



The

Valley Messenger

A publication of San Ramon Valley United Methodist Church. A Community on a Journey with God— Mind, Body and Soul.

The Easiest Time to Invite Someone to Church!

Dear Beloved SRVUMC Family,

Happy March! We are making our way through the season of Lent and before we know it, Holy Week and Easter will be upon us! I am so excited to share this first Easter with you and have so much hope for what I believe will be THE BEST Easter so far for San Ramon Valley UMC and for myself as well! I am already preparing my sermons for Holy Week (I'll be preaching six times from Palm Sunday to Easter!) and getting ready to give my very best. And I know that our music teams – Chancel Choir, Living Water Band, Carillon Bell Choir, Music Makers – are all also preparing diligently to offer their best for the remainder of this blessed Lenten season!

So, how about you? Have you started preparing for Easter weekend? I'm not sure what your plans may or may not include at this point, but can I suggest a great way for you to prepare for what is undeniably the most important Sunday of the Christian year? Think about someone to invite to church for Easter morning. It may be a friend, a family member, neighbor, or co-worker. It might even be your favorite barista at your favorite coffee shop or your doctor or dentist. I want you to think about someone who especially could use a word of hope in their life. Whoever it is that you invite (and maybe you would invite more than just one), I want you to know that Easter is the single easiest time to invite someone to church that will result in a positive response. Research confirms this! You don't need a script for this. All you need is a heart of love and the desire to share one of the most important things in your life – your faith!

Wouldn't it be great if this year as you are leaving Easter service inspired, blessed, and filled with joy that someone you invited is walking out with you telling you how thankful they are for the invitation?! That they might even share with you that the worship and the message that morning has changed their life? Just thinking about it is giving me goosebumps!

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Announcements

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Friends, start preparing now by praying now. Pray for those people that God is putting on your mind right now. Pray for them for a couple of weeks and then be bold, be loving, be faithful, and go and invite them to Easter Sunday. And as you do so, know that I am preparing on my end to offer the best message on hope I can! It will be so awesome!

Ready to Celebrate, P. Sam | syun@srvumc.org

P.S. Don't forget to join us for all the services during Holy Week: Palm Sunday on March 24 at 10:00 am, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday on March 28 and 29 at 7 pm, and Easter Sunday on March 31 at 6:00 am, 9 am, and 11 am!

New Contemporary Worship Service Launches March 17



We are excited to launch a new fully contemporary worship service at San Ramon Valley United Methodist Church. We are calling it, "The Gathering," and the vision is simple: to gather together to ask the Lord's blessing. The full experience will involve worship followed by a community meal and optional small group experiences. We will soft launch on March 17th with a grand launch scheduled for April 7th. If you would like to help out in any way for this new worship gathering, please contact P. Sam at syun@srvumc.org.

Announcements



Holy Week

- **Palm Sunday: March 24 at 10AM in-person & online.** Featuring joyous music by the Music Makers!
- **Maundy Thursday: 7PM in-person & online.** Traditional worship service (includes Holy Communion) that commemorates Jesus' last supper. The Chancel Choir will sing.
- **Good Friday: 7PM in-person & online.** Contemporary service remembering Jesus' death on the cross. The Living Water band will be featured.



Easter Services

- **Easter Sunrise Service: 6AM March 31.**
- **Easter Sunday: 9AM & 11AM in-person and online.** Featuring stunning music plus an egg hunt for the children!



White Pony Volunteers pose for a photo after making gift bags.

White Pony Express Volunteers Wrap Up in Record Time

By Jerry Ricker

Saturday the 17th of February a group of eight volunteered at White Pony from 9 to 11 am in Pleasant Hill. We were making up gift bags for children in the hospital. We were so fast we ran out of material in a little over an hour and were excused. A great time was had by all.

Announcements

Donate to the Special Missions Offering

Want to donate to the Special Missions Offering? There's a QR code for that! Scan the QR code with your phone and you can make your offering easily with Church Center!

HOPE SOLUTIONS will be the recipient of donations made to this fund until March 30th. Your generous donations will be used to support their mission of ending homelessness.



Our church will once again be hosting Winter Nights (unhoused) families this spring. The number of guests fluctuates and can be anywhere from 10-25 people including children. We are responsible for **April 8-14** and St. Isidore's will cover the second week. We would love your help in 3 different areas: Overnight hosts, childcare and meal prep/service.

Our biggest need is for overnight hosts! (sleep overnight in a private room on a comfy airbed and serve as backup in case the onsite staff person needs you; in the morning, prepare coffee and set out breakfast supplies)

We also need meal providers-- prepare, serve, and clean up a dinner or a weekend lunch or breakfast. (This is a great project for a small group of 3-5 people).

Lastly, we could use 3-4 volunteers to organize crafts and/or take kids to our playground, usually before dinner from 5-6:30pm or so. This requires the church Safe Gatherings training and a livescan for the safety of the kids. The church will fund these, so you aren't required to pay for them.

We would love to have you join us for any of these activities that works for you!

Please contact [Kal Peters](#) or [Nancy Garnick](#) if you would like to participate in this worthwhile endeavor or have any questions.



Volunteers are needed to prepare and serve food for Winter Nights. Could you be one of them?

Announcements

Finance Update

Do you know we have an excellent finance team in the office? The team comprises Susan Madden – Accounts Payable; Priya Gupta – Main Accountant; and Michelle Cooke – Accounts Receivable (all part-time). We want you to know they are working hard to oversee all of the finances at SRVUMC. They have a few requests that will help streamline communication and response to requests:



- Check request for reimbursement
 1. Complete a Check Request Form (available in the office or click [HERE](#))
 2. Have the form approved by the ministry leader who oversees the fund or by the event coordinator
 3. Submit the completed and approved form and all receipts to the office **by the 15th** of the month following the event.
- For accounting or finance concerns, please email the team at finance@srvumc.org.
- For assistance with giving or pledging concerns, please email Michelle Cooke at ar@srvumc.org.

Thank you, and they look forward to helping your ministries be successful.

UMC Salinas Men's Clothing Drive (formerly known as Undie Sunday)



The women of LiFT ChristCare Group are hosting another men's clothing drive in support of First UMC Salinas' homeless mission program. You are invited to bring a package of new men's underwear, any size, and/or a package of new men's socks (or laundered socks in good condition) to church during March. We are also collecting men's clothing, used and in good condition, especially men's jeans, any size, t-shirts and other casual shirts, casual jackets and sports shoes. (Note the emphasis on the word "casual". They do not need suits, dress shirts or other dressy or business attire.)

You may bring your donations to church anytime during the month of March. There will be receptacles in the narthex and Wesley Center, or you may drop them off in the office. We will deliver your donations sometime in April.

Email [Shannon Dever](#) if you have questions. Thank you for supporting this important United Methodist mission as part of the LiFT ChristCare Group.

Spiritual Growth

Retreat to Advance: A Reflection on the Women's Retreat

By Lisa Jancarik



Left to right: Nancy Benvenuto, Lisa Jancarik, Nancy Garnick, Wendy Coats.
Photo by Peggy Hiratzka.

I went to the beach for a long weekend and had a great time. The weather was absolutely miserable – historically so, making outdoor activity of any kind out of the question. I didn't go shopping or indulge in extravagant restaurant food, either. Who wanted to go out?

Cell service was fine, and phone use wasn't restricted, but I didn't hear a cell phone for three days. What an unexpected relief from the urgency of cellular communication. I had brought my laptop, thinking I would write much of the time, but using the trip as a study hall would have been a waste. Others used their electronic toys for karaoke night (Stevie Nicks was popular). I advanced in my ability to sit still with my thoughts.

I met three people I'd only heard about through mutual friends. I also finally had face-to-face conversations with others I'd known only through our transactional, church-related emails. Carpooling proved a blessing in this regard because apart from the driver, no one has much else they can do *besides* chat. A few acquaintances I thought I knew shared remarkable, formative moments in their lives that brought their personalities into high relief for me. I advanced in my understanding of fellow church members.



Ginny Ferreira leads the women in a qigong class.

I was at the women's retreat at Santa Cruz's Villa del Mar. The wisdom of leaving the familiar setting of our acquaintance – church – knocked us all out of our usual roles. Priorities I would have described as personal turn out to be attached to projects and situations. We considered ideas that didn't necessarily have a right answer. Certain themes started to emerge, like the influence of family on a person. I advanced in my sense of how circumstances shape us and impact how others see us.

Our leader this year was Pastor Dan Sturdivant. I'm a card-carrying member of the Pastor Dan fan club and delighted in seeing him. However, as I said when I was leaving on Sunday morning, I registered for Dan but stayed for the women. Dan won't be back for next year's retreat, but I will. The personal advances in my thinking came from them, not necessarily our religious leadership. If you have been thinking of signing up for a women's retreat, then don't wait to see who is leading it. Don't even wait until you know someone who is going. Block out the first weekend in February 2025 and figure you will know people when you leave, if not when you arrive.

Spiritual Growth

Let the Children Sing!

By Winnie Stribling & Norma Jean Bunker



The Music Makers and Winnie Stribling smile after performing.

If you're ever on our church campus on a given Wednesday afternoon, you may hear distinct young voices and eager footsteps running into the choir room as MusicMakers begins a session. Debuting in August, 2023, concurrent with the new school year, MusicMakers is the brainchild of Norma Jean Bunker and Winnie Stribling, who lamented the lack of a music group for children, where they could explore ways to make music their own, hence, to be a MusicMaker. Through their determination and musical backgrounds, MusicMakers became a reality.

Thanks to generous donations, the program is blessed with an almost complete set of Orff instruments, which includes xylophones, metallo-

phones, and glockenspiels; handchimes, assorted drums, rhythm instruments, autoharps, and a wind chime, which is especially popular. Youngsters in grades 2nd through 6th meet for an hour to sing, learn basic music concepts, such as feeling the beat, identifying notes, playing simple chords, finding their "voice" by matching tones, learning music vocabulary, playing instruments, and above all, having fun!



Winnie Stribling , Norma Jean Bunker, and the MusicMakers.



MusicMakers learn several instruments including the autoharp pictured above.

Where do the children come from? Currently they are from our own church families, and also from the local community. One family in particular, who had been attending our very popular "Trunk or Treat" parking lot event for the last few years, upon hearing about the program, jumped at the chance to enroll their 3 children. Word of mouth shortly followed, and now we have 11 – 15 boys and girls regularly attend. To date MusicMakers has sung twice during church services, once at the last Christmas concert, and is looking forward to leading the procession for Palm Sunday.

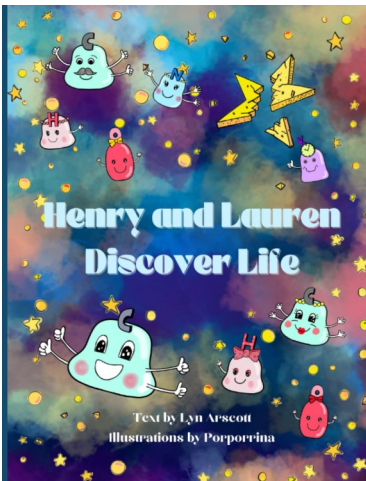
Many thanks to all the parents, Pastor Sam, and Laura Roy, for their amazing support. We are able to offer this exciting program free of charge, and look forward to adding a children's chime choir in the future. "Let the children sing!"

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UMeUs March Schedule:



Potluck and Presentation – Tuesday, March 5th



Lyn Arscott will discuss his published book *Henry and Lauren Discover Life*. This is Lyn's recent book for young readers discussing evolution, the environment and the science behind both. Bring a dish to share, no need to RSVP – more guests, more food! We always have plenty of food. It's your company we want!!

Lunch with Friends – Tuesday, March 19th

Join us for a traditional corned beef, cabbage and vegetables feast with roasted potatoes. A mint (green!) chocolate bark on vanilla ice cream. **Wear Green** and enjoy a traditional St. Patrick's Day feast! All are welcome, no RSVP needed. We cook for 60 – if we run out of food – that means it was a success (we've never run out of food!)

*This is the book cover for
Lyn Arscott's new book!*

Israel-Palestine: History and Perspectives – March 9

The situation in Israel/Palestine is dire and complex. Having reliable, neutral information about multiple sides of the issues can help guide our conversations, our donations, and our civic actions--like voting. **SRVUMC will hold a "teach-in" event for our congregation on Saturday, March 9, 2024, 9 AM – 1 PM.** "Israel-Palestine: History and Perspectives" is an opportunity to hear thoughtful experts speak on topics such as historical context for the regional conflict, cultural perceptions, motives and objectives of different sides, and global ramifications. Guest speakers will each present and take questions. There will be small group discussion over lunch, and a closing. Please mark your calendars for this thought-provoking opportunity! **Registration is through Church Center [here](#)** or contact the church office.



The flags of Palestine and Israel are shown intertwined.

Mark Your Calendars!

Mark your calendars for the UMeUs Potluck and Presentation on April 2nd, and Lunch with Friends on April 16th.

Spiritual Growth

Care for the Earth: Our Spiritual and Physical Home



Butterflies alight on sprigs of lavender, a reminder of the fragility of nature.

Do you feel closer to God when you are in nature? Does the knowledge and experience of nature fill you with awe and wonder—as though you are encountering the Divine? Many of us find peace and inspiration when we walk in the woods, sit on the beach, or gaze at the moon. What does it mean, then, that our wondrous world is endangered? Pollution, climate change, overpopulation, resource depletion, and other calamities wreak havoc for “the things God has made.”

Join us for an integrated exploration of creation spirituality and what we can know and do about the environmental crisis. **Over eight Sunday morning classes, 9:00-9:45 a.m., April 7-May 26, we will look at the latest data on what’s happening to our earth-home.** We’ll study charts, watch videos, and have speakers about large and small steps humans are taking to heal the environment, and the spiritual, biblical, and traditional resources that connect our human flourishing with God’s presence and activity in creation.

It is crucial that we understand the interconnection of our spirituality with the health of the environment, that we shake off our complacency about consumption and convenience, that we confront the facts of environmental decline. Come dialogue with one another about this great decision for change!

Register [here!](#)

Schedule:

April 7 Introduction: What’s the big deal?

April 14 Christian tradition, biblical teaching, and personal values

April 21 Celtic spirituality resources

April 28 Attending to the natural world

May 5 The ecosystem

May 12 Climate change

May 19 Water and the oceans

May 26 or June 2 What are governments doing? What can you do?

Led by Lyn Arscott and Lucinda Huffaker.



Yosemite is perhaps one of the most beautiful wild space on the planet.

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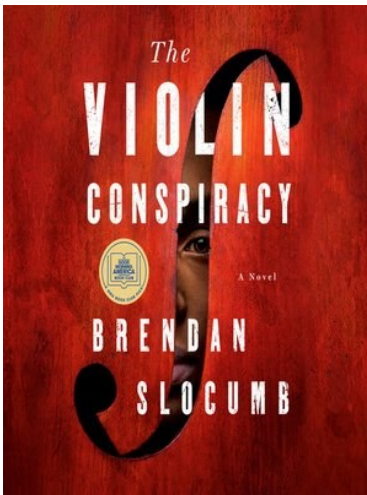
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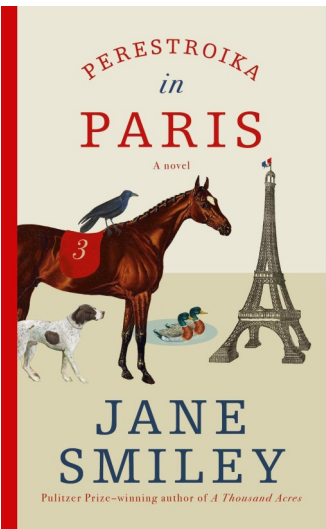
March comes in like a



and goes out with a ROAR for these new books.



Slocumb, Brendon. *The Violin Conspiracy*. This book introduces us to the extremely gifted violinist Roy McMillion. He was not given any encouragement during his school years by teachers, friends or his immediate family. He was just a poor, black boy practicing on his school borrowed violin and making a lot of noise according to his mother. However, Grandma Rosa loves his playing and praises him for his love of the instrument that she gives him the family violin in which no one ever had an interest. Grandma's grandfather was given this violin along with documentation when his slave owner freed him. The owner did that because he played so beautifully. As it turns out, that dusty, old, dull violin is a Stradivarius. After being recognized as an exceptionally talented violinist, he is offered many concert engagements. While staying at a New York City hotel, his violin disappears. It is now that the fast-paced story unwinds.



Smiley, Jane. *Perestroika in Paris*. How long can a runaway horse stay undiscovered in Paris? Paras, shortened name for the filly, finds her stall door opened and wanders out for a look see. She meets a savy big city dog named Frida, who advises the horse of worldly matters. An eagle eye raven, Raoul, spies them and decides to guide them to safe hideaways. Frida's master, a street entertainer died suddenly, so the dog was on her own. However, Frida, had hidden her master's purse with many Euros inside. The dog knows money is important and can be traded for food. Frida takes a bill out each day and goes to the street market. She cleverly puts her paws on the vendors counter and points to what she wants. As the dog and her owner are well known, the shop owner complies.

Paras wanders by a mansion with a high fence. An elderly woman, Madame Eveline de Mornay, fell with her groceries. Paras gave her his back to stabilize her so she could get back up. Her great grandson, Etienne, age 8, was with Madame.

As winter is approaching, Frida, Raoul, and Paras know they must find shelter. Etienne is aware of them and devises a way to keep them in his great grandmother's property.

This is a heartwarming story of these unlikely friends helping each other through a trying time.

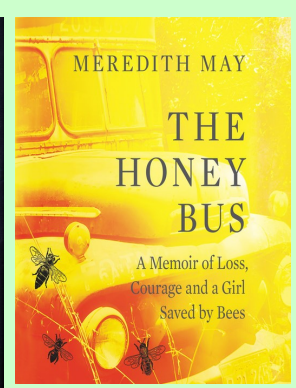
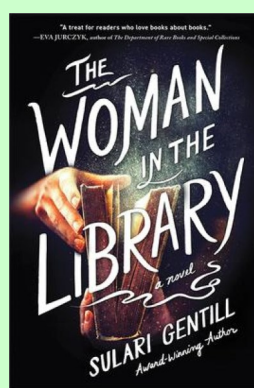
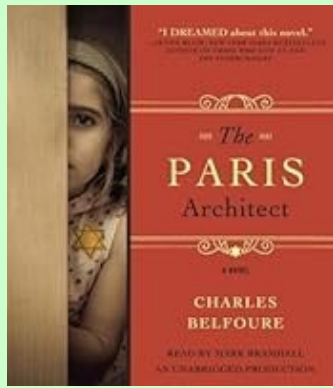
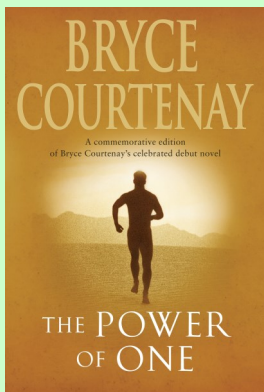
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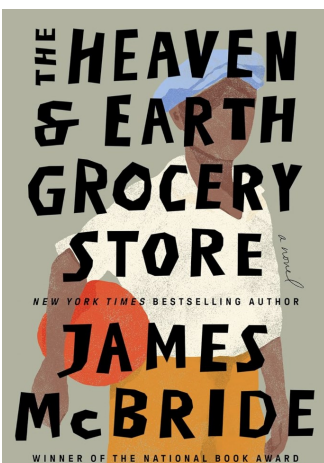
March Madness is also upon us. John Grisham's  basketball novel, Sooley may be found on the cart for the readers who enjoy this sport.

Black History is recognized during the month of February. These books will remain available for your selection/ Two were made into movies. They are: Hidden Figures, The Help, Born a Crime, and Martin Luther King Jr.

Please look for these books:



Afternoon Book Group



On March 18th, we have The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride. It is a novel about 1972 Pottstown, Pennsylvania and the community of Jews and African Americans who live in a dilapidated neighborhood. It highlights the racism and anti-semitism that surrounds them and helps the people learn the value of community ties.

Out Into the World



**InterFaith
EarthFest**
See Hope - Seed Change

April 21st 12:30 - 4:30 PM
At Peace Lutheran Church, Danville

This annual Earth Day Festival brings together the local interfaith community along with partners of civic, school, and community organizations with a common purpose: channel our collective energies to more responsibly steward our sacred planet. The entire family will enjoy fun and learning opportunities throughout the afternoon of ritual, art, music, speakers, booths, activities, and ceremony. We will spotlight our eco-success stories, draw hope from one another, and inspire ongoing local commitment to action.



I-SRV [Interfaith-San Ramon Valley]

We are a community of diverse spiritual traditions
and congregations from across the San Ramon Valley
who are committed to learning, sharing, listening, and acting together
Website: InterfaithSRV.org Email: I.SRV.events@gmail.com

Out Into the World

Nayebi Family Update

By Bob Baker

Lots has happened since our update last month.

Laila (Mom) had appendicitis, got an operation, and her insurance from the county worked! She has since bounced back.

The church bought a car for the Nayebi's with the Christmas offering. (That's old news) The new news is that Kal Peters, with the help of Fred Toney, got insurance for the car. It's a long story, but it was hard. We gave the (fully insured) car to the Nayebi's after church the other day.



Amin waves hello as he prepares to drive off in his car. Thank you to everyone who helped make this amazing moment possible! Photo Credit: Jerry Ricker.

Yasna continues to attend our Methodist Preschool. (This was funded by a grant from the Risedorph family.) Lots of church members are helping Jerry Ricker with transportation.

Bassit has started attending "Kids Country", an after school program for Greenbrook School. Rob Rudow went to "Kids Country" and solicited this grant.

Amin is enjoying his new job at Mental Health Connections.

Amin's application for a long term Visa has been prepared and we are looking for an immigration lawyer to submit it to the government.

As you can see, it has been a busy time!

Video Update from the Nayebi Family

Click [here](#) to watch a 10 minute video that recaps the Nayebi's amazing journey from fleeing the Taliban in Afghanistan, to crossing the border into Pakistan, and eventually, immigrating to the United States. You'll also get to see Amin's stunning photography as well as an exciting update to his job search.

Special Missions Offering

Partners Relief & Development



This Easter Sunday your Special Missions offering will go to Partners Relief & Development to help the children of Gaza.

This nonprofit organization is a humanitarian service centered on the belief that to love is to act.

Partners Relief & Development acts by providing emergency relief during crises and by working with displaced families to build sustainable initiatives to improve community health, education, and provide children with a nurturing environment. They envision free, full lives for children affected by oppression and war. Their mission is to ensure children and communities affected by war are safe, healthy, and have access to education.



Partners Relief & Development distributes food to children in war-torn countries.

Save the Date: Hope Solutions Gala



Our church is a community partner to Hope Solutions, a well-respected charitable organization and is the “go-to” role-model that cities in Contra Costa County use to help those in need get back on their feet.

Giving your heart and resources would be a direct way to support this quality community outreach. **Their annual fundraiser gala is on April 20th, 2024.** Here are some of the ways you can help:

- Donate an auction item: a week at a vacation home, gift certificates, themed baskets, nice wine, theater/sports event tickets, golf rounds, etc.
- Scan the QR code at right to donate an item to the silent auction
- Attend the gala with your friends.

You can make a significant difference. Please contact [Anne Kuelz](#) for more information.



Youthful Energy

United Methodist Preschool Now Open for Enrollment

We are so grateful for our Wednesday Chapel. Since Ms. Laura (Roy) transitioned to her new role in the Church office, Ms. Jenny (Swanson) leads our 3's and Pre-K classes in Chapel. P. Sam also leads our classes once a month. We even had a special guest Ms. (Norma Jean) Bunker one day! The children truly enjoy hearing stories, singing songs and interacting during Chapel. Our wonderful SRVUMC community takes such good, loving care of our Preschoolers. We could not be more thankful for everyone who interacts with our precious children.



Youth Group Happenings

Sunday School for middle school/high school students is available at **10AM** each **Sunday** except for the **first Sunday** of each month.

Youth Group every Sunday (in the Youth Room, upstairs in Wesley Center). **5-6:30PM** Middle and High School Dinner and Youth Fellowship (We make dinner together.)



NextGen Ministry

Meet Jamere Crawford, Director of Next Generation Ministry



Left to right: Pastor Sam Yun, Jamere Crawford, Justin Byers

Jamere is very excited to come back to San Ramon Valley UMC as the Director of Next Generation Ministries. Jamere currently spends his work week in Alameda at Alameda Point Collaborative as their Director of Programs and brings over fifteen years of experience working with young people in recreation, social services and youth ministry. He most recently worked alongside Pastor Sam as the Next Gen Director at Embrace Church, the church that the pastor planted. Additionally, Jamere's resume includes time as a youth director at San Leandro First Pres, Lafayette UMC and, of course, SRVUMC, a community he has always held near and dear to his heart.

Jamere grew up in San Leandro and graduated from Arroyo High School before attending Holy Names and then earning his degree from Patten University. In 2021, he received his Masters in Management with an emphasis on Nonprofit Leadership.

When not at work, Jamere enjoys spending time with his wife, Katie, young son, Langston, and playing with his dogs, Yogi and Boo Boo. They bought their first home last year in Santa Rosa so they have been busy making the space their own, exploring the area, and trying out new restaurants. He also loves traveling and cheering on his favorite sports teams, the San Francisco Giants, Golden State Warriors and Dallas Cowboys.

Jamere and Katie were planning their wedding when Jamere first worked here (some of their favorite wedding pictures have some of you in them!); returning to the SRVUMC church community feels like a homecoming. The Crawfords have already felt warmly welcomed back and look forward to watching Langston be welcomed into the fold and seeing the children's and youth ministries through the eyes of a parent. They will both strive to be solid role models for the young people of the congregation as they embrace the journey of growing in their faith. Jamere is already so impressed by the Next Gen teaching team and is honored to be supporting them as they do God's work by teaching the next generation about the joy and peace that comes with life with God.



Katie and Jamere smile for the camera on a picturesque day.

NextGen Ministry



SRVUMC YOUTH GROUP SKATE NIGHT

GET YOUR SKATES READY!

Sunday, March 3, 2024
4:30-6:30 PM

The Golden Skate
2701 Hooper Dr.
San Ramon, CA 94583

Free for all SRVUMC youth
in 5th-12th grades

Celebrations

March Birthdays

1	Bart Jacobi (92)	16	Corinne Pavel
2	Al Tiedemann		Susan Stevenson
3	Debra Carter		Erica Grant
	Noelle Doran	19	Jim Burk
4	Steve Roath		Gavin Helms
	Mike Scalzi		Abby Lang
5	Patsy Kyles		Lori Pavel
	Richard Carter	20	Bill Van Bezey
6	Ed Keller		John VanderWerf
7	Cindy Rudow	22	Joan Arscott
9	Terry Sherman		Liz Field
	Paige Steffy		Mike Gross
	Roger Ten Elshof	23	Karen Scalzi
11	Carrie Doyle	24	Katie Buckley
	Karen Sanson		Judy Slinger
13	Ellen Kocins	25	Marianne Templeton
15	Betty Jo Bennett (95)	27	Dianne Anderson
15	Cathy Colman		Elizabeth Beck McDaniel
15	Brian Doyle	29	Katie Hawk
15	Gene Ives	30	Sam Hoff
15	Annette Patch		Kevin Peters
		31	Candice Newburn
			Greg Warwick

Anniversaries

5	Kirsten & Langley Choy	22	Erin & Rich Lowther
6	Amy & John Riedel	25	Sherry & Sanjiv More'
8	Cindy & Tony Leonard	26	Dianne & Roger Ehlers
	Andrea Bourgeois & Dave McWilliams	29	Marilyn & Berry Scott (66)
	Lori & John Pavel	31	Susan & Dale Stevenson (61)
	Susie & Pete Ruotsi		Sandy Greenwood-Davidson
21	Carolyn & William Gross	31	& Ed Davidson
22	JoAnne & Jess Erickson (66)		

Among Ourselves

Health Concerns

Bill Dastic, Liz Field, Kay Jones, Barb McWilliams, Pastor Ray Campton.

Continued Prayers For

All those who live with long-term illness, those recovering from COVID-19, unemployment, life decisions, and sickness in their families, Shana Carroll, Joan Lee.

Sympathy For

To the Steffy family on the death of their daughter, Kate.
To the family and friends of Mary Nygreen family on her recent passing.

In Need of Prayer?

You can always submit a prayer request online by clicking [here!](#)
Our awesome prayer team and Pastor Sam would love to pray for you!

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