



~ REFLECTIONS ~ May 2025

Delta Community Presbyterian Church
~ Rev. Dr. Douglas Schoonover ~

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Open
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Marlanna Bathel
Clerk of Session

Open
Fellowship

Open
Finance

Connie Beeby
Membership

Jenny Rodrigues
Missions

Open
Outreach

Fred du Pont
Worship

Deacons

Mary Anderson

Ruthanne Barber

Linda Hengl

Shirley Jennings

Janet O'Connell-Mangham*

Judy Mitchell

Jeanne Zwemer

*** Head Deacon**

Staff and Others

Rev. Dr. Douglas Schoonover
Pastor - Direct Line

John McMillan
Commissioned Pastor

Mary Torok
Church Office / Office Manager

Cindy McMillan
Music Coordinator/Pianist

Janet Nelson
Historian





PASTOR'S CORNER

May is traditionally the month of graduations. A **graduate** is, according to dictionary.com, "a person who has received a degree or diploma on completing a course of study, as in a university, college, or school."



On **Sunday, May 4th**, we will be recognizing a special group of High School graduates, the Class of 2025. In 2018, six young men and women finished their time at AGC and are now graduating, and along with three members of DCPC we will be recognizing their accomplishments during the worship service and celebrating with them following the service at fellowship time. I encourage you to attend worship that day to join in all of the fun.

No matter what level of schooling we graduate from, God continues to guide us as we move forward. I pray that all of our graduates will experience the love and peace of Jesus Christ as they celebrate with their families and friends.








Blessings,

Pastor Doug

MAY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 				1 Church Office Closed at 12:00 p.m. 9:15 a.m. AGC Chapel Service Pastor Doug out of office May 1 & 2	2 Church Office Closed at 12:00 p.m.	3 8:30 a.m. AA Meeting
4 Senior Recognition Day  Chapel Sunday Worship Service 10:00 a.m. <i>Communion</i> 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting (Men Only)	5 12:15 p.m. Al-Anon Mtg. 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	6 3:00 p.m. Board of Deacons Meeting 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	7	8 9:15 a.m. AGC Chapel Service	9	10 8:30 a.m. AA Meeting



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
11  MOTHER'S DAY Worship Service 10:00 a.m. 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting (Men Only)	12  GOLF TOURNAMENT 2025 12:15 p.m. Al-Anon Mtg. 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	13 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	14	15 9:15 a.m. AGC Chapel Service	16 	17 8:30 a.m. AA Meeting
18 Worship Service 10:00 a.m. <i>Communion</i> 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting (Men Only)	19  Celebration of Life Don Rentzel 11:00 a.m. DCPC Sanctuary 12:15 p.m. Al-Anon Mtg. 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	20 3:00 p.m. Session Mtg. 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	21 AGC Spirit Day Wacky Wednesday 	22 9:15 a.m. AGC Chapel Service	23	24 8:30 a.m. AA Meeting
25 Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Congregational Meeting Following Service 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting (Men Only)	26 Church Office Closed  MEMORIAL DAY 12:15 p.m. Al-Anon Mtg. 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	27 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	28	29 <i>Ascension of the Lord</i> 	30	31 8:30 a.m. AA Meeting



By Marlanna Bathel

Edited by Mary Anderson

There is a little-known fact about our church which is DCPC has a library, called Rainbow Library, filled with many interesting fictional and historical Christian stories. The three-bookshelf library is located by the closet in the back of the Fellowship Hall. It was established in 2002 with only one bookshelf of books and memorial funds from Marion Jorgenson's estate to insure its continuation.

Marlana Bathel and Patti Schroeder are reading the books and providing summaries to highlight the library. Hopefully others will discover the library with its interesting stories and history books.

If you like serial books, Marlana has been reading a series written by Jan Karon about an Episcopal priest, Tim Kavanagh - his life, work, neighbor, (whom he marries) and their travels. In the novel "In the Company of Others" he writes about his and his wife's, Cynthia, trip to Ireland. They become involved with the local people and their conflicts. How they respond as Christians has much to teach about what it means to be Christian and illustrates many principles to use in daily life.

Patti has delved into "Amazing Faith" a biography of Bill Bright who founded Campus Crusade for Christ International, written by Michael Richardson. Bright was born in Oklahoma in 1921 and went to college studying economics. He moved to Los Angeles in his 20's and started a candy store after not being accepted into military service during WWII due to a high school football injury. He attended First Presbyterian Church in Hollywood where he became an evangelical Christian. Bright was influenced by Henrietta Mears, who served as the Director of Christian Education at First Presbyterian Church, and Billy Graham. He quit his academic studies in 1946 to pursue Biblical studies at Fuller Theological Seminary and Princeton Theological Seminary. While at Fuller, Bright felt he had a call from God to reach out to college students. In 1951 he established his first Campus Crusade for Christ at UCLA. He spent the next 50 years developing and expanding the ministry worldwide. Patti found this book very interesting because it told of how one man could work through many struggles, tensions and breakthroughs. It was all by his Amazing Faith.

Marlana and Patti would like to hear your feedback in person about the library and the books you discover.



Missions

Food Pantry Volunteers Needed

Be the hands and feet of Jesus; volunteer with Delta Christian Community Food Pantry! Our mobile food pantry delivers groceries to families in need at 3 locations on Tuesday mornings, 52 weeks a year. Whether you can help once a week, or once a month, at one location or all three, you can be a part of this great ministry. We set up at the following times and locations each Tuesday:

8:30 a.m. - St. Anne Catholic Church

9:30 a.m. - Calvary Christian Church, in Knightsen

10:30 a.m. - New Covenant Church, on Bethel Island

Come check us out! See our website for more information: www.deltafoodpantry.com or call Jenny Rodrigues at 925-625-2651

"For I was hungry and you fed me" Matthew 25:35

Would you like to help the Food Pantry?

The Food Pantry is in need of the following items:

1. Egg Cartons - NO flats please.
2. Rubber Bands - To fasten egg cartons closed.
3. Plastic Grocery Bags - Flattened please.
4. Zip Lock Bags - quarts and gallons.



Please drop any items off in the Food Pantry Container
Located in the Church Narthex

Thank You,

Jenny Rodrigues
Missions Elder



Delta Christian Community Food Pantry

Distribution of food on Tuesdays

8:30 a.m. - St. Anne Catholic Church, Byron

9:30 a.m. - Calvary Church, Knightsen

10:30 a.m. - New Covenant Church, Bethel Island

Serving 120 - 150 families weekly.

May Focus

Canned "Heat & Eat"
(Beef, Stew, Ravioli, Chili, etc.)
Canned Vegetables or Fruit

- Food, clothing, & household goods
- Self-help resources
- Donations of food & money are appreciated!
- Donated items can be placed in the container located in the narthex of Delta Community Presbyterian Church.

Volunteers are welcome!



Children's Ministry

Come join us every Sunday for Sunday School, following Children's Story Corner. Sunday School is more than just learning. We begin with a prayer, then work on an activity unique to each week's lesson.

The children are engaged with a weekly Bible verse, and discussion. They get to create a work of art incorporating the verse, and then close the activity with prayer.

To stay up to date and learn more about our Sunday School program, check out our church webpage at:

<https://www.dcpfamily.org/sundayschool>

For more information contact the Church Office at:

(925) 634-0184 or deltachurch@dcpfamily.org





Be a Part of the LEGACY!!!



Our Growing for God Building Campaign is about more than just buildings. It is about a ministry vision that started over 20 years ago. A vision of children learning about God in an environment filled with love and compassion. A school that would meet the educational needs of children for years to come. A church growing with those families and meeting the spiritual needs of the community around it. And with our new buildings, the legacy will continue and grow even stronger. We would love for you to be a part of this. Please click on the link and watch a video that takes you on a journey. A journey of faith. A journey of God's blessings. We pray that you will be a part of it. Please share this with all your friends.

<https://www.dcpfamily.org/building>

We just celebrated our 35th Anniversary as a church. What impact will your giving have 35 years from today? What impact will new families bring to our church and our community? We already have AGC Alumni returning as staff to the campus, paying it forward. Students are graduating from college and contributing in big ways to the world.

Be a part of the EXCITEMENT!

Hall of Fame \$500
Bronze Level \$1,000
Silver Level \$2,500
Gold Level \$5,000
Platinum Level \$10,000
Premier Level \$25,000

Donations via, Check, Cash, or QR Code
Make checks payable to DCPC -
memo "Growing for God Building Campaign"

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*If you want a personal tour of the campus call
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 **ALL GOD'S CHILDREN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
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GOLFING FOR GOD



GOLF

TOURNAMENT

2025

MONDAY MAY 12TH



REGISTER NOW

\$200/Player



Shadow Lakes Golf Club

7:30am Registration

9:00am Shotgun Start

Sponsorships available - Please contact Kaitlyn Lillard at 925-642-5674 for more information

St. Anne's Chapter of SVdP Presents

Strut For A Cause

A Thrift Store Fashion Show Fundraiser

Featuring Clothing and Accessories

From the Brentwood St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store

All Proceeds Benefiting St. Anne SVdP

"Helping Our Neighbors In Need"



Saturday, May 3rd 2025

From 1 to 3

General Admission—\$20.00

VIP Runway seating \$30.00

St. Anne Catholic Church

2800 Camino Diablo Rd.

Byron, CA

Scan QR code below for tickets



LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED



**We're fighting something
we cannot see!**

Delta Shadow Boxers

Parkinson's Support Group

1st Wednesday each month

(except July)

Merrill Gardens

2600 Balfour Road

Brentwood

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

This Parkinson's support group serves the Delta area of Contra Costa County (Antioch, Pittsburg, Oakley, Bethel Island, Knightsen, Discovery Bay, and Brentwood).

Please contact the coordinator to confirm the time and offer your contact information for subsequent communications.

Contact: Sue Schnittker 925 550-2756; saresa@comcast.net

We are fighting something we cannot see! Our goals are 1) Stay Social, 2) Stay Active, and 3) Stay Informed. Come join us.

RECYCLING

We are in **need** of a new person or persons
to be our **recycling coordinator(s)**.
If you feel called to help the church & environment,
please let the church office know.

Please still bring your bottles and cans.

Below is a list of what they can recycle:

- ♦ Plastic Water Bottles/Plastic Soda Bottles/Gallon Water Jugs
(remove lid, crush bottle, replace lid)
- ♦ Soda Cans / Beer Cans (Crush)
- ♦ Glass Beer Bottles / Glass Soda Bottles

It **must** say **CRV-California** on the item.

- ♦ **No plastic milk bottles** or SOUP CANS!
- ♦ No wine bottles.
- ♦ **PLEASE!!!!** Separate bags for plastic, glass,
and aluminum cans.

Drop your recycling off any time!
The bin is located next to the garbage
cans in front of the patio.

Thank You!

