

# THE STONE NEWS

STONE CHURCH OF WILLOW GLEN, PRESBYTERIAN USA

JANUARY 2009



*Stone's beautiful children rehearse for the Christmas Pageant, with "Santa Walter" leading the way!*

## KEN'S TOP TEN FOR 2009

Comedian and talk show host, David Letterman, of *Late Show with David Letterman* television fame, made entertainment history when



to pick a topic or issue and then to poke fun at that issue, starting from #10 and counting down to #1.

s o m e years ago, he began presenting a *Top Ten List* on every show.

T h e idea, at least for Letterman, is

Of course, this is a gimmick. And yet, while items #10 through #2 are basically interchangeable and of equal importance (or humor), this gimmick works because we, the viewer, are all waiting to see the unveiling of #1. What could it possibly be? As we all know, Americans are fascinated with #1's and put great stock in this number, probably too much sometimes.

Nevertheless, in anticipation of this upcoming year, I have created my own *Top Ten List*. Call them pastoral goals, call them objectives, call them bullet points or ambitious hopes for my ministry at Stone Church, but whatever you call them, my desire is to take each of these #s to heart and do my best, but especially to pay attention to ... you guessed it ... #1.

Here we go ...

Drum roll please ...

- Top Ten Pastoral and Personal Goals of Ken Henry for 2009:
- #10 Help create a place of welcome and hospitality.
  - #9 Communication! Communication! Communication!
  - #8 Provide a listening ear.
  - #7 Continue our inclusive and celebrative spirit in worship.
  - #6 Maintain a sense of humor.
  - #5 Create entry points for new members to get involved.
  - #4 Welcome lay and pastoral leadership (that is, Parish Associates and other clergy).
  - #3 Nurture staff relationships.
  - #2 Pray. Indeed, offer this Top Ten List to God.  
... and #1?
  - #1 Love Heather, Katie, and Madeline ... always.

*Happy New Year! - Ken Henry*



One of Stone's wonderful church-schoolers!

## EXCITING VARIETY OF TOPICS FOR ADULT STUDY 2009

Join us in the Fireside Room at 11 each Sunday after Worship for our always stimulating Adult Study classes (no class 1/25, Congregational Meeting).

### Jan. 4, 11: Spiritual/Ethical Wills

Marge Palmer and Charlotte Dickson will present important information from attorney and Presbyterian minister, Robin Crawford (Stone member Ruth Crawford's son), on how spiritual/ethical wills differ from, but coordinate with, wills concerning assets.

You may have given your family Christmas gifts they could unwrap, wear, use, or play with. There's another kind of gift, however: the gift of knowing more about who you are and what values have guided you in life. Your family would love to know about meaningful or fun experiences, people who made a difference in your life, your hopes and dreams for yourself and for them, the

place of faith in your life.

There is no one way to create a spiritual/ethical will, and you will be encouraged to be as creative as you wish. Once received, it will become a very special treasure in the lives of its recipients.

### Jan. 18: Discussion with Guest Preacher, Rob Martin, of First Pres, Palo Alto

Ken Henry and Rob Martin are exchanging pulpits on this *Race Relations Sunday*. Dr. Martin will join us during Adult Study for an informal, no-holds-barred discussion of his sermon, what it means to be a progressive Presbyterian Church, and other topics of interest.

### Feb. 1, 8: Plan Your Own Memorial Service, led by Ken Henry

### Feb. 15: Discussion of the Morning's Sermon, led by Dr. Patrick Miller

### Feb. 22-Mar. 22: The Psalms as Christian Prayers, led by Ken Henry & Pat Magee

## CHURCH LIBRARY THANKS VOLUNTEERS AND DONORS, ADDS MORE BOOKS!

January is a good time to thank both the volunteers and the donors who contribute terrifically to our library.

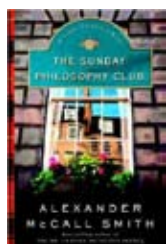
People who give time all through the year are Ruth White, Sue Evans, Sara Holtzapple, and Anne Thatcher. Donors are constantly surprising us with their interesting gifts, whose value exceeds our annual budget many times over!

Our calendar exchange will continue in the library for several months, so come by if you need one. Our first batch of 12 was received very happily by Sacred Heart.

- Sue Williams, Library Coordinator

### New to our special sections:

*Serve God, Save the Planet: A Christian Call to Action* by J. Matthew Sleeth, MD (Ecol 261.8 Sle), from Rhonda Lakatos



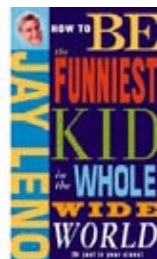
*The Sunday Philosophy Club: An Isabel Dalhousie Mystery* by Alexander McCall Smith (F Smi)



*Paul & the Justice of Equality: Apostle against Rome's Empire*, lectures by John Dominic Crossan at Stone Church October 2008 (DVDs 5A, 5B)

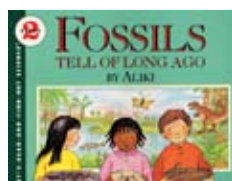
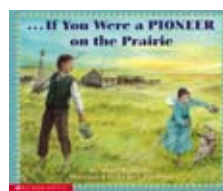
### New books for younger members:

*How to Be the Funniest Kid in the Whole Wide World (or just in your class)* by Jay Leno (J 818.6 Len), from my (the Williams) family



*Harriet the Spy* by Louise Fitzhugh (YA Fit)

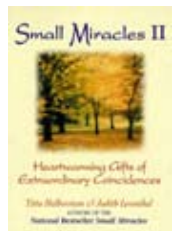
*If You Were a Pioneer on the Prairie* by Anne Kamma (J 978 Kam)



*Fossils Tell of Long Ago* by Alike (1st Bks 560 Ali)

### Additions to our adult side:

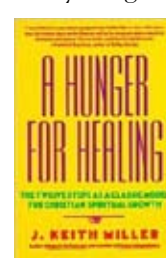
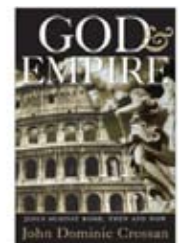
*Small Miracles II: Heartwarming Gifts of Extraordinary Coincidences* by Yitta Halberstam and Judith Leventhal (133.8 Hal)



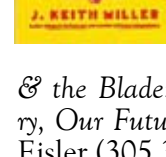
*The Children of Abraham: Judaism, Christianity, Islam* by F.E. Peters

and *God & Empire: Jesus*

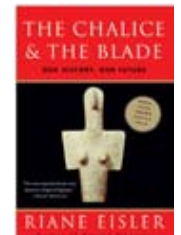
*Against Rome, Then and Now* by John Dominic Crossan (261.7 Cro), both from Pat and Sally Magee



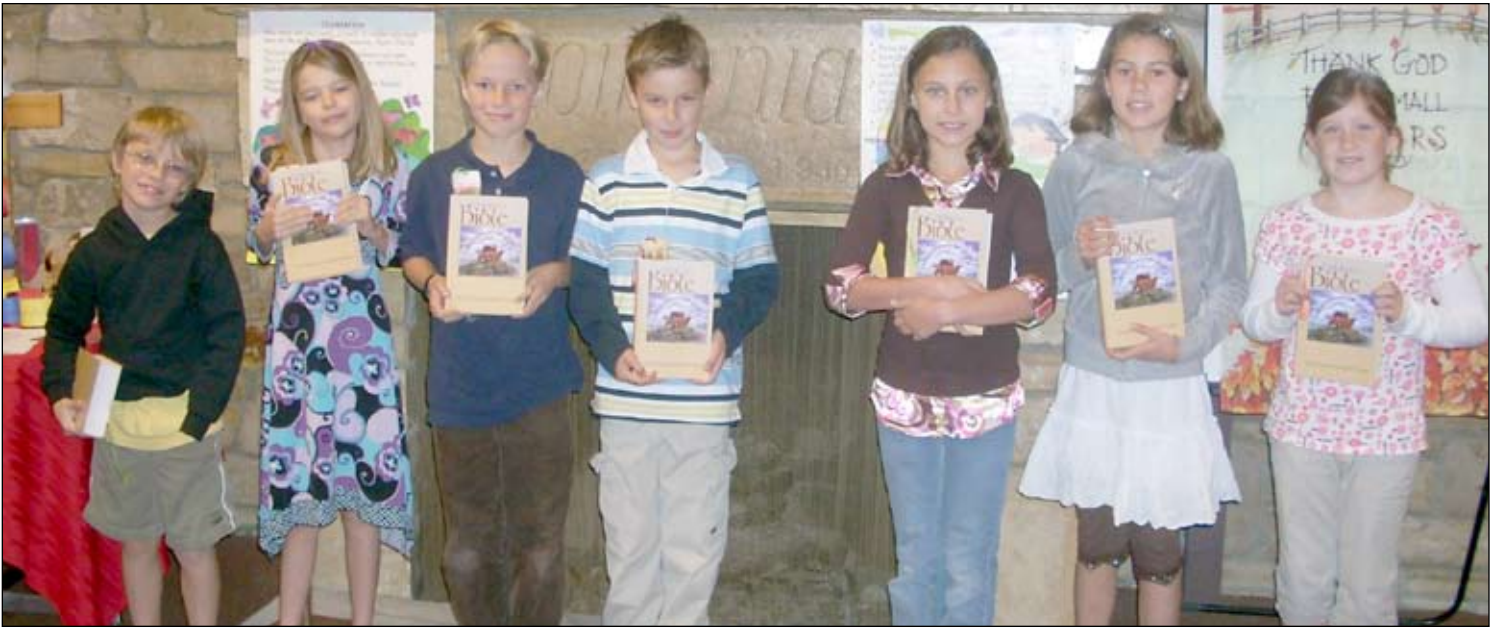
*A Hunger for Healing: The 12 Steps as a Classic Model for Christian Spiritual Growth* by J. Keith Miller (248.8 Mil)



*The Chalice & the Blade: Our History, Our Future* by Riane Eisler (305.3 Eis)







## WHAT IS COMING NEXT AT STONE'S CHURCH SCHOOL?

by Mary Jo Blazek,  
Children's Ministry Coordinator

The Christmas season is a joyful way to end the year. It is a time to reflect on past accomplishments and to look forward to the future.

I think about how Mary must have felt when the angel Gabriel appeared to her and filled her in on God's plan. Then, she had to deal with the compli-

cated birth of Jesus, having to deliver a baby in a stable. She must have been astonished when the kings came to pay homage to the newborn Christ Child. She must have wondered: What is coming next?

Many wondrous things have also happened here at Stone's Church School during this past year. Parents and children spent a night getting to know each other better at the *Mom & Me* and *Dad & Me* outings. Seven fourth graders received Bibles. Children "signed" the Lord's Prayer in Worship and performed a Holiday Pageant during the

last Sunday of Advent. What is coming next?

My wish for the New Year is for the entire congregation to share their faith journeys in an inter-generational setting. Some exciting possibilities would be: a children's midweek program, church outings, a children's choir and a fantastic, energized Church School.

All of these possibilities can come true with the help and enthusiasm of all of us.

Search your heart for where your gifts would fit best.

What is coming next?

*Our Church School is always busy! Top of page, our fourth-graders receive their Bibles. Right, the children enjoy drawing on a recent Sunday.*



# WOMEN'S RETREAT: DENISE ROY ON DISCOVERING OUR "AUTHENTIC SELVES"

Ladies: A warm welcome awaits you at the Stone Church 2009 Women's Retreat.

Yes, times are hard, but this is the best deal of the year ... and you know you deserve an oasis of calm for the weekend!



## Discovering our Authentic Selves ... and Creating a Life with Spirit

*Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?"*

- Mary Oliver

Feeling lately like your life is one long *to-do* list? Searching for spiritual inspiration? Want to learn some practices that can help you feel happier, more alive, impassioned, relaxed, and generous?

Denise Roy will lead us in becoming more mindful, compassionate and

in touch with our *authentic selves*. In large and small group discussions, she will invite us to get curious about our *self-talk* (all those *shoulds* and *have-to's*), to release our fears, and to open our minds and hearts to the transforming and creative power of grace.

But feel free to create extra space for yourself - take time for you to renew and regenerate - make the weekend what you want it to be.

**Date:** Friday, March 27 to Sunday, March 29, 2009

**Where:** Beautiful St. Francis Retreat Center in San Juan Bautista, a 40-minute drive from San Jose

**What:** Time for spiritual development, hiking, crafts, singing, socializing, yoga and talent show. All activities are optional.

**With:** You can name a room buddy, or we can help you find one.

**Cost:** From \$195 (shared room) to \$235 (private room), which includes five meals (a real bargain)

Sign-ups and more details will be available later in January.

For more information or questions, at this point, please contact either Mary Stone Bowers or Alison van Diggelen.



Denise Roy, LMFT, M.Div., is an author, a psychotherapist, a popular speaker, and a mother. Denise has presented at schools, parenting groups, churches, and community organizations nationwide on parenting, spirituality, peacemaking and women's issues

Her book, *Momfulness: Mothering with Mindfulness, Compassion, and Grace* (Jossey-Bass, 2007), was named one of the best Spiritual Books of 2007 by *Spirituality & Practice*.



For more information, see [www.deniseroy.com](http://www.deniseroy.com).

- Alison van Diggelen

At its regular meeting on December 16, Session opened in the spirit of the season, as members of the Board of Deacons joined with the Elders to sing *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* and to hear an opening prayer led by Pastor Ken Henry.

The Session meeting began with Ken's pastor's report in which he expressed concern about folks in the congregation and community facing hard times. He wondered about designating part of the offerings from the two Christmas Eve services for the pastor's Emergency Fund. Session responded by voting to give all of the receipts of both services for that purpose.

Presbyterian Women's Focus Group wants to hold a letter-writing

campaign in January on behalf of the Children's Defense Fund with concern for the 9 million children without health insurance. Session gave authorization for that campaign.

The Rainbow Flag has been stolen again. Session authorized Mel Goertz (Chair, Budget & Finance) to have a backup supply of flags, so we can replace them as quickly as they are stolen.

Session dealt with two issues concerning money:

First, Ruth McCreath (Elder, B&F) led a reading of the new *Endowment Policy*, which provides guidance on receiving monies for an *Endowment* (a permanent fund, invested to preserve principle and outpace inflation) and for *Support Funds* (funds given to be expended).

On a second money matter, Carrie Giorgianni (Chair, Health Ministries) presented a request to roll over money left in the 2008 HM budget at the end of the year for use by Stephen Ministry in 2009. Session members said, in general, rollovers are not an effective budget policy, and suggested instead that Stephen Ministers with special one-time requests come to Session in 2009, and Session would undertake to find funding.

Emily Meacham (Chair, Membership & Evangelism) said again that with Stone's membership growth, and subsequent growth in the number of activities and group meetings, it is imperative that everything be put on the church calendar through Office Manager, Claudia Hoagland.

- Alice Thorn, Clerk of Session



Old man time has left, and the little cherub new year has arrived. We should all feel renewed and ready for a year of action and accomplishment.

"Anonymous" surprised the members of the PW Coordinating Team

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

with gifts of ceramic dishes. Thank you, whoever you are.

Claudia Hamm delivered the gifts donated for Next Door Solutions to Domestic Violence holiday boutique. Thanks are due to all of you who participated; it helped make a merrier celebration for all of their clients.



All PW members are reminded that *Apportionment* is now \$10 a year, due in January.

This goes to support Presbyterian Women in the Presbytery of San Jose (\$7) and the Synod of the Pacific (\$3). *Apportionment* is to PW what *per capita* is to the General Assembly.

The PW Lunch Bunch had nineteen in attendance last month: we can always get another table or two, so feel free to call Ida Raby and let her know

you'll be coming. The group had a special, most appreciated Christmas offering for Sacred Heart Community Service.

Fair Trade coffee, tea, and chocolate continue to be sold on the third Sunday of each month. Did you see the beautiful baskets for Christmas giving? Twenty-eight baskets were sold: you might consider putting in your order for 2009 now, so the elves will know how many baskets and goodies to order for next Christmas.

Della Smith's school, K. R. Smith (the name is a coincidence), is the recipient of our Lucky and Save Mart cash register receipt funds. The school receives three per cent of the total for their programs. We are still collecting coupons: this month we would especially like Pillsbury Cookie Dough and Gold Fish coupons. The donation box is on the library cart in the social hall, courtesy of Sue Williams and the library committee.

The PWP Epiphany Tea will be held Sunday, January 4, at Westminster Presbyterian Church (on the Alameda) from 2 to 4 pm. This promises to be a grand way to start the New Year. The program will feature a festival of harps, readings, and prayers. Please

come join the women of the Presbytery in this celebration.

Here is the PW Schedule for January:

**Emerald Circle**, 9:30 am, Jan. 15, Maureen Ryan's home (note change of date!)

**Amethyst Circle**, 1 pm, Jan. 7, Church Library

**Sapphire Circle**, 7:30 pm, Jan. 12, Kate Wheatley's home

**Lunch Bunch**, 11:30 am, Jan. 13, Taiwan Restaurant, Lincoln Avenue

**Focus Group**, 9:30 am, Jan. 20, Liz Shandera's home

**Book Group 1**, 1 pm, Jan. 26, Liz Shandera's home, reading *Eat, Pray, Love* by Elizabeth Gilbert

**Book Group 2**, 2:30 pm, Jan. 19, Claudia Hamm's home, reading *Loving Frank* by Nancy Horan.

**Prayer Shawl Group**, 4 pm, Jan. 22, Fireside Room

**Bible Study**, 9:30 am, Jan. 29, Church Library

**Fair Trade Sales**, 10:30 - noon, Jan. 18, Social Hall

**Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery Epiphany Tea**, 2 - 4 pm, Jan. 4, Westminster Presbyterian Church

- Catherine Amos

Stone's Men's Ministry includes exciting and team-building mission work-

## MEN'S MINISTRY

trips, a very interesting book group, and even flying trips with their own private pilots!

Contact Parish Associate David McCreath for more detail about any of these

### Men's Mission Team

The Men's Mission Team are planning a **Crab & Cioppino Feed, February 7, 2009, from 4:30 to 8 pm**. Due to the current high price and lack of availability of Dungeness crab, the men are considering serving cioppino, in addition to a limited amount of crab. Cioppino is a mixed seafood stew that is especially delicious served over garlic noodles (as they are planning to do).

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- Leland Wong

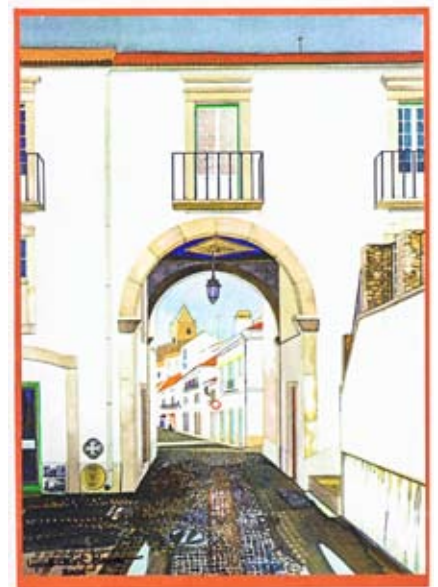
### Men's Book Group

The Men's Book Group has chosen their selections for winter and spring reading.

They include *Predictably Irrational: The Hidden Forces That Shape Our Decisions* by Dan Ariely (January), *Basket Case* by Carl Hiaasen (February), *The Soloist: A Lost Dream, an Unlikely Friendship, and the Redemptive Power of Music* by Steve Lopez (March), and *American Lion: Andrew Jackson in the White House* by Jon Meacham (April).

The Men's Book Group meets on the third Monday evening of the month. All men of the congregation are welcome. Watch the weekly bulletin for further announcements.

- David McCreath



Cards, ornaments, art, and giftware available by appointment. Contact Lyn Johnson, Stone Church Artist.

## DR. PATRICK MILLER TO LECTURE ON “THE PSALMS AS CHRISTIAN PRAYERS”

Dr. Patrick Miller, professor emeritus of Old Testament at Princeton Theological Seminary, will present the Henrietta Perdue Memorial Lectures on February 13 and 14.



His topic is *The Psalms as Christian Prayers*. Dr. Miller will also preach and assist in the baptism of his grandson, Isaac Miller, on Sunday morning, February 15.

The Psalms and prayers of Scripture create a kind of dialogue between the human creature and the God who made us and redeemed us. They give voice to our cries of woe and our shouts

of joy. Dr. Miller will explore that dialogue from both ends, asking all the time what this means theologically and what it has to do with our faith and life as Christians.

**First lecture:** Friday evening, February 13: *My God, My God Why Have You Forsaken Me?* – The Lament Psalms and the Cry to God.

**Second lecture:** Saturday morning, February 14: *Do Not Be Afraid*. – The Gospel and God’s Response.

**Third lecture:** Saturday morning, February 14: *In the Midst of the Congregation I Will Praise You*. – Doxology, Trust, and Obedience.

The cost is \$20 for the Friday night lecture, \$20 for the Saturday lectures, or \$30 for the entire program. You can purchase tickets after Worship on Sunday mornings, at the church office, or at the door on the night of the first lecture.

Patrick Miller was Professor of Old Testament Theology at Princeton Theological Seminary from 1984 until 2005. He was Editor of *Theology Today* from 1990 until 2005 and served as Book Editor and Associate Editor of the journal *Interpretation*. He is Old Testament Editor of the commentary series *Interpretation*, Co-editor with David Bartlett of the *Westminster Bible Companion*, and General Editor of the *Abingdon Old Testament Commentaries*. In 1998, Dr. Miller served as President of the Society of Biblical Literature, having previously been the Society’s Secretary-Treasurer.

Among his publications are *Sin and Judgment in the Prophets*; *Interpreting the Psalms*; *They Cried to the Lord: The Form and Theology of Biblical Prayer*; *The Religion of Ancient Israel*; and *The Way of the Lord: Essays in Old Testament Theology*.

- Pat Magee

## FRIENDS OUTSIDE “ADOPT-A-FAMILY” PROGRAM GENEROUSLY SUPPORTED

On behalf of the Stone Works committee, a big thank you goes out to the generous Stone Church congregation.

As a church, we adopted a family of a mother and six children as our part of the Friends Outside *Adopt-A-Family* program (which helps families with a parent in prison). A tree was placed in the Social Hall, hung with ornaments requesting certain gifts and food supplies. With the first announcement, the tree was immediately emptied of requests.

The items were promptly returned, packed into 18 boxes, and delivered to a well-organized volunteer group at the fairgrounds for distribution to the families.

While there, we discovered that the Friends Outside program has been helping for more than fifty years to reduce the pain and anguish that goes with a parent in jail. We hope that this will help to break the cycle of incarceration and to restore normalcy in shattered families, especially with children.

Special thanks to Kathy Lloyd, Nyle Frank, Charlotte Pizzo and the Middle School Group for their help in implementing this special project. We as a church should feel very proud of our contribution.

- Gary and Nancy Weiss

*Editor’s Note:* Maureen Ryan of Stone Works would also like to acknowledge the work of the Weisses, themselves. They organized the entire event and did the packing and delivery. Thank you, Gary and Nancy!



*What fun  
... to be  
at church  
in our  
pajamas!  
(more  
rehearsing  
for the  
Christmas  
Pageant)*



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

THREE GENERATIONS: CAROLINE KAHN, ELIZABETH & JIM KAHN, SARA DALE

*Elizabeth writes:* My mom, Sara Dale, grew up in Texas and Arkansas and is the daughter of a Presbyterian minister and a history teacher. With degrees in zoology and an emphasis in genetics from the Univ. of Arkansas and Michigan State, she taught junior college for 26 years. My dad, a Presbyterian minister, spent his 40-year career in Kansas. My brother and his family live in the Kansas City area. Mom moved to a Santa Clara retirement home about two years ago. She enjoys writing letters and reading.

Jim and I met at the Univ. of Kansas and have been married for 32 years. Jim grew up on a farm outside Lawrence, KS. We came to California when Intel recruited him after college. Jim is a software engineer and has worked at several companies, but was recently laid off



from a startup. Jim loves anything to do with computers and technology and is also an avid reader. I was lucky to spend many years at home raising our two daughters, Caroline and Katie. I now work at Payne Elementary School as their Library Specialist and am on the executive board of Moreland California School Education Assoc. I love to read (in two book clubs) and to cook.

Caroline works for LSI as a software engineer. She and her sister share an apartment near downtown. She belongs to a science fiction book club and loves to travel. She went to Mexico City in Sept. and is heading for Egypt, Jordan, and Israel in January 2009.

BRAD BAUER

I was born in Lake-wood, CA, but raised in nearby Orange County. I discovered at a young age that reading and learning about history and foreign countries were areas of interest, and after a rather circuitous route, this led to my current job as an archivist and curator of Western European collections at the Hoover Institution Archives at Stanford University. But I'm getting ahead of the story ... I graduated from Cal State Fullerton in 1986 with a degree in history, and spent several years working as a librarian for the Anaheim Public Library. I also returned to school part-time, earning a Masters of Library Science degree from UCLA in 1992. During my childhood, my family did not go to church, but I attended a youth group at a nearby church, coming to the Christian faith through that path. After college, I joined a Presbyterian church in Irvine, CA, and was an active member for ten years, including two as a Stephen Minister. However, the biggest change in my life up to that point was applying to serve as a Presbyterian mission volunteer, which brought me to Berlin,



Germany, for two years, assisting a PCUSA Mission Worker (Rev. Jane Holslag) and also working with a German pastor in a Reformed parish in the former GDR. These two years left a deep impression on me, and among other things, gave me a strong interest in Central and Eastern Europe that continues to this day. Returning to California, I landed a job as an archivist at the Thousand Oaks Library in Ventura County, where I met my wife, Elena, who also worked there. Elena had emigrated from Russia with her young daughter Anya seven years before, and we married in 1999. Since then my work took us to Iowa City, Iowa, before bringing us back to California and the Bay Area, when I began working at Stanford five years ago. In our free time, we enjoy reading, movies, studying foreign languages and travel, including trips this past year to visit Elena's family, in Mexico, as well as to Egypt to see our daughter Anya (currently a student at Cal), who was spending a year studying there. I've really enjoyed visiting Stone this past year, and find this to be a vibrant, welcoming, and open-minded congregation that makes me glad to be a Presbyterian again!

DHAR BLACKWOOD

Born to a South Asian family on the small island of Trinidad (& Tobago) when it was still a colony of the UK, I left after University to study Linguistics in France. Afterward, I married Carl and taught French in Yorkshire, England, before moving to the USA with our son, at first in PA, then VA, then CA, where I still teach French and English at Bret Harte Middle School in Almaden.

My spiritual journey started in Presbyterian elementary and secondary schools run by Canadian missionaries on Trinidad, continued with the Student Christian Movement and IVCF at University, then went almost dormant in France and England. It was resuscitated in VA at a United Methodist church, but was stymied in CA as my family tried to find a fellowship where we could continue to grow as Christians. My husband's disabling neuropathic pain after back surgery made it difficult to continue that quest together so we gave up.

Quite by chance, I mentioned to Roz Zisch that I was a lapsed Presbyterian, whereupon she invited me to Stone Church. I felt at home on my very first visit. I saw a supportive, welcoming, diverse community of seekers which is exactly what I need to grow in my walk with God. It was easy to change my status from visitor to member!



MARY BURFINE

I'm a native Californian, born in Palo Alto. As a child, we lived at the edge of Willow Glen, and I remember passing Stone Church on our way to my aunt's Almaden ranch. We moved back to Palo Alto, where I attended third grade through high school. I currently live in Campbell with my cat Bootsie, I have a daughter Alice and granddaughter Samantha (both live in San Jose) who is graduating from high school in June. Three years ago, I retired from De Anza College A & R (Admission & Records) where I worked for 18 years. I love retirement and the freedom it gives me. I have been singing soprano in the church choir two years. I have also been with the San Jose Symphonic Choir for 27 years. I've known both Nancy and Leroy Kromm for more than 23 years. I have actually been singing my entire life, starting in grade school through high school in both church and school choirs. Before I joined symphonic choir, I sang with the California Bach Society for 15 years. As you can see, music is a big part of my life, and I love sharing my gift of singing with others. I also like local history and have been a docent at the beautiful Ainsley House in Campbell for several years. My other interests include travel, cooking, gardening, classical music and movies. I really love cats and have had many in my lifetime, as well as dogs growing up. I care a lot about all animals and the environment.





... and even more rehearsing for the Christmas Pageant!

## SAVE THESE DATES IN 2009!

**Stone Church Family Snow Trip, January 23 - 25, 2009, Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center**  
Zephyr Point is located on the south shore of Lake Tahoe, on the Nevada side. For pictures and facility information, see [www.zephyrpoint.org](http://www.zephyrpoint.org).

Contact Ellen Springer if you are interested in joining this fun group. A few rooms were still available at press time.

**Men's Mission Team Crab & Cioppino Feed, February 7, 2009, from 4:30 to 8 pm**

Due to the current high price and lack of availability of Dungeness crab, the Men's Mission Team is considering serving cioppino, in addition to a limited amount of crab. Cioppino is a mixed seafood stew that is especially delicious served over garlic noodles (as they are planning to do).

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**Sweethearts Dinner, February 14, 2009**

The Roach and Johnson families are planning a wonderful event, with a "restaurant" feel this year. We also hope to have live music and dancing!

**Pasta Dinner, March 13, 2009**

Again, the wonderful Debbie and Walter Roach are planning a delicious and hearty pasta dinner, with lots of choices of pasta and sauces, for both young and older!

## KEN HENRY TO LEAD EARLY-MORNING BIBLE STUDY STARTING JANUARY 8

*Wake Up to the Book of Mark!*

Rev. Ken Henry will be leading an early-morning Bible study series on the book of Mark, on Thursdays, beginning January 8, 2009.

All are welcome. The only requirement is that you read the assigned scripture before attending class and that you bring a Bible.

All classes will be one hour in length, promptly starting at 6:30 am and ending at 7:30 am, and will take place in Ken's office in Lincoln House.

Dates and Assigned Scripture:

January 8 (Mark 1)	January 29 (Mark 7-9)
January 15 (Mark 2-3)	February 5 (Mark 10-13)
January 22 (Mark 4-6)	February 12 (Mark 14-16)

Coffee will be provided. Commiserating with others, including the pastor, who are not morning people will be the norm!

*If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Ken Henry.*

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