

the BUILDER



NOVEMBER 2011

SOLAR PANELS & SERMON TOPICS

If you haven't been around the church campus lately, you might not know about our new solar installation. We have contracted with two solar companies, Real Goods and Greenzu, to install a 24.5 kilowatt solar panel grid on top of Wright Hall. Because of the financial structuring of this project, it will cost the church nothing, and yet reduce our electrical usage by 68% and our electrical bill by 93% over 20 years. The installation will be completed early in November, and we will have a "ribbon cutting" dedication service after church on **Sunday November 20th**.

We have a lot planned over the next two months, and the holiday season is upon us! Upcoming Sunday topics are:

- Nov. 6: Our ministry of Scouting—what 50 years of Scouting at our church has meant for Cambrian Park.
- Nov. 13: International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church. Did you know that more Christians have been persecuted for their faith in the last century than in the previous 19 centuries combined? Come learn which nations are the worst offenders, and what can be done about it.
- Nov. 20: Solar dedication day. Come hear about the various green projects at our church.
- Nov. 27: This is the first Sunday of Advent. We will begin an Advent Series called The Journey, written by Adam Hamilton. The Sunday message will coordinate with Bible studies on Friday morning and Sunday after church.

And, as if that isn't enough:

- Sat. Dec. 3: [The Monteverdi Brass Quintet](#) in concert.
- Sat. Dec. 10: [UMW Bash](#).
- Sat. Dec. 17: [First Annual Campfire Community Carol Sing](#).
- Sat. Dec. 24: Second Annual Something-For-Everyone [Christmas Eve Candlelight Service](#).

This will be a memorable holiday season at CPUMC. You won't want to miss any of it! Visit our website at: www.cambrianparkumc.org.

Blessings,
Pastor Rob



CPUMC United Methodist Women
1919 Gunston Way, San Jose, CA 95124

Annual Holiday Celebration and Fundraiser

Proceeds go to missions for women & children.

A Tropical Christmas Bash **Saturday, December 10, 2011**

Enjoy the warmth of your friends, light refreshments and the “hot” opportunities to take home a specialty gift basket or a signature dessert from our auction.

Register online at: http://www.cambrianparkumc.org/_forms/view/3897

Time: 2:00 to 4:30 p.m.

Where: Wright Hall – Cambrian Park UMC

**Cost: \$15 per adult; \$8 per child under 10;
children 3 and under – free**

Please RSVP by 12/5/11

**Please send payment, payable to UMW, in care of
Elaine Hughes at the church.**

Invite your family and friends and enjoy the
afternoon together!

Entertainment by The Genesis UMC Dancers!

Child care available upon request – please contact
the church office at 377-8155 for arrangements.





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Most Events This Month Will Be Held at Willow Glen UMC: 1420 Newport Avenue

Nov. 2 -- 6:30 to 8:30 pm -- Wednesday Night Live
-- Leadership Team

Nov. 5 -- 10:00 am to 1:30 pm -- Poverty Simulation Day

Nov. 6 -- 4:00 to 5:30 pm -- Junior High Youth Group
5:00 to 6:30 pm -- Worship Band Practice
5:30 to 6:30 pm -- Hip Hop Dance Team
6:30 to 8:30 pm -- High School Youth Group

Nov. 8 -- 6:50 to 7:20 am -- Hole-y Club at Pioneer High (breakfast & prayer)

Nov. 9 -- 6:30 to 8:30 pm -- Wednesday Night Live
-- Dig Deeper Bible Study I & II

Nov. 13 -- 4:00 to 5:30 pm -- Junior High Youth Group
5:00 to 6:30 pm -- Worship Band Practice

Nov. 13 -- 5:30 to 6:30 pm -- Hip Hop Dance Team
6:30 to 8:30 pm -- High School Youth Group

Nov. 16 -- 6:30 to 8:30 pm -- Wednesday Night Live
-- Guys Night / Girls Night

Nov. 18, 19, 20 -- High School San Francisco Mission Trip (begins Fri. 5 pm; ends Sun. 5 pm)

Nov. 22 -- 6:50 to 7:20 am -- Hole-y Club at Pioneer High (breakfast & prayer)

Nov. 27 -- Sunday Funday
12:30 to 1:30 pm -- Leader Lunch & Learning
2:00 to 5:00 pm -- Family Matters

Wow. What a month. In planning the month of October I am not sure what CJ and I had envisioned besides insanity. It was a long month with 5 Sundays so we wanted to cram lots of great things in! It is right before the madness T-day and Christmas. It is a month and a half into the start of the school year after regular youth group has kicked off. We wanted to provide lots of different things for students to plug into, as all things are not for everyone. All of those reasons played into our planning, but...MAN WHAT A MONTH!

That being said- NOVEMBER IS A CHILL MONTH (by Joint Youth Ministry standards) It's a regular month of ministry, with Sunday and Wednesday night programs each week. We do have a San Francisco Mission trip (which is filling up fast) for high school students.

Besides that SF trip EVERYTHING IN NOVEMBER IS FREE. Don't even bring money for dinners at youth group. Don't bring money for ANY event in November. October was pricey and we didn't mean to plan so many of those kind of events in one month. It won't happen in November! Free free free!

We know it is just as meaningful and Biblical (if not more) to learn how to "be" instead of always "doing". This month we will "be" in relationship with each other and with God through some structured small groups, Bible studies and lots of creative worship.

What do you think? Deal? - Lisa Jacobs



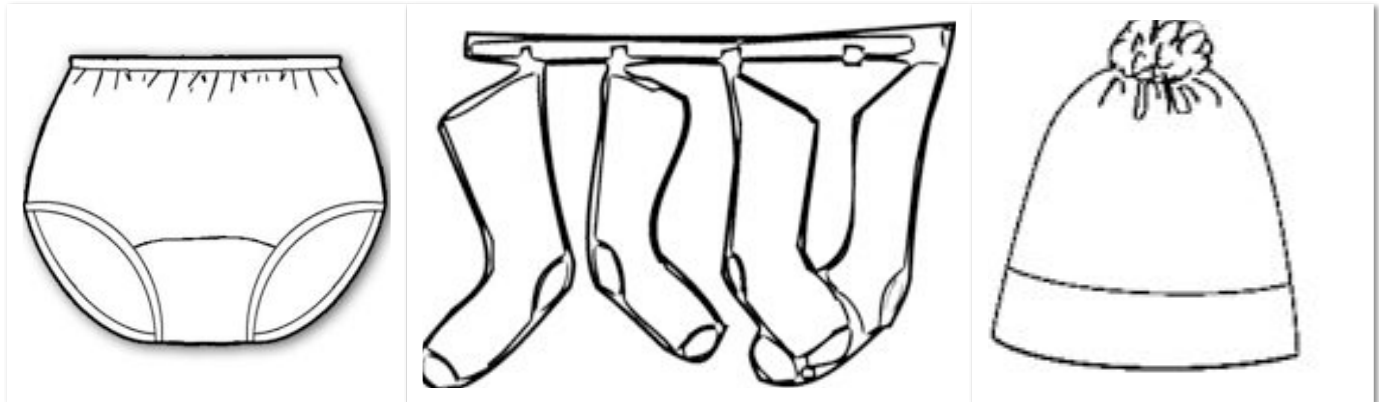
Lock Ins,
Halloween
Party,
Walkathon!

What a month!!



Saving for Mary Elizabeth Inn!

United Methodist Women are encouraging everyone at Cambrian Park to participate in a "*Panty Drive*". Not exactly the type you are thinking of but a drive to give new panties, socks and knit hats to the women residents of Mary Elizabeth Inn in San Francisco for Christmas. MEI is one of the national residences that UMW supports each year. We will have a big Christmas wrapped box at church and you can add your items to it each week. There are 92+ women there and we hope to give everyone at least one item. We are also saving those small soaps, shampoo & conditioners that are found at hotels. If you can help us it would be very much appreciated by the women at Mary Elizabeth Inn at Christmas. Questions? Contact Betty Dickey at umw@cambrianparkumc.org



Esther's Christmas Outreach

Over 13 years ago, Esther Jakel started a Christmas outreach program for needy families whose children attend Lietz and Oster School here in Cambrian Park. Martha Orr and Germaine Guenard continue this program in her memory.

Can you adopt one of 18 families for the holiday season? You can purchase gifts and grocery gift certificates for a holiday meal, or just gifts, or just grocery gift cards, or you can make a donation in any amount that can be used where needed. Please make checks payable to CPUMC and write Esther's Christmas Outreach in the memo line. Families are open for adoption in Wright Hall every Sunday from November 6 through November 27.

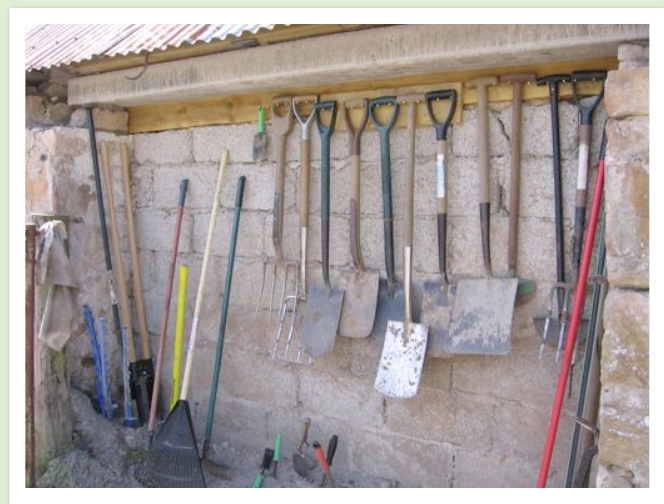
Contact Germaine Guenard or Martha Orr with questions. Thank you for your generous support.

office@cambrianparkumc.org or 408-377-8155



Greetings from your CPUMC Trustees

Hey Everybody! **"Fall-in" for Fall**



Please join your Trustees, Saturday, November 12, 2011 for a Campus-Wide Clean-up Day. Trees will be trimmed, wood will be worked (polished), closets will be cleaned, Windows will be washed. (Just to name a few, fun, fabulous tasks to be tackled!)

If **you** have noticed something else around the church or campus that needs a little TLC (Tender Loving Care or Trustees to Look-at Carefully) please let Claude Hughes or Rhonda McDonald know, and we'll add it to the list. (email address: facilities@CambrianParkUMC.org)

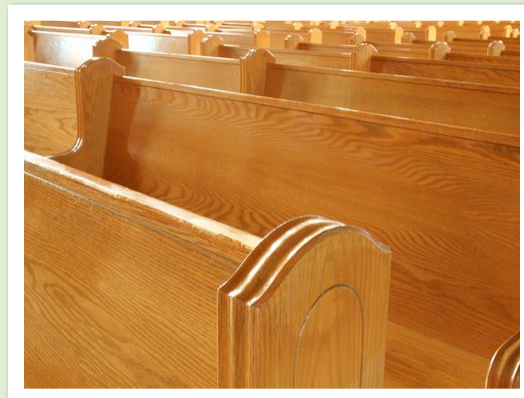
So remember, *Saturday, November 12, 2011 starting at 9:00AM*. Bring your gloves, clippers, brooms and other light tools. Help out for an hour, stay for the day, and have some fun while we spiff up the church and start preparing for that next Wondrous season that's just around the corner.

Peace and Grace, Your Trustees

Thank you, Thank you, Thank YOU!!

A great big Thank you and a nice warm HUG goes out to the **Cub Scouts of Pack 374** for cleaning and polishing up our pews. The pack descended on our pews in late September, on what seemed to be one of the hottest days of the year. Working through the heat they successfully put a beautiful gleam on the wood in the Sanctuary. Thank you so much for your service to the church. We are sure glad you are a part of our community.

With much appreciation,
CPUMC



Crab Feed - Save the DATE!! (January 14th!)

The Second Annual Crab Feed will be here before you know it! Mark your calendars for January 14th, and plan on a FEAST!!



CPUMC Family - Help Out with the Crab Feed!

One of our major church fundraisers is our Annual Crab Fest which is coming up on Saturday, January 14, 2012. We are looking for **Raffle items**. If you have any gift cards you do not use and would like to donate, please let us know. Also, if you have a business or do business with a company that would like to **donate their services** or products as a raffle item for some free advertising, please let us know. **Sponsorships** are also available. We are a 501 (c)(3) non profit charity organization and can provide a letter to anyone making a donation for this event.



We are planning on having two servings this year since we sold out last year! The first serving will be from 4:30pm to 6:00pm, and the second from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. Save the date and let your family and friends know that this is an event they do not want to miss.



For more information or to volunteer, contact our Crabby Planning Team:

David Box, June Nasca, LuAnne Behringer, Karen Fillmore, Elaine Hughes, and Pastor Rob Kirk.

Cambrian Park UMC (408) 377-8155, office@CambrianParkUMC.org

Website Update!



We have a new look to our website! Check it out at <http://www.cambrianparkumc.org>. One new feature is the [Prayer page](#), where you can request prayers for a praise or a concern, or read the prayers already posted and pray for others. Prayers can be posted privately for only Pastor Rob's eyes, or online, to let others know that you need prayers. Not getting church emails? Its easy to fix! Simply go to our website home page and **add your email address** to the list using the Blast Box Signup on the [Home page](#). **Don't forget the calendar!** All church meetings and events are posted on the calendar and updated regularly. Contact information is included with each activity, in case you have questions. **Going out of town?** Its easy to [Donate online](#), or to set up recurring donations through our [Donate page](#). (We use a secure site for all financial transactions.)

Suggestions for improvements or additions are always welcome! Send comments to: webdesigner@cambrianparkumc.org See you online!



Poinsettias

We will be ordering Poinsettias in November 6th, 13th, and 20th. The plants will stay in the sanctuary during the month of December, and you may take your poinsettia home after the worship service on Christmas Day, or if you prefer, you can leave the plant for a homebound person. If you buy a plant in memory or honor of someone we will list their names in the bulletin. Each plant is \$8.00.



GREAT NEWS!!



L'Oreal Paris has awarded Ann Brownell the prestigious honor of Women of Worth for her volunteer efforts with The Amanda Network, Anti-Bullying Campaign. As a recipient, the Amanda Network has been awarded \$10,000! We are so excited about this amazing recognition and this prize will be so useful for our campaign. As one of the 2011 Honorees, Ann will be honored publicly at an award ceremony in New York City on December 8, 2011.

The Amanda Network needs your help to win \$25,000 MORE!

Because of the Women of Worth award, now the Amanda Network has the opportunity of winning an additional \$25,000. There will be a public online vote for National Women of Worth beginning November 7th. Ann needs your vote to help the efforts of "The Amanda Network, Anti-Bullying Campaign". Winning an additional \$25,000 donation means that Ann would not have to cut purple fleece scarves herself, and it would allow her to write two books, Amanda's Story and How to Treat People with Special Needs.

To learn more, please visit the Women of Worth (<http://www.womenofworth.com>) and Become a fan of the Women of Worth's Facebook page: (<https://www.facebook.com/womenofworth>)



Way to go ANN!!

Wow! Look what you can **WIN!!!**

From November 6 through December 18 (11:30 a.m.), we are having a promotion to support our **Scrip Program**. For every \$25 of Scrip you purchase, you will be given an opportunity ticket for a chance to win the following:

1st prize – a \$100 Macy's gift card

2nd prize – a \$50 Best Buy gift card

3rd prize – a \$25 Target gift card

After the scrip sales close on December 18, the winning tickets will be drawn.



(These prizes have been donated anonymously so nothing is being taken away from our proceeds.)

THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS DONOR!

What a great way to support Cambrian Park UMC and create an opportunity to complete your Christmas gift shopping at the same time! You can order your scrip almost every Sunday after service or by clicking on this link now: http://www.cambrianparkumc.org/_forms/view/3266
Want to check out what you can buy?

Find all your favorite stores at: <http://www.cambrianparkumc.org/give/scrip--escrip.html>

(Click Restaurants, Gas Stations or Grocery Stores!)

Enjoy your shopping for the holidays!



Scrip Sales have become an important fund raiser for CPUMC . Our net proceeds for Scrip Sales were over \$3,000 in 9 months! Now, as we head towards the big gift-giving holiday season, remember to buy your Scrip at church. It doesn't cost you anything more, but it earns money for YOUR church, since CPUMC receives a percentage of the total value of each card (percentage varies).

Are you traveling over the holidays? Buy American Airlines gift cards now and use them when paying for your reservations. How's that wish for a new flat screen TV coming along? You can buy Best Buy gift cards periodically and save them and when the time comes to purchase that TV, you've got the money to do so! Do you like to shop at Dress Barn, Sears, Penny's, Macy's, etc.? Why not get some gift cards for the upcoming birthdays? How about toys from Target or Toys-R-Us? The retailer list is many pages long. Simply click [Scrip Order Form](#) and place your order now. There's no need to wait for Sunday. We'll order right away and you will be able to pick up the cards in the next couple of weeks. If you are willing to pay for overnight shipping (\$13.50), we can do that for you too!

Elaine Hughes, Scrip Coordinator

PS: Are you supporting this year's "Esther's Christmas Outreach" program? Plan ahead and buy your grocery cards and gifts through our Scrip program. As always, thank you for your support.

Prayers

For healing and strength: Hank Norberg, Sam and Minna Borland, Raima Gerlach, Ruth Peters, Tom Rigler.



For comfort and God's presence: David and Jill Fish at the loss of David's father. Gina and Rob Kirk at the loss of Gina's mother.

For endurance and hope: the unemployed and homeless.

Thanksgiving for the mentors and mentees of the JYM!



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Ross & Rebecca McGuire	George & Carolyn Andel	Bill & Nancy Pyzel	Evan Dowling & Maria Hernandez



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Dolly Paredes	Elizabeth Poole	Bea Mead	Stephanie Brownell

10	12	17	20	27
Ann Brownell Betty Dickey	Annie Deckert	Celine Guenard & Lori Wetzell	Minna Borland	Laurie Flesher

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Karon Keller



ANTI-BULLYING CAMPAIGN

The Amanda Network, ABC
A Mission of Cambrian Park
United Methodist Church

www.CambrianParkUMC.org

In an effort to bring increased awareness to this ongoing issue we will be holding our 3rd
ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT VIGIL on **Saturday, December 10, 2011**
(*Eve* of Amanda's suicide attempt).

SCHEDULE:

- ♥ 4:00 – 5:00pm Gathering at Campbell United Methodist Church,
1675 Winchester Boulevard, Campbell, CA 95008.
- ♥ 5:00 – 5:30pm After listening to key speakers (English and Spanish)
- ♥ 5:30 – 5:45pm Silent Walk (half mile, 15 minutes) to "Christmas Tree" (Winchester & Campbell Avenue)
- ♥ 5:50 – 5:55pm Sing 2 Christmas Carols
- ♥ 8:00pm End

3rd ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT VIGIL SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2011 4:45pm



Hosted By:
Campbell United
Methodist Church

www.CampbellUnited.Org
(Winchester Blvd & Hamilton Ave)

Amanda Network Members:

Remember to bring your
"Purple Scarves" and
battery operated Tea Lights
from previous years. New
batteries will be available.

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Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors

OUR MISSION: To grow as disciples of Jesus Christ and to live our faith through action.

OUR VISION: We are about connecting real faith to real life. We carry our faith into our everyday lives at home, at work, at school and anywhere we go. We are committed to growing faith that has integrity and to making a positive difference because of our faith. We focus on developing Christian principles and practices that make a difference.

Our VALUES: Our values include personal and spiritual growth for all ages, healthy relationships, respectful communication, positive teamwork, safety in all forms, respecting diversity, earth stewardship, impact in the community and mentoring the next generation.

Newsletter Deadline

Deadlines for the articles is the 15th of the month.

Please e-mail articles when possible to:
newsletter@cambrianparkumc.org

Thank You,
Tabytha Jensen -
Editor