

Welcome Visitors!

*It is wonderful to have you here today
worshiping with us.*

*We are honored by your presence and invite
you to sign the friendship pad in
the pew, and our Guest Book in
the Narthex. If you include
your email address, we will
send you a copy of our monthly newsletter,
The Good News, and you will be notified of
all our upcoming events and happenings.
Please stay for refreshments and fellowship
following the worship service so we might
have the pleasure of meeting you!*



Thank you to our Door Greeter

Duclos Tchabo

employment opportunity

The Bureau of the Census, Torrance Local office sent a notice about positions open for the 2010 U.S. Census. They range from Recruiting Assistant to office Clerk, Crew Leader and lister. Pay rate varies from \$11.25 - \$18/50/hour More information is available at www.2010censusjobs.gov or call 866-861-2010 for more information.

FLAME OF UNITY, 12/13/09

Today, churches in our presbytery are praying for
First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood
*Join together with all the churches in the Presbytery
of the Pacific and pray for the life and ministries of
this church and its congregation.*



Today's Flowers are presented by

Wini Sheppard
celebrating two years after
open heart surgery



***Why is one of the
Advent candles pink or
rose colored?***

*When the season of
Advent was instituted,
it was a time for
reflection and*

*repentance (thus the purple) and for joy
(represented by the pink or rose colored
candle).*

*To further heighten the sense of
anticipation of Christ's coming during
Advent, the church named each candle
in the wreath – the first being hope, the
second peace, the third joy, and the
fourth love (there are a number of other
traditional names as well, though these
are some of the most ancient).*

From the House Church Network

GIVING ENVELOPES

**Please pick up your 2010 giving
envelopes from the narthex table. If you
do not see a box with your name on and
would like one, please call Lucy Ann at
310-329-6007.**

**- if you have unused offering envelopes
from 2009, please bring them to the office
for "recycling". The number and dates will
be "whited" out and the envelopes
reused in the pews.**

CALVARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

13560 Hawthorne Boulevard, Hawthorne, CA 90250 310-676-1144

calendar

Please notify Kathee with your dates for the calendar.

WED 7:00pm- GIRLS SCOUT TROOP MEETS IN ROOM ABOVE KITCHEN

THURSDAY 7:30pm ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETS IN COWAN HALL

Sun	12/13	10:15am	Worship Service
		11:30am	Deacons Gift Wrapping
Tue	12/15	9-12	Deacons Christmas Baskets
Wed	12/16	7:00pm	Combined Elder/Deacon Meeting
Thu	12/17	7:30	Choir Practice & Cantata Rehearsal
Fri	12/18	9-1	Deacons Food Ministry
		6:30pm	King's Kids Choir Practice
Sat	12/19	2:30-6pm	Native American Christmas Worship and Fellowship meal. All are invited
Sun	12/20	10:15am	Worship Service/Christmas Cantata
Thu	12/24	6:30pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Fri	12/25		Christmas Day
Sun	12/27	10:15am	Worship Service
Sun	1/3/10	10:15am	Worship Service / Communion

Good E-News The December issue of the Good News has been emailed. If you are not on the email list, a copy has been printed for you and is in the Narthex. If you would like to change your delivery preference, please indicate on the sheet in the narthex.



Scripture Readings YEAR C

DECEMBER 20 (FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT)

Luke 1:47-55 or Psalm 80:1-7 Micah 5:2-5a
Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)

Church Staff

Interim Pastor

Bruce Calkins

home: 626-796-7817

Office Hours:

TUE, WED, 10:00AM - 8:30PM

FRI: 10:00 AM - 3:30PM

Office Manager:

Kathee Van Horn

MON, FRI: 9:00 - 2:00 THU: 9:00 - 1:00

TUE, WED: 9:00 - 2:30

Music Director:

Norma Parker

Sexton:

Maria Martinez

Organist:

Pat Bofird



All Groups and Committee Chairs: Please get your 2010 calendar dates to the office for the master calendar and to avoid conflicts.

Faith Presbyterian Church of Torrance Recycling Ministry Electronic Waste Collection

Saturday, December 19 1880 Crenshaw Blvd. Torrance 90501 in the parking lot 8 am to 12 noon

RECYCLE and give a gift of hope! Join us in a ministry of recycling that benefits people and the environment! Here's how: on SATURDAY, DEC. 19th from 8 am to noon bring old or broken electronics to TFPC parking lot. We'll receive cash for the following: any television; computer monitor; plasma or LCD screens; rear projection TVs. Money will go to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance <http://www.pcusa.org/pda/stories/>. You can bring other electronics to recycle such as clock radios, PCs, laptops, DVDs, any electronic item...but we only get money for the items underlined. So...clean out those closets and spare rooms and help us raise funds for those suffering from disasters AND be responsible to the earth! Tell your friends, co-workers, family, neighbors and bring the items on SAT., 12/19 - 8 am to noon.

Thank YOU!

FOR HANGING THE GREENS

Bob Hinkle
Virginia Elledge
Brandon Elledge
Steve MacDonald
Al Richards
Ken Adams
Joan Reine
Cheryl Grant
Denise Gibbs
Mary Gibbs
Nkoli Maduno
Toimbie Amaazee



FOR DECORATING THE CHRISTMAS TREE

Miakah Parker-Alofs
Chineme Maduno
Joshua Maduno
Diamond Williams
Natori Simmons
Noella Bih
Graee Ngwa
Britney Njimbong
Bradley Njimbong
Pastor Bruce

An Advent Poem

You Come

by Thom Shuman

come, anointing oil
when we would place
a foreclosed sign
on the ash-strewn lawn
of disappointed dreams,
you come,
hanging a wreath
strung together
from hope and peace
with a great, glittery
bow of grace;

when we would hand
the outcasts
the cast-offs from
our closets,
you come,
wrapping them in
your handknitted shawl
(from the finest Lambs'
wool)
of embracing joy;

when we would
lash the broken
to that never-ending round
of paperwork, regulations
and platitudes,
you come,
slipping the shackles off,
laughing together
as you race to frolic
in the Spirit's sprinklers.

come, grace's fragrance;
come, love's lotion;
come, compassion's
comfort;

come, and anoint us with
you!

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A special thank you to
CHERYL GRANT
who furnished the new
wreaths in the front of the
sanctuary. They are so beautiful!

4 paperback books were left in the sanctuary Friday night. If you are the owner, or know who they belong to, please pick them up from the file cabinet in the office.

*Pick up your copy of
These Days DAILY DEVOTIONAL
for January-March from the narthex table*

**Deadline for the January 2010 Good News, is 9:00am
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18**

PRAYER LIST

GLADYS ATKINS for healing and recovery from intestinal bleeding & heart attack. Recuperating in the hospital in Long Beach. Friend of the Hellwigs.

BILL CONE - for recovery from surgery. Gladys Leeman's son

BOB DIR - for recovery from triple bypass & heart valve replacement surgery. Steve MacDonald's

BILL DUKE - for comfort, healing and quick accurate diagnosis of problem causing nausea. Friend of the Hellwigs

MARIA ENDARA - for recovery from broken back and damaged spleen from accident. Emily Pim's nephew's friend.

JORGE ENDARA - for peace, comfort and improved health, dealing with cancer and possible hospice. Maria's husband.

RICHARD FLORES for spiritual guidance and vision.

ART GRIFFIN - for healing of lymph system problem in dialysis access arm. Friend of the Van Horns.

MELISSA KEEN - for comfort and healing from double mastectomy. Teacher at El Camino and friend of K. Benz

MARIAN LINDENBERGER - for healing and comfort, hospitalized with water retention problem. Cheryl Grant's Aunt.

LOVELYN MUNDI - for healing and successful diagnosis for rapidly dropping red blood count. In ICU in Baltimore. Ama's daughter.

NANCY NEUMANN - for comfort and healing from fibroid clots in her legs. Friend of Karen Hellwig

STEVE NOTHERN - for comfort and ease of pain from stage 4 lung cancer. Prayers of comfort for family and friends. Long time friends of the Shelharts.

MATT POLINGER for comfort, healing and recovery from aneurysm near his eye. Friend of the Hellwigs.

CORA TRAVERS - for comfort and peace. On hospice at home.

PRAYERS FOR A SAFE TOUR OF DUTY FOR ALL OUR TROOPS IN IRAQ & AFGHANISTAN INCLUDING:

RANDY HUFF - Donna Wilkes great-nephew. Leaves wife & 2 small children at home.

We keep people on the bulletin prayer list for 1 month unless requested for longer period.

REMOVED PRAYERS REMAIN ON THE DEACON PRAYER LIST UNTIL ADVISED BY REQUESTOR OR DEACON.

DECEMBER PRAYER:

Heavenly father, We enter the season of waiting and ask you to help us remember and live for you - the real reason of Christmas. Help us to find new life in Christ for ourselves, our family our church and our community. Help us, dear Lord to shine with this new life for all those we meet.