

From Ryan Rippee (July 2024):

Our family is doing well. The latest family news is that I have my first grandson, Wesley James (born 6/12/24).

Ministry this past year has been very fruitful. Some praises

- We moved to a larger location at Heritage Presbyterian. We have the future possibility of purchasing this strategic property, so be praying!
- We added two elders Jason Hunt and Marcos Gutierrez and one deacon Jack Judd
- Our membership has grown to 35 adult members! We had five baptisms this last year
- We have had three new babies born into the church this year with another one due next month
- Jason and Christin Hunt have moved up to St. Helena in preparation for the church plant in Calistoga next year. We also received the First Baptist Calistoga property for use in the church plant.
- We preached through Ephesians, the Minor Prophets, some Psalms, and started the book of Hebrews. Also, we finished our two years of teaching through our church distinctives that will be used for our leadership training and development.

Over the next couple of months:

- Be praying for Jason and Christin and our church plant in Calistoga. They need a core team to develop over the next six months, and they need resources to renovate the First Baptist Calistoga building before they use it for church.
- Be praying for the Lord to bring us another pastor or intern once Jason is full-time at Calistoga.
- Be praying for our Fall ministries, particularly our outreach plans in the community.
- Be praying for our elders to have wisdom as we work through some shepherding issues within the church.
- Be praying for our deacons to have wisdom and we are ministering to the poor and needy in the community and have limited resources as a new church plant.
- Be praying that we will be able to purchase the Heritage Presbyterian property in the near future.