

HAPPY New Year

Church of the Roses



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE ROSES
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Upcoming Events

- 01/01—New Year's Day—Office closed
- 01/02—Sacred Space, 5pm
- 01/09—PW Quilting, 10am
- 01/11—Presbyterian Women, 10am
- 01/16—ZOOM Book Club, 2:30pm
- 01/18—PCOR Men's Group, 8:15am
- 01/18—Boomers Game Day, 1:30pm
- 01/26—Annual meeting, after worship
- 01/28—PotR Meeting, 6:30pm / Session Meets, 7:30pm
- 02/01—Officer Training / Sacred Space, 5pm
- 02/02—Boomers, Play @6th St. "Groundhog Day", 2pm
Black History Month Guest Preacher
- 02/08—Presbyterian Women, 10am
- 02/09—Officer Ordination and Installation
- 02/13—PW Quilting, 10am
- 02/15—PCOR Men's Group, 8:15am
- 02/20—ZOOM Book Club, 2:30pm
- 02/23—Young Aspiring Musicians: Concert, 2pm
- 02/25—Session Meets, 6pm

A Historic and Joyous Moment at Church of the Roses!

Our 99-year-old matriarch, Nita Pinney, shone as Elizabeth in a PCOR drama she wrote, joined by Jim Taylor as Zechariah and Linda Lance as Mary. A celebration of talent and faith!



KSRO 103.5 FM
SONOMA COUNTY'S 96.9 FM
FM NEWS TALK 1350 AM



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Be an Integral part of our ministry by supporting our Sunday Radio broadcast!
Donate \$100 to pay for a month of sermons and music played over KSRO's radio stations in the Santa Rosa region.

New Year's, New Things, New Blessings!

By Pastor Cindy

“Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.” (Isaiah 43:19)

Change is hard. But God is always doing new things! The desert represents a barren and hopeless situation, but God promises to bring forth life and abundance even in such circumstances. You might be feeling hopeless this New Year? God might have a new opportunity just waiting for you to perceive!

I was lamenting not being close to my grandkids this past year. I have been able to see Chase just once and Kai & Kiki a couple times. I love nurturing and caring for others. So when there was an opportunity to house my great-nephew, Tyler, while he accomplished a college internship at William Hill winery, Norm and I gladly agreed to take care of him. Since Tyler is 21 yrs old and Catholic, I wasn't certain he would want to come with us to church on Sundays. But Tyler was very happy to attend most Sundays when he wasn't busy with his fellow interns.



I am so grateful for the hospitality shown to my great-nephew by all the Church of the Roses family! You all made him feel very welcome and he loved learning about your lives during his 6 months with us. He even enjoyed the music and worship services! Your generous hospitality made a good impression on his whole family. And his Mom and Dad, Suzanne and Ed, are also very grateful to you all. Suzanne said he grew a lot during his time with us, mentally, intellectually, and spiritually.

This is an example of how God may take a situation we are sad about (not being with my grandkids enough) and giving us a new thing, a new opportunity, to show God's love to others who can benefit from our hospitality. We just have to be aware of the need and willing to respond. The verse in Isaiah asks people to be aware of the new things God is doing in their lives. Think about this in the New Year. For a New Year's resolution you can have a goal of being more aware of new things God is offering you for your next year of life. The Church of the Roses is full of new opportunities where you can join a committee, join the choir, join the bells, be an usher/greeter, help in the Sunday School program, join the Men's group or Presbyterian Women. All you have to do is ask me and I will find you a place and a purpose at PCOR.

Happy New Year!

With God's Love, Peace, Joy, and Hope,
Pastor Cindy, Norm, and family



Alternative Christmas 2024 Report



PCUSA Mission Agency

Family of Chicks	\$425.00
Farming Tools	\$170.00
Sewing Machine	\$50.00



Doctors Without Borders	\$805.00
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M.H.S Breakfast	\$470.00
Feeding Kids daily	



World Central Kitchen	
in Disaster areas	\$510.00



New Roseland Library	
More readers in Santa Rosa	
	\$385.00



ByGrace Children's Home	
In Kenya	\$800.00



You made a difference in the World!

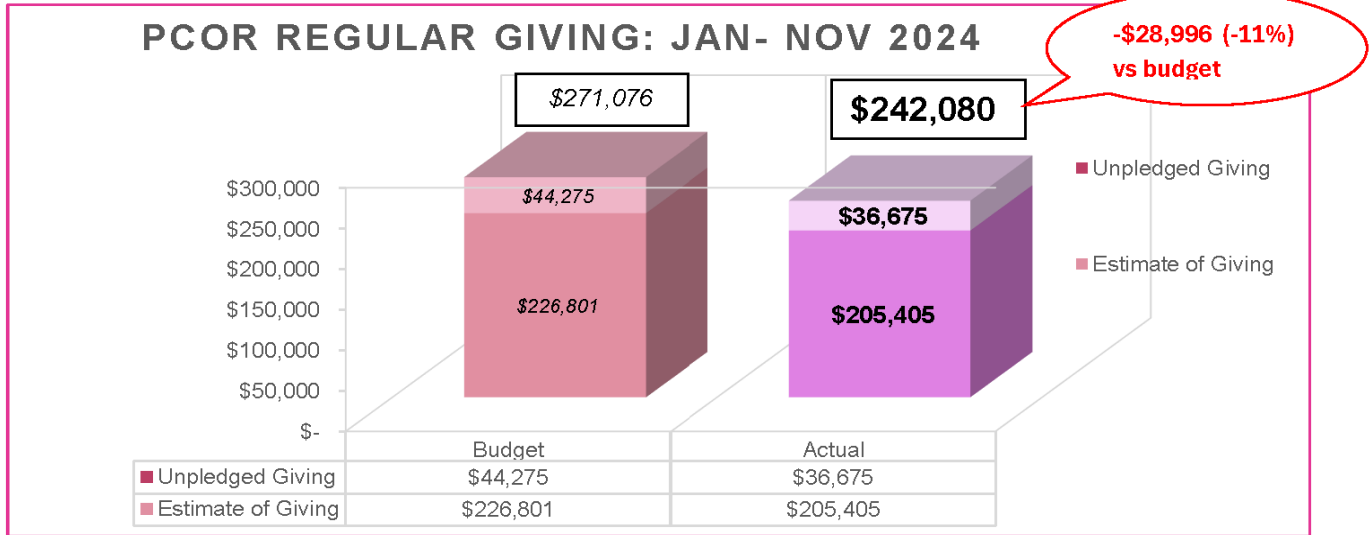
THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee Report

We received the Investment Tax Credit check of \$32,206.99 for our solar panel system. This money will be returned to our Reserve Fund. Additionally PCOR is saving about \$11,000 per year on PG&E electrical cost. Thank you for your support of this project.

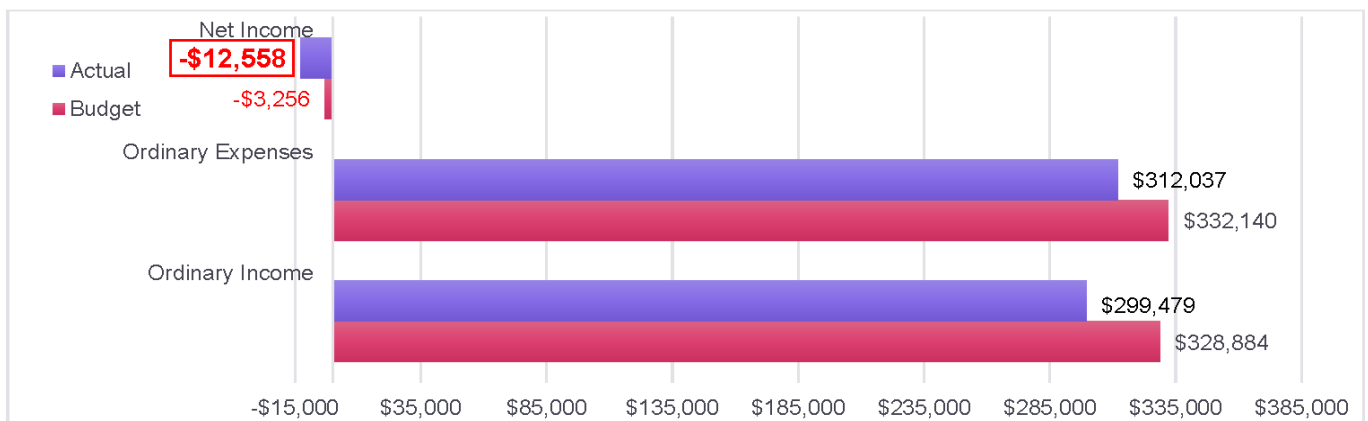
We started the year with robust giving and now our giving is 11% below our 2024 budget. Thank you for including PCOR on your Christmas gift list.

Regular Giving (does not include special giving) – 11 months



We are watching our expenses and keeping expenses 6% below our 2024 Budget. The decrease in giving results in a net income loss of -\$12,558 for the first 11 months. We are hopeful for a cheerful and giving December.

Net Ordinary Income: January – November 2024



We are developing the 2025 Budget. Thank you to those that have submitted their Estimate of Giving.

Best wishes for a joyous Christmas and Happy New Year,

Finance Committee: Bill Nakata, Linda Burille, Barbara Basham, Kim Seamans, Dave Nelson, Ron Dodge, Linda Lance, Nancy Morgan, Anthony Lim and Pastor Cindy Alloway



10 Ways to Practice the Nurturing Love of Jesus in 2025

As we step into 2025, let us commit to living out the nurturing love of Jesus in our daily lives and in our community. Here are ten meaningful ways to embody His love through action:

Serve Your Neighbor: Offer your time and talents to those in need. Volunteer with local charities, assist at food banks, or participate in PCOR's outreach programs to bring hope to those around you.

Practice Radical Hospitality: Welcome newcomers with open arms at church and in your personal life. A warm smile, a heartfelt greeting, or a simple invitation to coffee can make someone feel seen and valued.

Foster Intergenerational Connections: Build relationships across generations by participating in PCOR's activities like the ukulele group, Parents Night Out, or the Wednesday Bible Study. Sharing stories and wisdom strengthens our community.

Pray with Purpose: Dedicate time each day to pray for your family, friends, and the world. Join PCOR's prayer groups to intercede for those in need and deepen your connection with God.

Encourage Others: Be a source of encouragement by sharing kind words, uplifting notes, or simply listening. Support others in their spiritual and personal journeys.

Support Environmental Stewardship: Show love for God's creation by engaging in eco-friendly practices. Join PCOR's efforts to promote sustainability, like participating in a community garden or reducing waste.

Teach and Mentor: Share your knowledge and faith with younger generations. Whether through Sunday School, youth activities, or informal mentorship, guide others in understanding the love of Christ.

Engage in Worship and Study: Participate in PCOR's worship services and Bible studies, such as the upcoming Jesus and His Jewish Influences series. Deepening your faith equips you to share Jesus' love with others.

Be a Peacemaker: Work toward reconciliation and understanding in your relationships and community. Reflect Jesus' compassion by seeking common ground and building bridges.

Give Generously: Whether through financial contributions, time, or resources, support PCOR's mission to serve the community. Your generosity enables programs that reflect Christ's love to flourish.

In 2025, let's embrace these practices to nurture love and strengthen our bonds as a church family, sharing the light of Jesus with the world. Together, we can make a profound impact!

WORSHIP IN THE Arts

Share a Devotional

The Worship Committee is inviting members of the congregation to contribute a devotional message to be compiled in a Lenten Devotional Booklet and distributed to the congregation.

Start with a Scripture you select and write a commentary of 150-200 words. You can reflect on personal experience, observations and inspirations to create a message you would like to convey. Also include a prayer.

Ash Wednesday is March 5, so your contribution should be submitted by February 15. Deliver a copy to the church office to be put in the Worship mail box or email it to office@churchoftheroses.org with "Lenten Devotional" in the subject line. We hope that participation in this project will be a blessing to all.

A big thank you to all who brought nativity scenes to be displayed in the sanctuary. They help show God's gift of Jesus to the whole world and that the Christmas spirit has no bounds.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



Our final 2024 Parents Night Out on Dec. 13 was a joyful success! Church youth joined the volunteer team, helping younger kids with crafts and fun. Stay tuned for exciting 2025 plans! - Barb Basham, Co-chair



A New Wednesday Night Study Led by Pastor Cindy Seven Lessons Starting January 15 at 7:00 p.m.



Jesus was a product of the Judaism of his time.
Lectures by Professor Jodi Magness
Noted Archaeologist and Professor of Religious Studies
Get a Fresh look at the Origins of History's Most Influential Figure

Dive deeper into the roots of faith with Pastor Cindy's Wednesday Bible Study, *Jesus and His Jewish Influences*. Explore the rich cultural, historical, and religious context that shaped Jesus' life and teachings, uncovering fresh insights into familiar stories.

Starting January 15th at 7 PM, this engaging series is open to all seekers and believers. Don't miss this journey of discovery. All are welcome! You may join by ZOOM as well.

The Christmas Eve Candlelight service attracted over 200 to the Church of the Roses



THE DEACON REPORT

This year, the Deacons extend heartfelt gratitude to our incredible members who brought joy to nearly 80 youth and seniors through thoughtful gifts! From warm blankets to bikes, books, slippers, and toys, your generosity lit up hearts and homes.

Here's a glimpse of the holiday magic: Melissa Henry adds a special touch by hanging ornaments, Chris Bowen and Sheldon Erkkila carefully inspect the beautifully wrapped presents, while Dan and Chris Bargar deliver their gifts with cheer.

Thanks to your kindness, our church continues to be a beacon of hope and support in the community. Together, we make a difference!



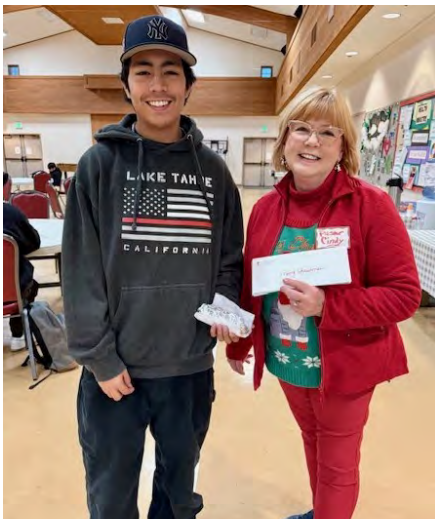
Church and World



Montgomery High School (MHS) Breakfast Program: Thank you, Breakfast Angels, for your generous time and kindness in making and distributing between 50-60 breakfast burritos per day to the students. We always accept donations for the breakfast program. We do need more volunteers, especially for Wednesdays and alternates for Mondays through Fridays. Please call the church and speak to Raven if you can help: (707) 542-4272.

Thank you for your continued contributions to the **Cents-Ability** collection baskets in the Narthex and Campbell Court on the **second Sunday of every month**. The collection is for the Presbytery Hunger Fund. We are able to keep 25 percent of the contributions which will go toward the Montgomery High School Breakfast fund.

We are so blessed to have received a \$5000 grant award from the Sonoma Speedway Children's Charities! Rhonda and Dennis went to pick up the check at the grant awardees' reception and shared a ride with Honor Jackson of Community Baptist Church. They were treated to a two-hot-lap ride in a pace car going about 80-90 mph!



We are so thankful to the management of our wonderful neighbors at Montgomery Village Shopping Center. They gifted 75 gift cards for Pastor Cindy to hand out to the students at the MHS Breakfast Program.

As an **Earth-Care Congregation**, we like to be able to learn how and to continue being good stewards of our planet. One way is by joining in on a park or beach cleanup. One was held on Saturday, November 16th, at the City of Santa Rosa Rural Cemetery. It was wonderful to share with other community members and learn about the famous names of Santa Rosa. Did you know that Lake Ralphine of Howarth Park is named for the wife of the late Colonel Mark L. McDonald who built and owned the McDonald Mansion in 1833-1917?

Thank you, Anita Pinney, for your leadership and for all of you who donated and made the **Alternative Christmas** campaign so successful! We collected over \$3000-worth of donations that will go to the following: **PCUSA Mission Agency (Family of Chicks and Farming Tools); Doctors Without Borders (Working in Gaza); Montgomery High School Breakfast Program (Feeding Kids Daily); World Central Kitchen (in Disaster Areas); New Roseland Library (More Readers in Santa Rosa); and for the mission to ByGrace Children's Home in Kenya.**



We will keep you apprised of our plans for our **mission to ByGrace Children's Home in Kenya in June 2025!** Please feel free to donate to the cause, as we will be paying for supplies and materials for the new building project at the children's home.

Our current membership includes **Anita Pinney, Jonathan Steele, Chris Rhodes, Norm Smith, Pat Silva, Guy Cottle (ad hoc), Pastor Cindy and myself.** This Committee meets by Zoom on the second Wednesday of every month at 6:00 P.M. Please let us know if you would like to join our committee! If interested, please contact Rhonda Darrow at rdarrow@pacbell.net or (707) 481-4743.

***With God's Blessings and Peace to You and Yours in the New Year!
Rhonda Darrow, Chair (2023-2025)***





From the Director of Music...

Happy New Year! This is a wonderful time to step up and join the choir! Or maybe you always wanted to play the handbells? We have a fabulous new Director of Bellissimo (handbells), Jessie Arriola, if you're looking for fun activities that keep your brain working at high speed! Just find me or Jessie on any Sunday or send me an email: carol@churchoftheroses.org

The Chancel Choir continues to come along with me on a journey to try new and interesting music – I'm committed to finding a nice variety of all genres of music for the choir (and hopefully, the congregation!) to enjoy. The **Good Friday Concert** this year will be the sublime *Mozart Requiem*. It has a larger orchestra and soloists, so it's more expensive to put on. It would be wonderful if any of you feel moved to donate to the cause! Checks can be made out to the Presbyterian Church of the Roses with Good Friday Concert in the memo.

Listed below are two more concerts scheduled on our *Roses Signature* Concert Series. The traditional *Young Aspiring Musicians* concert, featuring the students of prominent teachers throughout Sonoma County, is a wonderful opportunity for students that are interested in making music their vocation. This concert will take place on Sunday, February 23rd at 2:00 p.m. And our Good Friday concert this year will be on Friday, April 18th at 7:30 p.m. The choral ensemble, *Cantiamo Sonoma*, some members of the Chancel Choir, and selected members of the community will join us once again, and there will be a chamber orchestra, comprised of musicians from the Santa Rosa Symphony and the Bay Area. Be sure to add this to your calendar– the Mozart Requiem is one of the gems of choral literature.

Sunday, February 23rd at 2:00 p.m.

Young Aspiring Musicians featuring the students of Pianist Marilyn Thompson and Clarinetist Roy Zajac, and others

Friday, April 18th at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday Concert ~ Mozart Requiem

The Chancel Choir and Four for his Glory provided a beautiful free Christmas concert!



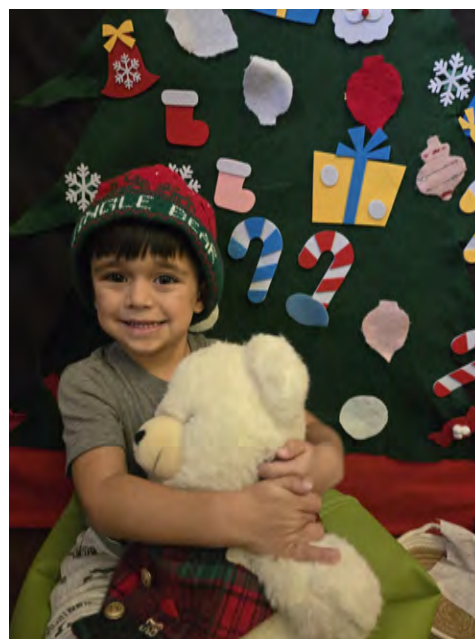
It's beginning to feel a lot like the holidays here at Rosebud! The children have been busy as elves, crafting holiday gifts, decorating felt trees, and writing postcards to Santa. We're all enjoying cozy winter tales, festive carols, and the joy of Christmas music playing softly throughout the classroom as the children play with Arctic animals in the snowy sensory area.



As the weather gets colder, both teachers and children are bundling up in the mornings. We love seeing all the sweet hats, gloves, and sweaters! The children have also been keenly observing the changes of the season. They've noticed the trees shedding their leaves, the geese flying south, and the morning frost glistening on the ground.

On Thursday, December 5th, we celebrated our winter family potluck. It was a wonderful event with a fantastic turnout. Teachers, families, and children came together to share food, make crafts, and enjoy meaningful conversations. It truly is the most wonderful time of the year!

Amber Ashworth-Hix



OUR VISION

Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to ALL



OUR MISSION

- To be an inclusive, caring Christ-centered community.
- Follow the Holy Spirit's guidance as we live and proclaim the Good News of God's love, peace and justice.
- Worship God with gratitude in a welcoming environment
- Bring glory to God.
- Serve youth, families, seniors and singles who need God's love and compassion.

PRAYER REQUESTS

UPCOMING MEMORIALS

FOR THOSE WHO MOURN THE LOSS OF THEIR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Please pray for the family and friends of Margaret Kram as they grieve her passing on Wednesday Nov. 20th 2024.
Please pray for the family and friends of Marilyn MacLean as they grieve her passing on Nov. 26th 2024.



THOSE WITH HEALTH ISSUES

Darren Adams	Jennifer
Donald Adams	Wendy Jones
Dennis Baker	Rusty Jump
Greg Basham	Carolyn Kenworthy
Jeff Basham	Margret Kram
Jim Bauer	Colby Lundmark
Bill Beaumont	Vivian Mazeski
Barbara Blinn	Carol Menke
Diana Burdick	Gene Michel
Joyce Cairns	Jessica Morse
Brenna Campbell	Lesley Pillsbury
Marjorie Cortez	Nita Pinney
Diana	Elizabeth Schulz
Eldon Davis	Bob Simmons
David Dews Jr.	Marie Slack
Yvonne Draper	Bill St. John
Robert Flandermeyer	Lynne Vandercook
Wendy Galde	Darlene Volkmann
Cathy Guy	Jill & Roger White
Michele Hare	Rich Wells
Julie Harris	Helen Wikle
Phil Henry	Betty Witchey-Ryer

THOSE SERVING IN OUR MILITARY

James Kuntz (Sorani), US Navy on the USS Scranton.
Sgt. David A. Dickens, USAF Jason Morse, Coast Guard Lt. Commander Ian Alloway Culver, Col. David Trowbridge, M.D. with the Air Force Reserve. Private Caleb Thorstad, US Marine's Camp Pendleton

Scriptures and Sermons January / February

January 5th, 2025 - Epiphany Communion Service Scriptures: Isaiah 60:1-6; Matthew 2:1-12 Sermon title: Come to the Light

Jan 12th - Baptism of the Lord Isaiah 43:1-7 and Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Sermon title: Baptized by the Spirit

Jan 19th - Second Sunday after Epiphany Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 Sermon: Gifts of the Spirit

Jan 26th - Third Sunday after Epiphany - Annual meeting Psalm 19; Luke 4:14-21 Sermon: A Jubilee Year!

February 2nd - Black History Commemoration - Communion Psalm 71:1-6; 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Sermon: Peggy Preacely, Guest Preacher, Civil Rights Leader

Feb. 9th - Fifth Sunday after Epiphany - Installation/ Ordination of Officers Psalm 138; Luke 5:1-11 Sermon: Answering God's Call

Feb. 16th - Sixth Sunday after Epiphany Psalm 1; Jeremiah 17:5-10 Sermon: Be Like a Tree

Feb. 23rd - Seventh Sunday after Epiphany Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40; Luke 6:27-38 Sermon: The Wisdom in the Golden Rule

March 2nd - World Day of Prayer and Communion service

**Join us each Sunday for
inspiring messages, spirit-filled music, and
thoughtful reflections.**



Black History MONTH



Peggy Trotter Dammond Preacely

**Acclaimed Freedom Rider,
Civil Rights Activist, Artist and
Speaker**

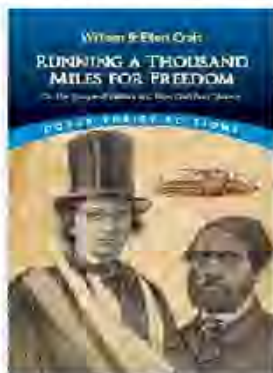
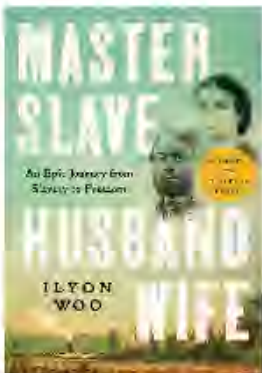
**Is coming to Santa Rosa!
Saturday February 1, 2025**

Co-sponsored by
The Saturday Afternoon Club and The Nubian Café Collective

Honoring the first day of Black History Month 2025, we are privileged to host Ms. Preacely for a presentation that is open to the public. This is a unique opportunity to hear first-hand about the historic Civil Rights Movement. Ms. Preacely's history:

- * Former Freedom Rider and working member of the historic Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC).
- * Jailed in Maryland and Georgia. She worked in communities across the Deep South to facilitate community empowerment and register Black voters in under-served rural communities.
- * At the march in Washington when Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his legendary "I Have a Dream" speech that precipitated the Voting Rights Act of 1964.
- * Continued her activism in the North by working against the de facto segregation of schools in Boston.
- * Descendant of a historic, multi-faceted family tree. Among her ancestors are:
 - Mary Hemmings Bell, sister of Sally Hemmings,
 - William Monroe Trotter, early civil right activist, His home is a National Historic Landmark.
 - Great-great granddaughter of famed abolitionists, Ellen and William Craft who escaped enslavement in 1850's Atlanta by disguising themselves as a white slave-owner and his slave.
- * Sits on the Board of the Monticello 'Getting Word' Advisory Board, comprised of descendants of those enslaved at Monticello.

(for more information: <https://www.peggytrotterdammondpreacely.com>)



Organizations may co-sponsor Ms. Preacely's presentation for \$200 and receive 10 tickets to attend as well as acknowledgement in publicity for this event.

Individual tickets are priced at \$25 each. Attendees must have a ticket in order to be admitted. Seating is limited and is expected to sell out.

To secure tickets and/or co-sponsorship, please contact Ellen Bowen, President, Saturday Afternoon Club. 707-326-8842.

MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Committee introduced five new members in November. Join us in welcoming Teddie Neyman and Fred Morgan (not pictured: Marlene Collins, Nancy Rada and Shirley McFarlane)

The second week of December found us assisting Steve and Shelley Yeager with welcoming members to their appointment for directory photos. A huge THANK YOU to Steve for the beautiful portraits he created. We are looking forward to the directory in early 2025.

Please invite friends and family to attend church services and activities! Church of the Roses is an active, vital congregation living our vision of reaching out with nurturing love to all! Let's share the love with everyone!



Respectfully submitted by Kim Seamans



The Buildings and Grounds Committee brightened the Third Advent with their wreath lighting! Dennis Darrow, Ron Dodge, Dave Nelson, and Gary Smith keep our church safe and shining every Tuesday.



Volunteer(s) needed for Door Security-
We are looking for someone to check on our building each night making sure all doors are secured. You may pick one or more nights. Please contact:
Raven@churchoftheroses.org or 707.542.4272

Thank You



Fellowship Committee

On Saturday, November 16, our Girl Scout troop came to the church and worked with the Fellowship Committee to make casseroles and prepare for our Stewardship lunch. Cindy Goede, Ellen Marks and Rhonda Darrow decorated Bowen Hall and created a warm and welcoming environment for the lunch. A delicious lunch was served after service on November 17 and everyone was encouraged to support our church through generous support and giving.



The Fellowship Committee recognized the Membership Committee for all their success with encouraging new members and growing our church with a special cake on the 8th of December.

The Girl Scouts are teaming up with us for another exciting Bingo party soon! Don't miss the fun—stay tuned for the date in Rose Clippings and Friday emails!



The Fellowship Time "Coffee Dude"

Each Sunday, Sheldon Erkkila prepares Coffee for the fellowship hour! Therefore he's been awarded the title of coffee dude! Join us after church and sample Sheldon's skills.

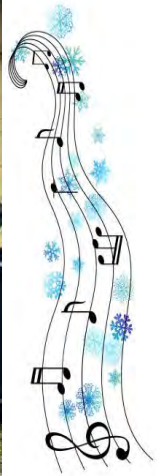


We are seeking volunteers to assist with Fellowship hour after church services. Volunteer once a month or once a quarter to help us continue this social hour after church services. Please use the sign-up sheet to select a Sunday to bring a snack, help with clean-up/set-up, or make coffee. We will reimburse your costs up to \$20. Just give the receipt to Sandy Dodge, and she will arrange for the reimbursement.

Contact Sandy Dodge to volunteer or if you have any questions. Email: Dodgesandy@yahoo.com Phone: 707-318-3096



The Church of the Roses serves as a community resource center during potential PG&E power outages. If you need assistance during an outage, our church is here to help. Stay safe and know you're always welcome. Many blessings!



The Boomers had a wonderful time caroling on December 22nd for the homebound in local healthcare centers.

Stronger Seniors Exercise Class



**Changing to Mondays at 10:30 a.m.
Start your week out right!
Come join us.**

If you or someone you know is being abused (and they are under 18 years old), call: 707-565-4304.

If you suspect Elder Abuse, call the hotline:
707-565-5940.

Your report can be anonymous, the call is
CONFIDENTIAL.

You might be saving a life or connecting the family to resources they need.
BLESS YOU!

Boomers 2025

BOOMERS

Join the
BOOMERS




GAME DAY

Saturday, Jan 18th 2025
1:30 - 3:30pm
PCOR - Rose Room





See the Rose Clippings for more information
Welcoming all active adults.

Join the
BOOMERS




GROUNDHOG DAY

Sunday, February 2nd - 2:00pm
6th Street Playhouse
No host / order your own tickets



< scan the QR for tickets

Optional :
Dinner afterward at the Goose & Fern



See the Rose Clippings for more information
Welcoming all active adults.

BOOMERS 2025

Saturday, January 18th

An old favorite returns:

GAME DAY !

Bring family and friends and join the fun playing a variety of table games

Special foods/ goodies and music too.

Host: Barbara and Larry Wofford



Join the
BOOMERS

GAME DAY

Saturday, Jan 18th 2025
1:30 - 3:30pm
PCOR - Rose Room

See the Rose Clippings for more information
Welcoming all active adults.

Sunday, February 2nd

2:00pm Matinee at 6th St. Playhouse
Groundhog Day - the musical
no host - order your own tickets

Scan the QR
For
6th Street Playhouse



Dinner after at the Goose & Fern Irish Pub



An uproarious musical tale of Phil Connors, a sarcastic and self-centered TV weatherman, who finds himself in a time loop reliving the dreaded day he reports on Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania's annual Groundhog Day festivities. What will it take to escape? Crimes and misdemeanors? Suicide? Falling in love?



Sunday, March 16th after church
Girl Scouts and Blessing Bags
plus a theme of St. Patrick's Day

Coming later this Spring . . . Redwood Empire Food Bank

BOOMERS 2025

This year begins with a favorite from last year. . . .

GAME DAY in the Rose Room

What better way to start the new year!

We'll have goodies and cool music as we play a variety of table games. Great camaraderie with friends and family.

When: Saturday, January 18th from 1:30 - 3:30pm

Where: PCOR Rose Room

Who: All are invited - bring the kids, grandkids, friends and family

Host: Barbara and Larry Wofford (thewaffords@hotmail.com)

THEN IN FEBRUARY

6th Street Playhouse is performing a special Musical: Groundhog Day

This is an uproarious musical tale of poor Phil Connors and his time loop.

When: Groundhog Day - February 2nd - Matinee at 2:00pm

Where: 6th Street Playhouse in Railroad Square (OK, close to it)

Who: NO HOST - secure your own tickets at their box office (707) 523-4185

After the show: Dinner at the Goose & Fern Irish Pub (Railroad Square)

Questions: Contact Lindsay Olsen. (olsenl2001@yahoo.com)

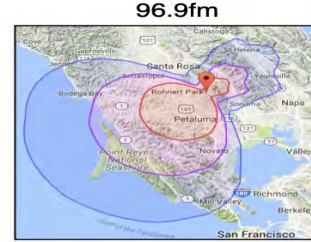
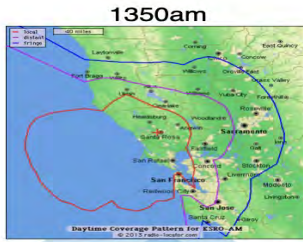
Boomers - All are invited
Active adults gathering for fun and fellowship
in the spirit of Christian harmony.



Each Sunday morning from 7:30-8, we broadcast a 30-minute church sermon on KSRO radio.

Over the last couple years, we have grown our audience and in 2023 we had an average weekly listenership of 5,380 each week!

KSRO has 3 signals, 1350am, 103.5fm and 96.9fm.



PCOR MEN'S GROUP



Coffee, Pastry, and Camaraderie

PCOR women, join us at Pascaline every 3rd Saturday, 8:15 a.m. (during Men's Club) for no-host, no-agenda cup of coffee and pastry. And, of course, GREAT conversation!



Mark your calendar for January 18th and February 15th – two dates filled with camaraderie and connection.

On Saturday mornings, we gather to savor a delicious breakfast, and everyone is welcome to join in the preparation, indulgence, and cleanup. These moments are where connections thrive, and bonds grow stronger.

Embrace this opportunity to create new friendships and enrich existing ones. In the heartwarming embrace of our group, you'll find a community that uplifts and inspires.

Join us on this journey of camaraderie and friendship. We can't wait to share laughter and memories with you. See you there!

Volunteers are NEEDED!

We need more Breakfast Angels to keep our breakfast club going every day of the school year! Please plan to give of your time one day of the week from 6:30am to 8:30am with cleanup after either on a weekly basis or as a substitute when needed. Mondays and Wednesdays are most in need.

Call the church office and speak to Raven for more information: 707-542-4272.



**Support the Presbytery Hunger Fund
and the Montgomery High
Breakfast**

It's Cents-Ability Sunday

**Baskets await your
Contributions in the Narthex and
Campbell Court!**



Book Club on Zoom the 3rd Thurs. of the Month
Jan. 16 2:30 pm **The Last Story of Mina Lee**
by Nancy Jooyoum Kim
Feb. 20 2:30 pm **The Thursday Murder Club**
by Richard Osman

Join the BOOMERS GAME DAY



**Saturday, Jan 18th 2025
1:30 - 3:30pm
PCOR - Rose Room**



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Welcoming all active adults.**

**A New Wednesday Night Study Led by Pastor Cindy
Seven Lessons Starting January 15 at 7:00 p.m.**



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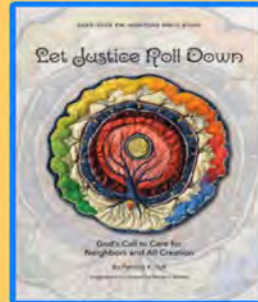
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FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

5-6 PM



Presbyterian Women

**10:00 a.m. to noon
in the Rose Room**

January 11

Lesson 5: Air Quality
The wind itself signals a holy moment

February 8

Lesson 6: Climate Change
Listen to prophets who warn of threats

We invite all women to join our friendly fellowship.

Join the BOOMERS



GROUNDHOG DAY

**Sunday, February 2nd - 2:00pm
6th Street Playhouse**

No host / order your own tickets



< scan the QR for tickets

**Optional :
Dinner afterward at the Goose & Fern**



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Blessed be the God and Father of our
Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in
Christ with every spiritual blessing in
the heavenly places.

— Ephesians 1:3



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