

# SFC COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

September 10, 2017

## ADULT EDUCATION

A Bible study is being held on Sundays at 9:30 am in the Library titled *God's Final Word*, a study in the book of Revelation. This class is facilitated by George Lee. All are welcome!

The Adult Sunday School class studying the Jewish aspects in the Gospel of Matthew continues today at 11:00 am in the Chapel. This class is led by Scott Fritz. For more information, contact Scott at [gfritzs@nccn.net](mailto:gfritzs@nccn.net).

## TOOLS FOR TITHING - WEB

Do you sometimes forget to tithe? Never forget again with auto pay. You can set up auto pay donations easily from our website.

To initiate automated giving from our website, go to [www.saratogafederated.org](http://www.saratogafederated.org) and click on the words "online giving" in the upper right hand corner. On the next page, click on the "Tithing" button and follow the prompts to enter in your chosen amount and banking information. You can also read more about tithing on that page.

If you have any questions, please contact Jerry Bruce at (408) 867-1000 ext. 249 or [jerry@saratogafederated.org](mailto:jerry@saratogafederated.org).

## DISASTER RELIEF

We have all been hearing and watching the devastation that is occurring in south Texas. As an outgrowth of one of our core values, Life for Others, we want to facilitate a way to respond and help. First we need to pray, then if possible, we can respond with our tangible, financial help. We will be accepting your gifts as part of Sunday's offering, asking you to indicate DISASTER RELIEF on your giving envelope or check. You can also go to the giving page on the [SFC website](http://www.sfc.org), where you can check the DISASTER RELIEF option.

All designated funds will be sent to the Salvation Army. Your financial gifts will make a difference in helping restore numerous lives as we bear Christ's mercy in word and deed to Hurricane Harvey victims.

## LIFE GROUP LEADER'S TRAINING - SEPTEMBER 17

How to Cultivate Connections with God and Others – The connection and community experienced in Life Groups is not only part of our shared mission here at SFC but is in high demand. If you sense a desire to lead a life group but need the tools and training, this class is designed for you. Please join us on Sunday, September 17 from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm or Thursday, September 21 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in Douglass Hall for helpful and practical Life Group leader training.

## BRIDGE BUILDERS RESPITE DAY - SEPTEMBER 23

Our next Bridge Builders respite event will be held Saturday, September 23, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm (volunteers arrive at 8:00 am). To register your child or to volunteer, please contact Kaity Weisenberger at [wisebrgr@yahoo.com](mailto:wisebrgr@yahoo.com).

## MEMBERSHIP CLASS - SEPTEMBER 24

Are you interested in becoming a member of SFC? Our next membership class will be held Sunday, September 24 from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm in Douglass Hall. For more information, contact Sally Bryant at (408) 867-1000 ext. 233 or [sally@saratogafederated.org](mailto:sally@saratogafederated.org). This class was formerly call the Inquirer's Class.

## LEGACY STEWARDSHIP SEMINAR - SEPTEMBER 24

The SFC Foundation will be hosting a free Legacy Stewardship Seminar on Sunday, September 24 at 12:15 pm in the Library. You can register on our website or by contacting Olivia DCosta at (408) 867-1000 ext. 246.

## WELCOME TEAM TRAINING - SEPTEMBER 26

If you are interested in joining the Welcome Team, please make plans to join us on Tuesday, September 26, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in Douglass Hall. For more information, contact Susi and Richard Reaves at [angelchild2053@gmail.com](mailto:angelchild2053@gmail.com) or [pastor.rich123@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.rich123@gmail.com).

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## CARE MINISTRY

“For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.” Matthew 18:20. We have a “2 or 3” gathering just for you! Share concerns, prayers and praises in a small informal, confidential setting with hearts open to the Holy Spirit. Join us on Sunday, September 17 at 12:30 pm for a hike at Villa Montalvo. We will meet in lot 4. This will be led by a care deacon for our 40s to 60s flock. For more information, contact Care Ministry at [care@saratogafederated.org](mailto:care@saratogafederated.org).

## SINGLES MINISTRY FOR AGES 35+

Saturday, September 30, 2017 from 5:00 to 11:00 pm join us for dinner and dancing at Family Community Church in south San Jose. You will find fun and friendly people there (about 70 at the last event). In addition to dancing, there is a separate room for conversation and games. For more information, contact Rosalie Hackett at [rosalie\\_dancer@yahoo.com](mailto:rosalie_dancer@yahoo.com) for more information.

## WORSHIP MINISTRY

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

Kids Choir begins on Wednesday, September 20 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).

## LIFE GROUPS

A new life group is starting Thursday, September 14. They will meet in Cupertino from 7:00 to 8:30 pm and will be studying the sermon series. For more information, contact Sue Ranney at (408) 777-8788 or [sue@theranneys.com](mailto:sue@theranneys.com).

A new women's Life Group begins Monday, October 9 at the home of Sue Ranney. This group will focus on praying for their families and study the book of Matthew. This group will meet the second and fourth Monday of each month from 10:00 to 11:30 am. Contact Sue Ranney at (408) 777-8788 for more information.

Study questions for each week's sermons are available on our website on the [Teaching page](#) for Life Groups who want to follow along with the sermon.

Interested in joining or creating another Life Group? Contact our Pastor of Adult Ministries, Sally Bryant at [sally@saratogafederated.org](mailto:sally@saratogafederated.org).

## FAMILY MINISTRIES NEWS

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

Sep 10      **No Nursery or Sunday School at SFC**

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

### JR. HIGH SCHOOL - SUNDAY MADHOUSE 10:45 AM TO 12:00 PM, ROOM 302

Sep 20      **Studio Night** - 6:45 to 8:00 pm - Meet in the SFC kitchen for dinner

Sep 22      **Sky High** - 6:00 to 9:30 pm - \$20 - Meet in MadHouse - Drivers needed. Contact Yvette if you are available to drive.

Sep 24      **Children's Teen Mentor Training** - 9:30 am - Meet in MadHouse

Sep 27      **Studio Night** - 6:45 to 8:00 pm - Meet in the SFC kitchen

Sep 29-30   **Confirmation Retreat**

### HIGH SCHOOL - SUNDAY LIFEHOUSE 10:45 AM TO 12:00 PM, ROOM 210

## COLLEGE MINISTRY

Sep 12      **Monday Bible Study** - 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Jake's in Saratoga

Sep 19      **Monday Bible Study** - 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Jake's in Saratoga

Sep 26      **Monday Bible Study** - 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Jake's in Saratoga

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