



Chapel Chimes

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Coach's Corner

Ranking Church Functions

Dear Friends,

I hear that in New Hampshire this month some voters get to use a new system of selecting candidates. Instead of picking one, they get to rank the different candidates on the ballot. It's an interesting concept for change.

That got me thinking: what if we were to rank ourselves as a congregation in terms of not who's our choice, but what's important? Wouldn't that be a novel idea?

You see, there are many ways to evaluate congregations, and these evaluations borrow a lot from research and theory about organizational behavior. There is "systems theory" for congregations. There is Vital Congregation, a team approach that Rola is involved with nationally for the Presbyterian Church USA. It considers the seven marks of the healthy congregation. There is the Mission Insite angle Chelsea introduced us to, which is demographics based. Then there are methods such as Pneumatrix which are helpful, especially to congregations that want to figure out where they are headed. There was even our simple Parkview exploration group process about four years ago that yielded a stronger understanding of our future as an intercultural, intergenerational, and interactional community. Each approach has its benefits.

I wound up thinking about three functions of a congregation in their benefit for the members of the congregational community. They each have a food dimension (very Parkview don't you think?!). First, there is the social function where food has a vital role of assuring the cohesion of the congregation as a belonging group. Second, we have the spiritual nurture and nourishment function. There the food dimension is the communion table. Third, we can see the outreach and service function (with fundraising of service and charitable organizations) where the food dimension is the feeding of others who have less than we do. Now I am assuming that all of you at Parkview consider all three of these functions as significant. But here is my question: what if we were to ask you to rank each of them? How would you rate them: would the social be first, would the spiritual nurture and nourishment be first, or would the outreach and service be? And what would be second? How large each of the three groups of number ones could be an indicator of where you are going to be in the decade or so ahead.

Friends, just last week was Reformation Sunday. In our tradition, we have the saying "Semper Reformandum," "always reforming." A congregation like ours can never be static. It cannot afford to get pleased with itself. It must always seek to be more vital and engaged. So a good question perhaps is: "To keep reforming, where do our priorities lie?" This is related to two questions: "In this moment in time, what does our community, our state, our country, and our world need us to be and how is God calling us here?"



Our residents and younger members at Discovery Table

Photo courtesy of Judy Fukuman

May God bless our ministry. See you in church. Aart

News

Christmas Luncheon scheduled for Dec 2

Please join in on the festivities at Parkview's Christmas buffet luncheon on Sunday, Dec 2, 1:30 - 4:30 pm, at Aviator's Restaurant, 6151 Freeport Blvd., located at the Executive Airport. The sign-up sheet is in social hall. Adults \$22, children (ages 5-9) \$11.

Submitted by PPW Circle One Luncheon Committee

Please Donate New Socks for the Homeless

As a community service project, we will be collecting new warm socks for men, women or children for distribution at Loaves and Fishes. Please bring them to the Christmas luncheon on Dec 2. If you cannot attend the luncheon, there will be a collection box in the social hall through mid-December. Thank you!



Submitted by PPW Circle One Luncheon Committee

Christmas Stockings for the Homeless

The holidays are approaching, so if you can help us fill stockings for the needy, Loaves and Fishes would appreciate it. We realize many of you have already given so much, so we are doubly grateful for your kindness. If you knit a warm scarf, hat, or socks, or if you would like to purchase a tooth brush, comb, toiletries, a toy, gloves, or anything else you would like to contribute, that would be great. Please bring all items to church and put them in the gray box below the table in the social hall.



Submitted by Effie Komure-Hanway

Neighborhood Potluck Dinner at PPC on Dec 6

Please join the Southside Park Neighborhood Association (SPNA) for a potluck dinner at Parkview on Dec 6, 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Bring a dish to share and meet some of our neighbors!

Sacramento JACL to Honor Hach Yasumura

The Sacramento JACL will honor Hach at its annual Community Recognition and Installation Banquet on November 29. Hach has been involved in a number of social justice issues, including the plight of undocumented immigrants, victims of domestic violence, and issues involving the greater Asian Pacific Islander communities. See page 5 for details.

Parkview Helps Light the Night at Fundraiser

I would like to thank everyone that fundraised and participated at Light The Night on Saturday, November 3! The Parkview Warriors and Angels Team raised over \$2,600 and had over 50 walkers on Saturday! Growing up in the Parkview Church has shown me that I am part of a loving community that will always support me wherever I go in life. I am extremely grateful to have the opportunity to work at the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society as an Assistant Campaign Manager right after graduating college. It means so much to me that Parkview was willing to support this new journey of mine by fundraising and even creating a team! I loved seeing members of Parkview at Light The Night holding their lanterns high with big smiles on their faces. Overall, the event raised over \$500,000 which will be used towards funding research and lifesaving treatments for cancer patients in our community and around the country! YOU are helping bring light to the darkness of cancer. Thank you!!!

Submitted by Leah Nishizaki



*The Parkview Team lights the night for a cure.
Photo courtesy of Yvonne Fong*

News - continued

Kansha Korner

Our residents' column on their recent activities.

Veronica writes:

In the Presbyterian tradition, there is an expression: "Reformed and ever being reformed." Last month, the church celebrated Reformation Day, and one of my favorite contributions of the Reformation movement was the return to congregational singing.

In the earliest days of the church, hymns were used for two main purposes. First, they were considered one of the loveliest ways to praise and glorify God--I have to agree with this assessment! And second, they were important tools for communicating truths about God. Hymn writers set words to melodies to teach Christians about who Jesus is, the lives we are called to, and the promise of salvation.

Most people who know me know that I love to sing. I grew up learning to sing in church, and choirs have been some of the most important contexts for my own faith formation. I often think of the words attributed to Saint Augustine, "When we sing, we pray twice." There is something especially holy in offering our voices.

So far this year, we have sung almost a hundred different hymns together! We have sung about a quarter of these hymns twice, five hymns three times, two hymns four times, and our most sung hymn of the year to date is "Change My Heart, O God." Each of these hymns becomes a part of our story together. Maybe you have a favorite hymn or two? I'd love to hear which ones have been meaningful to you over the years. May we sing each new song with boldness and joy.



Veronica coordinates the Oktoberfest karaoke

Residents to Start Discussion Series

Starting in January, meet us every other week after coffee hour to answer your theological questions. Free thinking, difficult questions, and open discussions. Let's debate hard issues in faith and the Bible.

Bonus: A 30-minute taped lecture by mainstream theologians and historians will be shown once a month with discussions to follow. Details will be announced in church.

Submitted by Rola & Veronica



Volunteer Spotlight: Dave McGill

Parkview is fueled by its volunteers, many of whom work behind the scenes to keep the church going.

Whenever you grab a fork or napkin, drink some tea or coffee, run to the restroom, and wash your hands, do you give a special thanks to Dave? You will now, knowing that Dave quietly replaces all of our kitchen and restroom supplies. He checks the list on the kitchen refrigerator and goes on a resupplying run when the list gets long enough. Dave also serves on the PA operator and parking attendant worship teams.



Financial Report as of October 30, 2018:

Unavailable. Please check the December issue of the *Chapel Chimes*.

Your Sunday Worship Team

Please note: This is the updated schedule for December 2018

Date	Nov 25 <i>4th Sunday</i>	Dec 2 <i>1st Sunday of Advent</i>	Dec 9 <i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i>	Dec 16 <i>3rd Sunday of Advent</i>	Dec 23 <i>Christmas Service</i>
Chair	Betsy Eskridge	Jonathan Sakakibara	Christine Umeda	Phillip Chew	Donna Komure-Toyama
Greeters	Judy Fukuman	Daisy Seto	Diane Younglove	Terri Bowman	Eddie Fong Yvonne Fong
Pianist	Wade Tambara	Haruko Sakakibara	Wade Tambara	Janet Hill	Janet Hill
Ushers	Bill Grissom Herning Grissom	Effie Komure-Hanway Steve Hanway	Mitch Lorens Sue Lorens	Bill Nagata Terry Walter	Kaitlin Toyama Titus Toyama
Reader	Miyo Uchida	Haruko Sakakibara	Mieko Davis	Teruko Wright	Michael Wright
Flowers	Terri Bowman	Barabra Hiyama Zweig	Sherri Yee Victor Yee	Jane Matsuoka	Tom Tambara Wade Tambara
Parking	Sam Inouye	Bill Nagata	Gary Younglove	Tak Fukuman	Titus Toyama
PA Operator	David McGill	Phillip Chew	Jack Sakai	May Lee	Jerry Champa
Sunday School	Cathy Nishizaki	Carla Hart Ben Pryor Wade Tambara	Lois Van Beers	Julie Chew Ben Pryor Wade Tambara	Cathy Nishizaki
Coffee Hour	Carla Hart Carolyn Van Beek Sara Ward	Carolyn Ishii Donna Komure-Toyama Miyo Uchida	Jody Brown May Lee Terry Walter	Pattie Hashimoto Sherri Yee Diane Younglove	PPW Circle 2

Communion Dec 2, 2018 **Elders:** Judy Fukuman, Carol Sakai, Titus Toyama, Gary Younglove
Elements: Carol Sakai

Your Availability for the Sunday Worship Team

Help make scheduling a breeze! Please email Kris (officemanager@parkviewpc.org) with the dates you are unavailable for future Sunday Worship Teams. Email her as soon as you have your dates.

Please Note: You are responsible for finding a replacement once the schedule is published. Please email Kris with the information so it may be listed correctly in the weekly bulletin. Thank you for your willingness to serve!

Upcoming Events & Contacts

Sunday Worship begins at 10 am.

- Nov 17. **Helen Kishi Memorial Service.** 11 am at Parkview. Reception follows immediately.
- Nov 17. **Third Saturday Lunch Cancelled.** In consideration of Helen Kishi's memorial service.
- Nov 18. **Choir Field Trip to San Francisco. Musical Concert.** Bus leaves directly after worship service.
- Nov 19. **Kris on Vacation.** Through Nov 26. Church office closed .
- Nov 20. **Loaves & Fishes.** Sign up in the social hall to help serve lunch 11 am-1 pm to the homeless and hungry.
- Nov 21. **Thanksgiving Harvest.** 9 am - noon. Bring a dish to share, if you wish. Iu-Mien Community Services. 6000 Lemon Hill Ave., Sacramento 95824.
- Nov 25. **Rola Guest Preaching.** Woodland Presbyterian Church, Woodland, CA.
- Nov 29. **Sacramento JACL Community Recognition Dinner.** 6:30 pm. \$60 per person. Casa Garden Restaurant, 2760 Sutterville Rd. Contact janice.luszczak@gmail.com for reservation form.
- Dec 2. **Chapel Chimes Deadline.** Submit articles/ events to officemanager@parkviewpc.org.
- Dec 2. **Parkview Christmas Luncheon.** 1:30 pm - 4 pm. See details on page 2.
- Dec 6. **Southside Park Neighborhood Assn (SPNA) Christmas Potluck Dinner.** 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. At Parkview.
- Dec 6. **Planning Group Meeting.** Date tentative. Check upcoming bulletins and PPC online public calendar for details.
- Dec 7. **Newsletter Collating Party.** 2-3 pm. Meet in the church office.
- Dec 9. **A Master Singers Christmas.** 3 pm at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Other performances Dec 15, 16, 18, 20 at various venues. Go to www.mastersingers.org/concerts/ for details or Haruko Sakakibara.

- Dec 9. **Rola Guest Preaching.** Fremont Presbyterian Church, Sacramento, CA.
- Dec 13. **Book Club Meeting.** 7 pm. Note date change. *Sachi: Drawing Pictures on Water* by Katherine Kemp Velez. Email officemanager@parkviewpc.org for meeting details.
- Dec 15. **NO Third Saturday Lunch.** Third Saturday Lunch will resume in January.
- Dec 18. **Loaves & Fishes.** Sign up in the social hall to help serve lunch 11 am-1 pm to the homeless and hungry.
- January. **Ask the Residents.** Every other week after coffee hour. See page 3 for details.

Church Office Hours:

Tuesdays	9:00 - 11:00 am
Thursdays	9:00 - 11:00 am
Fridays	1:00 - 3:00 pm

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You can now download the *Chapel Chimes* from the church website. Go to www.parkviewpc.org and look for the link in the right navigation bar. Previous editions of the newsletter are also available. Can't find your Sunday Worship Team Schedule? Just check the online *Chapel Chimes*!

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It doesn't matter which kind of calendar you have: Google, iPhone, Yahoo. Go to www.parkviewpc.org/calendar and click on the subscribe button at the bottom of the calendar. You're just a click away from having the PPC calendar at your fingertips!



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