

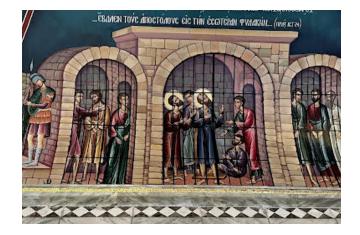
This Week at PCL

Friday, May 30, 2025





This Sunday



SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER June 1

> "Making Ripples" Acts 16:16-34 Rev. Mike Eller

A Word from Pastor Mike

Happy Pride Month, Friends!

This weekend, we move into the month of June and our collective (continued) celebration of PRIDE! May we find in these weeks ways to celebrate the LGBTQ+ community and center their stories in our lives. We learn from these ways of continuing to create holy disturbances—queering the norm—which keep us from falling into social patterns of what is "acceptable" and "normal" but which may cause harm to those who remain on the outside of such constructions. Jesus was in no way "normal" and gave his life to challenge, to queer, systems of oppression which sought to draw hard societal boundaries. The church, today, should look for ways to continue this mission in our communities.

Please consider some of the ongoing ways to participate more fully in the life of the church. There are a couple of sign-up geniuses (see below) going around: to care for the newly planted trees and to help out at Leonia Pride Day. Also, be aware of the upcoming All-Church Picnic, June 15, on a day when we'll have our Sunday School Recognition. Let's come together, take care of the creation entrusted to us, celebrate our community, and eat some good food!

In love and pride,

Mike

Rev. Mike Eller (he/him/his) Interim Minister revmike@leoniapres.org (917) 687-5709 General Office Hours Pastor's Office Mon-Thurs: 10-3 pm Sun: 1-3 pm

Coming Up



Family Hike

We will have our monthly Family Hike this Sunday, June 1 following worship. ALL AGES ARE INVITED! If you're planning to leave straight from the church, remember to bring your lunch to church!

Meet at 12:30 pm at Englewood Picnic Area in the Palisades Interstate Park. If you need a ride or wish to carpool (\$2.50/hr parking fee), contact Cory Lehnbeuter at 443-827-7928.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for link to additional details and maps.

Leonia Pride Day



Please consider volunteering to staff PCL's table at the 2025 Leonia Pride Day on Saturday, June 7. We have (3) more slots to fill for the 4-5:15 pm time. This will include packing up and bringing items (tables, chairs, etc.) back to the church.

This will be fun-filled event featuring a DJ, dancing, drag performances, and live entertainment—a joyous celebration of the LGBTQ+ community.

CLICK HERE TO SIGN-UP

Sunday School Recognition & All-Church Picnic



Be sure to join us on Sunday, June 15 (also Father's Day) for a church picnic following worship—rain or shine! Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided and all Grill Masters are welcomed to help cook!

PLEASE BRING A SALAD/SIDE, DESSERT, OR DRINKS to share. **Sign-up sheet** will be in the Fireplace Room indicate what you will bring and how many will be attending so we can plan accordingly.

Watering PCL Trees



The eight young trees we received from Leonia Tree Commission once again need watering to keep them healthy through the hot, dry summer months. Use the link below to sign-up to water them two times a week for a given week. **CLICK HERE TO SIGN-UP**

More Announcements

First Sunday Hikes

Weather permitting, we will take a hike following worship, with our first one on June 1st along the Palisades (for details about Sunday's hike, see above). Other hikes will be at various locations in the area, and will typically be appropriate for families. Please plan to pack a lunch.

Beach Days

More details to come.

September Fall Retreat @ Camp Johnsonburg

Stay tuned for more details.

Women's Ring Found

If you lost a ring on the back playground about a month ago, please contact Vicky Li.

A Word from the Deacons, Pastoral Care

Now that Pastor Mike is here, you can reach out to him if you are in need of pastoral care. His email is revmike@leoniapres.org.

In Our Prayers

The family of **DONNA HUNT**—her children Deanna and Chris, and her partner, Kevin. After many years of health issues, Donna passed away on Sunday night, May 18. We observed a meaningful funeral service for Donna on Tuesday, May 27. Continue to be in prayer for the family as they grieve her loss.