

# The Echo

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## Pastor's Page

Ezra 3:10,11-13

“When the builders completed the foundation of the Lord’s temple...many of the older priests, Levites and other leaders who had seen the first Temple wept aloud when they saw the new Temple’s foundation. The others however were shouting for joy. The joyful shouting and the weeping mingled together in a loud noise that could be heard far in the distance.”

Isn’t that a fascinating picture being painted?

“Joyful shouting” and “weeping” are described as “mingled together in a loud noise”. It is even a more fascinating picture when you realize it is the older generation doing the weeping and the younger generation doing the joyful shouting. And it is all happening because the temple’s foundation was now laid.

The book of Ezra is about the rebuilding of the temple. After the people of God had been conquered by the Assyrians they were sent into exile and the temple in Jerusalem had been destroyed. But in the years to follow the Persian king Cyrus conquered the Assyrians and the people of God were allowed to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the temple under Ezra’s leadership. The above verses describe the reaction of God’s people to the laying of the foundation of the new temple. The older generation was in mourning and the younger generation rejoiced.

Why?

It may be true that the older generation was weeping for joy but certainly not entirely. The laying of the foundation for the new temple brought to mind the pain and suffering that they had experienced in having the first temple destroyed and the exile and enslavement that followed.

The younger generation was rejoicing because their focus was on the future and the rebuilding of the temple that was once destroyed but would now become glorious again. It is true that the new temple may never be as rich and plush as the one destroyed, but they had no memories of the old temple and what was going to replace it.

It is so true that there are generation differences. The older generation tends to look at life from the perspective of the past. The younger generation looks

at life from the perspective of the potential for the future and its hidden promises.

Don’t we need both perspectives? Isn’t it important to remember the past? We really need to remember the mistakes of the past. It has been said that unless we remember the mistakes of the past we are doomed to repeat those mistakes. We just celebrated Dusty and Florence Hustad’s 60th wedding anniversary. That witness to marital faithfulness is inspiring to us all.

But we also need to look to our future with new eyes and a new perspective. It has also been said that a definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results.

One of the things that I like most about Carlton Hills is that we have an intergenerational environment at our church. We have a lot of people who represent all the generations and we can be richer for that diversity. I say we “can” be richer because the differences between our generational perspectives can also be a source of conflict and division. The key is that we must listen to one another and value the opinions of the generations that are different from our own.

We are going in both directions at full speed.

Our senior ministries are vibrant and growing. The senior lunch started with 15-20 participants and now the meal is served to 30-40 participants. The “Celebrating the Saints” wall is now a reality as it lifts up the saints from our church that have made our church what it is today.

Our youth started “One Salvation” a Tuesday evening youth led worship service and now there are youth from the community that are seeking baptism, confirmation and membership in our church. Our Joyful Noise Camp had its largest participation with 44 campers and 15 youth staff. I believe the quality of this year’s camp is a direct reflection of the leadership that has been developed by One Salvation.

What does the future for our church hold? I can say with confidence I have no idea; but it will be exciting and it will be a glorious mix of the new and the old. We will honor the past and we will experiment in the future. What we all need to remember is to be faithful to our Lord and to listen to the wisdom of those around us.

Pastor Rick

## Finances And Attendance For July

### Attendance:

	9:00a.m.	11:00a.m.	Tue	Total
7/3	76	41	33	150
7/10	86	33	17	136
7/17	89	33	12	134
7/24	78	22	12	112
7/31	68	45	14	127

### July Finances:

Income	\$17,494
Expenses	\$14,532
Operating Surplus YTD	\$17,078

## Senior Lunch

The second Tuesday of the month you are invited to the Senior Lunch at a local restaurant beginning at 11:30am. On September 13<sup>th</sup> the lunch will be held at the Home Town Buffet in Santee.

## Thursday Bible Studies Something for everyone!!

Thursday, August 11th, 18th and 25<sup>th</sup> we will have Bible study from the "One Year Bible" in the church office from 6:00am (Yes! A.M.) until 6:30am. Many of our church council leaders are at this study but it is open to the whole congregation.

Also Thursday, August 11th 18th and 25th there is an ABC Bible study for beginners in the church office at 7:00pm. Child care is provided. We are studying the Gospel of Mark.

Come and join us!

## Church Travel Site

Did you know that we have a church travel site where you can book airline tickets, hotel accommodations and rental cars and for the very best rates available and have a percentage of the

dollars you spend come back as a donation to the church.

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[www.ytbtravel.com/chelc](http://www.ytbtravel.com/chelc)

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Also Thursdays in September we are combining the regular Thursday evening Bible Study and the ABC Bible Study in the Acts Center at 7:00pm. Child care is provided. We are studying the Gospel of Mark.

Come and join us!

## Sunday School Rally Sunday

September 18th marks the beginning of the new Sunday School year. We will once again have Sunday School during the 9:00am worship service and Sunday School following the 11:00am service. The children leave the 9:00am service following the Children's message and come back during the offering and in time for communion. Sunday School after the 11:00am service will have a 5 minute lesson lead by Pastor Rick and a craft that we ask parents to stay to complete with their child.

We are planning a picnic at 1:00pm on Rally Sunday for the entire congregation to celebrate with the children the new Sunday School year. The location of the picnic may be at church or at a local park. More information about details for the picnic will be distributed on Sunday morning.

### Confirmation

New time and Day of the Week

Confirmation will begin Sunday, August 7th at Noon. We want to try a new day and time so we can include a large group of teens who want to learn more about their faith after being introduced to the faith through "One Salvation" our youth led worship. Let Pastor Rick or Stephanie know if you are interested in joining the class.

### New Members

**Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**

Would you like to join our church family? We will receive new members at all three worship services on Sunday, September 25th and Tuesday, September 27th. Please fill out our new member form and have your photo taken for the church directory. We are so excited to welcome new members!!

### CALLING ALL SINGERS

Have you ever found yourself singing along with the song on the radio either at home or while driving? Or do you have a high school age son or

daughter who is caught up in the Glee frenzy? Well, here is an opportunity to let that singing voice out. Church Choir will start practice on Wednesday evenings from 7:00pm to 8:00pm beginning September 14th. While we would love to have you at practice on Wednesday evenings, we also do a quick practice to the church service on Sundays starting around 8:15am with the first practice on Sunday September 18th. We are not professional singers, and you do not have to read music to sing. If you can carry a tune you can sing in the choir. We have friendly and patient choir members to help you along, and again, both adults and High School age singers are welcome. We have fun and would love to have you share your voice. Please join us on Wednesday evenings and/or on Sunday mornings.

### AMANDA (MANDY) VAUGHAN

Mandy graduated from SDSU with a degree in Foods and Nutrition and has been accepted to the US Army's graduate program. She will be Active Duty Army while earning her masters degree from Baylor University at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas en route to her career as an Army Registered Dietitian

We wish to thank all of those who have contributed to making her the woman she has become!

We are hosting an open house:  
Sunday, September 11, 2011  
From 2:00 PM until 6:00 PM  
9269 Heatherdale Street, Santee

Please join us in wishing her well



**Church Council Meeting**  
**At Noon, Sunday September 25<sup>th</sup>**

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**First Communion will be**  
**Sunday, October 9th.**

The First Communion class will be Saturday, October 8th at 10:00am for young children and parents and at 11:00am for older youth.

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**Fall Festival**  
**Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**Mark your calendars!!**

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**Help for Struggling Students**

Due to the state's budget crisis, teachers are going to be taxed even more. Those teachers that will be allowed to keep their positions are going to be even more overwhelmed by the increased number of students they will have to teach in the 2011-12 school year. There will be more combo classes, two grades in one classroom, than ever before in schools. These combo classes are the equivalent of teaching two classes at the same time. Additionally, many school districts are being forced to cut many special day classes causing mild/moderate special education students to be placed into main stream general education classrooms. This also increases the stress and spreads the general education teacher even thinner. Then, all those added desks make it nearly impossible for teachers to even look over the shoulder of their students to check their work. Finally, the school districts and state pacing schedules force teachers to blow through material at such a fast pace, so students are exposed to all the concepts on the tests, that many students do not master the concepts.

These factors are all out of the teachers' control, so it's no wonder many students are struggling. Teachers are doing their best, but they just are not super human.

Do you know a student that may be struggling or just needs some help? I am a Special and General Education Teacher that teaches all

subjects, grades K-12. I would be happy to help your student get some much needed attention in their troublesome subject areas. I provide personalized tutoring in the library or your home.

Corinne Reid  
Teacher/Personal Tutor  
(619) 607-0736  
CReidTeach@Yahoo.com

**Upcoming Youth and Young Adult Events**

**Tots 4 Christ**

Tots 4 Christ is our pre-k to 2nd grade bible study. This class offers a bible story, craft, game and a snack for fellowship. Tots 4 Christ will meet every other Tues starting on Oct 4th at 5:15pm and will go until 6pm. We will meet the first and third Tues of every month. Parents are encouraged to stay. Stephanie Myers our Youth and Family Minister will lead this program. If you have any questions please feel free to contact her at [stephmyers88@yahoo.com](mailto:stephmyers88@yahoo.com) or at 619-971-1606.

**Souled Out (New 456 group)**

We are super excited for this upcoming year to begin! What was once known as "456" is now called "Souled Out"! This is our elementary bible study that spreads the Good News to 3rd graders all the way up to 6th grade!! This awesome interactive bible study allows youth to explore their Faith like never before!! We have a wonderful curriculum by Spark House called The Anti-workbook lined up. The youth will dive into New and Old Testament; learn the Lord's Prayer and so much more! Souled\*Out begins Sept.20th @ 6pm & goes until 7:00pm. Our bible study will meet every Tues nite for an hour in the acts center. Souled\*Out will be led by our Youth and Family Minister Stephanie Myers!

**First Communion**

Another cool date to keep in mind is our 1st Communion Class that will be held on Sat Oct.8th @ 10 am. If you have any questions please feel free to Contact Stephanie Myers at : [stephmyers88@yahoo.com](mailto:stephmyers88@yahoo.com) or (619) 971-1606

## **One Salvation Youth Led Service**

One Salvation, our youth led worship includes interactive time to share what God is doing in our lives, and how all we do is centered on his word. The message is scripture based with audio-visuals. There is fellowship time around the campfire after the worship. This worship opportunity is open to anyone in the congregation. We meet on Tuesday nights from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. September 6th is parent night and all parents are invited to attend the entire service. September 13th we are having a guest speaker. September 20th and 27th our Youth and Family Minister, Stephanie Myers will lead us in a discussion of how to do personal devotions and will share devotions with us. Then October 4th the Stephen Ministers will be joining us for an evening of sharing spiritual gifts. A lot is planned – you won't want to miss out – mark your calendars. For more information contact Belinda Karge at [bkarge@fullerton.edu](mailto:bkarge@fullerton.edu).

## **Annual Parent Night for High School and College Youth Tuesday, September 6, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.**

All parents of high school and college youth are encouraged to attend the annual parent night, Tuesday, September 6, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. During One Salvation, we will discuss the schedule of events for the upcoming year; including the upcoming trip to the All Lutheran Youth Gathering in New Orleans in July 2012. The trip is open to youth who will be going into 9th grade summer of 2012. It is important that all parents attend, as the first deposit for the trip (\$150) is due in October. Fundraising will be discussed.

## **Young Adult Group**

Many of our young adults and/or college students have classes on Tuesday nights or have to work. A group recently attended a play (Jungle Book) together and during dinner discussion after the play realized that we needed to get some type of fellowship going for those who are no longer in high school but want to continue getting together for fellowship. The ELCA leaders have published research showing that between the ages of 18 and

28 many young adults leave the church because they do not feel connected to others their age. We want to foster these connections and encourage young adults to grow in their faith. Belinda Karge is coordinating these monthly meetings. Email her at [bkarge@fullerton.edu](mailto:bkarge@fullerton.edu) or facebook her to let her know you want to participate and you will be notified of the monthly event/meeting.

## **The 7th Annual Make a Joyful Noise Art and Music Summer Camp Was a Huge Success.....**

Twenty two staff and 44 campers participated in our 2012 month long Joyful Noise Art and Music camp. The final performance, Wild About God – was a hit! The sanctuary was packed (n = 189!) with parents and congregation members. If you missed it, we are selling DVD's for \$10.00. (Contact Belinda Karge at [bkarge@fullerton.edu](mailto:bkarge@fullerton.edu) or call the church office). Many children grew in their faith this summer, one parent wrote, "my daughter's love of prayer has deepened; she is retaining many of the bible stories and the songs she has learned" another wrote, "my children are so interested in the Lord now....thank you" a high school staff member wrote, "there is definitely a sense of leadership building and everyone here wants to be part of the team" and yet another staff wrote "the seniors love our campers; it is so great for the campers to know so many grandparents and to share daily lunches with them!" Thank you to all who donated their time and money to the success of another amazing year.

## **Morning Bible Study Opportunities**

Come join us for a morning bible study Wednesday, at 10:00 a.m. This study is open to anyone in the congregation. The study book is from the Women of Faith Series and costs \$10.00. During this study, attendees pray specifically for the youth of our congregation. Belinda Karge and Stephanie Myers are the organizers of this study.

## Volunteer of the Month for the Summer of 2011



Pete Callaway is our volunteer of the month for the summer of 2011. Pete has been a member of CHELC for years. He was an active member of choir and the leader of CHROS.

Pete always volunteers his knowledge and expertise when needed. Some of his most noteworthy efforts were when he used his concrete skills to erect the memorial monument. During this time he also placed the Pastors bricks and rebuilt the corner wall. His expertise was requested to assist with the structured of Celebrate the Saints Wall, thus saving numerous funds for CHELC. Thank you Pete for your support and for everything you do for us!!

### Directory Updates

#### Make-Up Photos

On September 25th, we will be accepting new members and will be taking pictures after the 9:00 morning service. Also at this time we will be taking any make-up pictures for the directory. If you require a make-up picture for the directory, please sign up on the list located in back of the Sanctuary.

#### Professional Page

We have members of our church that are self-employed. We will be adding a professional page to the new directory. If you would like to see your advertisement on this page, please fill out your information on the page in back of the Sanctuary.

Penny Sallay

## September Anniversaries

- 10 Rebecca & Jeff Taylor
- 10 Thomas & Tammy Halloran
- 13 Kent & Misty Thompson
- 14 Cole & Marie Freeman
- 16 Ron & Elizabeth Adams
- 17 Chris & Stephanie Myers
- 19 Andrew & Heather Bjorson
- 22 Penny & Jeffrey Sallay
- 25 Tom & Jane Reaney

## September Birthdays

- |    |                  |    |                          |
|----|------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 2  | Laura Vaughan    | 17 | Linda Conklin            |
| 3  | Sylvia Smith     | 17 | Vicki Haas               |
| 4  | V. Grant         | 17 | Wilbur Taylor            |
| 5  | Juliana Avendano | 18 | Cullen Einfeldt          |
| 5  | Kim Naour        | 19 | Michelle Webb            |
| 5  | Penny Sallay     | 20 | Terri Flores             |
| 7  | Nathan Wentz     | 20 | Robert Reid              |
| 8  | Thomas Gulliver  | 21 | Erik Parhiala            |
| 9  | Joanne Salaz     | 23 | David Schrader           |
| 11 | Thomas Reaney    | 23 | Edgar Schrader-Rodriguez |
| 11 | Cara Henson      |    |                          |
| 13 | Misty Thompson   | 24 | Eleanor Timan            |
| 16 | Joy Cervantes    | 28 | Randall Catron           |
| 16 | Henry Schneider  | 30 | Miranda Chrislock        |
| 16 | Gabriel Callaway |    |                          |

If anyone was missed, please call the church office, (448-1888)

## September Ministers

Coffee Fellowship: Nancy Funick, Laura Vaughan, Grace Otto  
 Communion Assist.: 4, 11- Darrel & Jeanna Timan 18, 25- Sarah Paulson & Gary Burgland  
 Communion Care: Edward Kassahan  
 Greeters: 4, 11-Candy & Randy Greenlee 18, 25- Jennifer Brown  
 Lector: 4, 11- Pamela Blyth 18, 25- Ellie Timan  
 Stephen Minister of the Week: 4- Ellie Timan 11- Carol Davidson 18- Heather Gasner 25- Marian Privett  
 Ushers: Katie Wentz and High Up