O COME LET US ADORE HIM!

Christmas Concert
HERE AT CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
FEATURING THE SANCTUARY CHOIR
AND SPECIAL GUESTS
12.14.12

2012 FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
GREETINGS
From Rev. James K. McKnight

WELCOME FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

The psalmist wrote “I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my Mouth!” (Psalm 34:1) I feel like giving God praise on the occasion of Friends and Family Day because we are experiencing something wonderful. It is absolutely wonderful to come together as a community to worship the Lord, pray, learn about growing in Christ, experience God inspired fellowship and so much more! The word “community” is such an important word for Christians and what we are experiencing today is great for building community.

Thank you for accepting an invitation from someone who obviously cares deeply for you. At CCCF, I teach that we should share the love of God with our friends and family, pray for our friends and family, encourage our friends and family to get into a vibrant relationship with Jesus Christ and last but not least invite our friends and family to church. What more loving thing can we do for one another than share Jesus’ love, the message of the Gospel and all of His other benefits?

Your presence at this service is a real blessing to our church. We are transitioning and our focus is honoring God, developing Christians, connecting people and loving everybody. God has even given me a new vision statement. See if you can catch this vision... “We are an intergenerational, diverse, ever-growing family of disciples of Jesus Christ who maintain enthusiasm for loving, learning, helping and sharing because each of us knows that nothing is more satisfying than partnering with God in the process of bettering lives”. Come join us as we better folks lives!

Thank you for your prayers. Thank you for being present. Thank you for your support. Thank you faithful and hardworking committee members and all those who sacrificed to make this day such a joyous occasion. The future looks bright… bright indeed. Enjoy all that has been planned!

Yours in Christ’s Service,

[Signature]

Rev. James K. McKnight
Pastor
WELCOME FROM OUR CHURCH MODERATOR

On behalf of the members of the Congregational Church of Christian Fellowship, United Church of Christ, greetings and welcome to our Friends and Family Day Fall Fiesta. Thank you for worshipping with us and I hope you will enjoy what is going to be a full afternoon of fellowship through song, spoken word and our fabulous Fall Fiesta!

Hebrews 10: 24-25 states, “And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another and all the more as you see the day approaching.”

This is a special day in the life of our church and I encourage you as our Pastor always encourages our church to love on one another, and be a blessing to someone else. Special thanks to our Choir Board and everyone who helped to make this day a success. Your time and talents are truly appreciated. God’s Blessings, Rhonda Cotton, Moderator.

WELCOME FROM THE SANCTUARY CHOIR!

On behalf of the Sanctuary choir and band, I’d like to welcome you to this year’s Friends and Family Fall Fiesta! The choir is excited to host this annual event and we thank you for making it out to worship and fellowship with us today. We pray that you experience God in a magnificent way and that this visit will be one of many.

The music program at CCCF has a rich history of traditional and sacred music which dates back to over 50 years ago. The last ten years have been years of transition for the program as we have incorporated contemporary music into our repertoire in an effort to reach an ever-changing base of believers in the Los Angeles community.

Under the direction of Rev. James K McKnight, the music program seeks to worship God in song, encourage others to do the same, and increase God’s kingdom on earth by growing and developing Christians. We are a small ensemble of volunteer singers but we make a joyful noise and have a lot of fun in the process! I would like to extend a personal invitation to those interested in singing with us on Sunday mornings. No background in music is required. Again, thank you for visiting and come back and see us again soon! - Ashley Faatoalia, Music Director.

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

Soprano
Danielle Cobb
Chryystal Lindsey
Randall Lindsey
Loraine Tucker
Lola Lovett

Alto
Eleanor Alsobrooks
Helen McKnight
Stephanie Williams
Lura Ball
Lisa King
Heather Rubio

Tenor
Kevin Benson
Charles Tatum
Ashley Faatoalia

Bass
Henry Slavens

THE SANCTUARY BAND

Piano:
Luke Miller

Drums:
Kacey Thompkins

Bass:
Frank Abraham

Ashley Faatoalia

Director
**GET INVOLVED**

The city of Los Angeles is large to say the very least. At times it can be hard to find purpose and meaning. Here at the Congregational Church of Christian Fellowship, we seek to connect our community of faith to the larger community here in Los Angeles and across the world through various outreach ministries and programs. We focus on serving God by following the example of Jesus Christ and serving our fellow man. Please read on to find out how you might be able to get connected and get involved!

**Board of Spiritual Welfare & Evangelism**

is the closest board to the Pastor. Acting as an Advisory Council to the Pastor and all church organizations with respect to the church’s spiritual life and work, BOSWE assists in ministering to members’ spiritual needs i.e. arranging visitation to members in cooperation with the Pastor, sending cards and flowers to the sick and shut in, welcoming visitors, and greeting all. We assist the Pastor with the worship services, baptisms, prepare and serve communion. We provide training for Lay Readers. In addition, we provide guidance regarding music, including the choir and ushers. We receive members, keep records of births, funerals, baptisms, marriages, contact inactive members, submit information annually to the church clerk and a budget to the church council. For more info contact Delyna Diop at: 323-573-9273 or ddee@sbglobal.net

**Christian Education**

- Dedicated to introducing young people to Christ; to disciple them in spiritual growth; to train them in serving Christ with their life. To oversee and support the activity entrusted to leadership of the church’s Christian Education program. Partner in ministry as teachers together answer God’s call to proclaim Christ in the lives of children (grades pre-k to 5) and youth (grades 6 to 12). You are invited to provide Christian educational leadership to fulfill the mission of our church in coordination with the church’s Christian Educational programs. Contact: Rhonda Cotton at rhonda_cotton@mail.com.

**The Board of Stewardship**

- conducts an annual Christian Enlistment Campaign, whereby the annual budget of the church is underwritten. The board also determines ways and means for raising the necessary funds to meet expenses, as well as organizing special giving projects. In an effort to promote stewardship education, the members of this board makes contact with every new member. For additional information, please contact Oliver Foster, Chair at usxvic@pacbell.net.

**Board of Trustees**

- handles the care and custody of the property of the church and have charge of its financial affairs, always subject to regulations prescribed by the laws of the state. Its members are responsible for the collection, counting and banking of all church funds. The board works closely with the financial officers as well as the council to ensure all provisions are made within the approved budget. For more information, please contact Virginia P. Bland at vbland437@aol.com.

**Board of World Service**

- The Board of World Service has annually provided “back to school” support to children in need. This year, we decided to adopt a local elementary school name after one of our long term church member, Dr. Owen Knox’s. The Dr. Owen Lloyd Knox Elementary School opened in 2010 and is located on 89th & Main Street. Eighty percent of the students are eligible for free lunch. The school principle, Karen Ward, has identified children and their families who could use our support. BOWS, with donations that will go towards uniforms, backpacks and school supplies. Please visit our page on the CCF Website for more information about BOWS.

**Sanctuary Choir**

- “Make a joyful noise unto God, all the earth.” (Psalm 66:1) The CCF Music ministry has two main goals - to glorify God in song and lead others to do the same! The scripture tells us that the Lord inhabits the praises of His people, and The Sanctuary Choir knows this to be true. Don’t tread music? Not a problem! Don’t know if your voice is up to the challenge? Not an issue. We welcome singers of all backgrounds and training. What are you waiting for? We invite you to contact Ashley, our director to sign up and learn more! CHOIR@cccf-ucc.org

**Board of Public Relations**

- Provides internal and external communications for the ‘vision and mission’ of our church under the leadership of the Pastor. We develop and utilize communications tools- Sunday bulletins and announcements, website, email/e-blasts, One Call Now recorded phone messages, and the newsletter “Connected,” and postal mail- to help our membership become more Christ-like, unified, and “Connected” as a family of faith. We support the boards and committees of the church, in both the internal and external communications of weekly and special worship services, programs and events of the church. We publicize special programs, events and services of our church externally and invite others in our community to visit, attend often, accept Christ and join our family of faith- in serving God, in our church and community. To join or for more info please contact us at: prboard@cccf-ucc.org

**Men’s Fellowship League**

- The CCF Men’s Ministry is designed to create unity and fellowship among the men in our church. In addition to planning the annual Men’s Day program, the men meet to strengthen their relationship and “walk and service to Christ,” and to become more loving and caring family men; to bond as Christian brothers, and find ways to mentor young men, support the Pastor, church, the membership and the community. Email MFL@cccf-ucc.org

**Women’s Fellowship League**

- Our Women’s Ministry is for ALL women: whether married, single, divorced, widowed, stay-at-home moms, professionals, home-based business, and more. Our goal is to be able to minister to women from all walks of life. If you are a woman, the Women’s Ministry at CCF is for you! Email WFL to join or for more information.

**Usher Board**

- Trains and serve as the official greeter-escorts-collectors of offerings at the church. Email USHER BOARD@cccf-ucc.org to join or for more info.

**Audio Visual Ministry**

- Responsible for setting-up, testing, operating and taping Sunday morning worship services and other selected programs or special events at the church. Making available CD and DVD copies for purchase.

**Mae Muse Scholarship Committee.**

- Annually raises funds for and awards scholarship to college-bound youth members of our church. Email the Scholarship@cccf-ucc.org to join or for more information.

**Coffee Hour Committee.**

- Schedules and plans for the menu, set-up and serving of the monthly fellowship and birthday celebration following the 11am worship service. Email Coffee Hour committee to join or for more information.

**Seniors by Grace**

- We bring everyone together for fellowship and “a time of joy” members and friends of CCF – 55 and over. We offer prayers of thanks for health, strength, comfort, joy and peace- for ourselves and for others We acknowledge and focus upon God’s grace and mercy in our lives, and we periodically plan, present & enjoy field trips, interesting and informative speakers, programs and service projects For more info or to join please contact:
PRAYER MEETINGS:
Sundays @ 10:30am Wednesdays @ 6:00pm
Enjoy an enriching spiritual experience with a faithful group of our members who meet to pray and lift each other up to the Lord. Don’t miss this chance to be uplifted, encouraged, and blessed. Prayer services are led by Pastor McKnight and Rev. Davis.

BIBLE STUDY:
Wednesdays @ 1:00pm & 7:00pm
Know the word of the Lord inside and out? Not really sure of everything that God says in His word? Wherever you are in your understanding, you are warmly invited to attend our Bible study classes. Pastor McKnight leads an engaging discussion about God’s teachings and relates them to daily life. Come be a part of the conversation, learn and grow in God, and equip yourself with the strength found within God’s Holy Word!

WORSHIP SERVICES:
Sundays@8:00am & 11:00am
Come join us on Sunday mornings as we celebrate the goodness of God! Be a part of a corporate worship experience with lively music from both the traditional and contemporary cannons and be blessed by the powerful message from God delivered by Pastor McKnight. Sunday school services are available at our 11am service for those with young ones.

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