

# SFC COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

August 12, 2018

## **CONSTRUCTION DUST!**

Be aware that refurbishment of the Fireside room and adjoining restrooms began in mid-June. The first phase tackled the electrical work of changing out light fixtures in Fireside, adding more emergency exit lights for egress from Fireside and adding outlets to the restrooms. We will finish the men's restroom this week. This will become (temporarily) the women's restroom before next Sunday, August 19 and will remain so until the new women's restroom remodel is completed.

## **GO & TELL - TODAY**

Carl Liljenstolpe will be speaking at a Go & Tell today at 12:15 pm in Douglass Hall. Join us as Carl shares stories from his travels with Pocket Testament League in China. China's population is about 90 million people with 3 million believers. There is one pastor for every 20,000 believers. Pocket Testament League provides the Gospel of John in Chinese helping tell the Good News. Carl will give an update of this important work. A light lunch will be served.

## **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - BEGINS AUGUST 13**

Join Pastor Tim Galleher and friends on Monday mornings from 6:30 to 7:45 am in the junior high room on the third floor beginning Monday, August 13. This Bible study is on the book of Galatians. This is a great way to start connecting with other men, dads and grandpas at SFC and is a great opportunity to study the Bible. Contact Tim Galleher for more information at [tim@saratogafederated.org](mailto:tim@saratogafederated.org).

## **WELCOME TEAM TRAINING - AUGUST 19**

Interested in becoming more of a welcoming presence at SFC? Come check out the Welcome Team's ministry training on Sunday, August 19 from 9:15 am to 12:00 pm in the Chapel. For more information or to sign up, contact Susi or Richard Reaves at [susi@saratogafederated.org](mailto:susi@saratogafederated.org) or [pastor.rich.123@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.rich.123@gmail.com).

## **HEALING ROOM - AUGUST 19**

God's Spirit heals us in many ways including mind, heart, body, memories and relationships. Are you interested in receiving healing prayer? Drop in Sunday, August 19, between 2:00 and 4:00 pm at our monthly Healing Room in the old post office (14376 Saratoga Avenue). Questions? Contact Kathy Kroesche at [care@saratogafederated.org](mailto:care@saratogafederated.org) or (408) 867-1000 ext. 239.

## **GO & TELL - AUGUST 26**

Join us for a light lunch on Sunday, August 26, at 12:15 pm in Douglass Hall as the founders from Sunrise Orphanage in Uganda are with us. We'll hear about their ongoing work providing homes for abandoned children and rescuing girls from the streets. Thanks to your generosity at Advent, we were able to send almost \$60,000 to them to help with their second story addition to the girls' home, provide solar power and some furnishings. Come meet these wonderful folks and learn more about their work.

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## **ADULT EDUCATION**

Scott Fritz is leading a Bible study on the book of Matthew on Sundays at 9:30 am in the Library. All are welcome!

## **SINGLES FELLOWSHIP FOR AGES 40+**

Plans are underway for some fun activities this summer including hikes, Sunday brunches and music in the park. For information about these Singles Fellowship activities, please contact Rosalie Hackett at [rosalie\\_dancer@yahoo.com](mailto:rosalie_dancer@yahoo.com).

## **WORSHIP MINISTRY**

Choir & Orchestra weekly rehearsals resume on Wednesday, September 5 at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

Kids Choir resumes on Wednesday, September 19 at 5:00 pm in Douglass Hall.

Contact Diane Allison at (408) 867-1000 ext. 238 or [diane@saratogafederated.org](mailto:diane@saratogafederated.org) for information regarding the worship programs or visit the worship page at [www.saratogafederated.org/worship](http://www.saratogafederated.org/worship).

## **ALL CHURCH RETREAT - SEPTEMBER 7-9**

Our All Church Retreat is filling up fast. We are starting a waiting list for those who would like to come to Mt. Hermon overnight, but we have also created another option for those who want to come and participate in the programs, fun, food and fellowship but may not be able to spend the night. We have set up special pricing to allow you to come to one day, two days or all three days of the retreat - without spending the night.

The Friday option includes dinner, served at 7:00 pm and includes the evening program. Stay and fellowship afterwards at the ice cream shop or in our game room. Cost is \$30 for adults 18 and older; \$20 for youth ages 4-17 and children under 4 are free.

The Saturday option includes breakfast served at 8:00 am, the whole day of program and fellowship, lunch at 12:30 pm, dinner at 7:00 pm and the evening program. Cost is \$75 for adults and \$50 for youth.

The Sunday option includes worship and lunch. The worship service starts at 10:30 am, but come early for some pre-service music. The cost, as in prior years, is just \$10 per person ages 4 and up.

The big bargain is all three days for just \$100 for adults and \$70 for youth.

Visit our [website](#) to sign up and let us know who is coming.

## **FAMILY MINISTRIES NEWS**

### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR AGES 3 MOS - 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE 9:30 & 11:00 AM**

- Aug 19      **Playground Celebration** - 10:30 to 11:00 am on the playground  
Sep 10      **All Church Retreat** - No Children's Ministry Program

Visit the Children's Ministry page at [www.saratogafederated.org/children](http://www.saratogafederated.org/children) for information about our activities.

### **JR. HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **SUNDAY MADHOUSE 10:45 AM TO 12:00 PM, ROOM 302**

- Aug 12      **Back to School Bash** - 10:45 am - meet in MadHouse  
Aug 19      **Youth & Parent Gathering** - 10:45 am - parents and students meet in MadHouse  
Aug 24      **Princess Diaries Movie Night** - 6:00 pm - Girls, join us for Girls Night in MadHouse for dinner, a movie and fun activities - Cost: \$15 - Just us girls!  
Sep 5        **Studio Night Pool Party** - dinner and swim - 6:45 to 8:00 pm - at Fairbanks: 11790 Fallbrook Drive, Saratoga  
Sep 10      **All Church Retreat** - No MadHouse

### **HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **SUNDAY LIFEHOUSE 10:45 AM TO 12:00 PM, ROOM 210**

- Aug 12      **LifeHouse Lunch** - 12:15 pm - Panda Express at El Paseo - bring money  
Aug 14      **Last LifeHouse Hangout: Ultimate Frisbee** - 8:00 to 10:00 pm in LifeHouse  
Aug 19      **Youth & Parent Gathering** - 11:00 am - parents and students meet in LifeHouse  
Aug 19      **Sunday Life Groups Begin**  
Aug 22      **Wednesday Life Groups Begin**  
Sep 10      **All Church Retreat** - No LifeHouse

Visit the LifeHouse and MadHouse pages at [www.saratogafederated.org/youth](http://www.saratogafederated.org/youth) for information about our activities.

### **COLLEGE & 20S MINISTRY**

- Aug 13      **Monday Bible Study & Dinner** - 7:00 pm in Douglass Hall  
Aug 20      **Monday Bible Study & Dinner** - 7:00 pm in Douglass Hall

For more information about the college group, contact Sarah Silva at [sarah@saratogafederated.org](mailto:sarah@saratogafederated.org).