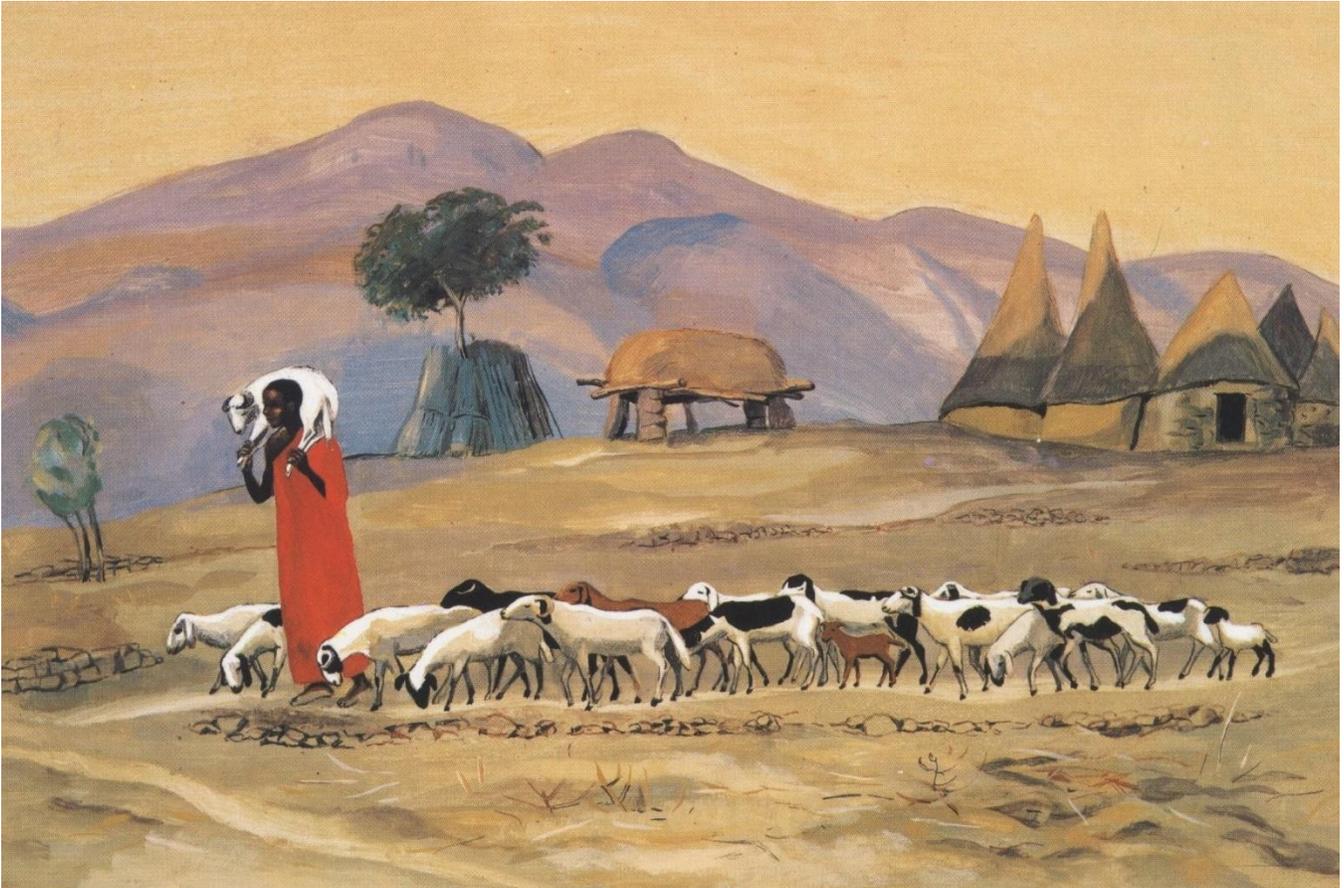




PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE ROSES

Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to All God's People



JESUS MAFA. *The good shepherd*, from *Art in the Christian Tradition*, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. JESUS MAFA is a response to the New Testament readings from the Lectionary by a Christian community in Cameroon, Africa. Each of the readings were selected and adapted to dramatic interpretation by the community members.

April 22, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Worship 10 am

*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

One: God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear, selfishly acquiring goods and security for ourselves while others face bombings, starvation and neglect.

All: **We speak of your great love yet we are too afraid to love the “least of these” among us that you call us to love. We express concerns for the poor but our own actions are lacking in zeal and commitment.**

One: Forgive us God of grace. Good shepherd, restore your souls, help us abide in your love and lead us in your path of righteousness for your name’s sake.

Amen.

*WORDS OF AFFIRMATION

One: By laying down his life for his flock, Jesus revealed his love for all.

All: **Still today Christ leads us from the place of death to the place of abundant life.**

One: By his hands we are healed and forgiven.

All: **Alleluia, Amen!**

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581

Gloria Patri

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY “But the Lord is Mindful of His Own” Felix Mendelssohn

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PASSING OF THE PEACE

***HYMN #2071** PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION “Jesus, Name Above All Names”

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 23

This is the word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM “My Shepherd Will Supply My Need” arr. Mack Wilberg

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: 1 John 3:16-24

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! **Thanks be to God!**

*HYMN #836 (vs.1,3,5)

"Abide With Me"

text by Henry F. Lyte, 1847, music by William Monk, 1861

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

One: How blessed are we, holy and unending God, by your faithfulness in love.

All: **How blessed are we, good and gracious God, by your comfort amidst life's storms.**

One: How blessed are we, mighty and just God, for the salvation that you are working out in us and for all creation.

All: **We sing our praises and thanksgivings every day and all through the night in joy and all through our tears, in the day and all through the shadows of night.**

One: We sing our praises and thanksgivings for those persons who, like you O God, walk with us, guide us and shape us, and we name them silently in gratitude:

(Silent thanksgiving) We sing our praises and thanksgivings in chorus with the cries and laments that rise to your ears, joining our voices, recognizing your presence:

All: **We pray especially for women and girls around the world, from Nigeria to Syria, from South Sudan to indigenous communities, agonized that our world does not value human life as you do.**

One: Tell us again that you are like a shepherd, not losing sight of any one person despite the world's violence and neglect.

All: **Tell us again that you suffer with us, but that suffering is not your vision for life on earth.**

One: Whisper to us in the voice we long to hear. Call us to seek life for all people, all creation, including immigrants, refugees; our brother and sisters who happen to be born in desperate and dangerous circumstances. Keep us all within your faithful care.

***All:* We appeal to your grace in the name of Jesus as we pray the prayer you taught us saying: (The Lord's Prayer) Amen**

CHORAL RESPONSE

*HYMN #233 "The Day of Resurrection" Henry T. Smart, 1835

*BENEDICTION *A traveling prayer by St. Columba*

Our dearest Lord,
Be Thou a bright flame before us.
Be Thou a guiding star above us.
Be Thou a smooth path beneath us.
Be Thou a kindly shepherd behind us,
Today and evermore.....

POSTLUDE "Ein Feste Burg ist Unser Gott" J. C.H. Rinck

(Prayer of the People adapted from a prayer written by Rachel Hackenberg and posted on RevGalBlogPals. <http://revgalblogpals.org/>)

Did You Know?

"Abide with Me" is a Christian hymn by Scottish Anglican Henry Francis Lyte, often sung to composer William Henry Monk's tune entitled "Eventide". Lyte wrote the poem in 1847 and set it to music while he lay dying from tuberculosis.

Liturgist: Deborah Baker



***Flowers are given by Kay Young,
in memory of my father, Don
Young, who would have turned 97
on April 20th of this year.***

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Prayer Requests

Please include in your prayers:

Those mourning the loss of a friend or family member

- Please pray for the family and friends of Helen MacKenzie as they mourn her passing on March 23, 2018. ***Her memorial will be Saturday, May 5th at 1 pm.***
- Please pray for the family of Joan Payne Huntoon who passed away Feb. 21, 2018. She was a charter member and an organist here at Church of the Roses.
- Please pray for the family of Betty Thornton, who passed away on March 13th. *Her memorial is pending.*

Those facing health issues

Jerry Alloway
 John Baker
 Judy Bello
 Barbara Blinn
 Bob Bunting
 Patrick Butler
 Kathryn Alloway Culver
 Aileen Christie
 Margorie Alloway Dreger
 Dick Draper
 Ray Foreaker
 Eric Hoche

Ted McCarthy
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 Jason Montsier
 Jessica Morse
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 Fred Recknagel

Bob Simmons
 Marguerite St. Juste
 Marisa Taylor
 Bob Weber
 Helen Wikle
 Betty Witchey-Ryer
 Jill White
 Roger White
 Jamie Yen

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, Ak and serves as a Cardiologist with the Alaska Native Medical Center, Chris Loranger serving in Afghanistan.



Roses Signature
Concert Series



**April 29
2 pm**

**Santa Rosa Children's
Choral Academy**

Free Admission. Donations Welcome!

ROSES SIGNATURE CONCERT SERIES

SR Children's Choral Academy
April 29 at 2 pm

Song of Sonoma
May 22 at 2 pm

Free Community Concerts
Donations welcome!

Join the
BOOMERS and the
 GIRL SCOUTS
 April 22nd at 12:00 Noon
BLESSING BAGS

TODAY! "Blessing Bags"

The Boomers will be teaming with the Girl Scout Troop to put together "Blessing Bags" for the homeless. Our desire is to create bags to distribute in lieu of cash when encountering those who are homeless. In addition to helping put the bags together, the girls in the troop are contributing items using some of their cookie proceeds.



The Spirituality Of Writing Class
 Will Continue

On The Fourth Sunday Of Each Month.

Whether you have been a participant from the beginning in January 2018 or would like to join in the experience of writing, we welcome you.

This 4th Sunday at 11:30 am
IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM

We will resolve to evolve on this wonderful subject, and support each person in their **WRITING ENDEAVORS.**

VOYAGERS at
 REDWOOD EMPIRE
FOOD BANK
 April 25 @5 pm

Join us at the REFB on Wednesday, April 25 at 5 pm. Stay for dinner at Kaffe Mocha in Windsor! Callers will be contacting you. Any questions, call Diane Pierce or Diane Osten.



April 28, 2018 at 10 am.

Learn about
 Habitat's Homeownership
 Program. Church of the
 Roses, Bowen Hall.

The Santa Rosa Symphonic Chorus invites PCOR to attend their fundraiser, *"An Afternoon at the Opera"* presented on Saturday, May 12 at 3:00 pm in Bowen Hall. You will hear a sampling of favorite arias and opera choruses performed by members of the chorus. **Tickets are available for \$30.00** through their website at santarosasympmonicchorus.com or at the door.

4/22	9:00 AM	Learn Ukulele
<i>Sunday</i>	10:00 AM	Worship
	11:15 AM	Healthy BP Screenings
	11:30 AM	Bill St. John: Piano Recital (Rose Room)
	11:30 AM	Spirituality of Writing Class
	12:00 PM	Boomers and Girl Scouts Make Blessing Bags
4/23	7:00 AM	MHS Breakfast
<i>Monday</i>	11:00 AM	Tai Chi Support Class
	12:00 PM	Qi Gong
	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts Troop #135
	7:00 PM	Preschool Board Meeting
4/24	7:00 AM	MHS Breakfast
<i>Tuesday</i>	8:30 AM	Buildings & Grounds
	10:00 AM	PW Sewing
	4:00 PM	SRCA Chorus Practice
	5:30 PM	Church and World
	7:00 PM	Session Meeting
4/25	7:00 AM	MHS Breakfast
<i>Wednesday</i>	10:30 AM	Staff Meeting
	5:00 PM	Voyagers at REFB
	7:00 PM	"How Jesus Became God" Video Class
4/26	7:00 AM	MHS Breakfast
<i>Thursday</i>	10:00 AM	Peace & Global Group in Library
	12:00 PM	Noon Hour of Prayer
	6:00 PM	Bells practice
	7:00 PM	A.A.
	7:30 PM	Choir practice
4/27	7:00 AM	MHS Breakfast
<i>Friday</i>	7:00 PM	Gamblers Anonymous
	7:00 PM	Korean Youth Group
4/28	10:00 AM	Habitat for Humanity
<i>Saturday</i>	10:30 AM	Tai Chi
4/29	9:00 AM	Learn Ukulele
<i>Sunday</i>	10:00 AM	Worship
	2:00 PM	Free Community Concert: SR Children's Choral Academy



**SIGN UP FOR VBS DAY
CAMP!** June 11-15
(9-noon), Ages 4-11,
\$10 week, \$25 max. fam.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!