

# Chapel Chimes

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### From Pastor Pamela

Dear Friends,

I continue to be amazed by you all. The Women's March took place on Jan 18, and the starting line literally began in front of Parkview Presbyterian Church. Whenever there is a march that passes the doors of a church, and the church doors are closed, it speaks volumes. And if the church doors are opened, it speaks volumes. Trust me . . . Parkview's doors spoke volumes on this day. With the leadership of Parkview's Women's March team, the doors were wide open as many of us served green tea, sliced oranges, and fortune cookies; we cheered on the marchers with drums and tambourines. I heard cheering and the yelling of "Thank you!" One woman came to me and said, "I used to attend a presbyterian church, and I was so hurt by it that I left. I never knew presbyterians like you existed." And I said, "We do. Come home." She began to cry and fell into my arms. Parkview . . . thank you for being a witness in the community and particularly to this one woman who especially needed it. You are making a difference.

You have made a difference in other ways, too. Two days after the Women's March, it was Martin Luther King Day. With the organizational leadership of May Lee, a group of us from Parkview marched on this day, too. We marched together in memory of Dr. King's dream that one day all will be treated by the content of their character and not by the color of their skin. By being a moral witness in the community, you are making a difference. And on Jan 11, a number of us from Parkview traveled to the Yuba County Jail in Marysville to demand the end of the county's "indefinite" contract with ICE and to stop the inhumane treatment of the detainees. We did this action in conjunction with Tsuru for Solidarity. And on Saturday, Feb 22, Parkview will be hosting a fold-in to make cranes. Come and be a part of this community event. (See page 2 for details.) Parkview, you are making a difference.

Additionally, Steve Hill, Gary Younglove, Maurine Huang and I got together to discuss the maintenance needs around the church so that we could write a presbytery grant. Maurine then distilled all of this information down into a beautifully written grant, and I am proud to say, that we got the grant. It is for \$10,000! This will go towards the safety and security of the church grounds which will include upgraded locks, electrical work, maintenance, etc. Parkview, you are making a difference.

With all of that being said, Lent is upon us, reminding us of the time when Jesus wandered into the desert for forty

days. It is a time for spiritual reflection, which begins on Ash Wednesday and culminates with Easter. Rola, Veronica, and I look forward to spending this season with you and strengthening our connections with one another as we deepen our own personal faith. The book of Ecclesiastes speaks about how there are times and seasons. Parkview has most certainly been in a season of making a difference. And now as we approach the season of Lent, may we be open to intentionally shift gears for Jesus to make a difference in us as we meet him in this season of desert life.

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God says Hi.

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Veronica, Pastor Pamela & Rola at the Women's March.

Peace & Shalom, Pamela

## News

### Tsuru for Solidarity Fold-In

On Feb 22, 1-4 pm, Parkview is hosting a community-wide event to help fold 125,000 cranes to send to Washington DC to protest the incarceration of migrants/immigrants, family separation, and the jailing of children. Please join us. No experience needed! Go to <a href="https://tsuruforsolidarity.org/">https://tsuruforsolidarity.org/</a> for more information on the cause.

### Come Warm up with Udon!

The Parkview Presbyterian Women's (PPW) group is hosting an udon sale right after worship service on Mar 1. \$8 for adults and \$5 for children. We need volunteers to cook noodles, bring ingredients, as well as decorate, set up, and



clean up. Sign-up sheets are in the social hall or contact Lois VanBeers (916.607.2177).

Submitted by Lois VanBeers

### May O. Lee Award presented to Mona Foster

Asian Resources, Inc. celebrated the Lunar New Year on Jan 16. The May O. Lee award was presented by ARI founder May Lee to Mona Foster of Hui O Hawaii of Sacramento. Richard Uno, ARI Board President, completed his term and installed the new Board members. Kudos to Parkview's own May and Rick for their community service and dedication.

Submitted by Carol Sakai



May Lee, Fox 40 newscaster Lonnie Wong & Mona Foster

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### Jan 25 Seafood Fest is Another Sellout!

110 tickets were sold for the 8th Annual Seafood Fest. The dinner was chockful of seafood, including Eddie's famous sea bass, and everything else including chicken wings and bok choy. We tried something new this year. Kevin Fat from Frank Fats on L Street generously donated four of his famous banana cream pies so that we can raffle them off. We let the winners decide to share it with their table or take it home!

Thank you to our fabulous crew: Michael and Janie Fong, Darrell and Kaitlin Fong, Kristine Okino, Tymiko Patterson, Montu Raj, Mark Shijo, Mel Tom, Robert Tom, and David Yasuda. They cooked tirelessly for eight hours straight! Ben Pryor and Mark Shijo helped Eddie and Yvonne prep Friday night, saving a few hours! Many thanks, too, to Wade Tambara's servers: Julie Howe, Doug Judson, Laurie Lundgren, Cathy Nishizaki, Ben Pryor, Hannah and John Seno, Liz Ung, and Kishwer Vikaas. They have gotten the job of serving down to perfection! Leah Nishizaki and Tymiko Patterson did a great job calling the Last Man Standing and Banana Cream Pie raffles! The pie winners were Ryan Giles, Dorothy and Norio Kojima, Bill and Linda Nagata, and Carol and Jack Sakai! Mona Sakata and Natalie Villamor shared the winnings of Last Man Standing!

Nothing got done without Tak Fukuman's efficient administration of ticket sales and seating arrangements. It's astounding what a difficult task the seating arrangement is. Thanks, Tak! Add to that the necessary cardboarding of the kitchen and hallway floors, which Jay, Julie, and Phil Chew, Tak Fukuman, and Jonathan Sakakibara did on hands and knees; Titus Toyama's setting up the sound system; Titus, Donna Komure-Toyama, and Jonathan Sakakibara for post-dinner clean up. Yes, it takes a village to put on a seafood fest! Everyone is welcome to the wrap up meeting an Apr 5 after coffee hour. Photos from the event will be posted on the church's website soon.

Submitted by Yvonne Fong

## News - continued

#### Kansha Korner

Our residents' column on their recent activities.

Rola writes:

One of the things I still have to decide about California is whether or not I like the overlapping of seasons. As fall allegedly started, I went on hikes for several weekends, hunting for yellow and orange leaves, but all I found were trees holding on dearly to their



View from the Kansha

green leaves. Today, if you go out in nature, you'll notice that some of the trees are now losing their leaves while others have almost started blooming. So it is fall for some, spring for others, yet winter on my calendar.

Although I always cherished the precision and consistency of seasons on the Mediterranean, I think life looks more like Californian seasons: overlapped and unpredictable.

Our lives are but successions of seasons, some good, some bad, some happy, some sad, some shorter, others longer, and yet most of the times they seem to intersect and overlap.

As I was expressing my frustration over my uncertainty about the future to Pastor Pamela the other day, she reassured me by saying: "It's okay to be out of control now. Eventually, everything you're working for and waiting for will come true." What a simple but powerful way to look at our lives: to acknowledge that God is in charge, and because of that, everything will ultimately line up, but in due season.

Seasons are biblical; the book of Ecclesiastes reminds us that there is a season for everything (*Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*). And thus there is a season for waiting. This is the season I find myself in right now. Certainly not my favorite, and I bet it isn't yours either.

With the arrival of Pastor Pamela, Parkview's season of waiting was put to an end, and we have now entered the season of hard work and transformation. Veronica on the other hand is going through her

season of preparation. And yet we find each other coming together, each in her own season, around the word of God, and we celebrate the beauty and bounty of God every Sunday with you, who are also going through your individual seasons.

Friends, wherever we are in life, how beautiful it is to gather as one community and share together holy moments of grief, of celebration, of anticipation, of falling, of standing up, of recovery and healing.

Holy moments! Holy seasons!

Thank you for being so understanding and sympathetic with our individual journeys. What I ask of you at this time is to continue to be flexible and patient with all of us, especially me, as I enter a season of discernment and self-search in order to figure out the next step.

Yours in Christ, Rola

### Volunteer Spotlight: Janet Hill

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

Most worshipers know that Janet Hill is one of our pianists, but that's not all she does for Parkview. Parkview may not have any deacons, but Janet has been quietly making visits to many of our Parkview family members who



are shut in or hospitalized. She keeps the Parkview connection alive for those who are unable to attend worship service. Thank you, Janet!

### Financial Report as of Jan 31, 2019:

	Jan	Total Yr 2020
Income:	\$7,331	\$7,331
Expenses:	\$9,240	\$9,240
Difference:		(\$1,909)

# Your Sunday Worship Team

Date	Feb 23	Mar 1	Mar 8	Mar 15	Mar 22
	4th Sunday	1st Sunday	2nd Sunday	3rd Sunday	4th Sunday
Chair	Betsy Eskridge	Donna Komure- Toyama	Titus Toyama	Judy Fukuman	Christine Umeda
Greeter	Terri Bowman	Yvonne Fong	Hannah Seno	Maurine Huang	Marilyn Champa
Pianist	Wade Tambara	Janet Hill	Wade Tambara	Haruko Sakakibara	Janet Hill
Ushers	Eddie Fong Diane Younglove	Bill Grissom Herning Grissom	Sherri Yee Victor Yee	Bill Nagata Gary Younglove	Steve Hanway Maurine Huang
Reader	Miyo Uchida	Mieko Davis	Michael Wright	Haruko Sakakibara	Mieko Davis
Flowers	Tak & Judy Fukuman	Mick & Aileen Takechi	Barbie Fujinaka	Rose Hironaka	Teruko Wright
Parking	Glenn Kubota	Phillip Chew	John Seno	Gary Younglove	Russ Hart
PA Operator	Jack Sakai	Titus Toyama	May Lee	Dave McGill	Jerry Champa
Sunday School/ Youth Group	TBD	TBD Ben Pryor Wade Tambara	TBD	TBD Ben Pryor Wade Tambara	TBD
Coffee Hour	Carolyn Ishii Carol Sakai Luda Wright	PPW Udon Sale	Lori Hart Linda Nagata Judy Yee	Terri Bowman Janet Hill Cathy Nishizaki	Donna Komure- Toyama Hannah Seno Maurine Huang

Communion Mar 8, 2020 Elders: Judy Fukuman, Herning Grissom, Bill Nagata, William Yee

Elements: Phillip Chew

### 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 & More

### Sunday Worship begins at 10 am.

- **Feb 15.** Third Saturday Lunch. 12:15 1:15 pm. Meet at Sushi Cafe, 4491 Freeport Blvd.
- Feb 16. Youth Group Tour of CSUS. Details available from your leaders.
- **Feb 18.** Loaves & Fishes. Sign up in the social hall to help serve lunch 11 am-1 pm to the homeless and hungry.
- Feb 22. Rola Speaks in Fresno.
- **Feb 22. Tsuru for Solidarity Fold-In.** 1-4 pm at Parkview. Help fold cranes to protest the incarceration of asylum seekers.
- Mar 1. Chapel Chimes Deadline. Email articles and photos to Kris Sazaki at officemanager@parkviewpc.org.
- Mar 1. Lunar New Year Udon Sale. Volunteers needed. Sign up in the social hall.
- **Mar 6.** Newsletter Collating Party. 2-3 pm. Meet in pastor's office. Snacks provided.
- Mar 15. Youth Group Rice Krispie Treat Sale.
  After worship service.
- Mar 15. PPW Election Meeting. After worship service. Meet in the sanctuary.
- Mar 22. Youth Group Tour of UC Davis. Details available from your leaders.
- Mar 29. PPW Installation Luncheon. 12:45-2:15 pm. Rev. Dr. Mary Westfall, Transitional Presbyter, Presbytery of Sacramento
- Apr 5. Seafood Fest Wrap Up Meeting. After coffee hour. Everyone welcome!
- Apr 10. Youth Group Egg Dyeing and Egg Stuffing. Help prepare the goodies for the Easter Sunday egg hunt.
- Apr 25. Youth Group Tour of UC Berkeley. Tentative date. Details to follow.

### **Holy Communion**

Holy Communion is celebrated on the second Sunday of the month. Exceptions will be noted in the PPC online calendar and newsletter calendar.



#### **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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### Will the Real William Yee Stand Up?

Please check your email contact list and make sure you have the correct address for our dear William Yee:

### william\_yee@yahoo.com.

There is another William Yee at Yahoo who has been getting some of our William's emails, so let's all make sure we're sending our emails to the correct William Yee. Thank you!

### Parkview Congregation has voted . . .

- Nominating Committee: Terri Bowman, Janet Hill, May Lee
- Officers for 2020-2022: Carla Hart, Steve Hanway, Donna Komure-Toyama
- Trustee: Phillip Chew

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In Thanksgiving of Garrett's Graduation: John & Hannah Seno (Youth Group)

In Memory of Roy Deguchi: Wade Tambara

In Memory of Fazal Elahi: Donna & Titus Toyama

In Memory of Helen Kishi: Don Kishi

In Memory of Muriel & George Kubo: Wayne & Choon Ok Kubo

In Memory of Patty Kozono Mackenroth: Barbara Zweig

In Memory of Margaret Simard: Eddie & Yvonne Fong (Event Storage)

In Memory of Stanley Wong: Eddie & Yvonne Fong (Roof Repair)

**In Memory of Randall Yee:** Eddie & Yvonne Fong (Event Storage)

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