

Special Events for Memorial Day Weekend - Sunday May 29, 2016.

"Church On Bikes" - a new outreach at Christ Our Savior. It's purpose is to develop friendships with people in our community.

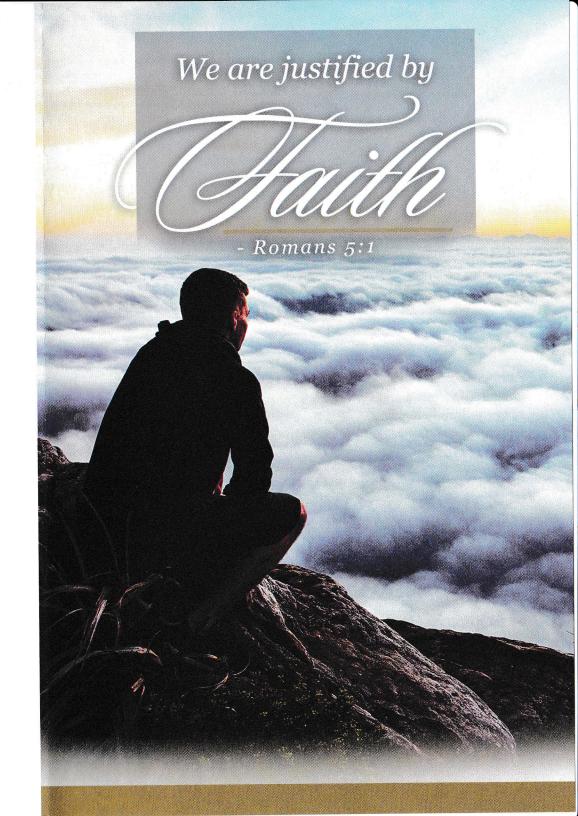
Anyone with any kind of bike skill is welcome to join us. Meet in the COSUMC Parking Lot at 8:30 AM for a 9:00 AM departure on one of two courses; a 10-12 mile or a 20+ mile bike ride. We will have a devotional on the bike course, "Seeking God's Truth in God's Creation."

Whether you will join the bicyclists or be part of the congregation, this is a special Sunday you will not want to miss!

To make online tithes, gifts and offerings go to:
www.cosumc.com - Click on the "Donate" button. You don't
need a PayPal account to donate. A receipt will be emailed to you.
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Past sermon messages are available at www.cosumc.com.





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Our Worship on May 22, 2016 Worship Leader: Chris Ulvin

Welcome to our Guests! On this day 278 years ago, John Wesley attended a meeting on Aldersgate Street in London and felt his "heart strangely warmed." It began the Revival that swept through England and America, and the founding of the Methodist Church. Praise God!

We especially invite our guests to remain after Worship to enjoy some friendly conversation and refreshments in our Lobby.

PRAISING GOD TOGETHER

Announcements – Please sign and pass the red friendship books. Opening Devotion and Prayer Singing Praises to Jesus Greeting Each Other and Welcoming Our Guests

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Romans 15:4, 13

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Pastoral Prayer

Message by Pastor Ken Gardner: "Overflowing with Hope by the Power of the Holy Spirit."

POWER FOR MINISTRY

Offering Our Gifts to God

Closing Song

Prayer of Blessing on Everyone

WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY: Prayer Quilt is for Mike Uriarte. He is battling major heart issues in his early twenties. Pray for complete healing and recovery.

Prayers and Squares will resume on the 2nd Tuesday of August -August 9th - meeting from 9AM to 1PM - workers please bring sack lunch - welcoming all from master quilters to crafty sewers.

The church purchased a new printer/copier. This was an unexpected expense with a second printer to be purchased in the future. Gifts are welcomed to offset the cost of the printers. Thank you from the Finance Committee.

TUESDAY:

6:30 PM – Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM – Men's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY:

9:30 AM – Bible Study on Galatians

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 29th – David & Andrea return from Santa Maria to be our featured worship leaders on Sunday, and David Gutierrez will bring the message.

May 30th – Memorial Day June 16-18th – Annual Conference, Redlands, CA

EXTRAS:

BIRTHDAYS: Ben Banner – May 22 and Sandy Gardner – May 23.

Baby Bottle Blessings: for Care Net Women's Resource Center. Care Net provides counseling and free medical services to women in the Antelope Valley. Pick up for your bottle, and fill it with change, dollars, or checks. Return it on Father's Day. Please return all bottles whether or not they are full.

NEW EMAIL for PRAYER REQUESTS

Please contact Pastor Ken Gardner for prayer requests. Call the church office (943-2774) or send an email: pastor@cosumc.com.

"OVERFLOWING WITH HOPE BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT"

"Everything that was written in the past was written to teach *us*, so that through *endurance* and the *encouragement* of the Scriptures *we* might have **hope**.

May the God of **hope** fill you with all joy and peace as you **trust** in him, so that you may overflow with **hope** by the power of the Holy Spirit."

Romans 15:4, 13

1. ENDURANCE -

"We want each of you to show this same <u>diligence</u> to the very end, in order to make your <u>hope</u> <u>sure</u>." – Hebrews 6:11

"There is no hope unless God himself has punched a hole in the ceiling of the universe and our great Captain Jesus Christ, who has opened a cleft in the pitiless walls of the universe, bids us come to see him. He has entered in. He was born. He died for our sins. Now he's raised again. He has risen from the dead. "If all that's true, then you can be saved, then there's hope for the future, then your sins can be forgiven, then you can have a relationship with God, then the Spirit of God can come into your life and change you." — Timothy Keller

2. <u>ENCOURAGEMENT</u> –

"God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to <u>take hold of the</u> <u>hope</u> offered to us may be greatly encouraged." – Hebrews 6:18

3. TRUST -

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure." – Hebrews 6:19

"I think that God is in the business of bringing us to the end of ourselves. Why would He do that? Because He has a gift for us, and the gift can't be received until we let go of what else is in our hands — our natural ability, our worked-for purity, our need to be right, our material blessings, our intellectual prowess, our idols, our need to be 'together' or be seen that way. He is, for our own good, bringing us to the end of ourself so that we can see the wonderful power of the Holy Spirit in our life."

"FOLLOW THE WIND: Our Lord, The Holy Spirit" by Steve Brown

The Heidelberg Catechism – Question #1:

WHAT IS YOUR ONLY COMFORT, IN LIFE AND IN DEATH?

Answer:

That I belong —body and soul, in life and in death —not to myself

- but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ,
- who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins
- and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil:

That he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven

- not a hair can fall from my head;
- indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation.

Therefore, by his Holy Spirit,

- he also assures me of eternal life,
- and makes me wholeheartedly willing
- and ready from now on to live for him.