



# Chapel Chimes

727 T Street, Sacramento, CA • June 2024

Dear Friends,

Some years back, our daughter Chelsea and I spent a few days summer vacationing in Los Angeles with dear family friends. We went to afternoon tea downtown at the Biltmore Hotel, toured the “Diana” exhibit on the Queen Mary in Long Beach, and ran the 3-mile loop around the Rose Bowl in Pasadena. And we went surfing.

You know how they always yelled, Surf’s Up!, in those beach blanket movies with Frankie Avalon and Annette Funicello? Well, Surf’s Up! took on an entirely new meaning during our surfing lesson. I had called a surfing school in LA to make a reservation for three novices. She checked the tide chart and said 8 am would be a good time for a lesson the next day at Manhattan Beach. Apparently, the wind and waves didn’t get the memo. It was rough out there!

We took turns being bashed by the waves as we tried to move away from shore to catch rideable swells. I spent a few moments paddling on the board but mostly got knocked down and churned by the waves. Chelsea managed to get up on her knees and ride one in. We shivered and cheered her on from the beach. Did I mention that it was windy and cold and grey that morning? Even though it was the first day of summer and the California Assembly had just declared June 20 to be International Surfing Day. We celebrated our arduous morning in the waves with bakery treats - iced surfboard-shaped cookies. You never know when you sign up for a lesson like that whether you’ll get an easy ride or a sea full of chop. Maybe that’s a good life lesson in itself. Thankfully, God is with us on our journey whether skies are blue or grey. As surfers say, Cowabunga!

There are lots of opportunities in coming weeks to make great summertime memories with church family and friends. Parkview is a happening place! Our second annual Summerfest Chinese fundraiser banquet is almost here. We’ll celebrate the beginning of summer, enjoy line-dancing and entertainment by musical guests, score some great buys at the silent auction, and eat lots of good food (and cookies!) on Sunday, June 23, beginning at 4:30 pm. Many thanks to Summerfest co-chairs, Donna Komure-Toyama and Maurine Huang, for their leadership and hard work, as well as the dedicated efforts of the entire Summerfest

planning team. Looks like we’ll have an even bigger crowd than last year. Cowabunga!

The following Wednesday and Thursday nights, June 26 and 27, from 5:30-8:30 pm, Parkview’s Healing Prayer team is hosting a “Pathway to Healing” event. Anyone who wants to learn more about healing prayer, or who’d like to be refreshed through the ministry of healing prayer is welcome! The event is free, and snacks will be provided. You don’t have to be a Presbyterian, or religiously affiliated with any church, you don’t even have to believe in God. Maybe you’re wondering about how God’s love might make a difference in your life. Or you feel ‘unfree’ due to painful physical or emotional issues. Come and check out the “Pathway to Healing” at Parkview on one or both nights. Everyone is welcome! Cowabunga!

On July 7, right after worship, at 11:30 am, Igor Veligan and Natsuki Fukasawa will perform several sonatas for violin and piano by Richard Strauss and Francis Poulenc to raise funds for Pastor Igor Bilorus’ Ukrainian summer camps for children and young adults who have lost fathers in the war against Russia. This is a fundraising concert open to the public, with a freewill offering for the Ukrainian summer camps ministry during the concert. Please invite your family and friends. It’s great music for a worthy cause.

On another musical note, Parkview’s choir is headed to Zephyr Point at Lake Tahoe the weekend of July 12-14 for their annual choir retreat. This is a super fun group who enjoy singing, laughing, eating and hanging out together. Want to come join the fun? Talk to Ben Pryor, Parkview’s choir conductor.

And later this summer, a group of Broadway musical fans are headed to see “Jersey Boys” at Music Circus on August 28. Here’s to making some fun memories with friends this summer. Cowabunga!

- Pastor Sarah



# News

## May Report from Session

At the May 9, 2024 meeting of Session, the following matters were reported, voted upon, and/or discussed:



- **Donation for Gaza Humanitarian Relief** – As part of the mission giving program, Session voted to donate \$1,250 to the World Central Kitchen and \$1,250 to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. (Previously, Session voted to donate to the South Sacramento Interfaith Partnership food closet and to the Davis Community Church Mosaics outreach program). Many thanks to Gary Younglove for researching and identifying the numerous organizations providing humanitarian relief in Gaza;
- **Donation for Humanitarian Aid to Ukraine** – Session decided once again to make an offering toward humanitarian aid to Ukraine instead of purchasing flowers and/or other celebratory items for Mother’s Day or Father’s Day;
- **Wrought Iron or Wood Fencing** – After discussion about the pros and cons and aesthetics of using only wrought iron to construct a fence around the entire church, Session voted in a 3-3 tie for and against the use of this material alone. Further review and discussion will occur after input from William Yee and the Safety and Security Committee;
- **Placement of Parkview’s Historic Wooden Sign** – Session determined that an appropriate place to hang the refurbished sign will be in the narthex, in place of the scroll;
- **Use of Kansha House by former pastoral resident Rola Al Ashkar from June to December 2024** – Session previously voted to approve the use of the Kansha by Rev. Rola, who no longer preaches at Westminster Church. Session approved by consensus that Rola will be permitted to reside in the Kansha without the payment of rent or utilities. We will ask Rola to help with certain errands such as watering plants in the half barrels placed in front of the church and taking the garbage cans out each week. After further research, the kitchen light in the Kansha may be upgraded and an alarm may be installed as well;
- **Pathway to Healing** – Pastor Sarah announced that on June 26-27, the healing prayer team will offer prayer appointments for individual members of the congregation and friends and family;

- **Parking Lot Update** – Parkview Mariners have offered to donate \$1,000 toward the cost of parking barriers to secure the spots behind the church. Session recommends that an initial step should be the use of plastic, temporary barriers, no parking signs, and a letter to the Catholic Church next door;
- **Safety Security Grant Update** – William Yee reported that 2 doors (exit ramp door and choir room door) will soon be replaced;
- **Summerfest 2024 Update** – silent auction items are still needed. Session voted against publicizing the event with the Sacramento Interfaith Council of Greater Sacramento;
- **Gay Pride Parade** – June 9. Donna Komure-Toyama will teach parade participants the Ichi Tasu Ichi dance;
- **Music Circus** – August 28;
- **Aid to the Homeless** – Pastor Sarah announced that UCLA student Hailing Tang will submit a written proposal about a possible fundraiser to raise funds to purchase clothing for the homeless. Hailing is the daughter of Jun Tang who has assisted Parkview with several repairs, including cleaning and repair of light fixtures in the social hall.

- Terri Bowman, Clerk of Session  
Steve Hanway, Pattie Hashimoto,  
Jana Nakase-Lee, Donna Komure-Toyama,  
Irene Uno, William Yee, Gary Younglove



### Financial Report as of May 31, 2024:

	May	Total Yr 2024
Income:	\$11,594.50	\$70,141.38
Expenses:	\$13,666.40	\$76,287.25
<b>Difference:</b>		<b>(\$6,145.87)</b>

# News

## Volunteer Spotlight: Michael Wright

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

Michael serves as Japanese Bible reader and usher. But did you know that he has also taken on the unenviable task of changing our air filters? That requires climbing down into the tiny basement to take care of the two furnaces down there! Thanks Michael, for all you do!



## Parkview Celebrates Pride

Parkview family members and friends had lots of fun marching, or shall we say dancing, in the Sacramento Pride Parade on June 9. It was one great way of sharing our message of love and inclusion. Go to <https://parkviewpc.org/2024/06/13/parkview-shows-love-at-sacramento-pride-2024/> to view the slideshow.



## Teriyaki Sauce for Sale!

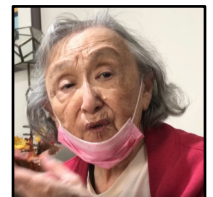
We have a new batch of teriyaki sauce! Thanks to all the people who helped to make and bottle the teriyaki sauce: Terri Bowman, Marilyn Champa, Julie Chew, Tak and Judy Fukuman, Russ Hart, Michael Litant, Dave McGill, Steve and Wendy Mills, Sarah Nave, Jonathan Sakakibara, Titus and Donna Toyama, Irene and Rick Uno, Victor Yee, William and Judy Yee. Also, special thanks to Marilyn Champa for helping with chopping the ginger and garlic and for use of her Cuisinart. Sacramento's finest teriyaki sauce is selling for \$12/quart jar. There are eight bottles of teriyaki sauce from the previous batch that is still available and being sold for \$6/quart jar. Contact Office Manager Kris ([officemanager@parkviewpc.org](mailto:officemanager@parkviewpc.org)) or Donna Komure-Toyama ([donnaktoyama@gmail.com](mailto:donnaktoyama@gmail.com)) to purchase the sale batch or this year's sauce.



## In Memoriam - May Mayeda

Our beloved May passed away on June 8. A memorial service will be held at the end of September.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."  
(Matthew 5:4)





# Upcoming Events

## Pathway to Healing on Two Days in June

“I came that they might have life, and have it abundantly.” - Jesus

**Who:** Everyone is welcome!

**What:** A two-evening event for anyone who is curious; perhaps would like to meet with Jesus, receive the ministry of healing prayer, and be refreshed. With breaks and refreshments.

**When:** Jun 26 & 27, 5:30-8:30 pm

**Where:** Parkview Presbyterian Church (727 T Street, Sacramento).

**Why:** Because the love of Jesus can set us free – including physically, emotionally (like from painful memories), and spiritually.

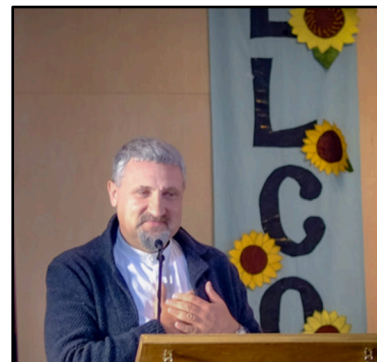
- Talks to understand how to pray.
- Hear others’ experiences.
- Opportunities to try a variety of quiet prayers.

Hosted by Parkview’s Healing Prayer Team. No RSVP is necessary. No cost. Simply come and be our guest. For more information, please contact Pastor Sarah ([pastor@parkviewpc.org](mailto:pastor@parkviewpc.org)).



## A New Benefit Concert for Ukraine.

Please join us on July 7 at 11:30 am for this special concert by Igor Veligan and Natsuko Fukasawa. All proceeds will go to help children in Ukraine who lost fathers to the war. It is an occasion to gather our warm hearts to support people in Ukraine



who are in continuing difficulties. Pastor Igor is in Ternopil, working with the victims of the war including widows, their children, and those who need rehabilitation programs. There are frequent funerals. They do not have electricity for 9-12 hours a day. There are air strike alarms 3-4 times a day. The economy is falling sharply. Children are stressed and withdrawn, but Pastor Igor is in prayers to bring hope to their lives. He is helping 150 children and young adults in his summer camps. (See attached flyer.)

## CWS CROP Walk Update

On Sunday, May 5, 14 determined members of Parkview Presbyterian Church set out to circumambulate Southside Park up to three times as a way to participate in the annual Church World Service CROP Walk. Through their efforts, we raised \$2,155. Of that, 25% (\$538) will be returned to Sacramento to support South Sacramento Interfaith Partnership. Parkview is a member of SSIP, and several Parkview members volunteer regularly there. On our return, we were treated to delicious egg salad sandwiches, courtesy of Lois Van Beers. Many thanks, Lois.



Those walking were: Terri Bowman, Phil and Julie Chew, Betsy Eskridge, Judy Fukuman, Maurine Huang, Dave McGill, Pastor Sarah, Irene Uno, Judy Yee, Victor and Sherri Yee, and Gary and Diane Younglove.

Submitted by Maurine Huang

## A Note of Thanks

Many thanks for all the healing prayers for me as I navigate this new world of Graves Disease (hyperthyroidism). I suffered all the typical symptoms during my trip to Germany: fatigue, heart palpitations, high resting heart rate, unexplained weight loss. Nonetheless, I still marvel at how much I got to experience while there, especially my favorite chocolate shop.



I am grateful, too, for the volunteers who stepped up to make sure things flowed smoothly during my absence: Julie Chew, Betsy Eskridge, Carla Hart, Maurine Huang, and Judy Yee. I ask for your patience as I slowly get back up to speed. It takes a while for the medication to even out my thyroid levels. Please take care of yourselves and make sure to have your thyroid levels (TSH, T3, T4) checked regularly.

Glad to be home, Kris Sasaki

# Upcoming 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 is Pride Month

Parkview kicked June off with lively participation in Sacramento's annual Pride parade (see [page 3](#)).



## Look Who's on Summer Break!

- Bible Study
- Choir
- Fitness Fun
- Youth Enrichment Session (YES)



## June 23: Worship Service. 10 am.

Worship Leader: Betsy Eskridge  
Japanese Reader: Michael Wright  
Pianist: Haruko Sakakibara  
Zoom Moderator/Greeter: Judy Yee  
Sound System: Lois Van Beers  
Parking: Russ Hart  
Parking Barriers (Sat): Russ Hart  
Ushers: Carla Hart,  
Donna Komure-Toyama  
Greeters: Pattie Hashimoto, Miko Kumagai  
Altar Flowers: Nave Family

## June 23: Summerfest. From 4:30 pm.

Dinner served at 5:30 pm.  
Great food, fellowship,  
and fun await us at our  
second annual Parkview  
Summerfest fundraiser at  
Lucky Jade Restaurant,  
7007 South Land Park  
Drive.



## June 30: Worship Service. 10 am.

Worship Leader: Haruko Sakakibara  
Japanese Reader: Mieko Davis  
Pianist: Janet Hill  
Zoom Moderator/Greeter: Lori Hart  
Sound System: Jonathan Sakakibara  
Parking: Carl Odell  
Parking Barriers (Sat): Titus Toyama  
Ushers: Bill Grissom, Herning Grissom  
Greeters: Sue Goodwin, Carla Hart  
Altar Flowers: Pattie Hashimoto

## Jun 30: Newsletter Deadline. 5 pm. Email photos and/or articles (350 word max.) to [officemanager@parkviewpc.org](mailto:officemanager@parkviewpc.org).

July 2: **Prayer Team Meeting.** 7:15 pm via Zoom.  
July 3: **Worship Team Meeting.** 5:20 pm via Zoom.



## July 7: Worship Service. 10 am.

Worship Leader: Jonathan Sakakibara  
Japanese Reader: Haruko Sakakibara  
Pianist: Haruko Sakakibara  
Communion Elders: Pattie Hashimoto,  
Maurine Huang  
Zoom Moderator/Greeter: Lois Van Beers  
Sound System: Titus Toyama  
Parking: Tak Fukuman  
Parking Barriers (Sat): Neil Matsuoka  
Ushers: Luda Wright, Michael Wright  
Greeters: Bill Grissom, Herning Grissom  
Altar Flowers: Carla Hart

# Events/Donors

**July 7:** **Benefit Concert for Ukraine.** 11:30 am in the social hall. See attached flyer.

**July 14:** **Worship Service.** 10 am.  
Worship Leader: Jana Nakase-Lee  
Japanese Reader: Aki Kumagai  
Pianist: Nancy Arata-Fong  
Zoom Moderator/Greeter: Lori Hart  
Sound System: Jonathan Sakakibara  
Parking: Russ Hart  
Parking Barriers (Sat): R. Hart  
Ushers: Judy Fukuman, Tak Fukuman  
Greeters: Carla Hart, Lynn Yamamoto  
Altar Flowers: Kevin & Lisa Imura

**Jul 12:** **Choir Retreat.**  
Thru Jul 14 at Zephyr Point. Text Ben Pryor (916.397.6983) for more information.



**Jul 21:** **Northern California Japanese Christian Church Retreat at Zephyr Point.** Thru July 26.

**Aug 28:** **Parkview at the Music Circus.** 2 pm.  
This is a reminder for those who have already purchased tickets.



## 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](mailto:officemanager@parkviewpc.org) with any questions.

**Special Donations:** Deborah Hedberg, Jun Tang, Lance & Kristine Yagi

**In Celebration of Ken Okawara's 99<sup>th</sup> Birthday:** Gloria Okawara

**In Appreciation of Facility Use:** Florin JACL, Tak & Judy Fukuman, Titus & Donna (Komure) Toyama

**In Memory of Our Mothers:** Brian & Leah (Fujiwara) Kanegawa

**In Memory of George Muramoto:** Art & Ann Inouye

**In Memory of Nettie Muramoto:** Art & Ann Inouye

**In Memory of Maki Okawara:** Stanley & Marcia Ito

*Summerfest Sponsors and Donors will be acknowledged in the July newsletter.*

## How to Donate:

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

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

**Online:** Please go to <https://www.parkviewpc.org/>, 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. Thank you for your generosity.





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BY RICHARD STRAUSS**



**VIOLIN: IGOR VELIGAN  
PIANO: NATSUKI FUKASAWA**



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**SUNDAY, JULY 7, 2024**

**AT PARKVIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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