



# THE COMPANION



## **NOBODY LIKES WAITING. WE WANT THINGS TO HAPPEN NOW.**

But God is not in a hurry. He takes his time. We may even consider God to moving too slowly for our taste. Because we look around and...well, things are a mess.

We live every single day in the constant presence of sin and evil. We know the power that sin has to corrupt. To throw communities into chaos. To fracture families and shatter relationships.

We see sin in the world and in the church and we become disillusioned and disheartened. The devil is at work, running rampant, delighting in spoiling things for God's people, sowing discord and destruction. We daily endure pain and heartache and trouble living in this broken world.

When is God going to do something? When is he going to deal with the devil all the and sin and evil and suffering.

Jesus calls you and I to have patience. To wait on Him and his timing.

Even when things seem to be taking a long time, Even when we do not get what we want. When we do not understand. Even when sin and evil appear to have free rein . Even in the midst of pain and suffering.

Through it all, God is teaching us to take the long view.

St Paul says in **Romans 8:18** "[18] *For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.*"

God calls you to set your hope on the last day. And have no doubt about it, that day will certainly come. No one knows the day or the hour, but it's coming. Christ will come and will gather all who believe into his eternal kingdom.

Until that great and awesome day... We experience life as pilgrims in this fallen world. It can be painful. We endure illness and grief and hunger and financial difficulty and even death.

## **HOW IS IT THAT WE CAN ENDURE ALL THIS?**

Well...at just the right time, God sent his Son. At the appointed hour, Jesus suffered and died for you and I and the entire world....taking all your sins upon himself. He defeated death and the grave. He ascended and sits at God's right hand of power.

And make no mistake. This same Jesus, who will return in great power and glory on the last day is ruling and reigning even now.

But the ways that God works among us are often unspectacular and unexpected and unsatisfying to us, because He chooses to work through humble means.

He chooses to communicate his precious word by means of ink and paper...and through sound waves spoken by means of a faltering human voice.

His true body and blood is mysteriously present in with and under the simple means of bread and the wine.

This is what His kingdom looks like for now. This is how Jesus is working...for now.

And God tells us. This is it. This is For you. Stop looking for something other than what I'm offering you. Don't look elsewhere. Don't expect a different answer, a different solution, a different life, a different Jesus than the one you're given.

## **GOD SAYS, FOR NOW, THIS IS HOW I WORK. LET IT BE ENOUGH.**

And It is enough. More than enough...to provide all you need. More than enough...giving you forgiveness life and salvation.

See, Christ's simple word goes out and it has an effect. It does something. It accomplishes what God desires it to. His word produces faith. His word gives you peace and joy; comfort and hope. And patience. Yes, the word of God works patience in your heart.

Trust in God. Believe His Word. When you get impatient and start to worry, remember God's patience. His perfect patience rooted in love and displayed on the cross for you and for all mankind.

As you wait on God's perfect timing, know that his hidden kingdom will soon appear. An eternal weight of glory is coming. And it is coming to shine upon us.

*Come quickly, Lord Jesus. Amen In His Name,  
Pastor Karbaugh*

# SEPTEMBER SERVANT LIST

| <i>September</i> | SEPTEMBER<br>3RD                | SEPTEMBER<br>10TH               | SEPTEMBER<br>17TH                     | SEPTEMBER<br>24TH               |
|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| LECTORS          | HAYLEY<br>JENNINGS              | JEFF<br>VANDERHOOF              | MARJIE<br>KEATING                     | DON<br>WALLICH                  |
| FLOWERS          | <b>NO ONE<br/>SIGNED<br/>UP</b> | <b>NO ONE<br/>SIGNED<br/>UP</b> | EVELYN<br>STALLWORTH                  | SHARON<br>CAYCE                 |
| COFFEE<br>HOUR   | THE<br>IRMERS                   | R.G. & RUTH<br>NUTT             | <b>THIRD<br/>SUNDAY<br/>BIRTHDAYS</b> | <b>NO ONE<br/>SIGNED<br/>UP</b> |
| ALTAR<br>GUILD   | RUTH<br>NUTT                    | JULI<br>REYNOLDS                | BECCA<br>HARBAUGH                     | BECKY<br>PEARSON                |

# OCTOBER SERVANT LIST

| <i>October</i> | OCTOBER<br>1ST   | OCTOBER<br>8TH                  | OCTOBER<br>15TH                 | OCTOBER<br>22ND                 | OCTOBER<br>29TH                 |
|----------------|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| LECTORS        | TIM<br>RUEDIGER  | SHAWN<br>LEONARD                | MARJIE<br>KEATING               | HALEY<br>JENNINGS               | DON<br>WALLICH                  |
| FLOWERS        | THE<br>RUEDIGERS | <b>NO ONE<br/>SIGNED<br/>UP</b> | <b>NO ONE<br/>SIGNED<br/>UP</b> | <b>NO ONE<br/>SIGNED<br/>UP</b> | SHARON<br>CAYCE                 |
| COFFEE<br>HOUR | THE<br>IRMERS    | THE<br>LEONARDS                 | THIRD<br>SUNDAY<br>BIRTHDAYS    | <b>NO ONE<br/>SIGNED<br/>UP</b> | <b>NO ONE<br/>SIGNED<br/>UP</b> |
| ALTAR<br>GUILD | JULI<br>REYNOLDS | RUTH<br>NUTT                    | BECCA<br>HARBAUGH               | BECKY<br>PEARSON                | RUTH &<br>BECKY                 |

# NOVEMBER SERVANT LIST

|  | NOVEMBER 5TH   | NOVEMBER 12TH           | NOVEMBER 19TH          | NOVEMBER 26TH           |
|--|----------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| LECTORS  | MARJIE KEATING | JEFF VANDERHOOF         | TIM RUEDIGER           | DON WALLICH             |
| FLOWERS  | YUN SUK AUI    | EVELYN STALLWORTH       | SHARON CAYCE           | THE RUEDIGERS           |
| COFFEE HOUR  | THE IRMERS     | <b>NO ONE SIGNED UP</b> | THIRD SUNDAY BIRTHDAYS | <b>NO ONE SIGNED UP</b> |
| ALTAR GUILD  | JULI REYNOLDS  | RUTH NUTT               | BECCA HARBAUGH         | BECKY PEARSON           |



**HAPPY HAPPY JOY JOY**

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

R.G. NUTT - 09/28

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS!

DANIELLE RUEDIGER - 10/04 ~\*~ THOMAS W. REYNOLDS - 10/07  
 KIERA REYNOLDS - 10/15 ~\*~ BEN HARBAUGH - 10/30  
 HARRY DEWEESE - 10/31

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

MAX HACKETT - 11/16 ~\*~ CYRUS RUEDIGER - 11/28

*If you want your birthday in the Newsletter, please contact Martha in the office at: {831} 394-1312 -or- at office@faithseaside.org*

**The Deadline for the WINTER 2023/2024 NEWSLETTER is: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH, 2023 AT 10 AM.**

# 2023 SEPTEMBER

| SUNDAY  | MONDAY  | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY  | SATURDAY   |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|
| <p>SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2: INTERNATIONAL BACON DAY<br/>           MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4: LABOR DAY - OFFICE CLOSED<br/>           WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6: READ A BOOK DAY<br/>           FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8: STAR TREK DAY (LIVE LONG AND PROSPER)<br/>           SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10: GRANDPARENT DAY<br/>           MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11: PATRIOT DAY - OFFICE CLOSED<br/>           SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16: BATMAN DAY<br/>           SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17: THIRD SUNDAY BIRTHDAYS<br/>           TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19: INTERNATIONAL TALK LIKE A PIRATE DAY-ARRRRR<br/>           THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21: INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE<br/>           FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22: WORLD RHINO DAY<br/>           SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23: FALL EQUINOX</p> |   |   | <p>WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27: CHOCOLATE MILK DAY<br/>           FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29: NATIONAL COFFEE DAY</p>                   |  | 1   | 2  |
|   |   |   |   |  |                                  |                               |
| 3   | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7  | 8   | 9  |
|   |  <p><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b></p>                   |   |    |  |                                  |  |
| 10  | 11  | 12  | 13  | 14   | 15  | 16   |
|   |  <p><b>PATRIOT DAY<br/>OFFICE CLOSED</b></p> |   |   |  |   |                             |
| 17  | 18  | 19  | 20  | 21   | 22  | 23   |
|  <p><b>THIRD SUNDAY BIRTHDAYS</b></p>  |   |  <p><b>International Talk Like A Pirate Day!</b></p> |   |  |  <p><b>WORLD RHINO DAY</b></p> |  <p><b>FALL EQUINOX</b></p> |
| 24  | 25  | 26  | 27  | 28   | 29  | 30   |
|   |   |   |  <p><b>NATIONAL CHOCOLATE MILK DAY</b></p> |  |                                |                             |



# 2023

# October

| SUNDAY   | MONDAY  | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY    | SATURDAY   |                                    |
|--|---|---|--|---|-----------|--|------------------------------------|
| <p>1</p>  <p>WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY</p>  <p>Hello, October!</p>              | <p>2</p>  | <p>3</p>  | <p>4</p>  <p>NATIONAL TACO DAY<br/>OCTOBER 4</p>  | <p>5</p>  | <p>6</p>  | <p>7</p>   |                                    |
| <p>8</p>   | <p>9</p>  <p>COLUMBUS DAY<br/>INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY</p> <p><b>OFFICE CLOSED!</b></p> | <p>10</p>  <p>ADA LOVELACE DAY</p> <p><i>Mathematician and Mother of the Computer.</i></p>   | <p>11</p>  | <p>12</p>   | <p>13</p> | <p>14</p>  <p>NATIONAL Dessert Day<br/>October 14</p> |                                    |
| <p>15</p> <p><b>PASTOR OUT OF OFFICE</b></p>  <p>THIRD SUNDAY BIRTHDAYS</p>   | <p>16</p>  <p><b>HAPPY BOSS' DAY!</b></p>  | <p>17</p>   | <p>18</p>  | <p>19</p>   | <p>20</p> | <p>21</p>  |                                    |
| <p>22</p>  <p>NATIONAL NUT DAY<br/>October 22</p>  <p>Voters Meeting</p> | <p>23</p>   | <p>24</p>   | <p>25</p>  | <p>26</p>  <p>NATIONAL PUMPKIN DAY!</p> | <p>27</p> | <p>28</p>  |                                    |
| <p>29</p> <p><b>PASTOR OUT OF OFFICE</b></p>  <p>REFORMATION DAY</p>  | <p>30</p>  <p>CANDY CORN DAY</p>   | <p>31</p>  <p><b>HAPPY ALL HALLOWS EVE!</b></p>  <p>Goodbye OCTOBER</p> | <p><b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1: WORLD COMMUNION DAY</b><br/> <b>WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4: NATIONAL TACO DAY</b><br/> <b>MONDAY, OCTOBER 9: COLUMBUS DAY/ INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY/ OFFICE CLOSED</b><br/> <b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10: ADA LOVELACE DAY</b><br/> <b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15: PASTOR OUT OF THE OFFICE &amp; THIRD SUNDAY BIRTHDAYS</b><br/> <b>MONDAY, OCTOBER 16: BOSS' DAY</b><br/> <b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22: VOTER'S MEETING AFTER CHURCH/ NATIONAL NUT DAY</b><br/> <b>THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26: NATIONAL PUMPKIN DAY</b><br/> <b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29: REFORMATION DAY / PASTOR OUT OF THE OFFICE</b><br/> <b>MONDAY, OCTOBER 30: CANDY CORN DAY</b><br/> <b>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31: HAPPY ALL HALLOWS EVE</b></p> |   |           |  | <p><b>CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS</b></p> |

# 2023 November

| SUNDAY   | MONDAY    | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY  | SATURDAY  |
|--|-----------|--|--|--|---|---|
| <p> <b>WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1: ALL SAINTS DAY</b><br/> <b>THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2: ALL SOULS' DAY</b><br/> <b>SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4: SET YOUR CLOCKS ONE HOUR</b><br/> <b>SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS-FALL BACK 1 HOUR</b><br/> <b>TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7: ELECTION DAY 2023</b><br/> <b>SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11: VETERANS DAY</b><br/> <b>TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14: NATIONAL PICKLE DAY</b><br/> <b>SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19: THIRD SUNDAY BIRTHDAYS</b><br/> <b>THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23: THANKSGIVING - OFFICE CLOSED</b><br/> <b>FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24: OFFICE CLOSED</b><br/> <b>SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26: NATIONAL CAKE DAY</b> </p>  |           |  | <p>1</p>  <p>ALL SAINTS DAY</p> | <p>2</p>  <p>ALL SOULS' DAY<br/>NOVEMBER 2, 2023</p>   | <p>3</p>  | <p>4</p> <p><b>REMEMBER TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR BEFORE YOU GO TO SLEEP</b></p>   |
| <p>5</p>  <p>FALL BACK<br/>Change your clocks</p> <p><b>DID YOU REMEMBER TO FALL BACK ONE HOUR LAST NIGHT?</b></p>   | <p>6</p>  | <p>7</p>  <p>2023<br/>ELECTION DAY</p>  | <p>8</p>   | <p>9</p>   | <p>10</p>   | <p>11</p>  <p>Honoring All Who Served<br/>Nov 11<br/><b>VETERANS DAY</b><br/>Honoring All Who Served</p> |
| <p>12</p>  | <p>13</p> | <p>14</p>  <p>NATIONAL PICKLE DAY</p> | <p>15</p>  | <p>16</p>  | <p>17</p>   | <p>18</p>   |
| <p>19</p>  <p>THIRD SUNDAY BIRTHDAYS</p>   | <p>20</p> | <p>21</p>  | <p>22</p>  | <p>23</p>  <p>THANKSGIVING DAY<br/>OFFICE CLOSED</p> | <p>24</p>  <p><b>CRAZED PEOPLE SHOPPING</b><br/><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b></p> | <p>25</p>   |
| <p>26</p>  <p>NATIONAL CAKE DAY<br/>NOVEMBER 26</p>  | <p>27</p> | <p>28</p>  | <p>29</p>  | <p>30</p>  <p>Goodbye November</p>                  |   |   |

## **“Sloppy” Joe Casserole**

Prep Time: 15 mins

Cook Time: 50 mins

Total Time: 1 hr 5 mins

### **INGREDIENTS**

1 POUND GROUND BEEF

1 GREEN BELL PEPPER, CHOPPED

1 CLOVE GARLIC, CHOPPED

1 CUP KETCHUP

1 TEASPOON YELLOW MUSTARD

2 CUPS FROZEN WHOLE-KERNEL CORN

1 ½ CUPS SHREDDED COLBY-JACK CHEESE

1 SMALL ONION, CHOPPED

1 RED BELL PEPPER, CHOPPED

1 (14.5 OUNCE) CAN PETITE DICED TOMATOES

1 TABLESPOON BROWN SUGAR

SALT AND GROUND BLACK PEPPER TO TASTE

1 (16 OUNCE) PACKAGE PENNE PASTA

### **DIRECTIONS**

PREHEAT OVEN TO 350 DEGREES F (175 DEGREES C).

HEAT A LARGE SKILLET OVER MEDIUM-HIGH HEAT. COOK AND STIR BEEF, ONION, GREEN BELL PEPPER, RED BELL PEPPER, AND GARLIC IN THE HOT SKILLET UNTIL BEEF IS BROWNED AND CRUMBLY, 5 TO 7 MINUTES; DRAIN AND DISCARD GREASE.

STIR TOMATOES, KETCHUP, BROWN SUGAR, MUSTARD, SALT, AND PEPPER INTO GROUND BEEF MIXTURE; REDUCE HEAT AND SIMMER UNTIL HEATED THROUGH, ABOUT 10 MINUTES.

BRING A LARGE POT OF LIGHTLY SALTED WATER TO A BOIL. COOK CORN IN THE BOILING WATER UNTIL COOKED THROUGH, ABOUT 5 MINUTES; DRAIN.

BRING A LARGE POT OF LIGHTLY SALTED WATER TO A BOIL; ADD PENNE AND COOK, STIRRING OCCASIONALLY, UNTIL TENDER YET FIRM TO THE BITE, ABOUT 11 MINUTES. DRAIN.

MIX CORN, PASTA, AND COLBY-JACK CHEESE INTO GROUND BEEF MIXTURE; POUR INTO A 9X13-INCH BAKING DISH. BAKE IN THE PREHEATED OVEN UNTIL HEATED THROUGH AND CHEESE IS MELTED, ABOUT 20 MINUTES.



If you make this casserole you can freeze part of it and eat it later.

Also, if you are good at math, you can change the amounts of the ingredients.



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**OFFICE HOURS:  
PASTOR HARBAUGH'S HOURS  
ARE BY APPOINTMENT.**

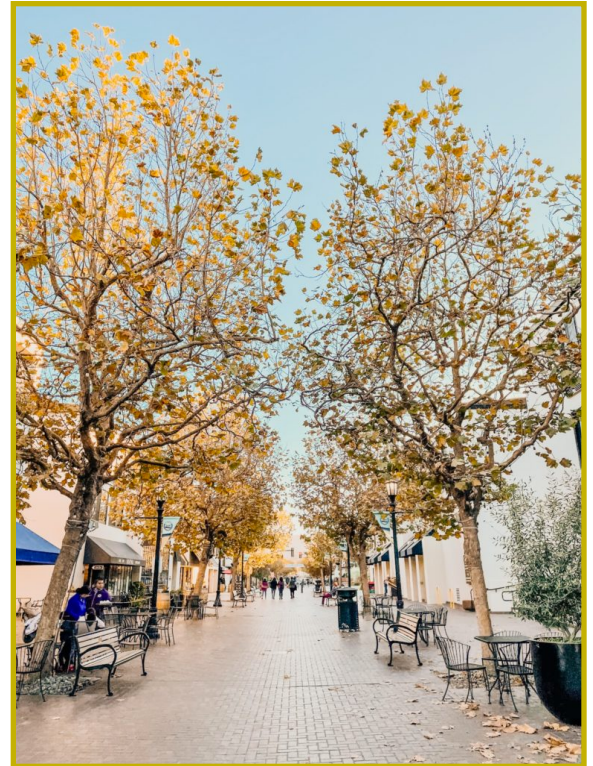


**MARTHA'S OFFICE HOURS:  
MONDAYS and THURSDAYS  
from 9 AM to 1 PM**





# Photographs From Around Monterey



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