



# VOYAGER NEWSLETTER

\*(Addendum)\*

St. Paul's United Methodist Church  
Coronado, California

December 2nd, 2016

## FROM THE PASTORS PEN

*"Where Else?"* By Bruce Pewer

If  
there is elsewhere  
good news surpassing the joy of Jesus,  
lead me to it,  
that I may laugh all day and never sigh.

If  
there does exist  
a better seer who gives clearer sight and hearing  
to mere mortals,  
may he visit my town and hear my cry.

If  
there can be found  
a lord with superior healing touch  
to this Jesus,  
may his fame grow and multiply.

If  
you should meet one  
who makes the lame to fly as well as walk,  
then bring him near  
that I might rise and soar sky high.

If  
there is a lover  
who does greater than raise the dead,  
then bury me  
beside the road where this marvel walks by.

No!  
I look and see,  
and hear those other clamorous voices  
that shout at me.  
But there is none more like True-God than he!

## *Group and Ministry Notes*

### 2017 ESTIMATE OF GIVING UPDATE

**Remember to turn in your Estimate of Giving Card!**

**Pledge verification letters were mailed earlier this week, along with a report that the initial pledge total for our 2017 Ministry and Mission program is \$529,000. This represents an increase of 16% over last year's pledged total of \$456,000!**

**Our Financial Secretary anticipates a few more "Estimate of Giving Cards" will be turned in and our Finance Committee will be working over the next couple of weeks to finalize next year's budget. If you have not yet turned in your Estimate of Giving card for 2017, we encourage you to do so as soon as possible. (Extra pledge cards are available in the church office during the week, or in the narthex on Sunday mornings.) Thank you so much for your part in such an exciting result for this year's Stewardship campaign. – Finance & Stewardship Team**

### WORSHIP SERVICES CHRISTMAS DAY AND NEW YEAR'S DAY

**We will have one worship service at St. Paul's UMC at 10:00 am on both Christmas Day and New Year's Day.**

**The Christmas Day Service will be a "Service of Carols and Stories." We will sing a number of our favorite Christmas carols and hear the stories behind the songs.**

**Our New Year's Worship, along with more favorite Christmas carols, will include the opportunity to begin the year by rededicating ourselves to be faithful disciples of Jesus.**

### NEW 'HEARING LOOP' INSTALLED

**Thanks to the generosity of several St. Paul's members, the 'Hearing Loop' system has been installed. This Assistive Listening system works with hearing aids and cochlear implants that have a 't-coil' setting. We also have 6 transmitters with headphones for people who have some hearing loss\*, but who do not have hearing aids. The headphones can be used by people who have hearing aids without a t-coil.**

**The system will work in the Narthex, the choir loft, and on both sides of the sanctuary. The hearing loop will not work in the balcony. (\*People who have their own 'ear buds' may use them with the transmitters by unplugging the current headphones and using the earphone jack.) If you have questions, please talk with Charlie Higgins or Pastor Robb. We will be happy to help you understand how to use the 'hearing loop.'**

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