

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!

WORSHIP MINISTRY

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

The Kids Choir 2019 fall season has begun. Kids Choir meets on Wednesdays at 5:00 pm in Douglass Hall. They'll be learning music fundamentals in a fun way, working on songs for worship and preparing for their part in our annual Christmas in Saratoga musical, to be presented December 13-15. Come join in the fun! Kids Choir welcomes kids from K-5. Email Diane Allison at diane@saratogafederated.org for more information.

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.

SFC COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

September 29, 2019

SUNDAY SPEAKER SCHEDULE

October 6 CJ Clark - *Communion*

October 13 Matt Hall - *Josiah, Revival and the Word of God*

October 20 Jerry Bruce - *Serve Sunday*

9 ARTS OF SPIRITUAL CONVERSATIONS - TODAY IS PRAYING

The second of three weekly sessions will meet from 9:00 to 10:30 am today in the old post office. Today we will learn practical tips on how to pray for people. Next week we will cover listening. For more information, please contact Sally Bryant at sally@saratogafederated.org or (408) 867-1000 ext. 233.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON - OCTOBER 1

Ladies, make plans to join us for our first luncheon of the new season on Tuesday, October 1, at 11:00 am in Richards Hall. To make reservations, please contact Nancy Kamalski at nancykamalski@gmail.com or (408) 255-3627.

MOVIE NIGHT - OCTOBER 5

CJ and TraciLyn Clark will be hosting another movie night on Saturday, October 5, at 8:00 pm. Join us for a fun evening as we watch *Father of the Bride*. For more details, please contact Stephanie Giamanco at stephanie.giamanco@saratogafederated.org or TraciLyn at (408) 828-4887.

EXPERIMENTAL MEN'S GROUP - OCTOBER 7

The Experimental Men's Group will meet at 1:30 pm on Monday, October 7, at Holder's Country Inn (998 S. De Anza Blvd., San Jose) for lunch followed by a brief presentation on the Art of Listening by Dave Aune. A one-on-one session will follow to learn from each other. All men 70+ are invited. For more information contact Tom Priest at tomp@caps4ups.com.

FLEET WEEK CRUISE - OCTOBER 12

The Experimental Men's Group is sponsoring a Fleet Week San Francisco Bay day-cruise on the WW2 Liberty Ship SS Jeremiah O'Brien on Saturday, October 12. This family event is open to everyone of all ages and will be from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. The Navy Blue Angels Flight Demonstration Team is scheduled to perform overhead. Explore all the details online at www.ssjeremiahobrien.org/pages/fleet-week-cruise-saturday. Some of us will be carpooling to the Daly City Bart station. Need a ride? Contact Tony Hoffman at (408) 446-3230 or flyer45er@yahoo.com.

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

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BRIDGE BUILDERS RESPITE DAY - OCTOBER 12

Our next Bridge Builders Respite Day will be held on Saturday, October 12, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm (volunteers arrive at 8:15 am for breakfast and training). All children must be pre-registered. To register your children or to volunteer, please contact Debbie Lillo at dlillo@comcast.net.

PRACTICING THE PRESENCE OF GOD - OCTOBER 13

Join us on Sunday, October 13, at 9:30 am in Douglass Hall for the first in the series of once-a-month classes looking at spiritual practices that help us experience the presence of God in our lives. Contemplative prayer is an ancient Christian practice with deep implications for modern life. Come find out what it is, the history of the practice, how it amplifies our sense of God's presence, and how to practice contemplative prayer. Savoy Stevens will lead this initial session, and Russ Ikeda will lead the next session on November 10, focusing on the practice of Examen. For more information and to register, please contact Sally Bryant at sally@saratogafederated.org or (408) 867-1000 ext. 233.

WE'RE GOING TO MEXICO! LEARN MORE - OCTOBER 13

Plans are well underway for our 21st trip to Mexico with Amor Ministries in April 2020. We invite you to meet the leadership team and learn how you can be a part of this trip even if you don't actually cross the border. On Sunday, October 13, at 12:15 pm in Richards Hall, Matt Hall, Jerry Bruce and others will give you a brief update on our trip. We are counting on your support to continue this vital ministry to families in Mexico and here at home.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE - OCTOBER 15

The Red Cross blood drive will be held in Richards Hall on Tuesday, October 15, from 12:00 to 6:00 pm. Follow the link on our [website](#) to sign up or call (800) RED-CROSS.

SERVE SUNDAY - OCTOBER 20

Our next Serve Sunday will be held on October 20. We will gather at 9:00 am in the Sanctuary for a time of worship before heading out into the community to serve in a variety of ways. Sign up on our [website](#). For more information, contact Jerry Bruce at jerry@saratogafederated.org.

INFANT/CHILD DEDICATION OR BAPTISM - OCTOBER 27

We will be having child dedications and baptisms on Sunday, October 27, during the 9:30 am and 11:00 am worship services. If you would like to begin the process of having your child dedicated or baptized, please contact Robyn Swan at robyn@saratogafederated.org or (408) 867-1000 ext. 240.

FAMILY MINISTRIES NEWS

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - www.saratogafederated.org/children
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR AGES 3 MOS - 5TH GRADE 9:30 & 11:00 AM

JR. HIGH SCHOOL - www.saratogafederated.org/youth
SUNDAY MADHOUSE 10:45 AM TO 12:00 PM, ROOM 302

Oct 2 **Studio Night** - 6:45 to 8:00 pm - meet in the SFC Kitchen
Oct 4 **Girls Night** - 6:00 to 9:00 pm - \$30 - meet in MadHouse
Oct 4 **Guys Night/Laser Tag** - 6:00 to 9:00 pm - \$30 - meet in MadHouse

HIGH SCHOOL - www.saratogafederated.org/youth
SUNDAY LIFEHOUSE 10:45 AM TO 12:00 PM, ROOM 210

Weekly Bible Studies (Wednesdays or Sundays)
from 7:00 to 8:30 pm, meet in LifeHouse

Oct 11 **Broomball** - 10:15 pm to 12:30 am - meet and return in LifeHouse - \$25 - bring your own helmet
Oct 12 **Bridge Builders Respite Day** - 8:15 am to 1:00 pm - register to volunteer with Debbie Lillo at dlillo@comcast.net

PARENTS

Oct 6 **Parent Recharge** - 11:00 am - in Douglass Hall - Debbie Lillo will be our guest speaker. Her talk is titled *Encouraging Our Children to Respond with Compassion*. She will share practical tools and suggestions for modeling compassion and giving our children and students tools for understanding, accepting and befriending others despite perceived differences.