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DISCOVERY CLASS

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Welcome...

Thank you for taking time out of your schedule to be a part of the PCC Discovery Class!

During this time together, we hope to get to know you better and to help you understand more about PCC. Our goal is to give you information about who we are, what we believe, and to highlight the things God has been doing.

We also want to answer any questions you may have and provide you with opportunities to get involved in the ministries at PCC.

This class is a requirement for those who sense a call to be used by God in a ministry position or serve in an area of leadership.

It is also the way that you can make an informed decision about officially making PCC your “church home” and becoming a member.

If you are attending the Discovery Class to become a member or serve in a particular ministry position, please complete a membership packet which includes:

- Personal history
- Doctrinal agreement
- Written testimony
- Commitment page

We pray that our time together will be informative and encouraging!



Our mission is to encourage everyone to know and follow Jesus.

We are a non-denominational church and a community of imperfect people who are on a journey to know and follow Christ.

Reaching people for Christ
Growing followers of Christ
Connecting together in Christ

Who We Are

Our leadership structure is patterned after the biblical model of an Elder led church (Titus 1:5, Acts 20:17,28, 1 Pet. 5:1-3). We are thankful that God has called together a staff that is gifted and passionate about serving God's people. We trust that you take your role seriously in supporting, encouraging and praying for the PCC staff regularly!



Pastor Mark Ambrose | *Lead Pastor*

A native of Southern California, Mark earned his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from USC, his Master of Divinity degree from Talbot School of Theology, and his Doctorate Degree in Preaching at Talbot School of Theology. Mark's passion is to see people reached for Christ and to help them grow in their love and devotion to Him. During the 1980s, Mark had a fruitful evangelism ministry, recording and touring internationally with a

contemporary Christian music group that he founded. Mark became the Outreach Pastor at PCC in 1995, served as Executive Pastor from 1996-2003 and was the Senior Associate Pastor from 2003-2006. He was installed by the Elders and the Church Members of PCC as the Lead Pastor on Feb. 8, 2006. Mark and his wife, Susan, married in 1982 and have 3 children, Brittany, Evan and Brennan, and 6 grandchildren.



Pastor Darren Mettler

Associate Pastor

Darren was born and raised in Mission Viejo, CA. He earned his B.A. in Religious Studies from Westmont College and was a Junior High Director before becoming an original member of a Christian Rock/Ska band named the OC Supertones. He toured throughout the USA and Europe for 8 years. Darren is the Associate Pastor at PCC and has been married to his wife Joy since 2001. Together they have four children, Sarina, Caleb, Rylee, and Sky.



Pastor John Rainey

Middle School Pastor

John was born and raised in Platteville, WI. He earned a B.A. in Bible from Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, IL. At Moody he met his wife Jenna and they married in 2010. After spending a few years living in Chicago, John and Jenna relocated to San Clemente, CA. In the spring of 2013, John began an internship with PCC's Middle School Ministry. This internship led to a full time position as our Middle School Pastor.



Pastor Brandon Hendriks

Student Ministries Pastor

Brandon was born and raised in Southern California. He moved to Oregon in high school, spent a year of college in Georgia, and graduated from Simpson University in Redding. After 6 years of leading high school ministry in Redding, he moved to Modesto where he continued in high school and young adult ministries for another 6 years while pursuing a Master's Degree at Fuller Theological Seminary. Brandon joined the PCC staff in 2014. He is married to Melissa and they have had 3 children, Xander (2008-2016), Uzziah and Tytus.



Evan Ambrose

Worship Leader

Evan was born and raised in Southern California where he attended CSU Fullerton and studied business finance. He has played music professionally since 2006 and has been involved in music ministry and worship leading at PCC since 2008. Evan married Jessica in 2012 and joined our staff in June, 2013. He and Jessica have one child.



Ana Perez

Children's Ministry Director

Ana was born and raised in San Clemente and earned her BA in Psychology from California Baptist University. For 8 years she served at Iglesia El Camino (PCC's Hispanic Ministry) assisting in their Children's Ministry, adult worship team, and many other areas. She became our Children's Ministry Team Leader in 2016, and our full-time Children's Director in January, 2017. Ana is married to Gabriel and they have one son, Elijah.



Brittanie Arnett

Children's Ministry Assistant

Brittanie was born and raised in San Diego. She has been involved in children's ministry for most of her life. Brittanie studied at Biola University while co-directing the children's ministry at a church in San Diego. She graduated from Biola with a bachelor's degree in journalism/public relations in May, 2013 and relocated to San Clemente. Brittanie started attending PCC shortly after moving to the area where she began volunteering in Children's Ministry. Brittanie joined our staff in September, 2014.



Kristy Anady

Administrative Assistant & Financial Secretary

Kristy was born and raised in Dayton, Ohio, and moved to San Clemente in 1983. She and her husband, Randy, have been attending PCC since 1996. They have 2 grown children, Steven and Brittany and 2 granddaughters. Kristy joined our staff in 2002 and currently supports Pastor Mark and Evan. She is also responsible for the bookkeeping and financial accounting for PCC.



Robin Sheldon

Adult Ministries Coordinator

Robin was born and raised in Northern California and moved to San Clemente in 2007. She soon began attending PCC and joined a women's community group. Robin has two grown sons and two grandsons, and has been married to Kent since 2005. She volunteered in the church office as a receptionist for a year and joined the staff in 2010 as an Administrative Assistant assisting with adult ministries.



Melinda Metz

Children's Ministry Heroes Coordinator

Melinda is a native to Orange County. She received her undergraduate degree from the University of Arizona in Family Studies and Human Development, with an emphasis in Elementary Education. She continued her education at Chapman University in Orange, where she received her California Teaching Credential, and her Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction. She taught for 7 years in elementary school prior to coming to PCC in 2013. She and her husband, Jeremy, have two daughters, Katelyn and Kylie.



Linda Biedermann

Children's Ministry Early Childhood Coordinator

Linda is a Southern California native and has been attending PCC since 1994. She and her husband Bob have 3 adult children. Linda has served in many areas of ministry at PCC including MOPS, Women's Bible Study, Community Groups and Children's Ministry as the Early Childhood Coordinator from 2001 to 2004. She has always had a heart for the children and families at PCC and considers it a blessing to return to this position as of August, 2016.



Judy Hudson

Administrative Assistant

Judy was born in Los Angeles and grew up in the San Gabriel Valley. She attended CSULA where she met her husband, Roger. They have two grown children, Gavin and Megan, and four grandchildren. Judy joined our staff in 2002. She supports the youth and children's ministries.



Samantha "Sam" Foreman

Receptionist

Sam was born and raised in Indiana where she met her husband, Jesse, in high school. They were married in 2013 and moved to San Clemente when he was transferred to Camp Pendleton. Sam has volunteered in our Children's Ministry and currently serves in our Welcome Team, High School Ministry, and as a Community Group leader. She joined our staff in March, 2013.



Gaby Monson

Director of Care Ministries

Gaby was born and raised in Southern Germany and moved to the USA at age 17. She began volunteering at the church office in early 2012, became our Refreshment Coordinator in late 2012, and our Director of Care Ministries in 2014. In addition, Gaby co-leads a Community Group and is active in GriefShare.



Lynne Muslin

Moppets Coordinator

Born in Alaska, but predominately raised in Orange County, Lynne graduated from UC Irvine with a degree in psychology. She spent the next 33 years as a federal investigator both with the U.S. Treasury and Department of Defense, retiring as a Counterintelligence Specialist in 2004. She is dedicated to serving the Lord in various ministries, particularly enjoying investing in the lives of little ones and their families at PCC. Lynne became our Moppets Coordinator in August, 2013.



Sel Thomson

Creative Arts Director

Sel was born in Japan and grew up in the UK. She studied Graphic Design and Multimedia in Southampton, England, and moved to California in 2005. She has worked as a graphic and web designer for various churches and organizations in Orange County for the past 10 years and began attending PCC in 2011. Sel and her husband Josh have three children. She joined our staff in November, 2015.



Pastor Walter Reguerin

Hispanic Church Pastor

Walter was born and raised in La Paz, Bolivia. He came to the USA in 1986, worked in the hotel industry for 15 years and attended Las Americas Seminary. Walter has been married to his wife, Mali, since 1990 and has three boys, Jeremy, Timothy and Jesse. Walter was an Elder at El Buen, a Pastor in Santa Ana, and became the Senior Pastor at Iglesia El Camino in 2003.



Ken Robertson

Tech Arts & Facilities Director

Ken is a native to Southern California. His passion for technical arts began in his late teens and turned into a career spanning nearly three decades. He has worked for several of the area's larger churches on staff and as a consultant. Ken and his wife Cathy were married in 1973 and have three adult children and ten grandchildren. Ken became our full-time Tech Arts Director in May 2013.



Rose Mancilla

Facility Services

Rosa was born in Sonora, Mexico and grew up in Mexicali, Baja, Mexico. She came to California in the early 1980's and to PCC in 1994. Rosa is the mother of four, Laura, Luis, Brandon and Christopher. Rosa loves serving God with the Facility Team.



Mali Reguerin

Administrative Assistant to Pastor Walter

Mali was born in Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico and raised in Santa Ana, CA. She has been married to Walter since 1991 and they have 3 grown sons. She has assisted her husband with the Iglesia El Camino Ministry since 2003 in various areas. She is currently the secretary for the IEC Ministry.

Elders

PCC's Elders are responsible for providing godly oversight, protection, and making ministry decisions. They are eager to serve and meet the qualification of 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1.



Mark Ambrose | *Lead Pastor*
Pastor Mark has served as an Elder since 1997.



Tony Elias-Calles
Tony was born in Guatanamo, Cuba and came to this country in 1965. He and his wife, Sharron, have three children, Shane, Matthew and Alyson. Tony has attended PCC since 1995. He has served in various leadership roles over the years and is currently a Community Group Coach. Tony became an Elder in 2007.



Joe Boswell
Joe has been married to his wife, Eileen, since 1966 and has three grown daughters and five grandchildren. He heads the Boswell Insurance Agency in Laguna Hills. Joe has been in leadership at PCC since 1981 serving in various ministries. During that time he has served on and off the Elder Team.

Prayer for the elders

It is important that Christians in the church support their leaders in prayer. The Bible says that they have an extremely important job in maintaining sound doctrine, sheperding over the flock, and administrating the affairs of the church. Hebrews 13:17 tells us to make their ministry a "joy and not a burden", so remember to encourage them regularly and pray for them daily!



Clint Fawcett
Clint and his wife Jill have attended PCC since 1998. They have two grown children, Jenna and Daniel. He has served in various ministries and is currently a Community Group Leader and a High School small group leader. Clint became an Elder in 2011.



Dick Herr
Dick is a retired school principal. He married his wife Marilyn in 1959 and they began attending PCC in 1965. Dick has four grown children, 11 grandchildren and one great grandchild. He graduated from Whittier College and Cal State L.A. He has served in various ministries through the years and became an Elder in 2007.



Rob Hiner
Rob has been attending PCC since 1996. He and his wife Lyn have two daughters, Sarah and Ellie. Rob has served in a variety of ministries and is currently a Community Group Leader and Coach. He became an Elder in January 2013.



Tom Meadows
Tom is President of Elmco Insurance Agency in Santa Ana. He has been married to Lorraine since 1979 and has three grown children and 6 grandchildren. Tom serves as a Community Group leader, is involved in our Project 25 ministry and serves on our Tech Arts team. He became an Elder in 2011

Deacons

The Deacons at PCC are considered our church' "key ministers". Though all Christians are called to be ministers (Eph. 4:12), there are those who are distinguished as gifted and faithful in their service to the body of Christ (1 Tim. 3:8-13). We hold them before the congregation as Christians who are to set the example of commitment and dedication to our local church body.

Where We've Been

PCC has been encouraging everyone to know and follow Jesus for over 60 years. The church began with a very small group meeting in what is now the Ole Hanson Beach Club.

Highlights

On June 5, 1955, Pastor Oliver Siemens conducted the first service for Pacific Coast Church (originally named First Baptist Church of San Clemente) at the San Clemente Boat Club. He never anticipated how this small church family of twenty would prosper and grow in the seaside community of San Clemente.

After a few short years, God provided new leadership (Pastor Orville Burch) and a larger church site located in downtown San Clemente at 107 West Marquita. When Phil Smith was called to pastor PCC in 1969, the congregation was approaching 200. PCC's strong Biblical foundation and desire to serve its church family and community created numerous ministry opportunities to glorify God and bless the San Clemente population. God called Pastor Smith to the

mission field in the early 80's where he continued to minister to the body of Christ and train future pastors in the Philippines and around the world. After Pastor Smith's departure and the brief ministry of Pastor Steve Pearson, Denver Clark (a former missionary to South America) accepted the interim pastorate position. In 1986, he was called as the Senior Pastor. With the desire for church growth, Pastor Clark planted the vision for relocation of the church facility to its current location on Frontera.

In 1990, Pastor Clark entered into the presence of the Lord after a long battle with cancer. Associate Pastor Mike Fabarez assumed the position of Senior Pastor at that time and led the church body as it built a new and larger facility on a hillside overlooking the beautiful Pacific Ocean.



Pastor Fabarez left PCC in 2005 but a large God-centered church family remained.

Under God's leadership, guidance and provision, PCC continues to grow and prosper. The relocation boom to Southern California combined with the area's desperate need to hear the Gospel has provided unique opportunities for this church to serve its body and community. On February 8th, 2006, Executive Pastor Mark

Ambrose was installed by the Elders and church members of PCC as the new Lead Pastor to lead the faithful at PCC into the future. From a group of 20 believers to a congregation of more than 1,100, God has remained faithful to PCC during its history as we remain committed to Reaching People for Christ, Growing Followers of Christ, and Connecting Together in Christ in San Clemente and around the world.



Photos left to right: First church meeting, Olé Hanson Beach Club in San Clemente, 107 West Marquita in San Clemente

Photos left to right: Pastor Mark Ambrose and Founding Pastor Oliver Siemens, 2651 Calle Frontera in San Clemente

What We Believe

What a church believes is obviously of paramount importance. It is our firm conviction that the Bible is true, and that the truth about God and ourselves is found in it. The Bible is our source of authority at PCC and we seek to function as a church in submission to it. The following pages articulate our understanding of what the Bible teaches about a variety of important topics.

The Bible

The Bible is God's unalterable source of revelation to people (1 Peter 1:24-25). The sixty-six books of the Bible were given by the inspiration of God's Spirit and are not the product of human creativity or ingenuity (2 Peter 1:20-21). Every word of the Bible is inspired by God in the original manuscripts (2 Timothy 3:16, Matthew 5:18). The Bible in its original manuscripts is without error and is completely accurate in all that it affirms (John 17:17, Psalm 19:7). The Bible will stand as God's reliable source of revelation eternally for all people (Isaiah 40:8). The remarkable transmission of the biblical text through the ages has done very little to blur the exacting picture of the original documents. We believe that the meaning of the scripture is found when one uses a literal interpretation, keeping in mind the historical context, grammatical and genre considerations, for any given text. It is the responsibility of believers to diligently discover the true intent and meaning of scripture under the inspiration and guidance of the Holy Spirit (John

16:12-15, 1 Corinthians 2:7-15, 1 John 2:20). Although there may be a variety of practical applications for any given passage of scripture, there is only one true interpretation (2 Peter 1:20-21). We believe the Bible is the supreme source of truth and the foundation for all theology.

God the Father

There is only one true and living God (Deuteronomy 6:4, Isaiah 45:5-7, 1 Corinthians 8:4). God is a sovereign (Psalm 115:3), eternal (Isaiah 44:6), all-knowing (Psalm 139:4), all-powerful (Job 42:2), holy (Isaiah 6:1-7), unchanging (Malachi 3:6), just (Psalm 97:2) and loving (1 John 4:8) being that exists in three Persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19, 2 Corinthians 13:14). God is one essence that is truly God, existing in three distinct persons. We believe God the Father to be our sovereign creator over all, making people His creation and accountable to Him.

Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ is coequal with the Father, possessing all the glory of the Godhead (John 14:9, Hebrews 1:3). Jesus is God in very essence and pre-existed as God in all His glory before His incarnation in time and space (John 8:57-58, Philippians 2:6-7). Jesus Christ became a man, virgin born (Matthew 1:23), to redeem mankind and at that time accepted all the essential characteristics of humanity without violating or detracting from His divine essence (Hebrews 2:14-15, Philippians 2:5-8). Jesus represents humanity and deity in indivisible oneness (Colossians 2:9).

Jesus accomplished redemption through His willing, sacrificial, substitutionary death on the cross (John 10:15, Romans 5:8, 1 Peter 2:24) and was raised physically from the dead as proof and guarantee of our justification (Romans 1:4, 1 Corinthians 15:16-20). Jesus ascended to the right hand of the Father and mediates as the Advocate and High Priest of those who are His (Acts 1:9, Romans 8:34, Hebrews 7:25, 9:24, 1 John 2:1). Jesus has promised to return to receive the church and will establish the earthly millennial kingdom (Acts 1:9-11, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17, Revelation 20:1-6). We believe Jesus Christ is our only means of salvation. His death, burial and resurrection provide forgiveness and eternal hope for those who place their faith and trust in Him.

Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit possesses all the attributes

of God (Hebrews 9:14, Psalm 139:7-10, Isaiah 40:13-14, John 16:13) and is a distinct personality of the Godhead having intellect (1 Corinthians 2:10-13), emotions (Ephesians 4:30), and will (1 Corinthians 12:11). The Holy Spirit is coequal with the Father and the Son (Matthew 28:19, Acts 5:3-4, 28:25-26, 1 Corinthians 12:4-6, 2 Corinthians 13:14). The Holy Spirit regenerates the Christian at conversion (Titus 3:5-7, John 3:3-8), places the Christian into the body of Christ at conversion (1 Corinthians 12:13), indwells the Christian at conversion (1 Corinthians 6:19), is guarantee of the Christian's redemption (Ephesians 1:13-14), and leads the Christian on a daily basis as he or she submits to His leadership (Galatians 5:16-25, Ephesians 5:18, Romans 8:14).

The Holy Spirit executes the ministry of the church by manifesting Himself as He wills through individual Christians in a variety of gifts (1 Corinthians 12:7-11) and placing them in offices within the church (Ephesians 4:11-12). We believe the Holy Spirit indwells, guides and leads believers on a daily basis to become more like Christ, when they are obedient, yielding and dependant on Him.

People

The human race began by the direct and instantaneous creation of God (Genesis 1:26-27). Men and women are created in God's image (Genesis 1:26-27) possessing all the necessary attributes of personhood (i.e. intellect, emotion and will) and exist to glorify God (Isaiah 43:7).

People forfeited the intended fellowship with God (Isaiah 59:2), incurred the penalty of spiritual and physical death (Genesis 2:16-17, Romans 5:12), became subject to the wrath of God (John 3:36) and lost the ability to be independently acceptable to God (Romans 5:6-10) through Adam's one act of disobedience (Romans 5:12). People exist relationally separated from God and express that sinfulness in a variety of sinful acts (Isaiah 59:2, Romans 3:10-18). We believe that all people are sinful and fall short of God's standard for perfection, thus needing salvation and God's mercy.

Marriage: Marriage has been established/instituted by God. This church defines "marriage" as it is outlined in scripture, as the exclusive covenantal union of one man and one woman (Genesis 1:27-28; 2:18-24; Ephesians 5:31; Colossians 3:18-19) in which such union is a lifetime commitment (Matthew 19:4-6).

Human Sexuality: Legitimate sexual relations are exercised solely within marriage. Hence, sexual activities outside of marriage (referred to in the New Testament as "porneia") including but not limited to, adultery, premarital sex, homosexuality, and pedophilia are inconsistent with the teachings of the Bible and the Church. Further, lascivious conduct, transgender behavior, and the creation and/or distribution and/or viewing of pornography, are incompatible with the biblical witness (Matthew 19:9; 1 Corinthians 6:9-10; 15-20; Ephesians 5:3; Romans 1:18-27; 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8).

Salvation

Salvation of individuals is wholly carried out by God's grace, based on the redemptive work of Jesus on the cross and is in no way contributed to or accomplished by the merit or work of the individual (Ephesians 1:7, 2:8-10, 1 Peter 1:18-19). Those who repent and put their trust in Jesus as their provision for the sinful condition (Mark 1:15, Luke 24:46-47, Acts 3:19, 11:18, 20:21) are declared righteous by God (Romans 3:21-22, 8:33).

The work of God in justifying those He has called will not be thwarted by anything (Romans 8:28-39). Since the work of salvation is initiated and carried out by God, those who are being saved will never lose their standing before God (Romans 8:1, Ephesians 1:13-14, 4:30, John 6:37-40) and will persevere in the faith (2 Timothy 2:19, 1 John 2:19, Hebrews 3:6, 14).

From a human perspective one is saved after hearing the message of the gospel (Romans 10:14), being convicted by the Holy Spirit of sin (John 16:8-9), mentally turning from sin to God (2 Corinthians 7:9-11), and placing one's trust in Jesus as the complete and sole payment for sin (John 3:14-15). At this point God's Spirit indwells the individual (Romans 8:9), resulting in new birth (John 3:3) which is often referred to as conversion (Matthew 18:3, Acts 15:3, Romans 16:5). Each step in the process of salvation is granted by God including repentance and faith (Acts 11:18, Ephesians 2:8).

The converted individual then naturally bears fruit in keeping with the internal transformation that has taken place (2 Corinthians 5:17, Matthew 3:8, 7:17-23, John 3:36). We believe salvation is only accomplished by faith in Christ and His work on the cross. Salvation is a work of God, granted by grace and cannot be lost or forfeited.

The Church

The universal church is composed of all Christians from Acts 2 to the rapture and is considered the complete body of Christ (Ephesians 5:22-33, Matthew 16:18, John 1:12-13). The church is not to be confused with the covenant relationship with, nor the promises to Israel (Romans 11:1-2, 25-29).

Christians gathered in geographical locations around the world, meeting the requirements of the local church, would be what the Bible most often refers to as the church (1 Corinthians 1:2, Galatians 1:2, 1 Thessalonians 1:1). The local church has a biblical purpose (Acts 2:42-47). The church is to worship God through Christ (Philippians 3:3), to build up one another (Hebrews 10:24-25), to equip one another (Ephesians 4:11-12) and to communicate the gospel to non-Christians (Acts 1:8). The local church has biblical leadership (Titus 1:5) responsible to instruct (1 Timothy 3:2), serve (1 Timothy 3:10), discipline (Matthew 18:15-18), oversee (1 Peter 5:1-3), and administrate (1 Timothy 5:17) the local congregation.

The local church practices the water

baptism of new disciples (Matthew 28:19) as an external sign of their inward baptism (1 Corinthians 12:13, Acts 10:47), and the Lord's Supper as a continual reminder and proclamation of Christ's death (1 Corinthians 11:23-26). We believe the Church is the body of Christ, a living expression of the values and love of God on earth. We also believe that every Christian is placed into the body of Christ spiritually when they become Christians and are called to live this out by growing and serving within the local church.

Angels

Elect angels (1 Timothy 5:21) are those spirit beings who glorify God (Revelation 5:11-14) and who are faithful to carry out God's will as messengers and servants (Hebrews 1:7), specifically to those who will inherit salvation (Hebrews 1:14). All angels were created by God (Colossians 1:16) as holy (Habakkuk 1:13) but some rebelled with Satan (Ezekiel 28:11-19, Revelation 12:4), losing their position of honor and blessing and being condemned to God's wrath (Revelation 12:7-9, Matthew 25:41). Fallen angels work as the enemies of God and His creation, oppressing mankind (Mark 5:1-20, Matthew 9:32-33) and opposing God's purposes (Ephesians 6:12).

Satan, the prince of demons (Matthew 12:24), fell because of his pride (Ezekiel 28:11-19) and was cast from his lofty position of authority and power (Isaiah 14:12), condemned by God and subject to His wrath (Matthew 25:41). Satan works as an enemy of God (Genesis 3:1-5) and

the adversary (1 Peter 5:8) and accuser of Christians (Revelation 12:10).

Last Things

All people will be physically resurrected (Acts 24:14-15, 1 Corinthians 15:22-23, John 5:28-29), the saved to blessing and reward (2 Corinthians 4:14), the unsaved to torment and punishment (Revelation 20:13-15, Daniel 12:2).

God has appointed Jesus to judge the world (John 5:22), both Christians, concerning rewards (1 Corinthians 3:11-15), and non-Christians, concerning punishment (Revelation 20:6, 11-15, Matthew 8:12, 25:14, Revelation 14:10-11, 21:8).

Jesus will return for His church and rapture her from earth at which time the dead in Christ will rise and those who are alive will meet the Lord in the air (Acts 1:11, 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17). This will initiate the celebration in honor of the awaited union of Christ and His church (Revelation 19:7-9). On earth, the rapture will allow for the beginning of the great tribulation (Revelation chapters 4-19), and the rise of the Antichrist (2 Thessalonians 2:1-12). During this seven year period (Daniel 12:7, Revelation 11:2-3, 12:14) God will righteously judge mankind (Revelation 16:5-6) and prepare Israel to receive her Messiah (Jeremiah 30:3, 7, Daniel 9:27, 12:1, Revelation 7:3-8, 11:3-13).

Communion

“While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body.” Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.” - Matthew 26:26-28.

Jesus calls His followers to continually remember the great sacrifice He paid for our sins through the symbolic act of taking communion. We believe that communion is a time for the church to gather together to pray, confess, worship, and take communion as a response to God’s loving grace and mercy.

Baptism

Jesus stated in the Great Commission, *“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit” - Matthew 28:19.* Scripture teaches that baptism is done as a profession of faith and in obedience to our Lord’s command. We believe that water baptism by immersion is the next step for a person who has received Jesus Christ as Savior and is committed to following Him.

PCC baptisms are scheduled throughout the year. Call the church office at 949.940.2600 for more info.

Child dedication

Throughout the ministry of Jesus we see Him praying for children. *“Then children were brought to him that he might lay his hands on them and pray.” - Matthew 19:13.* Scripture also teaches that our children are a gift from the Lord (Ps. 127:3-5) and it is important for parents to raise their children according to God’s word (Deut. 6:4-6).

As a church, PCC is committed to supporting our families in this effort by praying for our children and dedicating them to the Lord (note: this is not child baptism).

If you are interested, please call the church office at 949.940.2600 for the next scheduled child dedication.



PCC Constitution

Purpose

Pacific Coast Church exists to encourage everyone to know and follow Christ by Reaching People for Christ, Growing Followers of Christ, Connecting Together in Christ. (Matthew 28:19-20, Acts 2:42-47)

Name

The name of this church shall be Pacific Coast Church of San Clemente, incorporated under the laws of the state of California as a nonprofit corporation on February 14, 1956, Document no. 316034, as amended on June 23, 1992.

Affiliation

This church shall be affiliated with the Pacific Church Network and shall cooperate with the Pacific Church Network and other organizations providing such relationships do not conflict with the purpose and basic teachings spelled out in this constitution.

Membership

Any individual who professes a relationship to God through Jesus Christ by repentance and faith, has subsequently been baptized by immersion, demonstrates evidence of that relationship, and is willing to submit to the authority of the church in matters of spiritual life and discipline may become a member of the Pacific Coast Church of San Clemente.

All applicants must be in agreement with the Doctrinal Statement of this church (Section 3), comply with all its procedures and meet all prerequisites as established by the Elders. These prerequisites must include a written and/or verbal testimony of conversion to be heard or read by current Elders of the church. The Elders shall determine those on the board who consider such testimonies.

Dual or associate memberships are not allowed. To be a voting member one must have attended church services six times in the previous six months.

One's membership can be terminated at the discretion of the Elder board based on a member's request, geographic relocation, excessive absence, death, or continued misconduct in accordance with guidelines of Matthew 18:15-20.

Church Government

Congregation

Ultimate authority in the church will reside in the members of the congregation. The members will confirm new Elders. Once this confirmation is given, the authority of the congregation will be considered to reside with the Elders, except for confirmation or dismissal of the Senior Pastor, the confirmation of Elders, the purchase, sale or encumbering of real property or the amending of the

Constitution, and other items the Elders may deem necessary to bring to the congregation.

Elders

On a practical level, the church will be governed by a group of godly men called Elders. Authority for the day-to-day ministry matters will reside in their hands. This includes professional and nonprofessional (or non-compensated) Elders who make up the "Elder Board."

The Elders shall be responsible for the spiritual oversight of the church and its ministries. The Elders will maintain a Policy Manual to guide the operations of the church. The Policy Manual shall not violate the Constitution at any point.

The Elders will meet as often as is necessary to adequately govern the church. The Elders shall be a self-disciplining board (in accordance with Matt. 18:15-20 and 1 Tim. 5:19-20) and self-organizing (parceling out various administrative duties among themselves). The Elders shall select a Chairman to preside over the Board meetings and Congregational meetings. Any Elder on the Board is eligible to preside as Chairman. The Elders shall prayerfully make decisions by consensus whenever possible. A majority of the Elders shall constitute a quorum for conducting business.

The Senior Professional Elder

The Senior Professional Elder, also known as the Lead Pastor, is to be a man who has

adequate training and experience, which has clearly evidenced his giftedness toward being a Pastor-Teacher.

Qualifications of the Senior Professional Elder

The Lead Pastor shall be a godly man who manifests the qualifications of New Testament Eldership (1 Tim. 3:1-7; Tit. 1:5-9).

Selection of the Senior Professional Elder

In the event of a vacancy in the position of the Lead Pastor, the Elders will immediately appoint a Search Committee consisting of at least two Elders, at least two Deacons and at least two members at large. The Search Committee will then make recommendations to the Elders who will submit their selection to the congregation for confirmation.

The confirmation of the Lead Pastor may take place at any regular or special business meeting. A Lead Pastor must receive three-fourths of the votes cast at such a meeting.

Term and Termination of Senior Professional Elder

The Lead Pastor shall be called for an indefinite period of time.

No accusation will be brought against the Lead Pastor except on the witness of at least two voting members (1 Timothy 5:19-21). The matter will be taken to the Elders for investigation and resolution.

If the Lead Pastor desires to resign, one month's notice will be given in writing. If either the Congregation or Elder Board desire his termination, the termination of

the Lead Pastor will be decided by a two-thirds majority of the voting members present at a regular or special business meeting.

Nonprofessional Elders

Under most circumstances there will be the need for nonprofessional Elders to share the burden of administration and teaching in the church. These men shall share the responsibilities and privileges of the New Testament office of Elder or Pastor.

Qualifications of Nonprofessional Elders

The Elders (both Professional and Nonprofessional) shall be godly men who manifest the qualifications of New Testament Eldership (1 Tim. 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9).

Selection of Nonprofessional Elders

Selection of Elders is made on the basis of scriptural qualifications. The requirements of the office must not be lowered to insure an "adequate" number of candidates or a "proper ratio." Depending on the financial capabilities and the supply of scripturally qualified men the board may consist of all Nonprofessional Elders, when there is no Senior Professional Elder, or all professional Elders, or any combination of the two.

The Elders shall seek biblically qualified men who will be prayerfully considered to be Elders. If after careful screening and evaluation the Elders believe that the candidate(s) meets all the qualifications they will then recommend them to the congregation for their confirmation. The

candidate must receive three-fourths of the votes cast to be confirmed at the Annual or, if necessary, a Special Business Meeting.

Term and Termination of Nonprofessional Elders

Nonprofessional Elders shall be called for an indefinite period of time.

No accusation will be brought against a Nonprofessional Elder except on the witness of at least two voting members (1 Timothy 5:19-21). The matter will be taken to the Elders for investigation and resolution.

If a Nonprofessional Elder desires to resign, one month's notice will be given to the Elders in writing. A Nonprofessional Elder must resign when a majority of Elders agree that it would be in the best interest of the church.

Staff

Other Professional Elders, assistants to the Pastor, or support staff shall be designated "Pastoral Staff" or simply "Staff." The Staff shall consist of those who assist in pastoral and administrative duties of the church and work under the supervision and direction of the Lead Pastor. In the hiring of Pastoral Staff, consideration and preference shall be given to those qualified and gifted who are already serving at Pacific Coast Church in non-compensated positions.

The Lead Pastor will be responsible for hiring and terminating the Staff with the confirmation and support of other Elders. In the event that there is no Lead Pastor, the Elders may hire or terminate any ministerial or support staff.

Professional Elders

The Lead Pastor may recommend to the Elders those of his Staff who are qualified to serve as Elders. These Elders shall be subject to the same qualifications, responsibilities and privileges of the rest of the Elders.

The Lead Pastor may only recommend those he believes are biblically qualified men. If after careful screening and evaluation the Elders believe that the candidate(s) meets all the qualifications they will then recommend them to the congregation for their confirmation. The candidate must receive three-fourths of the votes cast to be confirmed at the Annual or, if necessary, Special Business Meeting to become Elders.

Term and Termination of Professional Elders

Professional Elders shall be called for an indefinite period of time.

No accusation will be brought against a Professional Elder except on the witness of at least two voting members (1 Timothy 5:19-21). The matter will be taken to the Elders for investigation and resolution. A Professional Elder must resign when a majority of Elders agree that it would be in the best interest of the church.

Pastoral Assistants

Pastoral Assistants are those who assist in administrative and teaching positions on the Staff that serve under the Lead Pastor who are not Elders for one reason or another. The Pastoral Assistants shall work under the supervision and direction of the Lead Pastor or designated Staff members.

Support Staff

Support Staff are those on the Staff who do not work in administrative or teaching capacities but are essential for the operation of the church. The Support Staff shall work under the supervision and direction of the Lead Pastor or designated Staff members.

Corporate Officers

The three officers of the church, who will act officially as the Officers for the Church Corporation, will be the President, the Secretary and the Treasurer. Each of these individuals must be voting members. The Elders shall confirm these three officers annually. The relationship between an officer and the church can be dissolved by action of the Elders.

President

A current Elder shall be appointed by the Elders to serve as the President of the Corporation.

Secretary

The Secretary shall be appointed and confirmed by the Elders each year. The Secretary may or may not be serving as an Elder. The Secretary shall be responsible to keep accurate records of membership and

all the business meetings of the church.

Treasurer

The Treasurer shall be appointed and confirmed by the Elders each year. The Treasurer may or may not be serving as an Elder. The Treasurer shall be responsible for overseeing all disbursements according to the provisions of the Annual Budget and to submit financial statements to the Elders. The Treasurer will be responsible for overseeing the counting, processing, and deposit of all funds received. The Treasurer will also keep giving records and will make records of personal giving available to each member soon after the close of each calendar year. The Treasurer will inform the Congregation of financial position of the church at each Quarterly Business Meeting.

Deacons

The church may select as many qualified Deacons (men or women) as is necessary to provide a model of servant-leadership to maintain the proper function of the church. The Deacons shall serve the church under the direction of an appointed Elder or Elders and shall be accountable to the Elders.

Qualifications for Deacons

Deacons shall be men or women who meet the scriptural requirements set forth in 1 Timothy 3:8-13. Deacons must be members of the church and in agreement with the Constitution of the church. Throughout the year, a list of Deacons currently serving at PCC will be available to the PCC membership. If at any time biblical/character concerns arise regarding a PCC Deacon, these

concerns should be presented to the Elders for consideration.

Selection of Deacons

Selection of Deacons is made on the basis of scriptural qualifications. The requirements of the office must not be lowered to insure an “adequate” number of candidates.

The Elders shall be responsible for selecting qualified men and women to serve as Deacons.

Term and Termination of Deacons

Deacons may serve as long as he or she meets the biblical qualifications and is active in serving the church.

If a Deacon desires to resign, one month’s notice will be given to the Elders in writing. A Deacon must resign when a consensus is reached among the Elders that it would be in the best interest of the church.

Business Meetings

Annual Business Meetings

The Annual Business Meeting will be held in the month of January. The Elders will determine the time and place and proper notice will be given. The fiscal year shall be the calendar year. At this meeting the annual budget shall be brought to the congregation for their confirmation.

Quarterly Business Meetings

At least three times a year, other than the Annual Business Meeting, the Elders will call for a church business meeting where matters of concern are discussed.

Special Business Meetings

Special Business Meetings may be called by action of the Elders. The Elders must call a Special Business Meeting within ten days after receiving a request for that purpose signed by 20% of the voting membership.

Notice of Business Meetings

Notice for all business meetings will be published for two consecutive weekends at the regularly scheduled worship services.

Business Meeting Protocol

All matters in regular and special business meetings will be decided by two-thirds of the votes cast, unless otherwise specified herein. Confirmation or dismissal of the Lead Pastor, confirmation of Elders, and amending the Constitution shall be decided by secret ballot. When requested by a majority of the voting members present, any other issue will also be decided by secret ballot.

Quorums for Business Meetings

A quorum at any church business meeting requiring a vote will consist of at least 10% of the voting members. On matters pertaining to the confirmation or dismissal of the Lead Pastor, the confirmation of Elders, the purchase, sale or encumbering of real property or the amending of the Constitution, a quorum shall consist of 25% of the voting members.

Voting Rights at Business Meetings

Only those members who are 18 years of age or older will be eligible to be voting members.

Property Rights

The church will have power to buy, own, and sell real property in its own name. If a division occurs in the church, the real property of the church will belong to those members who abide by this Constitution and whose position is held by the majority of the members eligible to vote at a business meeting. Should conditions arise where, for any reason, the church cannot continue to exist, the church property automatically will become the property of the Conservative Baptist Association of Southern California.

What We Do

Below is a partial list of the ministries at PCC. We will briefly discuss each one and provide information on how you might get involved.

Small Group Ministries

Community groups (sermon application for men, women & couples), Ambassadors (65+ years), Pinnacle (55+ years), GriefShare, The Refuge, Family Grace Group, PCC Dinner Clubs

Men's Ministries

Weekly community groups, TRIIAD micro groups, Wednesday morning prayer meeting and annual retreat

Women's Ministries

Weekly community groups, MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers), The Gathering, Monday morning prayer meeting and annual retreat

Foundations

1-on-1 Discipleship program (Gender specific)

Care Ministries

Prayer team, visitation team, meals ministry, quilting ministry, Sunday morning prayer team, jail ministry, military ministry, iCan special needs

Counseling

Pastoral counseling

Student Ministries (High School & Middle School)

Weekend program, midweek program, summer and winter Camps, mission trips

Children's Ministry

Weekend services (infants - 5th grade), HEROES, Inc., Summer Camps (Vacation Bible School)

Team PCC

PCCers stepping into their God-given role at PCC (children's ministry, worship, tech arts, photography/videography, campus ministries, greeters, parking, facilities, refreshments, care ministry, administrative assistance, counseling, safety team & more

Global Missions

Missionary Development/Support, Short-Term Mission Trips and Hispanic Church Plant (Iglesia El Camino)

Local Missions: Project 25

Matthew 25:31-45, a Compassion Ministry to care for those in need

Promote Grace

Outreach initiative encouraging evangelism through random acts of grace

If you would like more information on any of these ministries, visit our website at pacificcoastchurch.org, or contact us at 949.940.2600, info@pccsc.org.



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