



Chapel Chimes

727 T Street, Sacramento, CA • June 2023

Dear Friends,

At Jane Matsuoka's celebration of life service at Parkview on June 3, Judy Fukuman and Kris Sazaki provided a beautiful slideshow featuring photos of Jane's life. One of the songs accompanying the slideshow was "Seasons of Love" from the Broadway musical *Rent*, Jonathan Larson's contemporary retelling of Puccini's opera, "La Bohème." The first stanzas of the song go like this:

Five hundred twenty-five thousand, six hundred minutes
Five hundred twenty-five thousand moments so dear
Five hundred twenty-five thousand, six hundred minutes
How do you measure, measure a year?

In daylights, in sunsets, in midnights, in cups of coffee
In inches, in miles, in laughter, in strife
In five hundred twenty-five thousand, six hundred minutes
How do you measure a year in the life? How about love? Measure in love. Seasons of love.

As relatives and friends remarked on Jane's legacy of kindness at her service, it was clear that Jane's nearly ninety-nine years were overflowing with many seasons of love. Jane lived and loved well, and we are all blessed to have known her. Thinking of Jane's life of love might get us thinking about how we measure up when it comes to sharing love. There's a story in Luke's gospel about a rich man whose seasons of life weren't defined by love. He isn't named in the story, but the poor man who lay at his gate was named Lazarus. Jesus' way of getting his message across was to tell a story, and this one is pretty awful all the way around. Here's part of the story in Luke 16.

There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table.

In a sermon on this passage, Barbara Brown Taylor says that each of us has things that we tell ourselves to protect us from the pain of those around us. If only he had not dropped out of high school. If only she had not had so many babies. If he would just learn more English. If she would just stop drinking. It's human nature to find some reason why people are the way they are. We are here on earth to love our neighbors, but changing their lot in life is up to them, not us. At times it seems that the gap between the front runners in life and those who start from so far back they don't even know which way to run is so wide it can't be crossed. A chasm, is the way the Bible describes it. So, when we hear this awful story, most of us head right into our own pit of guilt, even though that's not the point. The point of the story is to tell us a truth we need to know in hopes that it will change our lives. How?

Barbara Brown Taylor reminds us: this story is for us, not against us. The people in the story were satisfied with sumptuous feasts when God wanted to give them the kingdom. They were content to live in the world with beggars when God wanted to give them



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brothers and sisters. What they didn't seem to know is that they, and we, are casualties of our own way of life. When we cut ourselves off from each other, when we learn how to live with the misery of other people by convincing ourselves that there's not much we can do, then we are the ones who lose. Not because of what God will do to us, but because of what we've done to ourselves. We've forgotten that we belong to each other.

There are no easy answers to addressing the issues of the increasing numbers of unhoused people in Sacramento and other cities. Joseph and the guys camped out front by the Parkview sign will likely need to relocate. But how we talk to them in the process, how we move them along, makes all the difference. It gives a message to them, the wider community, and to ourselves about Parkview Church.

If you read on in Luke 16, the best thing about this story is that it isn't over yet. For the rich man, yes, but not for us. We are the five brothers he left behind. We are the ones the rich man is trying to get a message to, to tell us to see the poor man as a fellow human being. He missed his chance to do that. But it's not too late for us to see how our lives are quilted together with all God's children. How do you measure a year in the life? How about love? As we sort through these complex human issues, let's listen to Jesus, and to each other, as we navigate these holy moments.

- Pastor Sarah

Report from Session

At the May 11 meeting of Session, the following matters were voted upon and/or discussed:

- Request from Adventist Church to rent Parkview on Saturdays from 8am to 4 pm – after discussion about the various factors that need consideration, including Parkview's needs, the matter was continued for future discussion.
- Parkview Support of Loomis United Church of Christ and Pastor Casey Tinnin – total of \$600 (Parkview funds of \$200 and individual donations of \$400) sent in support of UCC's church security fund and LGBTQ youth program fund, along with letter of support.
- Safety and Security Grant Update – Committee is now seeking vendors who can advise and install cameras and updated lighting to enhance church security. Work to be completed by end of 2024.



- Summerfest Fundraiser Report – as of this date, 50 tickets have been sold for fundraiser to be held at the Lucky Jade Restaurant on June 25, 2023, at 4:30 p.m. [As of June 4, 110 tickets have been sold.]
- Memorial Service for Jane Matsuoka – to be held on June 3, 2023, at 11 am. Possibly 80 people will attend and family has asked for assistance with serving refreshments.
- Mobile Shower Ministry Request – Be Encouraged Inc., a faith based non-profit, has approached Parkview about using our parking spaces to host a mobile shower trailer for use by the homeless. Matter continued for future discussion as Session had several questions. Pastor Sarah will request further information from Be Encouraged.
- Sacramento Pride Festival, June 10-11 – Voted to approve Parkview's participation in the parade to be held on June 11, at 11 am and to pay the entry fee.
- Camper on Lawn Near Parkview Signage – Session member volunteered to contact home assistance agency for camper.
- Pastor Sarah on Vacation – May 21 to May 31. Rev. Steve Smith will preach on May 28. Donna Komure-Toyama and Titus Toyama volunteered to assist with memorial candle ceremony.
- Healing Prayer Level 3 – to be held July 5-8 at Parkview.
- Building and Grounds Issues – we are still looking for a contractor or someone with construction experience who can conduct a walk-through of the Kansha house and recommend repairs. Discussion about items stored in the garage, Heiwa, and kitchen continued.

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

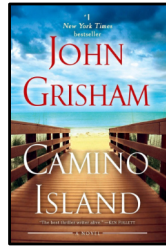
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Kansha means gratitude

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June Book Club Meeting

Join the PPC Book Club on Thurs, June 22 at 1 pm as we discuss another fun John Grisham mystery, *Camino Island*. Email officemanager@parkviewpc.org for our meeting venue.



Walkers Needed for Pride Parade on June 11!

Please invite your family and friends to walk (or be pushed in their wheelchair or stroller!) with Parkview to show love and support for LGBTQ persons. We would like a good-sized contingent to demonstrate that there are many people who believe that God doesn't care about gender identities, just about loving hearts and helping hands, and that love is love is love is love.

The march begins on 8th Street, alongside Southside Park, at 11 am, so dancers and marchers will need to hustle down 8th Street immediately after service to find Steve Lee, who will be holding Parkview's spot. Our march order spot will be announced at the beginning of service. The parade route turns right onto T Street, then left onto 10th Street, and will end at the Capitol Mall.

Some of us plan on breaking out into the ondo "One Plus One" and have been practicing. If you'd like to join in and want to practice, dance along to this video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KjCAaMl6tkU>. You can also learn on the spot! Have fun with your outfit. Be comfortable for the weather and consider wearing a hat and sunscreen. See you there!

Asian Resources, Inc. Thanks PPW

Rejie Baloyos, ARI Director, presented thank you cards to representative PPW Cabinet members for the generous PPW donation to its Youth Leadership Academy. Rejie was the dynamic speaker at the annual PPW installation luncheon. ARI recognized PPW and other community donors at its May 4 dinner. Kudos to ARI for their commitment to our youth through leadership training and work experience programs.



Financial Report as of May 31, 2023:

	May	Total Yr 2023
Income:	\$8,789.04	\$63,570.67
Expenses:	\$13,900.71	\$80,248.41
Difference:		(\$16,677.74)

Summerfest

Are You Ready for Summerfest?

Our first-ever Summerfest celebration is just around the corner. Mark your calendars for Sunday afternoon, June 25, and purchase your tickets. Our event will start at 4:30 p.m. at Lucky Jade Restaurant, 7007 South Land Park Drive, with a time for fellowship and line dancing. Our program will include Japanese dances by award-winning dancers Reiko Ivaska and Miyo Uchida and songs by our very own Kishwer Vikaas and Leah Nishizaki. We will dine on a delicious nine-course Chinese banquet featuring such delicacies as honey walnut shrimp, Rex sole fish, and crispy chicken. A silent auction follows. Many of the items are featured in this edition of *Chapel Chimes*. Tickets are \$60 each and may be purchased through the Parkview website or by completing the attached order form and sending it along with a check to Parkview. Sponsorships are also available. Tickets and table sponsorships must be purchased by Sunday, June 11. Questions may be directed to Maurine Huang at maurine_estelle@yahoo.com.

- Submitted by Maurine Huang

Help Sought for Dessert Table at Summerfest

At the Summerfest we will have a special "Dessert Table" with our own baked goods. If you can donate four dozen home baked cookies or any uncut dessert baked in a 9"x 13" pan, it is greatly appreciated. More than 120 bags will be made.



Please bring them to the church kitchen 12-1 pm on Saturday, June 24 or drop them off at Donna Komure-Toyama's house before that time. Volunteers will pack them into small bags after 1 pm. If you can help pack, please let us know too. Thanks!

- Submitted by Haruko Sakakibara & Judy Fukuman

Volunteer Spotlight: Summerfest Committee

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

It takes a village to organize a fundraiser! While everyone is looking forward to the festivities, let's take a moment to express our many thanks and gratitude to our Summerfest Committee:

Terri Bowman, Carla Hart, Maurine Huang, Donna Komure-Toyama, Sarah Nave, Haruko Sakakibara, Judy Yee, Gary Younglove.

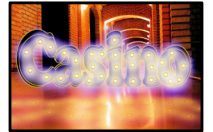


Silent Auction Items

Check out these silent auction items, which will be available during the silent auction at the Summerfest on June 25. Successful bidders can pay with check, cash, or through the church website. The list will be updated on the church website under the "Events" tab. Many thanks to all our silent auction donors!!

3-Day, 2-Night Stay at Casino Hotel

3-day, 2-night stay at a specified casino hotel in Las Vegas (Excalibur, Tropicana, Gold Coast & others), Lake Tahoe (Harvey's), Laughlin (NV), Mesquite (NV), or Biloxi (MS). Reservation requires a minimum 30-day advanced notice. This package cannot be resold or repackaged, and cannot be used for group travel. Recipients must be at least 21 years of age. This package does not include transportation. It can be used any day of the week, excluding major holidays, events and conventions, and is subject to room availability. **Package expires on 12/31/23.**



Chirashizushi Plate

Two plates of the mixed family style sushi dish that features lots of cooked vegetables mixed in vinegar flavored rice. It comes with seasonal colorful yummy toppings such as eggs and fish. Each plate serves 6-8 people. Pick-up or delivery on July 4 at 11 am. Prepared by Haruko Sakakibara.



Live Aloha Basket

"Live Aloha" means embracing the Aloha Spirit in everything you do; live life with respect and kindness toward nature and others. The Hawaii-themed basket contains a fabric tote, handcrafted entryway sign, Hawaiian print fabric crossbody bag, Tapa design coaster set, two microfiber beach towels, dragonfly pendant and earring set, and much more.



"Peace" Photograph

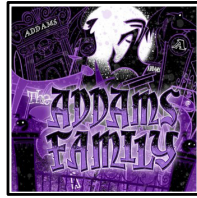
This exquisite photograph of a lotus was taken at the Land Park Lotus Pond is printed on archival inkjet paper. Comes in an 18" x 24" mat. Photographed by Maurine Huang.



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Broadway at Music Circus & Dinner with Parkview Church Friends

Enjoy the Music Circus premiere of “The Addams Family” with friends from Parkview Church and then meet for an after-show dinner at Sellands on Broadway. Tickets are not exchangeable nor refundable. However, the gift card may be used anytime at all Sellands-owned restaurants.



Furoshiki Package

This fun package includes one autographed copy of *Furoshiki Fabric Wrapping* by the Pixeladies, one furoshiki, and a one-hour private lesson at Parkview for you and three of your friends, snacks included! The higher the bid, the better the snacks!



Signed Giclee Print

This giclee print of the illustration “How Many Candies Can You Buy” is printed on acid-free paper (mat/frame NOT included). Sachiko Yoshikawa created this delightful illustration for the book, “What is Math.”



Joy and Longevity Basket

This joy and longevity basket features a pendant with matching earrings, a teapot, gift certificates for The Tea Cozy, Asha Bath/spa, several healthy dining venues, and more.



Yakuzen Giclee Print

This 7 3/4” x 6” signed giclee print is printed on acid-free paper and was created by Sachiko Yoshikawa. Yakuzen means herbal cuisine, and this illustration is an homage to the Japanese style of cooking for good health. Mat/frame NOT included.



Explore Sacramento Basket

Explore Sacramento’s farm-to-fork and entertainment culture with gift cards for restaurants, tickets to B Street and Tower theaters, passes to the Crocker Museum, and locally grown almonds, rice, and more.



Picnic Baskets

Two picnic baskets are available with bottles of wine and sparkling cider, crackers, and Trader Joe’s gift cards for cheese and spreads.



And don’t forget the Summerfest Market!

Peruse the marketplace for Asian fabric and stylish soft goods: large and small zipper bags, bowl cozies, heating pads, and shopping bags. Created by Taeko Houston.



Summerfest Entertainment

The Summerfest is not just about food and bidding. You’ll be able to sit back and enjoy the song stylings of Leah Nishizaki and Kishwer Vikaas as well as dances by Reiko Ivaska and Miyo Uchida (pictured below) and Japanese flute playing by Reiko Ivaska.



Events

Worship with Us In Person or Online:

You can find login info for worship and Zoom meetings as well as worship programs at <https://parkviewpc.org/>.

June 11: **Worship Service.** 10 am.

Worship Leader - Dave McGill
Japanese Reader - Mieko Davis
Pianist - Wade Tambara
Zoom Moderator - Judy Yee
Sound System - Kaz Nozue
Parking - Dave McGill
Parking Barriers (Sat) - Titus Toyama
Ushers - Diane Younglove, Gary Younglove
Greeters - Tia Kilpatrick, Diane Younglove
Online Greeter - May Lee
Altar Flowers - Pattie Hashimoto

June 11: **Pride Parade.** Meet at front of church immediately after worship service.

June 19: **PPC Legacy Project Meeting.** 7 pm via Zoom.

June 18: **Worship Service.** 10 am.

Worship Leader - Sue Lorens
Japanese Reader - Miyo Uchida
Pianist - Haruko Sakakibara
Zoom Moderator - Aki Kumagai
Sound System - Tom Tambara
Parking - Russ Hart
Parking Barriers (Sat) - Russ Hart
Ushers - Donna Komure-Toyama, Lynn Yamamoto
Greeters - Judy Fukuman, Irene Uno
Online Greeter - May Lee
Altar Flowers - Russ & Lori Hart

June 18: **Fellowship Time.** After worship service.

June 22: **Book Club Meeting.** 1 pm. See page 3.



June 25: **Worship Service.** 10 am.

Worship Leader - Jonathan Sakakibara
Japanese Reader - Michael Wright
Pianist - Nancy Arata-Fong
Zoom Moderator - Lori Hart
Sound System - Lois Van Beers
Parking - Tak Fukuman
Parking Barriers (Sat) - Neil Matsuoka
Ushers - Betsy Eskridge, Carla Hart
Greeters - Betsy Eskridge, Pattie Hashimoto
Online Greeter - May Lee
Altar Flowers - Kishwer Vikaas

June 25: **Summerfest.** 4:30 pm.

June 28: **Healing Prayer Level 3.** Thru June 30.

July 2: **Worship Service.** 10 am. Communion will be celebrated.

Worship Leader - Betsy Eskridge
Japanese Reader - Aki Kumagai
Pianist - Haruko Sakakibara
Zoom Moderator - Lois Van Beers
Sound System - Cathy Nishizaki
Parking - Gary Younglove
Parking Barriers (Sat) - TBD
Ushers - Terri Bowman, Julie Chew
Greeters - Bill Grissom, Herning Grissom
Online Greeter - May Lee
Altar Flowers - Carla Hart

July 20: **Session Meeting.** 1 pm. Note special date.

July 14: **Choir Retreat.** Through July 16.

July 27: **Parkview at Music Circus.** 2 pm. Reserved seating only for *The Addams Family*.

With Gratitude to Parkview

Parkview held its first post-pandemic memorial service on June 3 for Jane Matsuoka. With no Covid restrictions, the Parkview family went all out in its coordination of the event. From parking, to set up and take down, everything flowed smoothly. It was so beautiful to see the PPW in action again after so many years, making sure all the food was served and leftovers distributed. As Jane often said, "Parkview Church is the friendliest church." She was right. With eternal gratitude to Parkview and special thanks to Pastor Sarah and Donna Komure-Toyama.

- The Matsuoka Family

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 Offerings: Maria Mar, Joel Montes

In Celebration of Granddaughter Kaitlyn's High School Graduation: Hach & Linda Yasumura

In Celebration of Mother's Day: Titus & Donna (Komure) Toyama

In Gratitude: Masako Watanabe Family

In Memory of Eiko Fujiwara: Brian & Leah Kanegawa

In Memory of Joyce Honda: Tak & Judy Fukuman

In Memory of Mary Kanegawa: Brian & Leah Kanegawa

In Memory of Jane Matsuoka: Marilyn Champa, Phillip & Julie Chew, Paula Fujiwara & Tim Paulson, Bill & Linda Nagata, Fumi Nakata, Tak & Linda Saito

In Memory of Nettie Muramoto: Art & Ann Inouye

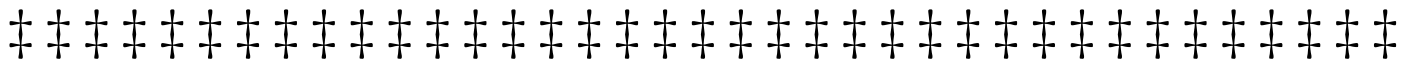
In Memory of Maki Okawara: Stanley & Marcia (Okawara) Ito, Gloria Okawara, Tak & Linda (Okawara) Saito, Gary & Lisa (Okawara) Yuki

In Memory of Jerry Okumura: Tak & Judy Fukuman

For Pastor Education Fund: Tak & Judy Fukuman, Stan & Christine Umeda

For Ukraine Relief: Phillip & Julie Chew, Tak & Judy Fukuman, Steve & Jana (Nakase) Lee, Titus & Donna (Komure) Toyama, Stan & Christine Umeda, William & Judy Yee

Easter Offering: Phillip & Julie Chew, Bill & Linda Nagata



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 a credit card or bank transfer; donate one time only or set up regular donations.



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Make check payable to Parkview Presbyterian Church, write "Summerfest" in the Memo section, and send the check and completed form to:

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