



Chapel Chimes

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Dear Friends,

My first semester in seminary I took Greek and a class on prayer. My academic advisor cautioned me against adding another class since Greek was an intensive course that counted as three classes. I figured if there was ever a time I needed to know about prayer, it was while taking ancient Greek, so I kept both classes. It was the right choice. After studying verb tenses and vocabulary all day, it was a relief to read about prayer and to pray with others in a small group. One of the assigned books was by Dutch Catholic priest Henri Nouwen, who quickly became one of my favorite authors. In "Making All Things New," Nouwen writes:

The spiritual life is not a life before, after, or beyond our everyday existence. No, the spiritual life can only be real when it is lived in the midst of the pains and joys of the here and now. Therefore, we need to begin with a careful look at the way we think, speak, feel, and act from hour to hour, day to day, week to week, and year to year, in order to become more fully aware of our hunger for the Spirit. As long as we have only a vague inner feeling of discontent with our present way of living, and only an indefinite desire for "things spiritual," our lives will continue to stagnate in a generalized melancholy. We often say, "I am not very happy. I am not content with the way my life is going. I am not really joyful or peaceful, but I just don't know how things can be different, and I guess I have to be realistic and accept my life as it is. It is this mood of resignation that prevents us from actively searching for the life of the Spirit. Our first task is to dispel the vague, murky feeling of discontent and to look critically at how we are living our lives. This requires honesty, courage, and trust. We must trust that our honesty and courage will lead us not to despair, but to a new heaven and a new it would be great.

If you can relate to those vague feelings of inner discontent with your present way of living that Nouwen talks about, I hope you'll take time to talk with God, or with a trusted friend or therapist, and listen to your life. Pay attention to what you're longing for, to what breaks your heart, and what brings you joy. I hope as part of your life journey, you'll come to church to worship and learn and be transformed. To visit with all the friendly people at Parkview, and continue the legacy of faithful Christian community and service that is Parkview Church.

On October 16th we will celebrate Parkview's 110th anniversary. What a legacy of devotion to God, and of resilience, by a church family torn apart by bigotry and incarceration in World War II. What an extraordinary faith journey, which we are honored to continue to grow and share with people from all cultures and walks of life. A journey of hope through the generations – past, present, and future. To the glory of God.

Thankful to be on the journey with you,

– Pastor Sarah



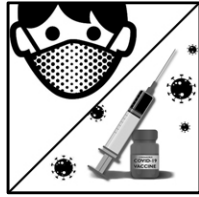
Parkview under construction ca. 1941

News

Mask and Vaccine Mandates Lifted as of Oct 14

As of Oct 14, masks are now **optional** for Parkview worship services and events. Masks will still be available at the front door. Vaccine status will also no longer be checked. We are blessed at Parkview to have such a high vaccination status among our worshipers. Please adhere to CDC guidelines and get the latest bivalent vaccine booster!

- Submitted by Parkview Session



Donate to Wind Youth Services

Parkview Presbyterian Women (PPW) and St. Andrew's African Methodist Episcopal, Women's Missionary Society (WMS), our neighbors at 8th and U Streets, are partnering to collect donations for Wind Youth Services during the month of October.

Wind Youth Services (<https://www.windyouth.org/>) provides a safe, non-judgmental space for homeless and runaway youth away from the dangers of the street. The Sacramento area's only emergency youth shelter and drop-in center is located near Parkview at 8th and S Streets. Wind Youth Services has been recognized as the leader for homeless youth services by both Sacramento County and the City of Sacramento.

The drop-in center helps youth ages 12-17 and also serves as the designated access point for transitional aged youth, ages 18-24, to receive immediate assistance. Wind provides access to shelter, warm meals, showers, peer support, laundry services, employment assistance, educational assistance, case management services, crisis intervention, drop-in counseling, mental health respite, and more.

Monetary Donations: Please make checks payable to PPW and write Wind in the memo.

Items requested by Wind:

- new socks and underwear
- tarps and sleeping bags
- gently used shoes and gently used bras
- wet wipes/baby wipes

Please bring your contributions to Parkview or contact Carla Hart to set up a pick-up time. (carlah.hart@gmail.com, 916.709.3305)



Wakamatsu Walking Tour Scheduled for Nov 12

PPW is coordinating a private walking tour of the *Wakamatsu Farm*, located near Coloma. The farm is the site of the first Japanese colony in America and the resting place of the first Japanese immigrant buried on American soil. Come learn about this historic site with PPW! Details:

- Date: Saturday, Nov 12
- Tour: 10-12 PM
- Lunch: Banh Mi sandwiches (pork, chicken, or vegetarian), bottled water, and dessert at Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park, located near farm
- Cost: \$20 per person (includes \$10 tour fee and \$10 lunch fee)
- Space is limited to 30 persons. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis.

If you are interested in joining the walking tour, please send your reservation request to either Cathy or Carol:

- Cathy Nishizaki
Email: cathyjnish@gmail.com
Text 916.207.7168
- Carol Sakai
Email: hawaiianlcsn@gmail.com
Text: 951.788.4278

Please include in your text or email message:

- Name
- Contact number
- Number of people in your party

Coordinators will get back to you to confirm your reservation and ask for your luncheon sandwich choice(s). After you receive your confirmation, write your check payable to PPW and note it's for the Wakamatsu tour and the number in your party. Deadline for receipt of the checks is Nov 1. Send to:

PPW
c/o Betsy Eskridge
4646 Del Rio Road, Sacramento, CA 95822

Wear comfortable walking shoes. The Graner house has accessible restrooms, and portable restrooms are located in the parking lot. Thank you for your support.

Cathy Nishizaki, Carol Sakai, and Sherri Yee
PPW Activities Committee



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Book Club Meets at Beer Garden

Book Club members held their October meeting at *Kathrin's Biergarten*. Located in Rocklin, it was a fitting venue to discuss Kati Marton's biography on former German chancellor, Angela Merkel. All agreed that the biography gave interesting insight into European politics as well as fascinating anecdotes on Merkel's working style. Yes, there were a few beer drinkers at the table, but we all had good food to go with it!



Photo courtesy of Kris Sazaki

October Book Club Meeting

Join us Oct 27 at 1 pm as we discuss Kim Michele Richardson's "The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek" (2019), the story of a packhorse librarian and her quest to bring books to the Appalachian community. Email officemanager@parkviewpc.org for our meeting venue.



Volunteer Spotlight: William Yee

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

William is currently serving on the greeter and usher worship teams, parking barriers crew, personnel committee, financial advisory team, Parkview's SSIP volunteer team, and the Session. Whew! Undaunted by those tasks, William has also joined the new security/safety task force. Thank you, William, for all you do!



Report from Session

At the Sep 8 meeting of Session, the following actions were taken and matters discussed:



Income and Budget: special meeting is set for Oct 20 to discuss on-going church budget deficit and fundraising ideas.

Covid Protocols: effective Oct 14, proof of vaccine mandate lifted and masks optional for all church events including worship service, coffee hour, and the upcoming 110th anniversary event.

Sakura Chorus: approved to begin practice in the sanctuary on the first and third Sunday after service.

Use of Heiwa Building: church member approved to use the building to practice playing instrument.

Annual Financial Review: forms and information have been collected in order to conduct review of church finances in late January or February 2023.

Preliminary Safety and Security Plan: approved for presentation to congregation at a special meeting on Sep 25 after service.

Building Alarm System: activation is planned for the later part of October.

Pre-Covid Style Communion: returns Oct 25.

Reports presented on the following: PPC 110th Anniversary, Legacy Project, Prayer Team,

Volunteers needed: to assist nearby William Land School. Contact Carla Hart if interested.

Buildings & Grounds Committee: volunteer(s) needed, who willing to be contacted to take care of church maintenance needs.

- Christine Umeda, Clerk of Session
Steve Hanway
Carla Hart
Pattie Hashimoto
Donna Komure-Toyama
Irene Uno
William Yee

Financial Report as of September 30, 2022:

	September	Total Yr 2022
Income:	\$5,453.65	\$91,952.37
Expenses:	\$16,436.56	\$133,077.81
Difference:		(\$41,125.44)

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Parkview's Road Trip to the John Muir House

It was the last day of summer, but that Sacramento morning felt more like mid-winter. It was raining hard when we left Sacramento, but the forecast called for clearing skies in Martinez. With faith, that's exactly what we got. It turned out to be a beautiful day.

Sixteen of us braved the initial bad weather and made the trek to John Muir's. Making the journey were Diane and I, Haruko and Jonathan, Linda and Bill, Sherri and Victor, Carol and Jack, Judy Fukuman, Pattie, Maurine, Irene, along with Becky and Leslie Davis (Mieko's in-laws).

We were greeted at the visitor's center by Ranger Ives, who gave a brief introduction to the site. We then viewed a 20-minute video on John Muir's life and the history of the property. Next up was a very insightful tour of the house's first floor given by Ranger Tory. Ours was the first post-Covid ranger led tour that the Park Service allowed. We were able to explore the upper three floors on our own.

After the tour, we had a wonderful group picnic on the grounds. Some felt this was the best part of the trip. We shared food and reminisced about the warm gatherings we had during the Sunday coffee hour with folks who are unable to attend in-person services. Lastly, with only sketchy directions, we drove less than a mile to visit John Muir's grave site.

Everyone seems anxious for more adventures. Future road trips might include Jack London State Park (Sonoma), Preston Castle (Ione), Ironstone Vineyards (Murphys), Jack London Square (via Amtrak) to visit the Potomac (Franklin Roosevelt's private yacht), and traveling the Mandarin Trail (Newcastle, Penryn, Loomis). Let me know your favorite day trip(s) you think Parkview folks might enjoy.

- Submitted by Gary Younglove

Parkview at the Ohana Walk

Many thanks to all who participated. A special shout out to Titus Toyama, our terrific Friends of Parkview team leader! Parkview won the "most walkers" award with 43 walkers signed up! Our prize? Ohana hats! You can view a larger version of the group photo at the top of our *Events* page of our website.



Photo courtesy of Jonathan Sakakibara

My Sister's House Run for a Safe Haven

Join Parkview friends at William Land Park on Saturday morning, Oct 22 for the Run for a Safe Haven. This 5k event is a fundraiser for My Sister's House. This year, we encourage our Parkview church family and friends to join as a team member on the 'In Memory of Marilyn Yee' team. Marilyn's sister, Yvonne Fong, is the team captain. You can sign up as a sponsor or participant. Let's raise money for the compassionate community services of My Sister's House. Register today! Here is some helpful info:



• Run for a Safe Haven benefits My Sister's House, an organization that serves Asian and Pacific Islander and other underserved women and children impacted by domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking.

• Register online at <https://www.runforasafehaven.com/>

• Discounted entry fee of \$30 for adults who register by Oct 15

• Join the "In Memory of Marilyn Yee" team. Team photo at 8:00 am

• Pick up race packet on Oct 21, 11 am - 5 pm at Fleet Feet, 2311 J Street

• Kids' half-mile run/walk starts at 8:30 am

• Adult 5K walk/run at 9:00 am



Photo courtesy of Bill Nagata

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2023 Parkview Sunday Worship Teams

Thanks to our dedicated volunteers, Parkview has been able to maintain delightful and thriving Sunday services in 2022. It was not an easy shift from the zoom-only services to both online and in-person worship like before, but the number of attendees is becoming more and more solid.



The new year is approaching, and another yearly schedule needs to be established. If you'd like to keep doing what you're doing, we thank you very much, and you don't need to make any changes. However, please let us know if you are NOT able to come back to the same capacity or would like to change the capacity this coming year. Please tell me or other Worship Committee members by Oct 29, or email me at sakakibarharuko@gmail.com.

After the confirmation of the plans of the current volunteers, new volunteers will be widely invited in the month of November. Working together in worship certainly builds our warm sense of community, so it would be great if you know anyone you think we should contact to invite to be part of the worship volunteers. We especially need more help with ushers, PA operators, parking attendants, and parking barrier attendants on Saturdays.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in 2022, promptly responding to my emails when substitutes needed to be found. I feel very happy about getting to know you better through my weekly reminder work. It would be nice if we get more volunteers in 2023. Some duties are bi-monthly and others are monthly.

Bi-Monthly Shifts

Chairpersons: Christine, Kishwer, Judy F, Liam, Phillip, Betsy, Donna, Titus, Steve, Jonathan, David. They lead the worship service.

Greeters (2): Herning, Bill, Irene, Lynn, Miyo, Betsy, Luda, Diane, Miko, Wade, Sue, Mitch, Judy F, Jana, Carla, Jerry, Pattie, Gary. They are the welcoming faces of Parkview and help a new person sign in.

Ushers (2): Judy F, Maurine, Julie C, Michael, Luda, William, Terri, Gary, Herning, Jonathan. They light candles shortly before service, carrying the lighted candlelighters; pass offering plates during service; and count and secure the offerings at the end of service in the church office.

Monthly Shifts

Japanese Bible Readers: Haruko, Mieko, Miyo, Michael, Aki, Miko. They read the weekly Bible verse from the Japanese version of the Bible.

Parking Attendants: Gary, Phillip, Tak, Russ, David. They open the church and monitor the Parkview parking lot from 9 am until worship starts.

Parking Barrier Attendants (Saturday): Tak, Titus, Russ, Jonathan, William, Dave. They created this role to rope off our parking lot a day early to secure the spaces. This will be on our routine roles next year.

PA Operators: Jonathan, Tom, Cathy, Titus, David. They turn on the PA system, set up, and adjust the volume of microphones during the service.

Pianists: Haruko, Wade, Janet, Nancy. They prepare the preludes, interludes, postludes, and accompany hymns and other parts of the service.

Zoom Moderators: Lois, Judy Y, Nancy, Lori, Aki, May. They manage the Zoom aspect of the service by coordinating the service's online slideshow and communicating with the online worshippers.

Submitted by Haruko Sakakibara
Parkview Worship Committee
Donna Komure-Toyama
Sue Lorens
Pastor Sarah Nave

Thanksgiving Showtime at Parkview!

This November at Parkview, "Come, ye thankful people, come" to Thanksgiving Showtime! The first two Sundays in November we are gathering up a harvest of Parkview talent and financial donations to offer gratitude to God for all our many blessings. Come to worship on Sundays, November 6 and 13, for a showcase of Parkview's plentiful talents! After worship, enjoy watching your church family share musical, poetic, artistic, dramatic, or other hidden talents. As part of our thanksgiving, you are invited to bring or send in a special gratitude offering to support the work of the Parkview Church. Thanksgiving Showtime is on the way! Together let's show God our gratitude, build community in our church family and reduce our budget deficit with a special thanksgiving for our blessings offering.



Upcoming Events

Worship with Us In Person or Online:
Login info and worship programs are available at
<https://parkviewpc.org/>.

- Oct 11: Bible Study.** 6 pm via Zoom.
- Oct 12: Choir Practice.** 7 pm in the social hall.
- Oct 16: Worship Service.** 10 am.
Worship Leader - Titus Toyama
Japanese Reader - Miyo Uchida
Pianist - Wade Tambara
Zoom Moderator - Nancy Arata-Fong
Sound System - Cathy Nishizaki
Parking - Dave McGill
Parking Barrier (Sat) - Tak Fukuman
Ushers - Luda Wright, William Yee
Greeters - Jerry Champa, Carla Hart
Online Greeter - May Lee
Altar Flowers - Jonathan &
Haruko Sakakibara
- Oct 16: 110th Anniversary Celebration.** 10 am.
- Oct 17: PPC Legacy Meeting.** 7 pm via Zoom.
- Oct 18: Bible Study.** 6 pm via Zoom.
- Oct 19: Choir Practice.** 7 pm in the social hall.
- Oct 20: Session Meeting.** 1 pm.
- Oct 23: Worship Service.** 10 am.
Worship Leader - Steve Hanway
Japanese Reader - Michael Wright
Pianist - Wade Tambara
Zoom Moderator - Aki Kumagai
Sound System - Titus Toyama
Parking - Tak Fukuman
Parking Barrier (Sat) - Titus Toyama
Ushers - Luda Wright, Michael Wright
Greeters - Pattie Hashimoto,
Gary Younglove
Online Greeter - May Lee
Altar Flowers - Carla Hart
- Oct 25: Pastor Sarah on Study Leave.** Thru Nov 2
- Oct 25: NO Bible Study.**
- Oct 26: Choir Practice.** 7 pm in the social hall.
- Oct 27: Book Club Meeting.** 1 pm
- Oct 30: Worship Service.** 10 am.
Worship Leader - Jana Nakase-Lee

Japanese Reader - Aki Kumagai
Pianist - TBD
Zoom Moderator - Lori Hart
Sound System - Dave McGill
Parking - Russ Hart
Parking Barrier (Sat) - Russ Hart
Ushers - Tak Fukuman, Jonathan Sakakibara
Greeters - Miko Kumagai, Wade Tambara
Online Greeter - May Lee
Altar Flowers - Marilyn Champa

Oct 30: Newsletter Submission Deadline. 5 pm.

- Nov 6: Worship Service.** 10 am.
Worship Leader - Christine Umeda
Japanese Reader - Haruko Sakakibara
Pianist - Haruko Sakakibara
Zoom Moderator - Lois VanBeers
Sound System - Jonathan Sakakibara
Parking - Gary Younglove
Parking Barrier (Sat) - William Yee
Ushers - Judy Fukuman, Herning Grissom
Greeters - Bill Grissom, Herning Grissom
Online Greeter - May Lee
Altar Flowers - Rick and Irene Uno
- Nov 1: Bible Study.** 6 pm via Zoom.
- Nov 1: Prayer Team Meeting.** 7:15 pm via Zoom.
- Nov 9: Worship Committee Meeting.** 5 pm via Zoom.



“Meet” Toyohiko Kagawa on Oct 30

On Reformation Sunday, Parkview will “welcome” esteemed Japanese Protestant Christian pacifist, Toyohiko Kagawa into the pulpit. Born in Kobe, Japan in 1888, Kagawa became a Christian and studied at Toyoko Presbyterian College and Kobe Seminary. In 1909 he moved into a Kobe slum to serve as a missionary and social worker. During his lifetime, Kagawa was a prolific writer, labor activist and traveling lecturer and preacher. Like Martin Luther, John and Charles Wesley, and Francis Xavier before him, Kagawa is remembered as an influential reformer of society, renowned preacher and advocate of social justice. Let’s get to know who he was.

Thank You for Your Support!

Many thanks to all of you who contribute to Parkview through your generous pledged offerings! Additionally, thanks so much to the following for their generous special donations. Acknowledgment letters and postings in the *Chapel Chimes* may be in reverse order. Thank you for your patience. Contact officemanager@parkviewpc.org with any questions.

Special Donations: Anonymous, Rose Morita-Klee, Masako Watanabe

In Celebration of Parkview's 110th Anniversary: Marilyn Champa, Phillip & Julie Chew, Betsy Eskridge & Lois VanBeers, Tak & Judy Fukuman, Carla Hart, Pattie Hashimoto, Steve & Janet Hill, Brian & Leah (Fujiwara) Kanegawa, Aki & Miko Kumagai, May Lee, Jane Matsuoka, Cathy Nishizaki, Jack & Carol Sakai, Titus & Donna (Komure) Toyama, Stan & Christine Umeda, Aart & Carolyn Van Beek, Michael & Luda Wright, Hach & Linda Yasumura, Gary & Diane Younglove

In Memory of Eiko Fujiwara (95th Birthday): Paula Fujiwara, Joyce Fujiwara & Tim Paulson, Brian & Leah (Fujiwara) Kanegawa

In Memory of Dr. John Todd (Pastor's Sarah's Father): Victor & Sherri Yee

In Support of Ethnic Concerns Consultation: Dave McGill

How to Donate:

In Person. You may drop off your donation during worship service.

By Mail. Make checks out to Parkview Presbyterian Church. **Please do not send cash.**

Online. Please go to <https://www.parkviewpc.org/> 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.

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Reminder!

110th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, Oct 16

Starting at 10 am