

SFC COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

September 16, 2018

JOIN THE CHOIR OR ORCHESTRA FOR THE FALL & CHRISTMAS SEASON

Music can provide both rejuvenation and respite for busy lives. You're invited to join us for this busy, but fun, short-term season. Wednesday rehearsals begin September 5 at 7:00 pm. Saturday morning rehearsal times offer flexible options too. For more information, email Diane Allison at diane@saratogafederated.org.

WORSHIP MINISTRY

Choir & Orchestra rehearsals are held on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

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

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

ADULT EDUCATION

Ken Johnson is leading a Bible study on the book of Acts on Sundays at 9:30 am in the Library. All are welcome!

NEPAL TRIP - 2019

Child Hope International is planning a trip to Nepal in early November 2019. This is a special trip because it will see the dedication of the church building Saratoga Federated Church funded with a recent Advent offering and some of our own members helped construct. This new building replaces a church demolished by the devastating 2015 earthquake.

Anyone interested in participating in the trip is invited to an information meeting at 3:00 pm on Sunday, September 23, at the home of Tom and Mary Priest, 134 Regent Drive, Los Gatos. For details by phone call Tom at (408) 319-0089 or Silas Khadka at (408) 823-1361. Tom and Silas will host the trip. Yes, 2019 is correct. There is plenty of time to plan. We hope you will consider joining the adventure.

9 ARTS OF SPIRITUAL CONVERSATIONS - BEGINS TODAY

Would you like to find joy, freedom and pleasure in talking about God with people who believe differently? Join us for this 9 week class as we study the *9 Arts of Spiritual Conversations*. The 9 Arts are: noticing, praying, listening, asking questions, loving, welcoming, facilitating, serving together and sharing. Join us on Sundays, today through November 18 from 9:00 to 10:30 am in the old post office. Questions? Contact Sally Bryant at (408) 867-1000 ext 233 or sally@saratogafederated.org.

GO & TELL - TODAY

Linda Ikeda and Sally Bryant, working with Empower International Ministries, recently returned from Rwanda and Malawi. Linda's work focused on healing from trauma and training caregivers to help orphans overcome attachment issues. Sally's work focused on training teachers, showing participatory learning techniques where school supplies are limited or non-existent and helping leaders understand God's plan for man, woman and the family. Join us at 12:15 pm in Douglass Hall today to hear about their trip. A light lunch will be served.

HEALING ROOM - TODAY

God's Spirit heals us in many ways including mind, heart, body, memories and relationships. Are you interested in receiving healing prayer? Drop in today 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 or (408) 867-1000 ext. 239.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS - SEPTEMBER 23

Want to learn more about Saratoga Federated Church? Join us at the membership class on Sunday, September 23, from 9:15 am to 1:30 pm in Douglass Hall. We'll discuss our history as one of the oldest churches in Saratoga and how we got the name "Federated." We will explore our beliefs and doctrine, and we will look at the ministries and organization of our church. This is a "no pressure" class. You are welcome to attend regardless of any intention to join the church. For more information or to register, contact Sally Bryant at sally@saratogafederated.org or (408) 867-1000 ext 233.

SERMON PODCASTS & VIDEOS are available at www.saratogafederated.org.

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LEGACY STEWARDSHIP SEMINAR - SEPTEMBER 23

Your SFC Foundation is offering a new edition of its popular free seminar on the basics of legacy stewardship at 12:15 pm in the Library on Sunday, September 23. Learn about the latest tax-sensitive tools available to effectively manage your legacy giving. There is no cost for this seminar, but we ask that you pre-register so we can plan appropriately for lunch. Contact Olivia DCosta at olivia@saratogafederated.org to register.

PARENTS TOGETHER & KIDS CLUBHOUSE - BEGINS SEPTEMBER 26

Parents, invite a friend and join us for an opportunity to tackle tough topics together. Led by Tim Galleher on Wednesday nights, September 26 through October 24 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in Douglass Hall. Kids Clubhouse is for children of attenders, ages Kinder-5th grade and is led by Sarah and Joe Silva in room 111. Kids will learn life skills through connections and play. Nursery care is also provided. Please sign up online at www.saratogafederated.org/children. Questions? Contact Tim Galleher at tim@saratogafederated.org.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON - OCTOBER 2

Ladies, join us on Tuesday, October 2, at 11:00 am in Richards Hall for our monthly luncheon. Matt Hall, Minister to Youth & Families, will be our guest speaker. He will tell us about what's happening with our students as well as his own spiritual journey. To make reservations, please contact Nancy Kamalski at nancykamalski@gmail.com or (408) 255-3627.

YOUNG ADULT MOVIE NIGHT

Those in their 20s and 30s are invited to fall backyard movie nights at the home of CJ and Traci Clark on 9/29, 10/13 and 10/27 from 7:00 to 10:30 pm. Text CJ at (408) 455-3017 for the address and to RSVP.

CARE MINISTRY: 2 OR 3 - WALKING OR MEDITATIVE ART

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them. Matthew 18:20.

Walkers meet us by the benches in front of the SFC Sanctuary at 12:15 pm on Sunday, September 23 or Sunday, October 14. Wear walking shoes and bring water. We will return to SFC by 1:15 pm.

For meditative art and conversation, join us on Tuesday, October 9 from 9:00 to 10:00 am in the old post office. Everyone is welcome.

For more information about these activities, contact our Care Ministry team at care@saratogafederated.org.

FAMILY MINISTRIES NEWS

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR AGES 3 MOS - 5TH GRADE 9:30 & 11:00 AM

Sep 19 **Kids Choir Begins** - 5:00 to 6:00 pm - Douglass Hall

Visit the Children's Ministry page at www.saratogafederated.org/children for information about our activities.

JR. HIGH SCHOOL

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

Sep 16 **Confirmation Parent Meeting** - 11:00 am to 12:00 pm in MadHouse Annex (room 302) on the third floor

Sep 19 **Studio Night** - 6:45 to 8:00 pm - Fun and Dinner - meet in the SFC Kitchen

Sep 26 **Studio Night** - 6:45 to 8:00 pm - Fun and Dinner - meet in the SFC Kitchen

Sep 28-30 **8th Grade Confirmation Overnight Retreat**

HIGH SCHOOL

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

Visit the LifeHouse and MadHouse pages at www.saratogafederated.org/youth for information about our activities.

COLLEGE & 20S MINISTRY

Sep 17 **Monday Bible Study & Dinner** - 7:00 pm at Garret Station

Sep 24 **Monday Bible Study & Dinner** - 7:00 pm at Garret Station

For more information about the college group, contact Sarah Silva at sarah@saratogafederated.org.

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