

THE STONE NEWS

STONE CHURCH OF WILLOW GLEN, PRESBYTERIAN USA

FEBRUARY 2008



The Beautiful Faces of the Deacons' Winter Tea. top row: Sylvia Snyder, Betty Moran, Ken Brechler, Dorothy Stevens; middle row: Ivan Kolte, Leta Boone, Nell Malander, Glenn Jones; bottom row: Connie Gum, Marilyn Gardner, Elsie Bisconer, Chris Osborne. Glenn and Ivan celebrated their 92nd birthdays within a few days of the tea. Nell celebrated her 98th in September.

Pastor's Column

OUT OF THE ASHES

by The Reverend Doctor Ken Henry

The season of Lent is traditionally a time for self-reflection, self-examination, and changing directions. Looking back over the course of our lives, if we sense we have been heading in the wrong

direction, Lent calls us to turn things around. Even the word "repent" means "to turn," and, of course, this implies turning from some thing or eroding habit in the past to something better or even something spiritual.

Out of the Ashes suggests movement - from the imposition of ashes on one's forehead starting with Ash Wednesday toward the waters of baptism and the

empty tomb on Easter morning. Throughout our days, facing both moments of trial and tenderness, we continue to move from darkness to light, from brokenness to wholeness, from cruel judgment to forgiveness.

Often this is a slow process, one that requires discipline and patience, but with God in Christ on our side, our movement is always forward.

Adult Study: Preaching, Economics, Ecology, and "Our Gospel"

A wonderful opportunity awaits you each Sunday - a full hour of enriching and fascinating Adult Study after Worship - and now an evening class, too.

There will be no morning class on Feb. 3 due to the Congregational Meeting.

February 10, 17: So You Want to Preach on Sunday?

Have you ever thought about preaching or writing a sermon for Sunday morning worship? Rev. Dr. Ken Henry will show you how to study the Old and New Testaments to prepare and preach sermons. Ken will present a variety of contemporary approaches and models on the art and craft of sermon writing.

Of course, if you have a wealth of experience in preaching, please consider coming to share your wisdom with others. Who knows? You might

even learn something new in the field of homiletics and hermeneutics.

Feb. 24, March 2, 9, 16: Economics & Ecology: The Challenge of the 21st Cent.

The ever-increasing world population, along with the need to raise the poor to a decent standard of living, is severely impacting food, water and energy resources. Increased use of energy generated by fossil fuels is causing global climate changes. If it is even possible, a solution will require strong action on the part of individuals, communities, corporations, and, in particular, nations. Pat Magee will lead this exploration of the challenges and needed responses.

Jan. 6 - March 2, Sunday Evening, 7-9pm, The Gospel According to Us

On Sunday evenings, Walter Hudson will lead a class on *The Gospel According To Us*. Walter provides this synopsis:

Author Duncan Holcomb invites us to rethink our comfortable assumptions about Jesus and being a modern Christian. In a personal foreword, he draws us - as he himself was drawn - into the many obstacles, real and imagined, preventing us from encountering Jesus through the biblical story. He follows with eight essays, startling in their wit and insight, and intentionally shocking to reconnect us with the electrifying and illuminating power of Jesus as God's Word. He also compares the contradictions and social camouflage of our pleasant, color-between-the-lines Christianity to Jesus' subversive message, while giving a nifty beating to both popular piety and skeptical scholarship.

Contact Pat Magee, who coordinates all Adult Education classes, if you have any questions.

Church Library Adds Books on February Themes: Love, Friendship

February themes are easy to find among our new Church Library books - friendship, love, relationships of many kinds.

Stop by the library after church or anytime during the week when the office is open.

Let me know if you need help finding things.

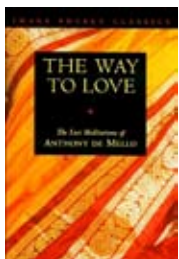
- Sue Williams, Library Coordinator

New books for the youngest members of our family:



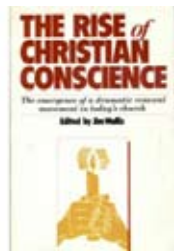
Best Friends - a Muppet Book by Jocelyn Stevenson (1st J Ste)
Harry's Smile by Kathy Caple (1st J Cap)

Additions to our adult side:



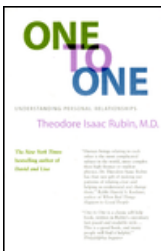
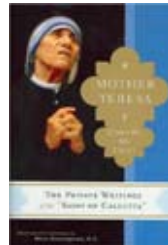
The Way to Love: The Last Meditations of Anthony deMello (242 deM)

The Feast of Life: A Theological Reflection on the Theme 'Jesus Christ the Life of the World' by John Poulton (250 Pou)



The Rise of Christian Conscience edited by Jim Wallis (261.7 Wal)

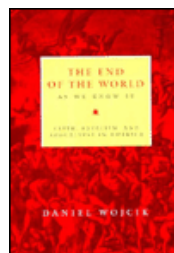
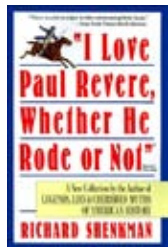
Come Be My Light: The Private Writings of Mother Teresa (242 Ter), given by Marge & Bill Palmer



One to One: Understanding Personal Relationships by Theodore Rubin, M.D. (302.3 Rub)

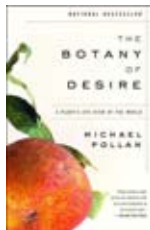
"I Love Paul Revere, Whether He Rode or Not"

by Richard Shenkman (973 She)



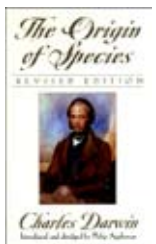
The End of the World As We Know It: Faith, Fatalism, & Apocalypse in America by Daniel Wojcik (190 Woj), given by Rebecca Kuiken

New to our special sections:



The Botany of Desire: A Plant's-Eye View of the World by Michael Pollan (Ecol. 306.4 Pol), given by Betty Moran

The Origin of Species by Charles Darwin (Ecol. 575 Dar), given by Pat Magee

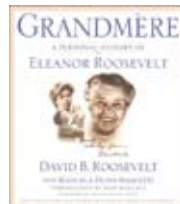


On Relationship by J. Krishnamurti (Soc. Iss. 302 Kri)



Growing Up with Your Teenager by Eugene Peterson (Fam-Teen 649.7 Pet)

Despite This Flesh: The Disabled in Stories and Poems edited by Vassar Miller (Spec. Needs 810.8 Mil), given by Ruth McCreath



Grand-mere: A Personal History of Eleanor Roosevelt by David Roosevelt (Biog ROOSEVELT), given by June Tablak

THE SEASON OF LENT AT STONE CHURCH

ASH WEDNESDAY,
FEBRUARY 6, 2008

THROUGH

HOLY SATURDAY,
MARCH 22, 2008



TAIZÉ SERVICES DURING LENT

In contrast to the celebrations of Christmas, the liturgical season of Lent is a quiet time, mirroring nature when plant life is dormant, waiting for spring and blooming growth. So the Tuesday night worship services in the style of Taizé are perfect as vehicles for reflection and anticipation.

Taizé is a community in France founded by Brother Roger Schutz just after World War II to promote peacemaking and to provide a place for worship and prayer. It is still a magnet for people who come to join the quest for peace.

The Stone Church Sanctuary has an extraordinary beauty at night with lighting primarily from an altar of candles. The atmosphere is purposely hushed to create an oasis in the midst of our frenetic lives.

Musicians Karen Johnson, Barbara Roberts and Laraine Pitcher lead in the singing of chants. There is a time for spoken and silent prayers - and for periods of silence.

A regular monthly Taizé service is on February 5. Then, there are services on every Tuesday of Lent: February 12, 19 and 26, and March 4, 11 and 18. Music begins at 6:30 pm; the service begins at 6:45 and ends at 7:30.

- Alice Thorn

AT THE BEGINNING AND NEAR THE END OF THE DAY

A note on Ash Wednesday, February 6th

For this year's Ash Wednesday service of self-reflection and *imposition of ashes* on one's forehead, you have some options.

If you choose, you can come at 6:30 am to Stone's Sanctuary. On your way to work, on your way to school, or even heading home after a morning workout, you are welcome to stop by for prayers, a brief meditation, ashes, and a morning cup of coffee. (I'll make it.) There will probably not be any music, and

it will last only about 20 minutes, but if you want to start your day and the season of Lent differently, please feel free to drop by.

Of course, if this is too early, we will also have a longer Ash Wednesday service (accompanied by music and some singing) at 6:30 pm that same day.

So, the choice is yours: 6:30 am or 6:30 pm. Regardless of the time, we begin the season of Lent with ashes and prayers -Rev. Dr. Ken Henry

Rosaleen's Column

LENT AND KIDS

*by Rosaleen Zisch, Interim
Children's Ministry Coordinator*

Did you know the word Lent comes from the Anglo-Saxon word *lencten* meaning spring? Hard to believe this year since it comes so early. But it is no doubt why we also associate it with flowers, butterflies and bunnies.

The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and ends with Easter Sunday. This is the time when Christians reflect on Jesus the Messiah, whose presence transcends the grave. In Church School, our theme of parables was selected because it lets us focus on the teachings of Jesus. Each parable has a special message that we need to hear today. Jesus left a legacy that shows how the power of God's love can conquer hate, sin and death. And the church celebrates that on Easter.

We will send the children home with two tools to help promote conversation about this season of the church year. One is a calendar with the 40 days of

Lent. It suggests daily activities that promote giving to others. Traditional Lenten practices have always included good deeds and almsgiving, besides fasting and prayer.

The other tool is *Gracie*, a cardboard fish box. On the first Sunday of Lent, each child will receive their *Gracie*, which is for their *God money*.* The *One Great Hour of Sharing* campaign, of which *Gracie* is a part, takes place during Lent with the collection of all these fish in a net on Palm Sunday.

*A quote from 4-year-old Zoe Springer describing the coins she brings to Church School.

Bees Galore, Heifer 2007

Thanks to the efforts of many, the children have raised \$1,064.02 for bees. Yes, this past year our campaign was to buy these little insects that are so important for the health of people and plants. This donation to Heifer International will buy 35 beehives. Donations from the children, choir and Read-to-Feed were supplemented by our church recycling. Fred Groppuso faithfully provides us with quarters

for the Church School Tower from his recycling efforts. He is our dump-site partner and brings his bag of quarters to us regularly. The children really enjoy putting those quarters in the tower. I wonder what the Church School will select for Heifer 2008?

Vacation Church School 2008

Do you enjoy planning parties with other peoples' money? Want flexible hours for the most part? Earn a stipend while serving God and the Church? We are offering a special opportunity to a member of our congregation to do just that. VCS is important to Stone Church and past Volunteer Directors have put in many hours. This year we'd like to give a stipend to that person to honor their work. The job requires one intensive week of fun with kids. But the preparation over several months is very flexible and would fit into most schedules. The curriculum and dates must be selected in February. Please contact Bill Ribble or Rosaleen Zisch by February 17 for more information or to apply.

Questions? I'd love to talk - Rosaleen

Church & World Continues its Mission of Love and Hope

The Church and World committee thanks you, the Stone Church congregation, for such a generous 2008 pledge drive. Our committee asked for and received 10% (a tithe) of the church operating budget. We are busy working on new and exciting mission opportunities for the coming year.

December Giving

We are happy to announce that the Christmas Joy Offering collection was \$3,523. And December donations for Sacred Heart Community Service included 2 bags of towels, 17 bags of clothes, 1 box of toys, 2 boxes of shoes and 2 big cartons of stuffed animals.

Communion Sunday Food Drive

Please continue to bring Sacred Heart food donations to the Narthex on Communion Sunday. Also remember that Fred Groppuso collects the recycled bottles and cans deposited in the Social Hall (and he'll recycle anything else of cash value). These funds are added to the Church School Heifer International donation.



Videotape Recycling

As a result of C&W's videotape recycling project, 230 videotapes were kept out of landfills last month, and meaningful work was provided for Alternative Community Training.

Men's Mission Team

The Men's Mission Team is planning a Parent/Child Day at Westminster Woods and sponsorship of a co-ed Habitat for Humanity workday.

A Seed of Hope from Giving Hearts

Valentine's Day is coming. Can it mean more than hearts, chocolates, roses and romantic dinners? To the homeless customers at Sacred Heart, a *Survival Sack* is a very special *Valentine* any time of the year.

Every night, about 7,200 homeless people in Santa Clara County struggle to find refuge in overcrowded shelters, or resort to living on the street, underneath bridges or inside cars. For them, a *Survival Sack* isn't "just a backpack filled with stuff" - it is an almost inestimable source of hope and aid. Consider yourself, on the streets, without a place to shower or a closet of clean clothes: How would you survive?



For a most loving Valentine, help C&W fill some *Survival Sacks*. A shopping list and collection box are in the *Donation Corner* in the Social Hall. Cash donations are also welcome. For more information, please contact Maureen Ryan.

El Salvador Delegation Stoked!

The five Stone Church delegates in the South Bay Sanctuary Covenant group are packing supplies and medications to protect against malaria, mosquitoes and diarrhea. They're eagerly learning about El Salvador - its people, civil war, politics, health care, community solidarity. They will experience Christian faith in small communities and in the cooperative action that is building this struggling country.



How can you support them? Pray for them as they leave Feb. 16. And if you can, bring any of the following to the church by Feb. 3: used or new leather gloves, metal cutting shears, eye protection goggles, and angle grinders (\$40-50, used to construct low-smoke cooking stoves). A few laptop computers for backwoods community groups are also requested. And Spanish or bilingual toys, puzzles, school supplies and books for preschool and elementary-age children would be welcome.

For more information, contact Dale Bracey, Maureen Ryan, Rachel Buckley, Chris Nilson or Suzanne Wolf.

- Carrie Giorgianni, C&W Moderator, with Maureen Ryan and Dale Bracey

Dr. Barbara Rossing, Henrietta Perdue Lecturer, on The Rapture Exposed

Dr. Barbara Rossing, *The Rapture Exposed: The Message of Hope in Revelation*, Henrietta Perdue Memorial Lecture Series, February 22 - 23

In lectures adapted from her book, *The Rapture Exposed*, Dr. Barbara Rossing, Professor of New Testament at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, offers clear, engaging, and theologically insightful critiques of the use of Scripture in the *Left Behind* series and the dispensationalist theology that lies behind the story line.

Here is a description of the three lectures to be presented by Dr. Rossing Friday, Feb. 22, and Saturday, Feb. 23.



Friday evening: Exposing the Rapture: Prophecy, Not Prediction

The notion of the Rapture and the two-stage return of Christ were invented by British preacher John Nelson Darby less than 200 years ago, yet it has become the dominant cultural hermeneutic through which many Americans read the Bible. Dr. Rossing will discuss the origins and implications of Rapture theology and prophecy.

Saturday Lecture I: Have Fundamentalists Hijacked the Nonviolent Lamb of Revelation?

Dr. Rossing will consider issues of violence and nonviolence as addressed in competing images of Jesus in popular culture today, including the aveng-

ing warrior Jesus of the *Left Behind* novels, and the notion that the earth must be destroyed.

Saturday Lecture II: Hope for the Middle East, Hope for Our Future

Nowhere in the world is healing more urgent today than in the Middle East. Dr. Rossing will offer a model for seeing Scripture come to life, not in global disasters or in Middle East wars, but in *Lamb Power* - the power of Jesus' nonviolent, self-giving love for the world - a world that will not be left behind!

Suggested donation: \$10 for the Friday lecture, \$15 for the Saturday two-lecture series, or \$20 for both days. Dr. Rossing's book, The Rapture Exposed, will also be available for \$7.

- Pat Magee

Washington's Birthday, Lincoln's Birthday, Valentine's Day - isn't it wonderful to have these celebrations to lighten up the dreary days of mid-winter?!

News from PW



Our ongoing project of collecting coupons for education is doing well; however, we can do more by also getting coupons from Kleenex and other Kimberly-Clark products and soaps. Please look at the list on the PW bulletin board or take a list from the library cart in the Social Hall.

If you have been looking for a vibrant Bible study group, try Amethyst Circle. They meet at 1 pm on the first Monday of the month in the Church Library. This would be good for those who cannot make a 9:30-am start (Emerald Circle) or who don't want to drive at night (Sapphire Circle). Amethyst welcomes women who find they can take a *long lunch* for spiritual nurture. It is convenient in that you don't have to find unfamiliar addresses since it is always at Stone Church.

The PW Valentine Tea will be Saturday, February 9, at 2 pm in the Social Hall. PW events are always fun and a great way to get or stay connected with your Stone Church

friends. Please contact Claudia Hamm for child care. (Yes, PW will provide it.)

PW Schedule for Feb./early March:

Amethyst Circle, February 6, 1 pm, Church Library

Emerald Circle, February 7, 9:30 am, Maureen Ryan's home

Sapphire Circle, February 11, 7:30 pm, Ida Raby's home

Lunch Bunch, February 12, 11:30 am, Taiwan Restaurant, Lincoln Avenue

Sale of Fair Trade Coffee (and other products), February 17, after Worship

Book Group I, March 3, 1 pm, Liz Shandera's home, reading *Water for Elephants* by Sara Gruen

Book Group II, February 18, 2:30 pm, Claudia Hamm's home, reading *Folly* by Laurie R. King

Focus Group, February 19, 9:30 am, Elizabeth Shandera's home

Prayer Shawl Group, February 28, 4 pm, Fireside Room. Janice Goertz emphasizes that this group, which does knitting and other handwork, is *not* gender-specific. Don't know how to knit? Come and learn from great teachers.

Bible Study, February 28, 9:30 am, Church Library, led by the Rev. Marge. She has unique and challenging approaches for us to ponder. - Catherine Amos

The Men's Book Group of Stone Church will meet February 18, beginning at 7:30 pm. Bill Ribble will be the host.

News from Men's Groups

The book for discussion is *Five Minds for the Future*, by Howard Gardner.

The author describes what he believes are capacities we need to develop in ourselves and others in order to meet the world of the future.

All men of the congregation are invited. - David McCreath

Winter Tea Was Full of Life!

The Deacons' Winter Tea was a resounding success - we may even have set an attendance record! Sixty-one seniors signed up; we set up 68 chairs and were filled to capacity.

We were thrilled to have long-distance members Bill and Connie Gum make the drive from Fairfield for the afternoon.

Ivan Kolte celebrated his 92nd birthday five days before the tea, and Glenn Jones celebrated his 92nd birthday five days after. We celebrated this amazing event with a fabulous burnt almond cake provided by Ivan's daughters.

We also enjoyed a variety of entertainment. Karen and Bob Johnson accompanied Derk Johnson and Barbara Roberts. Bob brought along his soprano and tenor saxophones to add to the lovely music. Don D'Angelo played several melodic pieces on his French horn.

To end the entertainment, the distinguished Rev. Dr. Ken Henry (at left) juggled baseballs, pins, and basketballs. His finale included taking bites out of an apple while he was juggling it and two baseballs. Who knew we were getting such a talent when he joined our congregation?!

- Della Smith, Moderator of Deacons



Editor's Note: Thanks to photo editor extraordinaire, Rod Thorn, for this fascinating Photoshop imagery!

Session Beat

At its regular January meeting, Session acted to receive and welcome six new members: Aby Ryan, Guy and Darline Lohman, John Leih, Blake Tablak and Sarah Smith.

Gordon Meacham was nominated as a candidate for Youth Advisory Delegate to the General Assembly meeting in San Jose in June. Voting by the Presbytery of San Jose on Commissioners and a YAD will take place at its next meeting at Immanuel Presbyterian Church, San Jose, on February 2. (Marge Palmer is a minister candidate, and Ruth McCreath an elder candidate for commissioner.)

Ken Henry will do a public speaking training seminar for the Presbytery of San Jose, on February 16, from 9 to 11 am, at Stone Church. It is aptly titled, "We Can't Hear You!"

Session gave extensive consideration to a first reading of a new way of communicating with people who want to have a wedding or a memorial service at Stone, or simply use the building for an event. Three separate pamphlets have been developed, each specific to the intended use, listing fees and available resources for the users. Session members raised concerns and gave comments, and planned to give final consideration at their next meeting.

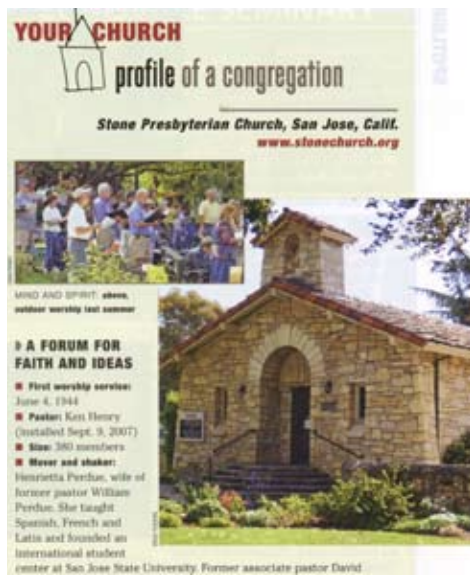
Session approved a covenant between the Covenant Presbyterian Insurance Program and Stone Church in which the church agrees on its part to be diligent about care of the building.

Session adopted a balanced budget for 2008, based on income and expenses of \$480,773. The budget will be presented and explained at the congregational meeting on February 3. (The congregation does not vote on the budget.) A difference this year is that the congregation will not need to vote on Ken Henry's compensation, since his terms of call are in force through 2008.

- Alice Thorn, Clerk of Session

Stone Featured in Article

Stone Church was featured prominently in the latest issue (Jan/Feb 2008) of *Presbyterians Today*. This is a publication of the PCUSA, and coincidentally, the Session had just authorized purchasing subscriptions for every Stone Church household.



Our webmaster, Rod Thorn, has put the article on our website (www.stonechurch.org/PTArticle.php), or you can just look at your copy of *Presbyterians Today*, or one in the Church Library.

Be sure to thank Pat Magee for submitting the article - it was the very first in this new *Profile of a Congregation* series!

Sign up Now for the Zephyr Experience 2008

The *Zephyr Experience* is an annual week-long intergenerational conference for families, singles and couples, held in the beautiful 59-room Tallac Center at the Zephyr Point Conference Center, Lake Tahoe, from July 6 - 11.



Surrounded by the unparalleled splendor of Lake Tahoe and the Sierra, this stimulating and enriching event features fascinating and varied classes in the morning, open afternoons to explore or relax, and a short worship service each evening.

Attendance is limited. Enroll now for this exciting week at Lake Tahoe. Stone Church traditionally has one of the largest groups at the conference.

Registration forms and complete information are available in the church office and on the Zephyr Point website (www.zephyrpoint.org/Zephyr.html).

Here are brief descriptions of the classes, which occur in two morning periods (8:45 and 10:30 am).

Bible:

- ☛ *Paul's Scripture: The Old Testament Background of Romans* (Chandler Stokes, 1st Period)
- ☛ *From the Trust of Abraham into the Trust of Christ* (Herman Waetjen, 2nd Period)

Global Stewardship:

- ☛ *Christian Citizenship for Planet Earth* (Carol Robb, 1st Period)

Church and Society:

- ☛ *Peace in the Middle East* (Monica Styron, 1st Period)
- ☛ *Onward from San Jose: Reflecting on the 218th General Assembly* (Tricia Dykers Koegigs, 2nd Period)

Spirituality:

- ☛ *Seasons, SoulCollage, and the Four-Fold Path* (Marjorie Hoyer Smith, 2nd Period)

Children's Programs:

- ☛ *Celebrating Courage*, ages 4 - 9 (Judy Lissner Harrison, St. Helena Church)
- ☛ *Tahoe Peace Talks*, ages 10 - 13 (Tom Nolen, First Church, Portland, Oregon)
- ☛ *Created to be Creative*, ages 14-17 (Judy Slater, Christ Church, Terra Linda)
- ☛ Ages 15-17 can choose either youth or adult classes.

The following table shows the costs; all rooms are shared, and fees are higher if received after June 1.

COSTS	TALLAC CENTER	CABINS 32 & 33
ADULT	\$445 EACH	\$275 EACH
YOUTH (10-17)	\$185 EACH	\$120 EACH
CHILD (3-9)	\$135 EACH	\$120 EACH

- Pat Magee



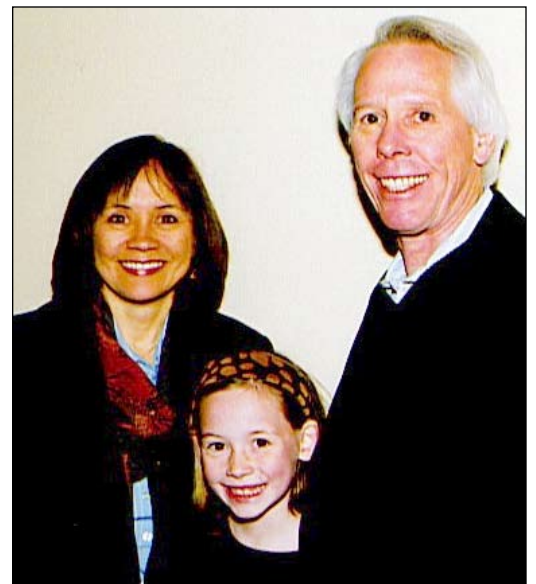
We are thrilled to welcome these new members to the Stone Church Family!

On Sunday, January 20, Stone Church was full of the joy of welcoming 15 new members. Here are their pictures so you can introduce yourself the next time you see them. Invite them to join your committee or group — or just to have a cup of coffee!

Clockwise, from top left: Aby Ryan and her daughter, Michelle Chandler, Nora Kelly, Carole Brandt, Blake Tablak and Sarah Smith, John Leih (with Ken Henry at his left), Darline and Guy Lohman and their daughter, Kay Moore, Don Skipwith, Marsha Wadley, Brian and Julie Sailor and their daughters.

Charlotte Pizzo was unable to be there, but has also joined. She is in the choir (as is John Leih), so the choir all knows and loves them already!

So you can get to know Charlotte and all of the others, The Stone News will be featuring biographies of each of these new members in upcoming editions, and Fred Oliver will feature them in the Weekly Updates, as well.





More beautiful faces from the Deacons' Winter Tea. top row: Miriam Rowan, Sara Holtzapfle, Liz Shandera, bottom row: Ed Clemenco, Bea and Fred Groppuso

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More Upcoming Events:

- ☛ Men's Mission Team Crab Feed, February 2, 6 pm
- ☛ Taizé Services, February 5, 12, 19 and 26, 6:45 pm
- ☛ Ash Wednesday Services, Feb 6, 6:30 am & 6:30 pm
- ☛ PW Valentine Tea, Feb 9, 2 pm
- ☛ Advance Health Care Directive Seminar, with Lynn Stutz, Feb 10 & 24, 11 am
- ☛ Men's Book Group, Feb 18, 7:30 pm, Ribble home
- ☛ Henrietta Perdue Memorial Lectures with Dr. Barbara Rossing, Feb 22-23
- ☛ Women's Retreat, St. Francis Retreat Center, March 7-9
- ☛ General Assembly, June 21-28

Stone Church Yoga Class
Saturdays, January 26 - March 1
9:30 - 11 am
Jill Pearson-Keltner, Instructor
\$68 for series of 6; \$15 drop-in
Beginners welcome!

Yoga develops strength and flexibility. It helps create the balance, both physical and mental, that we need in our daily lives.

During this six-week series of classes, we will learn basic postures and how to use these postures to benefit body, mind and breath.

Wear comfortable clothes and bring a hard blanket/towel and a yoga mat if you have one.

For information and to sign up, please contact Mary Johnson or Bill Ribble. Or, you can just show up!

Jill Pearson-Keltner is a certified Iyengar yoga teacher who has been teaching Iyengar yoga since 1995. She brings a great love of teaching from her many years in the field of education.

We Can't Hear You!
A Public Speaking Seminar
Saturday, February 16, 9 - 11 am
Stone Church Social Hall

Our own Ken Henry will lead a Presbytery-sponsored public-speaking event for Presbyterians who are frequently asked to read scripture, make announcements, offer prayers, do children's sermons and speak into microphones during Sunday morning worship.

This two-hour session will focus on our ability to speak clearly and effectively in front of groups. If we fear public speaking or feel we need some speaking and/or reading tips for public assemblies, this seminar will provide attendees with practical advice and individual coaching.

Before being called as pastor at Stone Church of Willow Glen, Ken Henry spent the last three years coaching and teaching speech and competitive debate to college students at Northwest Christian College in Eugene, Oregon. He has also been a Presbyterian pastor for almost 20 years