

CAMPUS BUZZ...

Welcome Back Weekend August 25-27

Jump start your Fall semester with a weekend of fun and fellowship at FCCB.

Friday, August 25—6:30-10 pm—FREE BBQ on FCCB front lawn

FCCB's young adults will welcome back students with the first event of the 2030atFCCB fellowship. Come greet old friends and make a few new ones! Bring something to throw on the grill (if you can).

Sunday, August 27—10-11 am—Worship in the Sanctuary

Celebrate through a lively worship of music and word. Hear a sermon from Minister of Campus Life, Shelly Dieterle, and see how many students share their musical gifts in worship.



Boalt law student and FCCB member, Tom Fletcher, keeps tabs on the grill.

Sunday, August 27—11:30 am-1 pm—Free Student Lunch in Small Assembly

All undergraduate and graduate students are invited to a student lunch and reception following the morning worship. We'll engage in a sermon talk back, hear stories of your summer adventures and sign up for a variety of service and fellowship opportunities.



Last fall FCCB young adults gathered beneath market umbrellas, enjoyed BBQ chicken, veggies and burgers, and played games. Come Friday, August 25th to enjoy the outdoors and BBQ with other FCCB young adults.

Vocation Mentorship Information Sessions

Each semester students from all walks of life consider applying to our Vocation Mentorship Program. We host an information session prior to the application deadline in order to answer questions and clarify any misunderstandings. Some students are surprised that our program is about matching them up with a mentor, rather than matching them with elementary school children. As the vision of this type of relationship takes hold, many students realize this is exactly what they need—a caring adult sans the expectations, pressure and judgment so regularly felt by parents, peers and the campus culture. Students also learn, often for the first time, the difference between a job, a career and a vocation. To be a participant in this program requires some careful reflection on and articulation of personal values and gifts. There are two information sessions for students interested in the Fall Vocation Mentorship: Tuesday, August, 29 and Wednesday, September 6, both at 8 pm in the Library.



Students learn about the Vocation Mentorship at and information session in the Library.

We Bear Many Gifts

Calling all FCCB members...each member of this church bears many gifts, and I am always in awe when I see these gifts shared through our outreach to the campus community. The Vocation Mentorship biography packet is a rich witness to your rich faithful lives of challenge and celebration. Let's share the good news! Consider submitting your biography and sharing your story with a Cal student looking for guidance, support and inspiration through our Vocation Mentorship. Join me after worship in Durant House for conversation and questions about the program on either Sun, Aug 13 or 20.

Also, looking ahead, we will once again embark on a service trip during Cal's Spring Break, March 26-30, 2007. As you heard through the many stories of our Katrina Service Trip, the intergenerational aspect of service immersion is one of FCCB's greatest offerings to the campus community. You are needed to travel alongside students and serve together a community in need. Trip location and details will be determined in the fall, but make plans now to partake in this incredible opportunity.

Ecumenical Service and Travel

Last year our campus programs joined progressive Christians from SFSU, UC Davis, UC Santa Cruz, Stanford and Cal's Wesley Foundation for two overnight service trips. The intercampus involvement was so fruitful for all involved that we have new and exciting plans for this next year.

Sat-Sun, Oct 21-22—Urban Plunge in San Francisco, labyrinth walk at Grace Cathedral, overnight at Pacific School of Religion, and worship at New Spirit Community Church.

Thurs, Dec 28-Wed, Jan 3—Celebrate! Quadrennial Ecumenical Leadership Conference in New Orleans, and Katrina Relief Service Project



Last fall, over twenty-five progressive Christians from four campuses met at San Francisco for an urban plunge. Students have a similar opportunity this October 21-22.

Calling Congregations

Shelly Dieterle and Jane Stahlhut will travel to Evanston, IL at the end of September to participate in the Fund for Theological Education's new initiative, Calling Congregations. FTE seeks to nurture, support and connect 500 congregations across the country who are making an intentional effort to strengthen a culture of calling. With so many students moving among our congregation, we must engage in a conversation of call and vocation. During the conference, we'll gain skills to better incorporate our theology into programs for and conversations with students. FTE does focus on identifying and encouraging young adults to consider a call to ministry which is essential as we look ahead, nurturing and preparing strong future church leaders. In addition, I look forward to applying the new learning and support from FTE towards strengthening our Vocation Mentorship and Intergenerational Service Immersion.

Religion & Environment Seminar

This fall semester, Campus Ministry Committee member and Cal professor, Dick Norgaard, will contribute to our campus programs outreach by offering a special course for Cal and GTU students, *Religion, Science and the Ecological Crisis in Post-Modern America*. Dick and a few of students will lead the second hour at FCCB on November 5th. This seminar and second hour enhance our current efforts to study and address the environmental crisis from a faithful worldview.

The 2006-07 academic year is gearing up, and so are the many opportunities for students and FCCB members to engage in meaningful relationships. Last year we made extraordinary bounds in strengthening inter-generational connections both through our Vocation Mentorship and Katrina Relief Service Immersion. This year I will continue to create these opportunities in addition to focusing on the intra-generational relationships of FCCB members, friends and visitors in their 20's and 30's. Building bridges among graduate students at Cal and the GTU and other young adult members, friends and visitors will meet the expressed longing of so many. What a rich community we have; the sharing and serving together will make a difference in all our lives! Join me at the Aug 25 BBQ, and worship and lunch on Aug 27th.

Fall Activities for Students

Aug 25 – Free BBQ at 6:30

Aug 27 – Welcome Back Worship at 10 am; Lunch at 11:30 am

Aug 29 – Student Information Session for Vocation Mentorship at 8 pm

Sept 3 – Free First Sunday Lunch at 12 pm

Sept 6 – Student Information Session for Vocation Mentorship at 8 pm

Sept 8 – Deadline for Vocation Mentorship Applications at 5 pm

Sept 17 – Opening Retreat for Vocation Mentorship at 12 pm

Oct 1 – Free First Sunday Lunch at 12 noon

Oct 21-22 – urban plunge in San Francisco

Nov 5 – Free First Sunday Lunch at 12 pm

Nov 5—Second Hour—Norgaard's Cal seminar, *Religion, Science and the Ecological Crisis in Post-Modern America*—Student Presentation at 11:30 am