



Chapel Chimes

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Session Notes

By Christine Umeda

It's been a month since our Pastor Aart celebrated his retirement. Through his strategic planning, we are blessed with our pastoral residents, Rola Al Ashkar and Veronica Gould, who continue to guide our worship and services while providing continuity of care for Parkview. Their presence has been reassuring and comforting as we continue in our effort to secure a permanent pastor. Because of their presence, we are in an enviable position that most churches do not enjoy.

We are aware that members have been concerned about the slowness of the progress to secure a pastor. However, the three committees charged with securing a pastor are progressing in their work to hire a permanent pastor. The interim pastor committee has submitted the interim pastor job description, which has been posted on the Presbytery's and our website. Upon approval of our Ministry Information Form (MIF), the vacancy will also be posted on a nationwide website. We have already received one application.

The Mission Study and the Pastor Nominating Committees, continues to progress towards completing the required mission study to secure a permanent pastor for Parkview.

Kathryn McIntosh-Smith, our Presbytery contact, continues to lend her support and guidance in the ongoing process to secure an interim and permanent pastor. We are in good hands; a pastor has been assigned for Sunday, August 11th, to officiate communion and moderate the Session meeting. We will continue to post updates of the committees' work. Please don't hesitate to bring your concerns or comments to the Session or any members of the three committees.

Interim Pastor Committee

Judy Fukuman
(Personnel Committee)
Carla Hart
Kaitlin Toyama
Jonathan Sakakibara
Gary Younglove
(Session)
Christine Umeda
(Session)

Pastor Nominating Committee

Mieko Davis
Herning Grissom
Maurine Huang
Donna Komure-Toyama
Wade Tambara
William Yee
(Session)
Gary Younglove
(Session)

Mission Study Committee

Mieko Davis
(Pastor Nominating Committee)
Titus Toyama
Rick Uno
Lois Van Beers
(Facilitator)
Gary Younglove
(Session)

News

Aloha!

Our annual Aloha Fest takes place on Aug 25, following worship service. Please bring a main or side dish to share. Dessert will be provided. The wonderful VFW Ukulele band will be performing. Bring your Aloha spirit! Please note: parking is not available behind the church on Aug 25.



Breakfast Buffet Set for Sep 28

Get ready for our biggest fundraiser of the year! Volunteer sign-up sheets are located in the social hall. There are many jobs to fill, from small to large, so please join in! Become a sponsor of the breakfast, too. And don't forget to order your t-shirts. Sponsorship and t-shirt order forms are available in the social hall and online at www.parkviewpc.org.



T-shirt design

Altar Flower Donors Sought

The beautiful altar flowers we enjoy every Sunday are donated by members and friends. A few openings need to be filled before publication of the new schedule this September. To become a donor or donate twice a year, contact Haruko Sakakibara at sakakibaraharuko@gmail.com.



Got Parking?

People have been wondering about church parking, so here is a summary:

- **8th Street Parking Lot.** Parkview rents this parking lot for worship service. Families may also rent this lot for memorial services and weddings.
- **Parking Behind the Church.** Parkview rents out seven parking spaces during the week. This is a steady source of income for the church. Please do not park in spaces 5-11 during the week. Spaces 1-4 are for staff and visitors. Coffee hour worship team members have parking preference behind the church on Sundays.
- **Loading Zone.** Please respect the loading zone in front of the church, especially on Sundays. It is for dropping off and picking up only.
- **Street Parking.** Parkview gets waivers during the spaghetti dinner and breakfast buffet for street parking around the church. This does NOT apply to metered parking.



Youth Group News

On July 20, the youth group made a summer excursion to Santa Cruz. On their way, they stopped at Split Pea Andersen's Restaurant, Casa de Fruta for a 2-hour lunch and shopping spree, and finally made it to the Boardwalk. The weather was ideal as they rode the Giant Dipper roller coaster. Beach time and more rides followed, and they ended with a traditional corn dog for the long ride home.

Financial Report as of July 31, 2019:

	July	Total Yr 2019
Income:	\$14,294.37	\$82,585.19
Expenses:	\$6,816.89	\$92,068.30
Difference:		(\$9,483.11)

News - continued

Kansha Korner

Our residents' column on their recent activities.

Rola writes:

I spoke to 40 Jr. High students this week at Zephyr Point; the topic was Shalom (peace). I explored with them the ways in which violence may disturb our peace, then instances of violence as well as teachings about peace in the Bible and how we ought to read it with the lens of Jesus. Finally we discussed some examples of violence in their lives and ways for them to be participants and peacemakers rather than only recipients of peace.

I think I learned a lot in this week as well. I had forgotten how fragile and insecure it is to be 12 years old, and this week was a good and needed reminder.

I went on a short 4-mile hike with a group of the older kids (grades 8 & 9) to Emerald Bay. A picturesque scene lay in front of our eyes, but the kids, occupied with talking to each other, laughing, and teasing, were almost oblivious to the awe-inspiring nature around us. "How could they not care?" I asked myself.

One of the things I learned about kids this age is that they tend to live in their own bubble, isolating themselves from the outside world. That's the time at which kids are the most vulnerable. They try to escape the pain by isolating themselves, but by doing so they also miss on the beauty.

And I think we also tend to go about our lives as adults in the same way without realizing it. We are

instinctively wired to avoid risks and avoid pains, but sometimes we might miss out on a lot of the beauty that might come with the chances we missed.

Our church is now insecure and vulnerable, like a young teenager. There are many safe choices we can make, the usual and the known, to remain in our comfort zone. And there are risks we can take with which may come a lot of beauty, awe, and wonder.

My hope is that we will trust God enough to venture out and do new things, that we might take a few risks and with them get to marvel at the new thing God is doing amongst us.

Join "The Gathering"

Sponsored by Presbyterian Church (USA) and the Presbytery of Sacramento, the Gathering brings people together to hear their personal stories. Its guiding vision is a belief that our personal stories are all a part of God's bigger story that we live within. In the sharing of stories we not only recognize and understand better our own stories, but we build community and relationship and provide a setting for fellowship, spiritual connection, and healing to occur. See the calendar for individual events or go to <https://sacgathering.org/>.

Volunteer Spotlight: Effie Komure-Hanway

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

As we mourn the loss of our beloved Effie, let's pause a moment and think of all the wonderful ways she impacted our church. She was a member of the PPC Choir, Presbyterian Women, Mariners, and the PPC Book Club. Effie




spearheaded the volunteer effort at Loaves and Fishes, served on the Nominating committee and was a Presbytery commissioner. Beyond all that, she belonged to the following worship teams: chairperson, Communion elder, coffee hour, greeter, and usher.



Rola and a camper swim Lake Tahoe at 7 am!

Your Sunday Worship Team

Date	Sep 1 <i>1st Sunday</i>	Sep 8 <i>2nd Sunday</i>	Sep 15 <i>3rd Sunday</i>	Sep 22 <i>4th Sunday</i>	Sep 29 <i>5th Sunday</i>
Chair	Donna Komure-Toyama	Kishwer Vikaas	Betsy Eskridge	Kaitlin Toyama	Judy Fukuman
Greeter	Bill Nagata	Terri Bowman	Bill Grissom	Lois Van Beers	Maurine Huang
Pianist	Haruko Sakakibara	Janet Hill	Jody Brown	Wade Tambara	Haruko Sakakibara
Ushers	Bill Grissom Cathy Nishizaki	Herning Grissom Donna Komure-Toyama	Sherri Yee Victor Yee	Diane Younglove Gary Younglove	Mitch Lorens Sue Lorens
Reader	Haruko Sakakibara	Michael Wright	Mieko Davis	Haruko Sakakibara	Michael Wright
Flowers	Michael & Luda Wright	Hach & Linda Yasumura	Stan & Christine Umeda	Bill & Herning Grissom	Miyo Uchida
Parking	Titus Toyama	Bill Grissom	Gary Younglove	Glenn Kubota	John Seno
PA Operator	Dave McGill	Titus Toyama	May Lee	Jerry Champa	Jay Chew
Summer/ Sunday School	TBD Ben Pryor Wade Tambara	Carla Hart	TBD Ben Pryor Wade Tambara	TBD	TBD
Coffee Hour	Judy Fukuman Pattie Hashimoto Linda Nagata	Lori Hart Carolyn Ishii Diane Younglove	PPC Book Club 	Terri Bowman Julie Chew Russ Hart	Hannah Seno Kaitlin Toyama Christine Umeda

Communion Sep 1, 2019 Elders: Pattie Hashimoto, Cathy Nishizaki, Carol Sakai, Donna Komure-Toyama
Elements: Gary Younglove

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. Aloha Sundays. Through Aug 25. Wear your casual or Hawaiian dress.

Aug 17. Third Saturday Lunch. 12:15-1:15 pm. Meet at Sushi Cafe, 4491 Freeport Blvd.

Aug 18. Photo Club. Meet during coffee hour in the church office.

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. See page 2 for details.

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 8. Breakfast Buffet Meeting. After worship service. Meet in the sanctuary.

Sep 12. When Compassion Overcomes Fear. Presented by The Gathering. 7 pm. Bethany Presbyterian Church, 5625 24th Street. Free. See page 3 for more information.

Sep 17. Loaves & Fishes. Sign up in the social hall to help serve lunch 11 am-1 pm to the homeless and hungry.

Sep 19. Book Club Meeting. 7 pm. *The Persian Pickle Club* by Sandra Dallas. Email office manager for meeting details.

Sep 21. Third Saturday Lunch. 12:15-1:15 pm. Meet at Sushi Cafe, 4491 Freeport Blvd.

Sep 26. Rola Takes Senior Ordination Exams. Through Sep 29.

Sep 28. Breakfast Buffet. See page 2 for details.

Nov 9. Sutter Buttes Hike. See June *Chapel Chimes* for details or contact Maurine Huang.

Nov 9. Chirashi Prep. Save the date!

Nov 17. Chirashi Fundraiser. Save the date!

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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Kris Sazaki: officemanager@parkviewpc.org

PPC Officers

Advisory Committee

- Huang, Maurine (term ends 2020)
- Uno, Irene (term ends 2020)
- Van Beers, Lois (term ends 2020)

Nominating Committee

- Bowman, Terri (term ends 2020)
- Hill, Janet (term ends 2020)
- Vacancy

Personnel Committee

- Fukuman, Judy (term ends 2020)
- Grissom, Bill (term ends 2020)

Presbytery Commissioners (no term limits)

- Hill, Janet
- Huang, Maurine
- Vacancy

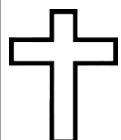
Treasurer (no term limits)

- Betsy Eskridge
- Fukuman, Tak (signee)

Trustees (no term limits)

- Chew, Phillip

In Memoriam



Effie Komure-Hanway
Jan 29, 1944 - Jul 15, 2019

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In Support of the Youth Group: Dave McGill

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In Memory of Kevin Imura: Edwin & Hong Imura

In Memory of Tee Kinoshita: May Lee, Fumi Nakata, Terry & Cathy Nishizaki, Rick & Irene Uno, Hach & Linda Yasumura

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Thank you in advance for your Aloha offering.

