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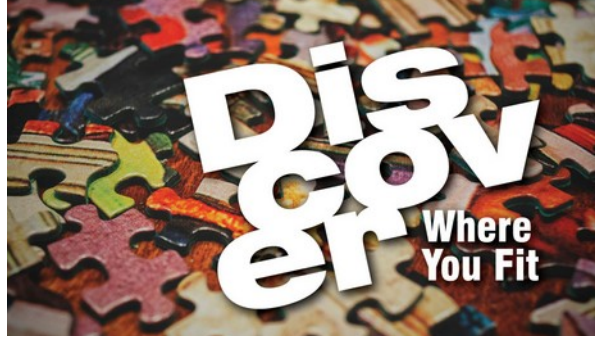


Great Decisions Continues

The Great Decisions series has begun but it is never too late to join the discussion. The engaging sessions take place from 7:00 to 8:30 on Sunday nights through April 11 (with a break for Easter on April 4). Because we cannot safely convene in person, we conduct the discussions via Zoom. To participate, you must register each week to obtain the Zoom link and password that will enable you to join the discussion. IF you are on the notification list for Great Decisions, you will receive weekly notices about topics and registration. IF you do NOT receive notices, please send an e-mail to greatdecisions@firstpaloalto.com and ask to be added to the distribution. We plan to record the weekly presentations and to post them on the church website.

You need not be a foreign policy expert to attend; just bring an open and eager mind. Newcomers and guests are welcome! If you have general questions, please contact Tom Fingar (tom@fingar.net).

Topics and discussion leaders are listed on page 8.



spring, your Committee on Lay Leadership and Development (COLL) is thinking hard about that SERVICE part.

It takes all of us to make disciples of Jesus Christ. It takes all of us to do God's work in our community. And it takes all of us to keep our church running so that disciple-making and ministry in the world can move forward in this place and through this congregation.

Have you thought about where you might serve next year? Where do your talents and interests lie? The Board of Trustees or Staff-Parish Relations? The Centennial Endowment Fund or Finance? Discipleship or Worship? Hospitality & Nurture or Social Action? Leadership Development or Technology & Communications?

Dozens of dedicated, hard-working church members have served in these areas during our pandemic year, and we are so very grateful for their faithfulness. Maybe that's you. We hope you will continue to say "Yes!" to helping move our church forward in some capacity, even if you are completing a three-year term in June.

And if you haven't found your calling to serve yet, we hope 2021 is the year that you do. If you would like to know more about what service in any of the areas mentioned above entails, please contact a member of the Committee on Lay Leadership and Development—or someone you know who has served in that area.

This spring, COLL will be reaching out to ask you, "How might you serve?"

COLL: Rev. Dr. Debra Murray, Pamela Cutkosky, Mira Dabrowski, Linda Grossman, Emily King, Carol Kumer, Nancy Olson, Lucy Tompkin ❖

by Pamela Cutkosky

... your prayers, your presence, your gifts, YOUR SERVICE, your witness ...

These are the things we promise when we join the church. In the

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What shall I render unto God for all God's benefits?

Dear members and friends,

Grace and peace be unto you. I am praying that the Lord will bless you with all that you need to become closer to God during and after this Lenten season. I also pray that 2021 is better for the world than 2020.

As we engage in our Lenten journey, we may find ourselves asking the Lord the above question, what shall I render unto God for all God's benefits or Lord, what do you require of me? This prayer may lead us in search of the answer which we will find deep at the heart of our Wesleyan roots. It is here we will find the inseparability of personal piety and social holiness. As we worship a God Incarnate in the person of Jesus Christ, we worship and we engage in spiritual practices as expressions of our personal piety in relationship with the divine. Every Sunday we repeat the prayer that Jesus gave us in the gospel of Matthew, chapter 6. In this prayer Jesus identifies three spiritual disciplines as acts of personal piety: charitable giving, prayer, and fasting. There are practices that have become an important part of our Christian tradition including meditation, fellowship, and study. However, personal piety is only one side of our holiness. As Methodists, we are reminded through John Wesley that there is no religion that is not social and no holiness without social holiness.

It is upon this foundation that I hope to help guide your Lenten observance. The Lent bag some of you picked up at the church contained items for your personal holiness and your social holiness. Alongside the anointing oil, the prayer candle, palm cross, and devotional was a list of toiletry and pantry items that Project WeHOPE needs. Project WeHOPE "provides families with hope and positive solutions to homelessness, drugs, violence, illiteracy, and other elements that hinder the positive development of young lives." To date Project WeHOPE has provided over 50,000 showers and laundered over 22,000 loads of clothes. Will you place some of those items on the list in the bag or another bag and return it to the church on March 27 11-1 p.m. as an act of social holiness?

We see inseparability of personal piety and social holiness grounded in the biblical narrative of Micah 6:6-8. Micah, an 8th century prophet in Judah, condemns the widespread religiosity where people—especially religious leaders—are making a public show of their personal piety through their offerings and sacrifices. The people are saying: Do you want this? This? What do you want, Lord? I am giving so much, they imply. Micah answers the question in this manner: "And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

God's expectations remind us of the inseparability of personal piety and social holiness. It has been my hope since the pandemic, that we provide monthly touchpoints, where we practice our personal piety of fellowship and engage a community partnership for our social responsibility, thus demonstrating true holiness. I look forward to our next gathering on March 27 when we drop off our WeHOPE bags and receive another FUMCPA goody bag. Also save April 3 for an in person Social Distance Parking Lot Communion.

Peace

Look for God's presence within you, around you, and working through you each day. ❖

Project WeHOPE Needs

- dry macaroni and spaghetti
- white rice
- tomato sauce
- peanut butter
- jelly/jam
- coffee
- creamer
- sugar
- canned and box soup
- canned vegetables
- personal size toiletries

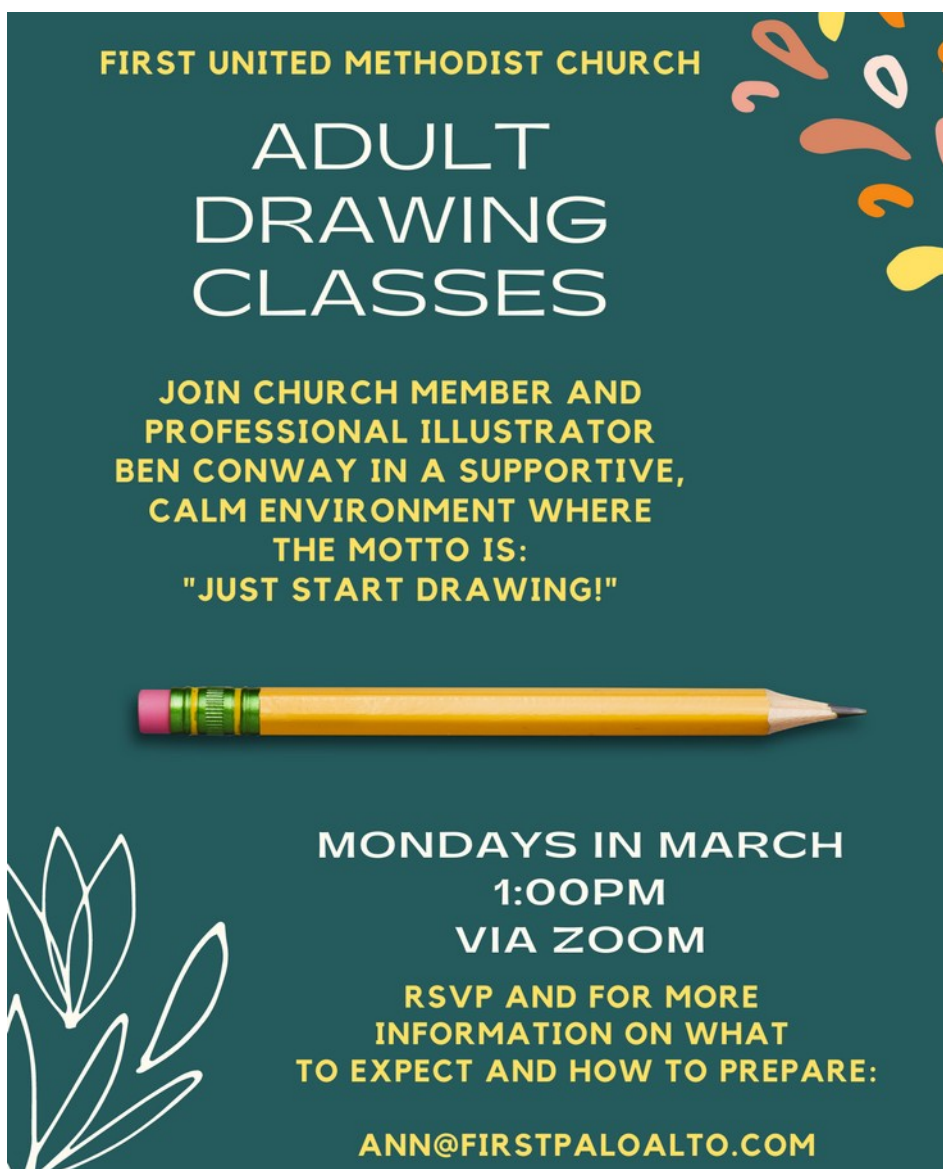
UMCOR Special Sunday Is March 14

February's winter storms affected 170 million people in the U.S., Mexico, and Canada, and caused power blackouts, loss of water, broken pipes, and destruction of homes. UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) provided immediate funding to assist annual conferences and will provide long-term support for recovery.

When watching disaster unfold, writing a check or making a donation online may not feel like you are doing much, but you really are making a difference. UMCOR acts as the hands and feet of Christ's church.

Your gifts on UMCOR Special Sunday, March 14, underwrite UMCOR's administrative costs so that 100% of any gift to a specific project goes toward that mission. Donate online or mail a check to the church marked for [UMCOR Special Sunday](#).

Additionally, you can donate to [UMCOR U.S. Disaster Response](#) in the same way. Recovery from the winter storm will be costly. ❖



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JOIN CHURCH MEMBER AND PROFESSIONAL ILLUSTRATOR BEN CONWAY IN A SUPPORTIVE, CALM ENVIRONMENT WHERE THE MOTTO IS: "JUST START DRAWING!"

**MONDAYS IN MARCH
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VIA ZOOM**

**RSVP AND FOR MORE INFORMATION ON WHAT TO EXPECT AND HOW TO PREPARE:
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Escaping Pharaoh: Digital Escape Game



Kids! Join us via Zoom on **Sunday, March 7 at 10:00 a.m.** for a fun digital escape game.

You will be part of a small group of Egyptians who, after witnessing the miracles that the Israelite's God performed against the Egyptians, want to follow God. Their quest is to leave Egypt with the Israelites, but to do this they need to find Moses before the Israelites leave Egypt and they are charged with treason.

This escape room is designed especially for older elementary and middle school kids. We will work together as a team to solve riddles and puzzles in order to progress through the game. The approximate time is one hour.

In order to fully participate, please RSVP by Tuesday, March 2, so that we can mail you all of the materials for the quest. RSVP: ann@firstpaloalto.com



(above) Pastors Debra and Ann handed out Lent bags on Feb. 13 and helped deliver them to those staying home. (left) Mary Ann Michel cruised over from Channing house and greeted others who came by to pick up Lent bags. Photos by Mira Dabrowski

UMW CONNECTIONS

by Nancy Olson

The goal of the UMW Program for March is to study how women in scripture and in United Methodist Women’s history have been persistent in prayer and speaking up, and to find ways to develop connections in prayer and action for mission as UMW members.

Scripture reading: Matthew 15:21-28

An unnamed woman is motivated by her worry for her daughter to seek out Jesus and ask for mercy. Although she is not Jewish and does not reside in Israel, she knows about Jesus’s ministry and has faith in his ability to heal. She does not give up in spite of the many barriers put in her way.



The unnamed woman in this scripture passage is a double outsider. She is a woman, without power or privilege in the ancient world. She is a Gentile, without privilege in the Jewish culture. She is outside the power structure by two counts, so she must be twice as persistent in seeking out Jesus for help. No matter how many times she is put off, the woman persists in seeking mercy and healing for her daughter.

Her faith is made evident because when she finally reaches Jesus, she kneels before him and says, “Lord, help me.”

The witness of the woman in Matthew 15:21-28 is that she held firmly to her faith while speaking up. The link between prayer and action is one of the most important components of our work as women organized for mission. This link is the foundation for faith and speaking up for justice. United Methodist Women has always grounded their work in prayer and study. Members study scripture for personal transformation and to discern how God is calling them to work. As women pray, study and act together, they are knit together into creative and supportive fellowship for the work of mission.

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Hotel de Zink Returns in June

by Dave and Pat Shelly

Hotel de Zink is coming again to First Palo Alto UMC during June 2021. Hotel de Zink provides emergency shelter, food, and case management for homeless adults in Palo Alto who want to become self-sufficient.



The program is run by LifeMoves and is unique in being housed in local churches, a different church each

month. Typically 15 to 18 clients are in the program at any time as clients take jobs and new clients take their place. The program provides them with stability, safety, and a team of experienced LifeMoves staff working to help them become self-sufficient. Our church has participated in Hotel de Zink for several decades.

The shelter-in-place plan is to use Kohlstedt Hall and the corridor space on the lower level for sleeping, and Kohlstedt Hall itself for meals. We will meet the requirements of the Santa Clara Board of Health by (a) maintaining at least six feet separation at all times by all staff and guests, and (b) HdZ staff members wearing masks and gloves at all times. Guests also will be encouraged to wear masks. In addition, tables and other articles in the area will be cleaned by the staff using “hospital-grade” materials upon arrival and before departure each day.

Despite the challenges of the pandemic, last year was a big success for Hotel de Zink thanks to the help of the many volunteers in our congregation. This year, we (Dave and Pat) are taking over the Hotel de Zink FUMCPA liaison role after many years of great leadership by Chuck Hebel.

Like last year, we will need volunteers to provide meals each evening and be coordinators for each week. Evening meals will be delivered each night for 18 people at the rear (parking lot) door of our building, and the LifeMoves staff will take it from there. Food can also be delivered directly from a local restaurant and we have a list of restaurants that can serve large groups. Details for signing up will be provided as we get closer to June. ❖



(above) Mary Ann received a Save a Girl kit almost three years ago. She is 17 now and still using her kit. (below) Brenda after a distribution at Muthangira School in the high desert northwest of Mount Kenya

Joy of Giving Keeps 905 More Girls in School

by Brenda Birrell, Program Director at The Global Uplift Project

First Palo Alto UMC members are helping thousands of adolescent girls in Africa and Asia stay in school. Your support for The Global Uplift Project's Save a Girl campaign provides 12- to 14-year old girls with washable, reusable sanitary kits that allow them to manage their periods. The campaign is life-changing, maybe even life-saving.

Since it was first conceived, three years ago, First Palo Alto UMC has been a strong supporter of this project. A Centennial Endowment Funds grant helped set up the first two sewing centers, in Kenya and Nepal. The centers have now completed more than 20,000 "Save a Girl" kits. A kit lasts for three years, so that's 60,000 years of schooling that we've helped enable.

Equally inspiring, we're employing more than two dozen local seamstresses in dignified, well-paying work sewing the kits, and we have provided more than 60,000 COVID-19 masks to the poorest people in the countries.

Our Kenyan partner was recently able to locate one of the first girls who ever received a Save a Girl kit, almost three years ago. Her family had moved for work reasons. She is now 17. She is still using her kit and loving it! She asked if we could provide kits to the other 270 girls in her new school, and we did.

First Palo Alto's annual Joy of Giving has been instrumental in helping with this work as well. The congregation recently contributed \$4,525 for kits. At \$5 per kit, we will be able to help 905 of the poorest girls in the world stay in school for another three years each.

Every single dollar donated goes to purchase kits. With huge demand and great support from many groups, we are now working to open more sewing centers—in Uganda and Mozambique.



We are fortunate to have such a simple, inexpensive, and effective opportunity to change the world, for the better! We can liberate the potential of millions more adolescent girls by encouraging more people to join us in this fundraising effort. Let's talk about how we can do that. We each only have to do a little bit, yet our combined impact is huge!

To learn more about the Save a Girl campaign, go to The Global Uplift Project website at TGUP.org.

To all who donated—thank you for your compassion and generosity. The world is a better place because of you. ❖



by Nancy Olson

We are certainly living through interesting times. Weather-wise, it is also very uncertain times. It is a good idea to be prepared. Keep those emergency kits updated and supplied. Making sure there is a flashlight or lantern available in each room of your home in case of power outages is a good plan. Make sure to have extra batteries on hand. Check regularly that your flashlight battery is still functioning.

It is not a good plan to rely on candles. Even the tiniest risk is too great a risk to take. Fire isn't the only problem. Your scented candles could be a source of toxic chemicals. Be sure to shop "green" for your candles. Avoid candles with the following ingredients:

- Paraffin wax is a petroleum byproduct that releases carcinogenic soot when burned which can cause respiratory problems and may damage electrical appliances and ductwork.
- Synthetic scents may contain hundreds of different chemicals which release microscopic particles when burned.
- Toxic wicks. Very old candles may contain lead-core wicks, banned in the US in 2003. Test unburned wicks by rubbing the tip on a sheet of paper. If it leaves a pencil-like mark, it has a lead core. If you are unsure whether a candle you've already burned is that old, throw it out.

You don't have to give up candles to stay safe:

- Buy 100 percent beeswax or vegetable-wax candles, including coconut, hemp, and non-GMO soy, with cotton wicks.
- Look for candles scented with 100% natural essential oils.
- To reduce soot, trim wicks to 1/8 inch, and do not burn candles in a drafty area.
- Find safe candles from green businesses (GreenPages.org).

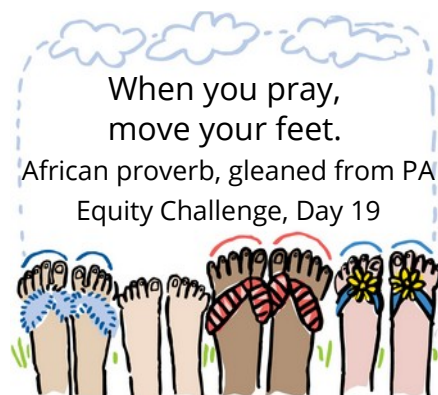
While you are checking labels when shopping, be sure to avoid 'beauty/body care' products that contain *phthalates* and *parabens*. Phthalates are a group of industrial chemicals linked to birth defects. They are used in cosmetic products, from nail polish to deodorant. Parabens are preservatives linked to breast cancer. Choose products from companies that have signed on to the Campaign for Safe Cosmetics (safecosmetics.org).

We do have the personal responsibility to avoid polluting products, to purchase healthy products, to make wise use of our earned income. ❖

UMW from p. 4

We are not able to be together in person at present, but we can be united in caring for each other and for UMW mission. If you are aware of a need in our community, please let me know so that we may unite in providing help. Please remember to send your 2021 pledge to Lucy Tompkin.

Handmade UMW Valentines were sent to church shut-ins and those alone. We will also be sending handmade Easter cards. Ruthie Waters and Brenda Birrell are again creating cards. Please volunteer to help address and mail cards. All materials will be furnished. This is a small local mission project to gently touch the lives of some of our members. ❖



Great Decisions from p. 1

The 2021 Great Decisions workbook provides introductions to each topic and suggestions for additional reading. Purchase of the book is not required but many find it an excellent resource. You can order the book from the “Bookstore” on the Great Decisions website: fpa.org.

Here are the remaining topics and discussion leaders:

March 7 China’s Role in Africa Discussion Leader: Tom Fingar

The COVID-19 crisis has put a massive strain on what was growing a positive economic and political relationship between China and the continent of Africa. As Chinese President Xi Jinping’s centerpiece “Belt and Road initiative” continues to expand Chinese power, the response to the spread of COVID-19, as well as the African government’s growing debt to China, has seen pushback. What are some of the growing economic and political issues between China and Africa?

*Tom Fingar is a Shorenstein APARC Fellow in the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford and former Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research.

March 14 The Korean Peninsula Discussion Leader: Kyle Ferrier

The Korean Peninsula is facing a defining era. Attempts by South Korean President Moon Jae-in and U.S. President Donald Trump to repair the rift between North and South have lost any momentum as Pyongyang

continues to test long-range missiles for its nuclear weapons program. As the rift between the U.S. and China grows further, South Korea may end up in the middle of the two superpowers. What does the future hold for the U.S. relationship with the ROK?

Kyle Ferrier is Director of Academic Affairs at the Korea Economic Institute of America (KEI). He writes on U.S.-Korea relations, South Korean foreign affairs, South Korean domestic and international economic policy, and the political economy of the Indo-Pacific. Ferrier is a regular contributor to the Koreas section for *The Diplomat*.

March 21 Roles of International Organizations in a Global Pandemic Discussion Leader: Paul Wise

The COVID-19 pandemic has thrust the World Health Organization (WHO) into the limelight, for better and for worse. While some of the Trump administration’s criticism of the organization is unfair, the response to the early stages of the pandemic left many experts wanting more from the WHO. What is the WHO’s role in responding to international pandemics? What can be done to improve the WHO’s response to future global health crises?

Paul Wise is the Richard E. Behrman Professor of Child Health and Society and Professor of Pediatrics and Health Policy at Stanford University School of Medicine. Dr. Wise is also a Senior Fellow in the Center for International Security and Cooperation, in the Freeman-Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford.

March 28 The End of Globalization

Discussion Leaders: Steve Stedman and Tom Fingar*

As the United States enters another election season, the merits and drawbacks of globalization are again being debated by the presidential candidates. With the passing of the Brexit vote and Donald Trump’s America First doctrine, protectionist policies have become more prevalent, challenging globalization. What is globalization and how will it be affected by protectionist trade policies? How will the United States and the world be affected by such policies? Is globalization really at an end, or in need of a refresh?

Stephen Stedman is a senior fellow at the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford and Deputy Director of the Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law at Stanford University.

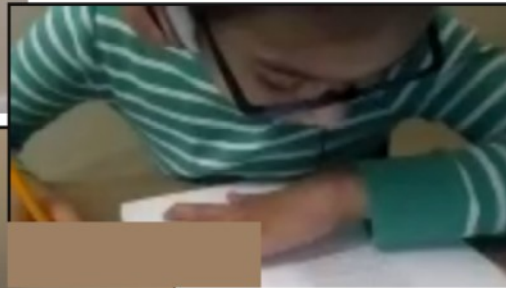
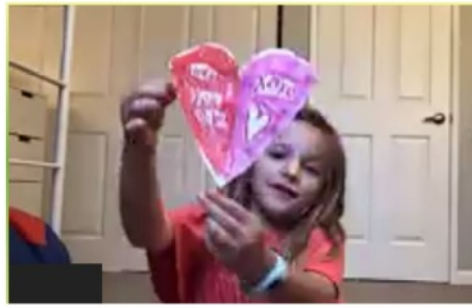
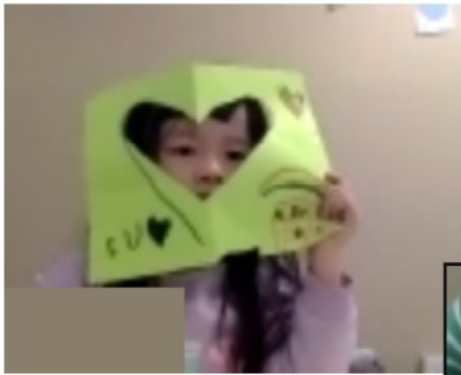
April 11 Brexit and the European Union

Discussion Leader: TBD

With the “Brexit transition period” coming to an end this year, the United Kingdom will formally leave the European Union at the start of 2021. With negotiations between the two entities continuing to stall, what does the future of Europe and the UK look like? Will the UK survive a possible Scottish vote to leave? Who will step up and take command of Europe now that Angela Merkel is out of the spotlight. ❖

At the **Kids Valentine Art** Zoom event on Feb. 11 hosted by artist Ben Conway and Pastor Ann, 19 children joined the fun, learning how to make pop-up valentines and write secret coded messages of love.

Screenshots by Ann Duncan



A Recipe for Life

Take 1 cup of Good Thoughts
1 cup of Kind Deeds
1 cup of Consideration for Others
2 cups of Sacrifice for Others
3 cups of Forgiveness
2 cups of well beaten Faults

Mix thoroughly and add tears of Joy and Sorrow and Sympathy for others. Fold in 4 cups of Prayers and Faith to lighten other ingredients and to raise the texture to great heights of Christian living. After pouring all this into your daily life, bake well with the heat of Human Kindness. Serve with a Smile.

From a 1960's Eastern Star cookbook. Submitted by Nancy Olson.

Hello First Palo Alto Readers!

by Charlotte Cutkosky

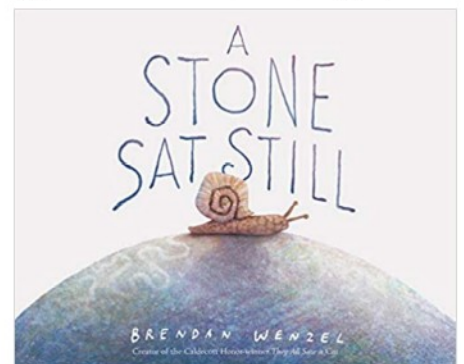
Recently, we on the library committee have been very interested in books on environmentalism. Here are two recommendations for children. We are all stewards of the earth, no matter how young or old!



What a Waste: Trash, Recycling and Protecting Our Planet by Jess French introduces the concepts of recycling and sustainability in a kid-friendly way, utilizing colorful illustrations and graphics. The book goes beyond simply picking up trash and sorting recyclables, teaching kids what it means to shop sustainably, and what environmentally-friendly buildings and homes look like.

Many naturalists say that the best way to get kids passionate about taking care of the earth is to show that nature isn't just far away places in National Geographic —the plants and animals they find in their own backyards or neighborhoods are a part of nature too. *A Stone Sat Still* by Brendan Wezel focuses on as micro a view as you can

get: a single stone sitting throughout the year. The stone is anything but dull, as it's constantly visited by different weather patterns and animals going about their daily tasks. *A Stone Sat Still* shows that just watching one spot outside can show you a world of nature.



As always, happy reading!



Norwegian theologian Ole Hallesby described prayer as simply letting God into our lives. God

“knocks,” he said, “not only in the solemn hours of secret prayer” but “in the midst of your daily work, your daily struggles, your daily grind ... when you need him most.”

Prayer, added Hallesby, is as essential to life as air. “As impossible as it is for us to take a breath in the morning large enough to last us until noon, so impossible is it to pray in the morning in such a way as to last us until noon,” he said. “Let your prayers ascend to [God] constantly, audibly or silently, as circumstances throughout the day permit.”



Finance Update

The Finance Committee thanks you for your generous and gracious support and requests that you continue to keep your pledges current. Please direct inquiries to Lou Bellardo: lou@bellardo.com

MARCH Birthdays & Anniversaries

3/4	David Perry	3/22	Beth Bunnenburg
3/8	Wesley Rose	3/22	Cody Weibe
3/8	Ane Dauster	3/23	Joe Buxton
3/8	Zuriel Bailon	3/24	Amanda Fifita
3/9	Steve Wood	3/26	Chris Friesen
3/9	Christina Fifita Fakalata	3/27	Pam McKee
3/9	Miles Keep	3/28	Ken Clifford
3/10	George Carpenter	3/28	Pete Webb
3/10	Julie Lopez	3/29	Jean Cole
3/12	Diane Allen	3/29	Colleen Crangle
3/13	Nelson Stafford	3/30	Kathleen Branyon
3/13	John Fifita	3/30	Gregory Owen
3/14	Katie Webb/Nichols	3/30	Roan Duncan
3/14	Stacy Paz	3/31	Shannon Perry
3/15	Nancy Olson		
3/17	Pat Shelly	3/4	Daniel Fifita and Asotolu Fifita
3/18	Emma Newton		
3/18	Peni Savou	3/19	Jim Gibbons and Lynn Gibbons
3/19	Simone Bikai		
3/21	Martha Branner	3/31	Jeff King and Emily King
3/21	Kai Larson		

January 2021 Income and Expense Summary	January 2021 Actual	Actual YTD 2021	Budget YTD 2021	Budget Annual 2021
Income				
Total Member Giving	101,917	101,917	87,000	409,000
Total Income All Other Sources	7,703	7,703	8,092	197,800
Total Income	109,620	109,620	95,092	606,800
Expenses				
Conference Tithe	11,355	11,355	10,000	54,000
Council on Ministries	0	0	2,939	38,930
Staff Parish Relations	28,150	28,150	34,147	394,860
Office and Finance	1,366	1,366	1,431	19,975
Board of Trustees	12,688	12,688	19,781	158,582
Total Expenses	53,559	53,559	68,297	666,347
Excess (Deficit) of Income over Expense	56,061	56,061	26,794	-59,547



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- All activities are online via Zoom or as noted.
- The church office is operating remotely and can be contacted by phone or email.

Sundays

- 9:30 a.m. Bible Study
- 10:45 a.m. Worship, on Facebook and YouTube
Find links at firstpaloalto.com.
Virtual Coffee & Chat, after worship
- 10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School (see also, Wednesdays)
- 12:00 p.m. Children's Church (YouTube)
- 12:30 p.m. Community Affairs discussion

Mondays

- 7:00 p.m. Social Justice team hosts movie discussions. See the church e-news for movie details.
- 7:30 p.m. Bible Study

Tuesdays

- Noon Community Chats & Check In
- 2 p.m. Bible Study, Channing House

Wednesdays

- 4:00 p.m. Children's Sunday School (see also, Sundays)
- 7:00 p.m. Upstream Bible Study and Contemporary Worship Service

Thursdays

- Noon Community Chats & Check In
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

- 1 Adult Drawing Class, 1:00 p.m.
- 2 SPRC, Zoom meeting, 7 p.m.
- 7 Zoom Digital Escape Room (older elementary and middle school youth), 10:00 a.m.
RSVP (details on page 3)
Great Decisions, via Zoom, 7:00–8:30 p.m.
- 8 Adult Drawing Class, 1:00 p.m.
- 9 Trustees, Zoom meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 14 UMCOR Special Sunday
Great Decisions, via Zoom, 7:00–8:30 p.m.
- 15 Adult Drawing Class, 1:00 p.m.
- 16 Finance, Zoom meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 18 Worship meeting, 5:00 p.m.
- 20 Insights deadline for April issue
- 21 Great Decisions, via Zoom, 7:00–8:30 p.m.
- 22 Adult Drawing Class, 1:00 p.m.
- 23 Church Council, Zoom meeting, 7 p.m.
- 27 Collection of items for Project WeHOPE, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- 28 Palm Sunday
Great Decisions, via Zoom, 7:00–8:30 p.m.
- 29 Adult Drawing Class, 1:00 p.m.

April dates to remember

- 3 Social Distance Parking Lot Communion
- 4 Easter

Our electronic giving page is always open! Give with a few clicks at <http://www.firstpaloalto.com/give> or text Give to 1-650-376-6784 for a link with instructions. Your generosity makes our mission possible. Thank you!



Information for the next edition of the Insights newsletter is due March 20.

Photos of church events are accepted at any time. Include photographer's name, date of the photo and a brief description of the event. Everything is subject to editing. Please send your submissions via email to Insights editor Michele W. Conway: insightsfirstpa@gmail.com or bring them to the church office. Thank you!



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Next INSIGHTS deadline: March 20