

Jason Locke has been our preaching minister since 2009.

Minister's Message

I appreciate the chance to look back as we move forward into a new year. A popular quote from the 19th century says, "Those who do not learn from history are doomed to repeat it." Although I'm not interested in living through the rear-view mirror, I feel strongly that an occasional glance backward is a good idea.

As I reflect on 2011 in the College Church, I see God birthing in us characteristics of a church on the rebound. Those who believed that hiring a preacher (me) three years ago would bring instantaneous growth likely didn't fully understand the natural dynamics at work in a church that had been declining for more than a decade.

Congregations naturally ebb and flow, and the age of a con-

gregation has a larger effect on its overall health than most folks realize. Renewal in the power of the Spirit is a recurring necessity. A church's life cycle must be periodically examined and renewed, and this requires systemic changes that are rarely self-evident. As I look back on 2011, I see us having entered a renewal period—tentative perhaps, but renewal nonetheless.

Let's ask God for genuine renewal as we seek to unleash the tremendous skills and potential of our church. Just as it hasn't been easy to get where we are, it won't be easy to arrive at our destination. But God has led us this far. And we trust Him.



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Welcome! If you are **visiting** with us today, please give us your name & contact information on *the card below*. **Tear it off and place it in the offering basket** later in the service. We invite you to experience God's grace among us and to think about finding your place in this fellowship of believers.

Name(s): _____ Date: _____

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Prayer Request: _____

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People, Times & Places

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Mountain View Christian School

is a church-affiliated pre-school, day care, and primary school (K-6) that uses part of our facility. It operates under its own board, most of whom are members of our church. For info about enrollment, call 435-2923.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00-10:20 AM

During worship, a **Staffed Nursery** is available for children from birth to 2 years of age. That room is off the foyer.

Kids from kindergarten to 6th grade will be invited to participate in children's church, called **PowerUp**, during the second half of worship. They will be dismissed with their chaperones at about 9:30.

SUNDAY CLASSES

10:30-11:30 AM

Adult Groups

College Age	Rm 500
Drury	Rm 305
Button/Watson	Fellowship Hall
Rodriguez	Rm 411
Smith	Rm 405
Wint	Rm 406
Sue	Auditorium

Children & Youth

2-3 Years	Rm 103
4-5 Years	Rm 104
Kinder/1st Grade	Rm 205
2nd/3rd Grade	Rm 206
4th/5th Grade	Rm 203
6th Grade	Rm 307
Junior High	Rm 600
High School	Rm 600

WEDNESDAY CLASSES

6:30-7:30 PM

Sermon the Mount	Rm 411
Theology of Pop Music	Rm 305
Prayer Group	Rm 406
College Age	Rm 500
Overcomer's Outreach	Rm 700
Disability Support	Rm 211
Teens	Rm 600
Kids	Children's Wing



The College Church is God's safe house, a place where you can find refuge and care. Instead of judgment, you will experience the grace of God through Jesus Christ.

In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble." (1 Peter 5:5)

After the sermon, we will have a "Time of Response." Various folks will be available to talk or pray. Others will be available to assist. You can respond by moving to one of the aisles.

Today's Order of Worship

I Will Follow

Call to Worship ~ Arthur Wint

I Will Follow

Trust and Obey

You Are Worthy

Shout Hallelujah!

Lord, We Come before Thee Now

Communion ~ Todd Dildine

On Zion's Glorious Summit Stood

Mighty to Save

Message ~ Jason Locke

"Valuing the Faith of All 4 Generations" (Part 1)

Time of Response

You Have Been Good

Offering ~ Terry Hutchison

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Blessing

January 8, 2012

Shepherding Group News

Smith: We spent a large portion of our class time in prayer, including both thanksgiving and petitions, as we began the New Year. We were especially encouraged by the stories of love and faithfulness described during the worship service.

Sue: Great turn out for the new year's day breakfast. Jacob & Jericho Locke tasted "Spam" for the first time. David Lopez starts a new study today. Louise Stuckert is encouraging us to read thru the bible this year. log on their website for more information. Congratulations! Eric & Janice Bowman are new grandparents. We are saddened by the passing of Randy Schmidt. Peace & comfort for his family. Brian MacDougall will be starting treatments for Hepatitis. Steve Ocheltree will be facilitating class for the next two weeks.

Wednesday Night's Menu! Dinner @ 5:30 p.m.

Fried Chicken,
Bakes Beans, Corn
& Rolls

\$4 per Person
\$10 per Family

Classes start
at 6:30.

For the Record

Attendance:
Worship (1/1) 254
Bible Classes 258
Wed (1/4) 75

Contribution: Not yet available

In Our Prayers

Richard Haggard: medical consultation
Bernice Foster: recovering at Horizon Health Center, Room 314-B

Ongoing Concerns: **Marsha Rocha, Mary Tarkenton, Betty Brown, Jessie Jarman, Edith Hood, Gennis Fraley, Margaret Cooke, Mary Leist, Eva Trader, Christine Hampy, Faye Gresham and Florence Bedoian**

Tuesday Ladies Bible Class will resume on January 24 at 9:45 a.m. New and returning women are welcome to attend.

Pantry Needs

The church pantry needs a bit of restocking after the holiday season. Donations can be placed in front of the pantry door or dropped off in the church office. Please check expiration dates before donating. Diapers are always in high need (sizes 3 and up). Canned goods, condiments, cereals, and boxed food are also needed.

Upcoming Church Activities & Events



The College Church RENEW conference is February 10-12. We are glad to announce our resource speakers this year: Mike Cope, Mark Lau Branson, Tony Ash, and Aaron Metcalf (please visit our website to read more about the speakers). Registration can be completed online by filling out the online form or printing out a hard copy that can be mailed or hand carried into the church office. The registration fee is \$15 per person. Payment can be made on-line with Paypal or by check at the registration table in our lobby.

Memorial Service

We give our love and sympathy to the family of Randy Schmidt who died last weekend after a long battle with cancer. A memorial service will be here at the church building this Friday, January 13, at 11:00. The family asks that donations be made to Yosemite Bible Camp in lieu of flowers.

Women's Retreat

The women's retreat is February 24-26. Reservations were due in November and remaining balances must be paid by January 15. You should have received a letter that shows your remaining balance. Contact Grace Pendleton at 276-1481 with any inquiries.

Youth Group News

TNT Sunday Night 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Bring your own fast food.

Pepperdine Bible Lectures

May 1-4 2012

Registration has begun for the annual Pepperdine Bible Lectures at Pepperdine University in Malibu. The lectures are free, and the cost of lodging in the dorms is just \$100 per person for four nights. To ensure your spot in the College Church dorm, payment is due by January 22. This is an encouraging and instructional event attended by 4,000 people from all over the US. Our praise team and preacher are on this year's program.

For Your Calendar

2/10-12	Renew Conference
2/24-26	Women's Retreat
5/1-4	Pepperdine Bible Lectures
5/6	Sunday Spring Classic
7/15-21	Yosemite Bible Camp

Wednesday Night Adult Class Schedule

Winter Quarter

Rm. 406: The Sermon on the Mount, taught by Aaron Watson
Rm. 305: The Theology of Pop Music, class led by Jason Locke
Rm. 406: Prayer Group, led by Gene Sue—sharing of needs & prayers
Rm. 211: Disability Support Group, Jennifer Bryan (1st Wed of month)
Rm. 700: Overcomer's Outreach, Roger Howell

Last month I asked you to begin investing in our young people by simply asking two questions: How are things going at home and at school, and how can I pray for you? This month I want to take that a step further and encourage you to do more.

We have some great things going on here at College Church that if you are paying attention at all you will notice! To quote Spiderman and tweak it a bit, "With great change comes great responsibility." You see with all this change going on in the children's ministry, the youth ministry has started small groups and the college ministry is doing some new and great things as well.

We need your help. We can't do this alone.

I know Doug has a great team of people around him helping him make infrastructure changes and get things rolling, but he needs people. People ready to invest in children. Ready to give their time and energy to show the kids in our children's ministry that they are valued and important in God's Kingdom.

We have a great team for the youth ministry in my Parent Advisory Council, and Student Adult Leadership Team, but we still need people willing to miss their class for a couple weeks in a row and hang out with teens on Sunday mornings. We need people willing to lead small groups on Sunday nights, there are already some awesome people helping out with that now, but soon their rotation will be over.

Casey Sue has several college students who just need someone to "adopt" them and invite them over to be loved on and encouraged. Our college students are taking on a lot of responsibility with some of these new changes but they need us to come around them too.

Intergenerational ministry is fun, and exciting. It brings perspective and allows our worldview to be stretched. May we begin to look around us for opportunities to reach out to the next generation and learn from one another the ways of Jesus!

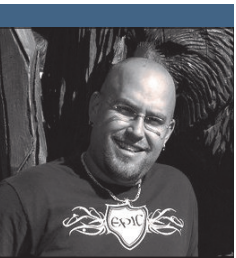
Communion
Servers for
January

Kris Ammons, Robert Chisley, Matthew Douglass,
Jacob Eckrich, James Jefferson Sr., James Jefferson
Jr., David Jesse, Cody McEowen

Prayer Request: _____ Date: _____

Updates (Address, Phone, E-Mail): _____

Member Requests & Information



Youth Minister
Aaron Scott

