

Westview Presbyterian Church

P. O. BOX 2505

WATSONVILLE, CA 95077-2505

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Church (831) 724-6222

Westview Chimes

June 2010

It is a JOY to be a part of the Westview family--you are such a kind, caring group of people. I am enjoying getting to know many of you at worship, Bible Study and visits in your homes. I desire to visit as many of you as I can in your homes. I love to see the pictures on the wall and learn of your interests, hobbies, life and dreams. It will take me a while to get to everyone, but I will hopefully call each of you over the next few months.



At our next few Session meetings we will be doing some planning about our course for the year. Our first priority seems to be how to continue to organize our children's program so we can consistently serve our children on Sundays and to take some of the load off of Susan by having others help. In addition to Susan, Leslie and Michelle Barte have said they could each take one week a month. We just need one more person who feels called to invest in and love our children in this way. Please call Susan if you are interested.

Other possible priorities are:

- Exploring opportunities for service in the community. Next fall/winter we will be helping cook Salvation Army meals on Fridays once a month.
- Forming a youth group,
- Exploring ways to continue to reach out,
- Maybe adding more live music to our Sunday morning worship.

I want to share with you about my style of leadership. It is based on leading through the leadership team and the people. I believe God speaks through our corporate community life as the pastor shepherds that community. I see myself as the one who asks the questions and seeks to nurture the space in which we can hear God and follow. My desire is that you will each know even more deeply your gifts and passions and begin to employ them in new ways to serve the Body of Christ--and that this might bring you much joy. I believe the secrets of what will continue to help our church grow and thrive lie within you, the session and congregation, as you seek to discern our next steps by pursuing God. I believe that it is our spirituality (our relationship with God) that sustains us in service and from which flows the rivers of the Spirit unto others. I believe ministry is very Holy Spirit led; God begins to put it together through people's passions/experiences and the ministry emerges. Usually, ministry is about looking for what God is already doing and joining in.

I believe that we are changed as we do ministry--often more than those to whom we minister. We grow in our relationship with God as we are being used by God to love others. I have learned much from being in solidarity with and helping the so-called "poor," and often discover Christ there--especially in the most unsuspecting places.

In addition, I find the community that is built as we serve side by side to be an important glue in our family of faith.

It is a delight to be on this journey with you and I wait with great expectation as we discern together where God is leading us and as we get to see our amazing God continue to do miracles among us.

Much love and peace to you,
Pastor Dan



Bible Study

It's still not too late to come check out our Bible Study on prayer: "Sitting in God's presence: Daily practices to enrich your life." held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Westview 6:30 pm until July 21st.



Longtime church member **Ichiro Sugidono** was inducted into the **Watsonville High School Hall of Fame** on May 21, 2010. Born the eldest son in 1922, he attended Watsonville High School but before graduating he and his family were taken to an internment camp in Poston, Arizona. Ichiro and his brother Jiro were allowed to join the U.S. Army in 1944 and served with the Army's all Japanese-American 442nd Regimental Combat Team; he was awarded both the Bronze Star and Purple Heart. Ichiro returned home to Watsonville after the war in 1946, attended automotive School in Los Angeles and operated H&S garage for 40 years until his retirement at 65. Ichiro has four children, six grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Congratulations on your induction, Ichiro!!

Everyone needs to know they are appreciated, and so often we take people for granted. The Deacons, in their outreach into the community, would like to say "thank you" to our fire fighters, police officers, teachers, and others who serve our community daily and make an impact on all our lives. We will slowly make our rounds as we visit them with gift baskets, tokens of our appreciation for all that they do. We believe it will go a long way in promoting good will and it will also show them who we are and where we are.



Community Outreach

Our first visit will be to the Watsonville Fire Department on Second Street on Saturday, **June 26**. We will be filling a bucket with coffee, cooking supplies, fruit, cookies, etc. If you would like to be a part of this exciting project, please contact one of the Deacons: Susan Manabe, Joanne Yahiro, Nancy Yamamoto, or Jane Yoshida. **Thank you so much!!**



Pool Party

David & Jeanni Kadotani will graciously open up their home to church members for a pool party & potluck on **June 19th** at 2 pm. What a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and welcoming the beginning of summer!

Special Mother's Day

May 9th was a special Mother's Day this year as the men cooked a delicious spaghetti luncheon and Ian & Rosie Hoffman passed out beautiful carnations for the ladies after service. Gifts of candles and mints were also handed out. The women of Westview thank all who participated to make this day a very special one.



Please pray for those in our Westview congregation, church family, and for those who are ill or are recovering including: Renee Toriumi, Bea

Shinta and the Koda Family, Hiroko Shikuma, Laura Cass, Karen Hirahara, Shirley Koda, Kimiko Hiura and Toshio Kato.

Congratulations Randy and Tracy!!

Randy Mano and Tracy Dean were married at Westview Presbyterian Church on May 8th, 2010 at 1:10 pm. The ceremony was officiated by Rev. Hoffman and was attended by close family and friends of the wonderfully happy couple.



*June Worship Series:
"Worship: Taste and See that the LORD is Good."*

This new sermon series began on May 30 and will continue throughout the month of June.

Worship Team for June 6, 2010

- Pulpit Cheri Holland
- Chair Michelle Aoki
- Greeter David Kadotani
- Usher Lynne Nagata, Willie Yahiro
- Parking Lot Craig Yuhara
- Pianist Joanne Hayashi
- Refreshments Lynne Nagata, Laura Taay, Betty Yagi
- Counters Edna Nagata, Lynne Nagata

Worship Team for 13, 2010

- Pulpit Rev. Dan Hoffman
- Chair Lynne Nagata
- Greeter Louise Sako
- Usher Steve Kajihara
- Parking Lot Yukio Nagata
- Pianist Joanne Hayashi
- Refreshments Joanne Hayashi, Susan Manabe, Jane Yoshida
- Counters Edna Nagata, Lynne Nagata

Worship Team for June 20, 2010

- Pulpit Rev. Dan Hoffman
- Chair Joanne Yahiro
- Greeter Laura Taay
- Usher Edna Nagata
- Parking Lot Steve Kajihara
- Pianist Lynne Nagata
- Refreshments Michelle Aoki, Diane Mio, Shirley Wong
- Counters Willie & Joanne Yahiro

Worship Team for June 27, 2010

- Pulpit Rev. Dan Hoffman
- Chair Randy Mano
- Greeter Craig Yuhara
- Usher Dick Wong
- Parking Lot Lester Aoki
- Pianist Lynne Nagata
- Refreshments Jeanni Kadotani, Edna Nagata, Irene Yuhara
- Counters Willie & Joanne Yahiro

☞ **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS** ☞



In Memory of Olive Yamakuchi

Min & Marian Niityama Robert & Reiko Yamamoto Henry Oshida Donald Yamakuchi

In Memory of Sue Okamura

Bill & Laura Cass Mary Tsuyuki Deborah Tsuyuki
The Tsuyuki Family: Altar Flowers

In Memory of Toshio Matsushita

Mary Matsushita and Family

In Memory of Betty Nitta

Jack & Ann Hanson Mary Meifu Barbara Yoshino Diane Mio

In Memory of Jerry Kato

Gladys Kato

In Memory of parents Henry & Hatsu Tsutsui and Saichiro & Asa Sugidono:

Jiro & Jane Sugidono

In Memory of parents, brothers, sister & brother-in-law Tommy Sakata

Yukio & Edna Nagata



Dr. Art & Joanne Hayashi Rick Tahira and June Suksri Randy & Tracy Mano

Easter

Jiro & Jane Sugidono

Hiroko Cobarruvias

Birthday

Lynne Nagata

Janitorial Fund

Steve Kajihara

Chiyeiko Shikuma

Emiko Sowell

Chimes

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Oda

Capital Campaign Fund

Jiro & Jane Sugidono

David & Jeanni Kadotani

Diane Mio

Robert & Jane Yoshida

Lester & Michelle Aoki

Nancy Yamamoto

One Great Hour of Sharing

Diane Mio

Appreciation

Lynne Nagata: For our new Minister Rev. Dan Hoffman

Barbara Yoshino: For Mother's Day Luncheon

General

Rev. & Mrs. Darrell Yeane

Ted & Shigeko Tahira

Ken & Sook Boyte

Ian Hoffman

Rosie Hoffman