

## Chapel Chimes

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### **Session Notes**

By May Lee & Carol Sakai

At the Session Retreat held February 21, 2019, Kathy McIntosh-Smith from the Presbytery guided Session on the steps for pastoral transition for Parkview. Session has been in communication with the three committees tasked with the goal of finding an interim and permanent pastor.

The Interim Pastor Committee (IPC) members are Christine Umeda (Session), Judy Fukuman (Personnel Committee), Carla Hart, Kaitlin Toyama, and Jonathan Sakakibara. The interim pastor job description was approved by Session on June 9, 2019 and has been posted to Parkview's website at www.parkviewpc.org. The position is 5-20 hours per week (we also have the residents, Rola and Veronica, at Parkview) with the base salary and benefits to be negotiated in accordance with the Presbytery recommended guidelines. The Interim can be a direct recommendation from the Presbytery, or others through word of mouth. The Presbytery will post the position through its national search network. The Interim Pastor Committee (IPC) will review the applications and interview the qualified applicants. While the process is going on, the Presbytery will find a temporary pastor to perform communions and baptisms, moderate Session and congregational meetings, and supervise the residents.

The Mission Study Committee (MSC) members approved by Session are Lois Van Beers, facilitator, Gary Younglove (Session), Mieko Davis (Pastor Nominating Committee), Rick Uno, and Titus Toyama. The committee's mandate is to research and write a Congregational Mission Study. It will incorporate materials utilizing the research and studies from Grace Suwabe, Exploration summaries, and Mission Insight tool regarding the local residents, denomination of neighborhood, and other data. This Study is expected to be completed by September in time for the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC).

The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) was approved during a special congregational meeting after thoughtful efforts made by the nomination committee (Janet Hill and Effie Komure-Hanway) with attention to age, gender, and ethnic diversity. The members are Mieko Davis (Haruko Sakakibara as alternate), Gary Younglove, William Yee, Maurine Huang, Wade Tambara, and Herning Grissom. Its task is to write the Ministry Information Form

(MIF) using the Mission Study report. Then the Committee on Ministry (COM) approves Parkview's MIF. The MIF is sent to the national Presbyterian Church Leadership Connection (CLC) where it will be matched with pastors seeking churches. The PNC receives and evaluates the Pastor Information Forms (PIFs). The PNC will review and select candidates for interviews, experience their preaching first hand, and finally PNC makes a selection. Then the Presbytery reviews and approves the selection. Parkview congregation meets the nominee and approves. The PNC has completed its work, and a new era at Parkview begins.



Session Meeting - June 9, 2019

### News

#### Parkview bids Farewell to Pastor Aart

Parishioners and friends gathered on June 30 to listen to Pastor Aart's final sermon as pastor of Parkview.



Aart serves communion with Veronica and Rola by his side

The service included musical tributes by the PPC Choir, Haruko Sakakibara, and Miwako Isano. Aart's wife, Carolyn, and his two sons, Daniel and Andrew, addressed the congregation with wonderful memories and their heartfelt thanks.



Miwako sings, Haruko plays, the PPC Choir sings, and Aart's family speaks to the congregation.

The beautiful worship service was followed by the traditional coffee hour and then an entertaining and emotional luncheon celebration at Happy Garden Restaurant. Judy Fukuman and Irene Uno co-chaired organizing the luncheon, and Judy's thank you below serves as a wonderful recap of the event. Photos courtesy of the PPC Photography Club.

Thank you to all who helped organize and plan for a successful celebration for Pastor Aart's retirement celebration luncheon. Pastor Aart and Carolyn were very moved and appreciative of everyone's efforts and collaboration to celebrate his retirement and farewell luncheon.

Thank you to Irene Uno for co-chairing, Leah Nishizaki for designing the flyer and labels for the favors, Linda Nagata and the Parkview Presbyterian Women for making the chocolate-covered fortune cookie favors, Victor and Sherri Yee for the donation of the fortune cookies and ribbons for the favors, and Yvonne Fong for the donation of the favor bags.



Fortune cookie dipping was accomplished in a half day!

Many thanks also go to Christine Umeda for the memorable photo book that guests could sign and for the wonderful "Milestones" presentation at the luncheon.



Susan and Betsy sign the guest book Christine (R) created

### News - continued



Leah & Jennifer reminisce, Jonathan wields the mic as emcee, the Nisei (Kiyoshi & Jane) mark time, and Aart gives thanks

Kudos to Jonathan Sakakibara for his emceeing efforts, staying on track and providing humorous ad libbing! Thank you to all the speakers: Rola Al Ashkar, Veronica Gould, Chelsea Page, Kiyoshi Fujiwara, Jane Matsuoka, Jennifer Nishizaki, Leah Nishizaki, Donna Komure-Toyama, Rev. Janice Kamikawa, Rev. Grace Suwabe, Sally Murphy, David Drake, Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Sacramento Rev. Nancy Clegg, and Carolyn, Daniel, and Andrew Van Beek.

There are many more people to thank for making this day so special: May Lee for securing the restaurant and cake; Haruko Sakakibara for the beautiful floral arrangements, corsage, and boutonnières; Kris Sazaki



Chelsea, Veronica, and Rola crack up the audience with their "retirement" versions of "Encountering the Text," "Connecting with Life," and "Finding New Meaning"

for designing and printing the program; Titus Toyama for the touching video slide show; Irene Uno, Judy Yee, and Lori Hart at the registration table; members of the Parkview Photography Club and Lester Ouchida for taking photos and videotaping the worship service and the luncheon reception; Betsy Eskridge and Tak Fukuman for their accounting expertise, and the list goes on! Thank you to members and friends who attended the worship service and the luncheon and to those who were unable to attend but were generous in contributing to the celebration and gift.

Lastly, thank you, Pastor Aart, for 23 years of amazing ministerial service to Parkview and its community. Enjoy your retirement, and we wish you the best, much happiness, and good health as you begin a new chapter in your life! We will miss you!

#### A Note of Gratitude

Along with my family, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for the wonderful celebration organized by the committee, the musical tributes by the PPC Choir, Haruko Sakakibara, and Miwako Isano, the slide show by Titus Toyama, the wonderful speeches, the able leadership of Jonathan Sakakibara, the great gifts, and the presence of so many of you. We are blessed to have been among you for so many years! Thank you!

- Aart Van Beek



Aart, Carolyn, Daniel (L) & Andrew (R) with Candice, Daniel's sweetheart, and Julie, Andrew's fiancée

## News - continued

#### Annual Spaghetti Dinner Another Big Hit!

A huge thank you to all our PPC family and friends who worked so hard to make this year's spaghetti dinner such a big success. We all pulled together and helped each other to make this event happen. Eddie, Yvonne, and their crew led the effort and provided an awesome dinner. Also, kudos to all volunteers who put in so much time and effort before and after the event to help with set up, clean up, table decorations, keeping everything running smoothly at the front door and at the serving tables, helping our customers with to-go boxes, making desserts, managing the parking lot, preparing and making deposits, and having an awesome raffle. We also want to give a round of applause to all of our wonderful sponsors who supported our church.

Thank you to the following donors who provided services, goods, and other support: John & Stephanie Louie of Oak Park Market; Brian Nelson & Yuki Matsumoto of General Produce; Sandy Te of Marie's Donuts; Pastor Louis Lee & Steve Chan of Chinese Community Church (use of kitchen); Mel Tom, Becky Cheng, and Robert Tom of Tom's Printing (printing of tickets and flyers); Karen Cotton of Fong and Fong Printers; Doreen Hosokawa (ticket and flyer design); Dennis Kubo, Mark Shijo, Gerald and Gigi Tsang, Daryl Honda, and Eileen Park.

We served 444 meals and sold 48 containers of sauce. The event netted about \$8,300! Wow, way to go, Parkview!

Submitted by Jack Sakai



Photos courtesy of Judy Fukuman & Yvonne Fong

#### Hach Yasumura's Pilgrimage to Jerome, AR

On the weekend of April 12-13, 2019, I attended the Jerome/Rohwer Pilgrimage in Arkansas with my nephew, David. Jerome was my home 1942-1945. Approximately 130-150 people from throughout the U.S. participated in this pilgrimage.



I was 5 years old when we were forced to move from our home in Lomita, California. We were a family of nine. On display at the museum was an artist drawing of the camp's laundry room and a child taking a bath in one of the wash tubs. It reminded me of my bath by my mom. There was a big "furo" bath tub also in the camp that the Japanese made. We kids used it like a small swimming pool. A Japanese man got very angry at us and told us to wash ourselves before entering the "furo." Other memories popped up, like when my younger brother and I helped our eight-year-old brother catch jack rabbits. He would sell the jack rabbits to a Japanese man who skinned and cooked it teriyaki style – it was delicious!

During the pilgrimage, many people expressed sadness, some joy as their parents met and married, and, yes, anger that history is repeating itself under the current administration.

#### Financial Report as of June 30, 2019:

	June	Total Yr 2019
Income:	\$13,121.20	\$68,290.82
Expenses:	\$20,715.83	\$85,251.41
Difference:		(\$16,960.59)

### News - continued

#### Kansha Korner

Our residents' column on their recent activities.

Veronica writes: "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" Galatians 6:2 (ESV)

Since June 3, I have been working at UC Davis Health, completing a unit of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE). Some of you may remember that Chelsea also served as a chaplain intern while she



was a resident at Parkview. The opportunity to pursue this training at the hospital provides an invaluable foundation for congregational ministry, and I am very grateful for all of your support during this journey.

The CPE program involves both classroom education and clinical experience in the hospital. In my work with patients, I have met people in all stages of life, from birth to death. I have been able to support and walk alongside patients through challenges, including illness, trauma, loss, and difficult decisions about health care.

In times of crisis, I find myself returning to the words "Lord, have mercy." God has given me the strength to face every challenge. Often, I am surprised by the grace which can be found in joining someone in their struggle -- recognizing grief, sharing sorrow, and being present to frustration. When we bear one another's burdens, they can become lighter. The cross of Christ calls us into the brokenness of the world, not to save it, but to see it with heaven's eyes and to love.

As I serve in the hospital, I have seen families visit their loved ones in times of need. I am grateful to serve in a church where so many have answered the call to care for one another as family. Thank you for inviting me to share in this journey with you. I appreciate your prayers as I continue my service at UC Davis. My program will end after August 16.

#### Volunteer Spotlight: Cathy Nishizaki

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

Besides serving on the coffee hour, Communion elder, and usher worship teams, Cathy was chair of Christian Education for over ten years! Now she has taken on the unenviable task of heading the Parkview Decluttering Committee.



How are we ever going to find more storage space at Parkview?! Cathy and her crew are going to figure that out! Thanks, Cathy!



#### Youth Group News

On May 19, we went to the Jelly Belly Factory. Good times were had by all despite the pouring rain. Dinner followed in Davis at Raja Tandoor.

Santa Cruz, our summer adventure, is slated for Jul 20 and will include a traditional stop at Casa de Fruta for Casa de lunch and Casa de treats!

Thanks to all who supported our soda/float fundraiser at Parkview's July 4th potluck and fireworks celebration. All sodas were donated by Oak Park Market. Thank you John Louie!



At the 4th of July celebration

## Your Sunday Worship Team

#### **Updated Schedule**

Date	Jul 28	Aug 4	Aug 11	Aug 18	Aug 25
	4th Sunday	1st Sunday	2nd Sunday	3rd Sunday	Aloha Sunday
Chair	Phillip Chew	Judy Fukuman	Jonathan Sakakibara	Titus Toyama	Christine Umeda
Greeters	Yvonne Fong	Tak Fukuman	Carol Sakai	Marilyn Champa	Betsy Eskridge
Pianist	Wade Tambara	Haruko Sakakibara	Wade Tambara	Janet Hill	Janet Hill
Ushers	Terri Bowman May Lee	Tak Fukuman Bill Nagata	Titus Toyama William Yee	Eddie Fong Diane Younglove	Mitch Lorens Sue Lorens
Reader	Mieko Davis	Haruko Sakakibara	Michael Wright	Miyo Uchida	Mieko Davis
Flowers	Mary Tokuhisa	John Yamagata	Hannah Mori	Wayne & Choon Ok Kubo	Jerry & Maurine Huang
Parking	Russ Hart	Randy Shiroi	Tak Fukuman	Sam Inouye	Bill Nagata
PA Operator	Jay Chew	Dave McGill	May Lee	Jonathan Sakakibara	Jerry Champa
Summer Activities	Luda Wright Michael Wright	Leah Nishizaki Ben Pryor Wade Tambara	Carla Hart	Leah Nishizaki	Leah Nishizaki
Coffee Hour	Jody Brown Haruko Sakakibara Miyo Uchida	Carla Hart Titus Toyama Irene Uno	Janet Hill Judy Yee Sherri Yee	Doug Judson Ben Pryor Wade Tambara	Aloha Potluck

Communion Aug 11, 2019 Elders: Judy Fukuman, Bill Grissom, Christine Umeda, William Yee

Elements: Titus Toyama

Please Note: This special communion date replaces the traditional first Sunday communion.

#### 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.

- **Today. Veronica in Chaplaincy Program.** Half-time duties at Parkview through Mid-August.
- **Jul 16. Loaves & Fishes.** Cancelled for July. The L&F dining room is being renovated.
- July 20. Youth Group Trip to Santa Cruz. Meet at church at 8:48:51 am. Bring money, swimsuit, sunscreen, towel, sandwich (to share), and snacks. Will be stopping at Casa De Fruta.
- **Jul 20. Third Saturday Lunch.** 12:15 1:15 pm. Meet at Sushi Cafe, 4491 Freeport Blvd.
- Jul 27. Memorial Service for Tee Kinoshita. Check www.parkviewpc.org for details.
- Jul 28. Spaghetti Dinner Wrap-Up & Breakfast Buffet Warm-Up Meeting. After worship service in the sanctuary.
- **Aug 4. Aloha Sundays.** Through Aug 25. Wear your casual Hawaiian dress.
- **Aug 4.** Chapel Chimes Deadline. Email articles and photos to officemanager@parkviewpc. org.
- **Aug 9.** Newsletter Collating Party. 2-3 pm. Meet in church office. Snacks provided.
- **Aug 11. Communion Sunday.** Please note this special date.
- **Aug 11. Session Meeting.** After coffee hour. Meet in pastor's office.
- **Aug 17.** Third Saturday Lunch. 12:15 1:15 pm. Meet at Sushi Cafe, 4491 Freeport Blvd.
- **Aug 20.** Loaves & Fishes. Sign up in the social hall to help serve lunch 11 am-1 pm to the homeless and hungry.
- Aug 25. Annual Aloha Fest Potluck. Following worship service. Our favorite VFW Ukulele band will be performing. Dessert will be provided. Bring your Aloha spirit!
- **Sep 1. Chapel Chimes Deadline.** Email articles/photos to officemanager@parkviewpc.org.
- **Sep 6.** Newsletter Collating Party. 2-3 pm. Meet in pastor's office. Snacks provided.
- Sep 28. Breakfast Buffet. Save the date!
- **Nov 9. Sutter Buttes Hike.** See June *Chapel Chimes* for details or contact Maurine Huang.

#### **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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heiwa means peace

#### In Memoriam

**Lily Matsumoto** Jan 4, 1926 - Jun 3, 2019

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Tee Kinoshita

Apr 11, 1926 - Jun 28, 2019



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