

THE STONE NEWS

STONE CHURCH OF WILLOW GLEN, PRESBYTERIAN USA

FEBRUARY 2011



THE REFUGE OF PRAYER

by Ken Henry

In the fall of 2009, I had a revelation: Why not pray every day for 42 days and see what happens? After all, pastors are supposed to be good at this sort of thing. So, I set out on a brief and disciplined journey to deepen my prayer life.

Of course, over my 20+ years of pastoral ministry, some soul-searching prayers have already been written. *The Serenity Prayer*, *The Prayer of St. Francis*, and *The Lord's Prayer* are prayers that I always suggest when someone is searching for the right prayer to fit his or her particular situation.

And certainly, one cannot overlook or underestimate the prayers in the book of Psalms. Throughout the centuries, God has given us great models of how and what to say in our prayers.

But then, what is prayer?

The Refuge of Prayer is an invitation to anyone desiring to understand the efficacy of prayer. It is a collection of personal prayers, pastoral prayers intended for worship, and suggested prayer practices for groups and individuals.

When I began writing this short prayer book, I was not thinking that one day, I would self-publish my deepest conversations and questions to God.

However, along the way, it dawned on me that prayer is not only *intrapersonal* (that is, between God and me), but also *interpersonal* (that is, between you and me). In other words, prayer is something to be shared with another.

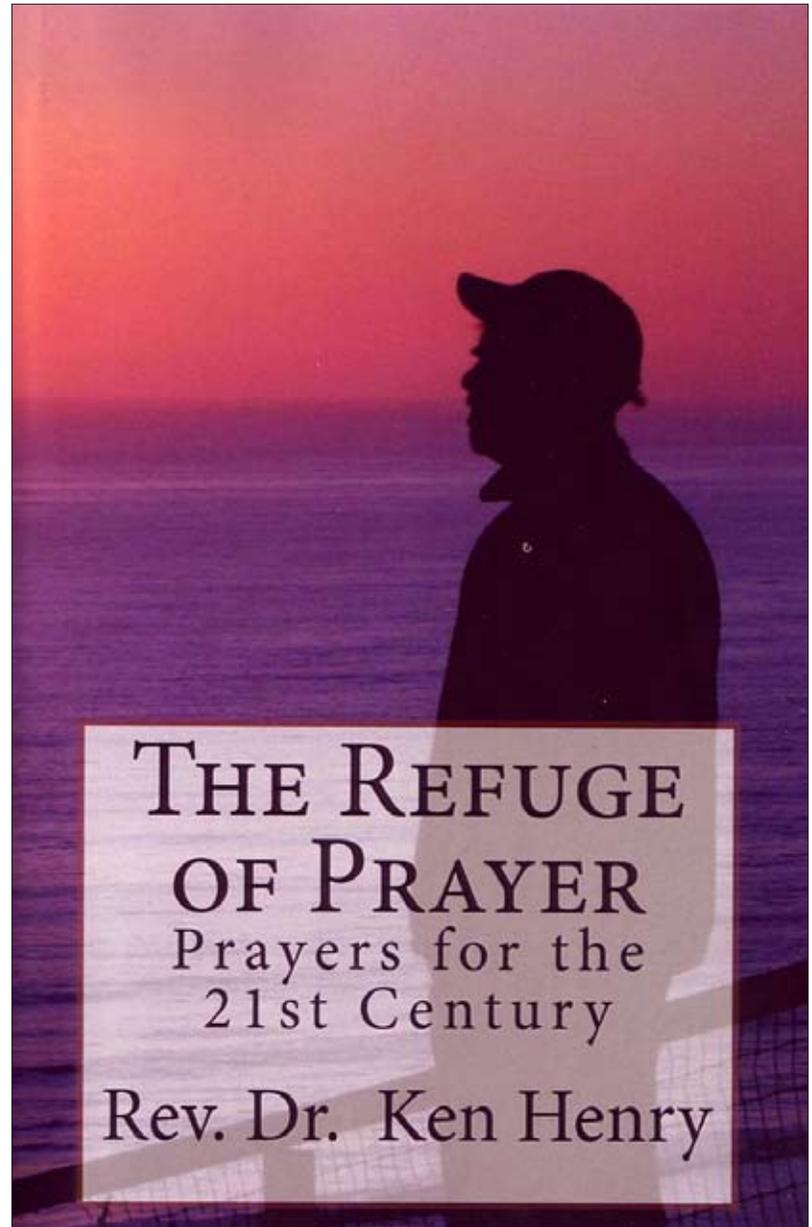
Giving some spiritual direction to his disciples, Jesus said:

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." (*Matthew 18:20*)

Thus, I offer this prayer book not only as a way to deepen your relationship with God, but also as a way to build up the community of faith that meets together for worship every Sunday morning.

For further illumination and discussion, I will be teaching a series of classes based on the prayers from this book, on two Sundays, March 27 and April 3, at 11:15 am, in the Fireside Room. [See the related article on page 3.]

In this fast-paced and complex world we live in, may you find a *refuge of prayer*. - Ken



SINGING, VEGETABLES, AND LOVE ABOUND IN OUR CHURCH SCHOOL

by Mary Jo Blazek,
Children's Ministry Coordinator

The children's programs here at Stone Church have continued to grow, bringing lots of energy and excitement for the New Year.

The children's *Friendship Garden* in the backyard is blooming not only with vegetables, but with love. The first harvest brought smiles and happy faces.

The 5th and 6th graders started a special six-week Church School class in January with an emphasis on conversations about what the Bible means to Christians today. It began with each of them receiving a leather-bound, personally engraved Bible. Rhonda Lakatos, Bob Fraser, and Ken Stutz are the facilitators of this class.

Peggy Spool will be joining our team to work with the children as a part-time choir director. Peggy has worked with children's choruses in the Bay Area for 16 years. She is currently the artistic director of the well-known Vivace Youth Choir. We are thrilled to

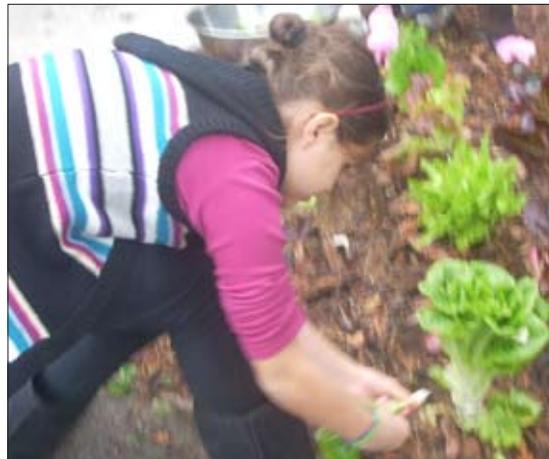
have her at Stone Church sharing her talents with our children. Our new *Joyful Voices Choir* will perform during the Lenten season.

Many caring hearts and hands are needed to provide a quality program for our children. Would you like to be a part of this enthusiasm?

If you are interested, please contact me at the Church Office.



Peggy Spool



MIDDLE SCHOOLERS HOLD ROCK-A-THON FOR GARDEN FUNDS & NEED YOUR HELP!

Rock ... eat ... Rock ... watch TV ...
Rock ... play games ... Rock ... eat ...
Rock ... knit ... Rock ... eat ... Rock ...
talk ... Rock ... read ... Rock ...

ROCK-A-THON!

Who? "Rockers" are the Middle School Fellowship at Stone Church.

What? This is an old tradition at Stone Church to raise funds while

rocking all night with only ten-minute breaks each hour.

When? 7:30 pm, Saturday, Feb. 12, running twelve hours!

Where? Lock-in at the Social Hall and Fireside Room

Why? To raise funds for Stone's *Friendship Garden* (pictured above).

How (for middle schoolers)? Sign up by Feb. 1 with Rosaleen. Pledge sheets will be sent to you by Kathleen.

How (for the congregation)? To support this wonderful project:

- ♥ Loan us a rocking chair.
- ♥ Bring us some TREATS!
- ♥ Make a pledge to one or more "rockers" to help with the garden and encourage participation.
- ♥ Stop by to see us in action.
- ♥ Stay to play a card game!

For questions, please contact Rosaleen Zisch.

ADULT EDUCATION: ESTATE PLANNING, MANDELA, JEREMIAH, AND PRAYER

Stone offers fascinating and varied Adult Education classes on Sunday mornings at 11:15 in the Fireside Room. Childcare is provided. All are welcome!

Feb. 6: Estate Gifts for Stone Church with Skip Herbert

The Rev. George "Skip" Herbert of the Presbyterian Foundation will discuss new ways to include Stone Church in your estate plan. He will also clarify current gift plan details so you may become better informed about opportunities available to all.

[For more information, see the related article on page 6.]

Feb. 13 & 20: Nelson Mandela and the Making of a New Nation

We will explore the remarkable story of how Nelson Mandela almost single-handedly created the new multi-racial

country of South Africa and kept it from turning into a bloodbath. On Sunday evening, Feb. 13, we will see the movie, *Invictus*, with popcorn and beverages provided.

Feb. 27 - March 27: Jeremiah: Prophet for Our Time? with Dale and Barbara Bracey

Jeremiah saw his country through the stormy years of national catastrophe and, by his interpretation of events, pointed the way forward into a new era. His name has been misrepresented in the popular mind as being synonymous with a gloomy complainer. Far from being a prophet of despair, he was the one man who knew how Judah might have a future. He would have a lot to say about how we in the 21st century should respond to our conflict of visions and directions today.

March 27 & April 3: The Refuge of Prayer

Ken Henry discusses his new book, *The Refuge of Prayer*, a devotional book that prayerfully considers how to pray and maintain the discipline of prayer when one is bombarded daily by emails, constant distractions, and that urgent voice that pulls him or her away from reflecting more deeply on his or her spiritual path.

[For more information, see the related article on page 1.]

April 10 & 17: Faith Journeys at Stone Church

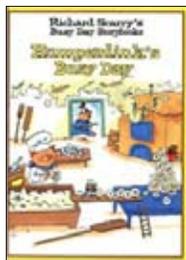
Members of Stone Church share their faith journeys with the class.

There is no class on April 24, Easter. For more information about any of these classes, contact Pat Magee, Chair, Adult Education Sub-Committee.

DISCOVER WONDERFUL "FEBRUARY-THEMED" BOOKS IN THE CHURCH LIBRARY!

Love ... hearts ... flowers ... friends ... Lent ... hope ... dreams ... memories ... healing ... life ... May your February be enjoyable and enlightening!

- Sue Williams, Library Coordinator



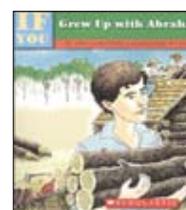
New for our younger members:
Humperdink's Busy Day by Richard Scarry (Read-Aloud Sca)

Pochocki (J Poc)

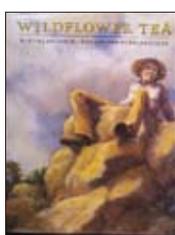
Love Is ... by Wendy Halperin (J 227 Hal), a picture book about 1 Corinthians 13, given by the Lohman family



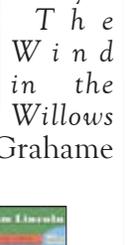
The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame (YA 398 Gra)



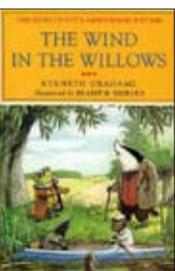
Wildflower Tea by Ethel



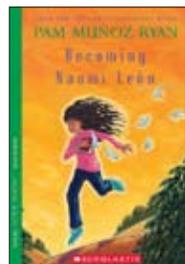
The Dream Book by Betty Bethards (154.6 Bet) and *A Path with Heart: A Guide through the Perils and Promises of Spiritual Life* by Jack Kornfield (294.3 Kor), both given by Chris Osborne



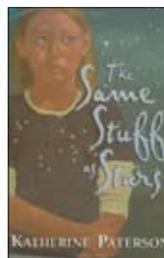
A Clearing Season: Reflections for Lent by Sarah Parsons (242.3 Par), given by Claudia Hamm



The Same Stuff as Stars by Katherine Paterson (YA Pat)



Becoming Naomi León by Pam Muñoz Ryan (YA Rya)

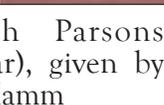
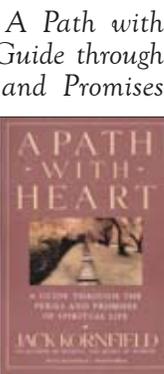
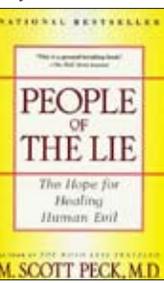


On the adult side: People of the Lie: The Hope for Healing Human Evil by M. Scott Peck (133 Pec)

The Dream Book by Betty Bethards (154.6 Bet) and *A Path with Heart: A Guide through the Perils and Promises of Spiritual Life* by Jack Kornfield (294.3 Kor), both given by Chris Osborne

A Clearing Season: Reflections for Lent by Sarah Parsons (242.3 Par), given by Claudia Hamm

Speaking Christian: Redeeming Christian Language, four DVDs from Marcus Borg's lectures



In our adult special sections:

The Best Friends Book of Alzheimer's Activities by Virginia Bell et al and *A Different Visit: Activities for Caregivers & Their Loved Ones with Memory Impairments* by Adena Joltin et al (Spec Needs 362), both given by Joyce Summers

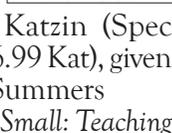
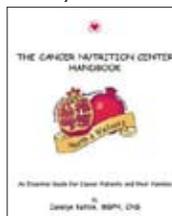
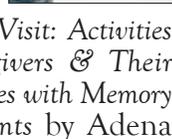
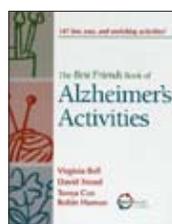
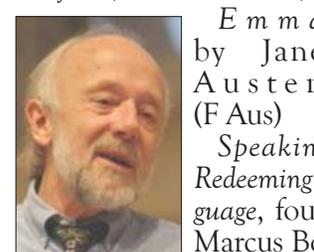
The Cancer Nutrition Center Handbook by Carolyn Katzin (Spec Needs 616.99 Kat), given by Joyce Summers

Starting Small: Teaching Tolerance in Pre-school and the Early Grades by the Teaching Tolerance Project (Fam-R 303 Tea)

Emma by Jane Austen (F Aus)

Speaking Christian: Redeeming Christian Language, four DVDs from Marcus Borg's lectures

Speaking Christian: Redeeming Christian Language, four DVDs from Marcus Borg's lectures



STONERWORKS REMINDS US THAT "TORTURE IS ALWAYS A MORAL ISSUE," THANKS EVERYONE FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATIONS

The StoneWorks Committee continues to offer ways for us to help our brothers and sisters in need.

Torture is Always a Moral Issue

As I opened my garage door to store the medical supplies being unloaded, the tall deliveryman looked at my car and said, "Glad to see that."

"What?" I asked. He pointed to my bumper sticker, *Torture is a Moral Issue*.

"I was tortured," he said. He went on to explain that he was tortured for eight months in a Bosnian internment camp before he was released and came to the United States on political asylum.

I responded, "It's important for me to insure that our country never carries out torture again."

I had wondered if the two-year-old bumper sticker really communicated or was ever noticed. Now, I've made a new friend who makes deliveries to us each month.

I guess you never know the impact of a simple message.

And then it happened again: I was at a garden store, and as a saleslady helped me load something into my trunk, she noticed my bumper sticker, *Torture Is A Moral Issue*.

She said she was very much against torture, and I told her what I knew about proposed US legislation and the state of torture in the world. I encouraged her to check out nrcat.org (*National Religious Campaign Against Torture*) and to write her congresspersons.

Last month, Maureen Ryan, StoneWorks chair, asked the congregation to sign an NRCAT petition, calling on our president to sign the OPCAT (*Optional Protocol to the Convention Against Torture*) Treaty, showing the world that the US is willing to work for the day when torture is forever ended. All of our petition pages were quickly filled, which was very gratifying.

Torture is a Moral Issue bumper stickers are still available at the *Donation Station*. As I have learned, you never know who will be encouraged or challenged by a simple message. - Dale Bracey

Sacred Heart/Second Harvest Donations

StoneWorks thanks you for your generous donations, especially during the holidays. At our two Christmas Eve services, \$1098.42 in cash was received, which the Session authorized to be donated to Second Harvest Food Bank. Also in December, Karen Scott took the following to Sacred Heart:

- ♥ 18 bags of clothes
- ♥ 9 bags of toiletries
- ♥ 11 bags of bags
- ♥ 5 bags of shoes
- ♥ 3 bags of food
- ♥ 1 bag of egg cartons

And starting the year off right, on Jan. 2, 2011, Sue Evans took 85 pounds of food to Sacred Heart.

STEPHEN MINISTRY RESUMES SESSIONS

The Stephen Ministers and Leaders resumed their monthly supervision sessions in January after using designated time in December for socializing and reflecting.

Over the last year, Stephen Ministers have spent hundreds of hours listening in long-term caring relationships; many additional hours in supervision and continuing education; and much time using their skills supporting one another and others informally.

For the next two months, continuing education will focus on caring for those facing hospitalization: before, during, and shortly after.

It is difficult for many people to ask for help because of uncertainty about confidentiality, because of fear of rejection, or, as Stephen Leaders often hear, "because someone else needs your help more than I do."

But suffering alone is not God's intent for us. Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (*Matthew 11:28*). We can receive this promised rest when we turn to one another for comfort and help.

If you or someone you know could benefit from a confidential listening ear, contact Joan Peckham (referrals coordinator).

- Judith Mohr



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS, BRANDON AND ELLEN WILLIAMS!

Stone Church is very excited to welcome new members, Brandon and Ellen Williams, who joined the church shortly after their wedding in November.

Brandon graduated from Belarmine in 2005 and then went to Stanford, playing D1 volleyball for the Cardinal all four years. He graduated with honors and a degree in Neuroscience in 2009 and received a Masters in Business in 2010. He currently works for JSR Micro doing market research to help start a new biotech company and is preparing to attend medical school.

Ellen graduated from Presentation and is finishing her undergraduate degree at UC Berkeley in English and Biology. She is planning to attend law school upon graduation in 2012.

The Williams currently lead Stone's High School Youth Group Ministry, and their favorite activities include the ski and work trips. They will also lead the High School Youth at the *Zephyr Experience* conference this summer.

The Williams live in San Francisco and are looking forward to becoming even more involved in the Stone Church community.

Ah, February, the “short” month. Even so, it manages to be chock full of events, and we keep adding more. Let’s see, there’s Lincoln’s birthday, Washington’s birthday, Valentine’s Day ... and we have added “Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday.” If you have something to add, please let me know.



The Cherry Pie Social – also known as the Valentine Tea – promises to be a very entertaining event, because there will be entertainment by some of our own pianists and lively conversation (as always with this group), along with the cherry pie.

Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday has become a tradition in the PC(USA). This year, someone in the offices of the General Assembly looked at the calendar and decided not to schedule it during Lent; therefore, it will be a bit earlier than

in years past. Our preacher will be Rev. Dr. Judy Siker, Vice President of San Francisco Theological Seminary. [See related article, below.] We will also present Life Memberships to two individuals who have served PW with distinction, but who will they be?

Good news to all of you who so faithfully support the coupon and S.H.A.R.E.S. card programs for our schools! Safeway also has a program we can access: Dorothy Stevens has forms to complete with your Safeway card number, which will be turned in to the school. Each time you make a purchase with your Safeway card, the school will be credited.

Please see Dorothy for a form and return it to her, or place it in the coupon box on the library cart. This month we are focusing on Ziplock bags and Saran Wrap.

PW Schedule for February:

Amethyst Circle, 1 pm, Feb. 2, Church Library

Emerald Circle, 9:30 am, Feb. 3, Janice Goertz’s home

Lunch Bunch, 11:30 am, Feb. 8, Taiwan Restaurant

PWCT, 9:30 am, Feb. 10, Social Hall

Valentine Tea, 2 - 4 pm, Feb. 12, Social Hall

Sapphire Circle, 7:30 pm, Feb. 14, Kate Wheatley’s home

Fair Trade Sales, 10:30 am, Feb. 20, Social Hall

Book Group II, 2:30 pm, Feb. 21, Lea Lawrence-Moiso’s home, discussing *Home* by Marilynne Robinson

Focus Group, 9:30 am, Feb. 23, Bea Groppuso’s home

Bible Study with the Rev. Marge Palmer, 9:30 am, Feb. 24, Church Library. This will be Lesson 7 of the Book of Revelation. The study is open to everyone interested.

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 4 - 5:30 pm, Feb. 24, Fireside Room

Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday, Feb. 27

Book Group I, 1 pm, Feb. 28, Hazel James’ home, discussing *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese

- Catherine Amos

The Men’s Ministry of Stone Church includes a mission work team, a book group, and a flying group.

MEN’S MINISTRY

For more information about any of these activities, contact Parish Associate David McCreath.

Men’s Mission Team

The Men’s Mission Team is hosting a fundraising dinner on Feb. 26. Please see the related article on page 8.



For more information about the Men’s Mission Team, please contact Leland Wong.

Men’s Book Club

The Men’s Book Club is meeting this winter and spring, as follows:

Feb. 21: at Bill Ribble’s home, discussing *Through the Heart of the South* by Jody Meacham.

Please note that this event is open to all, not just the men’s group; just let Bill or Claire know if you plan to attend.

March 21: at Art Holtz’s home, discussing *Kindred* by Octavia E. Butler.

April 18: discussing *Nothing to Envy: Ordinary Lives in North Korea* by Barbara Demick [host is to be determined].

May 16: selecting books for the following months [host is to be determined].

For more information about the Men’s Book Club, please contact Bill Ribble.

REV. DR. JUDY SIKER TO PREACH ON “GIFTS OF WOMEN SUNDAY”

On *Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday* (Feb. 27), we welcome guest preacher Rev. Dr. Judy Siker,



Vice President of San Francisco Theological Seminary, Southern California campus.

Dr. Siker joined the administrative staff of SFTS in July 2008 as Vice President and Professor of New Testament and Christian Origins. Her administrative duties include oversight of the southern campus of SFTS in Pasadena.

Before coming to SFTS, she served as Dean and Associate Professor of New Testament at American Baptist Seminary of the West, part of the Graduate Theological Union, in Berkeley.

Dr. Siker is a Presbyterian minister who remains active teaching, preaching and leading retreats in northern and southern California. She holds a B.A. from Meredith College, an M.Div. from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, and an M.A. and Ph.D from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

CHURCH LEADERS WANTED!

This message is for everyone who cares about and loves Stone Church!

Stone's Nominating Committee has once again begun its yearly task of finding leaders in the church to serve as Deacons and Elders for terms beginning in July 2011.

There are several ways that nominees may come to the attention of the Nominating Committee.

First, pledging members are welcome to submit their own names for consideration. This is very welcome and highly encouraged!

Second, names may be suggested to the committee by a third party.

We invite all church members to seriously consider those whom you would like to have serving in leadership at Stone Church and submit your suggestions as soon as possible to any of the following members of the Nominating Committee, either in person, by email, or by phone:

Maureen Chandler, Carrie Giorgianni, Mary Johnson, June Tablak, Brad Tips, Mike Breuleux, Ashley Neufeld, Kerry House-Nelson, Jean Raby, Cathy Marshall, Judi Kaiser, Jan Keifer, Bob Lowry, Mel Goertz, Diana Lim, or Catherine Amos.

Thank you for your important part in the work of Stone Church.

- Maureen Chandler,
Nominating Committee Chair

DIANA BUTLER BASS TO LECTURE THIS FALL!

We are excited to announce that this fall's *Henrietta Perdue Lecturer* will be best-selling author, Dr. Diana Butler Bass, who will speak on the intriguing, yet sobering topic, "Is There a Future for Christianity in America?"

Every recent survey of American religious practice shows that conventional religion is in serious decline; at the same time, people express high levels of enthusiasm for spirituality.

On Oct. 21 and 22, Dr. Bass, author of *Christianity for the Rest of Us*, will help us explore this conundrum.

More details are forthcoming!

TWO ESTATE PLANNING EVENTS: MEET INDIVIDUALLY WITH SKIP HERBERT FEB. 5; ATTEND ESTATE GIFTS CLASS FEB. 6

If you have been considering including Stone Church in your estate planning, there are two events the weekend of Feb. 5 and 6 that may be of interest to you.



First, you are invited to set up a time to meet individually with Rev. George "Skip" Herbert of the Presbyterian Foundation on Saturday, Feb. 5, in the Fireside Room. Individual

appointments will be for scheduled at half-hour intervals from 1 to 3 pm. Please contact Kathie Lloyd to reserve one of these appointments.

Then, Skip will hold a class, *Estate Gifts for Stone Church*, on Sunday, Feb. 6, at 11:15 am, in the Fireside Room. This class is open to everyone (no reservations required).

Skip will present new methods of estate planning, as well as clarify current gift plan details, so that you may become better informed about different opportunities available to all members and friends of Stone Church.

SESSION APPROVES 2011 CHURCH BUDGET, IS PLEASED TO REPORT 2010 SURPLUS

The principal agenda items of the Stone Church Session meeting on Jan. 18 were a report of the 2010 finances and the approval of a budget for 2011.

The year 2010 ended on a very hopeful note, with a surplus over budget of \$41,000. This surplus occurred because pledge income, loose offerings, and interest income were higher than expected, and some expenses were lower (for example, the Office Manager position was unfilled for a time).

Session decided to begin a Sabbatical Fund for Ken with \$2,000, to pay down the mortgage with \$19,500, and to add \$19,500 to the Major Maintenance Fund.

The budget for 2011 was set at \$507,100. There will be a detailed presentation of the budget and of Ken's call at the winter Congregational Meeting on Jan. 30. The congregation votes only on Ken's call.

In other business, the Session heard from a member of the Sanderson family that Phyllis had died at

age 90 in Duluth, MN. Phyllis and "Sandy" Sanderson were extremely active at Stone Church in the '60s.

Session set the spring Congregational Meeting date to May 15.

Responsibility for all audio-visual equipment and the sound system has been taken on by the Communications Subcommittee of the Fellowship & Renewal Committee. All use of this equipment should be arranged by contacting Emily Meacham, chair of this subcommittee.

Session gave approval for a Middle School "Rock-a-thon," a fundraiser at which the students literally rock, in rocking chairs, for 12 hours. [See the related article, page 2.]

Session members and other church leaders are continuing to receive training in "Safe Church Practices," dealing with ensuring the safety of children and older folks participating in church programs. The Presbytery has made this training mandatory for all leadership.

- Alice Thom, Clerk of Session



STONE
CHURCH
RINGERS
ENJOY
“TWELFTH
NIGHT
AT SAINT
ANDREW’S”
HANDBELL
FESTIVAL

On Jan. 9, the Stone Church Ringers joined with other handbell choirs to perform a public concert. The program consisted of three massed ring pieces and solo pieces from three of the groups.

This event is endorsed by the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers, Inc., who are dedicated to uniting people through the musical art of handbell and handchime ringing.

*story, program, and photos
courtesy of Dan Raby*

Ensemble	Directed by	Solo Piece	Composer/Arranger	Ringers
Massed Ring	Larry Sue	<i>Twos in the Moon of Wintertime</i>	arr. Larry Sue	all
Massed Ring	Larry Sue	<i>O Come, O Come Emmanuel</i>	arr. Susan Geschke	all
Massed Ring	Larry Sue	<i>On This Day, Earth Shall Ring</i>	arr. Cathy Moglebust	all
Bells' Angels, Saint Andrew's Episcopal, Saratoga	Larry Sue	<i>Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus</i>	arr. Chris Smith	10
Praises Ring, Grace Lutheran, Palo Alto	Tim Getz	<i>Jubilate</i>	Carl Wiltse	13
Low Ding Zone	Larry Sue	<i>Go, Tell It On the Mountain</i>	arr. Larry Sue	3
Rejoicing Ringers Los Altos Lutheran	Wil Mandac			8
Son Ringers, First Pres., Mtn. View	Larry Sue			9
“Chime Choir”	Sandy Hanes			-
Stone Church Ringers	Jean Raby			7



STONE'S WOMEN'S RETREAT: ALWAYS INSPIRING



Only 40 miles from San José, Stone Church's annual *Women's Retreat* allows us to gather away from the ordinary distractions of life to nurture our spiritual life.

In 1947, the Franciscan Fathers bought 73 acres in San Juan Bautista that now provide these opportunities for us. We have used the St. Francis Retreat Center for over 25 years, and last year we were able to enjoy the new dining hall (pictured above) for the first time.

I hope you have marked your calendar for March 18-20. We begin Friday afternoon and end after worship on Sunday. Our provocative theme for 2011 will be, "Is This the Life You Wanted?"

We are thrilled to have Jane Odell as our leader. Don't be fooled by this petite lady! Jane is a powerhouse and will help us find a time for God in our lives, as we enjoy, throughout the weekend, the company of women we love and respect.

For those of you who have not had the pleasure of meeting Jane or hearing her preach, here are a few facts.

Elder Jane F. Odell is an educator and leader in the Presbyterian Church. She served San José as our Interim Executive Presbyter for six years. Prior to coming to San José, she served the church in various executive positions for over 16 years in Southern California. Presently, she is the coordinator of the Safe Church Practices Task Force.

Jane has conducted numerous trainings, receiving nothing but praise despite the difficulty of the subject. She is married to a retired pastor and is the mother of three daughters and five grandchildren. She makes her home in El Sombroso Oaks.

Watch for your letter with all the retreat details, including information on partial scholarships.

For more information, please contact Rosaleen Zisch or Colleen Blackburn.

FEAST ON CRAB, SAUSAGE, AND PASTA AT THE MEN'S MISSION TEAM DINNER, FEB. 26!

The always delicious Men's Mission Team Fundraising Dinner, featuring Dungeness Crab, will be held Feb. 26, from 5 to 8 pm.



The funds raised help the men buy materials for their generous mission projects - usually hands-on construction work for non-profit organizations.

In addition to crab, the men will also serve Badalamente sausage, salad, pasta, and more.

And of course, the men will also hold their famous raffle, with prizes for all ages.

Ticket prices are \$25 for adults; \$15 for ages 12 - 17; \$5 for ages 7 - 11. Children under 6 are free.

Dinner and raffle ticket sales will be held during Coffee Fellowship in February. RSVP early, as space will be limited this year.

For more information, or to purchase tickets, please contact Fred Oliver or John Lococo.

WANT TO JOIN STONE CHURCH? NEXT NEW MEMBER CLASS STARTS FEB. 13

Have you been thinking about becoming a member of Stone Church?

Stone's next *New Member Class* is slated for Sunday, Feb. 13, from 11:15 am to 1:30 pm, in the Church Library.

Join Rev. Dr. Ken Henry and members of the Session for a dynamic, interactive presentation.

Lunch and childcare are provided (please note that reservations are needed for childcare).

Topics for discussion during the class will include:

- ♥ What does it mean to be Presbyterian?
- ♥ How are we organized?
- ♥ What does membership in Stone Church mean?
- ♥ How do I join?

For more information and/or to request childcare, please contact Katherine Webb Calhoon.

*The Stone Church of Willow Glen
Presbyterian Church (USA)
1937 Lincoln Avenue
(corner of Clark Way & Lincoln)
San José, CA 95125-3499
phone: 408-269-1593
fax: 408-269-8412*

www.stonechurch.org

Rev. Dr. Ken Henry, Pastor

Jennifer Scott-Brand, Office Manager

The Stone News Staff:

June Tablak, Editor Emeritus, Church Mouse

Emily Moak Meacham, Editor

Rhonda Lakatos, Pat Magee,

Jody Meacham, Fred Oliver,

Lizanne Oliver: Assistant Editors

Sylvia Snyder, Chief Photographer

Madeline Henry, Mary Jo Blazek,

Dan Raby, Matthias Lathe: Addl. Photos