



Good Sam Notes

“Go and Do Likewise”

Welcome To Our New Family Member Lydia!

We welcome Lydia Wilderman to our family today through the sacrament of baptism. Please be sure to greet Lydia after the service today.

Save the Date -- Annual General Meeting

Our church's annual meeting will be held on January 17th after the 9:30am service. In Roetter Hall, we will start with brunch followed by the business meeting. Come vote for your new vestry members and meet your new senior warden. Bring your nametags to avoid awkward introductions!

We need to elect delegates for the 2011 Diocesan Convention as well at the meeting, so please consider raising your hand. We have three delegates and two-three alternates. We do not know if the Convention will be in San Diego or out at St. Margaret's, Palm Desert.

Interfaith Shelter Needs Your Help!

We need volunteers to take home on the 16th, one large load of sheets, pillow cases & blankets. We also need: size 5 clothes for a boy: long pants, tops, socks; women's size 10 shoes; women's clothing size 3X (28/30) tops and stretch pants; and, men's clothing size 3X jacket and other warm clothes.

Please continue to pray for our guests until Saturday, January 16th.

Please [contact Jim or Jill Lawrence](#).

We are housing the guests in rooms 3 & 4 in Roetter Hall from Monday, January 4 until Saturday morning, January 16, when they move to Pacific Beach Methodist Church.

New Taize Service

Chanting prayer probably best describes this meditative service. Take time out from your busy week and join the Newman Center and Good Sam on

Tuesday, January 19

7pm in the Worship Center

Welcome New Family Members!

To our guests today: Thanks for letting us worship with you today! Please join us for refreshments after the service. To find out more about what's going on at Good Sam, please pick up a Welcome Packet at the Greeters' Table, or visit our website at: www.goodsamchurch.org for a full calendar of events and descriptions of our various groups and ministries.

Take a Poinsettia Today

If you donated toward our Christmas flowers, you can take a poinsettia home this Sunday. If you didn't get a chance to donate and there are still poinsettias left, make a check for \$10 out to Good Samaritan Episcopal Church, and put "Flower Guild Christmas Flowers" in the memo line and hand it to an usher.



Job Posting: Bookkeeper

Part Time. Under the general supervision of the Treasurer, maintain financial records of Good Samaritan Episcopal Church. Process payroll, disbursements and receipts. Enter data into accounting software and donor database. Prepare monthly bank reconciliations and financial statements, quarterly giving statements and other reports as needed. Organize and maintain accounting files. Schedule is four hours per day, two days a week with an hourly rate of \$12 to \$15 DOQ.

Interested applicants should send their resume to Good Samaritan Episcopal Church, Attn: Arthur Kassebaum, 4321 Eastgate Mall, San Diego CA 92121 or email it to AKassebaum@att.net.

Serving Opportunities

We have two leadership positions that have recently opened up. These can be also co-led positions. Email Chris or one of the wardens (Carol or Dave), or the office, if you are interested in serving in either of these Sunday ministries. Any age from teen on up can fill these positions.

Leader of the Acolyte Team Ministry: recruits and trains new acolytes (they process the cross and help Chris at the altar during preparation and clean up of the Eucharist), is their spokesperson at the Worship Team Ministry.

PRAYER LIST

Sunday Adult Christian Education

Time	Speaker	Title
Jan 3		No Adult Education
Jan 10	Michelle Melden	Our Mission is Healing: Understanding Health Care Reforms
Jan 17	Annual General Meeting	
Jan 24, Feb 7, 14	David Moseley, Ph.D.	Jesus' World - Life and Times in 1st Century CE Israel
Jan 31		No Adult Education Women's Group Annual Meeting (RH #3,4)

The Psalms of Ascent classes resume today at 8:45am in Roetter Hall.

At 10:45am today, the Health and Wellness Ministry invites you to a dialogue sponsored by Justice Overcoming Boundaries on the topic: "Our Mission is Healing: Understanding Health Care Reforms". Chris will introduce our guest speaker, Michelle Melden from the Consumer Center for Health Education and Advocacy. She will guide the conversation on this important topic.

MovieGoers This Wednesday!

January 13th

1:45 p.m. matinee at AMC 12 La Jolla to see the movie *It's Complicated*, starring Meryl Streep. Matinee tickets are \$8.50, same price for seniors, as well. If you would like to join the lunch group at 12:00 at Elijah's Deli across the street from the movie, [please contact](#) to let us know if you will be attending: Mary Mathis or Jean Fowler

Flower Donations

In your bulletin today, you have a form for donating toward the lovely Christmas flowers that decorate our church. If you donate, you can take a poinsettia home on January 10th (next Sunday).

Also in the lobby as you head toward the bathroom is our Flower Chart. We encourage you to make donations in honor of birthdays, anniversaries and loved ones. Write down the reason for the donation. This chart is displayed year round to show your generosity and to share your family's milestones and memories. The usual donation for Sunday flowers is \$45. Please include "Flowers" in the memo line of your check.

Drop either or both checks into the plate today or next week, hand to an usher after the service, or mail it to us.

This Week's Calendar

Monday, January 11
4:00pm Interfaith Shelter (RH)

Tuesday, January 12
10:00am Staff Meeting (Chris' office)
4:00pm Interfaith Shelter (RH)
5:30pm Men's Group (Choir Room)
6:30pm Vestry (Nursery)

Wednesday, January 13
6:30am Men's Small Group (SR Denny's)
9:30am Healing Service (Chapel)
10:30am Bible Study (RH #6)
1:45pm GS Moviegoers (AMC La Jolla)
4:00pm Interfaith Shelter (RH)
5:30pm Healing Service (Chapel)
7:30pm Bell A'Peal rehearsal (Nursery)

Thursday, January 14
10:30am Classic Residence service
12noon Helping Hands (RH #6)
4:00pm Interfaith Shelter (RH)
6:30pm OSL Class (Chapel)
7:30pm Chancel Choir rehearsal (WC)

Friday, January 15
4:00pm Interfaith Shelter (RH)
5:00pm Youth Event (JCC)

Saturday, January 16
8:00am Men's Breakfast (RH #6, Kit.)
9:30am Interfaith Shelter Tear Down (RH)

Sunday, January 17
10:45am Annual General Meeting (RH)

New Class: Are We Sinners....Really?

Rabbi Michael Mayersohn will teach a three-week class, "Are We Sinners...Really?" at Good Samaritan Episcopal Church in Roetter Hall on Tuesday mornings, 10 a.m. to noon from January 26 to February 9. The class is based on his new book, "Are We Sinners? Christian and Jewish Beliefs on Sin & Evil." In the book Rabbi Mayersohn explores traditional Jewish and Christian writings from the Hebrew Bible, rabbinic literature, the New Testament, St. Augustine and Aquinas on the question of sin and evil. The class will use the book as the text for the class.

Judaism and Christianity differ on the question of original sin and in this class we will come to understand how we reach different conclusions. Rabbi Mayersohn has been teaching classes at Good Samaritan and other churches in San Diego, Orange County and Arizona for six years and is the founder of the Alliance for Christian and Jewish Studies. In March he will be presenting two workshops at the Religious Education Congress of the L.A. Archdiocese in Santa Ana.

Registration for the class is \$35 per person and the book is \$13.95 (plus \$4.95 shipping and handling if you want it delivered in advance of the class). Fees can be sent in advance to ACJS (P.O. 6141, Garden Grove, 92846) or can be handled at the first class. Visit Rabbi Mayersohn's website at www.CaliforniaRabbi.com to learn more about his work.

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Diocesan Convention Just Around the Corner

February 12 & 13 36th Annual Diocesan Convention

Valentine's Day weekend falls on the Diocesan Convention weekend in our diocese. Fall in love with the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego all over again! Join us at First United Methodist Church in Mission Valley (San Diego) on Friday, February 12 and Saturday, February 13 for the annual gathering of our church family.

All people of the diocese are invited to attend Convention, particularly the gala dinner on Friday evening, the festive Eucharist on Saturday morning and the Bishop's Address on Saturday afternoon. During the gala dinner, we will hear from the world renowned speaker, Brian McLaren, and Bishop Mathes will honor outstanding service award recipients from around the diocese. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Pre-Convention Budget & Resolution Hearings

Saturday, January 9, 10:00am -11:30am

St. Margaret's, Palm Desert

Tuesday, January 12, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

St. Paul's Cathedral

Thursday, January 14, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

St. Thomas, Temecula

We will gather on Saturday for a festive Eucharist and enjoy the sounds of a volunteer, diocesan-wide choir. There will be a service project, a canned food drive, shopping opportunities and much more. This Convention is about more than church business; it is about being the church in the world today.

For all Convention information, from gala dinner to nomination forms, visit the diocesan web site.

**Become an Official
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Diocesan Convention
(next year)
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