

FOR YOUR AWARENESS, PRAYER OR ATTENTION

BEREAVEMENTS

We celebrate the life of **Joy McCaleb** who died on October 22.

Craig & Eileen Fleckner (son & daughter-in-law)

Jana & Dave Lopez (daughter & son-in-law)

Kurt & Donna Fleckner (son & daughter-in-law)

Don & Jami McCaleb (son & daughter-in-law)

Nanci & Randy Bushner (daughter & son-in-law)

10 grandsons and 8 great-grandchildren

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, December 12
at 10:00 am at the Los Gatos Memorial Park Chapel.

We celebrate the life of **Bob Rung** who died on November 26.

Patrica Rung (wife)

Skip & Laura Rung (son & daughter-in-law)

Sue Sherman (daughter)

David, Lisa & Becky Rung and Cole & Cori Sherman (grandchildren)

DO YOU NEED PRAYER?

Our Care Ministry is confidential. The person being prayed for must give permission before their name and need is shared with others. Please include your name, the name of the person needing prayer and indicate their permission to distribute the request to the prayer team. Send your prayer requests to care@saratogafederated.org.

Pastoral Housing Campaign Update as of Monday, November 26, 2018

Total Pledges: \$269,475

Number of Families Responding: 68

General Fund Financial Update July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019

General Fund Donations:	Actual	Budget	Behind
Fiscal Year to Date: 11/25	\$910,991	\$1,046,000	\$(135,009)
Debt Balances:	Bank	Internal	
	\$84,8730	\$450,619	

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

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SFC COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

December 2, 2018

SEASON OF PRAYER

The SFC Opportunity Profile is now active on the AGORA Search Group website! Please pray for the hearts of those who see our candidate profile, that they would respond to it themselves or share it with those who are seeking opportunities to serve God's church in a new way!

GIVING TREE - ENDS DECEMBER 9

This year's recipients of the Giving Tree will be the children of Oakland through the Points of Light program. Stop by the tree today and pick up a tag or two. Please return your wrapped gifts with the tag attached no later than Sunday, December 9.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON - DECEMBER 4

Ladies, join us Tuesday, December 4 at 11:00 am in Richards Hall for our monthly luncheon. Major Paula Wild from the Salvation Army will be our guest speaker. She will share the developing plans of a new child care center. To make reservations, please contact Nancy Kamalski at nancykamalski@gmail.com or (408) 255-3627 or sign up on the courtyard today.

CHRISTMAS IN SARATOGA - DECEMBER 7, 8 & 9

A Family Christmas is coming up in a few days, and you won't want to miss this inspiring event. The Christmas family gathering is one we have all attended. The tree, the food, the gifts, the relatives...and the kids' table. An empty chair, a new space, some secrets revealed, and a few new friends, help one family to forge an unforgettable bond of love that began with a baby. Make plans to bring a friend and join us for a performance or two. Performances will be held Friday, December 7 at 7:00 pm, Saturday, December 8 at 7:00 pm, Sunday December 9 at 3:00 and at 5:30 pm.

We still need about 50 more people to bring 4 dozen cookies, 60 more sack lunches and people to help with ushering and hospitality. Sign up on the SFC website or contact Diane Allison at diane@saratogafederated.org. Thank you!

MEXICO TRIP INFORMATION MEETING #1 - DECEMBER 9

If you are interested in participating in the 2018 Mexico house building trip April 6-12, 2019, please plan to attend the information meeting on Sunday, December 9 at 12:15 pm in Richards Hall. All participants must attend one of three information meetings. The other meetings are scheduled for January 13 (trip alumni only) and 27.

MEXICO HOUSE BUILDING TRIP FUNDRAISER - DECEMBER 10

Support our Mexico house building trip by having lunch and/or dinner on Monday, December 10 at WillowStreet Pizza or Main Street Burger in Los Gatos. Be sure to pick up the flyer in the Narthex or [print one out here](#). Grab some friends and enjoy a meal while supporting our trip at the same time.

CARE MINISTRY: 2 OR 3 - DECEMBER 9

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, December 9. Wear walking shoes and bring water. We will return to SFC by 1:15 pm.

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

LIVING WATER INFORMATION MEETING - DECEMBER 16

In 2019, SFC is sponsoring a well for people in Guatemala to have clean water. Come to an information meeting on Sunday, December 16 at 12:15 pm in the library to get details on how to join the trip. For more information, contact Joe Madden at jm@mobile-experts.net.

HEALING ROOM - DECEMBER 16

God's spirit heals us in many ways. Are you interested in receiving healing prayer? Drop in Sunday, December 16, 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.

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!

WORSHIP MINISTRY

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.

SINGLES FELLOWSHIP FOR AGES 40+

The Christmas in Saratoga musical program is always inspiring and fun. Let's enjoy the performance together on Sunday December 9 at 3:00 pm. Afterwards we will go out to dinner. For details contact Rosie at rosalie_dancer@yahoo.com or Allyson at textilemaniac@yahoo.com.

FAMILY MINISTRIES NEWS

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

Dec 2 **Countdown to Christmas** - 12:15 pm in Richards Hall. Families, join us as we celebrate Jesus' birth as the true meaning of Christmas! We will enjoy lunch together and a time of Christmas crafts and holiday fellowship.

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

Dec 5 **Studio Night** - 6:45 to 8:00 pm - Cookie Baking Service Project - meet in the SFC Kitchen

Dec 12 **Studio Night** - 6:45 to 8:00 pm - Family Caroling - meet in MadHouse

Dec 14 **Annual Reindeer Hunt** - 7:00 to 9:00 pm - no cost - drop off and pick up at Valley Fair Lego Store

Dec 16 **MadHouse Christmas Party** - During Sunday School

Dec 23 **No MadHouse**

HIGH SCHOOL

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

Dec 21 **LifeHouse Christmas Party** - 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Jan 25-27 **Winter Camp at Mount Hermon** - \$185 for registrations received by December 10, \$210 after that.

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

COLLEGE & 20S MINISTRY

Dec 3 **Monday Bible Study & Dinner** - 6:30 pm at Jake's Pizza

Dec 10 **Monday Bible Study & Dinner** - 6:30 pm at WillowStreet in Los Gatos

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

PARENTS

Dec 2 **Parent Recharge** - 11:00 am in Douglass Hall - Please join Tim Galleher and other parents as we discuss how to encourage our families during the Advent season. This will include practical examples that you can use in your home.

Dec 3 **Men's Bible Study with Pastor Tim Galleher**. Mondays beginning December 3 from 6:30 to 7:45 am in the junior high room on the third floor. We will be studying Genesis 25 - 50. All men are invited.