



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE ROSES
January/February 2024

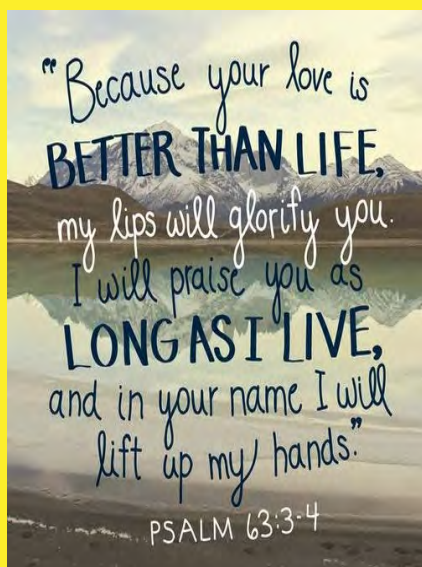
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A New Year of God's Nurturing Love for All



The Christmas Concert featuring Carol Menke's Choral Academy on December 10th. An evening of sheer beauty and inspirational voices!

Upcoming Events



01/06—Sacred Space, 5pm
01/09—PW Quilting, 10am
01/10— Zoom Bible Study, 7pm
01/13—Presbyterian Women, 10am
01/14—Concert: The Oyster Trio, 2pm
01/17—Zoom Bible Study, 7pm
01/18—Zoom Book Club, 2:30pm
01/19—Choral Evensong, 6pm
01/20—PCOR Men's group,, 8:15am
1/20—Boomers Trip, 10am
01/23—Session Meets, 6pm
01/24—Zoom Bible Study, 7pm
01/31—Zoom Bible Study, 7pm

02/03—Sacred Space, 5pm
02/07—Zoom Bible Study, 7pm
02/10—Presbyterian Women, 10am
02/13—PW Quilting, 10am
02/14—Ash Wednesday, 5:30pm
02/14—Zoom Bible Study, 7pm
02/15— ZOOM Book Club, 2:30pm
02/17—PCOR Men's Group, 8:15am
02/21—Zoom Bible Study, 7pm
02/25—Boomers Blessing Bags, 11am
02/25—Concert: C. Menke & M. Thompson, 4pm
02/27—Session Meeting, 6pm
02/28—Zoom Bible Study, 7pm

END OF THE YEAR 2023 MOMENTOUS EVENTS!

By Pastor Cindy

God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in them. (1 John 4:16)



In early November we chartered a new Girl Scout unit that joined our Boy Scout Troop 135. I was given two framed certificates from the Scouts on behalf of our church.

At the end of November we had a wonderfully successful Christmas Craft event where many families joined us from the neighborhood. The strong attendance was uplifting and gave us all hope that our church is valued by young families even if they don't attend on Sunday mornings often.

Another momentous occasion in December happened: Norm Smith

and I got married in a small courthouse ceremony on December 4th. It was a short and sweet ceremony with a Sonoma County officiate conducting. We are making plans for a "Blessing of a Marriage" ceremony in the Alloway Parish Church in Alloway, Scotland next Spring. Norm's large family from the UK will be able to attend there. Thank you for all the well wishes and prayers for our marriage. We are never too old to love one another.

Here is another example of that: when Gayle DeChellis and Bill Moberly were married in our church on December 9th. We pray they too will have many years of happiness.



Last Sunday, December 10th, the fellowship committee organized a surprise celebration of my 10th year at the Church of the Roses. It was very humbling to receive the plaque (above) and the cake and a new beautiful handmade stole, plus a huge card of thanks. I am forever grateful to God for calling me to lead the Church of the Roses in 2013. It has been an adventure, a blessing, and an honor to be your Pastor for 10 years!



THE ARGYLE SWEATER Scott Hilburn



God has an amazing future planned for the Church of the Roses in 2024. I am happy to be a part of it with all of you! We are all very blessed! Our church is still bearing fruit like this tree in the book of Jeremiah:

"But blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit." (Jeremiah 17:7-8)



From the Session

In the Clerk's Report to Session, it was happily noted that the cumulative membership of the church for 2023, counting new members less deaths to date, is a net positive 11 members. We have welcomed 19 new members this year, but sadly we have lost 8 to death

Pastor Cindy announced that she has one more Advent showing of "The Chosen" tomorrow night.

Action Items: Approved communion in 2024 on the first Sunday of each month, and at Pastor Cindy's discretion. Approved retroactively the use of church facilities for the wedding on 12-9-23 of Gayle DeChellis and Bill Moberly. Approved that there be no transfer of funds in either 2023 or 2024 to the church operating fund from Montgomery Breakfast Program funds to cover utility expenses. Approved opening a brokerage account with Ameriprise Financial to enable receipt of an in-kind stock gift. Approved tabling formal approval of 2024 budget pending further clarification of income.

Committee Highlights:

Building & Grounds: Committee will not be meeting for next 2 wks; contact Gary with any building issues in the meantime. Gary said please do not move furniture in chancel area without proper equipment, to avoid scratching the new flooring.

Christian Education: Adult Bible Study resumes on 1/3/24 at 7:00 PM with Zoom class with Dr. Koester, starting with Acts. Also reported on very successful Christmas Crafts Fair on 11/20/23.

Church & World: \$5K grant from Sonoma Speedway for MHS Breakfast program has been received. Palestinian speaker arranged for Sunday, 1/7/24, and Jewish rabbi hopefully to come on 1/14/24. Montgomery Village Assoc. donated 100 \$10 gift cards for MHS breakfast students.

Fellowship: Westminster Woods is booked for 04/26/24 – 04/27/24 for church retreat.

Finance: See above action items.

Membership: 6 more people are interested in membership. Pizza with the Pastor 01-21-24.

Nominating: Slate of two deacons and one elder ready to be presented to congregation on 01/07/24 for approval.

Personnel: Has submitted a 2024 personnel budget to include a 4% raise for staff,

Worship & the Arts: New communion set is ready, and will be blessed at 01-07-24 worship service, with the potter who created and donated it in attendance.

Next meeting 01-23-24.

Officer Training Meeting: 02-03-24 at Westminster Woods

Rosebud Preschool News

Happy New Year from Rosebud Preschool



We are excited to start the new year together and see what's in store for us all.

Before the Holiday break we were able to enjoy an intimate and cozy winter craft night. Lots of the families were already gone for their holiday but the families that did attend had a wonderful time. There was lots of delicious food, fantastic crafts, and the biggest hit of all was decorating Christmas cookies and eating them right after.

The children expressed how much they enjoyed meeting all the teacher's families and getting to

have dinner with them and playing with their children.

Rosebud Preschool wishes everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

First, many thanks to the Building and Grounds members for all their work and effort in November and December while I was out of the country. As always they kept everything running well.

As expected, big projects have slowed down with the advent of rains, winter and the holidays. Occasionally we find the rain brings foraging ants into the kitchen. Ron Dodge is on them, and we haven't seen them of late. Dennis has continued painting the exterior of Campbell Court as well as the door and window trim to the main, sanctuary entry way. Work will continue as the weather permits.

Pruning and landscape are never ending jobs and will, subject to weather, continue as ever. Recology has helped in these efforts with the recent delivery of a two-yard compost bin which allows much more space for the materials.

One word of caution to anyone who might be helping out by moving furnishings on the chancel. Please do not slide any furniture on the new surface. We've noticed several significant scratches. While everything has felt pads those are not designed or intended to push heavy pieces around. Everything must be lifted. We appreciate your support.

Best regards from B&G: Dennis Darrow; Ron Dodge; Steve Fenner; Ellen Marks; Dave Nelson; Pam Ryan; Bob Saroni; Jim Taylor and Dale Trowbridge.

Gary Smith
B&G Chair



The Finance Committee

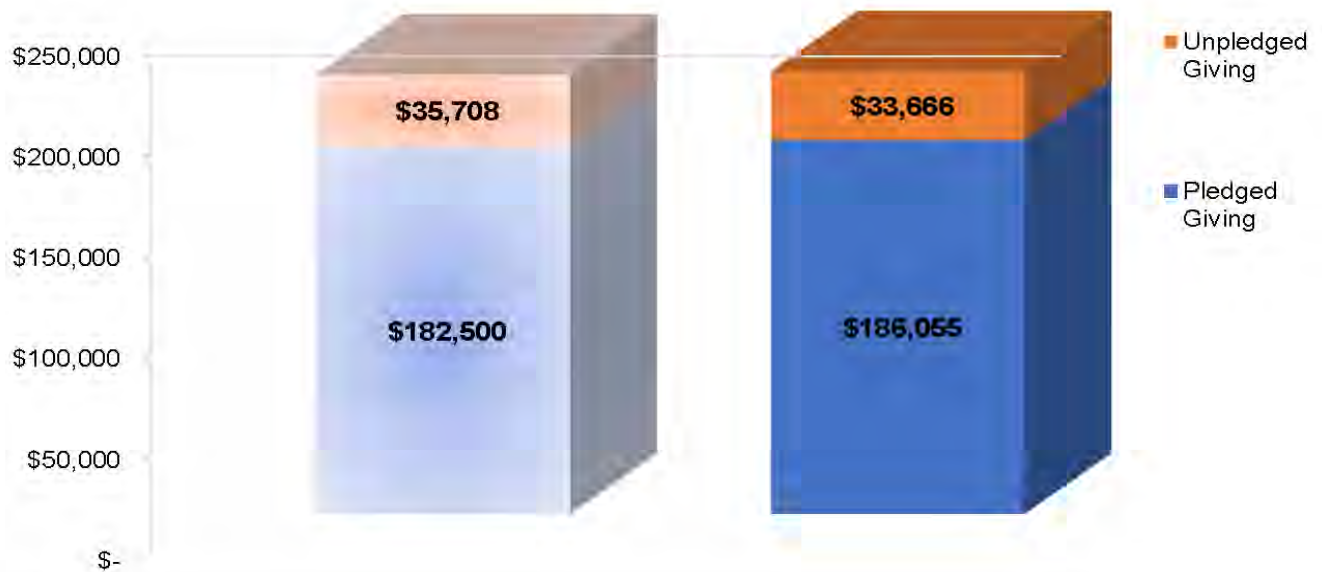
As of December 12th, we received 60 Estimated Giving Cards. Thank you for submitting your cards. This is an important element of developing next year's budget. We are hopeful of receiving 70 cards and surpassing last year's number of 64 cards received.

As reported on November 12th, our giving is over budget. Coupled with our careful spending we are moving toward a balanced budget. Praises and thank you.

PCOR REGULAR GIVING: JAN-OCT 2023 DOES NOT INCLUDE SPECIAL GIVING

Budget = \$218,208

Actual = \$221,576



Pastor Cindy and Norm's Anatolian Shepherd, Luna, is a natural guardian of sheep and goats.

Join us Sundays @ 10am
in the sanctuary or watch the
Livestream on our Facebook
page. Or at
www.churchoftheroses.org



WORSHIP IN THE Arts

As I write this we are still in the throes of Advent and Christmas, but soon this season will be a memory and we will be looking ahead to the new year.

Epiphany is celebrated Jan 7 this year; the arrival of the magi at the manger. Our Three Kings from the Orient will wrap up our Christmas Season. Come help the Worship Committee pack away the Christmas Ornaments – dates and info will be in the Bulletin. Then we slide quietly into...

Lent? While we are still pondering the majesty of the New Born King we are thrown willy-nilly into the end of His ministry here on Earth.

Lent will begin Wed, Feb 14, with an Ash Wednesday service at 5:30 pm. Be blessed with a Cross of Ashes, and pick up your Lenten Devotional as we ready our hearts for the Easter Season.

Come join the Worship Committee! Be included in the planning of our lovely worship services. Good works and service to our beloved church and congregation are performed monthly.



We can't do it without you! Talk to Pastor Cindy or Charlotte Finney, Worship Committee Chair.



The Lim Family leading our Advent Wreath Lighting

Youth Christian Education



The Christmas Crafts Night on Wednesday, November 27th was a huge success. There were about 50 adults and children roaming between tables, creating exciting crafts, eating pizza dinner, and enjoying the holiday music provided by Carol Menke.

The event was over at 7:30 but our guests were reluctant to leave. Several of the families walked to and from the church. This was a good connection with our neighbors in the neighborhood. As we look forward to 2024, the Sunday school program will continue and

we are planning another Parent's Night Out in February. Thanks to all of the volunteers for the Christmas Crafts Night, Parent's Night Out events, and for Sunday school.



The Sunday school program could use a couple more volunteers. It works out to be about one Sunday every two months. It is fun working with our youth and helping Judy Clarke with the message and her creative crafts. Contact either Barb Basham 707-334-4648 or Diane Osten 707-239-1506 if you can help with this important program. Barb Basham, co-chair Christian Education



Church and World



Being in the church's kitchen with the Montgomery High School Breakfast Angels is a happening place! We continue having fun serving and talking with the MHS students and staff! The MHS Breakfast's application for the Sonoma Speedway Children's Charities granted was accepted, and we will be receiving a \$5000.00. We are still in the mentoring mode of helping all learn how to recycle and compost their trash better. We are in need of more volunteers, especially alternates, for Monday through Friday. Please call the church and speak to Raven if you can help: (707) 542-4272.

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SAVE THE DATE: The Church & World Committee will host a presentation of Friends of Wadi Foquin which is a partnership started in 2009 between United Methodists and the Palestinian Muslim village of Wadi Foquin. They support community development projects in the village, organize annual Holy Land pilgrimages with visits to the village and other Palestinian communities. Rev. Michael Yoshii, Co-Chair, Friends of Wadi Foquin, and Adam Manasra, a 26-year-old Palestinian from the village of Wadi Foquin, will be the presenters. There will be time after the presentation for questions and answers. The Committee invites you to attend after service on Sunday, January 7, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. A light lunch will be provided.

The Committee is currently reaching out to the Jewish community and planning to have a Sunday presentation in January or early February to offer a presentation to balance sides with the perspective from the Jewish/Israel side.

Our Church & World Committee members are Anita Pinney, Jonathan Steele, Chris Rhodes, Norm Smith, Guy Cottle (ad hoc), Pastor Cindy and myself. This Committee meets by Zoom on the second Wednesday of every month at 6:00 P.M. We welcome you to join us as a committee member. If interested, please contact Rhonda Darrow at rdarrow@pacbell.net or (707) 481-4743.

We are so honored to be able to serve our Lord by serving our community and serving as stewards of our earth!

Blessings and peace,

Rhonda Darrow, Chair (2023-2025)

Church of the Roses Alternative Christmas 2023



PCUSA Mission Agency

Family of Chicks **\$25.00** _____

Farming Tools **\$10.00** _____

School Supplies for a Displaced Student **\$30.00** _____

Kitchen Kits **\$25.00** _____



Doctors Without Borders
For more medical help around the world **\$30.00** _____

Montgomery High Breakfast
Eggs for the MHS Breakfast **\$30.00** _____



Partners in Health: Haiti
Help in a distressed country **\$25.00** _____



Arbor Day Foundation
Planting trees in denuded forests. **\$10.00** _____

SUPPORT ALL \$185.00 _____



Honor your friends and family with gifts that help others

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Thank you to those for completing and turning in the "Survey of PCOR Church & World Outreach Activities." Eight surveys have been returned. The outcomes are listed below:

Blue Theology	Pacific Grove	June 2024	July 2024 (2)	August 2024
	Newport Beach	June 2024	July 2024 (1)	August 2024
ByGrace Children's Home, Kenya	2024	Spring	Summer	Fall
	2025	Spring (1)	Summer (1)	Fall (1)
Door of Faith Orphanage, Baja, Mexico	June 2024			
	June 2025 (1)			
Volunteer, MHS Breakfast Angel on Wednesdays	(3)			
Habitat for Humanity in Sonoma County (1 day)	Spring 2024 (5)	Summer 2024 (3)	Fall 2024 (4)	

PCOR MEN'S GROUP

Mark your calendar for January 20th and February 17th – two dates filled with camaraderie and connection.

On Saturday mornings, we gather to savor a delicious breakfast, and everyone is welcome to join in the preparation, indulgence, and clean-up. These moments are where connections thrive, and bonds grow stronger.

Embrace this opportunity to create new friendships and enrich existing ones. In the heartwarming embrace of our group, you'll find a community that uplifts and inspires.

Join us on this journey of camaraderie and friendship. We can't wait to share laughter and memories with you. See you there!



PCOR sprinkled some JOY – 100 lucky students now hold a golden ticket: \$10 gift certificates for Montgomery Village! The gratitude was real, and the smiles were currency in their own right!

Volunteers are NEEDED!

We need more Breakfast Angels to keep our breakfast club going every day of the school year! Please plan to give of your time one day of the week from 6:30am to 8:30am with cleanup after either on a weekly basis or as a substitute when needed. Mondays and Wednesdays are most in need. Call the church office and speak to Raven for more information: 707-542-4272.



Breakfast at Bowen Hall! Students fuel up and find fellowship, turning the most important meal of the day into the most fun.

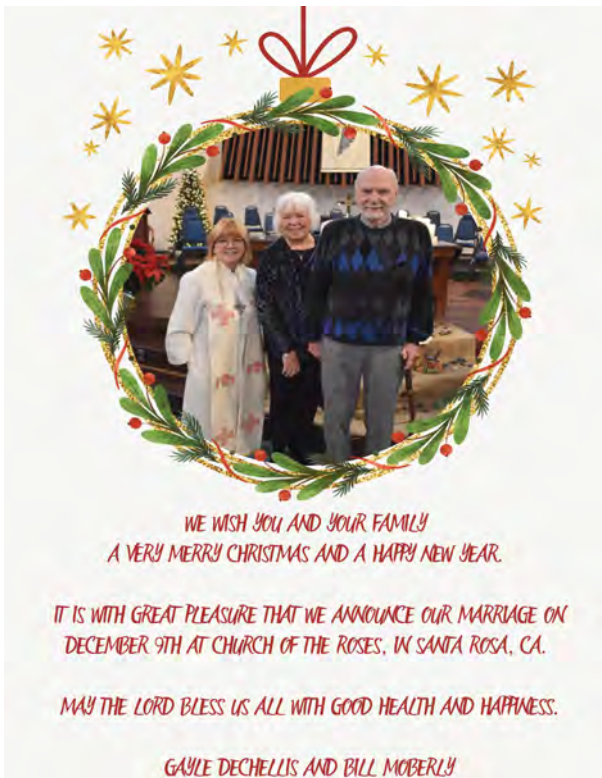
PCOR HOLIDAY HIGHLIGHTS



A Festive Holiday Lunch for the PCOR staff hosted by Pastor Cindy!



Four for His Glory with the Chancel Choir concert was a wonderful event.



We are grateful to the family of Jeanne and Fred Recknagle for donating the bench and gates near the front office in memory of them!



From the Director of Music

From the Director of Music . . .

Happy New Year! This is a wonderful time to step up and join the choir! Or maybe you always wanted to play the hand-bells? Please keep the choir and/or Bellissimo in mind if you're looking for a fun activity that keeps your brain working at high speed! Just find me on any Sunday or send me an email: carol@churchoftheroses.org

The Chancel Choir and Bellissimo are continuing to come along with me on a journey to try new and interesting music – I'm committed to finding a nice variety of all genres of music for the choir (and hopefully, the congregation!) to enjoy. The **Good Friday Concert** this year will be *Requiem for the Living* by Dan Forrest.

Listed below are the three more concerts scheduled on our *Roses Signature Concert Series*. *The Oyster Trio* is comprised of Jennifer Cho, violin, Judiyaba, cello, and Marilyn Thompson, piano. They will delight you on January 14th at 2:00 p.m. with the piano trios of Beethoven and Brahms.

The second concert of 2024 will be *Carol Menke and Marilyn Thompson* in an afternoon of art songs featuring composers such as Clara Schumann, Johannes Brahms, Alban Berg, Gabriel Fauré, Reynaldo Hahn, Henri Duparc, and selected Spanish songs. This concert will be on Sunday, February 25th at 4:00 p.m. In an effort to continue to showcase talented music students we are, for the second year in a row, offering a *Young Aspiring Musicians* concert, featuring the students of prominent teachers throughout Sonoma County. This is a wonderful opportunity for students that are interested in making music their vocation. This concert will take place on Sunday, March 17th at 2:00 p.m. And for our

Good Friday concert this year we will present *Requiem for the Living* by Dan Forrest. The choral ensemble, *Cantiamo Sonoma*, some members of the Chancel Choir, and selected members of the community will join us once again, and there will be a small chamber orchestra. Scored for violin, flute, oboe, cello, harp, timpani, and organ, the *Requiem for the Living* was completed in 2013. The Latin text that Forrest set combines sections of the Requiem with biblical texts from Ecclesiastes and the Book of Job. Be sure to add this to your calendar Friday, March 29th at 7:30 p.m. – it's one of the gems of choral literature of the present day.

Sunday, January 14 at 2:00 p.m.

The Oyster Trio featuring Jennifer Cho, Judiyaba, & Marilyn Thompson

Sunday, February 25 at 4:00 p.m.

Carol Menke & Marilyn Thompson in Recital

Sunday, March 17 at 2:00 p.m.

Young Aspiring Musicians featuring the students of Pianist

Marilyn Thompson

and Clarinetist Roy Zajac

Friday, March 29 at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday Concert ~ Rutter Requiem

Roses Signature Concert Series presents

The Oyster Trio

Jennifer Cho, Violin
Judiyaba, Cello
Marilyn Thompson, Piano

January 14, 2024

2:00 pm

Church of the Roses
2500 Patio Court
Santa Rosa, CA 95405

Choral Evensong



Friday, January 19 ~ 6:00 pm

Cantiamo Sonoma
Carol Menke, Artistic Director

Reverend Dr. Cindy Alloway, Pastor
Robert Young, Organist

Presbyterian Church of the Roses
Santa Rosa, California

Deacons in 2024



This year, **the Giving Tree** soared to new heights, echoing the success of the past several years. With over 50 hearts carefully chosen, purposefully embraced, and showered with love, our community rallied in a remarkable display of generosity.

Kind souls, drawn by the spirit of giving, frequented our building for various events like The Rotary Christmas Party and Craft Night, each heart representing a unique story of hope and connection. The joy that fills the air when these gifts return is palpable, with expressions like "This is my favorite purchase of the year" or "I bought both requests, even threw in something extra" echoing through the halls. It's more than just a gesture; it's a profound connection, as if we've come to know each person on those hearts personally.

Our Giving Tree isn't just an act of charity; it's a vibrant outreach to our community in need. It's not just fulfilling a duty; it's a source of fun and fulfillment, a shared experience that binds us together.

In the spirit of compassion and camaraderie, **Barb and Raven—Deacons**

DEACON OF THE MONTH—BARBARA BASHAM

I am Barbara Basham and I have been a member of PCOR since 2017. I found this wonderful church after 18 months of looking for a Rohnert Park/Santa Rosa church that fits my expectations and needs. I wanted a church that ministers to the community as much as it does to the members and with a minister that I could relate to. PCOR and Pastor Cindy do just that. I immediately started working on the Monday breakfast club crew and I am still there. I soon became a Deacon and the moderator in 2020 just in time for COVID. I am now an Elder on the Christian Ed committee, the youth part of the committee—this includes being on the Board of Directors for the Rosebud Preschool. I usher one Sunday a month—that is about it. PCOR was and still is a very good decision, a community of caring people.

I have been married to my husband Jeff for 52 years. We met at Sonoma State and were married at Armstrong Grove. We have lived first in Santa Rosa, Daly City, Belmont, Vallejo and Visalia. Most of our married life we were involved with the local Presbyterian church. We always knew we would be coming back to Sonoma County and we did in 2016 when Jeff retired. We have two children, Genevieve 44 living in Clearlake with her finance and Gregory 42 living in Forestville.

Most of my working career was a co-owner of a company that designed and administrated retirement plans for small companies in the Bay Area. Our offices were in downtown San Francisco, I retired in 2004. I have been busier in retirement than working.

PRAYER REQUESTS

UPCOMING MEMORIALS

No Upcoming Memorials

FOR THOSE WHO MOURN THE LOSS OF THEIR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

THOSE WITH HEALTH ISSUES

Darren Adams	Brittany Hunt
Donald Adams	Jennifer
Barb Basham	Rusty Jump
Greg Basham	Patti/Andy Kawecki
Jeff Basham	Carolyn Kenworthy
Jeanette Bauer	Margret Kram
Jim Bauer	Vivian Mazeski
Bill Beaumont	Marilyn MacLean
Barbara Blinn	Gene Michel
Patrick Butler	Jessica Morse
Joyce Cairns	Tom Nolen
Peggy Call	Howard Powers
Leslie Colby	Lynette Randerson
Marjorie Cortez	Kaylynn Rupp
Mary Crowell	Sherry Rupp
Eldon Davis	Kathryn Scott
Robert Flandermeyer	Raymond Skipp
Denise Fossi	Bob Simmons
Wendy Galde	Marie Slack
Cathy Guy	Dina Takahama
Michele Hare	Kristy Varga
Julie Harris	Jill White
Melissa Henry	Roger White
Phil Henry	Helen Wikle
Mary Lou Hensley	Betty Witchey-Ryer
	Ken Wolff

THOSE SERVING IN OUR MILITARY

James Kuntz (Sorani), US Navy on the USS Scranton.
Sgt. David A. Dickens, USAF Jason Morse, Coast
Guard Lt. Commander Ian Alloway Culver, Col. David
Trowbridge, M.D. with the Air Force Reserve. Private
Caleb Thorstad, US Marine's Camp Pendleton

Scriptures and Sermons

January / February

January 7, 2024 - Celebration of Epiphany

Scriptures: Isaiah 60:1-6 and Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon: Following a Different Path

January 14, 2024 - Second Sunday after Epiphany

Scriptures: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 and John 1:43-51

Sermon: See the Greater Things

January 21, 2024 - Third Sunday after Epiphany

Scriptures: Psalm 62:5-12 and Mark 1:14-20

Sermon: YOU are Called

January 28, 2024 - Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Scriptures: Psalm 111 and Mark 1: 21-28

Sermon: Dealing with Unclean Spirits?

February 4th, 2024 - Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Scriptures: Psalm 147:1-11, 20c and Mark 1:29-39

Sermon: Healing and Wholeness is Here

February 11th, 2024 - Transfiguration Sunday

Scriptures: Psalm 50:1-6 and Mark 9:2-9

Sermon: Be a Good Listener

February 14th - Ash Wednesday

Including the imposition of Ashes and communion

February 18th - First Sunday of Lent

Scriptures: Psalm 25:1-10 and Mark 1:9-15

Sermon: Repentance is Good for the Soul

February 25th - Second Sunday of Lent

Scriptures: Psalm 22:23-31 and Mark 8:31-38

Sermon: What is Your Life Worth?

MEMBERSHIP

Starting 2024 Right! Membership will host a Pizza with the Pastor lunch on January 21, 2024. We meet after Sunday service at 11:30 in the Rose Room. Please invite anyone interested in learning more about membership at Church of the Roses. A light lunch will be served.

The Membership Committee needs friendly faces to welcome visitors before Sunday service. Greeting new visitors is easy! One just needs to warmly say hello, offer a welcome bag, invite them to stay for fellowship in Bowen Hall, and answer any questions they might have about restroom location or Sunday school for the children. Even newer church members can help! We even have special welcome bags for the kids!

We would love to staff the Bowen Hall parking lot door and Campbell court, and even to expand to the Montgomery Village parking lot in good weather. If you are interested, please let the church office know and one of the Membership committee members will follow up with you!

by Kim Seamans



Fellowship Committee




On November 12, Fellowship Committee hosted the annual Stewardship Lunch. Our Girl Scout troop came in the Saturday before and decorated Bowen Hall. They also prepared some delicious turkey casseroles and returned for lunch to serve. We also enjoyed some turkey pie for dessert, a wonderful lunch was enjoyed by all.

On Sunday, December 10, we surprised Pastor Cindy with a new stole and a plaque to commemorate her 10 years of faithful service to our church and community. Cake during fellowship was served, and not a single piece of cake was left!


PCOR has a tradition of offering coffee, beverages, and snacks after the church worship service in Bowen Hall. Starting in January we would like to offer healthier choices for people. This would include fruit, vegetables, rolled oats, and/or oatmeal. In January Anthony Lim will talk about the health benefits and how it could benefit you to make some changes if you choose. As always, we will accept any type of donations from those who want to bring treats. So if you sign up for a Sunday for snacks we encourage you to include some healthy options such as fruit or vegetables. Volunteers can submit a receipt for costs and will be reimbursed up to \$20 per Sunday.

If you are interested in volunteering we could use your help with set-up and clean-up which is every Sunday—BUT you could volunteer once a month or once a quarter to help. Sandy Dodge will contact you to remind you of your date of service. There are people to assist you so it won't be a solo operation. Think about it and use the signup sheet during coffee hour. Any questions, please contact Sandy Dodge 707-318-3096 or dodgesandy@yahoo.com.

THE HAPPENINGS



New Dates with Dr. Koester on Zoom at 7:00 pm



Returning to the New Testament

- Wed. January 3: The Early Church in Acts & Paul's Calling
- Wed. January 10: Paul and the Roman Empire
- Wed. January 17: Paul's Letters to a Church in Conflict
- Wed. January 24: Freedom and the Law in Paul's Letters
- Wed. January 31: Paul on Gender Roles and Slavery
- Wed. February 7: Letters for Sojourners (Hebrews, James and Peter)

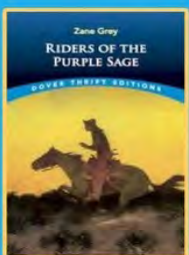
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE ROSES

SACRED SPACE

EXPERIENCING THE SPIRIT IN A NEW WAY

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH


5-6 PM



Zoom Book Club
Thursday January 18
2:30 p.m.

Riders of the Purple Sage

By Zane Grey



The most popular Western Novel of all time.

Jeanne has books !

Join the

BOOMERS

Home to the largest collection of Egyptian artifacts on exhibit in western North America.

Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum


Saturday, January 20th

Meet at PCOR at 10:00 to Carpool or Caravan

See the Rose Clippings for more information

Welcoming all active adults.

Book Club on Zoom
Thursday, February 15 2:30 P.M.



Tao Te Ching

By Lao Tzu

A Chinese classic text and foundational work of Taoism written around 400 BC. traditionally credited to the sage Laozi

Jeanne will have books.

Join the

BOOMERS

and the GIRL SCOUTS

Sunday, February 25th after church

BLESSING BAGS

Lunch and Ice Cream Social

See the Rose Clippings for more information

Welcoming all active adults.

Cents-Ability Baskets are out each second Sunday in the Narthex and Campbell Court

Support the Presbytery Hunger Fund
And our MHS Breakfast Program.



We have the prints.
But we need more Quilters

Join us Second Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Sunday School Room.
Cut, Design, Stitch and Tie!
With the P.C.O.R. Quilters!
Call Yvonne Draper at 707-230-2173

PCOR ~ BOOMERS

CHRISTMAS 2023





ROSICRUCIAN
EGYPTIAN MUSEUM

Home to the largest collection of Egyptian artifacts on exhibit in western North America.

Join the BOOMERS

When: Saturday, January 20th 10:00 at PCOR to car pool or Caravan
or at the Starbucks across the street from museum ~ 12:00 noon

Where: Rosicrucian Egyptian Museum, Grounds and Workshop

Museum address is 1660 Park Ave, San Jose

What: 4 galleries of artifacts and a tomb - yep, mummies too !

Cost: \$10.00 adult / \$8.00 Senior / Student

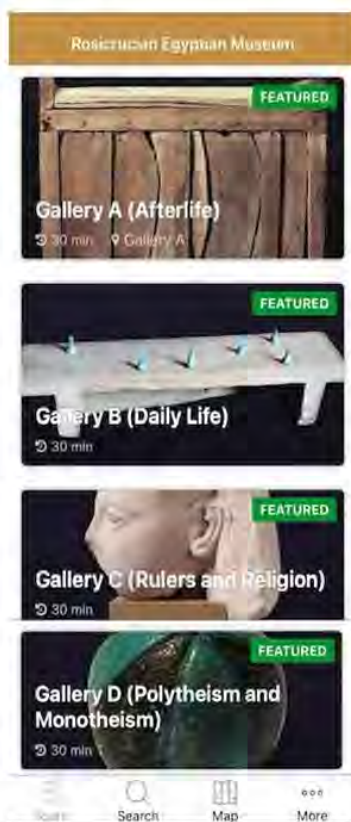
RSVP: Lindsay Olsen - olsenl2001@yahoo.com txt (707) 515-9009

When I taught 6th Grade, we came here every year. It is an awesome experience. The grounds and museum are certainly world class!

We'll meet at the Starbucks across the street from the museum for a quick bite then explore the museum and a workshop at 1:30.

The website has 360* views of each room and the free app has a full description of each as well. Download the app, bring your headphones for self guided tour.

About a 2 hour drive so prepare.



egyptianmuseum.org

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BLESSING BAGS

Lunch and Ice Cream Social

February 25, 2024 after church

Be the blessing that you wish to see in the world.

- February 25th is the date for our February BOOMERS event, and we will be joining again with our local GIRL SCOUT TROOP to compile Blessing Bags.
- Please bring your donations for the Blessing Bags to Bowen Hall (where the donation boxes are located) over the next few weeks, then stay after church on February 25th for the Big Bagging Event.
- After the bags are compiled we will enjoy a pizza lunch and a delicious dessert of ice cream and yummy toppings.
- Linda Lance and Barbara Basham are arranging and providing the lunch and dessert, and there will be a free-will donation to help defray their costs.
- At the end of the day you will depart with your own Blessing Bags to hand out. As we encounter individuals on our streets in need, it is our privilege to give to them as God gives to us.

DATE: February 25 2024

TIME: 11:30 am to help set up, 12 noon to sort and bag

LOCATION: Bowen Hall, Church of the Roses

WHAT TO BRING: Your preferred beverage for lunch

QUESTIONS: Host: Linda Lance linda.lance31@gmail.com

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