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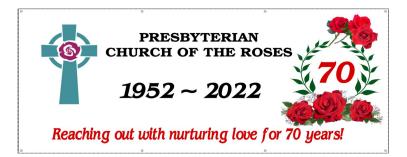


EASTER SUNDAY CELEBRATION

The Church of the Roses had a glorious Easter celebration. The Easter Season is still on! A beautiful worship service is planned for Pentecost on June 5th.

Join us for all our May and June activities! We hope to see you at our All Church Picnic on June 26th when we kick-off the 70th Anniversary year!





This will be a "banner" year for the Church of the Roses as we celebrate our 70th anniversary! While this building may be only wood and stucco, the community it houses makes it shine like a house of gold. As another year passes, I thank you for being the glue that brings our faith community together. With each passing year, this church seems to not just grow older, but stronger in its outreach and more dedicated in its mission. In this anniversary year, we are all so grateful for the saints who have come before us and for those who remain and for the new ones who are working faithfully to keep our church ministries reaching out with nurturing love to all.

Reverend Billy Graham once said: "The highest form of worship is the worship of unselfish Christian service."

The faithful members of the Church of the Roses are wonderful servants for those in need, not only here but also throughout the Santa Rosa community and beyond. Let us praise God for this Church and for the ways God has used us to bless others in the Santa Rosa Community over the years. Through all the ups and downs and challenges that have come along in the past, God has been faithful to us as we have been faithful to God. May God continue to lead and guide this congregation through you in all your efforts to show God's love in action. Life together is not always easy, but your faithfulness and integrity have been a true blessing to the history of our church for 70 years!

Thank you all for your selfless work in Jesus Christ.

Love, Pastor Cindy

"The church is a living organism, enlivened by the presence of God's Spirit. It's the body of Christ, a community of worshippers that exists for God's pleasure and to live out the kingdom that Jesus preached and promised." (Tim Conder)

And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. (Galatians 6: 9)

A BIG THANK YOU

to Steve Yeager and Lindsay Olsen for sharing their photography talents with our church.

We appreciate all you do!

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE ROSES

SACRED SPACE

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP IS BACK! Calling for Volunteers

We need 2 volunteers to help with setup, serving, and cleanup. We also need COOKIES! 6 dozen are needed each Sunday. These may be homemade by one or more persons or purchased (reimbursement is available).

URDAY OF THE MONTH

PM

Please contact Linda Lance to sign u at 707-217-6226 or email at linda.lance31@gmail.com.

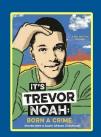
Thank you and see you on Sunday!



Zoom Book Club Thursday, May 19 2:00 P.M.

> See Jeanne for copies

The Book of Unknown Americans A Novel by Cristina Henriquez



Zoom Book Club Thursday, June 16 2:00 P.M. BOTT a Crime by Trevor Noah

Stories from a South African Childhood

See Jeanne for copies

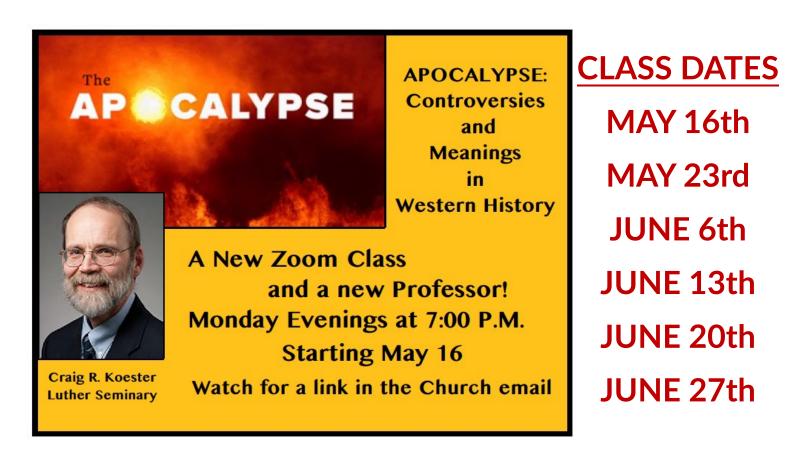
GREETINGS FROM OUR NEW OFFICE MANAGER!

Greetings! My name is Raven Duchscherer and I am very excited to be on staff here at Church of the Roses. I love it! My very first Sunday attending service was Palm Sunday 2019. Earlier that year, I moved here from the South Bay to be closer to family. Born in Burnaby, British Columbia Canada, I grew up in San Jose and was raised Catholic. Previously I worked as the Office Manager of Front Door Communities, the homeless



program I co-founded at the First Presbyterian Church of San Jose. I was there for 15 years. I feel so very fortunate to have found a place where there is so much FAITH, LOVE and COMMUNITY. I love it here and look forward to knowing each of you better in the coming months.

Blessings, Raven Duchscherer



Reading The Book of Revelations is advised in preparation.

MEMBERSHIP

GRADUATE PHOTOS NEEDED by May 23

Do you have a family member that is graduating from high school, or college? Send in to the office or bring in their photo, name, and relation to you. We would love to announce it in the June newsletter.



A LIONS COLLECTION BOX IS IN CAMPBELL COURT FOR ITEMS LISTED BELOW

- BROKEN GLASSES recycled for cash for vision programs
- SUNGLASSES prescription and nonprescription
- OTC "READERS"
- OLD CELL PHONES also recycled for cash for vision programs
- USED HEARING AIDS sent to Ear of the Lion near Fresno where they are refurbished and distributed to lowincome clients (a great program).



PCOR congratulates Carole and Gene Michel as they celebrate their 67th Wedding Anniversary!

Prayers for many more!



CHURCH EVENTS & HAPPENINGS



The staff and PCOR church officers enjoyed a retreat day under the redwoods at Westminster Woods hosted by Chris Rhodes.

We had a tour of the camp, sang, prayed, learned how to make creative cards, and envisioned how to celebrate our 70th anniversary this year.



To sign up, please Contact Raven at raven@churchoftheroses.org

AN CHURCH BEERING

Church of the Roses Annual Church Picnic

Bring your Family and Friends and join us on Sunday, June 26th at 11:30am (after Worship) For great Food, Fun and Fellowship!

Come Enjoy delicious Summer Favorites like: Hotdogs, Burgers (Vegan as well!) and potato salad and Beans. And don't forget Ice cream for dessert. All are welcome! Suggested donation: \$10

MUSIC DIRECTOR

The Chancel Choir continues to rise to the challenge of learning new music, singing out of sections, and even some a cappella singing while our wonderful Althea is off in Europe for a time. We're looking forward to singing for another month or so through Pentecost Sunday, June 5th, after which we'll hang up our robes for the summer months! We will return on September 4th. The music in the summer months will be a combination of soloists, hopefully a few choral selections, duets, instrumentalists ... I'm planning for as much variety as possible! Bellissimo has been hard at work learning new music as well. It's really fun to play bells, and it's good for your brain ... it keeps all those synapses firing at once! We're always looking for a few more bell ringers! Come see me on Sunday morning, or email me at carol@churchoftheroses.org.

I'm happy to say that the first Good Friday Concert at Church of the Roses went very well! The church was full of people and the choir sang beautifully, accompanied by the Roses Chamber Orchestra. Donations at the door were generous, and they will help to fund the orchestra for next year's Good Friday Concert. I'm so very grateful to the many members that generously contributed to fund this event. Thanks to Lindsay Olsen for capturing the event on film!



Thanks to Carol Menke our Good Friday concert was a blessed experience for all!

DEACONS

The PCOR Deacons have had a very busy last few months! First, we helped put on the Maundy Thursday Soup Supper. Who knew we had so many good soup makers? It was a beautiful and fun-filled evening as we shared soup together and remembered how Jesus washed the feet of his Disciples. The Celebration of Life for Tony Burille took place on March 5th and Lucy Poindexer's was on March 19th. April 23rd, we celebrated the life of Susan Smith. These beloved Friends in Christ will be cherished in our memories. A special thanks to all who donated cookies.

We are delighted that Karen and Bill Nakata have volunteered to be our group leaders for Memorial Services. A big Thank You to them and to the hours of service the Deacons gave. On Saturday, April 30th, we joined the Session on a special retreat at Westminster Woods for renewal, fun, and to generate new ideas for our 70th Anniversary Celebration that is coming up very soon.

*<u>Update on the Deacon Moderator</u>: Our Moderator, Raven Duchscherer has assumed the position of Officer Manager. To ease her burden of responsibility, Rev. Lynne Vandercook has assumed the position of Deacon Moderator. A special thanks to all the work Raven did and to Barbara Basham who filled in for a while!

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Lynne Vandercook, Moderator

CHURCH & WORLD





<u>SAVE THE DATE</u>

ETEEN

52nd Annual

MLK /Juneteenth Community Festival Celebration

Our History is our Strength

Date: June 18, 2022 Time: 10:00am - 6:00pm Place: Martin Luther King Park 1671 Hendley Street, Santa Rosa,

Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration commemorating the ending of slavery in the United States

"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education." "We may have all come on different ships, but we're in the same boat now." – Martin Luther King Jr.

For more information call Nancy Rogers at 707-623-2701





Church of the Roses is an **Earth Care Congregation.** We have much to learn about how we can work to restore the health of the wonderful world that we have unwittingly damaged. This includes the oceans. August 7–12 the Church and World Committee is planning a Mission Trip to **Blue Theology Mission Station** in Pacific Grove, CA.

The Blue Theology Mission Station is a place where current science in marine biology informs a theology of creation care. We will learn about the failing health of our sacred seas and even take on some tasks at the shore and also at the Monterey Bay Aquarium that will give care to the ocean.

The program is centered at the Pacific Grove Christian Church where we will bed down and prepare our own meals and attend classes. Those who prefer hotel beds to air mattresses may choose to check out nearby motels!

WATCH FOR DETAILS ON HOW TO JOIN THIS INSPIRING ADVENTURE!

The Blue Theology Mission Station is a place where current science in marine biology informs a theology of creation care. For more information see:

www.Bluetheology.com

CHRISTIAN ED—Youth

ROSEBUD PRESCHOOL

Each Sunday, Judy Clarke and Kristi Gray prepare a craft and a lesson plan for both the young and older kids. The crafts are amazing and the children really enjoy them. One Sunday the craft was a small bird feeder to be decorated, during class and sent home with a bag of seeds. If you were in church last Sunday you saw Pastor Cindy show a mobile the children would make and take home. I wanted to make one myself. The message the children receive is based on the children's bulletin and is the same as the parents receive in church—an easy introduction for dinner conversation.

On Easter the children received a special Easter Bag with items that would be enjoyed after church. The children enjoyed the snap bracelets and coloring materials. The craft project was a cross and the lesson was, "He Has Risen."

Our program is in need of more volunteers. It would be a once a month commitment or being available as a substitute. Please contact Kristi Gray in the office or myself.

Barbara Basham, Co-chair Christian Ed (707 334-4548)

Toppings

Dine and Donate for Rosebud Preschool

Enjoy a tasty, cool, delicious treat at *Toppings Frozen Yogurt* while raising funds for Rosebud Preschool play yard.

Who: Anyone can support, simply show this flier on your phone or mention it when you purchase and 20% of proceeds of the day will go directly to Rosebud Preschool.

What: FRO YO, dairy free options available, Smoothies, as well as hot dogs, and more

When: Thursday May 12th, 2022 12pm-8:30pm

Where: Toppings Frozen Yogurt, 1533 Farmers Lane 95405 www.Toppings-Froyo.com

Why: To raise money to buy turf for the preschool play yard

FAMILY MINISTRIES & OUTREACH

The Montgomery High School breakfast program has an official name for the Monty students we serve daily Monday thru Thursday! **"The MHS Breakfast Club"**

The Breakfast Club is a place where the MHS students can come not only get feed buy find resources. Students can inquire about community resources via myself as the Director of Family Ministries and Outreach. The idea is to build a rapport with the students and let them know they have a safe place to hang out, eat and find support.

A few Thursday's ago, my youth organization NuBridges Y.C. teamed up the PCOR Deacons to provide a "Mid-day Snack Swag Bag", contents; 2 fruits, 2 carbs, bottled water, and a note that read, **"Don't Forget that WE CARE".**

Lastly, Easter was a BIG SUCCESS with the older kids as we gave a lesson on the <u>Resurrection of Christ</u>, then a craft of 'God's Eye' and a "Egg Wrapping Contest where Mia, Genevieve and Mia's younger brother all raced to wrap a jumbo plastic egg completed in yarn. The one who finished first got the big prize and the runner up another.

I'm happy to announce Mia was our grand prize winner and Genevieve was our runner up! Mia won \$10 bucks and Genevieve won a \$5 Starbuck card that we are still waiting for her to redeem! So come on and see me, Genevieve, and claim your prize!!

Congratulations Ladies!

Kristi Gray, Director of Family Ministries and Outreach





PRAYER REQUESTS

UPCOMING MEMORIALS

We are blessed to have no upcoming memorials at this time.

FOR THOSE WHO MOURN THE LOSS OF THEIR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

* The McCarthy Family as they mourn the passing of Cay McCarthy

THOSE WITH HEALTH ISSUES

Ray Alden Guy Basham **Bill Beaumont** Barbara Blinn **Dolores Borchers** Patrick Butler Peggy Call Doreen Cowden **Eldon Davis** Dick Draper Robert Flandermeyer Sam Gomes Cathy Guy Michele Hare Phil Henry Maryann lodence Carolyn Kenworthy Margret Kram

Ed Marcoux Vivian Mazeski Gail Meister Jessica Morse Spencer Nguyen **Christine** Pena Nancy Pinney Lynette Randerson Rosa Rosillo Pamela Sage **Bob Simmons** Susie Vela Bob Weber Jill White **Roger White** Helen Wikle **Betty Witchey-Ryer Avery Yudice**

THOSE SERVING IN OUR MILITARY

James Kuntz (Sorani), US Navy on the USS Scranton. 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.

SHOW ME MY NEIGHBOR

Lord of All Love,

As I step out the door, show me my neighbor. As I read the news, show me my neighbor. As I pray, show me my neighbor. On my left, on my right Perhaps turning to me right now Show me my neighbor.

Where my eyes have passed before and then turned away Show me my neighbor. Where my ears have heard cries that I have ignored Show me my neighbor. As they share a story that is different from my story Help me to listen as if it is my own. Show me my neighbor.

And then let me love them In their joy and in their distress That their delight be mine And their pain be mine too. Let me love them As completely and mercifully as you love me. In true solidarity Singing our songs together until a new song emerges, Let me love them. I look up now, Lord. Show me my neighbor.

Amen

Edward O.N. Hoyt

WORSHIP & ARTS

Scriptures and Sermon Topics

for May and June

May 8th Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sermon: "Trust your Shepherd" Psalm 23 and John 10:22-30

May 15th Fifth Sunday of Easter Sermon: "The Spirit Blesses All of Us" Psalm 148 and Acts 11:1-18

May 22nd Sixth Sunday of Easter Sermon: "God is Not a Puppeteer" Psalm 67 and John 5:1-9

May 29th

Sermon: "Jesus' Prayer Guide" Psalm 97 and John 17:20-26



Join us Sundays @ 10 am

in the sanctuary or watch the Livestream on our Facebook page. Or at <u>www.churchoftheroses.org</u>

Sundays 7:30 – 8 am Listen to Pastor Cindy's Sermons on KSRO 103.5 FM.

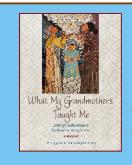
https://www.ksro.com/show/presbyterian-church-of-the-roses/

Join our Friday mailing list for Zoom links and more.



Thank you to the wonderful Easter decorating team for a gloriously beautiful chancel on Easter Sunday! And thank you to all those who donated the funds for the plants!





Presbyterian Women June 10:30 a.m What are These Women Doing in a Place Like This? Lesson 9

READ: Matthew 1

Join us on ZOOM. You do not have to have the book.

Watch for the ZOOM link in the weekly Church email



HELPING UKRAINE You may go to the website

https://pda.pcusa.org/ situation/ukraine/

Or a write a check to Church of the Roses with <u>Ukraine</u> written in the memo.

"(God) shall judge between the nations and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore."— (Isaiah 2:4)

War is utterly incompatible with the mission of Sonoma County United in Kindness. We are shocked by the loss of life and destruction that war is bringing to Ukraine and to the harms and suffering brought to all people affected by this war and other conflicts raging over the world.

We especially condemn the violence against civilians, their homes, cultural and civic property, and their land. Within a few weeks, military actions in Ukraine have forced over eleven million people from their homes, four-and-one-half million of these fleeing to neighboring countries, the rest seeking safety within Ukraine.

We stand with all who suffer from this unnecessary war, demand an immediate and lasting peace, offer comfort to those suffering and pray for their well-being.

Sonoma County United in Kindness April 22, 2022

The needs for the response will be great. God's people are called on to stand in the "GAP" — Give. Act. Pray.

GIVE. ACT. PRAY.

GIVE: Gifts can be made online to PCUSA Disaster Relief

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