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# Newsletter



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT RB COMMUNITY CHURCH

## Mission Outreach Update

Each month the Ministry for Missions provides opportunities for the RB Community congregation to participate in outreach projects as a blessing to our local communities. The following is a summary of those events for the past quarter:

### April

- 40 Days of Giving concluded by distributing 285 bags of gently used items for the RB Community Resale Shop, which generated an increase in proceeds to the Mission Committee
- 10 drivers picked up 2024 bags of bread from O'Brien's Boulangerie in Poway and delivered the loaves to food distribution centers in our area
- 14 backyard pickers helped others gather 387 pounds of fresh fruit for local food pantries

### May

- 26 people joined forces at the RB Post Office to collect and sort 35,000 pounds of canned and boxed food for local pantries

### June

- 30 youth and adults helped build and paint two playhouses that were donated to families in transition at Solutions for Change and to a military family with two young daughters
- 12 Volunteers at the Habitat ReStore helped to assemble patio furniture, unload doors donated by a local contractor, measure and label windows



During the month of July we are collecting backpacks and school supplies. Last year we collected over 200 backpacks ... we hope to collect more this year. All backpacks and school supplies will be donated to Salvation Army in Escondido, some PUSD elementary and middle schools, Interfaith Community Services, and Solutions for Change. Help us help children be more successful in school by having the supplies they need.

This past week our Vacation Bible School children collected items and made up care packages on Friday, July 12 as an outreach to homeless men, women, and children served by PUM in downtown San Diego. Our youth have safely returned from their mission trip to the Dominican Republic and have invited the congregation to hear about their adventures this weekend. Please stop by the Mission table on the Courtyard and visit with Jenny Hurn to hear more about her ministry at universities in San Francisco.

Thank you for your generosity and caring hearts so RB Community can continue to be a blessing to others in our local communities.

- Elaine Johnson, Mission Coordinator

# Get Involved!

## Did you know . . .

The festive attitude experienced on Celebration Weekend was thanks to the many volunteers and staff that helped make a difference by giving of their time and talents. You used your spiritual gifts to greet new and current members, paint faces, make balloon animals, serve food and cotton candy, decorate the courtyard and narthex, play and sing music, and more to generate enthusiasm and energy to worship God and celebrate our country's independence. I hope you were blessed to be a blessing to others!



The Scrap Quilts Summer LifeGroup led by Kathy Wesley finished last week with an amazing success story! They completed 5 quilts that were tied and prayed over for congregation members who recently had surgery. In addition, Shelle Thomas made up some bath salts and cards to go along with each quilt to let the people know they were prayed for during their recovery. This group had a variety of skills and included friends of group members, new church members, and women revisiting the quilters to have an impact on our faith family.

The results of their efforts were amazing! Barbara Riddle, who received a quilt, said, "This is what a church family is all about." The kindness and thoughtfulness of these quilters brought tears to her eyes. The quilters said they were blessed to be a blessing as they built a community by coming together to help others. LifeGroups and volunteers make a difference in our faith family.

## Blessing Of The Animals

Sat. August 10 | Courtyard  
4:00 pm

We will offer a Blessing of the Animals service for our congregation and friends. Our animals bless us in so many ways. Now, we offer a time of blessing for them. Bring your animal family members for this joyful event. There will be an opportunity to take photos of the participants to be displayed in the Art Gallery show "Animals in our World and Our Lives". Contact Michael Gusky at [mikegusky.gusky@gmail.com](mailto:mikegusky.gusky@gmail.com) for more information.

## Dominican Republic Student Mission Update

Sun. July 14 | High School Room | 11:00 am

Our student missionary team who travelled to the Dominican Republic this summer would love to share highlights from the trip with you on July 14. You are invited to see and hear about their experiences abroad.

## Interfaith Educational Tour

Wed. July 24 | 9:00 - 1:00 am

RB Community Church was one of the original founding Churches for Interfaith, a local charity devoted to eliminating poverty and homelessness. Since those beginning days, Interfaith has grown much larger and now helps thousands of poor people in many different ways. Come join Paul Marx, who, along with his wife Deb, has been involved as a volunteer since the early 1980's when Interfaith operated out of a small east Escondido store. It has a four-star rating on Charity Navigator, and is the largest such nonprofit in North San Diego County.

## Operation Backpack

During the month of July we will be collecting backpacks and school supplies to distribute to children at the Salvation Army, Presbyterian Urban Ministries, Solution for Change, Interfaith Community Services, and schools in Poway Unified School District. Last year we collected over 200 backpacks so we are setting the target even higher for this year. The following school supplies are also being collected: spiral notebooks, pens, pencils, colored pencils, paste, college rule and elementary lined paper, markers, small scissors, rulers, and notebooks. All donations can be collected on the courtyard on Sundays or you can leave them in the front office during the week. Help us help kids succeed in school by being prepared with school supplies.

## Where Can Truth Be Found?

*Tuesdays July 30, Aug. 6, 13, 20 | 6:00 - 7:30 pm*  
Dormer Room

*Instructor: Rev. John M. Scholte*

This course will examine the art and artistic eras, which showcase the Reformation and Counter-Reformation's search for truth and explore where Christians can encounter this same truth today. This examination and exploration will include three avenues of study; the historical, artistic and spiritual.

## Tuscan Sunset Dinner at Cordiano Winery

*Sun. July 28 | 5:30 - 8:00 pm*

Bring the family for a casual dinner including salad, pastas, specialty bread sticks and pizza for kids under 12. Complimentary soft drinks are included along with tax and tip. Cost is \$30 per person. Kids under 12 are free. Space is limited and reservations must be made by July 21. Sign up on RB Community's website or on the Courtyard.

## How to Win Against Worry Workshop

*Wed. July 24 | 7:00 - 8:15 pm | Dormer Room*

*Instructors: Carolyn Klusmeier, & Shell Cowper-Smith*

Worry is something we all face from time to time. Perhaps you have a friend that struggles with worry and you would like some ways to encourage them. Join this workshop to learn some practical tips and tools to gain that peace you desire.

## Connection Card

Didn't have time to fill out your Connection Card in worship? No problem. Head over to this address and fill it out: <http://rbcommunity.church/card>

## Dinner For 12

*Sun. August 4 | 4:00 pm*

Are you looking for a new church home? Join Pastor Bryan in a relaxed setting and catch the vision at Dinner for 12. Space is limited so RSVP soon to [bryan@rbpc.org](mailto:bryan@rbpc.org).

## Summer Prime Time

*Thurs. July 25 | 10:30 am - 12:30 pm | \$9 / person*

Hear the Virtual Strangers Bluegrass Band featuring banjo, guitar & mandolin in their annual visit to San Diego from Tennessee. Don't miss the fun. Hot lunch included. RSVP by July 23 to [bill@rbpc.org](mailto:bill@rbpc.org) or 858.487.0811.

## Summer Concert

*Sun. July 21 | Sanctuary | 4:00 pm*

Join us for the second concert of our summer series with the San Diego Philharmonic Orchestra! Last month there was a great crowd, so you don't want to miss out on this event featuring classical masterworks. Concerts are free, so bring a friend!

## Preschool Registration

Our Preschool has a few openings in it's afternoon programs for 2, 3, and 4 year olds. Check out the website at [www.rbpcpreschool.org](http://www.rbpcpreschool.org). Call or email for a tour, 858-487.0824, [rbpcpreschool@rbpc.org](mailto:rbpcpreschool@rbpc.org)

## Seekers Class

*Wednesdays | 10:00 am | Skylight Room*

*Instructor: Rev. Dr. Mofid Wasef*

Seekers class resumes on July 17 when the class will focus on the book of Daniel. This class focuses on the cohesiveness of the Old and New Testaments as God's continuous story. Or as Pastor Mofid says, "What is hidden in the Old Testament is revealed in the New Testament."



# Leadership in the Church

*Looking for servant leaders to  
serve as Deacons and Elders  
Nomination forms in church office*

## What's Happening @ RB Community Church:

### MONDAY, 7/15

- 9:00 am Spiritual Strength and Stretch
- 10:00 am Prisoners of Hope
- 12:00 pm OEA Meeting
- 6:30 pm Accounting & Finance Committee
- 7:30 pm Young Adult Bible Study

### TUESDAY, 7/16

- 10:30 am Healthy Lifestyle Choices
- 6:00 pm Tied in Prayer Quilt, Basics and More
- 6:30 pm NAMI Support Group

### WEDNESDAY, 7/17

- 8:30 am Women's Prayer Group
- 10:00 am Seekers Bible Study
- 6:00 pm Mental Health Support Class

### THURSDAY, 7/18

- 1:00 pm Resale Shop Council Meeting
- 5:30 pm Love In Motion
- 6:00 pm Traditional Ensemble Rehearsal

### FRIDAY, 7/19

- 6:00 am Men's Crosstalk Bible Study
- 8:00 am Pew Angels
- 9:00 am Spiritual Strength and Stretch
- Women's Cancer Support Group
- 10:00 am Colorful Scripture

### SATURDAY, 7/20

- 5:00 pm Contemporary Worship Service

### SUNDAY, 7/21

- 8:30 am Traditional Service
- Worship Café
- Next Wave (Children's Ministry)
- 10:00 am Contemporary Worship
- Highway (High School Ministry)
- MSM (Middle School Ministry)
- Next Wave (Children's Ministry)
- Kings and Prophets Class
- 11:00 am Arabic Speaking Service
- Arabic Sunday School
- 11:30 am Traditional Worship Service
- 2:30 pm Grief Share
- 4:00 pm Concert Series