# order of service

## March 16, 2019 11:05 a.m.

PRELUDESharon Orosco
OPENING HYMN*Sharon Orosco #99 - God Will Take Care of You
INVOCATION PRAYERDr. John Westerdahl
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTSDr. John Westerdahl
LAMB'S OFFERING
CHILDREN'S STORY Ruth Watson
<ul> <li>DEDICATIONPastor Larry Meager</li> <li>Jett Marie Bruins - Born: November 16, 2016</li> </ul>
OFFERING: Local Church BudgetRobert Herdan
OFFERTORY
PRAISE & WORSHIP Chris Perez & Sharon Orozco Revelation Song
The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power
PRAYERRoberto Solis
SERMONPastor Larry Meager The Prayer of Sorrow
BENEDITIONPastor Larry Meager
POSTLUDESharon Orosco

**Special Thanks:** AV Technicians: *Chris Moles, Ryan McConnehey & Raymond Tan* Pianist:

Sharon Orosco

Sabbath Rest Ends: 7:03 pm, Tonight Sabbath Welcome Begins: 7:08 pm, Friday, March 22nd

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# announcements and church news

birthdays			
Mar. 15 - Weldon Flier	Mar. 18 - Tara Hester		
Mar. 15 - Stephanie Leon	Mar. 18 - Jeff Hopwood		
Mar. 16 - Juliana Allen Lima	Mar. 19 - Alan Reinach		
Mar. 17 - Judy Christiansen	Mar. 21 - Kim Boras		
Mar. 17 - Darin Gaines			
prayer requests			

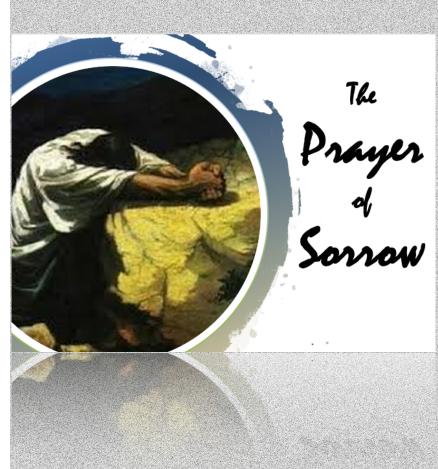
Praise the Lord for the safety and intervention for Wendy Brizendine this week. Asking God to please hasten the recovery process of Heather Hopwood, Doug Edmon, Dr. Paul Watson, Doug Mansfield and Peter D'Amico.

church financial information 2019

	march budget	yearly budget to date as of february 28, 2019		
budgeted	\$23,036.00	\$44,072.00		
year to date	\$3,556.00	\$14,194.00		
still needed	\$18,480.00	\$29,878.00		
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## pastor larry meager march 16, 2019

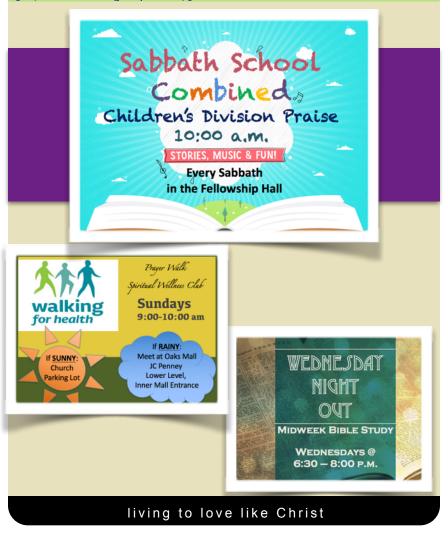
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#### upcoming events

- 3/16 Sab Carter Report Taping—Bible Truth re: Women's Ordination, 2:30 in Moorpark
- 3/17 Sun Morning Prayer Walk; 9:00-10:00am (see below for location info)
- 3/20 Wed Wednesday Night Out Bible Study-6:30 8:30 pm
- 3/23 Sab 10:00am Children/Youth Division Combined Praise & Illustration Time 10:15am - Sabbath School Classes (Children/Youth/Adult Divisions)

11:05am - Divine Worship Service (Pastor Jon Clark)

3/24 Sun Morning Prayer Walk; 9:00-10:00am (see below for location info)



### Pastor's Corner

We have entered what is known among Christians around the world as the Paschal Season. For many Christians, this season begins with "Lent." "Lent" is from the old English word "lencten," which means, simply,

"Springtime." From the earliest years of Christian history, believers committed themselves to seasons of fasting and prayer in preparation for remembering the suffering, crucifixion, and resurrection of Jesus.

By the fourth century, early believers were setting aside forty days and forty nights to this preparation. This later became the "springtime" remembrance of Christ's passion we now call "Lent." It was a purposeful participation with Jesus in His fasting in the wilderness of temptation. It would take another century and a half for the Church of Rome to incorporate this period as an official part of their religious practice. However, it was originally a part of yearly life in the earliest centuries of Christian history.

It is well-known among Biblical scholars that Matthew's Gospel is a purposeful telling of the story of Christ as a recapitulation of Israel's history. Jesus was overcoming where His people had failed.

This becomes obvious in regard to the wilderness temptation [See Matt. 4:1-11; compare with Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-12.]. In Israel's history, Moses spent forty days and forty nights on the mountain receiving the Law from God. During that whole period, Moses fasted. [Exodus 24:18; 34:28; Deuteronomy 9:9, 11, 18, 25; 10:10.]. At the same time, Israel was sliding away into the abyss of idolatrous apostasy. Jesus, as the Son of Man, paralleling Moses' time on Mount Sinai receiving the Law, endured the temptations which led, not only to Israel's fall, but also the fall of all mankind in Adam. He was retracing our steps to fallenness, overcoming our failures in His victory.

In the Lenten Season, Christians remember, contemplate, and participate in the life of Christ as He obeyed in our behalf as the New Moses and the Second Adam. It's a time to renew our relationship with the One who loved us from all eternity, became one with us in His incarnation, carried us in His perfect life, atoned for us in His atoning death, transformed us in His victorious resurrection, and exalted us in His triumphal ascension. And it is a time to reconnect with our fellow believers as we share the joy of redemption in community in the Body of Christ—His Church.

### Pastor Jim Ayars



### Answer to last week's GUESS WHO ....

When Wendy first moved to the Conejo Valley in 1979, the academy had a large property with horses. She worked hard to prove herself responsible in order to own her horse named Tekoah. Tekoah would come running when she called to him and she would share her lunches of PB&J sandwiches and grape soda. As time went on, Wendy and Tekoah entered competitions, winning several ribbons. Wendy grew up active in the TO youth group and



Wendy Brizendine

recalls a camping trip where she learned to barefoot waterski. She has always adored I Love Lucy and grew up wanting to imitate Lucille Ball. Even still, Wendy's true hero has always been her father with his positive, encouraging, gentle spirit and unconditional love. Never did he raise his voice, but listened without iudaement or criticism while offering his wise counsel and support. Although Wendy is an active participant in church today, there was a time when she never thought she would set foot in church again. Wendy was 21-years-old when she went through difficulties and became pregnant. While she was bringing her 4month-old daughter to Cradle Roll, she was stopped by the pastor (several pastors ago), who told her that she was not welcome because of the bad example she was to others for having a child out of wedlock and wearing jewelry. Wendy left devastated and broken at a time when she needed God and her church community the most. Initially, she directed her anger at God. Wendy's parents begged her to return to church, but she refused. Even though she restored her personal relationship with God, it took more than 20 years for Wendy to heal enough to give church a try again. Today, she is glad to be back and to have the support of a genuine and loving church family.

### Guess Who...

- Has visited nearly 25 countries
- · Lived in the Philippines for 8 years
- Once worked at a ranch cleaning stables
- Played trumpet in band and varsity volleyball
- Rode elephants in Thailand and Sri Lanka
- Has been cliff diving even though afraid of heights
- · Was born to missionary parents