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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear friends:

A few weeks ago, I was flipping through a workbook Margaret Melsh brought back from a 2009 church workshop on First Impressions when I ran across a quotation that caught my eye:

“Sometimes when I consider what tremendous consequences come from little things ... I am tempted to think ... there are no little things.” ~ Bruce Barton.

What were your first impressions of our congregation when you first visited? I bet they were “little things” – which turn out not to be little things.

- Did someone greet you, ask your name, and seem genuinely glad to see you?
- If you had any questions (such as, “Where is the restroom?” or “Where is the nursery?”), was it easy to find someone who not only answered your question but answered graciously and maybe even showed you the way?
- Did anyone invite you to coffee hour or a Sunday Seminar after worship?
- Did anyone offer to introduce you to someone who might have similar interests, have children of the same age or at the same school as your kids, or live near you?
- And if you came back a second time, did anyone remember you?

As part of our “Next Level” project (bringing our church to the “next level” of growth in today’s Marin), our congregation is looking for people with the gift of hospitality – with a passion for welcome but perhaps just as important, with a passion for our community and the conviction that it’s too good not to share it with others. We are looking for greeters who are excited about greeting, because it’s their calling. We are looking for ushers who offer a friendly smile as well as a bulletin. We are looking for coffee servers who serve up not just a hot cup of excellent coffee, but a warm welcome. Eventually, we would like to have a person in each quadrant of the

CHURCH & SOCIETY



First Presbyterian/San Anselmo REST volunteers turned out for the REST Vigil and March. (4/16/2018)

REST Program in Transition

By Joy Snyder

REST may have come to a close, but the fight to end homelessness has simply taken on a new direction in Marin. As most of you know, we (FPCSA) have actively participated in the REST (Rotating Emergency Shelter Teams) program for the past 9 years from November through April each year. We began (serving 3 nights per week initially!) under the leadership of Royce Truex and Jo Gross and at that time were almost entirely supported, cooked by and served by church members and friends. Since that time, the participation at our site has consistently been every Friday night (with St. Anselm’s hosting at our site on Saturday nights).

But the participants/volunteers has expanded immensely, embracing participants/volunteers from local schools, scout troops, and with the formation of an ever-expanding partnership with the **amazing** Children for Change, who this past season fully covered 2 nights per month, and who perform many other not-so-random acts of kindness! (See their website at: www.children4change.org.)

REST has become such an important part of our church’s DNA now, and so it is with mixed emotions that we

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received the news that it would be ending April 30th of this (2018) year. But we have resolved that this will not signify the end of our participation in supporting our many friends (as well as homeless folk unknown to us). Toward that end, over 20 of our members and friends showed up to "represent!" at the candlelight vigil (oversight by the **Marin Organizing Committee** (MOC) and St. Vincent de Paul of Marin on April 17th. (See **Understanding the Marin Organizing Committee**, page 3)

This vigil and press conference was held to announce and honor the end of REST, as well as to inform about the new direction/priority being given to housing the homeless ... with an enthusiastic goal of ending chronic homelessness in Marin within 4 years. It's been a complicated issue for years, and as Pat Langley (an MOC Leader) stated in their press release, "... we have learned much about the best way to address homelessness ... the answer is not night-to-night shelter, it is housing."

For a very thorough description of the thought process that went into this shift in focus, please see the very well-written April 18th cover story in the Marin IJ: <http://www.marinij.com/general-news/20180417/funding-sought-for-new-approach-to-marin-homeless>. The Rev. Jan Reynolds, pastor of First Presbyterian Church of San Rafael and a leader in the Marin Organizing Committee, provided the closing statement in the Press Release for the event, and perhaps it best sums up the necessity for this new direction:

"Justice requires permanent housing over a temporary spot on a church floor ... "We call upon our elected officials and community to stand with us collaboratively in this important work."

Check back next month, where more will be revealed. If you have any questions, email Joy Snyder restintransition@gmail.com.



Children for Change volunteering at a recent REST night. These children are amazing!



L-R: Denise (a very, very frequent REST Volunteer), Gina (with Anders), Martha And Jack.



San Rafael Mayor Gary Phillips declares April 18, 2018 is REST Day.

*"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."
~ Margaret Mead*

LATE BREAKING NEWS: At its regular monthly meeting on April 24, Session voted unanimously to join the **MOC**.

[Watch next month for more about this historic decision.]

Understanding the Marin Organizing Committee

The **Marin Organizing Committee** (MOC) is an affiliate of the Bay Area Industrial Areas Foundation, which in turn is a member of the Industrial Areas Foundation. From their website: (<http://industrialareasfoundation.org>)

- **Faith:** Our work is rooted in the common prophetic call of our diverse religious traditions.
- **Democracy:** Our work is rooted in the common prophetic call of our diverse religious traditions.
- **Relationships:** We believe in developing trust and building community across the lines that usually divide us.
- **Leadership:** We work with people who want to transform the world from what it is to what they believe it should be.
- **Impact:** We have seven decades of experience winning tough battles across the nation – from universal health care in Massachusetts to school reform in Texas to green job creation in Seattle.

Founded in 1940, the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF) partners with religious congregations and civic organizations at the local level to build broad-based organizing projects, which create new capacity in a community for leadership development, citizen-led action and relationships across the lines that often divide our communities.

The IAF created the modern model of faith- and broad-based organizing and is widely recognized as having the strongest track record in the nation for citizen leadership development and for helping congregations and other civic organizations act on their missions to achieve lasting change in the world.

The IAF currently works with thousands of religious congregations, non-profits, civic organizations and unions, in more than sixty-five cities across the United States and in Canada, Australia, the United Kingdom and Germany.

The Bay Area Industrial Areas Foundation is a broad based network of local institutions — congregations and non-profits — that work to create relational power that can build and strengthen each member institution as well as shape public policy for the common good.

The Bay Area IAF includes the Bay Area Organizing Committee, the **Marin Organizing Committee**, the Sacramento Valley Organizing Community, and Common Ground. Bay Area IAF is organizing in San Francisco, Marin, Sonoma, Napa, Solano, Sacramento, Yolo, San Mateo, Santa Clara, and Contra Costa Counties.



"Biggest Case on the Planet" Pits Kids vs. Climate Change

Here is a story about some other amazing kids. This excerpted article from **National Geographic** is found at <https://bit.ly/2zKdL0b>. **Go and read the whole thing.**

A pioneering lawsuit against the U.S. government on global warming won the right to a trial.

A group of 21 youths who claim the federal government's promotion of fossil fuel production and its indifference to the risks posed by greenhouse gas emissions have resulted in "a dangerous destabilizing climate system" that threatens the survival of future generations. That lapse violates, the court papers argue, their fundamental constitutional rights to life, liberty, and property. The lawsuit also argues that the government violated the public trust doctrine, a legal concept grounded in ancient law that holds the government is responsible for protecting public resources, such as land and water — or in this case, the climate system — for public use.

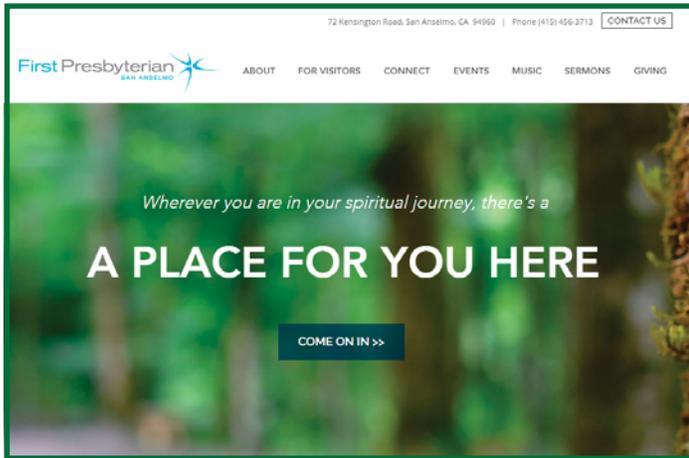
The kids' lawsuit was joined by acclaimed NASA climate scientist James Hansen, who began studying climate change in the 1970s and whose granddaughter, Sophie, is among the 21 young plaintiffs.

"In my opinion, this lawsuit is made necessary by the at-best schizophrenic, if not suicidal nature of U.S. climate and energy policy," he told the court.

Last fall, U.S. District Court Judge Anne Aiken agreed with the youths' claim. Her sweeping 54-page opinion laid the foundation for what looks to be a groundbreaking trial later this year. In her ruling, Aiken established, in effect, a new right for these children and teens: a right to expect they could live in a stable climate.

"I have no doubt that the right to a climate system capable of sustaining human life is fundamental to a free and ordered society," Aiken wrote. "Just as marriage is the foundation of the family, a stable climate system is quite literally the foundation of society, without which there would be neither civilization nor progress."

COMMUNICATIONS



Our New Website is Launched

By Martha Olsen Joyce

Have you visited our website lately? You'll notice a whole new look. We've designed it especially for newcomers, to give them just what they need to know.

The re-design is another facet of the re-branding work driven by the Next Level Team. We reviewed dozens of successful church websites, and selected what would work best for our church here in Marin County. We thought carefully about our story throughout the process, and how to best present who we are and what we offer. In today's media-driven world, it's important for churches to use modern design practices and technology platforms.

A debt of gratitude goes to those who helped craft what you see: Joanne Whitt, Robin Truitt, Margaret Melsh, Raquel Nelson, Laurie Buntain, Daniel Canosa, and Linda Price. A special thank you to our photographers and videographers: Dick Schlobohm, Tom McAfee, Raquel Nelson, and the REST team. And if you should run into our neighbor, the talented Steve Beal of Beal Creative, give him a big hug. He has gifted us with countless hours of design reviews and wise counsel.

This is just the beginning. If you have suggestions for Phase 2 of our website, please reach out to me in church or via email at marols@leapgroup.com [Thank YOU, Martha, for your vision and dedication to this labor of love!]



PERSONNEL

Good Bye, Gayle

Our "temp" office administrator, Gayle Burns, spent the first two weeks of April training our new permanent office administrator, Joanna Magee. Gayle took over the office job after Kathleen McCalla left last September. Gayle was a warm and inviting presence and all who had a chance to work with her were blessed by their interaction. She was a wonderful help to Joanne and became proficient in handling the vital business of our congregation. We hope to have her back when Joanna takes vacation time. Grace and peace to you, Gayle, as you move on to another position.

Hello, Joanna Magee, Our New Office Administrator

If you've had a chance to visit our office this past month, you know we have a new office administrator. She is Joanna Magee and comes to us with an interesting work background. She has worked in other offices, has been a communications chair, was an assistant property manager, a program coordinator, and even worked in the Presbyterian Church office in Cannon Beach, Oregon. She comes to us with solid communication skills, proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite, Quickbooks, Adobe InDesign, and Acrobat DC. She has excellent judgment, flexibility, good humor, and takes initiative. She spent the first two weeks of April being trained by Gayle Burns, our interim office administrator.



Joanna was raised on the town of Cannon Beach Oregon with one older and one younger brother. At the age of 12, her family moved to Dallas, Oregon. She visits her two brothers and parents who all still live on the north Oregon coast.

She went to college at Trinity Western University, in Langley, British Columbia, Canada receiving a B.A. in Communications with a minor in Philosophy. It was at TWU that she went on her first (and last) blind date, where she met her husband Kevin from Caledon, Ontario. They have been married 18 years and have three children — Abigail (12), Audrey (10) and Jack (8).

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Joanna loves a good adventure and new experiences. She reads broadly but is partial to a good mystery and historical fiction. Music is ever present in her home. You will find a piano, cello, violin, ukulele and guitar as well as a varied music collection---everything from sweeping stringed arrangements to classic rock. She also can't resist a good Mariachi Band.

Favorite foods are street tacos, dark chocolate and, at this busy stage of life, any meal she doesn't have to cook. Another favorite is meeting and working with people. So, do drop by the office and get acquainted with our newest staff member.

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Hello, Natsuko Murayama, Our New Church Organist



On Sunday, May 20, we will have the opportunity to welcome our new organist, Natsuko Murayama. Natsuko started her musical career as a church musician when she was in high school in Japan playing the piano. After being

baptized when she was twenty, she began her organ studies. She studied at Kunitachi College of Music as well as with professional organists.

She came to the United States in 1994 and joined First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley, where she and her husband sang in the choir. She had given up her organ studies but soon realized that she could pursue further musical education. She resumed organ study with John Walko, studied at Westminster Choir College and the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. She now has a B.A. in Music, and has studied Music Theory, and organ literature at Westminster Choir College at Princeton. In 2006, she earned her Master of Music in Organ Performance from San Francisco Conservatory of Music. She also has her Colleague Certificate from the American Guild of Organists.

In her "real life", she is married to Hitoshi Murayama, a physicist. He is a professor At UC Berkeley and also works as the director of Kavli Institute for Physics and Mathematics of the Universe at University of Tokyo. He travels back and forth between the two universities. He plays double bass and sings in the choir. Hitoshi and Natsuko have been married for 30 years and have three children. Takumi (26), oldest son, is a Ph.D. candidate in mathematics at University of Michigan and plays the

violin. Daughter Kikari (24) works at a consulting company in D. C. and plays cello. Yurie (21), youngest daughter, is graduating from Maryland Institute College of Art. She plays violin, trumpet, and piano and sang with the SF Girls Chorus for 6 years. As you can see, this is a musical family.

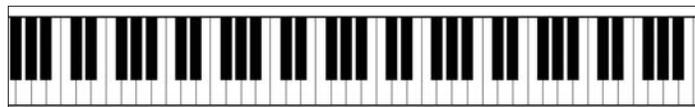
Natsuko lives in Kensington and enjoys walking her dog Momo around her neighborhood and in the Tilden Park Nature area. When she is not playing keyboards, she spends time reading, knitting, or crocheting. She is a subscriber to the SF Symphony, where she is a big fan of MTT [*Michael Tilson Thomas.*] Her two favorite pianists are Yuja Wong and Daniil Trifonov.

Natsuko has most recently been the organist at the Walnut Creek Methodist Church but she says "I often struggle with my Presbyterian faith in a Methodist Church. The main reason I applied for your job was that my devotion is playing for worship and I feel that I would be a great addition to your worship team in leading worship in the Presbyterian faith"

We look forward to welcoming Natsuko later this month.
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Thank you, Patti

Patty Sempell was our interim organist/accompanist for the past year, having filled in when our organist, John Parfitt, retired. She played faithfully for choir practices, Sunday worship, memorial services and special music events for Christmas and Easter. In June 2017, she accompanied the choir in the Durufle *Requiem* in concert. This congregation is most appreciative of her service and we wish her well. We hope she will continue her participation in our choir, as she is a multi-talented musician.



Thank You, Ruth Sempell, for 3 Years of Coffee Servers!

For the past three years, week in and week out, Ruth Sempell faithfully has found volunteers to serve us coffee during coffee hour on Sunday mornings. Ruth took over the ministry from Mardys Whiteman, and brought her own organizational skills to the task. Ruth kept track of servers, their contact information and dates of service, an excellent record to hand on to the next volunteer. Many thanks to Ruth for her service and commitment! Enjoy your well-earned break!

Coffee hour is one of our most important opportunities to extend a welcome on Sundays. If you appreciate the importance of hospitality and would like to follow in Ruth's footsteps, contact Martha Olsen Joyce, Chair of Nurture Committee.

HIGH NOTES



...From the Choir

Have you ever listened to that delightful cacophony of bird-song that brings on the day at sunrise? (A nightingale, slightly confused about Daylight Savings Time, showing off at 3 am, does not count.) Why do birds sing and why do so many of them hit full throttle at dawn? Research indicates that birds exposed to light sooner than others will start singing before the others, which scientists think gives them an edge in attracting mates or asserting their territory.* Whatever the reason, everyone is encouraged to get up early and listen on May 1st - International Dawn Chorus Day !!! It might be some kind of wonderful to greet the sun and the day by hearing all the birds sing!

Speaking of some kind of wonderful, we send love to Patty Sempell for her stellar organ and piano playing this past year. At the drop of a hat, Patty stepped up and held us all together: that's some pinch-hitting, Patty! Muchas gracias from the choir and the congregation for sharing your talents with us all! Of course, we will love having her sing with us again as we welcome Natsuko Murayama as FPCSA's new organist and accompanist in mid-May.

John Rutter's *Feel the Spirit* selection of upbeat gospel music is coming back for the June 3rd service. You'll want to pencil in the date now. The larger community choir, orchestra, with alto soloist Jessica Winn, will all be led by FPCSA's talented Music Director, Daniel Canosa.

Love to sing? Come join us! To sing in the choir on any Sunday, all you need to do is come to Thursday evening rehearsal prior. If you have not sung with the chancel choir before, or are not on the email list, contact Linda at lgprice57@gmail.com for more information.

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*[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dawn_chorus_\(birds\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dawn_chorus_(birds))



Alto soloist Jessica Winn will join the choir for John Rutter's Feel the Spirit on June 3, 2018 during worship.

EVENTS@72 KENSINGTON

Marin Baroque Presents:

MUSA Baroque Orchestra The Birth of the String Symphony

Directed by Derek Tam,
Saturday, May 5th, 8 pm.

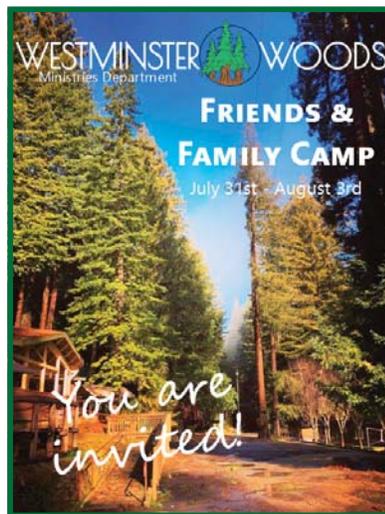
Music of CPE Bach, Stamitz, Mendelssohn.

Tickets at door or <https://www.marinbaroque.org/musa>



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FAMILY MINISTRIES



Family Camp at Westminster Woods

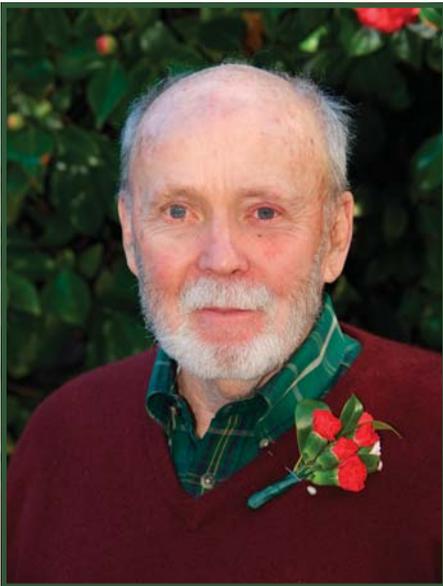
The Westminster Woods Ministries Team would like to invite you, our family and friends, to join us July 31st through August 3rd for **Friends & Family Camp**. These four days will be filled with all our camp classics; such as campfire, hoedown, games, challenge course, free time and more. This time together will be a great opportunity to reconnect with old friends and make new ones.

For more information, or to register, go to their website:

<https://www.westminsterwoods.org/events/friendsfamilycamp>

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Because Joanne has now assigned each and everyone of us to be shepherds for these new members, I'll give you a brief note about each one so that you'll have a conversation starter if you feel a bit timid about speaking to someone you don't know. Remember the old saying "Friends were strangers before they became friends." ~Libby Davis



Jim Bell as a young adult, lived as a Jesuit Seminarian for seven years, and then he moved to San Francisco. His calling to priesthood changed but he continued teaching in middle and high school. He later married, moved to Marin where he became a student at SFTS and member of the Seminary choir. And then with the encouragement of Royce Truex, he joined our Choir and is part of our Centering Prayer group.



Lisa Della Valle was first introduced to our church when attending the Thanksgiving Ecumenical Services with her mother and then later after the 2016 Presidential election she rediscovered First Presbyterian. She is now part of our Qigong class, and Centering prayer group and sings in the choir.



Irma Carlisle-Rivera is also an SFTS seminary graduate who is ordained and now works as a psychotherapist with adults as well as teens and their families. She's been married for 36 years and has 2 children.



Joanie Jacobson was born in Massachusetts and grew up in Connecticut, and has come to us by way of the Unitarian and Congregational churches. She retired 3 years ago after working in Human Resources. She started coming to our church at the suggestion of Chris Francisco and Sita Khufu and is a participant of the Qi Gong class.



Grace Eunhye So spent her early years in Los Angeles, but when she was a teenager, her family moved back to South Korea where she met and married her husband, a Presbyterian pastor. She is now working on a PHD in New Testament at the Graduate Theological Union (GTU) Berkeley.



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A Bare Roots Photo Journal

Church member Asma Eschen and co-founder of the **Bare Roots Project** has returned from her trip to Kabul, Afghanistan. Here are some photos that mark the progress that has been made to reforest the war-torn country.



Apples harvested in the fall of 2017, from a tree that was planted 3 years ago.



Asma helps new communities to plant a row of trees.



Bare root trees are transported by truck to local distribution centers. All of the trees are given to the people at no cost.



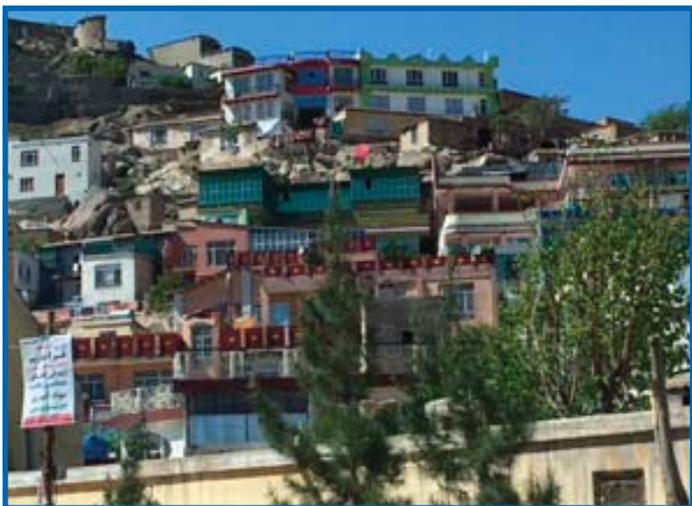
Poplars, planted in 2016, will soon provide much-needed shade.



On Maranj Hill above Kabul, these trees were planted the first year, 2005. Below, a close up view of the trees.



The late Ash Wood, Asma Eschen, Royce and Sandy Truex, and Herman and Mary Waetjen were among the first group of people who went in 2005. Well done!



New homes being built in Kabul. So much of the news focuses on the bad; here is something good.



Little boys playing on their way to school. Where are the little girls? Some progress is slow. We pray for the girls and women under Taliban rule. And we pray for the boys who will some day be men. And we work for peace. A new tomorrow land of peace and beauty.



LAGNIAPPE

Here is a poem written by Mary Waetjen and shared in the Life Stories Group. They meet on the second Monday of each month.

Monday

The bedsheets and pillowcases find their way into the washing machine and after a time of rolling around in suds and water, they are pulled out of the dark cylinder

and placed twisted and damp into the blue basket on the floor of the garage next to the tires of the silver car sprinkled with dust. The clothes pin bag sewn onto a hanger

hooks over an outstretched finger, balanced gingerly to avoid a spill, and then finds space on the clothesline stretched across the deck like a music staff.

Each wrinkled piece pulled out of the basket claims a place on one of the lines, sharing pins with a sister sheet or pillowcase, stretching to catch the sun

and the breeze that floats gently over the green, shining leaves of the cherry tree, whose crown has now grown up even with the top of the deck railing. I rest my elbows

on the splintery slice of wood and gaze over the valley to the mountain that I call mine because it is there for me every morning when I awaken, every season of every year.

Behind me something brushes my shoulder, a soft touch of fabric, and turning, I see a sheet opening its arms to sunshine and fragrance like an apron, catching the warm air, holding it close

and folding memories into every seam and stitch. And when the sun has finished sipping the moisture from every piece and has placed its kiss of fire on the cloth for me to breathe,

I gather in the sunshine and cherry tree, the air, the softness, my mountain, and close it in to save it for the night.

Mary Waetjen, Life Stories 4/9/2018 (4/30/07)

WORSHIP

Worship in May 2018

- MAY 6 6th Sunday of Easter**
Communion
"Chosen"
John 15:9-17
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching
- MAY 13 7th Sunday of Easter**
"Happy Is the One ..."
Psalm 1
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching
- MAY 20 Pentecost**
FAMILY SUNDAY
"Happy Birthday, Church!"
Acts 2:1-21
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching
- MAY 27 Trinity Sunday**
"Send Me"
Isaiah 6:1-8
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching



<http://www.judycoatesperez.com/making-prayer-flags-at-craft-napa/>

Napa Textile Artist Judy Coates Perez displays prayer flags made by students at a recent workshop.

Calling All Crafters: Pentecost Prayer Flags

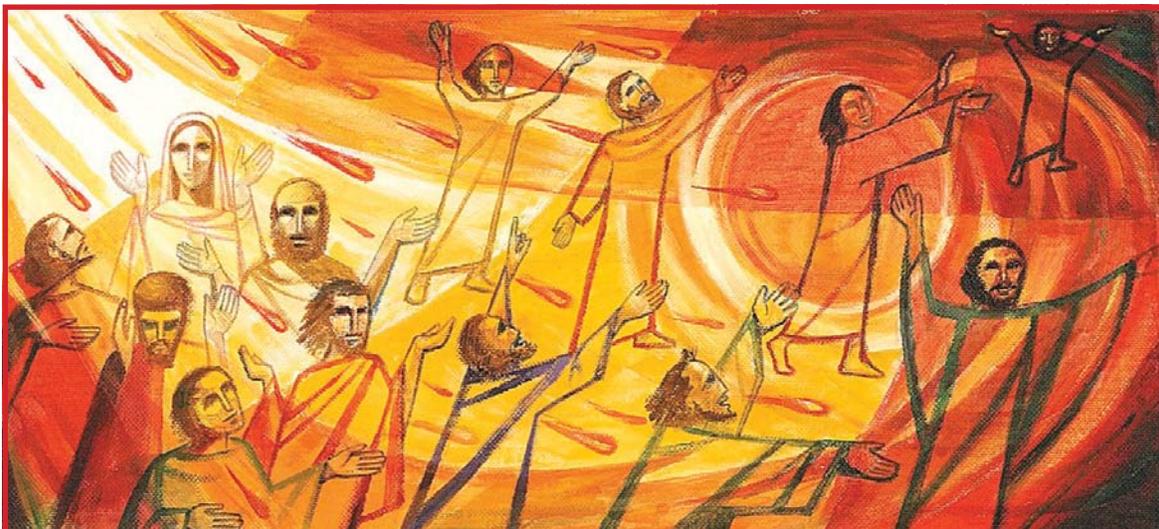
Pentecost is called the birthday of the church, because according to Acts 2, it was on Pentecost that the disciples received the Holy Spirit and from then on, went out into the world proclaiming the same message of good news that Jesus had proclaimed.

This year, Pentecost Sunday is May 20th — which is also Family Sunday. Among other things, we'll be inviting people of all ages in the congregation to participate in making Pentecost prayer flags. The prayer flags will carry our prayers for the Church in the world and for our congregation in particular, and they will fly on the wind of the Spirit in front of the church for a month or more (or maybe all summer).

The prayer flags we will make in worship that Sunday will be simple squares of fabric with prayers or drawings in indelible marker. More complicated prayer flags, reflecting the artistic expression of the individual, are also welcome to be added to our strings of prayer flags. If you are a quilter, crafter or just curious, you are invited to make one or more prayer flags, using fabric, quilting, appliqué, buttons, ribbons, lace, bells, dye, wax resist, embroidery, etc. The finished prayer flags will be about 8 ½" by 8 ½" (picture a sheet of 8 ½ by 11 inch paper, with 2 inches folded over to created a channel through which to run a cord or rope. Pentecost colors — red, orange yellow, fuchsia — are preferred, but don't let that hold you back. You can find many creative ideas on Pinterest and DIY websites.

Bring your prayer flags Sunday, May 20, and they will be added with the rest to our strands of birthday prayers for the Church.

This visual interpretation of the first Pentecost can be found on several websites. Artist unknown. <https://bit.ly/2qZTYnB>



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sanctuary, each Sunday, watching for unfamiliar faces. Our shorthand term for these people so far is “quadrant ambassadors” (but I’m sort of hoping we come up with a snappier term).

What “little thing” might you be able to contribute to our congregation’s effort to be a welcoming, hospitable church? It may turn out not to be such a little thing.

Together we serve,

Joanne



Getting to the Next Level

For the past year, a dedicated team of people has been working in a coaching relationship with the Center for Progressive Renewal. Our purpose? To make sense of our changing context for our church, and find the right path to vitality and sustainability in today’s Marin.

Our Process

At each monthly meeting, we worked with our coach, Claire Bamberg to consider new ways of “being church.” We let go of some ideas that are no longer effective. Out of these rich discussions emerged five key initiatives for taking our church to the Next Level.

Our Progress

You’ve already seen some of the changes resulting from our Next Level work: the new logo, new website, an adapted New Member process, Family Sunday, a more intentional approach to welcome and greeting, improvements to our campus. And there is much more in store!

What’s Next?

At a joint meeting with Session and Deacons on April 3, we shared our recommendations. It was a great start in creating a new blueprint for prioritizing decisions and focusing our resources as a church. Each Next Level initiative creates tremendous new opportunities for each of us to give, serve, and grow. We look forward to leading deeper dives into each initiative, and inviting everyone to help turn our ideas into reality.

If you have any questions about Next Level or want to get involved, reach out to any member of the team: Laurie Buntain, Dave Jones, Margaret Melsh, Raquel Nelson, Martha Olsen Joyce, Robin Truitt, Vivian Volz, or Joanne Whitt.



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SUNDAY WORSHIP
10:00am
(Nursery Care)

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The Rev. Doug Olds

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