



# St. Bonaventure Catholic Community *Comunidad Católica de San Buenaventura*

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## AUGUST 18, 2019 • TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**JESUS ENDURED  
THE CROSS,**  
despising its shame, and has taken his seat  
at the right of the throne of God.

HEBREWS 12:2

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### Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time *Vigésimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario*

August 18, 2019

#### **MASSES IN ENGLISH/ EN INGLES**

Saturday Vigil/Sábado: 5:00PM  
Sunday/Domingo: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM, 5:00PM

#### **MISA EN ESPAÑOL/ IN SPANISH**

Domingo: 12:45PM

#### **DAILY MASS/ MISA DIARIA (CHAPEL/CAPILLA)**

Monday/Lunes thru Friday/Viernes: 9:00AM  
Saturday/Sábado: 8:00AM  
Tuesday/Martes & Thursday/Jueves: 6:30AM

Liturgy of the Word/Liturgia de la Palabra  
Monday/Wednesday/Friday: 6:30AM

#### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION/ ADORACION AL SANTISIMO**

In English: Monday thru Thursday- Holy Hour  
after 9AM Mass  
In English: Friday after the 9AM Mass with closing prayer  
at 3:15PM

#### **BAPTISM/ BAUTIZOS**

In English: Call the office to begin the process. This requires  
two months preparation.

*En Español: Llame a la oficina para solicitar información y  
concertar una cita con el Sacerdote. Este proceso requiere  
mínimo dos meses de preparación.*

#### **MARRIAGE/ MATRIMONIO**

In English: Call the office to arrange with a Priest or  
Deacon. This requires six months preparation.  
*En Español: Llame a la oficina para solicitar información y  
concertar una cita con el Sacerdote. Este proceso requiere  
mínimo seis meses de preparación.*

#### **RECONCILIATION / RECONCILIACIÓN**

In English: Saturdays 3:30PM (in the church) or by  
appointment.  
*En Español: Llame a la oficina para hacer una cita con el  
Sacerdote.*

#### **CONFECIONES Y ADORACION AL SANTISIMO / CONFESSIONS AND EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

*En Español: Martes: 7:00-8:00PM (en la capilla)*

### Mission

As disciples at St. Bonaventure, we are committed to know Christ better and make him better known. To this end we are committed to...

**K**eep connected to our parish community,

**N**urture the development of our faith and knowledge of Christ,

**O**ffer to share the Holy Spirit's gifts of time, talent, and treasure,

**W**orship through prayer, Mass and the Sacraments.

*"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing."  
— (Luke 12:49-53)*

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## THOUGHTS FROM DEACON BILL GALL



"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing." (Luke 12: 49-53)

Throughout our biblical history the symbol of fire has played a pivotal role in the lives of God's people. We recall the story of Moses and the burning bush on the sacred mountain where God presented Moses with the ten command-

ments. On Pentecost, "tongues of fire" descended on the apostles gathered in the upper room. John the Baptist told us that Jesus would baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire.

At the Easter Vigil we light the paschal candle symbolizing the light of Christ coming into the darkness of our world. At our baptism, a candle is lit and presented to the newly baptized, symbolizing the light of Christ, with prayers that the light will be kept burning brightly throughout all eternity. At our Confirmation the Holy Spirit was sent to help set us on fire.

"Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division."

Are these truly the words of Jesus, the "Prince of Peace"? What are we hearing? Do we take Jesus' words literally or is he trying to make a point by using hyperbole? I believe Jesus wanted to set a fire in our hearts. A fire that could possibly lead to division and disruption in our lives and those around us. I believe he is trying to stress the seriousness of what it means to be a disciple of his and the possible consequences of what it might mean. We might ask ourselves: who comes first?

More than one family has been divided over the issue of

religion. It has been said, "Belief in Jesus and commitment to him causes fires of arguments to erupt between believers and non-believers in the same families or communities, resulting in division within families and conflicts in society. Standing up for what is right, working for justice and truth are higher aims than unity, and working for those aims will sometimes cause division." So, what does it mean for us today? C.S. Lewis once said that the Gospel was concerned to create "new people" not just "nice people." By virtue of our Baptism, we share the responsibility of speaking God's word, no matter how unpopular, and of giving a voice to those who have no one to speak for them. Jesus' sense of justice brought him into conflict with those who exploited the weak and the poor. His integrity invited confrontation with the dishonest and hypocritical people of his day, and his love for the poor and for sinners alienated him from the narrow-minded and self-righteous.

As Jesus walked the road to Jerusalem, the disciples had to decide whether to go with him or not. To be with or against Jesus is a decision which has the effect of judgment and division. What say you? Will you walk the road with him? It requires an "adult faith" once described by Pope Benedict XVI as:

"An adult faith is not a Faith that follows the trend of fashion and the latest novelty; a mature adult faith is deeply rooted in Christ. It is this friendship that opens us up to all that is good and gives us a criterion by which to distinguish the true from the false, and deceit from truth. Such a faith will enable the fire of the Holy Spirit to burn in us and give us the courage of our Christian convictions."

May Jesus bless each and every one of you.

### FAITH DIRECT: Parish eGiving



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and use our church code:  
CA725

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

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@St. Bonaventure Catholic  
Community



### St. Mary's Dinner In Oakland

Thank you to all who made the St. Mary's Dinner in Oakland such a success on August 4th! We had a great turn-out and everyone really enjoyed the food!! A special thank you to the Tejada family, Jonel Sangalang, Gloria Leigh, Gladys de Guzman, Linda Mercader, and our newest member Justin Barker (who gave a wonderful blessing). We are especially grateful for our cooks, Karen & Gary LaMons, who come early and make our delicious pasta and sauce! We want to extend a big 'Thank You' to all who baked the delicious cakes and donated bingo prizes and cash to help with supplies. You are all appreciated so much!

Co-chairs: Lori & Dor Neely 672-6083 & Pete & Carol Chrobak 672-7158.

## LITURGY AND MUSIC

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday:** Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday:** Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday:** Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14

**Friday:** Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday:** Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

**Sunday:** Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1-2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30



## FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

## 2019/2020 Basketball Season Registration Is Now Open!

Don't miss out on a fun way to spread our faith, foster sportsmanship and community! Please see our website for more information.

[www.stbonaventurecyo.com](http://www.stbonaventurecyo.com)

In the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) program, all children play against others at their own skill level. CYO is a local parish-based group, emphasizing the teachings of Christ while instilling the joy of sport into our athletes. The athletic programs are an important youth ministry at the church. St. Bonaventure does not emphasize "winning at all costs" nor do we endorse non-becoming behavior. As representative of our parish community, we instill values of sportsmanship, fair play, both team and individual growth with Christian values. At the end of the season, the children are better athletes and, more importantly, better community citizens. We also rely on adult volunteers to help our program run. What better way to teach the sport you love and spread the joy of God to our children? If you would like to help us in any way or have any questions, please contact our Athletic Director, Ferd Santos, at (925)270-9390 or any member of the CYO athletic board.- Thank you and Go Bulldogs!

## God's blessings to these children who have become Children of God in the Sacrament of Baptism

## Baptisms –May 2019

**Diaz, Isabell Sandra**, daughter of Edgar and Jessica Diaz

**Figueroa, Chanel Marie**, daughter of Luis and Selina Figueroa

**Flores, Luca Marcos Albano**, son of Lawrence and Maxine Flores

**Galande, Gioia Mia**, daughter of Michael and Corina Galande

**Huynh, Cory Emilio Abanilla**, son of Vu and Kathleen Huynh

**Murphy, Mason Mathew**, son of Daniel and Ashley Murphy

**Murphy, Nicole Marie**, daughter of Daniel and Ashley Murphy

**Pedraza, Kaela Kia**, daughter of Kimberly Pedraza

**Perry, Benjamin Fulton**, son of Jacob and Jessica Perry

**Santos, William Marshall**, son of Marco and Janilyn Santos

**Sevilla, Luna Raine**, daughter of Dante and Mary

## PARISH COMMUNITY

## "The Classy Crafters Need Wine!"

One of the popular events at the Holiday Gala & Boutique (November 8 and 9, 2019) is the **Wine Pull**. We need wine to play this game and would greatly appreciate your donation of **wines** (red, white or sparkling) ranging in value from \$30 to \$150 per bottle. We request that donations be given by **October 1st**. You may give them to a crafter or bring them to the office, addressed to the Classy Crafters. Thank you for your loving generosity. For any questions, contact Dona Trana at [rtgoblue@gmail.com](mailto:rtgoblue@gmail.com), or mobile 734.474.7618. All proceeds benefit St. Bonaventure Food Pantry.

## Holiday Boutique, Silent Auction And Raffle (Nov. 8 &amp; 9, 2019)

The Classy Crafters and Social Committee are actively seeking donations such as event tickets, gift baskets, and gift certificates for our annual Holiday Boutique Silent Auction and Raffle, and we are asking for your help. Perhaps you have a vacation home to offer for a week, you want to make up a special gift basket, have event (sporting, theatre, symphony, etc.) tickets, or something unique you want to donate. If you have special relations with businesses who would be willing to donate to this wonderful fundraiser benefiting our Food Pantry, please contact them and ask for a donation. All donations are tax-deductible. Any questions: contact Dan Gabe at [dan.gabe@gmail.com](mailto:dan.gabe@gmail.com), or mobile

925.408.5964. All proceeds from these events benefit the St. Bonaventure Food Pantry.

## Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Community Blood Drive for the American Red Cross on Saturday, September 28, 2019 in the Large Hall from 10 AM to 4 PM. More information will follow later this month. If you are able to donate blood, please note this event on your calendar.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

## Interested in Becoming Catholic?

As Catholic Christians we believe that God calls each one of us by name. A sense of longing in your heart, a desire to belong, a feeling of being "at home" may be signs of where God is calling you. If you would like to talk about where you are, or if you are curious about our Church and our faith, or if you've been attending Mass here and would like to find out about possibly joining, we welcome you.

A new group of adults interested in exploring the possibility of becoming Catholic or thinking about being baptized begins meeting August 18 in English and Spanish, but it's not too late to join us. This process is for adults who were never baptized, were baptized in another Christian denomination, or were baptized Catholic but never received Eucharist **and** Confirmation. For more information and registration, please contact Gina at 672-5800 x2217 or

**SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT FOR**



**LASTENIA VARGAS**  
August 17 - August 23

**JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR**



**VICTIMS OF THE SHOOTINGS IN OHIO and EL PASO, TEXAS**

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION (con't.)**

gcattalini@stbonaventure.net.  
This is a great time to invite someone in your life who might be ready for the next step in their faith journey. We also need sponsors to walk with candidates through this process. Sponsors are current Catholics who are willing to share their own faith journey and help connect candidates to the broader parish community. Please contact Gina for more information.

**Alpha: Have Fun and Explore Faith**

We all have questions. Why Jesus? What is God doing? Why am I here anyway? Join us on Alpha to explore and discuss life's big questions together – while having a lot of fun. We meet over eleven sessions (plus a special Saturday) to explore the basics of the Christian faith. Each Alpha night includes food, a high-quality video talk, and great conversations. It is an open, informal and honest space, where you can say or ask anything. Alpha is perfect for anyone with questions, but designed especially to be welcoming to those who may feel far away from God or the Church. It's a great place to invite family or friends to come and explore. Alpha begins September 9. Whom will you invite? For more information visit [www.stbonaventure.net/alpha](http://www.stbonaventure.net/alpha). Or, contact Gina at 672-5800



**Stewardship of Treasure**  
Weekend of August 10 & 11 Collection

Budget	\$28,735
Actual	\$25,741
Deficit	(\$2,994)

*EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) included in above figures*

Food for Family: 310

**Upcoming Special Collection:**  
Aug. 24/25—Mission Coop  
Aug. 31/Sept. 1—Deferred Maintenance

x2217 or [gcattalini@stbonaventure.net](mailto:gcattalini@stbonaventure.net). We need parishioners to help volunteer as team members in different capacities, especially with hospitality.

**Adult Confirmation**

Are you an adult who is interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation? St. Bonaventure invites you to participate in our Adult Confirmation Program, if you:

- are over 18 years of age;
- are no longer in high school;
- were baptized Catholic;
- have received First Communion; and
- attend Mass on a regular basis.

Preparation sessions begin in the fall in both English (Oct. 2) and Spanish (Sept. 22). If you have any questions or would like to learn more about the process, please contact Gina Cattalini at (925) 672-5800 x2217 or [gcattalini@stbonaventure.net](mailto:gcattalini@stbonaventure.net). The registration form is also available on our website at [www.stbonaventure.net/adult-confirmation](http://www.stbonaventure.net/adult-confirmation).

**Multi-Faith Action Coalition Annual August Action**

MFAC represents faith communities across Contra Costa (including St. Bonaventure) to address the root causes of poverty through advocacy and public policy change. Join us to share successes, struggles, and ideas in our work. Keynote address by Jessica Bartholow, Policy Advocate at Western Center on Law & Poverty. Sunday, August 25th, 2-4pm at

**Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK**

- Saturday, August 17**  
8:00 St. Bonaventure Community  
5:00 Lastenia Vargas  
William Pace  
Arturo Estrada  
Jose M. Villanueva
- Sunday, August 18**  
7:30 Mamerto Santos  
Romeo Mopera  
Victor Grech  
Marie Schild  
9:00 Joey Mangini  
Galvin de Guzman  
Hubert Steidley  
Patrick Mullauer  
11:00 Janusz Zelazny  
Joanna Brud  
Rosario Uy  
Isaura Teixeira  
12:45 Paula Tejada  
Severo Rodríguez  
Reed Brunges  
Emilia Gonzalez  
5:00 St. Bonaventure Community
- Monday, August 19**  
9:00 Charlotte Milcetic-Picallo  
Celso Salaiz, Jr.  
Maria Diaz  
Alice Millen
- Tuesday, August 20**  
6:30 Maggie Tuason Reyes  
9:00 Frances Alexander  
Jane Scerri  
Victor Scerri  
Linda Delbeck
- Wednesday, August 21**  
9:00 Joy Camarillo  
Charlotte Micetic-Picallo
- Thursday, August 22**  
6:30 St. Bonaventure Community  
9:00 Romy Mopera  
Galvin de Guzman
- Friday, August 23**  
9:00 All souls in purgatory  
Cindy Robinson
- Saturday, August 24**  
8:00 St. Bonaventure Community  
5:00 Jane Axup  
James McWilliams  
Simon & Minh  
Cecilia Guillermo

Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church.  
[www.multifaithactioncoalition.org](http://www.multifaithactioncoalition.org).

*“Jesús vino a purificar la tierra con su santo fuego y a sembrar división y no paz.”*

—(Lucas 12:49-53)

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**PENSAMIENTOS DEL DIÁCONO BILL GALL**



"He venido a prender fuego a la tierra, y cómo desearía que ya estuviera ardiendo" (Lucas 12: 49-53).

A lo largo de nuestra historia bíblica, el símbolo del fuego ha jugado un papel fundamental en la vida del pueblo de Dios. Recordamos la historia de Moisés y la zarza ardiente en la montaña sagrada donde Dios le presentó a Moisés los diez mandamientos. En

Pentecostés, "lenguas de fuego" descendieron sobre los apóstoles reunidos en el aposento alto. Juan el Bautista nos dijo que Jesús bautizaría con el Espíritu Santo y fuego.

En la Vigilia Pascual, encendemos la vela pascual que simboliza la luz de Cristo entrando en la oscuridad de nuestro mundo.

En nuestro bautismo, se enciende una vela y se presenta al recién bautizado que simboliza la luz de Cristo y reza para que esa luz se mantenga encendida brillantemente por toda la eternidad. En nuestra Confirmación, el Espíritu Santo fue enviado para ayudar a prendernos fuego.

¿Crees que he venido a establecer la paz en la tierra? No, te digo, sino más bien división.

¿Son estas realmente las palabras de Jesús, el "Príncipe de Paz"? Que estamos oyendo ¿Tomamos las palabras de Jesús literalmente o está tratando de hacer un punto usando hipérbole? Creo que Jesús quería prender fuego a nuestros corazones. Un incendio que posiblemente podría conducir a la división e interrupción en nuestras vidas y en las personas que nos rodean. Creo que está tratando de enfatizar la seriedad de lo que significa ser un discípulo suyo y las posibles consecuencias de lo que podría significar. Podríamos preguntarnos, ¿quién viene primero?

Más de una familia se ha dividido sobre el tema de la religión. Se ha dicho: "Creer en Jesús y comprometerse con él hace estallar incendios entre los creyentes y los no creyentes en las mismas familias o comunidades, lo que resulta en la división dentro de las familias y los conflictos en la sociedad. Defender lo que es correcto, trabajar por la justicia y la verdad son objetivos más altos que la unidad, y trabajar por esos objetivos a veces causará división".

Entonces, ¿qué significa para nosotros hoy? Lewis dijo una vez que el Evangelio estaba preocupado por crear "nuevas personas", no solo "buenas personas". En virtud de nuestro bautismo, compartimos la responsabilidad de hablar la palabra de Dios, sin importar cuán impopular, y de dar voz a aquellos que no tienen a nadie que hable por ellos. El sentido de justicia de Jesús lo puso en conflicto con aquellos que explotaron a los débiles y a los pobres. Su integridad invitó a la confrontación con las personas deshonestas e hipócritas de su época, y su amor por los pobres, por los pecadores, lo alejó de los de mente estrecha y justiciero.

Mientras Jesús caminaba por el camino a Jerusalén, los discípulos tuvieron que decidir si ir con él o no. Estar con o en contra de Jesús es una decisión que tiene el efecto de juicio y división. ¿Lo que usted dice? ¿Recorrerás el camino con él? Requiere una "fe adulta", una vez descrita por el Papa Benedicto XVI como:

“Una fe adulta no es una fe que sigue la tendencia de la moda y la última novedad; Una fe adulta madura está profundamente arraigada en Cristo. Es esta amistad la que nos abre a todo lo bueno y nos da un criterio para distinguir lo verdadero de lo falso y el engaño de la verdad. Tal fe permitirá que el fuego del Espíritu Santo arda en nosotros y nos dé el coraje de nuestras convicciones Cristianas”.

Que Jesús bendiga a todos y cada uno de ustedes.

**HORARIO DE OFICINA**  
Padre Oscar Rojas  
Teléfono (925) 844-9015

**Cerrado para almuerzo de 12:30-1:30pm**  
**Lunes a Jueves:** 8:30 a.m. -5:30pm  
**Viernes:** 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

*“[Jesús] aceptó la cruz, sin temer su ignominia, y por eso está sentado a la derecha del trono de Dios.”*  
-- Hebreos 12:2

**Bautizos 2019**

**Lugar del Bautizo:** Iglesia

**Lugar de la clase:** B-1

**Encargado:** Gregorio Menchaca  
(925) 826-5102

\*\*\*\*Para información sobre clases, favor contactar la oficina\*\*\*\*

Fecha de Bautizo	Hora de Bautizo	Fecha de Clase	Hora de Clase
Sat 09/14	10:00 a.m.	Fri 08/30	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 09/14	12:00 p.m.	Fri 09/06	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 09/28	10:00 a.m.	Fri 09/20	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 10/12	10:00 a.m.	Fri 10/04	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 10/26	10:00 a.m.	Fri 10/18	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 11/09	10:00 a.m.	Fri 10/25	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 11/23	10:00 a.m.	Fri 11/15	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 12/14	10:00 a.m.	Fri 12/13	7-9:30 p.m.

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### JR. HIGH AND YOUTH MINISTRY

(6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)

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## Clayton Valley Counseling

For over 20 years, licensed Catholic therapists at St. Bonaventure have continued to serve individuals, couples, and families, and have prepared engaged couples for marriage. Please call 925-210- 6176.

## Pregnant? Need Help?



1-800-910-0191,  
The Gabriel Project

## Register Now For Bible Study On Mark

Join us for an exciting new Bible Study – *Mark: The Gospel through the eyes of Peter*. Through the eyes of Peter, you will experience Jesus as a “worker of mighty deeds” who expels demons, heals the sick and teaches that the Kingdom of God has not only arrived but is in power.

At the conclusion of the Gospel of Mark study in February, the morning class will study *Angels through the Ages*. The evening class will study *The Kingdom of Happiness*, a look at the Beatitudes.

Scripture Study meets Thursdays, from Sep. 5 through May 2020, from 10-11:30 am or 7-8:30 pm.

For more details, see  
[www.stbonaventure.net/scripture](http://www.stbonaventure.net/scripture).

Register in the church office by August 29 for \$60.00. If you have additional questions or need a form in order to mail in your registration please contact Greg Gamache at: [bonaventurebible@astound.net](mailto:bonaventurebible@astound.net).

## Registration For Religious Education Classes

St. Bonaventure’s religious education classes will begin the week of September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Our faith formation programs begin with children as young as age 4 and Kindergarten and continue through High School.

We offer a Sunday morning program for Pre-School age 4 and Kindergarten-age children that meets during the 9am Mass.

Classes for students who are in the 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade occur during the week after school. We will meet your child wherever they are in their faith journey with class offerings for Baptism, First Communion, and Reconciliation, as well as continuing faith formation. We also have sacramental preparation classes for First Communion that are taught in Spanish.

*Registration for Faith Formation Classes will be held on Saturdays, August 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> from 9AM to 6PM in Classroom A-1.* We will

be available to answer any questions you have and assist you with registering your child for the appropriate class. You will also be able to register in the church office after August 17<sup>th</sup> between 1:30-4:00pm. If your child has been in our Faith Formation program last year, you will be receiving a packet of materials in the mail. Registration forms will be in the church foyer, in the church office and on our website at [www.stbonaventure.net](http://www.stbonaventure.net). Just click on the link for Faith Formation Registration. We look forward to having your child in our Faith Formation Programs!



## REMINDER!

A reminder to those of you who took ornaments or envelopes from our ‘Christmas in July’ trees. Please bring back the ornament or envelope and the requested item or contribution to the Hospitality Room after any of the masses the weekends of August 10-11 and August 17-18. And thank you for supporting our Food Pantry in this unique way! Questions? Call/text Dan at (925) 408-5964.

## Grief Support at St. Bonaventure

The death of a loved one is unlike any other loss. Whether the death was unexpected and tragic, or one with warning and preparation, the reality of death leaves most of us in a state of shock, confusion and sadness. Grieving people need time and space to honor their grief.

## “Healing the Heart” is

a 6-week program that will meet on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 until 9:00 pm from September 10<sup>th</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup> in classroom B1. The Grief Companions will share their experiences and there is time for small group sharing. We invite you to join us and let us accompany you on your healing journey. For more information and to register, call Helene at (925) 681-8105 by September 5<sup>th</sup>.

