



The El Estero Echoes
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The Mission of the El Estero Presbyterian Church is to
Glorify God through a Grateful Commitment to the Great
Commandment and the Great Commission.

A Devotional Message

Our Holiday Donation Drive for the Salvation Army



Our church's Outreach Branch and the Deacons were happy to host a Holiday Donation Drive for the Salvation Army. We held the event on Saturday, October 14. We collected new blankets, pajamas for children and teens, and toys ... lots of toys.

Our morning began with donuts and coffee and an opening prayer given by Richard. Then it was all hands outside to welcome drive up and drop off donations. We also had a red kettle and bell ringers to accompany Bob McIntyre's Donate and Dance Party. The Dance Party's Red Kettle collected \$210.56 Thanks to Bob and his dance team who were up, on their feet, and dancing all morning.

Then to close our busy morning Greg and Marie prepared a hot dog lunch with perfectly grilled hot dogs, salads, chips, and desserts. Thanks to Taye for a delicious macaroni salad and Lynn for cookies Thanks to all of our church family and friends who supported our Salvation Army Holiday Donation Drive.

In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' *Acts 20:35*.



Join us next year for another great holiday donation event.



Pastor Nominating Committee Update



Pastor Joe and June will be arriving in Monterey in December. He will be speaking via zoom on November 26th and there will be a congregational meeting to finalize details. Please pray for Pastor's housing, moving and transition to this new chapter. We thank God for His sovereign plan in all things, trusting that Pastor Joe and his family will enjoy the Christmas holidays together in their new home of Monterey/El Estero.

**THANK YOU TO THE PNC FOR THEIR
DEDICATED WORK. THIS IS A WONDERFUL
AND EXCITING TIME FOR EL ESTERO CHURCH.**

PER CAPITA DUES

Per Capita Dues are due to the Presbytery for 2024.



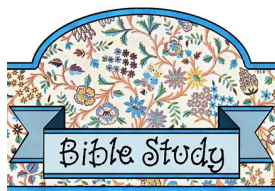
This year the per capita is \$41.50 per member. You may send your Per Capita check to the church with your offering or pledge. Please make your check payable to the El Estero Presbyterian Church. Note: Please write "Per Capita" on your check and please keep your Per Capita check separate from your offering or pledge. Sending separate checks helps our counting and book keeping.

Thank you for attending to this compensation to the Presbytery.

COME AND JOIN A BIBLE STUDY

*Magnify * Maturity * Membership * Ministry * Mission*

Please join us.



Let's learn together.

Daily Devotional: You can read a Daily Devotional online through our church webpage: elesteropc.org and click on This Week.

Thursday Evening Q&A: Every Thursday evening, 7:00 pm. We completed a very thoughtful study of Psalm 23. We have also completed a 4 week study of Jonah.

This month we are starting a new study, "How To Really Know The Will of God" Dr. Wayne Shen and Dave Hoshiwara will be leading our studies. If you would like to join the Bible Study, you may leave a message with Dave dhoshiwara@gmail.com

Please join us and we can study and learn together.



Joys and Concerns

Please continue to pray for

Bill Bevier, Don and Dori Chin, Teresa Erickson, Bill Esaki, Pastor Ted and Sherry Esaki, Joyce Gota, Tom and Lynn Gunter, Hiro Manaka, Helen Nakano, Bob McIntyre, Joan Ouye, Pastor Joseph and June Park and their family, Lyle and Meja Quock, Jean Tanaka, Tomi Tanaka, Rev. Sam Tonomura, Nami Uyeda, Hedy Yamamoto, Setsuko Yamanishi, George Wooding.

Prayers for our church family, for members who are ill, those away from their loved ones, and those who are concerned for family and friends.

Prayers for the citizens of our world that we may defeat this Coronavirus.

Prayers for our medical professionals, first responders, emergency workers, caregivers, grocery clerks., teachers

Prayers for those who have been laid off or are without income.

Prayers for our research and medical scientists as they work for vaccines and a cure for COVID19.

Prayers for our world leaders as they deal with the complex issues facing their nations and our world community.

Prayers for the people of Israel, Ukraine and Eastern Europe.

Prayers for our state and local leaders as they work to keep our communities safe.

Prayers for world peace.

While we have worship services on ZOOM, please email your prayer request to our church's email at elesteropc@gmail.com



Please join us to
Give Thanks and celebrate Thanksgiving
With a Thanksgiving Potluck on
Sunday, November 19, 2023,
After worship service in the Fellowship Hall.

The church's Outreach Committee will provide pumpkin pies and
whipped cream for dessert.

If you would like, please bring a main dish or a side dish or a salad
to share.

Let's give thanks together.



UKULELE PRACTICE

Invite a friend as all are welcome to join us.

Ukulele, guitar, mandolin, banjo, drums

^{1st} 1st Sunday of each month after worship service in the Fellowship Hall .



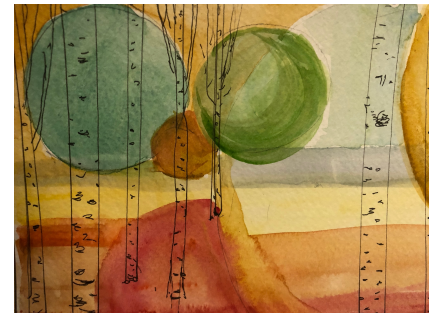
The **Hiking Fellowship** group will be taking a rest in November and December
due to the Thanksgiving and the Christmas vacations. We are planning on
starting up again in January 2024.

Watch for news of the January Hiking Fellowship in the January Echoes.

Open ART Studio

Join us for an art class led by Bob McIntyre. We meet on Saturdays at 10:00 am on ZOOM. Our class is sponsored by the El Estero Church. Please send an email to elesteropc@gmail.com if you are interested and we will send you a ZOOM invitation. All are welcome to join us.

Decorated Pumpkin.
Suzette



Michelle.



Carmel Beach. KC



3 Dinghies. Mar



2 Dinghies. Mar

Moss Landing.
Mar





Winterscape. Suzette



Flowers. Nancy



Blue Heron. Nancy





Wharf II . Tim



Montana de Oro Promontory. Mark

Carmel River Lagoon. Mark

Calera Canyon Vineyard.
Mark



Sleepy Harbor.
Mark

Polperro.
Suzette



Autumn. Nancy

Winter. Nancy



DECEMBER 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Worship Service in church and on ZOOM starts at 10:30 am. Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month					1	2 10:00 am ART on ZOOM
3 1st Sunday of Advent 10:30 am Worship Service Guest Speaker Communion Coffee Hour	4 7:00 pm Spiritual Growth Mtg	5 7:00 pm Finance Mtg	6	7 7:00 pm Bible Study on Zoom	8	9 10:00 am ART on ZOOM
10 2nd Sunday of Advent 10:30 am Worship Service Guest Speaker 1:00 pm Session Mtg.	11	12 6:30 pm Deacons' Mtg	13	14 7:00 pm Bible Study on Zoom	15 Echoes Articles Due	16 10:00 am ART on ZOOM
17 3rd Sunday of Advent 10:30 am Worship Service Guest Speaker	18	19 7:00 pm Outreach Mtg	20	21 7:00 pm Bible Study on Zoom	22	23
24 4th Sunday of Advent 10:30 am Worship Service Guest Speaker Coffee Hour	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26	27	28 7:00 pm Bible Study on Zoom	29	30
31 10:30 am Worship Service Guest Speaker						

El Estero Church's ZOOM worship service on Sundays, 10:30 am, Please email the church at elesteropc@gmail.com to request an email invitation to ZOOM worship service.

To access the "Sermon Outline" and the "Worship Bulletin" for Sunday's worship service, go to our website elesteropc.org and click on Messages.

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"Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,
and into His courts with praise:
be thankful unto Him, and bless His name."

Psalm 100:4