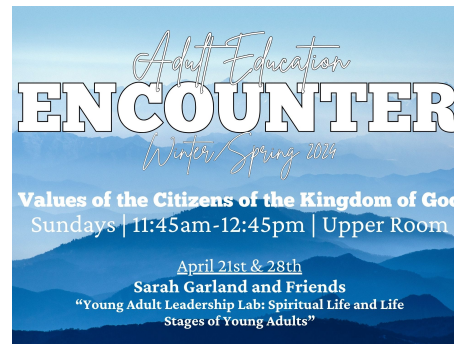
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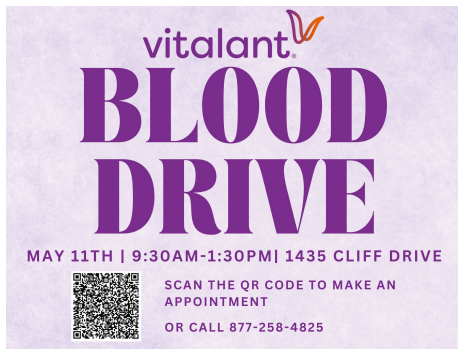
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April 28, 2024: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Worship services 8:30 and 10:15 a.m.

Call to Worship

Praise Songs

Battle Belongs

Waiting Here for You

Here Is Love Vast As The Ocean

Pass the Peace of Christ

Connection and Giving

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Song

Be Thou My Vision

Reading of Philippians 4:4-9

Testimonies

Response Song

There Is A Peace

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Colleen Hurley-Bates — Lead Pastor
Rev. Doug Ranck — Associate Pastor of Youth and Pastoral Care
Rev. Danielle Garcia — Associate Pastor of Administration
Rev. Nikki Ramage — Associate Pastor of Adults and Spiritual Growth
Jake Elliott — Pastor of Worship, College, and Evangelism Ministries
Phil Guenthart — Local Licensed Pastor
Sandy Patterson — Director of Children's Ministries
Delanie Sabac — Director of Cliff Drive Care Center Children's Programs
Madeline Schulte — Director of Communications
Rev. Dr. Helen Rhee — Appointed Pastor, Church History Professor at Westmont College
Rev. Shannon Balram — Appointed Pastor, Asst. Dir. of Residential and Community Living at UCSB
Rev. Scott Williams — Appointed Pastor, Systems Engineer at UCSB

FMCSB Loves Children & Youth

Infants and Toddlers (birth—2 years old) Our youngest ones are cared for in Millie's House! This facility is designed specifically for our little ones with cribs, toys, and an outside play area for toddlers. It is located in the lower parking lot. Nursing mothers may use the private room just off the foyer.

FM Kids (Preschool—5th Grade) The preschool children meet below the sanctuary, and this week's lesson is "Barnabas Shares" (Acts 4:32-37). The elementary students start on the playground near the red picnic tables. They will learn about "Gentleness" (John 8:1-11).

FM YOUTH (6th—12th Grade) This week we will be continuing our series in the book of John: "Encounters with Jesus." This week, we will continue our series in the book of John: "Encounters with Jesus." Our focus today will be on John 13:1-17, "Jesus Washes His Disciples' Feet" (How Jesus serves us, how we serve others and the joy of serving). During the 10:15am service, find a seat, and we will leave right after the praises/prayer requests/prayer time.

Are you new with us?

Find out how to connect at FMCSB!

- Please fill out a Connection Card (found in the pews) and drop it into the offering plate. We would love to get to know you.
- Visit Connection Central on the deck for more information about the activities of the church or visit our website (fmcsb.org).
- Listen to our most recent sermons and classes on our website (www.fmcsb.org/media) or find all our sermons on iTunes or your favorite podcast app.
- FMCSB has a pastor on-call each day of the week. To connect with the pastor on-call, contact them at (805) 694-6982.
- Text "fmcsb app" to (833) 476-8752 to download our church app.

Who We Are

We are a part of the branch of Christians known as Methodists, and we believe the Bible is God's inspired and authoritative Word. As we follow Jesus Christ, loving God and loving others is at our core. We believe that the Holy Spirit heals the brokenness in our lives and helps us to reach out with God's love.

As an active church with an emphasis on love, we are a community of people who care for each other and extend that care to others in our city through various ministries every day of the week.