



Chapel Chimes

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Dear Friends,

By the time you read this, our Easter celebration at Parkview will be a happy memory, and we'll be in the Christian season of Eastertide. Eastertide begins on Easter Sunday and concludes 50 days later on Pentecost Sunday. We're joined together by our shared belief that *Jesus is Lord*. It's a confession that goes back to the first century, back to the time when Jesus was inviting ordinary people—fishermen and tax collectors, Scripture scholars and moms with squirrely kids—to follow Him. Notice that He didn't ask them if they believed that He had been born of a virgin or that He would rise bodily from the dead. He simply said, "Follow me." I think He knew that if they spent enough time with Him, they'd figure out who He was.

That's what we're trying to do at Parkview: we're trying to spend enough time with Jesus to figure out who He is and what He wants. How do we do that? I like the way Father Thomas Keating describes it in his guides to Centering Prayer. He says we consent to God's presence and action within us. God doesn't bully us or push us along on our spiritual journey. If we want to backtrack, we backtrack. If we want to veer off the path, God allows us to do that, too. But we are always invited to grow closer to God. Deepening our relationship with God requires our consent: our consent to God's presence and action within us. And the season of Eastertide is a great time to develop our consent muscles in two ways: by Showing Up and by Growing Up.

When I talk to people who are seeking to know who Jesus is and deepen their relationship with God, I notice how often people talk about the importance of just Showing Up. Showing Up to practice prayer or Bible study or worship whatever it is they're doing to get to know God better. Creating space for God in our life, being deliberate about developing our ability to know and trust and serve God. Connecting with God like this through faith means that we may have to re-evaluate the hand-me-down ideas and values we've

brought with us from our past, and see what we've outgrown. See what we still believe, and what we don't. Maybe it's time to grow into less restrictive views of what God can and cannot do. To re-discover again, or discover for the first time, what God is like, and how to relate to God. To let God be God and seek to follow, instead of always trying to lead the way, always trying to tell God what to do. Growing Up. Showing Up. Both are ways to develop our ability to give consent to God's presence and action within us, to say yes to the God who loves us.

When those first disciples asked, "Lord, teach us to pray," Jesus taught them to pray that God's kingdom would come and God's will would be done on earth as it is in heaven. The "good news" of God's kingdom of love and justice was that it was coming (Mk. 1:15). Jesus mentioned it 120 times in the Gospels, because He wasn't just trying to get people to heaven: He was trying to bring heaven to earth. As His modern-day followers, that's what we're trying to do: we're trying to be an answer to the Lord's prayer, a living, breathing embodiment of the gospel wherever we go. Our mission: we're inspired and empowered by our Risen Lord to bring God's justice in more fullness on earth. We're bringing God's Kingdom of Heaven to Sacramento - and beyond! How do we do that? With God's help, we Grow Up. We Show Up. And we look around for anything that doesn't look like heaven, then roll up our sleeves and get to work.

Grateful to be Growing Up and Showing Up with you,

Pastor Sarah



News

March Report from Session

The March 17, 2026 meeting of the Session was held at Parkview. The following actions were discussed and/or voted on:



- **PPC Advertisement:** will be placed in two of *Inside Sacramento* magazine's April editions.
- **Letter of Support:** and a \$150 gift to the Buddhist Church of Sacramento following recent vandalism.
- **Easter Violinist:** 14-year old Haruki Murata invited for April 5, with an honorarium of \$150.
- **April Communion:** is rescheduled from April 5 (Easter Sunday) to April 12, 2026.
- **Raffle:** of two free Easter baskets with entry forms collecting contact and interest information from guests.
- **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance:** Session approved forming a mission team to support rebuilding efforts in Paradise, CA, in partnership with Trinity Presbyterian Church in Oroville.
- **Buildings and Grounds:** A contractor has been secured to wash, repair, and paint the front porch on March 25–26 in preparation for Easter guests.
- **Church Cleanup:** Gary Younglove to organize a cleanup day, list tasks, and solicit volunteers.
- **Mr. Rogers Movie Night:** is March 20.
- **PPW Installation Lunch:** take places March 22.
- **CROP Walk 2026:** is April 26.
- **Mariner's Udon Sale:** postponed to 2027.
- **Ukraine Fundraising Concert:** scheduled on May 17.
- **Sacramento Pride Weekend:** will take place on June 13 and 14, with the parade on Sunday, June 14.
- **Summerfest 2026:** Summerfest 2026 will be held on June 28.

Submitted by: Aki Kumagai

Session Members: Jody Brown, Judy Fukuman,
Aki Kumagai, Jana Nakase-Lee,
Lois Van Beers, Gary Younglove

Upcoming Parkview Cooking Class

Learn how to make Spam musubi and kabocha (Japanese pumpkin with ground pork and/or vegan).

When: April 12, 2026, 11:45 a.m.

Cost: \$15. You may pay Miko Kumagai at class.

RSVP: April 8 to Judy Fukuman by telephone 916.524.2783 or via email at

judyfukuman@comcast.net. All participants will be given a spam musubi mold to make their own Spam musubi.



Magazine Features Parkview Sisters!

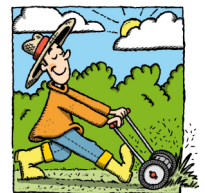
If you have a chance to grab the April 2026 issue of *Inside Sacramento* Magazine, you'll find a lovely article about Pearl Matsuhara and Amy Miyashima. Both members of Parkview Church, they are now 104 and 103! Corky Mau did a great job of capturing the two sisters' lives. You can read the article online by [clicking here](#).



Volunteer Spotlight: John Kerr

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

John is our dear gardener who comes weekly to take care of our lawn, but did you know how often John will do repairs on the sprinkler system? Not only that, he often donates part of his labor to help keep our costs down. Thank you, John, for your generosity!



Financial Report as of March 31, 2026:

	March	Total Yr 2026
Income:	\$7,612.10	\$54,124.89
Expenses:	\$28,295.93	\$60,038.83
Difference:		(\$5,913.94)



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PPW Officers Installed

Parkview Presbyterian Women held their annual Installation of Officers and Committee chairs on March 22, 2026. Judy Fong Yee and Donna Komure-Toyama will lead as Moderator and Co-Moderator during the March 2026 - March 2027 term.

Carol Lee, Board member of the Locke Foundation and the Locke Foundation Oral History Project, presented the documentary film, "Voices: Chinese Women of the Delta," at the installation luncheon. The audience was inspired by the stories of strength, resilience, and empowerment of the pioneer women who lived in and shaped the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. Carol Lee remarked on the warm welcome and active audience participation in response to the documentary and her presentation.

Parkview Church is a lifetime member of the Locke Foundation and supports their work preserving the history and life stories of pioneers and generations to come.

- Submitted by Carol Sakai



Sakura Chorus Concert was Sold Out!

The Sakura Chorus Concert on March 15 was a sellout with 150 tickets sold! Thank you so much, Parkview Presbyterian Women, for your solid assistance at the reception desk, for ushering, and for organizing yummy refreshments after the show!!! Here are some samples from the comment sheets:

- The Japanese chorus moved me deeply. Back in my old church, familiar songs brought tears and memories of my young son, yet the harmony of voices, violin, piano, shamisen, taiko, and soranbushi gave me true peace. What a beautiful afternoon! Grateful to all who created it. (Kyoko Hata)
- I enjoyed the entire program, energy and harmony. (Dave Hawke)
- It was truly highly entertaining and absolutely wonderful. [...] The song selection was truly wonderful as well (Fumiko Takatsu)
- Best concert yet. The song selection, the emcee, the arrangements, the singers. A wonderful ambassador for Japanese life and philosophy. (Anonymous)

Sakura Chorus is truly grateful that we can sing in such a beautiful wooden sanctuary with wonderful acoustics. We deeply appreciate the understanding and the warm support of Pastor Sarah and the congregation for our bi-monthly practice in the sanctuary. We would love to sing in the give a concert again in two years!!!

- Submitted by Haruko Sakakibara
Director, Sakura Chorus



Go to <https://parkviewpc.org/2026/04/02/sakura-chorus-concert-a-sellout/> to view the concert slideshow.

Two Upcoming Shredding Events

Dispose of your sensitive documents carefully by shredding them. There are two shredding events in May. Pick the one that suits your needs:

- **May 7.** Meals on Wheels, 7375 Park City Drive, Sac 95831. Donation of \$10 per box (banker's box size).
- **May 15.** AARP sponsored at the B.T. Collins U.S. Army Reserve Center, 6270 Midway Street, Sac 95828. This event is free, but you must register. [Click here](#) to register for this drive-thru event by May 13.



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Reminder: CROP WALK is April 26

Join us after church Sunday, April 26, as we participate in our annual Church World Service CROP Walk. [Click here](#) to read more about the CROP Walk and to sign up with the Parkview team. 25% of the funds raised stay in the local community. Last year eleven walkers and 41 donors from Parkview raised \$4,800, of which \$1,200 went to South Sacramento Interfaith Partnership.



SSIP Food Closet Still Going Strong

South Sacramento Interfaith Partnership's mission to alleviate hunger is thriving, empowered with God's grace. The Food Closet is a place of peace where people from many different countries and diverse neighborhoods, speaking several different languages, and of many faith groups come together in harmony. For a brief time in this small setting, the Oneness of us all is manifested in a ministry of nourishment and compassion.



SSIP is planning for significant increases of families needing a helping hand with food as the impacts of the passing of [H.R. 1](#) reach our communities, coupled with the soaring cost of living. Drastic reductions in federal funding will bring changes to CalFresh and Medi-Cal programs. Many lawfully present immigrants, refugees, asylees, and trafficking victims are expected to lose services, including food assistance (roughly 72,000) and medical coverage (roughly 200,000) with the stricter eligibility requirements. State and local agencies are currently managing the implementation of H.R.1, anticipating the loss of billions of federal dollars to California.

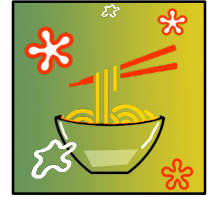
SSIP Food Closet stands strong to meet these challenges, continuing God's caring work to alleviate food insecurity, where all are welcome and divine action is alive and tangible. Go to www.ssipfoodcloset.org and check out the latest newsletter and video; both include Parkview people. If you want to show up and take action, visit the Volunteer page.

Tremendous thanks for all of the volunteers, donors, and prayers, and of course bags, boxes, egg cartons, and rubber bands.

- Submitted by Carla Hart

Summerfest is Back – Sunday, June 28!

After taking a break in 2025, Summerfest returns this year on Sunday, June 28. We will enjoy fellowship and line-dancing starting at 4:30 pm, with entertainment at 5:00 and dinner at 5:30 pm. We will keep the same ticket prices and sponsorship levels from 2024.



We are also making some changes to lessen the work for our volunteers. We'll celebrate our Parkview community, friends and family, remaining mindful that during these times of stress, heartache, and turmoil, we are strong together as we support each other and continue to trust that God is with us.

Start making plans to invite family and friends, consider being a sponsor, and help us with our silent auction. You can join a group of Parkview friends and make a basket, too. (See following article.) If you know a business owner or frequent a business, pick up a donation request letter which is located in a 3-ring binder next to the mailboxes in the narthex. Please follow the instructions in the binder before you approach a business. Let's make this a fun fundraiser and a wonderful celebration!

- Submitted by

Donna Komure-Toyama & Maurine Huang
Summerfest 2026 co-chairs

A Tisket, A Tasket, A Summerfest Basket

Parkview's Summerfest is happening on June 28, 2026. Summerfest attendees will have fun bidding on goodie-filled baskets created and donated by Parkview folks just like you. Mariners, PPW, Choir, and YES will also be creating and donating baskets. Previous Summerfest baskets included wok cooking items, Hawaiian island theme goodies, coffee mugs and a bag of coffee beans, sports theme items, auto accessories, gift cards, and more. Be bold and create a basket. All proceeds from the auction will be donated to Parkview. Create and assemble your basket and bring it to church on June 7 for wrapping and submitting of baskets.



Contact Carol Sakai, Irene Uno or Terri Bowman if you are thinking about creating a basket, want to discuss ideas for a basket, or want to donate a basket or request assistance.

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2026 Ukraine Benefit Concert Set for May 17

Please come to Parkview Church on May 17, 2026 at 11:30 am for its fifth Ukraine Benefit concert. The funds collected this year will be sent to our dear friend, Igor Bilorus, Pastor of the Church of Jesus Christ, Ternopil, Ukraine. Pastor Igor uses these funds to support summer camps for children who have lost a parent in Russia's war of aggression in Ukraine.



The talented trio of Igor Veligan (violin), Mike Dahlberg (cello), and Natsuki Fukasawa (piano) will perform the following:

Amy Beach, Romance for violin
Amy Beach, Berceuse for cello
Arvo Pärt, Mozart Adagio
Ludwig van Beethoven, Piano Trio op. 97 "Archduke"

As we enjoy the amazing concert, let us pray for peace for Ukraine. If you are unable to attend the concert, please consider donating to this worthy cause. [Click here](#) to donate online: choose General Fund and write "Ukraine Benefit" in the Notes section. You may also donate by check. Make checks payable to Parkview Presbyterian Church and write "Ukraine Benefit" in the Notes section. We will accept donations through May 17. Thanks in advance for your generosity.



Igor Veligan, Natsuki Fukasawa, and Mike Dahlberg perform at the 2025 Ukraine Benefit Concert.

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/>.

Apr 12: Worship Service. 10 am. Communion will be celebrated.

Worship Leader: Judy Fukuman

Japanese Reader: Miko Kumagai

Pianist: Nancy Arata-Fong

Communion Elders: Bill Grissom, Herning Grissom

YES: Kris Sazaki, Lynn Yamamoto

Online Moderator/Greeter: Aki Kumagai

Sound System: Titus Toyama

Parking: Dave McGill

Ushers: Bill Grissom, Herning Grissom

Greeters: Miko Kumagai, Jack Nordman

Altar Flowers: Bill & Herning Grissom

Apr 12: Cooking Class. After worship service. See [page 2](#) for details.



Apr 13: Embodied Listening. 6:30 pm. Social hall.

Apr 14: Gentle Yoga. 10 am in the social hall.

Apr 14: Bible Study. 6:30 pm via Zoom.

Apr 15: Choir Practice. 7 pm in the social hall.

Apr 16: Hatha-Vinyasa Practice. 6 pm. Social hall.

Apr 16: Session Meeting. 5:30 pm. Pastor's office.

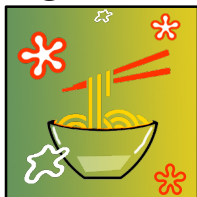
Upcoming Events

Apr 19: Worship Service. 10 am.
Worship Leader: Jonathan Sakakibara
Japanese Reader: Michael Wright
Pianist: Nancy Arata-Fong
Online Moderator/Greeter: Lori Hart
Sound System: Lois Van Beers
Parking: Jack Nordman, Titus Toyama
Ushers: Aki Kumagai, Miko Kumagai
Greeters: Julie Chew, Michael Wright
Altar Flowers: Betsy Eskridge &
Lois Van Beers

Apr 19: Coffee Time. After worship service.
Many thanks to Melissa Pascua, Kishwer Vikaas, Luda Wright, and Diane Younglove.



Apr 19: Summerfest Planning Meeting.
After worship service.
Everyone welcome!



Apr 20: Embodied Listening. 6:30 pm. Social hall.

Apr 21: Gentle Yoga. 10 am in the social hall.

Apr 21: Bible Study. 6:30 pm via Zoom.

Apr 22: Choir Practice. 7 pm. Social hall.

Apr 23: Hatha-Vinyasa Practice. 6 pm. Social hall.

Apr 26: Worship Service. Guest pastor. 10 am.
Worship Leader: Jack Nordman
Japanese Reader: Haruko Sakakibara
Pianist: Haruko Sakakibara
YES: Julie Chew, Cathy Nishizaki
Online Moderator/Greeter: Lori Hart
Sound System: Dave McGill
Parking: Russ Hart
Ushers: Terri Bowman, William Yee
Greeters: Miko Kumagai,
Sachiko Yoshikawa
Altar Flowers: Bill & Linda Nagata

Apr 26: Sacramento Earth Day 2026. 11 am - 4 pm.
Southside park. Admission free. Take extra care while parking.

Apr 26: CROP Walk. After worship service.
see [page 4](#).



Apr 26: Newsletter Deadline. 5:00 pm. Email photos/or articles (350 word max.) to officemanager@parkvienpc.org for inclusion in the May *Chapel Chimes*.

Apr 27: Embodied Listening. 6:30 pm. Social hall.

Apr 28: Gentle Yoga. 10 am in the social hall.

Apr 28: Bible Study. 6:30 pm via Zoom.

Apr 29: Choir Practice. 7 pm in the social hall.

Apr 30: Hatha-Vinyasa Practice. 6 pm. Social hall.

May 01: May Day 2026. A nationwide day of collective action: no school, no work, no shopping. Demand that we tax the rich, no ICE, no war. Hands off our vote. [Click here](#) for more information.

Upcoming Events

May 03: Worship Service. 10 am. Communion will be celebrated.

Worship Leader: Jonathan Sakakibara
Japanese Reader: Mieko Davis
Pianist: Haruko Sakakibara
Communion Elders: Irene Uno, Gary Younglove
YES: Ben Pryor, Kishwer Vikaas
Online Moderator/Greeter: Lois Van Beers
Sound System: Cathy Nishizaki
Parking: Phillip Chew
Ushers: Mieko Davis, Michael Wright
Greeters: Pattie Hashimoto, Luyan Tang
Altar Flowers: Lynn Yamamoto

May 04: Embodied Listening. 6:30 pm. Social hall.

May 05: Gentle Yoga. 10 am in the social hall.

May 05: Bible Study. 6 pm via Zoom.

May 05: Prayer Team Meeting. 7:15 pm via Zoom.

May 06: Choir Practice. 7 pm. in the social hall.

May 07: Shredding Event. See [page 3](#).

May 07: Hatha-Vinyasa Practice. 6 pm. Social hall.

May 10: Worship Service. 10 am.

Worship Leader: Donna Komure-Toyama
Japanese Reader: Aki Kumagai
Pianist: Wade Tambara
YES: Jana Nakase-Lee, Lynn Yamamoto
Online Moderator/Greeter: Aki Kumagai
Sound System: Jonathan Sakakibara
Parking: Ben Pryor
Ushers: Jack Nordman, Irene Uno
Greeters: Maurine Huang, Jack Nordman
Altar Flowers: Steve & Barbie Fujinaka

Save the Dates!

May 14. Session meeting

May 15. AARP Shredding Event. See [page 3](#).

May 17. 5th Ukraine Benefit Concert. See [page 5](#).

Jun 07. Summerfest raffle baskets due. See [page 4](#).

Jun 14. Pride Parade

Jun 21. Altar flowers needed (Father's Day)

Jun 28. Summerfest

Jul 05. Cooking Class. Open inari and cucumber salad. Note revised date.

Jun 28. Summerfest

Jul 05. Altar flowers needed

Jul 05. Cooking Class: open inari and cucumber salad

Aug 16. Altar flowers needed

Oct 04. Altar flowers needed

Oct 11. Altar flowers needed

Dec 27. Altar flowers needed. Contact [Judy Yee](#) to donate altar flowers.



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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 with any questions.

Special Donations: Paula Fujiwara, Randy & Lillie Shiroy

In Celebration of Judy's 80th Birthday: Tak & Judy Fukuman

In Memory of Hannah Mori: Fumi Nakata

In Memory of Nettie F. & George G. Muramoto: Gene Muramoto

In Memory of Joan Shiraki: Gene Muramoto

In Memory of Neppy (Milt Yee's & May Lee's dog): May Lee, Jack & Carol Sakai

One Great Hour of Sharing: Jody Brown, Steve & Janet Hill, Jerry & Maurine Huang, Dave McGill, Titus & Donna (Komure) Toyama, Lynn Yamamoto, Hach & Linda Yasumura

In Support of CROP Walk: Fumi Nakata

In Support of PPW: Dave McGill

Easter Offerings: Wade Tambara

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.