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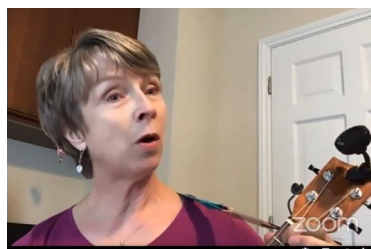
Thursday, December 24
at 5:00 p.m.

Presbyterian Church of the Roses
2500 Patio Ct. Santa Rosa, Ca 95405
www.churchoftheroses.org

Church Services are Live Online
Sundays @ 10 am on Zoom & Facebook!
Or Outdoors depending on the weather.
Visit www.churchoftheroses.org
for weekly updates!



Pastor Cindy's Sermons are on KSRO
Sunday mornings 6:30 am—7 am
or anytime on their website
<https://www.ksro.com/show/presbyterian-church-of-the-roses/>



Start your Advent and Christmas
Devotional online by going to
pcusua.org/2020advent
then click on Week 1.

THANK YOU to Nancy Nelle, Rick Davis,
Satoshi Hamai, and Nancy Proctor for
performing with their ukuleles by Zoom on
Deacon Buddy Day!

COPING WITH THE CHANGES OF LIFE

By Pastor Cindy



By the time I write this newsletter, 2021 will be just 6 weeks away! Coping with this pandemic and the realization that the world is permanently changed for all of us and for the church is scary. We want things to be back to normal. We want to go back in time. But we can't. There is much to learn from this last year and there are many learnings to use in our lives to make them better for 2021. Here are some reminders of passages to focus on as you adapt to the changes that have occurred in your personal and global lives:

- **GOD DOESN'T CHANGE:** I am the LORD, and I do not change. And so you, the descendants of Jacob, are not yet completely lost. (Malachi 3:6)
Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. (Hebrews 13:8)
- **GOD IS WITH YOU :** Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be satisfied with what you have. For God has said, 'I will never leave you; I will never abandon you. (Hebrews 13:5)

The LORD himself will lead you and be with you. He will not fail you or abandon you, so do not lose courage or be afraid. (Deuteronomy 31:8)

Remember that I have commanded you to be determined and confident! Do not be afraid or discouraged, for I, the LORD your God, am with you wherever you go. (Joshua 1:9)

- **GOD WILL GUIDE AND HELP YOU:** I will teach you the way you should go; I will instruct you and advise you. (Psalm 32:8)

Your word is a lamp to guide me and a light for my path. (Psalm 119:105)

Trust in the LORD with all your heart. Never rely on what you think you know. Remember the LORD in everything you do, and he will show you the right way. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

The famous Mayo Clinic in Minnesota promotes "Building your spiritual life during changes brought about by the COVID-19 Pandemic." Their article suggests: "Change is one constant in our lives, but that doesn't make it easy. The late singer Kenny Rogers used to sing a song with lyrics that said: "Life was so much easier 20 years ago."

Now society is in the midst of monumental change. How will we respond? Here is their advice on how to build your spiritual life during this time of change:

JUST DO IT. Nike has the slogan "Just Do It," and this is good advice during this crisis. The first thing to do is to do something. During this COVID response, "Don't waste a crisis." That is, find something to do.

As we are called to be idle at home, it is important that we use this time to think about our lives and how we might do things differently. An idle mind mentality could lead to occurrences of being anxious and

depressed. Doing something can heighten your spiritual energy if you view it as worthwhile. Concentrate on where the divine longs for you to serve, and that will be the most effective work you can do. Strive to live out a fulfilled spiritual life. Maybe you are called to write letters to prisoners. Maybe you want to volunteer at the Empire Food Bank?

COVID-19 is causing many of us to think about how we are spending our time. Previously, much of our lives had been consumed by multiple activities. What if social distancing becomes the new normal? So scheduling time for spiritual life-building can become part of the change and at the same time fill the void of loneliness. Concentrate on tasks and items that bring fulfillment, and increase joy and peace — particularly those that grow your spiritual life.

View the COVID-19 pandemic as an opportunity, rather than just a challenge. Go back to the adage of "Don't waste a good crisis." Herein is the glass half-full versus glass half-empty of changing one's perspective. Another adage goes "A person's perception is his/her reality." Sometimes change can be tilted toward a silver lining and that things aren't as bad as they seem to be.

One way to be prepared for the best- or worst-case scenarios is to see the opportunities amid the challenges. A story was once told of a famous inventor whose laboratory blew up. When asked about the bad in the situation, he replied, "Good, all my mistakes have been erased."

If COVID-19 is seen as an opportunity, then look for the opportunities that may come to you. Look for the good that you can do to help others. Think about small acts you can do to brighten someone else's day. Every drop of water makes an ocean when added together.

WATCH FOR WAYS TO GROW AND LEARN:
During this time, try to learn how to Zoom so you

COMING UP

- ◇ Church Service is Sundays @ 10 am online
- ◇ ADVENT Bible Study begins Monday, 11/30
- ◇ Advent Online Devotional by PCUSA
- ◇ Exploring the God Idea Dec.3 & Jan. 7
- ◇ Pres. Women Holiday is Dec. 15th by Zoom
- ◇ Alternative Christmas!
- ◇ Secret Santa—Covid Style
- ◇ Congregational Mtg. elect New Officers 12/20
- ◇ OUTDOOR CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE 5 PM
- ◇ Officer Training February 6th
- ◇ Annual Congregational Meeting Feb. 7th

can join in with worship. It is worth the effort! While not as effective as face-to-face services, Zoom and Facebook live and KSRO radio are giving new ways to be involved in worship. This is outside-the-box thinking, and this crisis creates that inspiration to think creatively.

CONSIDER HOW YOU USE YOUR TIME ALONE:

Now is the time to stay focused on the spiritual disciplines in your life such as prayer and meditation. These disciplines are proven to provide peace for your soul. Prayer is a way to connect to Jesus, and this time of distancing one's self from people and events gives you an opportunity to focus more on your spiritual faith that may be the most important aspect of your life.

Love God and love others during this time. Be of good cheer. Christmas is near! 2021 will be better!

Ref: This article was adapted from one written by: Chaplain William Creech, a clinically trained, board-certified chaplain in Mankato, Minnesota.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS 2020





PCOR REOPENING COMMITTEE

With cooler temperatures and rain days upon us, we are going back to Zoom Services on Sundays. Weather permitting, there are plans to hold the Christmas Eve service outdoors. Look for details in the weekly email updates as we get closer.

There will be a survey link in the weekly emails. We encourage you to participate in the survey to guide the Re-Opening Task Force of the Church of the Roses. Click here:

<https://assessments.gloo.us/a/RGVwbG95bWVudENvbWZpZ3wxODI2Mzg-wOTA3NjMzNzA2NTM3>

The Committee wants to thank everyone with their attendance and support of the outdoor services. Also, the efforts of the folks producing the Zoom services, sometimes on short notice, cannot be thanked enough.

We look forward to the New Year and the prospects of moving indoors. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Our church staff continues performing brilliantly, in spite of the continuing challenges of Covid-19, fires, and power outages. For this, we are grateful and thankful.

After serving faithfully for many years on the Personnel Committee, Roger Wong will be retiring at year end. His valuable insights will be missed.

The Personnel Committee is looking for one or two folks to step in and help. The Committee meets once a month to discuss personnel issues, as they arise, and how to provide an encouraging and positive work environment. The meetings are currently over Zoom.

Fortunately, we are blessed with capable and talented staff which makes the committee's job much easier.

Contact Jim Taylor, jameswt@sbcglobal.net, if you would like to join the committee.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Your Personnel Committee,
Pastor Cindy Alloway, Linda Burille, Gary Smith, Roger Wong, and Jim Taylor, Chair.

Zoom into the Isaiah Advent Study!



**We will meet
four Monday
evenings
at 7 p.m.**

starting on Mon. November 30th.

This year our usual Advent Study Time will be on ZOOM. It will be part of the Kerygma study on the Book of Isaiah. This part of the study is entitled ***Do Not Be Afraid***. The verses we will study are a prophetic message of hope and promise of god's faithfulness to a people who have been exiled to Babylon. They can offer us hope in time of trouble today. The message contains words Christian know well and have seen as a prophecy of Christ's story: words set to music in Handel's Messiah.

We will meet on four Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. starting on Monday November 30. We hope you will join us either by computer or with your phone. Use the zoom link and password or the phone number below to attend the class.

Join Zoom Meeting online by going to: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84373683010?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84373683010?pwd=Z1hORHBib1U0UVV0NHpRWIBaU2dKZz09)
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**Meeting ID: 843 7368 3010,
Passcode: 275280, Dial in by
phone: (669) 900 6833.**

Mondays Weekly
on Nov 30, Dec 7, Dec 14,
and Dec 21, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

Truth Tellers

A voice cries out in the wilderness. Prepare the Way of the Lord! Thus, spoke the prophet Isaiah 800 years before the birth of Christ. He lived in a time of incredible conflict and doubtless was hoping that the coming of the Messiah would occur within his lifetime. We live 2000 years after the coming of Christ and at times our life can seem very disconnected from the those that we read about in the Bible. But we know that the story of Christianity only begins with the Bible and I found myself thinking the other day "Who are our modern day, prophets?"

We tend to think of prophets as all-knowing seers, who through their connection to God could foretell events far off into the future thus giving hope to their listeners. Of course, not all prophesies were like that. There are quite a few prophets who told their people to get their acts together or suffer the wrath of God. Those prophets tended to be quite unpopular with their fellow countrymen and tended to get run out of town or worse. They knew that their words were going to be unpopular and what the implications would be, but they were assured by their faith in God and persisted despite the consequences.

I looked up the word prophet and one of the definitions was: one who tells the truth. There is a long list of historical figures from Socrates to Dr. Martin Luther King who have been persecuted and even lost their lives for telling the truth. Yet despite this, their truths continued to live on. So, who are our truth tellers today? Certainly, the doctors and scientists who have advised us on the proper steps to take to mitigate Covid 19 would fall into that category. You would think that such advice would be noncontroversial but many health professionals receive death threats on a daily basis from misguided individuals who equate wearing a mask and social distancing with assaults on their personal freedom. And yet it is those very doctors who will soon be administering the Covid 19 vaccines in the coming months. Health professionals have had a very stressful year. Let us all take a moment to pray for their safety and well-being during this holiday season.

Wishing all of you a healthy and holy Advent and Christmas. Your music director, Myles

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

Tidings of Comfort and Joy

Christmas is coming! And even if we are not meeting in person we can still experience all the excitement and anticipation of the miraculous event: Christ born amongst us!

Join us in Zoom or Facebook Live for our own very special multi-media Advent Sunday services as we prepare our hearts for the birth of our Savior.

Advent: Nov 29 – Hope,
Dec 6 – Peace, Dec 13 – Joy, Dec 20 – Love

Ways to actively participate in your own home:

- Create your own advent wreath and light your candles as the Zoom service lights their candles (Easy wreath in basket or bowl: <http://hannahsavage.com/2018/12/07/your-easy-advent-wreath-in-10-minutes/>)
- Decorate your worship space with poinsettias, and have a poinsettia by you in your Zoom picture
- Wear your Christmas attire (sweater, hat, tie, socks, etc.) and stick around after the service for a fashion show
- **Have a special nativity set you love?**
Take a photo of it and send it to Pastor Cindy by **Dec. 10** to be included in a special slideshow

Christmas Eve we will gather together on the patio at 5 p.m. for a family service of scripture and songs, weather permitting.

Wear your warm clothing. We will be limited to 50 seats for Covid distancing; reservations are suggested for you and your family.

1st Sunday of Christmas, Dec 27, will be our joyous carols and hymn sing. So join us as we anticipate the promise of Comfort and Joy, and ask for the Spirit to fill us with energy and imagination for the Christmas that is to come.

UPCOMING SERMON TITLES AND SCRIPTURES


We anticipate that all of these services except Christmas Eve will be on Zoom and Facebook Live.

Second Sunday of Advent, Dec. 6th
Baptized by the Holy Spirit:
Mark 1:1-8, Isaiah 40:1-11

Third Sunday of Advent, Dec. 13th
Our Spirits Rejoice!
Isaiah 61:1-4, Luke 1:46b-55

Fourth Sunday of Advent, Dec, 20th
Making the Best of a Covid Christmas
Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26, Luke 1:26-38

Thursday, December 24th at 5pm - Christmas Eve Outdoor Candlelight Worship
Luke 2:(1-7), 8-20 and other Scriptures and Carols for Christmas Eve



Presbyterian Women
Tuesday Dec. 15 10:30 a.m.

Zoom in for some holiday togetherness! No nice luncheon this year but let's get together with our own coffee and cookies and celebrate Christmas. There will be carols and a Christmas story. We can share our holiday plans and memories. Watch for the zoom link and password or the phone number to join the party.

Email ruth@churchoftheroses.org if you would like an invite to the zoom link!

Hello everyone, your Church and World Committee have been meeting monthly, since March via Zoom, we have been voting on critical issues like how to disperse grocery food gift cards to those financially impacted by the pandemic, we have helped several families that were struggling to make rent payments with our newly established COVID fund on behalf of The Church of The Roses, that is you all... !

We wish to thank all for your generous contributions to our COVID relief fund that has helped us to sustain this outreach to our community.

On this page you will see an article from our beloved Nita Piney on Alternative Christmas gifts. I want to highlight a NEW opportunity on that list which is to donate towards a local Santa Rosa charity engaged in giving back to our local community,

The LIME Foundation

www.thelimefoundation.org run by Letitia Hanke who was our guest speaker for Moment for Mission Nov 22nd.

My daughter Kerry graduated with critical skills for working in construction and civil engineering from The LIME Foundation's NextGEN Trades Academy.

We hope to provide a scholarship ~ \$1200 to cover the cost of putting a disadvantaged local youth through her program which nets a 100% hire out rate into local construction companies here in Sonoma County. Please review Nita's article and consider gifting in this way this year.

On behalf of Nita, Guy, Jonathan, Chris Rhodes, Pastor Cindy and myself God bless you all and keep you and your family healthy and safe this Advent and Christmas Season.

Norm Smith,

Church & World Committee Chair

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS 2020

Yes there will be Alternative Christmas this year! Because the virus keeps us from gathering together we will take advantage of technology and handle it on line!

Here you will find a shopping list to choose your gifts. Then mail your list of choices to the church along with your check made out to PCOR. You can use your own greeting cards but if you would like to print your own you can email Nita Pinney (pinney@sonic.net) to email you some you can print.

Gifts that help people here and around the world seem especially appropriate in this pandemic year. We will be sure they get the right places.

Roses Church and World Committee

Alternative Christmas Shopping List 2020

Church World Service

Chickens to Tanzania \$15.00

500 Baby Fish to Honduras \$22.00

PCUSA Mission Agency

Kitchen Kit \$25.00

Supplies for Misplaced Student \$30.00

Redwood Empire Food Bank

Feeding hungry people in our County \$20.00

Santa Rosa Boys and Girls Club

Aiding Children's Education \$15.00

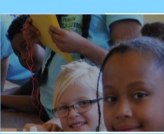
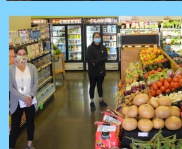
Doctors Without Borders

For more medical supplies to help people around the world. \$30.00

The Lime Foundation, Santa Rosa Training Youth for construction work \$20.00

CHOOSE ALL \$177.00

Gifts that will make a Difference



DEACON'S UPDATE

The Buddy sing-a-long

Was a success. It was great to sing-a-long with Nancy Nelle's ukulele group. I knew most of the songs which definitely dates me. Some took me back to growing up and listening to my parents music and many were from my teen years.

The break out rooms were interesting with time to talk to people I haven't seen in 8 months.

Secret Santa-----COVID Style

There is still plenty of time to pick a Secret Santa card and purchase a gift for someone in need. It is all on line so no going into a store, wrapping and delivering the gift back to the church. The call it "hands free giving". Each year Secret Santa has served over 40,000 people in need. This year due to the pandemic and fires the need will be even greater.

Look in this month's Rose Clippings for the information from Secret Santa on how to do your gifts this year.

YWCA of Sonoma County

This is a group the Deacons have supported for many years. Last year a group of us wrapped Christmas Packages at Montgomery Village for shoppers. We wrapped little boxes with Target gift cards for adults in the safe house.

This year the YWCA is doing a "Safe 'n Warm" coat drive also on line. The link connects you with Amazon where you can choose that jacket/coat that has been selected for someone in the shelter. Just follow the path and the purchase is complete in no time. The gift is delivered to the YWCA where it will be wrapped and delivered. *Look here in the Rose Clippings for the information for the "Safe 'n Warm Coat Drive".*

Lucky Gift Cards

The Deacons have been making contact with people who picked up bags of food from the Food Shelf prior to the COVID shutdown and provided them with Lucky Market gift cards.

Barb Basham, Moderator

Be Someone's Secret Santa

Sonoma County's Secret Santa brings joy to tens of thousands of children and families in need during the holidays. This year's program will be a virtual version of traditional giving. Join us online to show your love for our community.

We may be apart, but we're still #strongertogether!

Show Your Heart: Follow These Steps

1. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we ask that you fulfill heart wishes with a gift card, or by funding gifts online.
2. Visit **www.secretsanthanow.org** to adopt a heart or letter that speaks to you.
3. Once you have selected the perfect heart or letter, you will receive instructions for touchless donations.
4. As always, you can make a monetary donation to help us fulfill hearts and letters.



Scan to Adopt A Heart



Have Questions? Email **secretsanta@cvnl.org** or call **707.890.8880**

eliminating racism
empowering women

ywca

Sonoma County



safe 'n
warm

Coat Drive

FOR FAMILIES IN OUR CARE



We've made donating easy:

1. Select items from our list on Amazon
2. Place your order
3. Voila! – Order ships directly to us

***Your kind donation will help
keep a family warm this winter.***

VIEW OUR LIST HERE

FINANCE

As we finish with a truly remarkable year, which will be remembered for years to come, it is appropriate that we think of our blessings. Whether it is our good health or simply avoiding COVID, let's not forget about our families and those that we love and who love us too. Being a part of a family provides us strength as we have people to help us when we need support. Our Church is a family and I know we provide support of various types to many and will continue to do so as we prepare for a new year.

Financially the Church is blessed with generous members who give to help the Church survive. Given the time of year (mid-November) I have been asked to give a report about 2020 so I'll have to provide a forecast of how we will finish the year. Once we process the paperwork to account for the debt forgiveness of the PPP loan, I am expecting a breakeven year. Our reserves are very adequate so we can rest easy.

Stewardship is upon us and I am asking that we all find ways to be as generous as you have proven to be in the past. And, if you can find any way to increase your generosity that would be very much appreciated. To that end, look for an estate planning seminar the Church will be sponsoring early next year.

Thank you, and as always, should you wish clarity on any matters pertaining to our Church's finances don't hesitate to ask me.

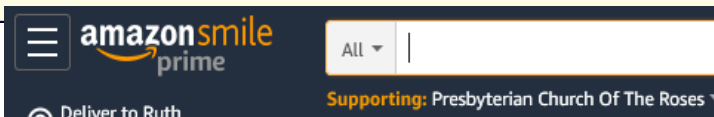
God bless and Happy New Year.

Chris Nelle, Finance Chair

AMAZON GIVES!

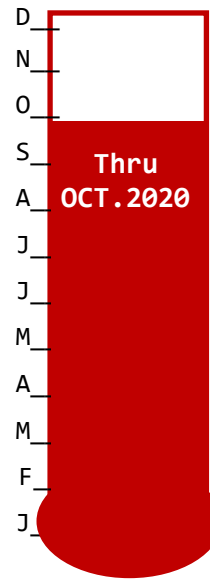
REMEMBER IF YOU'RE SHOPPING ON AMAZON GO TO [AMAZON.SMILE](https://www.amazon.com/smile) AND CHOOSE US AS YOUR CHARITY!

When check out, always make sure that you see the Amazon Smile logo and Supporting: Presbyterian Church of the Roses



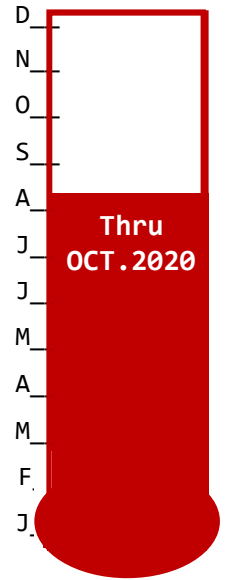
GOAL

225,000
PLEGDED



GOAL

58,000
UNPLEGDED



DEADLINE FOR 2020 GIFTS

The last date to complete many gifts is
2pm, Thursday, Dec. 31, 2020.

*Gift checks mailed via USPS with postmark and check date on or before Dec. 31, 2020 will be counted for 2020 regardless of when they are received or deposited by PCOR.

*Gift Checks dated Dec. 31, 2020 and hand delivered to the church office by 2pm Thursday, Dec. 31, 2020 will be counted for 2020 regardless of when they are deposited by the church.

If we have your email address, your 2020 Giving Statement will be emailed by the end of January 2021. Otherwise, it will be mailed. Look for it!

Giving Envelopes for 2021 can be picked up on most Tuesdays throughout January. However, it is not necessary that you have these envelopes to facilitate your giving. You can continue to mail your offering to the church without envelopes until we can more easily distribute them. Nancy has your information.



Advent Prayer Sticks Activity

(Note: If you can't leave your home, consider an Advent Prayer Collage from magazines and cards.)

Find a stick large enough that you can lean on like a broom handle or hockey stick, etc. Take some wool or string and wind it around your stick. You could even use some tinsel if you want to make your stick particularly festive. Choose a (hopefully dry) December day, wrap yourself up warmly, and prepare to take a pilgrimage to the closest bit of nature to where you live, whether a local park or a tree lined street. If possible, join with a few others from your household or organise a socially-distanced walk with neighbours or church friends.

As you journey, when you find something natural on the ground that catches your interest and prompts you to pray, pick it up and weave these items onto your prayer stick using the wool/string to attach it. Only collect things that have fallen or are lying on the ground. For example, a leaf might remind you that the leaves of the trees are for the healing of the nations. Pray for God's creation as you walk, giving thanks for the cycle of the seasons and the importance of winter. (You can find out more about journey sticks by searching online.)

After your pilgrimage reflect on your prayer stick with someone else who has done a similar activity, either online or in person if circumstances allow. Allow your prayer stick to feature in your Christmas decorations and serve as a prompt to pray for our amazing natural world, even in the depths of winter hibernation and in these challenging days of climate change. A different kind of prayer stick is used as part of the worship in the Ethiopian Orthodox Church. These prayer sticks come in many ornate and beautiful styles and are known as makomiya. These are typically used to lean on during long services and to help keep the rhythmic beat for singing hymns. For more Advent Activities visit: https://www.christianaid.org.uk/sites/default/files/2020-10/J197384%20Christmas%202020%20Prayer%20sheet_online_eng_0.pdf



We are the local chapter of the Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAANB), a non-profit organization who, until COVID-19, met monthly in the Rose Room. Although we may not be permitted to be together in person, we are still meeting but, like the Church of the Roses, we are using technology to stay connected. We are reaching out to you to learn how our chapter can be more meaningful to you. We need your help to show the world how to be kinder and more supportive to the 15 million people with hearing loss.

We meet every other Thursday afternoon at 4PM using Google Meet. The current schedule of meetings is:

**December 3, and December 17,
December 13 Holiday Party**

We have chosen Google Meet for its live captioning (at no charge). Google Meet is like Zoom. You click on the link, but you provide your Google email address to access the meeting (available free from Google) from any device. The link can be found on our website: <https://www.hearinglossnorthbay.org/>

Our admin controls access so that no unwanted visitors can disrupt the meeting. As in our face-to-face meetings, we offer support, camaraderie, tips, and techniques for living with hearing loss, and listen to informative speakers about hearing assistive technology. We share our experiences in a hearing-friendly environment.

For more information, please contact Rich Osborne at richosborne@outlook.com or cell: 303-304-9262.

"THE NIGHT OF CORONA"

'Twas the night of Corona when all through the world
Not a creature was stirring as the nightmare unfurled
The face masks were missing,
the gloves and the gowns
The nurses and doctors were all falling down
The children and old folks were scratching their heads
To wonder what mayhem this virus could spread
Pa gathered his strength, Ma stuffed down her worries
Pulled courage together to start their new journey
When throughout the world there arose such a clatter
Of singing, and loving, though hearts were in tatters
We stood at our balconies, doorways, and windows
To let out the love Christians, Jews, Muslims, Hindus
The moon lit the green of the fresh budding Spring
Giving Hope for Rebirth we yearned it would bring
We opened our hearts and expanded our characters
Knowing our children would be the inheritors
When who to our wondering eyes did appear
But the good Dr. Fauci dispelling our fear
A lively old doctor so truthful and wise
We knew in a moment he'd tell us no lies
More rapid than eagles his interviews came
Knew we needed to hear him so he could explain
The virus, the distance, how not to transmit it
The challenge we're up for, no doubt we can do it
The world just got smaller but we're growing bigger
Our hearts and our souls
demonstrate we're no quitters
Our Heroes are Healers, not killers of Life
And many strong Women in the thick of the strife
May All who draw breath see God in Each Other
Embracing Our weakness
As Sisters and Brothers
Stronger Together

Adapted on April 10 from " 'Twas the Night Before
Christmas," by Clement Clarke Moore.

PRAYER REQUESTS

THOSE WHO MOURN

*The family and friends of **Lucy Poindexter**, as they mourn her passing on October 24, 2020.

*The family of **Helen Burns**, as they mourn her passing on August 14, 2020.

*The family of **Elizabeth Ann Palmer**, as they mourn her passing on July 24th.

THOSE WITH HEALTH ISSUES

Bill Beaumont	Beverly Mueller
Bob Bunting	Debbie Seat
Patrick Butler	Bob Simmons
Peggy Call	Sharon Sorani
Doreen Cowden	Shirley Walton
Dick Draper	Bob Weber
Danny Duchsherer	Jill White
Barbara Flannery	Roger White
Marilyn Hilen	Helen Wikle
Janice Holmes	Betty Witchey-Ryer
Carolyn Kenworthy	Betsy Yeager
Vivian Mazeski	Avery Yudice
Luu Maxwell	
Jessica Morse	

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.

***Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year!***



OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY 2022

**Join our church group travelling to the
Oberammergau Passion Play in September 2022!**

Tour covers 4 Eastern European countries in 12 days.
Cost is about \$5700 per person, double, including tour,
airfare, and travel insurance. Only \$250 per person
deposit at booking, another \$350 in June 2021 and final
payment is July 2022!

**Contact PCOR member Barbara Nelson for more
information, brochure, and short video: 707-538-
3836 or email barbarastravel@earthlink.net**

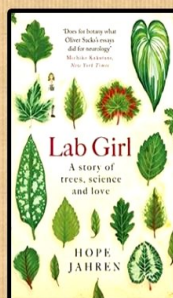
**Barbara's Travel/San Marin Travel
Concierge to the World**



**Zoom Book Club
Thursday Dec. 17
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