

SUMMER 2019

Beloved friends—

With the winds and warm temperatures of summer arriving, a shift has been felt in the air. School is out and many of you are on your way to vacations and family gatherings. Here at church, the ordinariness of operations and administration have slowed down, and it's a welcome pace.

On June 9, we experienced the descent of the Holy Spirit in a glorious worship service where we were captivated by the sweet melodies and harmonies of our chancel and bell choirs. We were also fortunate to welcome into the life of our faith community five amazing young people through the rite of confirmation.

With this shift in seasons, both calendar and liturgical, and with the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, this summer will be a time for your staff and leadership to begin the tasks of intentional planning for the 2019-20 program year. One such plan that we are crafting in the church office is shifting from a monthly publication of the Good News newsletter to a seasonal publication. Our hope is that regular, weekly communication around congregational and ministry events and programs can be communicated primarily through the "This Week @ DCC". This publication is distributed via email every Thursday morning as well as posted on the church's Facebook page. In addition, announcements that are shared in the "This Week" are also shared in the Sunday worship bulletin.

As we move forward into the program year, more seasonal programs and ministry events, along with long-term planning, and clergy and lay leadership reflections will be included in our seasonal publication of the Good News. Publication dates for the seasonal Good News will be as follows:

- **Fall Good News**; articles deadline is August 1, 2019; published on August 15, 2019
- **Advent/Christmas Good News**; articles deadline is November 1, 2019; published November 15, 2019
- **Winter Good News**; articles deadline is January 15, 2020; published on February 1, 2020
- **Spring Good News**; articles deadline is March 15, 2020; published April 1, 2020
- **Summer Good News**; articles deadline is May 15, 2020; published June 1, 2020

As we begin to make this shift in the office, we recognize that with any change there may be mistakes that are made and grace will need to be extended to all parties involved. In my tenure with you all, however, I have known you to be a forgiving bunch and a community that is becoming less and less change averse. This is a good thing!

So, my friends, wherever you find yourself this summer—whether on a beach soaking in the radiance of the sun, or on a hike admiring the beauty of God's creation—I pray that this is a season of rest, restoration, and the Pentecostal winds of the Holy Spirit.

Summer blessings,



DANVILLE

Congregational Church

United Church of Christ
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www.dayspringpreschool.org

Danville Congregational Church is an Open and Affirming church, welcoming all of God's people—of diverse race, gender, sexual orientation, family status, economic condition, and physical, mental and emotional ability.

Telephone: (925) 837-6944

Summer Office Hours:

Tuesday–Friday 9am–1pm

Worship Sunday at 9:30 AM

Everyone is welcome!

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The Rev. Eric Sherlock, Senior Pastor
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Liz Setlak-von Thury, Temporary Office Manager
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Please submit Email all submissions for the Fall Good News no later than **August 1, 2019**. Email submissions to:

office@danvillechurch.org



Please remember that the Deacons are available to pray with you or take your prayer request at any time. We can pray individually (privately) or pass your request to the whole Diaconate or the church-wide Prayer Support

Team. Please feel free to contact any Deacon with your requests for prayer, or to be a part of the Prayer Support Team. Prayer requests can also be e-mailed to

prayers@danvillechurch.org.

Carol Bassett, Larry Berlin, Dee Brook, Peggy Gierke, Nancy Hill, Karen Kawaguchi, John Klassen, Janis Jang, Cheryl Pierson, Chris Rauen, Diane Stein, Nancy Snyder



In Our Thoughts & Prayers



We'd love to know about your joys and concerns. If you have something to share in the next newsletter, please send it to Peggy Gierke by August 1, 2019.

Prayers of Healing . . .

- Sally Baca's daughter Valerie, and Chris Sonnemann's niece, as she begins chemo for a recurrence of breast cancer.
- Brett Clark who is recovering from surgery on May 21.
- Susan Kelchner's brother in law Jeff, who fell and broke his hip.
- Pastor Todd's and Miguel's Aunt Carol Calwell, undergoing tests for a heart problem.

Sympathy . . .

- Norman Bardsley and family on the recent death of his wife **Jackie**, after a lengthy, courageous struggle with Parkinson's. Services will be held **June 15 at 3:00 P.M.**, at the **Lafayette Christian Church**.
- Clark Custodio on the death of his wife Carol in Ashland, Oregon. Clark and Carol were former members and original members of DCC's Central American Mission work.
- The Wintheiser family on the death of Matt's grandmother, Dolores on May 2, in Southern California.

Continued Prayers . . .

- Ken Boehmert
- Sylvia Martino
- Mary Ann Prickett
- Tom Olwin
- Chris Sonnemann

Congratulations . . .

- Danny Bray who received his Eagle Scout Award on Saturday, May 18 at a ceremony here at DCC.



Memorial
Celebration for
Jackie Bardsley
Saturday, June 15
3:00 p.m.

**Lafayette Christian
Church**
584 Glenside Dr.
Lafayette, CA

There will be a service in the Sanctuary, followed by a reception from about 4 pm until around 5:30. Everyone is Welcome. For any questions, please contact Karen or Norman Bardsley at: jnbard@pacbell.net or (925) 831-9940.

For many years, Jackie was one of the leaders of the Pleasanton Support Group of the Parkinson' Network of Mount Diablo. She also participated enthusiastically in the Ina Coolbrith Circle and other local writing groups. More recently, her presence was often seen in Multi-faith activities in support of social justice. Since many of her friends have known her only since she lost her voice, the memorial celebration will include readings of her poems.

Second Hour Presentations this Summer

June 16

Meet the Pérez Olivares family and learn about Eden UCC's Sanctuary Program

On Sunday, June 16, we welcome the **Pérez Olivares family** who are currently receiving Sanctuary from Eden UCC in Hayward. You are invited to stay following our coffee time to hear this family's story—what prompted them to flee Nicaragua and seek asylum in the United States and their experience here—and learn more about Eden UCC's Sanctuary Program and process of accompaniment and how DCC can become involved. DCC kiddos are invited to join our three young guests for a supervised playtime and activities while the adults meet.

Note: The hearing we previously announced for June 19 has been rescheduled.

June 23

Mission Trip Update: Fresno Interdenominational Refugee Ministries

On Sunday, June 23, we welcome **Zack Darrah**, Executive Director of [Fresno Interdenominational Refugee Ministries \(FIRM\)](#). FIRM serves the refugee communities in the Fresno area and serves as our host for our upcoming Youth Group Mission Trip July 17–21. Zack will be preaching that Sunday and making a presentation during Second Hour about FIRM's ministry and mission to "share Christ's love to build communities of hope with New Americans." Everyone—particularly youth who will be participating in this trip and their parents and anyone interested in Outreach—is encouraged to attend worship and stay for Zack's presentation afterward



Five DCC Youth Confirmed

After completing a three-month confirmation program, five DCC youth were confirmed before the congregation on Pentecost Sunday, June 9. Joyfully welcomed into our community are **Danny Bray, Kimi DeBarger-Gestring, Finn Fetherstonhaugh, Zac Furber-Dobson, and Elora Huerta**. Our confirmation mentors were Steve Paroli, Diane Stein, Syd Dent, Chris Callison, and Kim Michaud.



Come wind down the week this summer with our DCC friends at a TGIF party on **July 5 and August 2 at 6:00PM.**

Join us for warm fellowship at this intergenerational fun gathering. Come solo or with your family and friends— all are welcome.

- **Location:** Seiler Family Home (information in the church directory)
- **Time:** Open house from **6:00 to 9pm** – Drop by for however long works for you.
- **No RSVP necessary,** just bring a pizza or dish you'd like to share, enough that covers you or your family only, plus BYO (wine, beer, soda). We'll have salad and dessert.



DCC Youth and all members of the DCC

community are invited to march with DCC in the SF Pride Parade on **Sunday, June 30.**

On **Saturday, July 13,** we will show up as a presence of unconditional love at Castro Valley Pride and on **Sunday, September 8** at Oakland Pride.

Please sign up with Pastor Todd or during Coffee Hour.

Youth Group Summer Mission Trip



On **July 17–21,** our youth—along with our chaperones Steve Paroli, Pastor Todd, and youth group alum Claire Northway—will travel to Fresno to work with Fresno Interdenominational Refugee Ministries (FIRM) alongside two other youth groups.

Over these four days, our youth will help with the 25th annual FIRM Summer Carnival, a VBS, and a couple of service-oriented projects; visit the

Islamic Cultural Center of Fresno, the Lao Dhamma Buddhist Temple, and the Southeast Asian Market; and be treated to a BBQ and swimming with the FIRM staff and the Indonesian Evangelical Church and worship with the Laotian church at University Presbyterian Church.

The cost for this trip is \$270. Checks should be made payable to DCC with "MISSION TRIP" in the memo line. However, money should never be a concern for anyone who wants to participate. Contact Pastor Todd for scholarship information.



On Sunday, May 19, DCC held our 20th Anniversary as an Open & Affirming congregation. Many traveled from near and far to participate in what was a beautiful and inspiring event.

We would like to thank all those involved for putting forth their creative efforts and hard work as we celebrated DCC's continued welcoming of **all** God's people.

We give thanks to the Lord for this celebration and may we keep Rev. Phil Porter's message of Love as we move forward



Supporting Eden UCC's Sanctuary Ministry

by Doug Leich



Our sibling UCC congregation in Hayward, Eden UCC, has a vibrant "Compañeras/os Ministry," now in its ninth year, serving the predominantly low-income, immigrant communities in its neighborhood in a variety of constructive ways. We were introduced to one aspect of the Compañeras/os Ministry last December when we contributed 74 winter coats in youth sizes, which Eden Church distributed to immigrant youth through the Hayward Unified School District, and DCC's Prayer Shawl Ministry pitched in with 300 knitted scarves and hats that Eden distributed to its neighborhood clients through their "Comidas para Cherryland" food pantry.

In 2017, responding to growing fears of harassment and threats of deportation in immigrant communities, Eden Church declared itself a Sanctuary Church, and in May 2018 provided sanctuary housing for a family of asylum-seekers from Nicaragua. Initially, the family consisted of a mother and father with three small children, plus the mother's parents and sister. The mother's name is Mayerling, and she had named two of her children after her late brother, who was killed in Nicaragua. One year later, the children's father has been deported and grandfather is in detention in Arizona, facing deportation. The rest of the family is still living in quarters at Eden Church.

Responding to an appeal for help with the financial burden Eden has shouldered for the last year, DCC recently provided \$1,500 in support for Eden's Sanctuary Ministry - \$500 designated by the Outreach Commission from its discretionary giving budget, and \$1,000 designated by our ministers and the diaconate from a minister's discretionary benevolence fund. At the recent Cinco de Mayo fiesta at Eden Church, several DCC

guests had the pleasure of meeting Mayerling and her three children, ages 10, 5 and 3.

To further introduce Eden's Sanctuary Ministry to DCC, we have scheduled a second-hour program on Sunday, June 16 with Stephanie Spencer, one of Eden Church's core Accompaniment Team, as guest speaker to share the story of Mayerling's family and what led them to flee from Nicaragua to seek asylum in the United States, and also Eden Church's path to their decision to offer the family sanctuary housing in their church facilities. We have also invited Mayerling and her children to visit DCC as our guests during worship and the second hour program so that they may meet more of the DCC community than were able to attend the Cinco de Mayo fiesta at Eden Church.

As an asylum-seeker, Mayerling is on "humanitarian parole" while her asylum case is pending in the courts. We will learn more about what this means during the second-hour discussion on June 16th.

Meet our New Deacons

Nancy Snyder



*My Involvement in
Danville Congregational
Church*

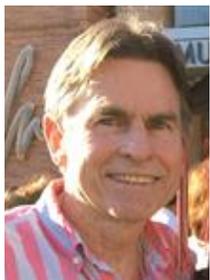
I'm a life-long
Congregationalist,
baptized, raised, and
married in the First

Congregational Church of Berkeley. When Wayne and I moved to Alamo in the mid 1970's, we joined Danville Congregational Church (DCC). We raised our family, shared in the leadership, outreach, music and growth of the church. I spent two years as church administrator, while being involved in the design of the new sanctuary.

Wayne worked in San Francisco while I returned to teaching in Dublin. The girls were active in youth group and the bell choir, their school activities, then on to their independent lives while we retired, traveled, sold our home, and moved to Truckee.

In 2015 we moved back to Pleasant Hill and reconnected with DCC. Wayne and I have appreciated the church's openness to dialogue, discussion, inclusiveness, and change while being supportive and caring. I would be honored to give back to the church as a deacon.

Chris Rauen



Growing up in Los Angeles, Chris Rauen was raised Catholic, attending Catholic grammar school and a Jesuit high school. In his youth, he found the Latin Mass appealing, but that lost its

luster when English became the preferred liturgical language, and he drifted away from the Catholic Church after high school. He found DCC with daughter Camara one fall Sunday about ten years ago. He was inspired

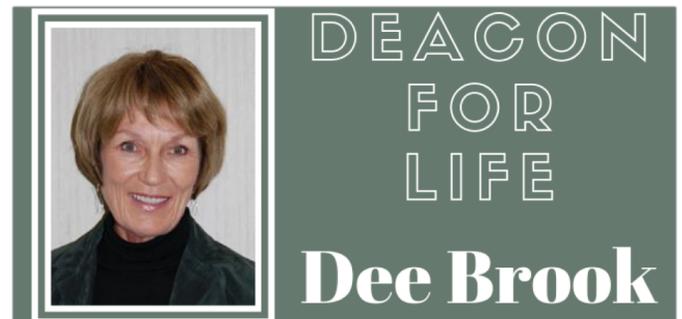
by the service, music, and sermons of then pastor Alan Kelchner, and felt at home with the congregation, which he discovered included neighbor and friends John and Joyce Klassen. At DCC, Chris has served as a circle head, usher, and on the endowment and church life committees, and is a regular contributor to the DCC newsletter. Chris has an interest in mythology and other religious traditions and finds meditation to be a calming daily practice.

John Klassen



John is currently active in the life of the church, from circle tasks and Peaceful Men's hiking group, to Camp Caz and O&A Celebration. John and Joyce moved to the

Bay Area in 1992 and joined DCC in 1995. John was raised in the Congregational church in Glasgow Montana. He has experience with diverse faith traditions: his father is a Russian Mennonite, his mother a Presbyterian church organist, and his wife Joyce is a Catholic from County Waterford, Ireland. Their children, Fiona and Hugh, were baptized at DCC and have been active in the youth program and nursery. John has taught Godly Play, served as a Deacon, and been a member of three Search Committees and two Pastoral Relations Committees.





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VISITOR INFO SESSION

Join us for a Visitor Information Session after church for lunch and information on our DCC Community on **Sunday, August 18 from Noon to 3:00 p.m. at the Klassen's.**

For questions, please contact Joyce:
joyce.klassen@comcast.net



Emmaus Teams
SCHEDULE

6/16 Team 4

6/23 Team 5

6/30 Team 6

7/7 Team 7

7/14 Pitch-in Sunday

7/21 Team 1

7/28 Team 2



JUNE

- 4. Steve Mico
- 5. Katie Brown
- 9. Kevin Shellooe
- 14. Casey Lee
- 18. Janis & Randy Jang
- 19. Tim Booher
- 20. Brett & Gail Clark
- 21. Mary Deauclaire, Kathie & Bruce Hixon
- 25. Max Roach
- 29. Diane & Richard Stein, Richard Stein

JULY

- 2. Bob Kovach
- 3. Trish Moosbrugger, Aria Smalley
- 4. Steve Mico
- 6. Charles Ruhlin
- 9. Kevin Shellooe & Wayne Shupe
- 23. Priscilla & Howard Spinner
- 25. Rachel Daily



June 16 Pastor Todd

June 23 Guest Preacher
Zach Darrah, Executive Director
Fresno Interdenominational
Refugee Ministries

June 30 Pastor Eric

July 7 Pastor Eric

July 14 Pastor Todd

July 21 TBD

July 28 Pastor Eric

August 4 Peace Village Camp Sunday

August 11 Pastor Eric

August 18 Pastor Todd

August 25 Pastor Eric

Dear friends,

At the Annual Meeting on June 2, 2019, in her report, Sandra Lepley shared the news that Janice Inman has retired after 10 years of service to Danville Congregational Church and Dayspring Preschool. Knowing that some of you were unable to attend the Annual Meeting, below is the letter that was sent to parents of Dayspring communicating this transition and the plans that will follow. We thank Janice for 10 years of meaningful, thoughtful service to building and growing our beloved preschool.

Pastor Eric,
on behalf of the DSPS Board

Dear Dayspring Parents:

It is with sadness we are sending this message to announce that our Director of Dayspring, Janice Inman will be retiring after 10 years of dedicated service. Mrs. Inman has devoted herself to the success of Dayspring, first developing the Dayspring Program, opening the school and serving as director through nine years of operation, for which the Danville Congregational Church congregation and school board will always be grateful.

Of note is the 5-Star YELP rating that the school has maintained for several years through her leadership and the efforts of a highly qualified staff. Thank you, Mrs. Inman for your dedication to the success of Dayspring!

Due to family illness, she has requested to work a part time support position for the summer school session, after which she will be retiring. Kelly Mangels (Mrs. Kay) will be serving as the Summer School Interim Director during June and July. Please be assured that Mrs. Mangels is not only a fully qualified and experienced teacher, she is an experienced preschool director meeting all the state requirements for director.

The recruitment process for the new director will begin shortly, and the Board will be scheduling an opportunity for parents to provide input into personal and leadership characteristics and professional skills they would like the Board to consider as they review applications and interview prospective candidates. A meeting to gather input will be scheduled in the near future, and families will also be given the opportunity to share their thoughts in writing.

Please be assured the Board is committed to maintaining the excellent program that has been a hallmark of Dayspring. The current staff, under the direction of Mrs. Mangels, will provide your children with a wonderful summer school experience and preparation for the regular school year session will continue throughout the summer.

You are invited to visit the new Dayspring website at dayspringpreschool.org to explore the programs that reflect the high standards we have set to ensure the best possible educational, social and creative experiences for your children.

Thank you all for being a part of the Dayspring community. If you have any questions, please contact Sandra Lepley, Preschool Board Chair, at slepley@hotmail.com.

*Eric Sherlock, Senior Pastor, Danville Congregational Church
Sandra Lepley, Chair, Dayspring Preschool Board
Dayspring Preschool Board Members*

June 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Children's Ministry Appreciation Sunday Graduates' Sunday 8:30 AM - 9:15 AM Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Godly Play 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Worship 12:00 PM - 2:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal	27 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Youth Group-Annual end-of-school Pool Party	28 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Worship Meeting 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Council Meeting	29	30 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Spiritual Formation Group #3 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	31	1
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Peace Village

Summer Half-day Camp

Creating a
peaceful
future.

July 30, 31, & August 1
9:00 a.m.–Noon
Incoming K through 5th grades



DCC is thrilled to again be offering a Peace Village-style camp this summer for our community and the Tri-Valley area! This camp will be from 9:00 a.m.–Noon on Tuesday, July 30 through Thursday, August 1 and will culminate in a special “Camp Sunday” on August 4. Our camp will be a mix of Peace Village activities and Godly Play.

The registration fee will be \$25. (Scholarships are available. Contact Pastor Todd.)

And we need your help!

- First of all—if you're available to volunteer, let Pastor Todd know ASAP.
- Second—if your kids can come, please get them registered ASAP so we can get an idea of enrollment.
- Third, **help us get the word out!** Send your friends [the Facebook event](#) and let them know how excited you are about it!

We really believe there are a lot of folks who, as the summer comes to an end, would love a fun half-day experience for their kids rooted in the progressive, inclusive values of DCC.