



Chapel Chimes

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What Summer Brings

Dear Friends,

I can hardly believe it is June. Summer has arrived, and it means we are one step closer to being together once again! For example, the staff recently held its first in-person meeting since the pandemic hit. We met at Kris' house. The church will officially open for meetings on June 15, and our first in-person worship service will take place on July 25. We have recently hired a new custodian, and deep cleaning has begun to get us ready for the grand opening! Now that the staff is fully vaccinated, we have turned in earnest to visitations. It is such a joyous part of our ministry to connect with people, especially those who do not get out very often. Please let me know, if you are up for a visit. I would love to see you.

This month also means we are coming to a close for Veronica's time with us. Her residency program ends on June 30th, and her final Sunday will be with us on June 27th. While I am incredibly sad that I will not have the pleasure of serving in ministry with Veronica, I am so happy for her and her new ministry at Dana Point, located midway between Los Angeles and San Diego. All of this just brings Veronica one step closer to her ordination, and Parkview is the place where dreams are made. Like many of you, I am incredibly grateful for the legacy that Pastor Aart created with this residency program. I feel so lucky to have had the pleasure to work with Veronica and Rola, and you all should be so proud of supporting these talented seminarians to getting to their ordination goals. You are a loving and supportive congregation and the perfect place for any pastor to begin their career. I cannot begin to tell you what an honor and a privilege it is to serve in ministry with you all here at Parkview. You all are truly a gem.

With deep gratitude,
Pastor Pamela



*Visiting with (clockwise from top left) May Mayeda & May Lee, Jane Matsuoka, Sherri & Victor Yee, Tomio Ishizaki and Haruko Sakakibara
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News

Thoughts on Prayer

Love -- isn't that what our Christian faith is all about? Love is at the heart of everything that really matters. Jesus called love the greatest commandment: love God and love others. Jesus also gave his disciples the command to love one another as he had loved them. In prayer, I find a powerful reminder and source of love. After all, prayer is communion with God, and God is love (1 John 4:16). Many people describe prayer as a spiritual practice, but have you ever thought of prayer as a practice of love?



God's love is the best starting point for prayer. I like to visualize being in the presence of God, accepted, held, wrapped in Divine love. For a long time, I have struggled with feelings of unworthiness. I didn't want to pray, because I felt guilty (often about not praying enough!). I've heard that how we pray can tell us a lot about what we believe. Having faith that God really loves me can be difficult. My belief in God's love for me is sometimes at odds with my own self-doubt and fear of rejection. But the scriptures testify to a loving God, who longs to be close to us. The good news for me is that God chooses to be loving, over and over, not because of who we are but because of who God is. So whatever I'm feeling, whatever state I'm in, the starting point for prayer is God's lavish and unconditional love.

And love is an infinite resource. Touched by Divine love in prayer, I find myself more open to give love. This can be in the form of gratitude to God for the many gifts of life that are easy to take for granted. It may be in the softening of my own heart, as I let go of old resentments and allow healing to take place. Or perhaps the Holy Spirit puts someone in particular on my heart, and I can pray for them in mind, body, and spirit. Praying for others is itself an act of love. It inspires compassion and empathy.

When we pray together as a community, we are joined together in love. This can look like our time of

sharing joys and concerns in worship, a gathering of the prayer team, or any two or more friends joining in prayer. Prayer gives us an opportunity to practice the most essential aspect of our faith: love. When we share prayer requests, we allow ourselves to be vulnerable. We allow ourselves to be loved, even by those who may not know us well. But this is the kind of love we are called to-- radical, inclusive love. This is the kind of love that allows us to pray for complete strangers and dearest friends. It even empowers us to pray for our enemies and those who would wish us harm. I believe this is the kind of love that can transform the world.

So I invite you to take up this precious practice of love. Allow yourself to be loved by God every day. Open yourself to Divine love in prayer. Pray for the ones you love and the ones you struggle to love. Pray for the people who have asked for prayer, and the people you don't even know. Let love be infinite! Don't be afraid to practice. In prayer, God will build us up in love. Amen.

Submitted by Veronica Gould

Sweet Chili Chicken Fundraiser is a Hit!

Parkview's first drive-thru Sweet Chili Chicken Bento Box was held on Saturday, June 5. When Eddie, Wade, and Yvonne discussed and decided to go through with this fundraising event, we had no idea how many orders to expect. Maybe 200 orders, and we would be more than happy with 300 orders for our first time with a drive-thru event. What a Surprise to have a total of 691 orders. We expected at least 180 cars to come through to pick up their orders, and we were ready with a great crew that directed traffic! The wait time was minimal!

Besides the actual bento box orders, we received \$4200 in very generous donations. We even had eighteen donors who made donations and didn't even order food, including PPW, Jujikai, and Mariners! Thank you to all of our fabulous volunteers who said yes when asked to help, to all who purchased the sweet chili bento boxes, and, of course, to everyone who made donations!

Submitted by Yvonne and Eddie Fong

News - continued

Kansha Korner

Our pastoral resident's column on her recent activities.

Dear Parkview,

It has been two years and nine months since I first stepped foot in Sacramento, a place I have come to call home. In that time, we have experienced many transitions together, from changes in leadership to the COVID-19 pandemic. I have learned the importance of being adaptive, open, and creative. Most of my learning I have done by doing (or “building the plane while flying it”), including making my fair share of mistakes, and trying my best to learn and grow from them. It was at Parkview that I first preached without a manuscript, made pastoral care visits in the hospital and home, and helped to plan community events. I also had the chance to earn a unit of clinical pastoral education from UC Davis Health in the summer of 2019, and I earned my Certificate in Advanced Theological Studies from Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary 2020-2021.

I have been so richly blessed to have been welcomed by Parkview. You gave me a home, gave me a voice, and gave me a chance. I owe many thanks-- to my supervisors, Rev. Dr. Aart van Beek and Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson; to my co-resident and sister in Christ, Rev. Rola Al Ashkar; to our office manager, Kris Sazaki, who was a rock when we were without a supervisor for five and a half months; to Parkview's incredible advisory committee, Lori Hart, Maurine Huang, Irene Uno, and Lois Van Beers; to all who have served on session, in Sunday school and youth group, and in so many other capacities in ministry; and to the choir-- I miss singing with you! I am also grateful to the communities of GKI Sacramento, St. John's Lutheran Church, Sacramento Presbytery, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Zephyr Point, JACL, CAIR, William Land Elementary School, Loaves and Fishes, UC Davis Health, and Sac ACT. Thanks to all of your support, I have been endorsed for candidacy in the ELCA by the Sierra Pacific Synod. The final stage of my candidacy will be an internship with Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Dana Point, CA, beginning in August. I know that wherever my journey

in ministry will take me, I have been forever changed by Parkview. You have challenged and encouraged me. Your commitment to growing into God's call to intercultural ministry has been humbling and inspiring. It has been an honor to serve in ministry with you all. May God continue to bless the ministry of Parkview!

In Christ,
Veronica



Volunteer Spotlight: Rick Uno

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

Rick has been serving most recently on the Reopening Committee, helping Parkview wade through some legal considerations that are cropping up as we work to reopen the church. Thanks, Rick, for your efforts!



Events

- Jun 13. Worship Service.** 10 am via Zoom.
Worship Leader - Kishwer Vikaas
Japanese Reader - Mieko Davis
Pianist - Wade Tambara
Zoom Moderator - Judy Yee
- Jun 13. Coffee Time.** Immediately after worship service via Zoom. Hosted by Jujikai.
- Jun 15. Bible Study.** 6:30-7:30 pm via Zoom.
- Jun 16. New Members Class.** 6:00 pm via Zoom.
Contact Pastor Pamela to join the class.
- Jun 20. Worship Service.** 10 am via Zoom.
Worship Leader - TBD
Japanese Reader - Miyo Uchida
Pianist - Janet Hill
Zoom Moderator - Nancy Arata-Fong
- Jun 22. Bible Study.** 6:30-7:30 pm via Zoom.
- Jun 27. Worship Service.** Veronica Gould's Final Sermon. 10 am via Zoom.
Worship Leader - TBD
Japanese Reader - Michael Wright
Pianist - Wade Tambara
Zoom Moderator - Lori Hart
- Jun 27. Coffee Time.** Immediately after worship service via Zoom. Hosted by PPW.
- Jun 29. Bible Study.** 6:30 - 7:30 pm via Zoom.
- Jul 4. Worship Service.** 10 am via Zoom.
Worship Leader - Judy Fukuman
Japanese Reader - Haruko Sakakibara
Pianist - Haruko Sakakibara
Zoom Moderator - TBD
- Jul 4. Chapel Chimes Deadline.** Send articles/photos to officemanager@parkviewpc.org.
- Jul 6. Bible Study.** 6:30 - 7:30 pm via Zoom.
- Jul 7. Worship Committee Meeting.** 6:30-7:30 pm via Zoom.
- Jul 8. Session Meeting.** 1:00-3:00 pm via Zoom.
- Jul 11. Worship Service.** 10 am via Zoom.
Worship Leader - Christine Umeda
Japanese Reader - Mieko Davis
Pianist - Wade Tambara
Zoom Moderator - Judy Yee
- Jul 11. Coffee Time.** Immediately after worship service via Zoom. Hosted by Mariners.

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.

Devotionals

Read devotionals posted by Pastor Pamela or Veronica on our website at <https://parkviewpc.org/category/devotionals/>.

Prayer Requests

Submit your prayer requests via the website or email prayer@parkviewpc.org. Our volunteer coordinators are Janet Hill and Judy Yee.



Happy Father's Day!

Father's Day is June 20. To all of you who are fathers or have nurtured someone, we salute you! "I will be a father to him, and he'll be a son to me. When he does wrong, I'll discipline him in the usual ways, the pitfalls and obstacles of this mortal life. But I'll never remove my gracious love from him." (2 Samuel 7:14-15)



Connections

The church is closed, but we will stay connected!

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. 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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	May	Total Yr 2021
Income:	\$5,003.67	\$54,929.85
Expenses:	\$8,934.05	\$52,441.09
Difference:		\$2,488.76

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In Celebration of Linda Yasumura's Baptism: May Lee, Hach & Linda Yasumura

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