

Go Tell It on the Mountain

Notes From Skyland Church for mid-August 2017

**Skyland Community Church
10:30 Sunday Service**

**Rev. Stephen Glauz-Todrank
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The newsletter returns next month

1. Preaching Schedule

August 20: Rev. Deborah Streeter
August 27 Old Fashioned Hymn Sing with Margretta Dollard
September 3: Communion, Rev. Patricia Wood
September 10: Rev. Stephen Glauz-Todrank returns

2. Mountain Residents Night Out Tuesday, August 22

Skyland Church and Mountain Neighbors Helping Neighbors will have a presence at the annual Mountain Residents Night Out on Tuesday, August 22 from 6pm to 8:30pm at the Redwood Estates Pavillion. Children are welcome. Everyone is invited to come out and chat with neighbors and new neighbors.

3. Skyland Church Open House September 16

We are taking a sabbatical rest from Harvest Festival this year. Instead, some folks will host an open house. There will be lunch, posters about our Mission work in and beyond our community, probably some children's books, jams, etc. The Church Sanctuary will be open for contemplative prayer or meditations. Contact Shannon Edwards (408-353-2710) if you're interested in participating.

4. The Church Council is looking into some programs for church renewal and building community with the Center for Progressive Renewal, a United Church of Christ organization. The Church Council invites everyone to checkout the CPR at http://www.ucc.org/newchurch_the-center-for-progressive

5. Ocean Pilgrimage Retreat Day -- a Proposal -- Saturday, October 21, 9:30am-3:30pm

A day of Ocean Stewardship and Spirituality is proposed as a joint event with La Selva Community UCC's Blue Theology Ministry, Peace UCC of Santa Cruz, and Skyland Community Church, UCC. The retreat will be held in and near La Selva Community Church, with worship, gentle pilgrimage walk, spiritual practices, and a simple service project. The cost is (tentatively) \$30 per person for the program, including lunch and a devotional book.

6. Visitors Requesting Money

At Stephen's recommendation, requests for money will not be granted by special collections or personal appeals. We will offer food (paper/ plastic bags are needed, as well as food donations) and referrals to services and organizations in the requestor's home community. Several resources are posted in Whitaker Hall. All visitors are welcome to join us for worship and for fellowship in Whitaker Hall afterward.