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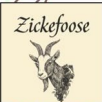
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God's Masterpiece is Mother
*God took pieces of everything
wonderful to make moms.*

God took the fragrance of a flower...
The majesty of a tree...
The gentleness of morning dew...
The calm of a quiet sea...
The beauty of the twilight hour...
The soul of a starry night...
The laughter of a rippling brook...
The grace of a bird in flight...
Then God fashioned
from these things
A creation like no other,
And when his masterpiece
was through
He called it simply – Mother.

by Herbert Farnham



Karla Moberly was honored on her birthday for her work with various committees.



.Top: Pastor Cindy, Gwen Christiansen and Evelyn Bunting enjoy themselves at the Haiti Mission Chili Cook Off Fundraiser.



Springtime is a time for LOVE!

This is love: not that we loved God, but that God loved us ... - 1 John 4:10

John 15:12-13 "My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends."

May seems to be a good month to talk about love. There are so many reasons to feel love from God in the Spring. When we look at the blooming roses, feel the heat, smell the Eucalyptus tree leaves and watch the grapes around us grow, spend time with our friends, God's love is communicated.

An Upper Room devotional by Dan Johnson, discussed the different definitions of love and how God's love is distinctive. Johnson said, "Love has been defined in many different ways. One of those ways is that love is something we do. We love. We do. We make a difference. Yet, the apostle John saw it differently. Love, he says, is not primarily something we do but something God does — something God is.

Our love for others and ourselves is a response to God's love. We can let go of the notion that love — or anything else — starts with us. It begins with God, who is the alpha and omega, the beginning and end, the first and last."

Johnson calls God's love "great news," Because: "We can relax, knowing that love doesn't originate with us, but comes from an endless, abounding, overflowing, and incredible supply. We can draw on God's love and let it overflow to and through us. God's love may lead us to some surprising places and circumstances, but God will already be there. God sets an example of sacrificial love for us. Because God's love is sacrificial, we often need to make some sacrifice to

love others well. We love because God first loved us."

So in the spirit of God's love, let's sacrifice some time and energy to help our church's mission and activities grow and flourish to show God's love in our community and beyond. Here are some ways:

1. **Attend** worship services and show your love of God in worship.
2. **Participate** in our garden maintenance and care of the earth.
3. **Come** to the Boy Scouts BBQ on May 7th to help our Troop 135.
4. **Bring** lots of friends and neighbors to our Spring Fling May 21st.
5. **Embrace** our new members with your love by getting to know them and invite them to church programs you are a part of.
6. **Pray** for our church and help it grow by wearing your t-shirt, talking to your friends about coming along with you to worship, and inviting your children and grandchildren to join you on Mother's day to celebrate your Mom and their Mom.

God is good all the time and God is love ALL the TIME! I'm sure you can think of even more ways you can show love by loving and giving and caring for your church and our mission in the world. I would LOVE to hear your ideas and plans.

Love, Pastor Cindy

Let all that you do be done in love.



AROUND THE CHURCH



Save these Dates

HS & College Grad PHOTOS for newsletter due May 18
BOY SCOUT BBQ DINNER 4:30 & 6:30: Saturday, May 7
SPRING FLING: Saturday, May 21
COMMUNITY CONCERT: SR Children's Chorus, May 15
COMMUNITY CONCERT: New Horizons Swing Band, May 22
VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL: June 13-17
ALL CHURCH PICNIC: Sunday, June 12
HYMN SING: June 19 Father's Day
INDEPENDENCE DAY SERVICE: July 3

Volunteer Opportunities

Call the church office
if interested in any of these.

BOWEN HALL SUNDAY GREETER
FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
SPRING FLING VOLUNTEERS
VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL



Essence of the Rose Health Ministry

How Much is Too Much? “Food...and drink” for thought

Last month was alcohol awareness month. According to some research studies, nearly 24 million Americans suffer from mild to severe drinking problems. Clinicians are bracing for a wave of alcohol-related cognitive problems as the big-drinking baby boomers grow old.

What is just one drink? One drink is...

- 12 oz. of beer (about 5% alcohol)
- 8 oz. strong beer (about 7% alcohol)
- 5 oz. wine (about 12% alcohol)
- 1.5 oz. spirits (about 40% alcohol)

Why it's smart to stick with one or two drinks (and no more!) every day.

Researchers studied 45,000 men to look for a link between their drinking habits and their risk of death in the next 5 to 20 years. Turns out, exceeding about 1.6 drinks a day erases any alcohol related health benefit and increases mortality risk. But if you stop drinking, some liver damage may be reversible within 6 to 12 months.

So, enjoy the health benefits of that ONE DRINK per day...no more!



Christie Page
RN, MSN



Deborah Baker MSN,
ACHPN, FNP-BC

**Blood Pressure Screenings are after church
in the library on the 4th Sunday of the
month. See you then!**

The Roses Health Ministry Team

The VOYAGERS helping out at the Redwood Empire Food Bank!

About 26 people volunteered at the food bank. It was productive and fun! - photos by Chris Nelle



The 2016 Pedal for Protein

campaign is live at

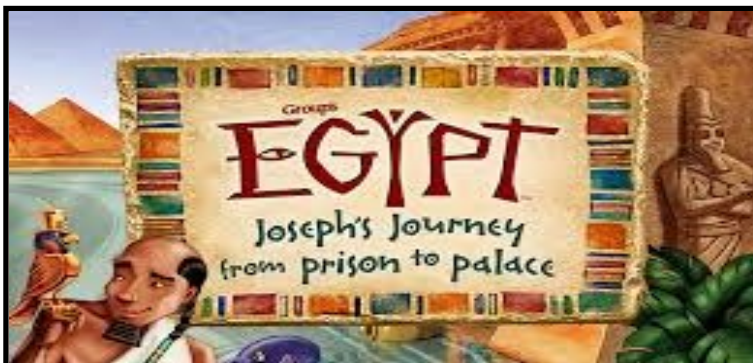
[www.imathlete.com/events/](http://www.imathlete.com/events/PedalforProtein)

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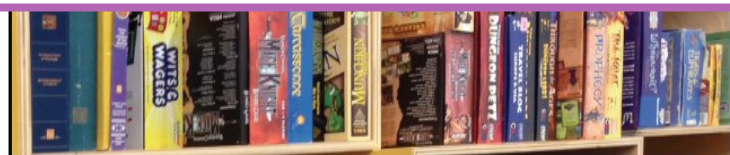
have a brand new 5 day route

starting in Mendocino the day af-

ter the September Presbytery meeting, September 18. The ride will go to Ukiah, Middletown, Davis and Rockville. At Davis we will be hosted by Davis Community (Presbyterian) Church, thanks to Roger Hull and Frank Hamilton. A private tour of the US Cycling Museum in Davis is planned. Our last day at Rockville, Thursday 9/22 will offer four loop rides from 10 to 48 miles. Let's ride and raise funds for Protein for our local food pantries. Last year we raised \$33,654! *How much can we raise this year?*



VBS 2016 is coming June 13-17 from 9am-noon for ages 4-11. Register now to Journey to Egypt with Joseph! Cost is \$10/child, maximum \$25/family, scholarships are available. Volunteers (adults or teens) are needed to help with crafts, snacks, music, drama, recreation, and supervision. Contact the church office or Diane Osten (707-239-1506) for more information or to volunteer.



Check out the PCOR Video Library In the Rose Room

DVDs and Videotapes and CDs on Religion and Philosophy, History, Archeology, American Topics, Exercise and even some Fun Movies. Just fill out a borrowing slip in the CHECK OUT box and enjoy.

Do you know someone who would be a good foster parent?

Suggest that they consider foster parenting. Call Foster Home Developer for information at 565-4274. For other ways to help visit http://www.sonomafostercare.org/html/other_ways.htm



BOY SCOUT TROOP

135

Enjoy a delicious dinner while supporting your local boyscout troop in bringing boys to the outdoors!

MAY 7th

TWO Seating Times:

4:30-6:00 or 6:00-7:30

FOUR Entre' Choices: Tri-Tip, Chicken, Portabello, or Ribs!

also available

TO GO!!

TICKETS:

adults-\$20

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The Flower Calendar needs help!

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Court

Honor your loved ones
and help to beautify the
sanctuary.



MUSIC & MEMORY WORKSHOP

Learn the Ukulele!

Sundays at 9 am
in the Sunday School Rooms

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COMMITTEE UPDATES



Worship Committee

The Worship committee would like to thank all the church members and guests who joined us in the journey

from Ash Wednesday through Easter this year.

The Easter season continues until Pentecost, which we celebrate on May 15th.

In addition, we look forward to honoring our mothers on May 8th and the last two concerts in this year's concerts series on May 15th and 22nd.



Church and World

Mission Co-worker Bernie Adeney-Risakotta is scheduled to preach in our church on July 24 and will be accompanied by his wife Farsijana on that visit. The following is one of the letters we've received from Presbyterian Mission Workers in Indonesia.

Dear Congregation of the Presbyterian Church of the Roses, Santa Rosa:

... Farsijana has been helping women villagers see how they can process and package the food they grow so that ... it can be sold for much more than the raw materials. . . Sometimes they make up to 400% profit selling snacks and food that is ready to eat, over what they would receive just by selling the raw materials. . . Loving our Muslim neighbors. . . sharing the amazing love of God, breaking down barriers between Muslims and Christians and helping strengthen the economy of villagers will not end war, terrorism, global warming, poverty or prejudice. . . But it is a whole lot more joyful than living in fear. As W.H. Auden said, "We must love each other or die. . ."

Warm regards, Dr. Bernie Adeney-Risakotta

The Chili Cook Off fundraiser for the Haiti Mission Trip raised \$3007.

Thank you to all who gave to the event and the silent auction!

Stephen Ministries

A very

dedicated team of Stephens Ministers are meeting regularly with their care receivers and meeting with one another for peer supervision and continuing education. We would like to see this ministry expand with more care receivers as well as more care givers. If you or anyone you know would like to be part of our next SM training class, please let Kay Young or Pastor Cindy know. Also, if you or anyone you know would benefit from having a caring individual to walk alongside you during a difficult period of life, please contact Kay or Cindy. Your current Stephen ministers are Kay Young, Jeanette Nichols, Brian Smith, Charlotte Finney and Bob Flandermeyer.

Membership

We will receive new members during the church service on two different Sundays, May 1st and May 8th.

New members are **Lucy Poindexter, Suzanne Hanson, Felipa and Scott Jones, Jim and Kay Vick, Judy and Bob Moore, Pamela Ryan, Gary and Susan Smith, and Bob Wills.**

Membership will be in charge of the Fashion Show for your Spring Fling on May 21st. Chico's will be providing the clothes for the fashion show. We hope all will attend the Spring Fling as it will be much fun. Bring your friends !



Rosebud Preschool

Lady Bugs, Silk Worms and Butterflies – This month has been all about exploring our world and how to take care of it. We have released lady bugs into our apple trees to try to

naturally keep the aphids under control. We have been watching our silk worms hatch and get bigger and bigger. They are just starting to spin. Our butterflies are at the chrysalis stage and we are looking forward to when we can release them. Right now we are learning about what we can compost, what we can recycle and how to reduce the amount of things we put in the trash.

Church members serving on the Preschool Board:
Nancy Hanson, Nancy Morgan, and Diane Osten.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Finance

Through the first quarter of 2016 revenues are behind budget and slightly less than same time last year. Please check to see that you are on pace with your 2016 pledge. If you need to check with your YTD offerings made vs annual pledge, please call the office. Expenses are on budget. For the first quarter the church posted a small loss of \$1,198. However, for the first quarter our preschool made \$4,094 after contributing \$5,900 to the church for space and services provided.

The renewal of our mortgage was finished in the first quarter and the balance is all the way down to \$155,000

Cash reserves to support the needs of both the church and the preschool remain strong at over \$150,000.

As always, if you would like any more information or clarification never hesitate to call,
Chris Nelle 527-0576

Personnel

The April meeting was held on Tuesday April 12.

Present was Chair Jim Taylor, Linda Burille, Robert Cortez, Gene Michel, and Roger Wong. Also in attendance, Pastor Cindy Alloway.

The committee has approved hiring Cheyenne Hernandez for the Children's Program Coordinator/Teacher position. Upon completion of reference and background checks, the committee recommended the hire to Session on April 26th.

The committee is in the process of establishing the task force to develop a job description and start the job search for a part-time Director of Family Ministries.

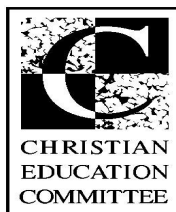
Nancy Morgan continued her analysis of the job description for the new Finance Administrator position following Cindy Larson's resignation. Nancy's consulting role was due to end April 30. The committee approved hiring Nancy as the new part-time Finance Administrator. She will work three hours in the morning on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays.

Staff evaluations will be reviewed at the May meeting.

Session

Church and World Committee reported that over \$600 was raised for the One Great Hour of Sharing offering on Palm Sunday. Pastor Cindy distributed a document to session: "Ten Ways to Grow Your Church" which was discussed and will be considered further. She reported on ways she hopes to recognize individual members of the congregation for their service. The Session voted at the request of the Membership Committee to delete the following members from the rolls either due to transfer of membership to another congregation or inactivity and/or lack of response to communications: Robert (Craig) McKinley, James Mason, Heather Wells, Mabel Best, Joan Fries Dingman, and Ruth Williams. The session approved the job description for a new position: Children's Program Coordinator/Teacher, who will provide needed continuity for the Sunday School held during worship services. Kay Young, Chair of Worship and Arts, reported on plans for training new Stephen Ministers. The Boy Scouts are sponsoring a BBQ Truck and will serve food in Bowen Hall on Saturday, May 7 to raise funds for the Boy Scout Troop 135 which meets in our church.

Alice Crouch, Clerk of Session



We are celebrating the approaching end of the Cultural Literacy for Religions class. We have learned a great deal about the varied faiths of the world and have discovered many ideas and beliefs we share in our own faith. New learning opportunities will be ahead and we welcome input about topics and times people prefer. Because of very low attendance the Sunday morning class on the Gospels will be concluding soon. We will try to find another time that will be better for Bible Study. The big excitement for the committee is the upcoming Vacation Church school featuring the story of Joseph in Egypt. Diane Osten has already amassed supplies for the program and volunteers to help create a good experience for the kids who come. She may be calling you!

Please volunteer for June 13-17th!

**Please visit our website to access previous sermons.
We have many in PDF format for reading and have recently
added audio of this year's sermons.**

From Deacons: *Would you be willing to offer a ride to church to another member on Sunday? If so, please contact the office so arrangements can be made to connect you with a rider.*



Prayer Requests

Please include in your prayers

Those mourning the loss of a friend or family member

- ♦ Please pray for the family of Don Utley, who passed away April 23rd.
- ♦ Please pray for the family of Mary Olson, who passed away April 3rd.
Her memorial will be Friday, May 20th at 1 pm.
- ♦ Please pray for the family of Carole Somer, who passed away March 28th.
Friends are invited to attend a BBQ at her home on April 30th 2-5 pm at 2351 Desert Palm, 95403.
- ♦ Please pray for the family of David Browne, who passed away February 26th.
- ♦ Please pray for the family of Rosella Cooper, who passed away recently.
- ♦ Please pray for the family of Melissa Jones, who passed away recently.

Please pray for those facing health issues

John Baker
Judy Bello
Dan Boland
Jim Chestnut
Jackie Del Carlo
Wendy Galde
Krissy Healy

Jim Mason
Karla Moberly
Sam Imbimbo
Mary Ann Iodence
Jim Chestnut
Ron Kram
Marie Patchin

Albert Reil
Alan Reil
Vera Patten
Pamela Sage
Barbara Saunders
Ed and Fay St. John
Ines Teague


Those serving in our military

Sgt. David A. Dickens, USAF Jason Morse, Coast Guard Lt. Ian Alloway Culver,
Lt. Col. David Trowbridge, M.D. is stationed at the Joint Air Force Base Elmendorf-Richardson in Anchorage, Alaska and serves as a Cardiologist with the Alaska Native Medical Center.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Communion Sunday Rose Clippings 8:00 AM Korean Wor- ship 9:00 AM Learn Ukulele 10:00 AM Worship	2 MHS Breakfast Office Closed 8:00 AM MHS IB AP Exams 10:00 AM Senior Exercise 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	3 MHS Breakfast 8:00 AM MHS IB AP Exams 8:30 AM Buildings & Grounds 10:00 AM PW Coordi- nating MTG 12:30 PM Fellowship MTG 1:30 PM Membership MTG	4 MHS Breakfast 10:00 AM Staff Mtg. 11:00 AM Bulletin Mtg. 4 PM Voena Rehearsal 5:15 PM Stephen Minis- try	5 MHS Breakfast National Day of Prayer 12:00 PM Simply Friends 6 PM Bellissimo 7:30 PM Choir	6 MHS Break- fast 12:00 PM Noon Hour of Prayer 1:00 PM MHS IB AP Exams	7 6:30 AM Korean Prayer 11:30 AM Boy Scout/ Church BBQ
8 Mother's Day 8:00 AM Korean Wor- ship 8:15 AM Four Gospels Bible Study 9:00 AM Learn Ukulele 10:00 AM Worship	9 MHS Breakfast Office Closed 10:00 AM Senior Exercise 1:00 PM MHS IB AP Exams 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	10 MHS Breakfast 8:30 AM Buildings & Grounds 10:00 AM PW Sewing 12:30 PM Personnel 4:30 PM Worship 7:00 PM Deacons	11 MHS Breakfast 10:00 AM Staff Mtg. 11:00 AM Bulletin Mtg.	12 MHS Breakfast 12:00 PM Simply Friends 1:00 PM MHS IB AP Exams 6:00 PM Bellissi- mo Practice 7:30 PM Choir	13 MHS Break- fast 12:00 PM Noon Hour of Prayer	14 6:30 AM Korean Prayer 9:30 AM Handicapa- bles
15 Pentecost 8:00 AM Korean Wor- ship 9:00 AM Learn Ukulele 10:00 AM Worship 2:00 PM ROSES CONCERT SERIES: Santa Rosa Children's Chorus	16 MHS Breakfast Office Closed 10:00 AM Sen- ior Exercise 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	17 MHS Breakfast 8:30 AM Buildings & Grounds 10:30 AM PW Bible Study & Luncheon 7:00 PM Christian Edu. Meeting 7:30 PM Boy Scouts	18 MHS Breakfast Rose Clip- pings Sub- missions Due 10:00 AM Staff Mtg. 5:15 PM Stephen Ministry 5:15 PM Voena Recital	19 MHS Breakfast 8:00 AM Pre-K Celebration 10 AM Leader- ship Cohort 12:00 PM Simply Friends 3:30 PM Book Club 5:00 PM Finance 6 PM Bellissimo 7:30 PM Choir	20 MHS Break- fast 12:00 PM Noon Hour of Prayer	21 SPRING FLING! 6:30 AM Korean Prayer in S.School Rms
22 Trinity Sunday 8 AM Korean Worship 9:00 AM Learn Ukulele 10:00 AM Worship 11:15 AM Healthy BP 2:00 PM ROSE CON- CERT SERIES: New Horizons Swing Band 7 PM Knox Celebration	23 MHS Breakfast Office Closed 10:00 AM Senior Exercise 7:00 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM Pre- school Board Meeting	24 MHS Breakfast 8:30 AM Buildings & Grounds 10:00 AM PW Sewing 5:30 PM Church and World 7:00 PM Session MTG	25 MHS Breakfast 10:00 AM Staff Mtg. 11:00 AM Bul- letin Mtg.	26 MHS Breakfast 12:00 PM Simply Friends 2:00 PM Favorite Film Series 6:00 PM Bellissi- mo Practice 7:30 PM Choir Practice	27 MHS Break- fast Special Graduation Ceremony 12:00 PM Noon Hour of Prayer	28 6:30 AM Korean Prayer
29 Rose Clippings 8 AM Korean Worship 9:00 AM Learn the Ukulele 10:00 AM Worship	30 Memorial Day NO breakfast Office Closed 10:00 AM Senior Exercise 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	31 MHS Breakfast 8:30 AM Buildings & Grounds	<div>MAY 2016</div>			



Presbyterian Women

Tuesday, May 17

Bible Study # 9 10:30 a.m.

Salad Pot Luck Lunch 12:15

Moving Day for the LIVING ROOM

Speaker: Cheryl Parkinson

Executive Director of the Living Room

PW Birthday Offering



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Round Table Pizza 12:30 p.m.
New Horizons Swing Band
2:00 p.m. at Roses



WINDJAMMERS

Let's meet at the Round Table pizza in Montgomery Village-after church, on Sunday, May 15th. Enjoy time together and then back to church for a wonderful concert with Carole Menke and her Children's Chorus which starts at 2:00 pm. Call Hal & Pat Sneath at 578-7143 if you would like to join us.

All are welcome!



Favorite Film Series

Thurs. May 26

2:00 p.m.

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Sunday Matinee at 2:00 p.m.
Senior Tickets \$32.00

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MUSIC Notes



The Roses Signature Concert Series will present the following concerts for your listening pleasure:

May 15 – Santa Rosa Children's Chorus, -Carol Menke, Director -Moved

from March due to a conflict.

May 22 – New Horizons Swing Band,
Ray Walker, Director

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Roses Signature
Concert Series

Sunday

May 15

2:00 p.m.



Santa Rosa Children's Chorus

Carol Menke, Artistic Director
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Roses Signature
Concert Series

Sunday

May 22, 2016

2:00 p.m.



New Horizons Swing Band

Ray Walker, Director

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Book Club

Thurs. May 19

3:30 P.M.

State of Wonder by Ann Patchett

Morality and Miracles
In the Amazon
Rainforest

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