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*"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."*



### Pastor's Letter ~ April 2023



Reverend Wendy Holland

Plymouth Church invites you to join us for

## Holy Week

**Palm Sunday**  
Meet at the Paso City Park near gazebo (12th St & Park St) at 9:30AM for procession back to church, followed by service as usual at 10:00.

**Good Friday**  
4/7: Evening service at 5PM at Plymouth Church.

**Easter Sunday**  
4/9: Church service followed by brunch and fellowship, and an egg hunt for the kids

Holidays are interesting. We plan for time spent with loved ones, relaxation, and festive gatherings. For church staff and leaders times like Easter and Christmas can come with an expectation of extra polish. We might plan for special songs, upscale fellowship spreads, fancier clothes, and sermons that speak to a broader audience.

Whether at home or at church, it can feel like a lot of pressure. I've seen loved ones and church leaders become overwhelmed by *what* needs to be done, while losing sight of *why* we're doing it.

The most important thing to keep in mind is that whatever we do, the intention is not to impress, but to show those around us that they are welcome, and that we genuinely want to include them. Lovely music, great snacks, and a message that helps people feel seen all work as a reminder that we care enough to make the effort - not just on Easter and Christmas, but year-round.

We do this so well, and my appreciation for all of you who make this happen every week is immense.

Join us for Holy Week services, and bring along anyone who needs to know that they matter.

With gratitude,

Pastor Wendy

Start  
Each day with a  
Grateful heart!

The way forward is love.  
The way to open doors is love.  
The way to social change is love.  
The way to peace is love.  
The way to equality is love.  
Let go of the anger and fear  
and let love show you the way.

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# Mission-Outreach News for April 2023

~ Submitted by John Svinth

**Blood Drive on April 29:** Our next blood drive is Saturday, April 29, in Plymouth Hall, from 10 AM – 2:30 PM.

If you are eligible and would like to be a donor, please join us at this blood drive or attend one of the other local events by making an appointment online at [donors.vitalant.org/dwp/portal/dwa](https://donors.vitalant.org/dwp/portal/dwa) or by calling 877-258-4825. A wealth of information about giving blood is available online at [vitalant.org](https://vitalant.org) or by calling the above number. So, if you are eligible and available, please give blood and **Save a Life!**

**GleanSLO needs a volunteer** to glean at the Templeton Farmers Market, at 6<sup>th</sup> and Crocker streets, on Saturday mornings. This volunteer would collect leftover and other donated produce at the Templeton Farmers Market and deliver it to the Atascadero Loaves & Fishes food pantry. If you are interested, please contact Andrea Richards at 805-888-7698.

**The Warming Center for the Homeless** was approved to use Plymouth Hall for overnights on Wednesdays and Thursdays when the winter weather is very cold and/or raining. The Paso Robles Church of the Nazarene hosts the warming center on Mondays and Tuesdays, while other churches may make their halls available for the other three nights of the week. The warming center is conducted by a collaborative of three nonprofits – Hope and Faith Street Outreach, Paso Cares Homeless Services, and LAGS Recovery Center. Guests are provided a hot dinner and cots on which to sleep. Those with pets can keep them in provided kennels. A pair of chaperones supervises the first half of the evening, while another pair of chaperones supervises the second half. Volunteers are needed to serve as food providers or chaperones. Those desiring to volunteer at the warming center are asked to call Pastor Stephen Anastasia of the Nazarene Church at 805-242-2675.

**Our Plymouth Cares meal on March 7<sup>th</sup>** served only 72 meals probably due to up to 20 guests eating at the Warming Center hosted that night at the Nazarene Church. The guests enjoyed a hearty dinner of pulled pork with corn and scalloped potatoes prepared by Stu. The savory sides were Evelyn’s crisp green salad with Ranch dressing; buttered Hawaiian sweet rolls by a round-table crew of John & Linda T., Olivia, Ronny and Chris; Alison’s famous Scottish shortbread; and refreshing bottled waters from Alex. The PBJ sack lunches were created by the assembly-line of Chris, Sharon W., John B., Olivia, Ronny, Linda, and Carlie & John S. Our joyful servers at the ECHO Paso shelter were Stu, Chris, John T., Pearl and John S. It was another afternoon of happy fellowship while following the guidance of Jesus to help those in need. Our next Plymouth Cares meal is April 4<sup>th</sup> and helpers are always appreciated.

**The One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS)** special mission offering was taken on March 19. An update on the amount collected will be available in next month’s Beacon. OGHS is the annual UCC offering that sends support to relieve suffering locally and around the globe.

**The “Donations for Homeless” box** in Plymouth Hall is receiving wonderful items. A list of accepted donations to the ECHO Paso Robles homeless shelter is attached to the box. These items include cases of bottled water, shirts, pants, shoes, blankets, towels, hygiene items, art supplies, and new socks. Members of our Mission-Outreach Team will deliver the donated items to the shelter. Please check out the list and donate those unneeded items and perhaps a case of bottled water and some new socks.



## DIACONATE REPORT ~ Submitted by Sharon Rowe

It is finally Spring!!! The blossoms and blooms are everywhere and also the beautiful green hills. On Easter Sunday, please bring an Easter lily to decorate the church. The more the prettier. Then take it home to enjoy or take it to someone who needs a kind act.

- \* **April 2 is Palm Sunday.** Meet in the park at 9:30. We have palm strips. We are joining St. James Church processing back to our church for the 10:00 service.
- \* **April 7 is Good Friday.** We will have a service at 5:00 PM.
- \* **April 9 is Easter.** It will be a beautiful service full of Music, Message, and good fellowship, all helping us to celebrate our risen Lord.
- \* We have several blank lines on the flower and fellowship sign-ups. Please fill a blank line with your name. Any snacks and flowers are appreciated by all. There is nothing like the joy in the face of a child, running back to a table with a cookie in hand. (I have seen smiles on adults too!!!) :)

**Time to do some Spring cleaning.** Take time to go through cupboards and drawers. The church is having a fund-raising Estate Sale. We’re going to have a Spring-Cleaning Day at Church also. The Estate sale will be in May.

Blessings to all and wishing you a Happy Easter Day,  
Sharon Rowe, Diaconate Chair



The happiness of your life depends upon the quality of your thoughts.  
Marcus Aurelius

# YOUTH MINISTRY

~ Submitted by Julia Schulte



4/9: Easter egg hunt (after service)  
 4/16: Youth to Yogurt (after service)  
 4/21: Date Night 5:30-8:30PM (Youth House); youth group overnight (Youth House)  
 4/22: Overnight pickups 10AM (Youth House)  
 4/26: Let's Talk About That 6:30-8PM (Youth House)  
 4/30: Youth Sunday

Hello Plymouth families, and happy April! As we progress into the season of Easter and spring (one of my favorite times of year), I hope you're able to join us for our upcoming events!

As we start the month off with Palm Sunday on the 2nd, I wanted to remind everyone that we'll be meeting in the downtown Paso Park at 9:30AM, to walk with palm fronds to Plymouth. It's always fun and exciting for the kids to participate, especially the younger ones, and the older kids can help out distributing palms. Don't forget to join us if you're able! We will also be holding a Good Friday service at 5PM on Friday April 7th, and our families and youth are invited and encouraged to attend.

Sunday the 9th is Easter Sunday! After service, we will be having an Easter egg hunt out on Plymouth's back patio/playground for our younger kids. Bring an egg-collecting basket or bucket if you have one, and we will have extras just in case. Our older youth (6th grade and up) are invited to help me fill Easter eggs with candy, and help hide the eggs before the egg hunt starts. This is one of my favorite events of the year, and I'm so excited to be able to do an egg hunt again! Please let me know if you have any questions, and if your youth are planning to participate!

After our fun holiday activities at the beginning of April, our usual monthly events will be happening as scheduled. On the 3rd Sunday of the month, 4/16, we will be doing Youth to Yogurt. Youth group 6th grade and up are invited to join me after service to walk the few blocks to the downtown park. We will be grabbing a frozen treat and taking it to the park, where we'll discuss upcoming youth events. It's a great way for our church youth to be involved in the planning process and to give their input on what events sound the most engaging and fun, so I hope they can join us!

Our monthly Date Night will be the 3rd Friday of the month, 4/21. Join us in Plymouth's Youth House from 5:30-8:30PM for a night of games, snacks, crafts, fun with friends, and more. We will be doing crafts themed around Earth Day, which is that Saturday! Parents, if you would be able to serve as a parent volunteer for the night, provide food for the kids, or both, please let me know. I'm always looking for parent volunteers, and our events would not be possible without your involvement. Let me know if this is something you can do; thanks so much in advance!

After Date Night, youth group (6th grade and up) are invited to stay at the church for an overnight. It's always a fun time with LOTS of games, snacks, interesting conversations, and more. Don't forget a pillow and blanket! Pickups will be Saturday morning at 10AM, and breakfast muffins will be provided.

On the 4th Wednesday of the month, 4/26, we will be having our monthly "Let's Talk About That" meeting. Youth group are invited to join myself and Pastor Wendy from 6:30-8PM for an evening of conversations over pizza. We discuss whatever it is the youth want to talk about that night, such as family, faith, life, school, church, prayer needs, and more. We always have important and insightful conversations, so I hope our youth can be there!

Finally, the last Sunday of the month, 4/30, will be our monthly Youth Sunday (keep in mind that there are 5 Sundays this month)! Youth of all ages are invited to participate in our service in whatever way they would like, whether that be reading as liturgist, bringing the light as acolyte, serving as greeters, running the slides, and more. If your youth has expressed interest in participating in service in any way, please let me know, so we can make it happen. We'll make sure that they know what to do, and it's such a great way to show our youth that they have a place and a role at Plymouth.

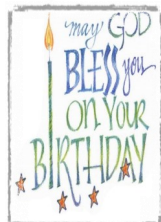
That's all from me for now. Please reach out with any questions, and keep an eye out for more detailed information and RSVP info coming soon. Have a beautiful month!

"That is one good thing about this world... There are always sure to be more Springs." -L.M. Montgomery

Julia S., Youth & Family Director

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Jean Fabre	2	Greyson Quealy	12
Bill Krum	2	Frank Teague	12
Estey Boling	3	Paul Burkle	16
Zoe Smith	3	Kyle Hoffman Wood	16
Linda Tubb	4	Juliette Fabre	17
Bill Tuttle	7	Quinn Tannehill	20
Deb Bradley	7	Guillaume Fabre	25
Dagny Peterson	8	Allene Elder	28
Patrick Boling	10		



## APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

JoAnne & Stu Stoddard	3
Steve & Mary Ann Austin	26





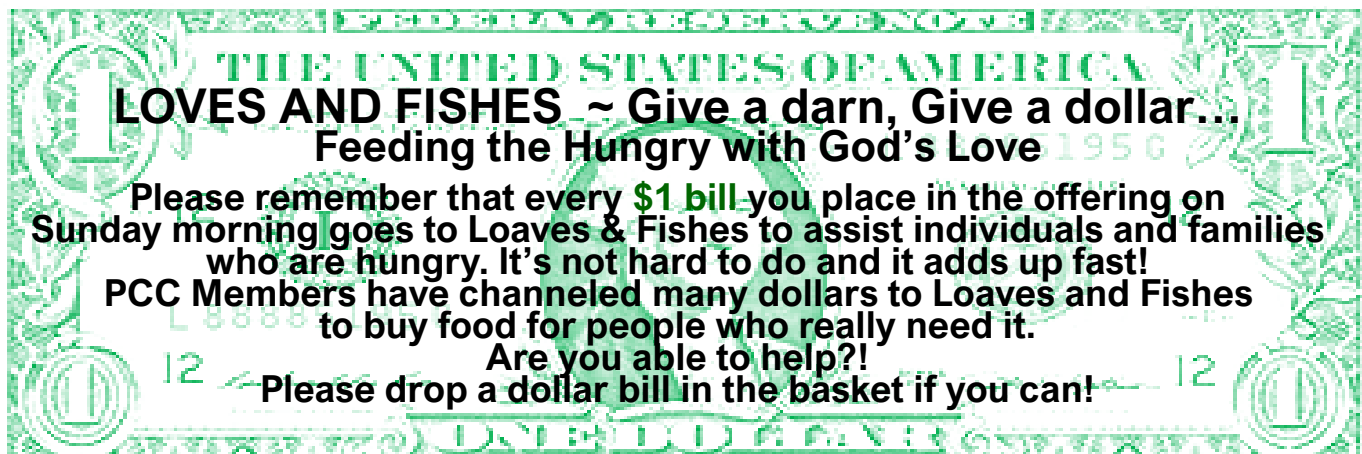
# APRIL CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

## HOPE AND HEALING



- ✠ Prayers are requested for Scarlett Rose Andreotti, 3 years old, diagnosed with Childhood Leukemia.
- ✠ Tom Bradley
- ✠ Prayers of comfort for the family of Stan Case on his passing. **Stan's Memorial Service will be held on 4/22/23, 11:00 am, at Plymouth Church.**
- ✠ Pete DeGraaf ~ Parkinson's
- ✠ Prayers of comfort for the family of 5-year old Kyle Doan who was carried away by flood waters near San Miguel during the rain storms in San Luis Obispo County.
- ✠ Maisie Egger
- ✠ Barb Hill ~ For her son Ron's recovery and good health
- ✠ Rev. Wendy Holland and family
- ✠ David Jennings ~ Now in hospice with PSP.
- ✠ Carolyn Kelso
- ✠ Chris Macy's surgery has been postponed. She is on a new medication that is working well, thank you God! She is waiting to get a second opinion before submitting to surgery.
- ✠ Prayers of comfort for Michelle Richardson, on the passing of her husband of 54 years, Steve.
- ✠ Prayers for Melinda Sterling for a complete and successful recovery from hip replacement surgery .
- ✠ Anita Yates
- ✠ For multiple families dealing with health and cognition issues.
- ✠ For the continued good health of all and a final end to Covid.
- ✠ For God to bless PCC with continued, abundant, love and unity, and to add to our numbers, as we can be a mutual blessing to those who join us.

**\*Please contact the church office to add or remove anyone from our prayer list:  
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### COMMUNIQUE

John Burkle, Financial Secretary  
Paul Burkle, Music Director, Pianist  
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Gail Tannehill-Lloyd, Liturgists  
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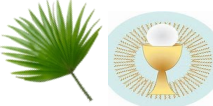

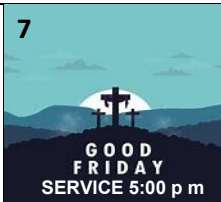
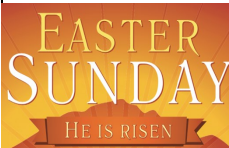




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# He is Risen

Plymouth Congregational Church  
April 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>ROOM LEGEND:</b> All Rooms Booked - (AR), Courtyard - (C), Plymouth Hall - (PH), Kitchen - (K), Library - (L), Office - (O), Sanctuary - (S), Youth House - (YH)                      Plymouth Church Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday ~ 10 A.M. - 2:P.M.                      Office Phone #: 805-238-3321                      Office Email: plymouthchurchpaso@gmail.com Website: plymouthchurchpaso.com</p>						<p>1 God's Garden 8:30am</p>  <p>April fool's Day</p>
<p>2 Palm Sunday - Meet @ Paso Park 9:30                      HOLY COMMUNION 10am - PCC Sanctuary</p> 	3	<p>4 Plymouth Cares Dinner Prep 1-4PM                      Volunteers Always Welcome</p> 	<p>5 Men's Bible Study 8AM (PH)                      Meghan Ball 10-12 (PH)</p>	<p>6 Pastor Wendy's Bible Study 10:00-11:30 (S)                      Youth Ministry Zoom Meeting 5:30pm                      PCC Singers (S) 7PM</p>	<p>7</p>  <p>GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 5:00 p m</p>	<p>8 Holy Saturday</p>
<p>9 WORSHIP ~ PCC SANCTUARY 10am</p>  <p>EASTER SUNDAY HE IS RISEN</p>	10	<p>11 PCC Anniversary 139 Years</p>	<p>12 Men's Bible Study 8AM (PH)                      Meghan Ball 10-12 (PH)</p>	<p>13 Pastor Wendy's Bible Study 10:00-11:30 (S)                      PCC Singers (S) 7PM</p>	14	<p>15  TAX DAY</p>
<p>16 WORSHIP ~ PCC SANCTUARY 10am                      *Diaconate Meeting 11:30AM (PH)                      Youth to Yogurt After Service</p> 	17	<p>18 *Trustees 6PM                      *Council 6:45PM</p>	<p>19 Men's Bible Study 8AM (PH)                      Meghan Ball 10-12 (PH)                      Mission Outreach Mtg. 3:45pm (PH)                      Youth: Let's Talk About That ~ 6:30pm (PH)</p>	<p>20 Pastor Wendy's Bible Study 10:00-11:30 (S)                      PCC Singers (S) 7PM</p>	<p>21 Youth Date Night 5:30-8:30PM @ the Youth House followed by Overnight and White Elephant for 6th grade and up</p>	<p>22 Youth Pick ups 10am Youth House                      Stan Cases's Memorial Service 11am PCC</p> 
<p><b>SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION FELLOWSHIP HALL</b></p> 						
<p>23 WORSHIP ~ PCC SANCTUARY 10am                      YOUTH SUNDAY 10am ~ PCC SANCTUARY</p> 	24	25	<p>26 Men's Bible Study 8AM (PH)                      Meghan Ball 10-12 (PH)</p>	<p>27 Pastor Wendy's Bible Study 10:00-11:30 (S)                      PCC Singers (S) 7PM</p>	28	<p>29 BLOOD DRIVE 8 AM - 4 PM (PH)</p>

APRIL WORSHIP PLANS ~ We hope you are able to join us for our April Sundays, 10:00am, in our Church Sanctuary.

- SUNDAY SERMONS:
- Week One (4/2/23): "Loyalties" ~ Matthew 27:11-26
  - Week Two (4/9/23): "Messengers" ~ Matthew 28:1-10
  - Week Three (4/16/23): "Reassurance" ~ Acts 2:14a, 22-32
  - Week Four (4/23/23): "Jesus in Disguise" ~ Luke 24:13-35
  - Week Five (4/30/23): "Devoted" ~ Acts 2:42-47

To access our online worship; To find out more about Plymouth Church; or To make an online offering; please visit: [plymouthchurchpaso.com](http://plymouthchurchpaso.com). God bless us all!