



Chapel Chimes

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Coach's Corner

Passing the Binoculars

I think one reason we like the start of a new year is because we allow ourselves a perspective shift. We peer ahead through imagined experiences we are yet to have, and we think about how we can impact our lives in a fresh new way in the months before us. Sometimes we might wish we had binoculars that would allow us to look beyond the horizon.

The past 22 and a half years I have felt it was my job to hold the binoculars and peer into the future for Parkview, to survey the landscape and the changes in the culture. By God's grace, you and I have had a pretty good partnership, I think. You allowed me to lead in the crafting of a vision while you made it clear you would handle the details. As most of you now know, I will be leaving Parkview (and most likely church ministry) at the end of June of 2019. I believe the timing is right. It has been a privilege to walk along with most of your generation of Nisei at Parkview as they traveled their final miles on this earth. I could not have wished for a kinder group of parishioners or ones with greater integrity. I arrived when there was one Issei woman left. Now there aren't many Nisei in the pews anymore. Others have taken up their places. So my time at Parkview spanned an entire generation. That is sufficient. When I came to Parkview I made the congregation's willingness to move from a Japanese American congregation to a multicultural one my only condition. That task is now complete, and you can even say you are "intercultural" as you relate to each other as if the other's ethnicity or culture is no longer a factor, as it should be. The wishes of the exploration groups for Parkview to be more inter-generational are coming to fruition through our pastoral residents, as is the desire for Parkview to interact more with your community (3 I's: Intercultural, Intergenerational and Interactional).

Some of you may wonder why I stayed this long. You as a congregation deserve the lion's share of the credit for that. Frankly, I did consider leaving earlier several times, but whenever the time for announcing came closer something always happened that convinced me my leaving would not be good for the church.

I am now passing you the binoculars for the future of this church. In the coming six months it will be my duty to help keep the ship steady for transition. It is you who must now peer toward the future and observe the landscape and the obstacles and the writing on the wall until you have a new pastor to assist you with that. Leaving you with pastoral residents and the potential for one last resident (the program is funded by Presbytery to a maximum of \$17,000 per year until the end of 2020) gives you more choices about how to run the church as you search for a new permanent pastor. I wish you all a Happy New Year. Thank you for your kind wishes for ours and thank you for the honor of serving you.

I will not be taking any more study leave (as it is not bankable and will no longer benefit you), but I plan to be taking more vacation time than usual as I still have quite a bit saved up. I do not want to leave you with any financial obligation to me.

Please consider attending our annual congregational meeting after coffee hour on Sunday, January 13, which will culminate in a visit from Rev. Jim Kitchens, the Presbytery of Sacramento's Interim Presbyter, at about 12:30. He will discuss your options and answer your questions. May God bless your ministry. See you in church. — Aart



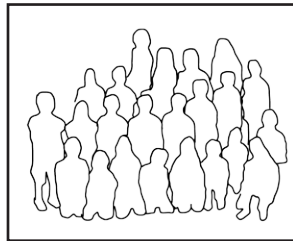
Aart on Parkview's Carson Pass Wildflower Hike July 2018

Photo Courtesy of Maurine Huang

News

Annual Congregational Meeting set for Jan 13

Please attend this important congregational meeting on Jan 13 after our worship service and coffee hour. Besides the review of the annual report and the typical voting items, Rev.



Jim Kitchens, the Presbytery of Sacramento's Interim Presbyter, will arrive at around 12:30 to discuss the congregation's options on how to move forward with the selection of a new pastor. He is unable to arrive earlier, so please wait for his important input!

Time of Remembrance set for Feb 9

The Northern California Time of Remembrance event will be held on Saturday, Feb 9, 2019, at the California Museum (1020 O Street), 1 pm - 4 p.m. This year's program will focus on the passage of the 1988 Civil Liberties Act, which provided redress for Japanese Americans who were incarcerated during WWII in violation of their constitutional rights. Purchase tickets by contacting Nancy Whiteside at nwhiteside@hotmail.com or reserve tickets at NCTOR.org. Tickets are \$20/person and \$15/student.

Submitted by Donna Komure-Toyama

Men to provide Communion Elements in 2019

Throughout PPC's history, the task of providing communion elements has fallen almost exclusively on the women of the church. Not this year! Thanks to all the *men* who have volunteered



to provide communion elements in 2019. It is your responsibility, *men*, to have another *guy* fill in for you, if you are unable to meet your commitment. Please advise the office manager of any changes well in advance. Plan, Purchase, Prepare, Present, Pick-up after, Put away are the six simple steps. The volunteer list is located in the social hall.

Blessed be God. Happy New Year!

Submitted by Dave McGill

Mien Thanksgiving Party

A big thanks to Tak and Judy Fukuman and Rola and Veronica for attending the 2018 Iu-Mien Seniors' Healthy Village Thanksgiving party and getting to know some of the participants. A sumptuous buffet lunch included both Mien food and the traditional Thanksgiving turkey (prepared the Mien way). Parkview Presbyterian Women donated a greatly appreciated \$100 toward party expenses.

Submitted by Maurine Huang



*Veronica, the Fukumans & Rola at the Thanksgiving dinner
Photo Courtesy of Maurine Huang*



Volunteer Spotlight: Julie Chew

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

Do you know where your weekly offerings go? Yes, to the church, but how do they get from the offering plate to the bank? You can thank Julie for all the bank deposits. You'll also find her in the office every month, helping to collate the newsletter. Julie



is also one of our committed Sunday School teachers, helps with the Youth Group, and serves on the Coffee Hour and Usher worship teams. Thanks, Julie!

News - continued

Kansha Korner

Our residents' column on their recent activities.

Rola writes: I cannot believe it's been a year! One year since I stood in front of this congregation for the first time and said "I am a Phoenician." They say good moments roll fast, that must be it!

With Parkview and through this residency program, I have experienced a lot of growth at the spiritual, professional, and personal levels.

Professionally, this is my first experience working full time in a church. To be honest, I was afraid, I didn't know what to expect, or if I was suitable for ecclesial work. But under Pastor Aart's wise leadership, the supervisory committee's guidance, and with your constant support and patience, I got through with lots of lessons learned, lots of relationships made, and multiple visions and plans for the future.

Since last January, I have had the chance to preach at or talk to twelve other congregations: Gereja Kristen Indonesia (GKI), Sacramento Japanese United Methodist Church (SJUMC), Eventide Community Church, Trinity Presbyterian Church in Stockton, Metlakatla Presbyterian Church in Alaska, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Shepherd of the Sierra Presbyterian Church, Bethany Presbyterian Church, Celtic Cross Presbyterian Church, Davis Community Church, Woodland Presbyterian Church and University Presbyterian Church. This unique opportunity allowed me to be known in the presbytery and opened many doors for my ministry. I also became involved with the national team of "Vital Congregations," another unique opportunity made possible through this residency. Now I am working my way towards ordination, hopeful and confident that this is the path God has selected for and with me.



Rola shortly after her arrival

Also at the professional level, I had the chance to participate in many events with the local community and to do some traveling. I cherished the opportunities to go on mission trips to Alaska and Puerto Rico, where I learned a lot about missionary work, the Native Americans, and the experience of Puerto Ricans. I was also very fortunate to participate in the pilgrimage to Manzanar where, in addition to many events with the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL), I learned about the experience of Japanese Americans in history. I have also had the chance to make connections and volunteer with many local institutions like the Sacramento English as a Second Language program (SESL), WIND, the Council of American Islamic Relations (CAIR), the International Rescue Committee (IRC), Opening Doors, World Relief, and the Arab American Learning Center, in addition to some of the local churches in the neighborhood.

Throughout this year, I was happy and privileged to get to know many of you and your families at a closer level, and I was overwhelmed by your kindness and generosity. I've also had the joy and advantage of working and living with Chelsea, who along with her husband Marcus taught me a lot. Now I am savoring the opportunity of living and working with Veronica, so I can learn from what she has to offer. God willing, I will be with you until the end of 2020, and I can only imagine what God has in store for all of us.

Parkview, thank you for being a second family, thank you for a wonderful year, and here's to another two years of growth and witness to our Lord's wonderful doings.

Yours in Christ,
Rola

Financial Report as of December 31, 2018:

	Dec	Total Yr 2018
Income:	\$18,679.18	\$165,277.03
Expenses:	\$17,872.69	\$161,999.61
Difference:		\$3,277.42

Your Sunday Worship Team

Date	Feb 3 <i>1st Sunday</i>	Feb 10 <i>2nd Sunday</i>	Feb 17 <i>3rd Sunday</i>	Feb 24 <i>4th Sunday</i>	Mar 3 <i>1st Sunday</i>
Chair	Effie Komure-Hanway	Betsy Eskridge	Donna Komure-Toyama	Phillip Chew	Kishwer Vikaas
Greeters	Terri Bowman	Lori Hart Russ Hart	Maurine Huang	Lois Van Beers	Marilyn Champa
Pianist	Janet Hill	Wade Tambara	Haruko Sakakibara	Janet Hill	Haruko Sakakibara
Ushers	Herning Grissom Bill Nagata	Mitch Lorens Sue Lorens	Sherrri Yee Victor Yee	Eddie Fong Titus Toyama	Bill Grissom William Yee
Reader	Miyo Uchida	Michael Wright	Haruko Sakakibara	Mieko Davis	Miyo Uchida
Flowers	Titus & Donna Toyama	Dave McGill	May Lee	Phillip & Julie Chew	Mick & Aileen Takechi
Parking	John Seno	Dave McGill	Phillip Chew	Sam Inouye	Tom Tambara
PA Operator	Jack Sakai	Tom Tambara	Jonathan Sakakibara	May Lee	Jerry Champa
Sunday School	Carla Hart Ben Pryor Wade Tambara	Lois Van Beers	Julie Chew Ben Pryor Wade Tambara	Cathy Nishizaki	Carla Hart Ben Pryor Wade Tambara
Coffee Hour	<i>Lunar New Year</i> Russ Hart Donna Komure-Toyama Lois Van Beers	Eddie/Yvonne Fong Carolyn Ishii Carolyn Van Beek	Herning Grissom Pattie Hashimoto Titus Toyama	Terri Bowman Julie Chew Julie Howe	PPW Udon Sale Contact: Lois Van Beers

Communion Feb 3, 2019 **Elders:** Terri Bowman, Herning Grissom, Bill Nagata, Titus Toyama
Elements: Phillip Chew

Communion Mar 3, 2019 **Elders:** Judy Fukuman, Maurine Huang, Cathy Nishizaki, Carol Sakai
Elements: Bill Grissom

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.

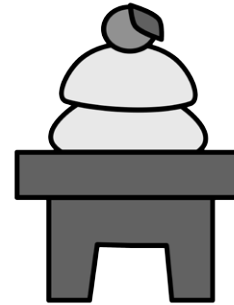
Please Note: You are responsible for finding a replacement once the schedule is published. Please email Kris with the information so it may be listed correctly in the weekly bulletin. Thank you for your willingness to serve!

Upcoming Events & Contacts

Sunday Worship begins at 10 am.

- Jan 13. Congregational Meeting.** See page 2 for details.
- Jan 15. Loaves & Fishes.** Sign up in the social hall to help serve lunch 11 am-1 pm to the homeless and hungry.
- Jan 19. Third Saturday Lunch.** 12:15 - 1:15 pm. Meet at Sushi Cafe, 4491 Freeport Blvd.
- Jan 20. Ask the Residents.** Every other week thereafter during coffee hour.
- Jan 20. Interfaith Refugee Support Vigil Service.** 6:30 pm - 8 pm. Sierra Arden United Church of Christ. Rola is one of the guest speakers. Contact her for more information.
- Jan 21. March for the Dream.** MLK Jr Celebration. 9 am. Meet at Sacramento City College. Walk to the Sacramento Convention Center. More information at marchforthedream.org.
- Jan 26. Seafood Fest.** 5 pm social, 5:30 pm dinner. This event is sold out!
- Jan 26. Mochi Pounding Demo and Tasting.** 11 am - 1 pm. Buddhist Church of Florin. Contact Judy Fukuman (judyfukuman@comcast.net) for more information.
- Jan 31. Book Club Meeting.** 7 pm. *My Family for the War* by Anne C. Voorhoeve. Email officemanager@parkviewpc.org for meeting details.
- Feb 3. Youth Group Cupcake Sale.** During coffee hour.
- Feb 3. Ask the Residents.** Every other week thereafter during coffee hour.
- Feb 3. Chapel Chimes Deadline.** Submit articles/events to officemanager@parkviewpc.org.
- Feb 8. Newsletter Collating Party.** 2-3 pm. Meet in the church office.
- Feb 9. Time of Remembrance.** See page 2 for details.
- Feb 16. Third Saturday Lunch.** 12:15 - 1:15 pm. Meet at Sushi Cafe, 4491 Freeport Blvd.
- Feb 19. Loaves & Fishes.** Sign up in the social hall to help serve lunch 11 am-1 pm to the homeless and hungry.

Mar 24. PPW Installation Luncheon. Details to follow.



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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Download the PPC Calendar to Your Smartphone!

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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