



All Saints Day



*Daylight Saving
Time Ends*



~ REFLECTIONS ~ November 2025

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Music Coordinator/Pianist

Janet Nelson
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PASTOR'S CORNER

November is a transitional month. Depending on where we live, it helps us transition from Fall into Winter. It is also transitional in that we start preparing for our major holidays (Thanksgiving and Christmas). It is also a transitional month in the life of our church.

November is Stewardship month. Our stewardship theme for this year is **Thank You Jesus**. What are we thankful for? How do we show others our thankfulness to God? That is a crucial question of any stewardship campaign. This year we will be examining **2 Corinthians 9:6-15**, looking at what **Gratitude** and **Generosity** mean in our relationship with God. What will our ministry look like a year from now as we practice being generous? I encourage you to attend worship in person or online to find answers to these and many other questions about how God wants and needs us to be his hands and feet. On **Sunday, November 16th**, we will be consecrating our pledge cards during worship.

We close November by preparing for Advent. Thanksgiving falls after Christ the King Sunday again this year, which seems appropriate. Because Christ is King, we have received the gift of eternal life. That gift is reason enough to be thankful, and we should take time on Thanksgiving to be specific with God about all that we are thankful for, as well as how we can generously share this Good News with others. I close with these words from the Apostle Paul to the church at Corinth.

2 Corinthians 9:8 (NIV)

"8.) And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."

Peace,

Pastor Doug



HAPPY THANKSGIVING



NOVEMBER 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 						1 8:30 a.m. AA Meeting Reminder: Don't forget to set your clocks BACK 1 hour before you go to bed.
2 <i>Daylight Saving Time Ends</i>  Stewardship Sunday Worship Service 10:00 a.m. <i>Communion</i> 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting (Men Only)	3 12:15 p.m. Al-Anon Mtg. 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	4 ELECTION DAY  3:30 p.m. Board of Deacons Mtg. 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	5	6 9:15 a.m. AGC Chapel Service Special Veteran's Day Service Invite a Veteran to our Service 	7	8 8:30 a.m. AA Meeting 
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9 Stewardship Sunday Worship Service 10:00 a.m. 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting (Men Only)	10 AGC Spirit Day "Camo Day"  12:15 p.m. Al-Anon Mtg. 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	11 Church Office Closed  7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	12	13 9:15 a.m. AGC Chapel Service	14 Free Market Sort & Set-Up 10:00 a.m. New Covenant Church Bethel Island Volunteers Needed	15 8:30 a.m. AA Meeting Free Market 1:00pm - 3:00pm New Covenant Church Bethel Island
16 Worship Service 10:00 a.m. <i>Communion</i> 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting (Men Only)	17 12:15 p.m. Al-Anon Mtg. 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	18 7:00 p.m. Session Mtg. Multipurpose Room 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	19	20 9:15 a.m. AGC Chapel Service	21	22 8:30 a.m. AA Meeting
23 <i>Christ the King Sunday</i> Worship Service 10:00 a.m. <i>Hanging of the Greens following service</i> 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting (Men Only)	24 Pastor Doug on vacation 12:15 p.m. Al-Anon Mtg. 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	25 Pastor Doug on vacation 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting	26 Pastor Doug on vacation	27 Pastor Doug on vacation Church Office Closed 	28 Pastor Doug on vacation Church Office Closed	29 8:30 a.m. AA Meeting 
30 <i>1st Sunday Of Advent</i> Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Rev. Dr. Leslie Veen 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting (Men Only)						

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.

November Focus

**Canned
Tuna, Chicken or Salmon
and Rice**

- 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!



Delta Christian Community Food Pantry

Annual Impact Report 2024-2025



During this past fiscal year:

- Volunteers Donated 6,550 hours
- Donations Received: \$26,000
- Average Number of Families Served each week: 160
- Average Number of Individuals Served each week: 475
- Total Number of Family Food Portions given: 8,400
- Total Pounds of Food Distributed: 457,000 lbs
- Annual Total Value of the Food Distributed: \$1,500,000+
- Annual Spend on Food Purchases: \$21,000
- Annual Operating Costs: \$16,500

We serve three rural areas classified as “food deserts” meaning there is not access to nutritious, affordable food within a mile of where most residents live, and access is limited to mostly convenience stores. These towns include: Byron, Knightsen, and Bethel Island.

What does our food pantry mean for our clients?

1. Access to meat, produce, and other pantry staples not always available nearby.
2. By receiving food they have more money in their pocket to spend on:
 - Rent, to keep them from being homeless.
 - Utilities, so they can stay warm in the winter and cooler in the summer, take a warm bath, and wash clothes.
 - Basic healthcare needs that we take for granted like soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrush and toothpaste, lotion, and medicines.
 - Gas for their vehicle, so they can get to a job or appointments and stores beyond their local neighborhood.
 - Phone services, so they can stay connected to others.
 - And more!

***THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE
IN THE LIVES OF SO MANY PEOPLE!***



Free Market

Men's and woman's clothes:

new or gently used - knit hats,
gloves, t-shirts, socks,
sweatshirts, jeans, warm clothes

Toiletries & sundries: toilet
paper, toothpaste, soap, dental
floss, Chapstick, lotion, safety
pins, first aid items, tissue, small
bottles of ibuprofen

Miscellaneous: Blankets, towels,
washcloths, sleeping bags,
Bibles, duct tape, dish soap,
detergent, batteries, dog and cat
food

**Please drop off
donations at the
Delta Community
Presbyterian Church
1900 Willow Rd.
in Discovery Bay**

Each Fall volunteers with the Christian Community Food Pantry hold our Annual "**Free Market**" at Bethel Island. This event provides an opportunity for our clients to receive household supplies and new or gently used household items as well as clothing and shoes all free! There are many opportunities to help; you can donate items, help setup, and help with delivery and clean up. It's an event everyone enjoys!

**Saturday, November 15th
1P.M - 3P.M.**

**New Covenant Church
6080 Bethel Island Rd
Bethel Island, CA 94511**

*If you Have Questions,
Please contact :*

Jenny Rodrigues at: (925) 634-0184

Or

Shirley Aberle at: (925) 634-6625

VOLUNTEERS WELCOME & NEEDED!

- Friday Nov 14, 10:00 am to about 1:00 pm for setup preparation
- Saturday, Nov 15, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm for setup, distribution and clean up.

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"

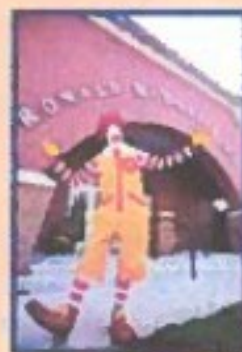
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*If you want a personal tour of the campus call
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BYRON DELTA LIONS CLUB

WE COLLECT PULL TABS!



BDLC Ronald McDonald Pop Top Project

Our Mission:

Join us in making a difference! Simply collect pop tabs from aluminum cans, bag them, and bring them to a general meeting. Alternatively, you can arrange drop-off with BDL Kathy Doty at (925) 980-6696.

How It Works:

The tabs you collect are donated to the Ronald McDonald House in Sacramento. They recycle these tabs to help fund housing for families whose children face extended hospital stays.

How You Can Help:

Spread the word! Encourage family, friends, neighbors, and organizations to pitch in and support this incredible cause. Every contribution helps provide comfort to families during challenging times and helps protect the environment, too!



**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.

October: \$0

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!

