



# Chapel Chimes

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Dear Friends,

I recently returned from a Christmas trip visiting Han-Bee and Chelsea in Portland, OR. Dwight missed the yuletide festivities this year as he recovered from pneumonia in VA. One afternoon we took a walk in the Hollywood and Irvington neighborhoods. We were on a mission to locate Portland's Sidewalk Joy installations outside area homes. According to an Oregon Public Broadcasting article, "Sidewalk joy is just what it sounds like: yard installations created to bring joy. The trend likely started more than a decade ago with free little libraries, the 'take a book, leave a book' exchanges which started popping up in yards across the country."

Finding joy isn't always easy, but Chelsea found a map for these homemade installations, so we followed it. Our first burst of joy came from a sidewalk display of tiny music boxes. We took turns cranking the boxes and heard melodies ranging from "The Simpsons" and "Star Wars" to "In the Hall of the Mountain King" and "You Are My Sunshine." Next stop was a wooden box filled with Pokemon toys and cards for exchange. Then we turned around and were delighted to see candy canes hanging on a nearby fence with a sign featuring a jolly Santa exclaiming, "Of course you can have a candy cane!"

That "of course" captures the spirit of abundance and generosity that exemplifies the spirit of sidewalk joy. This neighborly sharing of good will and simple things that bring joy warmed our hearts. What can we do in our own lives to build community and spread whimsical joy?

Earlier that day we experienced a neighborly moment closer to home when Chelsea's and Han-Bee's beloved golden retriever, Whidbey, made a break for it out of the back yard. He escaped through a big hole left open for repairmen. There was a knock at the door. When Han-Bee answered the door, the neighbor across the street asked her, "Do you have a golden retriever? He almost got hit several times." Han-Bee crossed the busy street and corralled Whidbey, who was having a grand time running through the yards and greeting neighbors. Han-Bee snagged him, thanked the neighbors profusely, and brought the happy dog home. Nextdoor neighbors who had watched the drama unfold greeted Whidbey with "Who's a good boy?" as

he bounced onto the sidewalk and up the porch stairs. We were so grateful for the kindness of our neighbors who alerted us and protected Whidbey that day. We also are very grateful to God as we know things could have ended very differently.

The walk through the Portland neighborhoods and Whidbey's rescue were good reminders to be on the lookout for what matters to others and what matters to the community.

In a fond tribute to Portland, Marshall Hammond of the January 2026 issue of the *Southeast Examiner* wrote, "When I am feeling a little low, I remember that there are lots of people like this, people doing their part to hold it together come what may. It is who they are, it is who you are. So in this New Year, whenever you are feeling a lack of hope or inspiration, do as Mr. Rogers, said, "Look for the helpers. Support them, join them, become them. Donate. Volunteer. Take Action. Find those things worth fighting for and fight for them. Big or small. You don't have to save the world. Just try to help the person next to you, and that will be enough." May God help us be good neighbors and joy bringers to the world in 2026.

Happy New Year!  
Pastor Sarah



# News

## November Report from Session

The December 18, 2025 meeting of the Session was held at Parkview. The following actions were discussed and/or voted on:



- Maria Mar, NCCP treasurer and Parkview member, met with Session to explain the Mission Support Pledge Form and how funds to NCCP support all churches within the NCCP. Session voted to pledge \$3,746 which is currently in our reserve funds for the residency program.
- PPW has requested that Parkview make a \$300 donation to the Locke Foundation which will provide a lifetime membership. A Foundation representative will be speaking at the PPW installation luncheon on March 26, 2026. Future group expeditions to Locke are provided by the membership.
- An ad and donation to the Florin Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) was approved for the event honoring Titus Toyama with the leadership award.
- Parkview will continue to provide shelter for Raymond in the Heiwa building through February 2026.
- The draft 2026 budget was reviewed and recommendations will be made at the Congregational meeting regarding the salaries of Pastor Sarah, Office Manager Kris Sasaki, and Choir Director Ben Pryor.
- Positive comments and thanks to Kishwer Vikaas and Joselyn Garcia with NorCal Resist who provided a “know your rights/response to ICE” informational class on Nov. 30.
- Session is deeply thankful for the work of the following groups and people: HR Team (William Yee - chair, Irene Uno, Jonathan Sakakibara, and Lori Hart) for staff evaluations, Haruko Sakakibara (Sunday worship team schedules), Carla Hart (coffee hour and communion teams schedule), Judy Yee (altar flowers donors).
- The Nominating Team (Jody Brown, Terri Bowman, Pattie Hashimoto) made recommendations for Elder and Clerk of Session. Vote will be taken at the Congregational meeting.

Submitted by: Donna Komure-Toyama,  
Temporary Clerk of Session

Session members Jody Brown, Judy Fukuman, Aki Kumagai, Jana Nakase-Lee, Gary Younglove

## Annual Congregational Meeting Slated for Jan 18

Please stay after worship on Sunday, January 18, for our annual congregational meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend. Look for a link to the annual report in an upcoming weekly email. Voting members can vote in person or online during the meeting. Make your voice heard!



## Volunteer Spotlight: Kishwer Vikaas

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

Kishwer is a member of the Parkview choir, one of our YES teachers, and a member of the coffee time team. As an attorney, Kishwer has helped connect Parkview with NorCal Resist and gave a Know Your Rights presentation to help us support our immigrant neighbors and work for justice in the world. Thanks, Kishwer, for all you do!



## NCTOR: Preserving History is February 14

You are invited to attend the Northern California Time of Remembrance at the California History Museum. During a time when our country questions the value of history, what supports a country's democracy is not only its accomplishments and achievements, but its willingness to acknowledge, apologize, and correct its mistakes both current and past. Come learn and be inspired by the work of Densho and the Ireichō Project to preserve history. You can download the registration form at <https://parkviewnpc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/TOR2026.pdf>. Registration is due February 7.



- Submitted by Donna Komure-Toyama

## Financial Report as of December 31, 2025:

	December	Total Yr 2025
Income:	\$38,022.82	\$202,710.33
Expenses:	\$18,475.42	\$213,356.07
<b>Difference:</b>		<b>(\$10,645.74)</b>

# News

## Update: YES Making Change for Good

Parkview's YES youth have already met their goal to collect spare change for charities addressing global and local hunger, clean water, and shelter. As of the end of December, they have raised \$486.16!! But the kids want to help as many people as they can, so please join them in this important service project by bringing in your spare change for good. Their chosen charities are:

- Heifer International
- Always Mercy
- Heal Palestine
- SSIP Food Closet

There is a collection box in the social hall. You can bring your change (paper bills and checks accepted, too!). The campaign will run through MLK Day. We're excited to see how the kids decide to allocate the funds collected!

- Submitted by Lynn Yamamoto



## PPW Installation and Luncheon is March 22

The annual PPW Installation and Luncheon will be held on March 22, 2026 at Parkview following church service. PPW members and all of Parkview are invited to attend.

The documentary film, "Voices: Chinese Women of the Delta," will be shown during the luncheon. This film premiered on March 22, 2025 at the California Museum in Sacramento. "Voices" tells the long forgotten stories and life experiences of the pioneer Chinese women who lived in and shaped the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. Chinese women who first arrived in the Delta endured hardship, inequality, and discrimination without rights. Invisible and Voiceless. "Voices" is their inspiring story of strength, resilience and empowerment.

This event is not to be missed. Carol Lee, Board Director on the Locke Foundation and the Locke Foundation Oral History Project, will be present to introduce this documentary and provide a historical and personal perspective.

Information regarding preordering for the installation luncheon and the menu choices will be provided in the February 2026 *Chapel Chimes*. We look forward to you joining us in fellowship and celebration.

- Submitted by Carol Sakai,  
Cathy Nishizaki, Lori Hart  
PPW Activities Committee

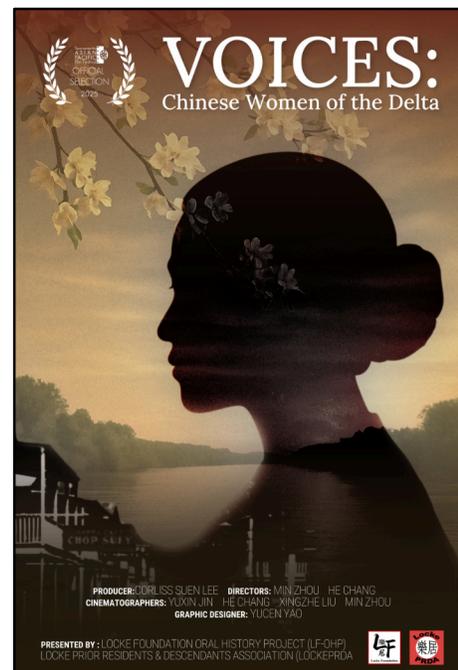
## Prayer Teams Get-Together is Jan 18

Parkview's Prayer Team and Healing Prayer Team will celebrate their annual gathering after coffee time on January 18. Please bring a donation for the YES "Change for Good" project. Also, write down our favorite verse to share with another person at the get-together. Please contact Janet Hill ([hillfamily8958@gmail.com](mailto:hillfamily8958@gmail.com)) for further information.



## Learn to Play Ukulele at ACC

Jack Sakai will teach beginning ukulele on Tuesdays, 10:00 - 11:00 am, March 3 - 31. Go to <https://www.accsv.org/classes/> to register. \$7 per class.



# Upcoming Events

## Worship with Us In Person or Online:

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

- Jan 11: Worship Service.** 10 am.  
Worship Leader: Steve Hanway  
Japanese Reader: Aki Kumagai  
Pianist: Nancy Arata-Fong  
YES: Jana Nakase-Lee, Lynn Yamamoto  
Online Moderator/Greeter: Aki Kumagai  
Sound System: Dave McGill  
Parking: Gary Younglove  
Ushers: Julie Chew, Diane Younglove  
Greeters: Maurine Huang,  
Sachiko Yoshikawa  
Altar Flowers: Pattie Hashimoto
- Jan 11: Choir Musical Rehearsal.** 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. Meet in the social hall.
- Jan 12: Embodied Listening.** 6 pm in the social hall.
- Jan 13: Gentle Yoga.** 10 am in the social hall.
- Jan 13: Choir Practice.** 7 pm in the social hall. Note special date.
- Jan 15: Hatha-Vinyasa Practice.** 6 pm in the social hall.
- Jan 15: Session Meeting.** 5:30 pm in the pastor's office.
- Jan 15: Bible Study.** 6:30 pm via Zoom.
- Jan 18: Worship Service.** 10 am.  
Worship Leader: Betsy Eskridge  
Japanese Reader: Miyo Uchida  
Pianist: Wade Tambara  
Online Moderator/Greeter: Judy Yee

Sound System: Lois Van Beers  
Parking: Phillip Chew  
Ushers: Jack Nordman, William Yee  
Greeters: Megan Toyama, Miyo Uchida  
Altar Flowers: Jana Nakase, Howard Nakase  
Coffee Time: Miko Kumagai, Miyo Uchida,  
Christine Umeda

**Jan 18: Congregational Meeting.** Directly after worship service. See [page 2](#).

**Jan 18: Coffee Time.** After worship service.



**Jan 18: Prayer Team & Healing Prayer Team Annual Get-Together.** After coffee time. See [page 3](#).

**Jan 19: Embodied Listening.** 6 pm in the social hall.

**Jan 19: PPC Legacy Meeting.** 7 pm via Zoom.

**Jan 20: Gentle Yoga.** 10 am in the social hall.

**Jan 21: Choir Practice.** 7 pm in the social hall.

**Jan 22: Hatha-Vinyasa Practice.** 6 pm in the social hall.

**Jan 22: Bible Study.** 6:30 pm via Zoom.

**Jan 25: Worship Service.** 10 am.  
Worship Leader: Sue Goodwin  
Japanese Reader: Miko Kumagai  
Pianist: Janet Hill  
YES: Ben Pryor, Kishwer Vikaas  
Online Moderator/Greeter: Lori Hart  
Sound System: Jonathan Sakakibara  
Parking: Russ Hart

# Upcoming Events

Ushers: Miko Kumagai, Jack Nordman  
Greeters: Julie Chew, Luyan Tang  
Altar Flowers: Steve Hanway

**Jan 25: Choir Musical Rehearsal.** 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. Meet in the social hall.

**Jan 25: Newsletter Deadline.** 5 pm. Email photos/or articles (350 word max.) to [officemanager@parkviewpc.org](mailto:officemanager@parkviewpc.org) for inclusion in the February *Chapel Chimes*.

**Jan 26: Embodied Listening.** 6:30 pm in the social hall.

**Jan 27: Gentle Yoga.** 10 am in the social hall.

**Jan 28: Choir Practice.** 7 pm in the social hall.

**Jan 29: Hatha-Vinyasa Practice.** 6 pm in the social hall.

**Jan 29: Bible Study.** 6:30 pm via Zoom.

**Jan 31: Session Retreat.**

**Feb 01: Worship Service.** 10 am. Communion will be celebrated.

Worship Leader: Titus Toyama  
Japanese Reader: Michael Wright  
Pianist: Haruko Sakakibara  
YES: Ben Pryor, Kishwer Vikaas  
Online Moderator/Greeter: Lois Van Beers  
Sound System: Cathy Nishizaki  
Parking: Phillip Chew, Jack Nordman  
Ushers: Betsy Eskridge, Michael Wright  
Greeters: Ian Davis, Mieko Davis  
Altar Flowers: Ben Pryor & Kishwer Vikaas

**Feb 02: Embodied Listening.** 6:30 pm in the social hall.

**Feb 03: Gentle Yoga.** 10 am in the social hall.

**Feb 03: Prayer Team Meeting.** 7:15 pm via Zoom.

**Feb 04: Choir Practice.** 7 pm. in the social hall.

**Feb 05: Hatha-Vinyasa Practice.** 6 pm in the social hall.

**Feb 05: Bible Study.** 6:30 pm via Zoom.

**Feb 07: NCCP Meeting.** 9 am via Zoom.

**Feb 07: Northern California Time of Remembrance (NCTOR).**  
Registration due. See [page 2](#).

**Feb 08: Worship Service.** 10 am.

Worship Leader: Judy Fukuman  
Japanese Reader: Haruko Sakakibara  
Pianist: Janet Hill  
YES: Jana Nakase-Lee, Lynn Yamamoto  
Online Moderator/Greeter: Aki Kumagai  
Sound System: Ben Pryor  
Parking: Gary Younglove  
Ushers: Donna Komure-Toyama, Irene Uno  
Greeters: Pattie Hashimoto, Maria Mar  
Altar Flowers: Tak & Judy Fukuman

**Feb 08: Choir Musical Rehearsal.** 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. Meet in the social hall.

## Save the Dates!

**Feb 14.** NCTOR: Preserving History. 1-3 pm.

**Feb 18.** Ash Wednesday

**Mar 15.** Sakura Chorus Concert Fundraiser

**Mar 22.** PPW Installation and Luncheon

**Mar 29.** Palm Sunday. Choir Musical "Celebrate Life"

**Apr 05.** Easter Sunday

**Apr 12.** Cooking Class: Spam musubi and side item

**Jun 14.** Cooking Class. Open inari and cucumber salad. Note new date.

**Jun 28.** Summerfest



# Thank You for Your Support!

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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.

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