



# Chapel Chimes

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## The Lenten Season

Dear Parkview friends,

This Tuesday, Feb 16, the world will be celebrating Mardi Gras! Mardi Gras is also known as Fat Tuesday. In French Mardi means Tuesday, and Gras means Fat. In the Christian calendar, Mardi Gras takes place on the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of Lent for 40 days. On Fat Tuesday, one is to sop up all of that fat in their homes because during the season of Lent, it reminds us of the time that Jesus wandered in the desert for forty days without any food. Traditionally the food during the season of Lent leading up to Easter is one that is simple and without oil. Therefore, Fat Tuesday means to eat up all the fat that you can because you aren't going to have some for the next six weeks! It's tradition to eat pancakes on Fat Tuesday because pancakes sop up a lot of oil. So since we can't be with each other face to face, for this Tuesday's Bible study on February 16 at 6:30 pm, we are asking everyone to wear your beads, Mardi Gras colors of green, purple and gold, and make some pancakes! It will be a time of fun, celebration, and listening to jazz.

The next night, Ash Wednesday, Feb 17, we will hold a Zoom worship at 6:00 pm. The Zoom meeting ID is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83328252469>. It will have a very different tone. This service will be quieter, more solemn, and introspective. We will listen to the scriptures, reflect on Jesus' wilderness experience, and remember that we are dust and to dust we shall return.

For the following six weeks in the Bible studies and the Sunday services, our Lenten theme will be "Out of Our Hearts and Into the World." We will take portions of the Mission Study that a group of participants in the Parkview community worked so hard to formulate. This is the document that will accompany the Ministry Information Form that the Pastor Nominating Committee is in the process of finalizing. This information will go to the national headquarters for the Presbyterian Church (USA) in Louisville, Kentucky and will be dispensed to clergy throughout the entire country. As Parkview prepares to hire a permanent pastor, the Worship Committee thought there would be wisdom in drawing upon the Mission Study, to delve into it as a community and to look into our hearts as people of faith, to look into what has come out of the heart of this mission study, and then to practically implement how we can be people of faith out into the world especially as the world opens up again. So come . . . be a part of the party, the reflection, and a part of the community conversation.

Blessings, everyone!

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

"I thank my God every time I think of you."  
(Philippians 1:3)



*Scenes from 2020 Ash Wednesday & Mardi Gras Celebrations*

# News

## Thoughts on Prayer

*This is Part II of Sue Lorens' article on praying. Part I appeared in the January edition of the Chapel Chimes.*

Today I'll share just a few of my favorite ways to pray.



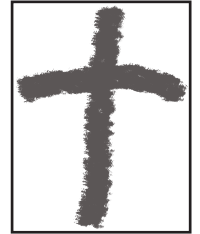
- *In the car.* I turn off the radio and just talk out loud to God as if He was riding in the passenger seat! I always arrive at my destination feeling much more “centered” and ready to face things having turned over my worries and burdens to God. Or, I’m uplifted because I’ve been praising Him for the glory of a sunrise or something else that I notice along the way.
- *Songs.* I listen to Christian radio a lot. Often times, there are songs that are prayers for me – the words say something that’s on my heart so well, that I lift them up as a prayer. Sometimes, I sing along (especially when I’m alone in the car!), other times, I’ll say, “God, this song is what’s on my heart today.”
- *Bible verses.* Frequently, I’ll say things like, “Okay, God, the Bible tells me to give thanks in EVERY situation. I’m not feeling thankful exactly, but I’m going to obey. Please help me with this.” Some people like to read the Psalms as a prayer.
- *Silently.* To me, prayers don’t have to be out loud. I believe that God knows what we’re thinking. I’m a school teacher at a non-religious school, but I can assure you that I’m sometimes thinking a prayer like, “Lord, please help me have patience with this child right now!”
- *Written prayers.* I write down prayers sometimes. This is a wonderful record that I can look back on over time to see how God has answered.

This is by no means a complete list. There are many ways to pray. If you are already someone who prays, I wonder if you can “stretch those prayer muscles” to pray more frequently, or to learn a new style of prayer. If you haven’t tried praying before, I urge you to try one prayer each day – it can be as simple as, “Thank you, God for \_\_\_\_\_ today. Amen.” I think the most important thing to remember is that we worship

a God who loved us so much that He was willing to sacrifice His own son to restore our relationship with Him. He WANTS to spend time with us and there is no wrong way to do that. I’ll be praying for YOU and with you this month!

## Ash Wednesday Service

Please join us Wed, Feb 17, at 6 pm for a special 30-minute service. The Zoom meeting ID is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83328252469>.

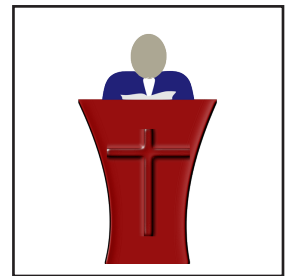


## New Ruler Elders Installed

During worship service on Feb 7, Irene Uno was ordained as a ruling elder, and Irene and Christine Umeda were installed as members of Session. The Session is the council for the congregation and is composed of ruling elders, elected by the congregation to active service, as well as all installed pastors and associate pastors. Councils serve as an expression of the unity of the church and “all councils of the church are united by the nature of the church and share with one another responsibilities, rights and powers as provided by the Constitution.” We give our heartfelt thanks to May Lee and Carol Sakai as they step off the Session.

## Worship Leader Training Scheduled

Join the worship team as worship leader! Worship leaders guide the congregation through the worship service. They recite prayers with the congregation, read the first scripture reading, and deliver their own prayer of dedication. This is a special way to serve God and the congregation. There is no age restriction. You can set your own schedule: one time only, monthly, quarterly, etc. Worship leader training will take place via Zoom on Feb 16 at 3:30 pm. The Zoom ID is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88153018888>



# News - continued

## Kansha Korner

*Our pastoral resident's column on her recent activities.*

Some of you know that I have been working on updating the church register. In addition to keeping it accurate and up-to-date, I am hoping to establish practices to keep it regularly in use in the life of the church. This way, the register will continue to serve as a powerful record of our congregation's history and legacy.

The church register is a physical book that has been in use since the 1920s. The book holds the record of memberships, baptisms, births, marriages, deaths, and memorials in Parkview's history. It also contains the record of service for elders, deacons, and pastors. I am amazed by this historic document! When I recently surveyed the church register, I discovered that two of our church members who passed away last year, Kiyoshi Fujiwara and Yukiko Ebisu, were both listed on the first page of the "communicant roll." This means that they were both a part of the beloved community that originally gathered and continues to gather to worship and serve the Lord here in Sacramento.

In this book, we can celebrate our past and look to

the future. Each blank space represents people who will be born, received in faith, or baptized into the community of believers. These blank spaces also remind us that some among us today will take on new responsibilities of leadership.

I am so grateful to have been entrusted with the task of ensuring the church register will continue to connect our past with our future. This is a project I have been working on for over a year, and I hope that it will be one of the legacies I will be able to offer to Parkview in my three years of service in ministry.

Yours in Christ,  
Veronica

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*kansha means gratitude*

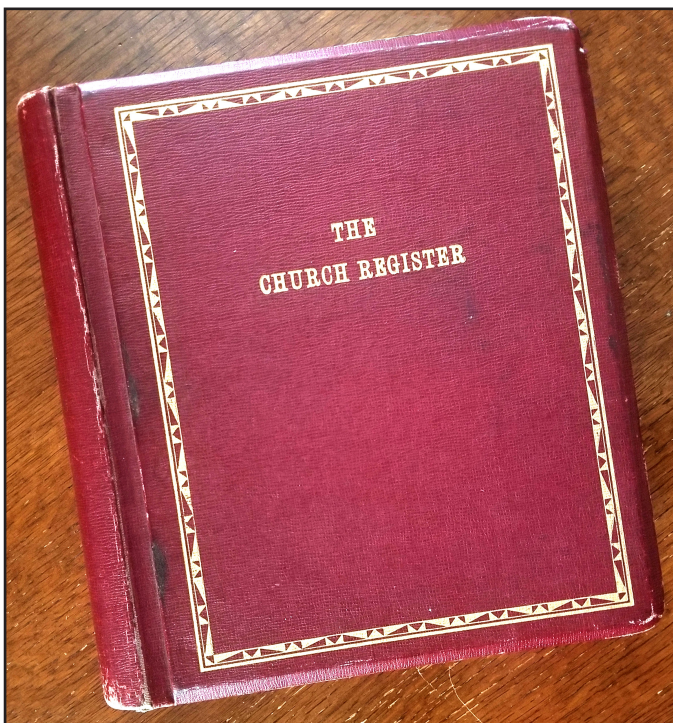
## Volunteer Spotlight: Buildings & Grounds Committee

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

Gary Younglove, Doug Judson, and Phil Chew have been working hard on keeping the physical church in good shape. From fixing the sprinkler system and getting a handle on our water usage to repairing windows



and doors, the Buildings & Grounds Committee has a lot of work to coordinate before we gather again in our beloved Parkview church. Thank you, guys, for all your hard work!



# Events

- Feb 13. NorCal Time of Remembrance.** 1 - 3 pm via Zoom. Visit [nctor.org](http://nctor.org) for info.
- Feb 14. Worship Service.** 10 am via Zoom.  
Worship Leader - TBD  
Japanese Reader - Mieko Davis  
Pianist - Wade Tambara  
Zoom Moderator - Judy Yee
- Feb 14. Outreach Committee Meeting.** Directly after worship service. Stay on the worship Zoom meeting.
- Feb 16. Worship Leader Training.** 3:30 pm. See page 2 for more information.
- Feb 16. Bible Study.** Topic: Mardi Gras. 6:30 - 7:30 pm via Zoom.
- Feb 17. Ash Wednesday Service.** 6 pm via Zoom.
- Feb 18. Pastor Nominating Committee Meeting.** 6:00 - 7:30 pm via Zoom.
- Feb 21. Worship Service.** 10 am via Zoom.  
Worship Leader - TBD  
Japanese Reader - Miyo Uchida  
Pianist - Janet Hill  
Zoom Moderator - Lori Hart
- Feb 21. Coffee Time.** Immediately after worship service via Zoom. Hosted by PPW.
- Feb 23. Bible Study.** 6:30-7:30 pm via Zoom.
- Feb 25. Pastor Nominating Committee Meeting.** 6:00-7:30 pm via Zoom.
- Feb 28. Worship Service.** 10 am via Zoom.  
Worship Leader - TBD  
Japanese Reader - Michael Wright  
Pianist - Haruko Sakakibara  
Zoom Moderator - Nancy Arata-Fong
- Mar 2. Bible Study.** 6:30-7:30 pm via Zoom.
- Mar 3. Worship Committee Meeting.** 6:30-7:30 pm via Zoom.
- Mar 4. Pastor Nominating Committee Meeting.** 6:00 - 7:30 pm via Zoom.
- Mar 7. Worship Service.** 10 am via Zoom.  
Worship Leader - TBD  
Japanese Reader - Haruko Sakakibara  
Pianist - Haruko Sakakibara  
Zoom Moderator - May Lee
- Mar 7. Coffee Time.** Immediately after worship service via Zoom. Hosted by Mariners.

- Mar 7. Chapel Chimes Deadline.** Send articles/photos to [officemanager@parkviewpc.org](mailto:officemanager@parkviewpc.org).
- Mar 10. Prayer Team Meeting.** 6 - 8 pm via Zoom.



## Virtual Worship Services

Join us via Zoom for our interactive services. Login information is available at <https://parkviewpc.org/worship-with-us/>. Worship programs are available on our website. View recorded sermons on our website at <https://www.parkviewpc.org/category/sermons/>.

## Virtual Coffee Hour

The coffee hour is held every other week via Zoom directly after the worship service.

## Noon Daily. Communal Prayer

Lord hear our prayers! Spiritually connect with others from the Parkview Family at noon each day. Set aside time to recognize God's presence, to affirm God's love for us, and to pray individually in your own homes or wherever you are. God will surely hear our strong collective voices!

## Daily Devotionals

Read a daily devotional posted by Pastor Pamela, Rola, or Veronica everyday except Sundays on our website at <https://www.parkviewpc.org/category/daily-devotionals/>.

## Prayer Requests

Submit your prayer requests via the website or email [prayer@parkviewpc.org](mailto:prayer@parkviewpc.org). Our volunteer coordinators are Janet Hill and Judy Yee.



## Bible Study Series: Lenten

Join us Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm Feb 23 - Mar 23 as we explore the Lenten season. The Zoom ID for these meetings is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88568722967>.



# Connections

## The church is closed, but we will stay connected!

Here is a list of ways to stay connected with the Parkview community.

## Worship with Us:

See page 4 to learn how to watch our weekly virtual worship service and attend bi-weekly virtual coffee time afterward.

## Pray with Us:

There is a prayer request form on the Parkview website, or you can also send an email directly to [prayer@parkviewpc.org](mailto:prayer@parkviewpc.org). Look for more prayer inspirations and tips in the PPC's Friday letters and at the Prayer Resources webpage at <https://parkviewpc.org/prayer-resources/>. Make praying a habit.

## Explore the Website:

Remember to visit our website at <https://www.parkviewpc.org/> to find all the information you need to stay connected with Parkview.

## Facebook Us:

Connect with us via Facebook. Look for our Facebook group at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/436815866711522/>.

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## Obituaries

You can view online obituaries for:

Fujii, Grace:  
<https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sacbee/obituary.aspx?n=grace-yukiko-fujii&pid=197574155>.

Fujiwara, Eiko:  
<https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sacbee/obituary.aspx?n=eiko-fujiwara&pid=197630404&fbid=2508>.



Financial Report as of January 31, 2021:		
	December	Total Yr 2020
Income:	\$10,066.01	\$10,066.01
Expenses:	\$11,591.06	\$11,591.06
Difference:		- \$1,525.05

## 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](http://www.parkviewpc.org/calendar) and click on the link at the bottom of the calendar to add the calendar to yours. You're just a click away from having the PPC calendar at your fingertips!



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**In Memory of George Matsuoka:** Jane Matsuoka, Neil Matsuoka & Kris Sazaki

**In Memory of Jerry Nishizaki, Terry Nishizaki's Brother:** Lynn Chinn

**In Memory of William Otani:** Eddie & Yvonne Fong (kitchen repairs)

**In Memory of Mich Takechi:** Tak & Judy Fukuman, Miyeko Takechi

**In Memory of Steven Takechi:** Miyeko Takechi

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