



# The Window

## First Presbyterian Church of Stockton's Monthly Newsletter

### ***From Pastor Ashley's desk:***

Happy Pride Month! In December of 2022, the session of First Presbyterian Church of Stockton voted to join the Covenant Network. They are a coalition of people and congregations within our denomination which was formed in 1997 to advocate for the full inclusion and affirmation of the LGBTQIA+ community. By affirming the Covenant Network Mission Statement, our church joined with over 400 congregations throughout our denomination who are actively working to live into this mission statement alongside us. As a reminder and celebration of our church's journey to embody Christ's welcome in this important way, please find the Covenant Network Mission Statement below. May this mission statement be realized in and through our church as we celebrate Pride Month and work for a safe, just, and kind world for all of God's beloved children.

### ***The Call to Covenant Community (Covenant Network Mission Statement)***

*Confident in God's hopeful future and grateful for the ever-widening welcome of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the Covenant Network of Presbyterians seeks an equity still not fully realized for LGBTQIA+ people in church and society, by*

- ***Engaging*** the church to invite all of God's children into safe and welcoming congregational spaces of affirmation, healing, dignity and purpose;
- ***Educating*** the church to expand our welcome of LGBTQIA+ people, to affirm their gifts for ordained office, and to uphold marriage equality for all; and
- ***Equipping*** the church to bear witness to justice through advocacy and activism at the international, national and local church levels; speaking a prophetic word in anxious and divided times; and standing with others in fighting hate and oppression against any of God's children.

*The Covenant Network of Presbyterians calls the church to bear a unified witness to generous hospitality and faithful justice.*

*If you would like to know more about Covenant Network, visit [covnetpres.org](http://covnetpres.org)*



**COVENANT NETWORK  
OF PRESBYTERIANS**

## JULY WINDOW

The deadline for submission of articles for the July 2026 Window is **June 21th.**

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Carol Dietrich	June 6
Kerry Baldwin	June 10
Kim Roider	June 16
Megan McKee	June 17
Tami Buckley	June 27

### Hospitality after Worship Setup/Cleanup

June 7: Sylvia, Marilyn  
June 14: Carol, Gretchen  
June 21: Jane, Marilyn  
June 28: Sylvia, Gretchen

### Worship Assistants

June 7 – Craig Holmes  
June 14 – Doug and Cheryl Hunt  
June 21 – Gretchen Louden  
June 28 – Kimberlee Roider

### Sunday School Volunteers

June 7 – Tola Eley  
June 14 - Autumn Alessio  
June 21 – Cynthia Allison  
June 28 - Kimberlee Roider

*If you are interested in serving with Hospitality, as a Worship Assistant, or as a Sunday School Volunteer, please contact the Office.*



**June Potluck**  
**International Favorites**

**14 June**

OUR MONTHLY POTLUCK IS GOING GLOBAL!  
All are invited to bring a favorite dish from a different country or culture.

## ***Check out our produce aisle at First Presbyterian's Latest Food Pantry Distribution!***

**We are delighted to provide these nutritious fruits and veggies courtesy of the Emergency Food Bank of San Joaquin, Grace and Mercy Charitable Foundation, and wonderful community members who donate, many from their trees and gardens.**

**If you or anyone you know has produce to spare, we gladly take donations of all kinds! Contact the office for more details.**





## Welcome to Our New Office Manager Nicole Estrella!

A note from Nicole: *My name is Nicole Estrella. I am a mother to 5 amazing kids and a lifelong resident of the Lodi/Stockton area. I have a super supportive partner named Takoda and together our family graduated from Family Promise almost 3 years ago. I recently completed a Community Health Worker Course and I am also a Prenatal/Postpartum Birth Doula. I love any kind of opportunities to expand my horizons and gain new experiences. I enjoy spending my free time with my family and my pets. I am honored and excited to be your new Office Manager. Feel free to stop by and say hello!*

## Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Pastor Ashley!

Thank you to all who attended and contributed to her birthday potluck! Pastor Ashley will be on vacation to celebrate this new decade from June 2-8.



## THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

10 AM IN THE GENEVA ROOM AT FPCS

Join us for a time of meditative Bible study, reflection, discussion, music, and fellowship.



## MONDAY EVENING REFRESH



Start your week off with prayer, Bible study, and fellowship led by Pastor Ashley. All are welcome!

EVERY MONDAY EVENING AT 7 PM  
CONTACT [OFFICE@FPCSTOCKTON.ORG](mailto:OFFICE@FPCSTOCKTON.ORG)  
FOR ZOOM LINK



## Meetings This Month:

**June 10** Food Pantry Distribution at 2 pm

**June 15** Spiritual Growth Committee 4 pm on Zoom

**June 14** Support and Endowment at 10:15am

**June 16** Hospitality Committee at 10 am

**June 17** Finance, Building, and Grounds at 9:30 am

**June 24** Food Pantry Distribution at 2 pm

## Weekly:

Monday Evening Refresh at 7 pm on Zoom,  
Bible Study at 10 am Thursdays

## ACCESS FPC WORSHIP VIDEOS

To access our worship services online, go to our website: [fpcstockton.org](http://fpcstockton.org), click on Ministries, then Worship, and click on the YouTube logo. You'll automatically be directed to FPC's YouTube channel. You can also search for First Presbyterian Church of Stockton on YouTube.



We have been invited again this year by the wonderful folks at Carmichael Presbyterian to join in their annual women's retreat at Zephyr Point on the shore of beautiful Lake Tahoe! Registrations forms will be available in the blue room starting mid June. The cost for the retreat is \$225 and scholarships are available. As we get closer, we will arrange carpools to drive up together.



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