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Have You Scheduled a Time Meet & Greet Pastor Alan?

Join us for a **Meet & Greet** with Pastor Alan Jones and his wife, Linda Pickens-Jones, at the homes of these in St. Mark's Community who have graciously made their homes available for a morning or evening of telling your stories and sharing your experiences. Come, join the conversation and give Pastor Alan and Linda a warm, heartfelt, St. Mark's welcome!



Day	Date	Time	Host Name Address
Tue.	Aug. 16	7:00pm	John & Carol Klein 3220 Bonita Dr., Sacramento 95821
Wed.	Aug. 17	7:00pm	Barry White & Simon Vu 4506 Bantam Way, Elk Grove 95758
Fri.	Aug. 19	10:00am	Marion Dodd 4210 Zephyr Way, Sacramento 95821
Sat.	Aug. 20	3:00pm	Kris & Monica Jackson-Russo (GLBTI potluck BBQ) 9714 Silvertrail Lane, Elk Grove 95624
Thu.	Aug. 25	10:00am	Joanna Ballard 6236 Valor Way, Carmichael 95608
Sat.	Aug. 27	10:00am	Jeanine Perry & Lily Andrews 4743 Hixon Circle, Carmichael 95608
Mon.	Aug. 29	7:00pm	Doug & Nancy Nos 3124 Clairidge Way, Sacramento 95821
Tue.	Aug. 30	7:00pm	Rex Bennett & Otto DeLeon 14 Ardea Place, Sacramento 95835

Please sign-up in the Lobby this morning.

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TODAY at St. Mark's

Sunday, August 14

- 9:30am **Worship Service-SA**
- 9:30am Faith Pilgrimage-E25
- 9:30am Summer Movie Class-E26
- 9:30am Sunday School-E1-4, 21-23
- 9:30am Youth Sunday School-GC
- 9:45am Worship Band Rehearsal-E21
- 10:00am Blood Pressure Screening-PR
- 10:15am Summer Brunch
- 11:00am **Worship Service-SA**
- 11:00am Sunday School-E1-4, 22-23
- 12:00pm GLBTI Lunch-MH
- 12:00pm Exploring Membership-E26
- 4:00pm Youth Group-GC

Just Cup Café

Please come over to the *Just Cup Café* following the service for refreshments and fellowship. We offer regular and decaf coffee, as well as tea and juice.



Fair Trade Products Available on the Patio Today

Summer Worship Series

Today is the fourth Sunday of our Summer Worship Series, *Extraordinary People in Ordinary Time*, and features Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf. Please consult the brochure in the pews for future Scripture studies and individuals that will be highlighted.

Books related to Pastor Alan's sermon topics are available for check-out on the kiosk in the Lobby. Included are books by or about Georgia Harkness, Harriet Tubman, Toyohiko Kagawa, and others. Check one out and learn more about these extraordinary Christians.

I'm Sorry, I Don't Remember Your Name



It has been suggested that we all wear our St. Mark's name tags to help each other in learning and remembering names. If you don't have a name tag, ask for one in the comment line of the teal pew pad as you register your attendance, and pick it up in the Lobby next Sunday!

Remember in Prayer

Recent Requests:

Ginny Baldauf
Joanna Ballard
Joyner Family
Sarah Kelly & Beth Treat
Caesar Llorente & family
Dave MacMurdo & family
Phyllis Pratt
George Roehr
Betty Youngren

On-going Needs:

Susanna Aaltonen
Nancy Aldrich
Sue Bailey
Maurice Brown
Doug Cole
Celina Davin
Jennine Jones
Olivia Jones
Mary Kasai
Bob Keldgord
Agnes Lappia
Bob McKibben
Dorrie Moon
Bill Moore
Jimmie Poxon
Sharon Richmond
Florence Rudig
Dick Smith
Tiffani Spencer
Whitmore Family

This Week at St. Mark's

Monday, August 15

Office Closed

7:00pm Meet & Greet at Shunk Home
7:30pm Home Bible Study-Offsite

Tuesday, August 16

7:00pm Meet & Greet at Klein Home
7:00pm Finance Committee-SR
7:00pm NSP Group-E24
7:00pm PFLAG-E26

Wednesday, August 17

9:00am UMW Sew & Craft Group-E5
7:00pm Meet & Greet at White/Vu Home
7:00pm Adult Ed. Committee-E21
7:00pm Education Committee-E5
7:00pm ACT Board Meeting-E24
7:30pm Prayer Group-PR

Thursday, August 18

9:30pm Men's Group-GC
10:00am Meet & Greet at Dodd Home
7:00pm Ministry in Action-E5

Saturday, August 20

3:00pm GLBTI BBQ/Meet & Greet
7:00pm Mark Twains-E26

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Second Sunday Art Gallery

St. Mark's Second Sunday Art Gallery opens today, featuring the art of Paul Matthew Dessau. Paul grew up in Carmichael, currently lives in the Sierra foothills, and has created art since childhood. He is an artist who creates mostly collage portraits from archival magazine scrap. Often, the magazine relates to the person depicted. He has worked from life and photographs. He will create collages of people chosen by patrons. The initial design for these collages is hand drawn.

Much emphasis is placed nowadays on mechanical and electronic means of art production and many have lost sight of the reward of applying observation coupled with hand-eye coordination. Paul works "gadget free." Paul has taken studio art classes in college and has a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. Check his website: www.pauldessaufineart.com



UMW Collecting for Layette Kits

The United Methodist Women are sponsoring the collection of layette kits for UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief). We are pleased with the response! Because of your generosity, and the items given through Vacation Bible School, our little cradle and basket in the Lobby is beginning to fill up. In addition, we've received some much appreciated checks, which will be used to purchase items to complete the kits.

Presently, we need the following items to complete the layettes:

- **diaper pins** must have protective plastic closures, no regular safety pins
- **gowns or sleepers**
- **sweater or jacket** must open from the front; may be hand knitted, crocheted or sewn; hooded sweatshirts are acceptable
- **receiving blankets** no crib blankets please; 30" x 30" or 30" x 32" sizes only



Important Note: All items must be new. Do not wash any of the items as they will be considered used.

We'll be collecting new baby's basic supplies throughout the month of August. If you wish to donate, please make your check payable to St. Mark's UMW and designate it: *Layette Kit*. As we continue to gather these necessary items for newborns, we say in advance, thank you for your support.

In Memoriam

We extend our love and sympathy to the family and friends of June Chrysler, long-time member of St. Mark's, who passed on August 3. June was very active in many St. Mark's ministries until these past few years that she has been homebound. Her memorial service will be Friday, August 26, at 1:00pm her in the Sanctuary.



Sharing Table Benefits Heifer Project

The first three weeks of the Heifer Sharing Table earned just under \$350 towards the goal of a Heifer Ark (\$5000). The Sharing Table will continue through Sunday, August 28, during the Summer Brunches from 10:15 to 11:00am in MacMurdo Hall. Canned and baked goods (deserts, breads, pies, etc.), fresh vegetables and fruits and used books and other media, will be for sale. But in order for this to occur, we need donors for these items. All proceeds will go to support Heifer International, www.heifer.org, which offers hope worldwide to families who are poor and hungry. Bringing offerings of items to the Sharing Table and buying them, helps families start on a journey to fulfill a seemingly impossible dream—to secure food and a source of dependable income. Please bring your fresh produce, homemade goods and books to share with others AND purchase items at the Sharing Table to help meet our goal of buying an Ark this year.



Also, Jane Henderson really needs help during the remaining five weeks, either working at the table a time or two OR finding people who could/would work with her committee. If you are able to work one (or two) of the Sundays between now and August 28 (specific dates or just anytime), please let Jane know at 688-5355 or e-mail peeweepride@comcast.net. She will get back to you with a schedule.

Family Promise Hosts Needed

We will be hosting Family Promise guests September 18-25. Watch for sign-ups to help with evening meals, hosting and overnight stays. Call Sharon Meyers, 961-0229 or Joyce Estes, 481-0418, for more information.

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Building Community Together

On Sunday, September 11, at 4:30pm, we are inviting members of the Sacramento Muslim community and other interfaith guests to come and join us for conversations, prayer and a light dinner. Please plan to be there as we offer hospitality to interfaith guests.



Phone Volunteers Needed

We are looking for people willing to commit to one morning or afternoon a week to answer phones in the church office. The office is open Tuesday through Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm. If you have a couple of hours to volunteer each week, we have the job for you! We're hoping that people can commit to the same time/day every week so that there is consistent coverage. Please call the church office, 483-7848, and talk with Cath about your availability. Even one hour a week makes a difference!



Blood Drive Next Sunday

Blood Source will have their bloodmobile at St. Mark's on Sunday, August 21, 8:30am to 12:30pm. To make an appointment, please contact Joyce Estes, 481-0418. Doughnuts will be your reward (and a coupon for a free Applebee's appetizer or dessert).



VBS Appreciation

A big *Thank You* goes out to everyone who helped make this year's Vacation Bible School a real success! Including our babies, we had 60 children, 10 youth helpers and 40 adults. Two people, who went above and beyond exceeding all expectations, were Margie Shunk and Michael Matthews. At the Friday night finale led by Lily Andrews, our wonderful United Methodist Men's Club served us their homemade ice cream. And, we collected an unbelievable amount of donations for the Layette Kits for UMCOR. Great year! Thank you!

Boni Fields, Director of VBS

2012 Entertainment Books

The 2012 Sacramento Entertainment Books are available on the Patio today. Book sales provide additional support for our Youth Program. Sacramento Books are available in the office during the week. Out of area Books can be special ordered on Sundays. Check with John White on Sundays or call 487-8714 for more information about the Books.

