

# Chapel Chimes

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### **Pastor Candidate**

Dear Parkview Members and Friends,

The Parkview Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) is pleased to announce that after an extensive and prayerful search and vetting process with several interested and qualified candidates, we recommend the Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave for Parkview's full-time permanent pastor position. Pastor Sarah has over thirty years of experience serving as a pastor in East Los Angeles and Monterey, CA, and Prince George, VA. She is presently serving in Petersburg, VA. During her tenure, her current church has grown and also become more racially and economically diverse. We believe Pastor Sarah's experience as a minister of a church in transition will serve Parkview well.

You can meet Pastor Sarah on **Saturday, October 16** at a reception at Parkview between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., and on **Sunday, October 17**, when she will give the sermon for worship service. Immediately following this service, a **congregational meeting** will be held, and church members will vote on the PNC's recommendation. The Session will be providing details on the congregational meeting.

In this exciting time of discernment as we seek God's guidance in calling a new pastor for Parkview, we have the opportunity to look back at where we have been, and also to take a leap of faith forward. This faith was what our Japanese American Parkview elders relied on when they returned from the incarceration camps at the end of World War II and reopened Parkview. Faith was also at the heart of Parkview's motto as we celebrated our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2012 - - "One Hundred Years and Beyond – Moving Forward in Faith and Service." Change can prompt trepidation. However, that disquieting energy can remind us to rely on our faith in God and then let faith propel us forward, giving us a Spirit of peace as we anticipate the adventure ahead. Pastor Sarah has consistently demonstrated a deep and abiding faith in God's guidance, working for reconciliation and healing, as she has cared for people through changes and challenges in life in the churches and communities where she has served.

The PNC is grateful for your prayers, for the support of our Session and the new North Central California Presbytery, and for Pastor Toby Nelson who is our liaison to the Presbytery. We are thankful for Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson, our interim minister, who has provided stability and guidance during the COVID pandemic. Pastor Pamela has Parkview

in her heart, and we believe her path of service to God will take her to a place of fulfillment and joy.

Continuing to the next step and relying on faith, we the members of the PNC unanimously recommend Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave for Parkview's new minister.

Donna Komure-Toyama and William Yee, Co-Chairs Herning Grissom Maurine Huang Haruko Sakakibara Wade Tambara Gary Younglove



#### Reception for Pastor Sarah Nave

The Pastor Nominating Committee is hosting a meet-and-greet reception for Pastor Sarah on Saturday, October 16, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. We will be gathering in Parkview's courtyard. All are welcome, so come and meet our pastor candidate prior to the congregational meeting. No RSVP is required. Light refreshments will be served. Please wear your mask, and "elbow bumps" are welcome.

### News

#### Meet Pastor Sarah

The Rev. Dr. Sarah Todd Nave was born and raised in Staunton, Virginia, a town small enough for her surgeon father's patients to stop her at the drugstore and offer to show her their surgical scars. Her father instilled a love of the natural world in her with long walks through



the rolling hills and woods of the Shenandoah Valley. From her mother, she inherited her fondness of furry critters and a passion for delectable baked goods. Her personal faith commitment grew from watching her parents' involvement in a local Presbyterian church where their love for God was expressed through weekly worship and service to others.

Sarah graduated from Davidson College with a BA in Religion. It was at Davidson that she developed a lifelong love of running and, after spending her junior year in Canterbury, an affinity for England. She loved the castles, the countryside, and the crumpets. While at Fuller Seminary in Pasadena, CA, she earned a Master of Divinity degree, and met the charming and compassionate Dwight Nave, a fellow Presbyterian. Sarah and Dwight were married and ordained in Virginia, becoming partners in ministry, and in life. The Naves have two adult daughters they adore who are school teachers in Washington. Their family also includes three rescue cats and one feral cat they feed on the back porch.

The Naves returned to Virginia to serve churches in order to be closer to Sarah's aging parents. She is grateful for the fun times they shared before her mother passed away. Her father celebrated his 100 th birthday this year and still enjoys watching the birds at the feeder outside his kitchen window. Sarah and Dwight love taking walks in their neighborhood and sitting on their porch listening to crickets and owls, and early summer chuck-wills-widows, as they herald the deepening twilight.

The focus of Pastor Sarah's ministry at her current church has been church revitalization, racial reconciliation, and helping people fall in love with Jesus Christ. Following the Spirit to create a church that is open to God and one another at its core has involved listening, loving, and praying; building connections and community while working together for a world where love and justice can flourish. In walking alongside each other, we are living out God's greatest calling - to love one another. Pastor Sarah believes that developing authentic, hopeful faith in God engages us and opens us to the presence of the holy right with us. She has discovered that when we look into the faces of those around us, and really listen to their stories, we find beauty and hope, wit and wisdom, and creativity to astound us. Depending on God's mercy and guidance, empowered by God's grace, and inspired by Parkview's resilient, courageous legacy of faith, Pastor Sarah looks forward to serving alongside devoted followers of Jesus Christ in Parkview's intercultural faith family, to bring God's inclusive welcome and transforming compassion to the community and world.

#### Thoughts on Prayer

"Dear God, PLEASE do not watch me take a bath," is the first prayer that I remember. I was three years old and born into Parkview. My grandmother, Isono, came over from Hiroshima as a Christian in December 1917.



Her husband, Sukeso George Fujiwara, was a stalwart custodian of Parkview as was my Uncle Kiyoshi. My mother, Dorothy Kubota, always kept this Bible verse next to her bed, "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18) You can see that being Christian, a member of Parkview, and praying are in my DNA.

I wake up grateful to God and give thanks at night, even on the darkest of days. There is always something to be thankful for. One does not need words at all to pray because God knows our hearts and wants to have a relationship with us. Step into his light and open yourself to pray your way. God is listening and forever there for us. Do not ever doubt it.

- Submitted by Janet Hill

# News - continued

#### How to Vote at the Congregational Meeting

On October 17, 2021, directly after worship service, active members of Parkview Presbyterian Church will vote on whether to extend a call to Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave to become Parkview Presbyterian Church's permanent full-time pastor. Rev. Wes Nordman of Westminster Presbyterian Church and Chair of the North Central California Presbytery's Committee on Ministry (COM), will be presiding over this meeting.

#### Two Ways to Vote

There will be two methods of voting. Please choose one way to vote: In-Person or Online via Zoom. Your vote is confidential.

#### Counting the Ballots

Both online and in-person votes will be tallied during the congregational meeting, and the results will be announced immediately thereafter.

#### Who Is Eligible to Vote?

Only active members on record for Parkview Presbyterian Church may vote at this congregational meeting. If you are unsure of your membership status, please contact officemanager@parkviewpc.org by 5:00 pm, Wednesday, October 13, to confirm your status.

All active members will receive more detailed voting instructions via regular mail.

The Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), in the Book of Order provides: "All active members of the congregation present at either annual or special meetings are entitled to vote." (Book of Order, G-1.0501) "An active member is a person who has made a profession of faith in Christ, has been baptized, has been received into membership of the church, has voluntarily submitted to the government of this church, and participates in the church's work and worship." (Book of Order, G-1.0402)

### Outreach in the Time of Covid

We re-enter public life with deep concern for our health and safety. Each one of us will find our own path back in a manner that we feel comfortable with. God speaks to each of us personally and we need to listen and heed.

The humanitarian crisis growing in our streets,

especially around Parkview, is impossible to ignore. Spirit is moving us to act. Seven of us from Parkview have trained and are assisting in the South Sacramento Interfaith Partnership Food Closet located in Bethany Presbyterian Church at 24th and Fruitridge. If you are interested in training at SSIP in upcoming months, email Carla Hart at carlah.hart@gmail.com.

One contactless way for us to reach out is with WIND Homeless Youth Services, our neighbors 815 S Street. A goal of WIND is to interrupt homelessness before it becomes a cycle. Consider finding a few friends and signing up at the link below. The Wind Youth Center operates seven days a week, serving breakfast and lunch to more than 55 youth per day. If you would like to prepare a meal, provide food items, or order pizzas to serve, please visit <a href="https://mealtrain.com/9g6m15">https://mealtrain.com/9g6m15</a> to schedule a drop-off.

Let us be grateful for the many ways that prosperity expresses in our lives. Take special care of yourself and your loved ones.

- Submitted by Carla Hart

### Southside Park Act of Kindness (AOK) Bags

On Sat, Oct. 16, AOK bags will be built and distributed to our local homeless neighbors. If you would like to help build and/or distribute the bags, contact Troy Selvey at 916-420-4032 or tsel44@gmail.com.

Donations are requested for A-Okay bags. If you can contribute, please deliver items to Parkview Church on Sun, Oct 10 by 11 am, Mon, Oct 11, 10 am - noon, or contact Carla Hart at carlah.hart@gmail.com to arrange a drop-off time. Requested items:

Masks Trail mix Hand sanitizer Snacks

Soap Other non-perishable

Toothbrushes nourishment

Toothpaste Socks
Sanitary napkins Trash bags
Bandaids Small flashlights
Tissue Powdered detergent
Water Gallon Ziploc bags
Breakfast bars Aluminum foil
Crackers Other helpful items

# **Events**

October. Bible Study. On break this month.

Oct 10. Worship Service. 10 am in person/online.
Worship Leader - TBD
Japanese Reader - M. Davis
Pianist - H. Sakakibara
Tech Moderator - J. Yee
Sound System - T. Tambara
Parking - TBD

- Oct 13. Session Meeting. 1:00-3:00 pm via Zoom.
- Oct 13. Prayer Team Meeting. 7 pm via Zoom.
- Oct 16. Reception for Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave. 1-3 pm in the church courtyard. Masks required. Refreshments will be served.
- Oct 17. Worship Service. 10 am in person/online.
  Guest Pastor Rev. Sarah Nave
  Worship Leader C. Umeda
  Japanese Reader M. Uchida
  Pianist J. Hill
  Tech Moderator N. Arata-Fong
  Sound System TBD
  Parking TBD
- Oct 17. Congregational Meeting and Vote for Permanent Pastor. Directly after worship service in person/online.
- Oct 23. Run for a Safe Haven Run/Walk. See this page for details.
- Oct 24. Worship Service. 10 am in person/online.
  Worship Leader TBD

  Japanese Reader M. Wright
  Pianist J. Hill
  Tech Moderator J. Yee
  Sound System TBD
  Parking TBD
- Oct 31. Worship Service. 10 am in person/online.
  Worship Leader B. Eskridge
  Japanese Reader No Japanese Reading
  Pianist N. Arata-Fong
  Tech Moderator J. Yee
  Sound System TBD
  Parking TBD
- **Nov 7. Chapel Chimes Deadline.** Send articles/ photos to officemanager@parkviewpc.org.

#### Pastor Pamela Celebrates 30 years in Ministry

During worship service on Sep 27, Parkview joined in the celebration of Pastor Pamela's 30 years in ministry. Parkview presented her with a plaque which reads in part: "The congregation [...] recognizes Pastor Pamela's faithful good works and spiritual leadership during challenging times . . . ."



Session elders Donna Komure-Toyama and Steve Hanway watch as Pastor Pamela draws in one eye of the daruma, a symbol of perserverance and good luck.

#### Run for a Safe Haven Run/Walk 2021!

Run for a Safe Haven will take place on Sat, Oct 23, at William Land Park. Click here to join the Parkview Warriors and Angel Team, live or virtual. Contact team captain Yvonne Fong at yif1102@gmail.com with any questions.



#### Pastor Pamela's Backyard Party Thank You

Thank you, everyone, for joining Marc and me on Fri Sep 25 in our backyard for an outdoor get-together. The night was beautiful, and the food was delicious. Parkview knows how to do food, so I thank everyone for their generosity. Most of all, I loved seeing so many of you, from our nisei to the youngsters, together again in fellowship. View photos at https://parkviewpc.org/2021/10/04/backyard-party/

- Blessings Everyone, Pastor Pamela

# Connections

#### Worship with Us In Person or Online:

Sundays, 10 am. Login info is available at https:// parkviewpc.org/worship-with-us/. Worship programs and recorded sermons are available on our website.

#### Contact Us:

Office phone: 916.443.4464 Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson: pastor@parkviewpc.org Christine Umeda: session@parkviewpc.org

Kris Sazaki: officemanager@parkviewpc.org

#### Volunteer Spotlight: Two-Year Review

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

started spotlighting volunteers in the Sep 2018 issue of the newsletter. Let's celebrate them all again. You can read their short bios in previous issues of the newsletter at: https:// parkviewpc.org/newsletter/.



Julie Chew 1/19 Phil Chew 1/21 Betsy Eskridge 4/19 Eddie Fong (Eddie's Crew) 12/18 Judy Fukuman 5/20 Carla Hart 4/20 Janet Hill 2/20 Steve Hill 1/20 Maurine Huang 9/20 Greg Kristian 5/21 Effie Komure-Hanway 8/19 Donna Komure-Toyama 11/20 May Lee 10/18 Neil Matsuoka 7/21 Dave McGill 11/18 Bill Nagata 12/20 Cathy Nishizaki 7/19

Leah Nishizaki 10/19

Terry Nishizaki 8/20 Haruko Sakakibara 9/19 Ionathan Sakakibara 10/20 Daisy Seto 3/19 Gary Summers 12/19 Wade Tambara 11/19 Titus Toyama 6/19 Christine Umeda 3/20 Rick Uno 6/21 Lois Van Beers 8/21 Kishwer Vikaas 4/21 Hach Yasumura 9/18 Judy Yee 7/20 Gary Younglove 6/20 B & G Committee 2/21 PPC Buddies 3/21 PPC Choir 2/19 PPC Gardening Angels 5/19

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#### Parkview Legacy Project: Our Pastors

Below is a list of the many pastors and pastoral residents who have served us over the years:



Year	Pastor/Pastoral Resident
1912-13	Rev. Yasukazu Koga
1913-17	Rev. Junzo Nakamura
1918-19	Rev. Kikusaburo Muroaka
1920	Rev. Kiichi Hijikata
1921	Rev. Tamasaku Watanabe
1923	Rev. Kokita
1926	Rev. Takeo Ashima
1932-37	Rev. Renpei Watanabe
1937	Rev. Toyozo Takayama
1940	Rev. Isamu Nakamura
1948-53	Rev. Sumio Koga
1955-67	Rev. Paul Kato
1967-82	Rev. Heihachiro Takarabe
1984-1994	Rev. Kazuo Masuno
1996-2020	Rev. Dr. Aart van Beek
2011	Rev. Gail Cullerton, Parish Associate
2016	Chakrita Tambunan, Pastoral Resident
2017-18	Chelsea Page, Pastoral Resident
2018-20	Rola Al Ashkar, Pastoral Resident
2018-21	Veronica Gould, Pastoral Resident
2019-21	Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson, Interim Pastor

Do you have memories of any of these people? Please submit them and any photos to the Legacy Project. The submittal form can be found on our website at https://parkviewpc.org/ppc-legacy-submission-form/.

- Submitted by Christine Umeda

#### Financial Report as of September 30, 2021:

	September	Total Yr 2021
Income:	\$6,213.32	\$88,647.60
Expenses:	\$11,427.48	\$100,874.37
Difference:		(\$12,226.77)

### Thank you for your support of Parkview Presbyterian!

Thank you so much for your kind and generous donations. Acknowledgment letters and postings in the *Chapel Chimes* may be in reverse oder. Thank you for your patience. Contact officemanager@parkviewpc.org with any questions.

**Special Offerings:** Robin Durston, May Mayeda (communion service), Susan Bush, Sherri & Victor Yee (kitchen repairs)

In Celebration of Eddie Fong's 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday: Eddie & Yvonne Fong (choir), Michael, Janie & Zachary Fong (choir), Darrell & Kaitlin Fong (choir), Jack & Carol Sakai (kitchen repairs)

In Gratitude to the Tambara Family for the Sound System: Anonymous

In Memory of Eiko Fujiwara's Birthday: Joyce Fujiwara & Tim Paulson

In Memory of Minnie Iseri: Eddie & Yvonne Fong (kitchen repairs)

In Memory of Ted Ito: Eddie & Yvonne Fong (kitchen repairs)

In Memory of Gerry Miyata: Eddie & Yvonne Fong (choir)

In Memory of Ronald Won: Eddie & Yvonne Fong (kitchen repairs)

In Support of Building Repairs/Repairs from Vandalism: Anonymous, Jody Brown, Christine Kizuka, May Mayeda, Dave McGill, Yoshi Moritani, Bill & Elaine Ozawa, Marion Uchida, Hiromi & Marsha Yoneda

#### How to Donate

- By Mail. You may send checks made out to Parkview Presbyterian Church. Please do not send cash.
- Online. Please go to <a href="https://www.parkviewpc.org/">https://www.parkviewpc.org/</a> and click on the "Support Parkview" tab and select "General Fund." Use the Notes section to provide additional information about your donation, i.e. "in memory of" or "xx fund." You can use credit card or bank transfer, donate one time only or set up regular donations.

#### Thank you!