

“Defend the cause of the weak and fatherless; maintain the rights of the poor and oppressed. Rescue the weak and needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.” Psalm 82:3-4

March 10, 2019 - First Sunday of Lent

**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

*Choral Prelude I*

Healey Wilan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE CHIMES      25 cents a meal collection      Hunger Task Force

INTROIT

*Kyrie #45*

Traditional Russian Orthodox

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (inspired by Psalm 91)

One: As we enter the wilderness of Lent, we rest in the shelter of the Most High;

**All: We abide in the shadow of the Almighty; We find refuge under the wings of our Holy Parent.**

One: We trust that the angels of God, the words of God, the people of God, the hands of God, will somehow bear us up.

**All: And so we come to worship God!**

\*HYMN #401

*Here in This Place*

Marty Haugen, 1979

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

One: We will wait for you, O God. Your Spirit compels us to go into the wilderness, and we ask for the courage to examine the desert places in our hearts, and to be willing to face the adversaries in our lives—The things that lure us away from being who you have created us to be.

**All: We pray for the courage to face our wild beasts and fears. Relieve the troubles of our hearts, and the devastation of our distress. Return us to your way of the heart, turn your love towards us that we may we know your grace in our loneliness and afflictions.**

One: We pray this prayer, knowing that you watch over us, and deliver us. We wait for you, O God. In the name of our Lord Jesus we pray, Amen.

#### WORDS OF AFFIRMATION

One: Jesus helps us turn away from greed and hopelessness.

**All: When we repent, and turn back to God we receive forgiveness, healing, and wholeness. Alleluia! Amen!**

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581 *Gloria Patri*

#### CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Poem Mystique (Holy Spirit Light Divine)* R. Purvis

\*DOXOLOGY #606 AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION *Led By The Spirit*

*(to the tune of Hymn #13, "The Mighty God with Power Speaks")*

Led by the Spirit of our God, we go to fast and pray  
With Christ into the wilderness, we join His paschal way

"Rend not your garments, rend your hearts.

Turn back your lives to me."

Thus says our kind and gracious God, whose reign is liberty

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 4:1-13

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

ANTHEM *In Christ Alone* Keith Getty; arr. Larry Shackley

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 10:8b-13

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

SERMON      *What Does Jesus Save Us From?*

Rev. Dr Cindy Alloway

*Moment for Silent Reflection*

\*HYMN #393 (vs 1, 2)      *O Day of Rest and Gladness*      C. Woodsworth, 1862

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

One: We pray today for all who are walking a hard journey:

for those whose daily paths encounter barbed wire and guns;  
for those who did not want to leave home but were forced to;  
for those who set out today in search of food and water;  
for those whose journey is shattered by economic hardship;  
for those whose journey is marred by pain or despair, and  
for those who faithfully journey alongside them;  
for those who are making a move and beginning again;  
for those who are clinging on to something that has ended;  
for those who are being bullied, and for those who are bullying;  
for those who have just taken their first breath,  
and for those who today will take their last.

**All: May this Lenten journey, give strength and courage  
to all whose journey is far from easy.**

**And may it inspire us to risk Christ's Way of love  
as we share the journey with others.**

**We lift up this prayer in the name of our Lord,  
who taught us to pray saying: (The Lord's Prayer). Amen.**

\*HYMN #494 (vs.1,4,5)      *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts*      R. Palmer, 1858

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE      *Voluntary V*      Richard Peek

References: Call to Worship: ~ written by Joanna Harader and posted on Spacious Faith.  
Congregational prayer: excerpted from a longer prayer by Rev Karla. Posted on RevGalBlogPals.org  
Prayer of the People ~ written by Ann Siddall and posted on the Stillpoint Spirituality Centre  
website. <https://stillpointsa.org.au/>

Flowers are given by  
Mike Sepulveda  
in memory of his beloved  
daughter, Cara.



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**Liturgist: Anita Pinney**

The Rev. Dr. Cynthia Alloway, *Pastor*  
Myles Ellis, *Director of Music*  
Althea Wright, *Accompanist*  
Chelsea Howard, *Sunday School Teacher*  
Bajun Mavalwalla II, *Audio-Visual Technician*  
Eddie Seamans, *Director of Youth Activities*  
Ruth Canniff, *Office Administrator*  
Nancy Morgan, *Finance Administrator*  
Jami Knuthson, *Receptionist*  
Susan Jenkins, *Rosebud Preschool Director*  
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SOUP & SUBLIME WEDNESDAYS  
March 13 to April 10



**SOUP SUPPERS 5:30 PM**  
**STUDY: HANDEL'S MESSIAH 6:30 PM**

**BEGINNING THIS WEDNESDAY**

**Join us for Soup Suppers and a  
Study on Handel's Messiah  
March 13-April 10.**

The suppers start at 5:30 pm and are followed by the class. Suppers will be simple-choice of meat or vegetarian soup, bread, and fruit.

**Those who are attending are asked to bring their own bowl, cup, and silverware if possible.**

**THURSDAYS**

**NOON HOUR  
OF PRAYER &  
ENCOURAGEMENT**



**THIS LENT**

**Join us on Thursdays  
in the Rose Room  
for the *Noon Hour of Prayer  
& Encouragement***

**PRAYER REQUESTS: Please include in your prayers**



*\*The family of Evelyn Radunich as they mourn her passing on March 5<sup>th</sup>.  
Her memorial service is TODAY @ 1:00 p.m.*

*A reception follows at Varenna, 1401 Fountaingrove Parkway, Santa Rosa.*

*\*The family of Norm Thornton as they mourn his passing on February 28<sup>th</sup>. His memorial is pending.*

*\*The family of Cara Kallen (Mike Sepulveda's daughter), as they mourn her passing on February 6, 2019.*

***Those with health issues***

John Baker	Dick Draper	Fred Recknagel
Jim Bauer	Barbara Flannery	Debbie Seat
Bill Beaumont	Ray Foreaker	Bob Simmons
Judy Bello	Nancy Lee (DIL of Nancy Hansen)	Bob Snater
Barbara Blinn	Marilyn Hilen	Marge Snater
Carol Browne	Tyler Holmes	Jim Taylor Sr.
Bob Bunting	Jason Montsier	Dr. Gershom Thompson
Patrick Butler	Jessica Morse	Sylvia Turner
Gwen Christiansen	Jeanette Nichols	Bob Weber
Wes Cox	Carolyn Kenworthy	Helen Wikle
Alice Crouch	Polly Post	Betty Witchey-Ryer
Kyle Donaldson	Mickey Marshall	Jill White
Margie Donaldson		Avery Yudice

***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.

*Alice Crouch has broken her femur and is recovering. We pray she heals quickly. Cards may be mailed to:*

**Alice Crouch  
Monte Vista Grove (Rehab)  
2889 San Pasqual St.  
Pasadena, CA 91107**

*Bob and Marge Snater have moved. If you would like to send a card or note to them, please use this address:*

**Bob and Marge Snater  
Creekwood Care Facility  
830 Tamalpais Avenue  
Novato, CA 94947**



- **Needed:** Empty dozen egg cartons for our F.I.S.H. volunteers. Thank you!
- **PARENT NIGHT OUT!** Free – 3/15 Friday 5:30-7:30pm. Register your child!
- **ADULT SOCIAL CLUB OPEN HOUSE** will be March 20<sup>th</sup> and March 25<sup>th</sup> in the classrooms. Enter through the Breezeway.

March 17 at 11:15 am in the Rose Rm. Lunch provided.

# NEW MEMBERS CLASS

Find out more about our church!



## PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

Friday, MARCH 15th  
5:30-7:30 pm

**ALL-CHURCH VISIT**  
Worship and Fellowship 

## Congregation Shomrei Torah

**Friday, March 15th ~ 5:45 PM**  
**Meet at PCOR Parking Lot**

Please RSVP to [olsen@sonic.net](mailto:olsen@sonic.net) or call 538-1231  
See the Rose Clippings for more information



## Piano Recital

by William St. John

In Honor of  
**Bill's Parents, Eldon Davis and Grandmother Irma.**

**Church of the Roses**  
**March 17, 2018**  
**11:30 - 12:15**

**Presbyterian Women**  
**March 19, 10:30 a.m**

Bible Study 10:30 a.m  
Lesson 7: God with us as Immanuel  
Salad Potluck at Noon

New Time  Revised Format

## WRITING GROUP

A Support Group for Writers  
You may bring a short piece to share for feedback.


Third Sunday of the month at 11:30 in the Sunday School Room

Improve Balance and Reduce Stress

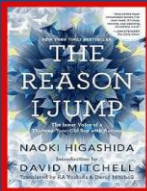
## QI GONG

with Felipa Jones

Mondays @ Noon



Book Club  
March 21  
3:30 p.m.



## The Reason I Jump

by Naoki Higashida

A thirteen year old Boy helps us understand Autism.

**MHS Breakfast Monday to Friday this week at 7:00 am**

3/10 <i>Sunday</i>	9:00 AM	Learn Ukulele
	10:00 AM	Worship - <b>Daylight Savings Time begins TODAY</b>
	3:00 PM	Spiritual Service for Developmentally Disabled
	6:00 PM	CoDA
3/11 <i>Monday</i>	12:00 PM	Qi Gong
	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts Troop #135
3/12 <i>Tuesday</i>	8:30 AM	Buildings & Grounds
	10:00 AM	Leadership Cohort
	10:00 AM	PW Quilt Sewing
	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Deacons</b>
3/13 <i>Wed</i>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>Soup Supper Series</b>
	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Handel's <i>The Messiah</i> - Lent Study</b>
	7:00 PM	Women's Al-Anon Fam.
3/14 <i>Thursday</i>	9:45 AM	Senior Exercise
	12:00 PM	Noon Hour of Prayer
	6:00 PM	Bells Practice
	7:00 PM	A.A.
	7:15 PM	Choir Practice
3/15 <i>Friday</i>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>PARENT NIGHT OUT to 7:30 pm</b>
	<b>6:15 PM</b>	<b>Worship Service at Congregation Shomrei Torah</b>
	7:00 PM	Gamblers Anon.
	7:00 PM	Korean Youth
3/16 <i>Saturday</i>	6:30 AM	Korean Prayer
	9:30 AM	Handicapables
3/17 <i>Sunday</i>	8:00 AM	Korean Worship
	9:00 AM	Learn Ukulele
	10:00 AM	Worship
	11:15 AM	Healthy BP Screening
	<b>11:15 AM</b>	<b>NEW MEMBER CLASS</b>
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>Bill St. John Piano Recital</b>
	11:30 AM	Writing Group
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**Happy St. Patrick's Day!**