



**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE ROSES**

*Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to All God's People*

before you speak  
**THINK**  
T ... Is it true?  
H ... Is it helpful?  
I ... Is it inspiring?  
N ... Is it necessary?  
K ... Is it kind?

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. (Philippians 4:8)

**September 16, 2018 ~ Worship 10 am**

**First Time Here?** Thank you for coming! Please pick up a Welcome Bag in the narthex. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in Bowen Hall.

**Assistance needed?**

Large print bulletins and hearing devices are available from the ushers.

**Tip for the Service**

\*Asterisk means please stand if able.

The **BOLD** is spoken by the congregation. Please sign the red friendship pad in the pews and pass it.

**Children with you?**

Activity materials for young worshipers are in the entry way.

Childcare and Sunday School are provided during the service.

**Questions on where to go?**

Please ask the Ushers by the doors.

## **CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

PRELUDE

*Soliloquy*

by Robert Cundick

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

INTROIT

*Let's Sing unto the Lord*

by Carlos Rosas, 1976

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (inspired by Psalm 19)

One: Incline your hearts to the wisdom of God; seek integrity and understanding. The testimonies of God are wonderful; God's law gives light to all who hear it.

**All: If you accept God's words and store up his commands within you, if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, If you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will find the knowledge of God, for the Lord gives wisdom and from his mouth comes truth and understanding.**

One: God holds victory in store for the upright and is a shield to those whose walk is blameless.

**All: Let us worship God!**

\*HYMN #451

*Open My Eyes That I May See*

Clara H. Scott, 1895

\*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (responsively) (inspired by Psalm 19)

One: Eternal God, whose signature we see, if we dare to look, in the creation of the universe, help us this hour to look and to listen for your handwriting and your voice in this place, among these people.

**All: Connect our temporary praise to Your timeless rhythms, your ageless melodies, your everlasting joyful noise.**

One: Guide us now to focus upon You, knowing that in You, our distractions become new possibilities for action.

**In our worship we reach out to You, O God, knowing that You have already enfolded us in Your arms. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

\*WORDS OF AFFIRMATION (responsively)

God breathes life into our singing, our praying, our speaking and our listening, - that all these activities might become more than they are for the glory of God! Thank you, Lord! **Amen**

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581

*Gloria Patri*

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Love Divine*

by John Stainer

\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*HYMN #519 vs1

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*You are My Strength When I am Weak*

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 116: 1-9

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

ANTHEM

*The Heaven's Are Telling*

by Franz Joseph Hayden

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: James 3: 1-12

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

HYMN #39

*Great is Thy Faithfulness*

Thomas Chisholm, 1923

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE (inspired by the book of James)

One: Creator of Light, from whom comes every perfect gift, hear our prayers which we offer sincerely to you, and in the name of our glorious Lord Jesus Christ. We pray for the church, that we might show forth our faith in action, regard all with impartiality, and be quick to listen and slow to anger. Lord, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

One: We pray for our nation, that whenever trials may befall us, that God may grant us endurance and wisdom. Lord, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

One: We pray for the world, that the lowly may be raised up, and that mercy may fall on us all. Lord, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

One: We pray for the sick, the injured, the vulnerable, and those undergoing all forms of adversity, especially those who suffered because of the 9/11 tragedies that they might all be raised up for healing and wholeness. Lord, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

One: We pray for those who have died, especially we pray for the McCarthy family, that they would draw near to God, and that their sorrows be comforted, and their memories be precious. Lord, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

One: Gracious God, let our prayers be offered to you with the gentleness that is born from your wisdom from above, that is pure, peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, and full of mercy.

**(The Lord's Prayer) Amen.**

\*HYMN #456

*Listen, God is Calling*

*Howard S. Olson, 1987*

\*BENEDICTION – INVITATION TO FOLLOW

Abandon the illusion you're a self-contained individual.

Be a part of this wounded world,

and find yourself with Christ.

Set aside your own desires,  
 give yourself fully for others;  
 be the hands and heart of Jesus.  
 Renounce self-protection,  
 accept your brokenness,  
 and reach out for love.  
 Let go of your own plans.  
 Join in the healing of the world.  
 You will not be alone.  
 Follow your soul, not your ego.  
 Follow it right into people's suffering.  
 Follow it right into the heart of God.  
 Pour yourself out;  
 let the world pour in;  
 then you are one with the Beloved.

References:

Call to Worship: ~ posted on Rev. Richard Fairchild's Kir-shalom website. <http://www.rockies.net/>

Congregational prayer adapted from: ~ posted on My Redeemer Lives website.

<http://www.myredeemerlives.com/prayers.html>

Prayer of the People adapted from: a prayer written by Rick Morley, and posted on his A Garden Path blog.

<http://www.rickmorley.com/archives/1895>

Benediction written by Steve Garnaas-Holmes & posted on Unfolding Light. <https://www.unfoldinglight.net/>

POSTLUDE

*Voluntary in C Major*

by Henry Purcell

Liturgist: Nancy Taylor



***Flowers are given by the Steele  
 family in loving memory of their  
 mother, Joy Steele.***

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Please include in your prayers:

### **Those mourning the loss of a friend or family member**

\*Please pray for the family and friends of Kathy Ingram as they mourn her passing in June.

\*Please pray for the family of Dr. Ted McCarthy who passed on August 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
***His memorial service will be held here today at 2:00 pm.***

### **Those with health issues**

John Baker  
Jim Bauer  
Bill Beaumont  
Judy Bello  
Barbara Blinn  
Bob Bunting  
Patrick Butler  
Dick Draper  
Ray Foreaker  
Jason Montsier  
Jessica Morse

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Bob Simmons  
Marisa Taylor  
Sylvia Turner  
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.



**3RD SUNDAYS MONTHLY  
IN LIBRARY**

**BLOOD PRESSURE  
SCREENINGS**



**MEDICATION REVIEW  
BY APPOINTMENT**

9/16 <i>Sunday</i>	8:00 AM	Korean Worship
	9:00 AM	Learn Ukulele
	10:00 AM	Worship - <b>Pedal for Protein Ride Begins!</b>
	11:15 AM	Healthy BP Screening
	11:30 AM	Writing Group
	<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Ted McCarthy Memorial</b>
	6:00 PM	CoDA
9/17 <i>Monday</i>	7:00 AM	MHS Breakfast
	10:00 AM	Eclipsing Empire Study
	11:00 AM	Tai Chi
	12:00 PM	Qi Gong
	6:00 PM	Cub Scouts
	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts Troop #135
9/18 <i>Tuesday</i>	7:00 AM	MHS Breakfast
	8:30 AM	Buildings & Grounds
	10:30 AM	PW Bible Study & Luncheon
	5:30 PM	Worship Committee
	7:00 PM	Christian Ed. Committee
	7:30 PM	Boy Scouts Board
9/19 <i>Wednesday</i>	7:00 AM	MHS Breakfast
	10:30 AM	Staff Meeting
	7:00 PM	Eclipsing Empire Study
9/20 <i>Thursday</i>	7:00 AM	MHS Breakfast
	12:00 PM	Noon Hour of Prayer
	3:30 PM	Book Club
	6:00 PM	Bells Practice
	7:00 PM	A.A.
	7:00 PM	Girl Scouts
	7:30 PM	Choir Practice
9/21 <i>Friday</i>	7:00 AM	MHS Breakfast
	11:30 AM	Ladies Who Lunch @ SRJC Culinary Cafe
	7:00 PM	Gamblers Anon.
	7:00 PM	Korean Youth
9/23 <i>Sunday</i>	8:00 AM	Korean Worship
	9:00 AM	Learn Ukulele
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Worship - KICK OFF SUNDAY</b>
	6:00 PM	CoDA

A REVISED  
FORMAT  
&  
NEW TIME  
3rd Sundays!



## Writing Group

A Support Group for Writers

You may bring a short piece to share for feedback.

**3rd Sundays of the Month**  
**11:30 am Sunday School Rooms**

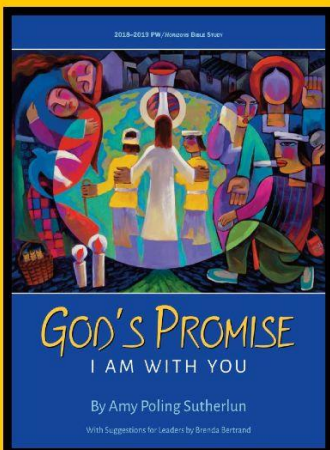


## LADIES AT LUNCH

3RD FRIDAYS MONTHLY 11:30 AM

9/21 AT SRJC CULINARY CAFE

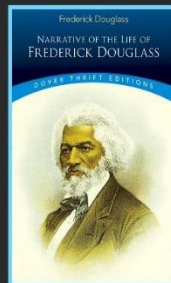
RSVP by 9/19 to Marilyn Hilén



## Presbyterian Women Tuesday September 18

We begin this new Bible Study at  
10:30 a.m. Order your copy of the  
study book from Janice Holmes  
575-7484

Bring a small salad to share at  
noon.



**Book Club**  
**September 20**  
**3:30 p.m.**

**Narrative of  
the Life of Frederic Douglass  
An American Slave**

**Eloquent orator whose speeches  
fired the abolitionist cause.**

Improve Balance and Reduce Stress

**TAI CHI**  
**MONDAYS**  
**11 am**



with Roger Wong

**QI GONG**  
**MONDAYS**  
**12 PM**



with Felipa Jones

A New Bible Study Coming Sept. 5 & 10

## Eclipsing Empire

Paul, Rome and the Kingdom of God



Marcus Borg & John Dominic Crossan  
On Location In Turkey



Mondays at 10:00  
Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

## Benefit for Sonoma Cty. Habitat for Humanity



**Saturday October 6 7:00 P.M.**

Presbyterian Church of the Roses  
2500 Patio Ct. Santa Rosa, CA 95405

**Allan Petker**  
Noted Composer & Arranger Directing  
**Multiple Choirs**

**"We Arise" Choral Concert**

All Donations will go to Habitat for Humanity



Sunday  
October 21

**Cantiamo Sonoma**

Director Carol Menke  
Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 2 pm  
Free Admission.  
Donations Welcome!