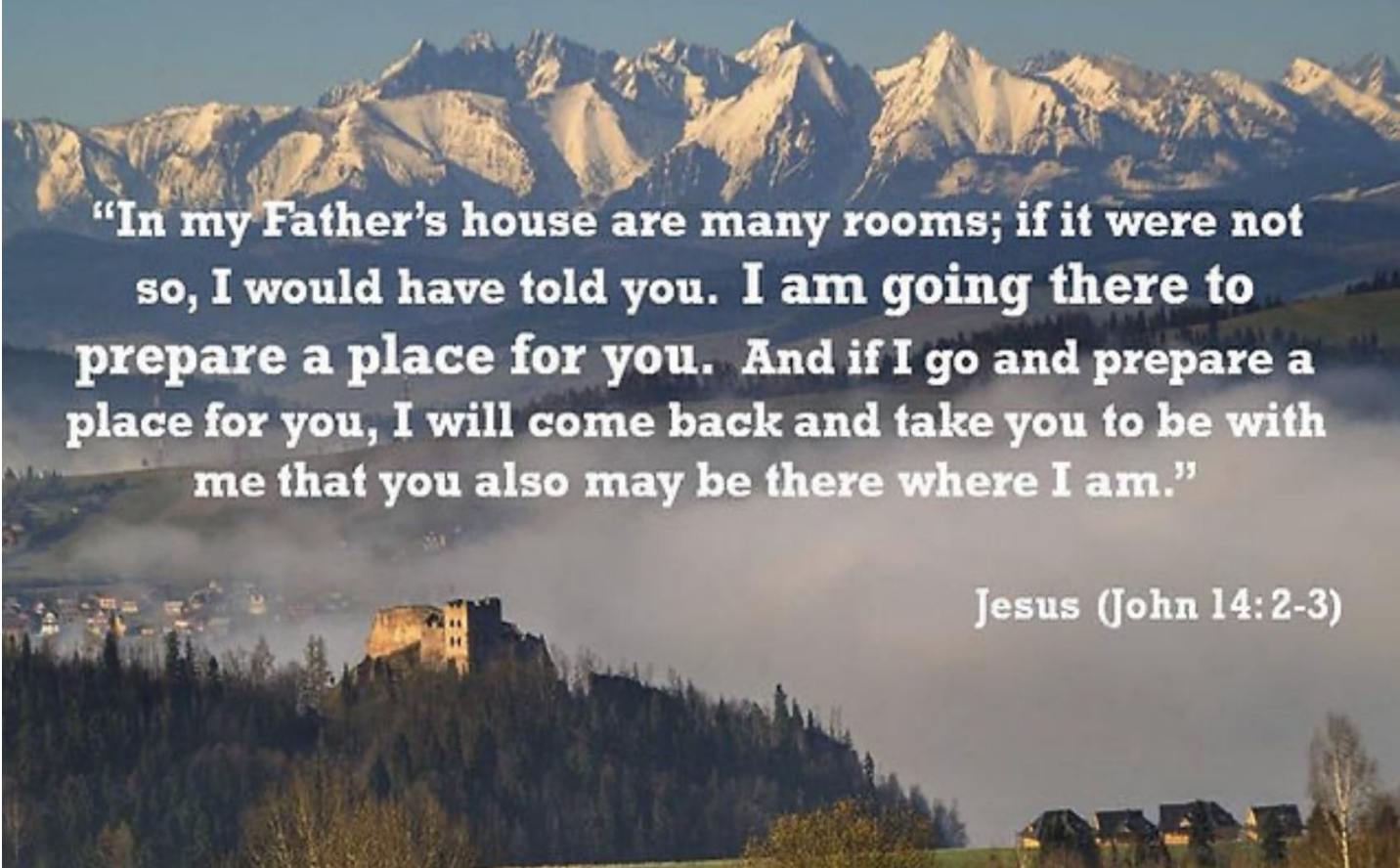




PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
OF THE ROSES

Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to All People



“In my Father’s house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be there where I am.”

Jesus (John 14:2-3)

May 7th, 2023
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Worship 10 am

First Time Here? Thank you for coming!

Please pick up a Welcome Bag in the narthex. Please join us for fellowship & coffee in Bowen Hall after service today.

Assistance needed?

Large print bulletins, a hearing loop and hearing assist devices are available from the sound system tech.

Tip for the Service

*Asterisk means please stand if able.

The **BOLD** is spoken by the congregation.

Children with you?

Activity materials for young worshipers are in the entry way and the kids table in the back of our Sanctuary. Sunday School is offered after *Gathering of the Children* during the service.

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE *"Prelude"* (from Chorale in E.) Cesar Frank

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *"God Is Here"* Glenn Wonacott

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

You are a chosen people, a holy nation, a royal priesthood.

We proclaim the mighty acts of God, who calls us from darkness to light.

The stone that the builders rejected has become our precious cornerstone.

Once we were lost but now we are found.

Let us, the people of God, worship God!

*HYMN #834 *"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"* Thomas Dorsey

Precious Lord, take my hand

Lead me on, let me stand

I'm tired, I'm weak, I'm lone
Through the storm, through the night
Lead me on to the light
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home
When my way grows drear precious Lord linger near
When my light is almost gone
Hear my cry, hear my call
Hold my hand lest I fall
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home
When the darkness appears and the night draws near
And the day is past and gone
At the river I stand
Guide my feet, hold my hand
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (responsively)

Merciful God, we confess that we look for you but give up easily. You call us to be a holy temple, but we get distracted by bright lights and immediate gratification. You call us to be a holy people, but we resist your saving grace. Teach us to keep our faith precious; to be as bold in our witness, our love as deep, and our faith as true, as the women who first proclaimed the Good News. Forgive us and give us new life! Make us new people, a new temple, filled with the Spirit of life. As we move through every sorrow and trial of this life, uphold us, redeem, and restore us to the fullness of life, forever freed to be your faithful people. Amen.

*WORDS OF AFFIRMATION (responsively, based on Psalm 31)

We seek refuge in the Lord and he delivers us! He is our rock and our fortress.

**Our times are in God's hands. God saves us with steadfast love.
Alleluia! Amen.**

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581

Gloria Patri

CALL FOR OFFERING

Diane Osten

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION HYMN#395

"Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"

Johann Rudolph Ahle

***Blessed Jesus, at your word, we have come again to hear you;
let our thoughts and hearts be stirred,
and in glowing faith be near you.***

By your gospel true and holy, teach us, Lord, to love you solely.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Diane Osten

ANTHEM

"In My Father's House"

Philip Stopford

GATHERING OF THE CHILDREN

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 14:1-14

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Jesus Prepares a Place

Rev. Dr Cindy Alloway

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, God of majesty and splendor. In the covenant of your steadfast love for your people, you draw us into loving relationships, with you, and with one another.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

With thanksgiving we offer our very selves to you, dedicated to your service. Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, that we may be one with all who share this feast, united in ministry.

As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world. **Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

(Please form two lines and come forward to receive the bread and the cup and return to your seats by the outside aisles. Place empty cups in the baskets.)

HYMN#527

"Eat This Bread"

Jacques Berthier, 1984

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to Christ and never be hungry.
Eat this bread drink this cup, come to Christ and you shall not thirst!

COMMUNION PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gracious God, we thank you for this mystery in which you have given yourself to us. As you have loved us, so may we love one another, and all your children. Send us into the world, unafraid of all that is new and changing, steadfast in love and faithfulness, in the name of Christ and the power of your Holy Spirit, we pray the prayer you taught us saying: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN #661 (vs1,2) "*Why Should I Feel Discouraged?*" Charles Gabriel

Why should I feel discouraged?

Why should the shadows come?

Why should my heart be lonely
and long for heaven and home,
when Jesus is my portion?

My constant friend is he:
his eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me;
his eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me.

Refrain:

I sing because I'm happy,
I sing because I'm free,
for his eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me.

“Let not your heart be troubled,”
his tender word I hear,
and resting on his goodness,
I lose my doubts and fears;
though by the path he leadeth
but one step I may see:
his eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me;
his eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me. [Refrain]

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Voluntary VII”

Richard Peek

Did you know? Thomas Dorsey wrote the gospel hymn, "Precious Lord," in response to his inconsolable bereavement at the death of his wife, Nettie Harper, in childbirth, and his infant son in August 1932.^[6] (Mr. Dorsey can be seen telling this story in the 1982 gospel music documentary *Say Amen, Somebody*.) The earliest known recording was made on February 16, 1937, by the Heavenly Gospel Singers ([Bluebird B6846](#)).^[7] "Take My Hand, Precious Lord" was first published in 1938.^[8] "Take My Hand, Precious Lord" is published in more than 40 languages.^[9]



*“Flowers donated by Hal Sneath
in memory of his
lovely wife Patricia Sneath”*

PRAYER REQUESTS-

Those mourning the death of their loved ones

*The family and friends of Bob Maxwell as they mourn his death on May 1st, service on June 3rd 2:00PM

*The family and friends of Ray Alden as they mourn his death on March 18th, service on Sat. May 27th 11:00AM

*A memorial service for Wayne and Pat Johnson, will be held on Sunday, May 28, 2:00 p.m. at the First Pres. Church of Fort Bragg, 367 South Sanderson Way, Fort Bragg, CA.

*The family & friends of Vera Fern Patten as they mourn her death on February 22nd, cards may be sent to: Dick Patten 704 Vermillion St. Newberg, OR 97132

Please include in your prayers- Those with health issues

Darren Adams	Cathy Guy	Priscilla Scott
Donald Adams	Michele Hare	Lynette Randerson
Shirley Anderson	Phil Henry	Kaylynn Rupp
Greg Basham	Mary Lou Hensley	Sherry Rupp
Jeff Basham	Brittany Hunt	Pamela Sage
Jeanette Bauer	Maryann Iodence	Raymond Skipp
Jim Bauer	Jennifer	Bob Simmons
Bill Beaumont	Rusty Jump	Marie Slack
Barbara Blinn	Carolyn Kenworthy	Bill St. John
Patrick Butler	Margret Kram	Rosalee Tindall
Peggy Call	Vivian Mazeski	Dina Takahama
Leslie Colby	Marilyn MacLean	Jill White
Marjorie Cortez	Gene Michel	Roger White
Doreen Cowden	Jessica Morse	Helen Wikle
Pat Currier	Lisa Nolan	Betty Witchey-Ryer
Eldon Davis	Diane Pierce	Ken Wolff
Robert Flandermeyer	Nancy Pinney	
Wendy Galde	Howard Powers	

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, Lt. Col. David Trowbridge, M.D. with the Air Force Reserve.

PASTOR: *Rev. Dr Cindy Alloway* LITURGIST: *Diane Osten*
MUSIC: *Carol Menke, Althea Wright & The Chancel Choir*
AUDIO VISUAL TECHNOLOGY TEAM : *Phil Goede, Norm Smith, Jonathan Parnell, and Nico Wycoff*

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AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 HATS
MAY 13, 2023 11:30 A.M – 3:00 P.M.

Tickets on sale TODAY* \$20.00 Advance sales-
25.00 @ The door if any tickets still
available. Only a handful of tickets are left.

***Ck, Cash, credit/debit cards accepted**



“Fruits of the Spirit Garden”

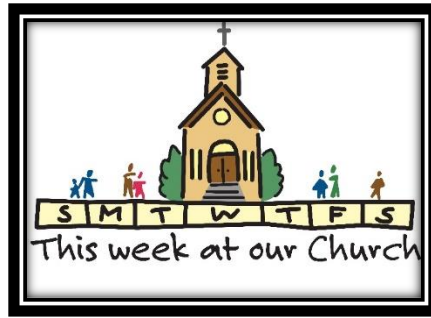
Vacation Bible School-(VBS)

June 12th-16th ages 4-11- songs, crafts, science projects-

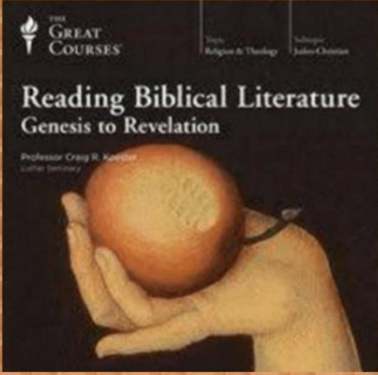
to register a child or to VOLUNTEER please email:

office@churchoftheroses.org






Monday	5/8	Church Office Closed	7:00pm Bible Study via Zoom
Tuesday	5/9	8:30am	Building & Grounds
	5/9	10:00am	PW Quilting
	5/9	7:00pm	Deacons meet via Zoom
Wednesday	5/10	11:00am	Staff Meets
		7:00pm	Church and World meet via Zoom
Thursday	5/11	10:30am	Seniors Exercise Video/Rose Rm
Friday	5/12	Church Office Closed	
Saturday	5/13	11:30am	SPRING FLING



**New
Dates
with
Dr. Koester
on Zoom**



Important Hebrew Scriptures

Mon. May 1	7:00 p.m.	Saul: The Tragic King
Mon. May 8	7: p.m.	David and Nation Building
Wed. June 7	7:00 p.m.	Solomon: and Contradictions
Wed. June 14	7:00 p.m.	Psalms: the Bible Songbook

Choral Evensong

Wednesday, June 14 at 6:00 p.m.



Evensong, presented by Cantiamo Sonoma

Carol Menke, Artistic Director

Reverend Dr. Cindy Alloway

Robert Young, Organist



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Choral Evensong is sung or said around the world every evening throughout the year. The choir offers its music on behalf of the rest of the community - the music and prayers join together so that our senses, intellects, hearts, and minds work together to give us a glimpse of God's glory, and provide a peaceful meditation at day's end. This coming Evensong will feature the music of William Smith, Louis Bourgeois, Healy Willan, and Nicolas Custer.

Please join us for the last of our Roses Signature Concert Series!



The Santa Rosa Children's Choral Academy
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May 14, 2023 • 4:00 p.m.



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***Save the Date-**

Church
Cleanup

Saturday, June 3rd 9am—12pm

Please RSVP to Gary Smith



Men's Group
Presbyterian Women(PW)

Sat. May 20th 8:15am
Sat. May 20th 10:00am

All Welcome! Please join us!