



# Chapel Chimes

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## Residency Program Update

By Irene Uno

While we all miss Pastor Aart, Parkview Presbyterian Church is so fortunate to have two pastoral residents, Rola Al Ashkar and Veronica Gould, to help minister to the congregation and run the church while we search for an interim pastor. You may be wondering about the impact of Pastor Aart's retirement on the role of Rola and Veronica in our church and how their duties and responsibilities have changed. On behalf of the Advisory Committee, including Lois Van Beers and Maurine Huang, I write this article hoping it provides you with some insight into our residents, post-Aart's retirement. The Advisory Committee provides support and advice to the pastoral residents on matters involving their roles and responsibilities to the church. The Committee does not supervise the residents but provides them with constructive feedback in the hope of fostering positive relationships between them and the congregation.

One of the most important responsibilities of the pastoral residents is to lead us in a meaningful service each Sunday. They are responsible for making the lesson come to life and be relevant to the needs of our specific congregation. Pastor Aart knew all of us for so long but now our residents no longer have his guidance. Preparing the sermon is not easy as it requires the residents to be in tune with what members of the congregation may be experiencing collectively and perhaps individually as well. For instance, it goes without saying that we have experienced a sense of loss with Pastor Aart's retirement and the recent passing of two beloved members of our congregation. Preparing the lessons and sermons against this backdrop takes time and sensitivity. Both residents have had to take a larger role in preaching each Sunday and they have had to make pastoral decisions such as selecting guest ministers to officiate communion.

After the passing of church members Effie Komure-Hanway and Tee Kinoshita, Rola stepped up to officiate at their respective memorial services. The amount of time, effort, and energy it took for Rola to speak sincerely and from the heart in order to provide comfort to the family and friends of these church members cannot be overstated. Both Rola and Veronica have taken on other responsibilities in Pastor Aart's absence. They provide pastoral care and counseling upon request and reach out to church members and families who express a need. In addition, along with our ever efficient office manager, Kris Sazaki, they have become more involved in the day to day decision making related to the upkeep of our aging church and its grounds.

One of the near term goals for both Rola and Veronica is to provide adult, Christian education to those in our congregation who are interested. They plan to survey the congregation shortly in order to determine interest and to develop a lesson plan. Not forgetting our youth, Veronica is working on a new Sunday school curriculum. Keep in mind that in addition to the above, both Rola and Veronica continue to be engaged in community outreach. Rola has taught English as a Second Language and on a more national scale, she has taken a genuine interest in being involved with the



*Rola representing Parkview in Louisville*



*Veronica visiting May Mayeda*

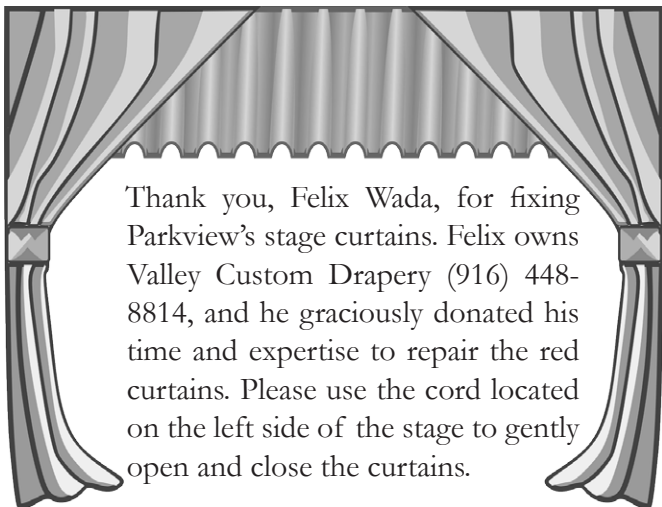
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Presbyterian Church of the USA. To this end, she is a member of the writing and pastor liaison teams for the Vital Congregations Initiative. Rola also participates in an effort by mainline Protestant denominations in Sacramento to reach out to Middle Eastern refugees.

Veronica remains busy with community outreach as well. Veronica recently completed a summer Chaplaincy Program at the UCD Medical Center. She gives back to that program by volunteering to mentor new students who may be struggling with the heart wrenching tasks of ministering to patients and their families in a hospital setting. Veronica also continues to volunteer at William Land school and St. John's pantry and the food justice and homeless outreach program.

The personal and professional goal for both Rola and Veronica is ordination—Rola in the Presbyterian Church and Veronica in the Lutheran Church. They continue to work toward their ordination goal while ministering to us at Parkview. The requirements for ordination in both churches are varied and rigorous, ranging from substantive exams (Presbyterian) and interviews and screenings (Lutheran). Besides their responsibilities at Parkview, these young women miss and keep in close contact with their families, who live far away. We appreciate the sacrifices they have made to join us for this short while. We are happy to have our pastoral residents guide us during this transition phase while we search for an Interim Pastor.



Thank you, Felix Wada, for fixing Parkview's stage curtains. Felix owns Valley Custom Drapery (916) 448-8814, and he graciously donated his time and expertise to repair the red curtains. Please use the cord located on the left side of the stage to gently open and close the curtains.

## Muted Mondays

We are so blessed that Parkview is a busy place! We have many committed volunteers who come to church throughout the week to help keep Parkview thriving, both physically and spiritually. We should remember, though, that Parkview is also the home of our pastoral residents. They use the church kitchen and courtyard for their personal needs, especially on Mondays, their day off. With that in mind, please refrain from scheduling events or meetings at the church on Mondays. Contact Rola and Veronica in advance, if you need to schedule any time at the church on Mondays. Thank you for your consideration!



## Something New for Coffee Hour!

A delightful suggestion emerged from the sale of the last Parkview cookbook, *A Taste of Parkview*. Let us honor the memories of our beloved departed Parkview family by preparing their recipes from the cookbook. Coffee Hour is a favorable time for us to savor their memories and their cuisine. If this is an option that appeals to you, and you need to check the cookbook, we have an extra one in the office. Contact Kris Sasaki if you would like to join the coffee hour team.



Submitted by Carla Hart

## Financial Report as of Oct 31, 2019:

	Oct	Total Yr 2019
Income:	\$7,861.00	\$117,804.58
Expenses:	\$5,695.36	\$108,272.72
Difference:		\$9,531.86

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## Kansha Korner

*Our residents' column on their recent activities.*

*Former Resident Chelsea Page writes:*

In a joyful ceremony on Saturday, Oct 19, I became an ordained minister of the United Church of Christ. I felt honored by the number of Parkview representatives: Aart, Rola, Veronica, and a few or two of Parkview friends. Rev. Janice Kamikawa was there, too, and joined Aart in the procession of clergy. The Parkview photo club was represented, with Hach Yasumura documenting the procession of clergy. The Parkview guests gave a rowdy woot-woot during the introduction of congregations present, prompting the UCC conference representative at the pulpit to say, "UCC folks, you need better enthusiasm like those Presbyterians!" Thank you, Parkview, for your incredibly generous gifts, support, and love along this journey. I miss you! I am now Associate Pastor for Youth and Families at Holladay United Church of Christ and will be installed on Nov 9. Please keep in touch!



Holladay United Church of Christ  
2631 E. Murray Holladay Rd.  
Holladay, UT 84117



## Annual Christmas Luncheon Set for Dec 8

The Parkview Presbyterian Women (PPW) are hosting the Christmas luncheon this year on Sunday, Dec 8, 1:30 pm at Aviator's. Sign up by Dec 1 in the social hall. The cost is \$22. Limit 90 persons. Please give cash or check, made out to PPW, to Carla Hart, Julie Howe, or Lois Van Beers.

## Volunteer Spotlight: Wade Tambara

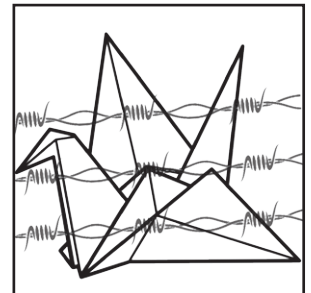
*Parkview is fueled by its volunteers, many of whom work behind the scenes to keep the church going.*

While Wade is best known as one of our resident pianists, he volunteers in a variety of capacities. He is a Youth Group Leader, makes sure the Christmas tree gets erected every year, helps coordinate the July 4th potluck, and helps out with the PPC choir. Wade also serves on the coffee hour team. Thanks for your commitment, Wade!



## Tsuru for Solidarity Informational Meeting

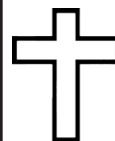
Come to Parkview on Sat, Nov 23, 10am-12:30pm to find out about the Tsuru for Solidarity campaign to end mass migrant detention. Parkview is co-hosting this event with several other community organizations. Learn how to fold cranes that will be sent to Washinton DC. Donations of 6" x 6" origami paper welcome. Parkview will also host two "fold-ins" on Feb 9 and 23, so mark your calendar.



## Parkview Shines at 5k Run

The Parkview Warriors and Angels Team took honors as the largest team at the 2019 Run for a Safe Haven to benefit My Sister's House on Oct 26. That accomplishment was only bested by Hach Yasumura, who took first place in the 80+ men's category. What a great showing, team! Let's top that next year!

## In Memoriam



**April Pryor**

Apr 18, 1940 - Sep 30, 2019

# Your Sunday Worship Team

Date	Dec 15 <i>3rd Sunday</i>	Dec 22 <i>4th Sunday</i>	Dec 29 <i>5th Sunday</i>	Jan 5 <i>1st Sunday</i>	Jan 12 <i>2nd Sunday</i>
<b>Chair</b>	Kishwer Vikaas	Betsy Eskridge	Judy Fukuman	Phillip Chew	Donna Komure-Toyama
<b>Greeter</b>	Carol Sakai	Steve Hanway	Fumi Nakata	Irene Uno	Marilyn Champa
<b>Pianist</b>	Jody Brown	Wade Tambara	Haruko Sakakibara	Janet Hill	Wade Tambara
<b>Ushers</b>	Bill Grissom Herning Grissom	Maurine Huang May Lee	Julie Chew Diane Younglove	Terri Bowman Donna Komure-Toyama	William Yee Gary Younglove
<b>Reader</b>	Michael Wright	Mieko Davis	Haruko Sakakibara	Miyo Uchida	Michael Wright
<b>Flowers</b>	Jane Matsuoka	Wade & Tom Tambara	Lynn Yamamoto	Terri Bowman	Bob & Carolyn Marshall
<b>Parking</b>	Glenn Kubota	Randy Shiroy	Tak Fukuman	Dave McGill	Russ Hart
<b>PA Operator</b>	May Lee	Dave McGill	Jay Chew	Titus Toyama	Jack Sakai
<b>Sunday School/ Youth Group</b>	Julie Chew Ben Pryor Wade Tambara	No Sunday School	No Sunday School	Kishwer Vikaas Ben Pryor Wade Tambara	Lois Van Beers
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Terri Bowman Janet Hill Hannah Seno	PPW Circle 3	Cathy Nishizaki Jennifer Nishizaki- Ngo Leah Nishizaki	May Lee Linda Nagata Luda Wright	Irene Uno Pattie Hashimoto Jody Brown

**Communion Dec 22, 2019 Elders:** Phillip Chew, Maurine Huang, May Lee, Gary Younglove  
**Elements:** Veronica Gould

## Your Availability for the Sunday Worship Team

Help make scheduling a breeze! Please email Kris ([officemanager@parkviewpc.org](mailto: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 & More

**Sunday Worship begins at 10 am.**

- Nov 11. Seafood Fest Tickets Available.** \$70. *For the general public.* Limit 10 tickets per person. Only emails accepted: (officemanager@parkviewpc.org) **NO EARLY EMAILS!**
- Nov 14. PPC Book Club Meeting.** 7 pm. "We were the Lucky Ones" by Georgia Hunter. Email officemanager@parkviewpc.org for details.
- Nov 16. Third Saturday Lunch.** 12:15 - 1:15 pm. Meet at Sushi Cafe, 4491 Freeport Blvd.
- Nov 17. Chirashi Fundraiser.** During coffee hour.
- Nov 19. Loaves & Fishes.** Sign up in the social hall to help serve lunch 11 am-1 pm to the homeless and hungry.
- Nov 23. Tsuru for Solidarity Informational Meeting.** See page 3 for details.
- Nov 28. Kris on Vacation.** Thru Dec 3. Office closed. Happy Thanksgiving!
- Dec 1. PPC Session Meeting.** Directly after coffee hour in the pastor's office.
- Dec 1. Chapel Chimes Deadline.** Email articles and photos to officemanager@parkviewpc.org.
- Dec 6. Newsletter Collating Party.** 2-3 pm. Meet in pastor's office. Snacks provided.
- Dec 7. Men's Group Speaker and Lunch.** Contact Bill Nagata (blnagata@yahoo.com) or sign up in the social hall.
- Dec 8. Christmas Luncheon.** See page 3 for details.
- Dec 15. Gingerbread House Making.** 12-2 pm. Details to follow.
- Dec 17. Loaves & Fishes.** Sign up in the social hall to help serve lunch 11 am-1 pm to the homeless and hungry.
- Dec 19. Book Club Meeting.** 7 pm. *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles. Email officemanager@parkviewpc.org for details.
- Dec 21. NO Third Saturday Lunch.** Third Saturday Lunch resumes in January.
- Dec 21. Jujikai Christmas Potluck & White Elephant Gift Exchange.** 6:30pm at the Grissom's home.

**Dec 22. Christmas Worship Service.** 10 am. Communion will be served.

**Jan 19. Congregational Meeting.** 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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Christine Umeda: session@parkviewpc.org  
Kris Sazaki: officemanager@parkviewpc.org

## Used Household Battery Collection

Please bring your used household batteries to church for proper disposal. The collection box is located in the social hall throughout the month of December. Let's keep batteries out of the landfill!



Submitted by Dave McGill

## *Parkview Session has approved . . .*

- Eagle scout work project at Parkview by Aaron Asoo. Work to be done in early 2020.
- Reconstitution of the stewardship committee to be responsible for overseeing and identifying building and maintenance needs of the church. Committee members: Gary Younglove, Steve Hill, Phillip Chew, with one or two additional congregants.
- Tsuru for Solidarity events at Parkview. See page 3 for details.

**Grateful Acknowledgment to the following members and friends for their generous donations. Thank yous are posted as they are processed and may appear in a later edition of the newsletter:**

**Special Offerings:** Brandon & Christina Chaw, Sakura Chorus, Shigeko Tanaka

**In Appreciation for Recovery:** Phillip Chew

**In Honor of Eddie & Yvonne Fong (Breakfast Buffet):** Assemblyman Jim Cooper

**In Honor of Betty Sakamoto's Birthday:** Betsy Eskridge & Lois Van Beers

**In Memory of Timothy Ching:** Glenn & Evelyn Kubota

**In Memory of Hoshi Fujioka:** Daisy Seto, Titus & Donna Toyama, Hach & Linda Yasumura

**In Memory of Jana Hansen:** Eileen Kasai

**In Memory of April Pryor:** Terri Bowman, Phillip & Julie Chew (Choir), Tak & Judy Fukuman, Bill & Linda Nagata, Jack & Carol Sakai (Youth Group), Daisy Seto, Titus & Donna Toyama, Hach & Linda Yasumura

**In Memory of Frank & Alice Taniguchi:** Leday Family, Novembre Family, Richard & Dianne Uchida

**In Memory of Richard Uno:** Eddie & Yvonne Fong (Event Storage), May Lee, Jack & Carol Sakai, Rick & Irene Uno & Family

*Thank you in advance for your Thanksgiving offerings.*

