



"Called to His Purpose"

Romans 8:28

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From the President.....

The calendar indicates fall is coming...we just don't see evidence of it just yet. High temperatures and surprising humidity reminds me of the years I spent on the east coast. It was hot, yet so beautiful in the fall. Reds, oranges, yellows everywhere. A reminder of God's gift of color to the world. I love the colors so much that I describe it as food for my eyes as I can't get enough. We are heading back east this year to share this drama with my husband as he's not seen how incredible it can be. Blessed to be loved by God, You Give Me Everything (as sung by Lauren Daigle).

Fall always reminds me of a time of renewal. Could it be that the coolness of fall seems like God's gift for surviving the heat of summer?

In looking toward our Fall Brunch, we have many notable aspects. It will be held at the Mission San Diego de Alcala on a cool fall morning, Saturday, Oct 8 starting with Mass at 8:30am. Seann Richardson, from Arizona will be our guest speaker. She is a musician and has been part of the musical team for Whispering Winds over time. Her theme, *We are Given Our Time to Prepare For and Advance God's Kingdom...Every Moment on the Journey Counts.*

This is our annual fundraising effort for scholarships (camperships) for individuals who would not otherwise be able to attend camp. Please join us in greeting familiar friends, making new ones, and enjoying the pleasure of being together! We'll announce the Woman of the Year and have many opportunities to bid on various items and the raffles.

See page 2 for more information on our Fall Brunch, I look forward to seeing you there!

Happy and blessed Fall,
Kesa Waddell



Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary 2022 Fall Brunch



We are given our time to prepare for and advance God's Kingdom
EVERY MOMENT ON THE JOURNEY COUNTS

Saturday October 8, 2022

8:30am -12:30pm

**Mission San Diego de Alcalá
10818 San Diego Mission Road
San Diego, CA 92108**



Guest Speaker: Seann Richardson

**Mass begins at 8:30am in the St. Francis Chapel
Brunch doors open at 9:00am in the California Room**

GET DIRECTION HERE

Registration \$45 per person

**Your registration includes your access to the brunch and 1 opportunity drawing ticket for
WWWA 2023 Spring Retreat**

Please include names of friends you wish to be seated with.

Please register by Sept. 30th

REGSITER HERE

Questions? Please contact Andrea Finch 619-244-5021/ momfinch4@gmail.com

If you are unable to join us you may donate below if you wish to support our efforts!

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Hands of His People

I have always wanted to write a little book about hands...since being a Eucharistic Minister, I marvel at the hands where I have placed the Body of Christ. Hands that have so many stories, lived so few or so many years, presented to me, down low, or up high. All craving the love of our Savior....



Tiny hands
Wrinkled hands
Blistered hands
Filthy hands
Arthritic hands
Healing hands
Crippled hands
Scarred hands
Shaking hands
Over-worked hands
Delicate hands



All receptacles of the Body of Christ. All spirit-filled HOPE poured out in the placement of their hands. His divine love alive in them.

As the unworthy bearer of His holy Host, I have seen so many hands; remarkable each one...telling their own stories. But the most precious moment came after a Christmas Eve Mass a few years ago.

A man who I didn't recognize approached me. He said, "I was sitting up front and I watched you give Communion." Uh oh; I was worried. Did the "Deacon's wife" do something wrong? At Christmas, no less!! I stepped back and waited. He said "You smiled at every person as you gave them the Host...I've never seen that." My heart melted as I sighed, and I thanked him. I realized why all Eucharistic Ministers should be "free" to express joy in holding our Lord and Savior and sharing his goodness; AGAPE. I also understand the reverence during this time. Just a gentle reminder, if you are joyful in your heart, let your face know it.

So we are covered, right? Looking and serving the hands of the people of Christ can lead to a profound joy and awe...let us show that awe and reverence with a compassionate expression on our faces. Can you envision our Christ standing beside you and the joy He is feeling watching his flock come to the table, and using you as his apostle? Hold me back! I want to laugh in his arms; so I will share that joy with each recipient of his Body and with a smile on my face.

God bless,
Mattie Scull
Spiritual Advisor



WAYS & MEANS

Ladies, we hope you have had a blessed summer. As August ended we are moving into our Fall activities. Our first event will be the Auxiliary's Fall Brunch on Saturday, October 8th. It will be in the St. Francis room at Mission San Diego de Alcala. This will be a morning of community, faith, and prayer. As you know it is also our major fundraiser. The money we raise is used each year for camperships. These funds have allowed many people of all ages to experience our wonderful Whispering Winds Camp.

In order to be successful we depend on your generosity! We are in need of gift cards for the Silent Auction. Also, if any of our talented members can donate a quilt or Afghan you have made we will use it for our raffle.



Please contact the office if you can help us in any way:
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(619) 464-1479

Thanks for your help!

God bless you,
Val Spooner, Patricia Viescas, Claudia Penczar

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SHE SAID 'YES'!



Join us for a short journey this Advent to ponder Mary's humble "yes" and reflect on the areas in our own lives where we may be challenged to say "Yes" to God's plan.

Anamaria Anthony, Department Chair of Theology at Mater Dei Catholic High School, will take us on this journey and help us to discover how the ordinary becomes the extraordinary. See how lived experiences and God's Word can come together and settle within our hearts to transform us as we anticipate Christ coming into our lives more fully.



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2022
6:30 TO 8:30 PM
MISSION SAN DIEGO DE ALCALA, ST FRANCIS CHAPEL
10818 San Diego Mission Road
San Diego, Ca, 92108

Love offering will be requested
Contact Judy Lemm for questions: 619 507 1152 cell

Past Presidents Gathering

What a great way to spend a Saturday morning!!

At the end of a lovely drive in Jamul, on the top of a hill with views to the mountains, a morning of story swapping and catching up happened. Past auxiliary presidents and board members arrived at the lovely home of Andi Finch to remember and celebrate the gifts God has given us at the camp and through one another. It was the summer gathering of past presidents and current board members.

Andi turned her dining table into one long charcuterie board laden with finger foods to delight every palate. The morning was pleasant under the shade of her patio and the women were a buzz with sharing the news of their lives. When the Spirit is present, there is never a lack of joy and enthusiasm. What a gift to have this special time to reconnect, get to know one another better and reaffirm our love of Whispering Winds.



Meet Your Board Member

What an honor it is to introduce my dear friend, Nelda McComb. Nelda has been an active member of the WWVA community since she attended her first WWVA retreat in 1994. At that time, her two children, Laura and Paul, were 10 and 8. When the Auxiliary board lined up and Bernice told the story about the inception of WW, she was hooked. She joined the Auxiliary and jumped into the Spirituality Committee that same year. Nelda's leadership skills were a blessing, serving for 9 consecutive years as the Spirituality Committee Chairperson. In 2003, Nelda was celebrated as our WWVA Woman of the Year. She is currently our Whispering Winds Board Liaison, our go between with the camp's big board.

Nelda grew up in New Jersey and spent every summer in Vermont. Whispering Winds took her back to her childhood memories of the mountains and the woods. For her, it was a wonderful respite for a woman with the stresses of family and working. Nelda, recently retired, has been a nurse for over 47 years, mainly in the cardiac department. Is anyone surprised her specialty would be the care of the human heart? During one of our May retreats, the speaker did an afternoon workshop on finding your Spiritual name. For Nelda, she discovered hers to be the Peace of Jesus and most of her passions revolve around that identity. She longs for the quiet and contemplation, which is why she spends a great deal of time creating beautiful, intricate art quilts. During COVID, she returned to playing the piano, which has been a joyful, intimate connection with God.

One of her great joys of working on the board was the mentorship and lifelong friendships she received from the women who were just a tad older. Many of those beautiful souls have gone home, and she often sheds a tear of joy and sadness over their absences. In 2019 she stepped in as Vice President and then became our 2020 President. Her creative and resilient nature was apparent as she navigated through COVID restrictions and held our first and hopefully last, Virtual Brunch. She credits her step back into leadership as "a whisper in my ear from the many amazing women who went before me."

Nelda's favorite people include Dennis, her husband of 47 years, her children and spouses, and of course, her patchwork of grandchildren: Siena 10, Capri 6, Joshua 4, Abbie 1.5, and Troy 1.5. "There is nothing more delightful than a house full of grandkids."



When life became more stressful, she stepped away from Spirituality Committee leadership, but the auxiliary remained close to her

Yes, Nelda, you are indeed the Peace of Jesus...

Karen Goodman

2022 Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary Board

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**Please consider volunteering for a committee.
We especially need help on committees marked with ****

Purpose of the Auxiliary

As women united by faith in Jesus Christ and by a common interest in Whispering Winds Family Camp, we propose to contribute to the growth and development of the Camp through prayer and fellowship, assisting in fundraising, disseminating information, and providing support of functions held at the Camp, providing monies for scholarships and projects.

WWWA Pray for the Camp Every Day

For those new to the Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary there is a lot of tradition you may not be aware of. One of those traditions is praying daily for WW Camp. The women of the Auxiliary are invited to pray for the Camp EVERY day at 7:00 AM and 3:00 PM asking for God's loving care on all that happens on the mountain. Please join us in praying for our beloved camp. May our love and prayers continue to serve God's purpose and bring others closer to Him.