



The Space In Between

I write this in many levels of in-betweenness. Physically and geographically, I am in-between: currently on a plane, in-between Sacramento and Seattle, where I'm traveling to assist with a Girls' Retreat, offered by the Pacific Northwest Conference (part of a series of retreats for youth of different gender identities). Temporally and liturgically, it is the middle of the Lenten season, and thus I write this during the in-between of Ash Wednesday, — a day that has us remember our inevitable deaths — and Easter Sunday — the day we celebrate death not having the last word in Jesus' life. The natural world around us has been showing signs of the new life that is promised for weeks now: trees beginning to bud, daffodils bursting forth from the soil, wild California poppies shining their happy orange glow all over, but even amidst all of this newness, there is a "not yet" element to it all. Our graduating seniors are in the in-between of their life as it is now and their lives as they will be, as they await final college admissions decisions and discern where they will be come Fall.

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This Lenten season, we have spent time focusing on the space between certain obvious poles or binaries. Yet, the truth of this Lenten theme is that we are all, *always*, in a space of in-between, even as we often attempt to avoid that reality. We humans like to have nice little fixed organized stages and taxonomies that get completed and allow us to move onto the next one, like the levels in a video game (or the stages of grief). But we are really always in-between who we are and who we are called to be, in-between how it is and how it should be, in-between the past and the future, which by definition is the *present*, the only temporal space any of us ever truly occupy. I wonder what freedom, what spaciousness, what wisdom might arise for you from an acceptance of this existential state of in-betweenness. What are we in-between, here, in the life of our faith community? And what are we called to be now, in this in-between, in order to bring forth our faith community's own resurrection and new life. Who are we called to connect and partner with, to cast open the doors for, in order to allow new relationships to emerge, to burst forth in the midst of those that are already here?

In the almost three months since you all called me to the role of Minister for Youth and Community Engagement, I have spent a lot of time wrestling with these questions, as well as spending time in the in-between with Pastor Todd, examining the history of DCC in order to inform our collective vision for its future. This community has a story, and we are in the middle of it. The story did not end with peak attendance in the early aughts, it did not end with folx who have moved away or passed on. It did not end with leadership transition or the dying institutional church. We are still in the midst of our story, in the in-between. As we live into our next chapter, we must

ask ourselves: What must we have the courage to prune? What must we have the daring to plant? Who are our neighbors and how might we invite them to the table? How are we meant to embody the audacious and extravagant love of God in our community? What is our prophetic voice and for what and to whom are we called to bear witness? How might we be better stewards of all that we have inherited from those who came before? And like those DCC ancestors, who, decades ago, visioned and prepared for the life of DCC at 70 years old, how do we envision the next 10, 20, 70 years and plan *now* for the future that will come and be those descendants' present?

In 2025, we are in a midst of great upheaval, where the systems and values and even technologies that have dominated and maintained a certain world order since the WWII era are in a time of massive transition. Many of those systems are no longer working due to increased population, energy demands, and modern day complexities. And yet, some of the most transformative technologies in the history of humanity have been birthed in the past decade and are now being implemented at scale: advances in generative AI, biotechnology, and clean energy are all transforming the way we live and what we are capable of as humans and how we interact with the more-than-human world. This is another way that we are in a great in-between, a time some are calling the "great transition". It is up to us to decide how we, as individuals and collectively, as a faith community, will respond to this time. I have great hope and faith in us to discern our place in all of this, with Jesus' example as our guide and God as our everlasting hope.

Pastor Lauren

Sprouting and Growing

I feel blessed by our Lenten journey interrogating the “in-between” spaces in our lives, spirits, and hearts. It’s been helpful to think deeply about the liminal space between concepts like *intention* and *action*, *faith* and *works*, and *rest* and *growth*—and learn where I might need to apply a little more *grace*...or a little more *oomph*. I have appreciated the thoughtfulness of music selected for the season by John and voiced by our choir; the voiced prayer set to music has been meaningful and the relocation of announcements to later in the service refreshing!

Days later, I’m still thinking about Jesus’ parable of the fig tree and our conversation about gardening; the fig-wasp and the parallel to the movement of the Holy Spirit that pollinates us; and about our role in cross-pollinating each other toward producing a harvest of “fruits of the spirit.” Following worship that particular Sunday, Bette Felton shared this timely story:

When we moved to Sky Terrace in 1979, there was grass on the hillside all around the house. We soon started planting trees in what would become our current orchard of eight fruit/nut trees. In the same area, we planted four figs, one after another—trying again as each new sapling was attacked by gophers and killed. We were told the gophers prefer the fig roots over any others. Eventually, we gave up growing figs, and concentrated on other crops, like citrus, which thrived.

About ten years ago, out of the middle of a rock wall, over our frog pond, a sprout emerged. It was unlike anything around it and kept growing for a year before even showing leaves. Five years ago, we knew it was a fig, but couldn’t imagine what might pollinate it for fruiting. Two gardeners, and a construction friend, said to cut it out. They said it would ruin the wall, the pond, and the whole look of the garden. The fact that we had a fig tree, after years of trying, kept us from following their recommendations. Last year, ten years in, our unlikely, immigrant tree produced 26 delicious Mission figs. It delights us in all seasons.

This ‘modern parable’ really brings the point home, doesn’t it? Growth occurring after years of none; the reward of persistence; delight in something long-awaited. *Where do you see parallels in your own life? In the life of our church?*

So it is with our Lenten journey, for not much longer, we reach the season of *resurrection*—of new life. [In Isaiah, God says:](#)

*I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth; do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.*

Indeed, God is doing a “new thing” here at DCC; but not out of nowhere. Just like our decades-old wisteria which has sprouted its first vines and leaves of spring, seeds long-planted are sprouting; people are returning; new ministry is popping up. Surely, the season of *alleluias* is near!

Blessings on your Lenten journey
as we anticipate resurrection.

Pastor Todd

Message from our Moderators

Phew! What a wonderful last few months we have had at DCC! We have had a joyous holiday season, filled with generosity of spirit, gorgeous music, deepened spiritual understandings and meaningful connections with each other. We've installed our settled Senior Pastor with fanfare, supported marginalized communities, and we have learned more about our own privilege. We've entered the Epiphany season looking for new insights, meaning in our actions and a renewed sense of purpose in how we interact with each other and the world. Indeed, we are in a time of increased activity, participation and enthusiasm and with these changes come new knowledge and understandings as well as deeper responsibilities.

As you consider your own path at church, please think about what fuels your passions beyond Sunday services and how that manifests in what you participate in beyond just financially. Take a moment to think about the many offerings, programs, and leadership opportunities available to you. Interested in reading more about anti-racism? Join or lead a book club! Like to tinker around the house with tools? Know how to change an electrical outlet (or want to learn?)? Volunteer an hour with Buildings and Grounds! Want to know more about what our Youth are doing in Youth Group? Make a meal for them on a Sunday night and join a session. Curious about what happens at Church Council? We have several openings for the 25-26 church year for volunteers. The possibilities are endless!

New to DCC? Something catching your eye you aren't sure about? You can start by talking with each other during coffee hour--maybe you can recruit a partner to join you! We are always looking to expand our welcome in everything we do. After all, we are a church of "extravagant welcome!"

Sincerely, Barb and Kyra

Meet Our Newest Members

On Sunday, February 23rd, DCC welcomed 8 (and a half 😊) new members. Read on to find out more about them.



Ron and Linda Elsdon—We were born and brought up in England, coming to the United States in our mid-20s in 1976 for Ron's work as a research engineer. We lived in the Chicago and Atlanta suburbs and then moved to Danville in 1994. We have been married for 52 years and have two children and four grandchildren. Ron moved into the business world and then into career and workforce development ultimately leading to our own practices. This included authoring or editing several books. Ron has volunteered in social justice areas and now provides literacy support for adults. He was recently active in pastoral listening. His interests include reading, listening to music, and walking. Linda started her work career as an elementary school teacher in England. She built her own business in college advising students

and families in the East Bay. Linda's interests include photography, reading, walking, and justice issues. She is a trained Stephen Minister and leader, which focuses on caring relationships for congregational members. We both enjoy spending time with our families.

Kris Lewis— I grew up in the Bay Area. I did a 10 year stint away, a few years in Arizona and a few years in Philadelphia, where I was able to go back to school and start my ultrasound career. Finally, was able to buy a home in Danville about four years ago. It's a lovely town and I am grateful to have found this church, especially now that we find ourselves navigating these challenging times. It is such a wonderful congregation, as you really care for others, following the teachings of Christ, and offer so many volunteer opportunities to give back.



Grace Johnson — I've lived in the Bay Area my whole life! I was born in San Francisco but moved to the east bay when my brother and sister were born (twins!) and have lived in Alamo since 2012. I recently graduated from the University of Oregon with a degree in Environmental Studies and I am currently an EMT student in pursuit of being a firefighter! My passions outside of school include backpacking, baking, paddle boarding, line dancing, and trying new foods. I'm very excited to be part of the DCC community.

Reuben Shank (he/him) grew up in Brussels, Belgium in a minority Christian community with parents and mentors working at the intersections of peacebuilding, social justice, and the arts. For 25 years, he has been engaged

in collaborative learning and strategic projects at the grassroots in South America, West Africa, and the US; in academic centers in the US and the UK; and in multi-sector national and international change-making organizations. In these projects, he invites all to courageously lean into our sometimes difficult differences, tend to our healing, and gently generate new powerful possibilities for ourselves, our communities, and our world. Reuben currently serves as the Director of Learning and Impact Strategies at United Religions Initiative. When not on zoom or traveling, he loves the silence of wide-open spaces as much as of the inner soul and renews himself by playing with his human and canine friends in high mountains, deep snow, and warm waters.



Rev. Lauren Jewett (she/they) is the Minister for Youth and Community Engagement at DCC. She also serves as Associate Conference Minister for Youth, Young Adults, & Education for the NCNUCC. Lauren's greatest passion is to facilitate and co-create brave spaces where young people are invited to show up as their full selves, with permission to continue to discover and be curious about who they are and what they think, believe, and feel about the world around

them. Lauren is trained to facilitate and train facilitators in all levels of the OWL Curriculum. A farmgirl at heart, when not working, Lauren can be found hiking, paddleboarding, rowing, walking labyrinths, hammocking, traveling the world, gardening, spending time with her dog, or reading or writing letters and postcards.

Leo Facini—Born in Colombia in the late '80s, Leo had the privilege of living in various countries during his childhood due to his family's frequent moves. These early years of travel ignited his love for exploration, allowing him to connect with diverse cultures and people in a way that went beyond the typical tourist experience.

At 13, his family settled back in Italy, near his father's hometown, where he completed middle school, high school, and university. Leo earned a degree in Oenology and Winemaking, which provided him with the perfect excuse to keep traveling. His career took him to renowned wine regions in France, Armenia, Turkey, Spain, and ultimately the U.S., where he settled in Napa in January 2020.



Although his timing in Napa coincided with the world's most infamous shortage of toilet paper, it also marked the beginning of a new chapter. During those challenging times, on the day of the Superbowl, Leo met Allison. They quickly built a life together, starting not just a relationship, but a family.

Leo is now the Director of Bottling Operations for a winery in Napa and loves understanding and fixing things. Still considers himself a lover of books and reading, even if the time to do so is very limited. He enjoys the outdoors as well as a good movie while sipping a hazy IPA or a glass of wine with Allison.

Allison Sands—Allison is a Chicago native who still loves the cold and a good slice of deep dish. She leads the corporate security team at Gilead Sciences and previously worked in the U.S. government as an intelligence analyst for the Department of Defense, and a Special Agent with the FBI. Allison is an outspoken advocate and volunteer supporting the advancement of marginalized groups within the security industry and is the President of the Board of Directors at W.O.M.A.N. Inc, a San Francisco-based non-profit that provides support services for survivors of domestic violence. When she is not working or volunteering, you can find Allison on the slopes in Tahoe, on the yoga or Pilates mat, or exploring the wineries of Northern California with Leo. She and Leo are happily married and still unpacking their forever home they recently bought in Walnut Creek and are expecting their first baby in May.



Join us for **HOLY WEEK**

PALM SUNDAY	April 13, 9:30am
MAUNDY THURSDAY	April 17, 7:00pm
GOOD FRIDAY	April 18, 4:00pm <i>Community Church, Orinda</i>
EGG HUNT & BRUNCH	April 19, 8:30am <i>Sky Terrace Vineyards</i>
EASTER CELEBRATION	April 20, 9:30am

danvillechurch.org/HOLYWEEK

As a part of Holy Week services, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints has invited us to join them for their interfaith devotional series "Easter Season: Centered on the Savior," featuring guest speakers, uplifting messages, and inspiring music at the Oakland Temple Visitors' Center. Pastor Todd will be speaking on Tuesday, April 15th at 7:00pm.

Dogs and God

by Anne W. Seiler
Emmaus Team

Dogs have always been a part of my life. My parents', Connie & Alan Wadsworth, first child was Rufus, an adorable Golden retriever who was better at attracting attention than following instructions. My Dad would religiously walk Rufus, off leash, through the streets of Diablo, and through that routine, we got Rifle, another Golden as a divorce settlement. Dee R. could not move from San Francisco into Walnut Creek until she found a good family for Rifle. Rufus didn't just get a playmate to whom he taught all the rules of the house; we got Dee who would become a new special friend of the family over the following decades. Once Rufus died at age 13, Rifle took over the ritual of retrieving the morning newspaper. Mean backyard neighbor Bobby W. threw a dead chicken over our fence and retriever Rifle didn't survive surgery. Rascal became a part of our family in 1982 from a puppy farm way out in Livermore. While my mom & I checked out the new Stoneridge Shopping Center, my brothers & dad decided on the name.

My brothers and I were year-round swimmers and I remember how easily entertained we all were watching Rascal run around the SRVHS pool during our swim practices. Rascal was such a valuable part of our lives, documented by the framed wedding day picture my parents had of Rascal and me in their backyard. After Rascal went to Doggy heaven, we began the search for a new golden, but this time for two, one for the Wadsworths and one for the newlywed Seilers. My parents and I met the litter up in Fairfield to get first pick of two male puppies. They were all so cute I couldn't decide which one to choose. I got up to go back only to hear my parents say, "Oh, Anne, it looks like Barkley has chosen you!" Yes, one of those bundles of fur was following me! Every morning, on my drive from San Ramon to my job in Orinda, I would drop Barkley off at my parents for "free doggy day care".



Barkley would tirelessly play with his litter mate, Rowdy, preventing him from tearing up the garden or ripping out the drip system. The two dogs were bonded closely.

Tim & I hosted the church Youth Group at our San Ramon house so they could all meet Barkley. After our move to Sacramento, Barkley greeted newborn Allison at the door when she came home for the first time. When Tim traveled for business, Barkley, Allison & I would visit my parents & Rowdy's. When we decided to move back to the Bay Area, we lived at the Diablo house for 6 months until we finally found the perfect house that matched our many needs/desires. Barkley also welcomed Craig home from the hospital, but at age 8, Barkley died of a brain tumor.

We had a short stewardship of Holly, a mixed breed Golden rescued from Hollister. She had a very high prey instinct and was not good around other animals. After we paid vet bills for a neighbor's pet for a third time, we returned her to the Golden Rescue for behavior adjustment

training that we could not provide. Tim asked how long we needed to wait for a replacement, I said we needed to mourn the loss of our four-legged fierce companion. That Sunday, for the first time in our several decades of membership at DCC, another member came to church with a six-week-old puppy she had personally rescued from a bad situation on the streets of Houston. Tim left church right after worship to take Allison and Craig to swim team time trials, and we agreed that it was too soon for a new puppy. I brought home Bailey that afternoon, in part due to the prodding of former member and Rev. Dr. Alan Kelchner's son in law, David Fetherstonhaugh. Bailey has been a beloved addition to our family for over 10 years. Two summers ago, she was stricken with cancer. We chose to have her front right leg amputated. Once awoken from surgery, Bailey wagged her tail when the surgeon came to check on her. She's adjusted to becoming a tripod quite gracefully.

That winter in fear of her loneliness once Craig headed off to college, Tim suggested we investigate rescuing another dog to be companion for Bailey. Allison and Tim searched local dog rescuers, and we got to meet "Cosette" and her foster mom in the Montclair area. Bailey and this long-legged grey hound/pit bull mix got along well, and when I came home from work March 13th, two dogs greeted me from the couch. The rescue mom told us that Cosette has an "awkward gait" and if she could name her, she'd call her Phoebe (from the TV show *Friends*). She has required a lot of training, but in the end, she's a wonderful addition to our family as we are her "Forever Home".

I believe having a dog helps to keep you "grounded." It's like being a part of a church. You don't always have the same Minister, but the church family is always there with the acceptance of all and the giving of unconditional love.

(P.S. What do you get when you spell DOG backwards?)

Easter Baskets for Hope Solutions

by Kathie Hixon

This will be the 37th year in which DCC will provide Easter Baskets for people in our community. Once again, we are coordinating with **Hope Solutions**, whose mission is to heal the effects of poverty and homelessness by providing permanent housing solutions and vital support services to highly vulnerable families and individuals. If you wish to prepare a family basket, please see the list of items requested in the e-news and bulletins.



To participate, sign up in person after Sunday worship, use the sign up genius in the e-News, or email or call to Kathie Hixon (kathiehixon@comcast.net, 925-683-1728), and plan to drop off your baskets at the church on **Friday, April 18th, between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.** Baskets will be delivered immediately to Hope Solutions in Pleasant Hill, so there is no need for refrigeration. Thank you for your caring spirit and wonderful generosity! If you have any questions, please contact [Kathie Hixon](#).



SAVE *the* DATES

FOR THESE DCC SPRING & SUMMER EVENTS

STEWARDSHIP LUNCHEON
SUNDAY, APRIL 27

GRADUATE SUNDAY & BRUNCH
SUNDAY, MAY 4

ANNUAL MEETING & LUNCHEON
SUNDAY, MAY 8

VALLEY PRIDE
FRIDAY, JUNE 20 – SATURDAY, JUNE 21

PRIDE SUNDAY
SUNDAY, JUNE 22

Outreach Update

*by Doug Leich
Outreach Commissioner*

This report covers our congregation's giving to outreach offerings for June 2024 through January 2025, the first eight months of this DCC program year.

First, I want to report your generous response to our January special offering for 2025 California Wildfires Relief: \$4,620 received through January 31! We have forwarded this amount to the UCC's California Wildfires 2025 fund. Other offerings and individual gifts, with amounts received, were:

- UCC Strengthen the Church offering (June): \$510
- Back-to-school backpacks (July): \$350 contributed for gift cards
- Put the Guns Down (September): \$890
- UCC Neighbors in Need offering (October): \$810
- Indigenous Peoples Heritage offering (October; for Muwekma Ohlone Preservation Foundation): \$1,205
- Thanksgiving offering (for Winter Nights Family Shelter): \$1,635
- Christmas offering (for Trinity Center and UCC Christmas Fund): \$2,180
- Christmas for Others: \$515 contributed for gift cards
- Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano: \$2,000
- Sister Parish: \$580
- Open & Affirming Justice 100 Campaign offering (January): \$1,320
- Other: \$90

This adds up to a June 1, 2024 - January 31, 2025 outreach giving total of \$16,705. Thank you for your compassionate generosity!

Handbell Corner

*By Janis Jang
Handbell Choir Director*

Rehearsals resume in September. Let us know if you're interested in joining us! See you then.



Celebration Bells at Rev. Todd Atkins-Whitley's Installation on January 26th.

Dayspring Update

*by Shii Stickler
Dayspring Preschool Board Chair*



Happy Spring! Dayspring Preschool continues to thrive under the Directorship of Maria Arroyo and the wonderful group of teachers and administrators there. The Spanish Immersion Classroom has been very successful and the families are thrilled to hear their children singing and speaking in Spanish!

All classrooms are full and there is a waiting list. Earlier this year the children learned about and celebrated Lunar New Year.

The school is blessed to have DCC's own Donna Lenhardt visit periodically to read to the children. Donna's background as a librarian shines through as she captures and sustains the attention of 20+ 2–4-year-olds! The DSPS teachers have been so amazed that they've asked Donna to teach them how they can lead a successful story time. Thank you, Donna!

It's hard to believe but we are already planning for the End of Year celebration and Barbecue on May 28th at 5pm and would love the help from any DCC members that can help with serving, manning a BBQ, making popcorn, making snow cones, etc.) Keep an eye out for more announcements regarding that event and contact information for the organizer.

Sister Parish Updates

by Trish Moosbrugger and
Cesar Tox, Sister Parish

In February, the Sister Parish Committee was thrilled to participate in a round table discussion with the DCC Congregation about their recent trip to San Antonio, Guatemala. We shared stories of our personal experiences and joined small group discussions about our Sister Parish relationship; past, present and future. Everyone participating learned something new! We invite you to view a fantastic blog post and beautiful photos of the trip <https://sisterparish.org/blog/>

We were honored to have a special guest speaker, Miriam Lopez, join us at the February event. Miriam Lopez is a on the Board of Directors of Sister Parish in El Salvador, a member of the Committee of the community of San Jose and she is the founder of the women's movement in Chalatenango. Miriam's life work is to organize women, raise awareness of their rights, and guide and advise women who are victims of gender-based violence. She is a social activist and a fighter for justice.



Miriam Lopez

Here are some updates directly from the Sister Parish in Guatemala:

- The community is preparing spiritually to begin the Lenten season, they will meet at the church every Friday from 9am to 11am.
- Lent will begin on Wednesday, March 5th, (Ash Wednesday) and concludes on Holy Thursday, April 17th.
- The community has welcomed a new priest. The good news is that he will be celebrating mass every month now because before they only mass every 2 to 5 months.
- On March 21, there will be a special mass to bless their seeds and a good agricultural production for this year.
- Two couples are receiving wedding preparation in the church.



Zoom call with San Antonio



Party for a Purpose





Pastor Todd's Installation Service

DCC is a co-sponsor
of this event



I-SRV THIRD ANNUAL InterFaith EarthFest

See Hope - Seed Change



Sunday, May 4th
1:00pm - 4:30pm



St. Timothy's Episcopal Church
1550 Diablo Rd, Danville

Free Admission

Fun for the Whole Family



Food Trucks • Live Music • Booths
Activities • Speakers • Rituals • And More



- Spotlight Our Eco-Success Stories
- Draw Hope from One Another
- Inspire Local Commitment to Action

Learn More: InterfaithSRV.org

This community event is a collaborative celebration of Baha'i, Buddhist, Jewish, Muslim, Sikh, Sufi, Hindu, Taoist, and Christian friends, with acknowledgement to our Indigenous relations



We Pray for...

At DCC we believe in the power of prayer and in a God who hears us. The prayers below have been collected from our prayer time each Sunday and made available to the church office going back through October 2024. They have been updated as we receive additional information.



Prayers of Healing and Strength for...

- **From Carol Bassett:** Please pray for my friend **Corrine**, whose granddaughter had an unexpected grand mal seizure, her first as she is only 16 years old and looking forward to getting her driver's license.
- **From Carol Bassett:** Please pray for my brother **Dennis** and his wife **Annie** as they begin a difficult and complex move, complicated by medical issues, from Indiana to Arizona to their much-anticipated new home.
- **From Kristin Chambers:** Please pray for strength and faith for my friend **Jason** who continues to struggle with his own health while caring for his very sick husband.
- **From Maureen Gates:** Prayers for **Stevie** and all my children and grandchildren.
- **From Rande Paige:** Prayers for **the surrogate** who is currently on bedrest for a bit.
- **From Judy Halden:** Prayers for **Carol Bassett**. She is recovering from an injury yesterday. Text messages and emails are welcome.
- **From Gail and Brett Clark:** Prayers of joy for my brother **Rand**. He survived a heart-attack this week in time to have an angioplasty on a 90% blocked artery. He is at home and doing well.
- **From Nancy Dowell:** Special prayers for **Patrick Benton**, son-in-law of Judy Halden. Patrick is recovering from a lung transplant and he fell and broke his hip Saturday and had surgery Sunday. He is recovering in the hospital.
- **From Joy Davis:** Healing prayers for **Casey** and strength for her friends as they support her.
- **From Ben and Laura Beaver:** Please pray for our **dear friend and his wife** as they navigate a difficult diagnosis. May we figure out the best way to support both of them.
- **From Rande Paige:** Prayers for our family—our mom, **Eleanor**, in her frailty.
- Prayers for **Richard Stein** who is at home recovering well from hernia surgery last week.
- Prayers for **Carol Gerich** who continues to recover at home from a hip injury.
- **From Eileen Ackley:** Prayers of grace and healing for the **Gomoljak family**. Grandma Robin had surgery for a brain tumor last week. Praying for Robin, as well as Jeremy and Christi, and James and Lily.
- **From Anne & Tim Seiler:** Prayers of luck and good cheer to **Craig** who is competing in a Chapman club baseball game today against UC Riverside.

Prayers of Healing and Strength for...(continued)

- **From Trish Moosbrugger:** Please pray for my aunt, **Gerry**, who is in the hospital with a serious infection.
- **From Dianne Dorn:** Prayers for my friend **Paul**, who lives in Herne Bay, UK, who will be having a robotic kidney removal on Sunday, December 2.
- **From Gail and Brett Clark:** Please pray for our friend **Bryan** as he has neck fusion surgery tomorrow. We pray for the skill of the surgeon and all the caregivers. We pray for a speedy recovery.
- Prayers for **Nancy's** granddaughter **Marigold** that she continues to grow and thrive.
- Continued prayers for **Mark O'Neal and Jenn**.
- **From Joyce Klassen:** Prayers for **Judy Grenley** and her brother **Randy Dirth** who lives in Thailand. Randy has been diagnosed with bone cancer and is seeking treatment there.
- **From Eileen Ackley:** Continued prayers for friend **Frankie Ortega** and his wife **Yvette** recovers from surgery and is back on the kidney transplant list.
- **From Anne Bremirez:** Please pray for my uncle **Paul**, who had open heart surgery Friday. Prayers for his wife **Teresa** and son **Alex**, who will be his caregivers during the recovery.
- Prayers for **Carol Haley**, Deborah Daily's mom. She's been hospitalized and the family is discussing hospice. Prayers for her to be comfortable and know she's surrounded by love.
- **From Vickie Lanini:** Prayers for my **Danny** who has been diagnosed with a very rare health issue.
- **From Amy Furber-Dobson:** Prayers for **Diane**, grandmother of youth-grouper Sam and mother of Kari. Saturday, Diane fell down a flight of stairs and had to have surgery to stop the bleeding in her brain. She also broke her wrist. The family is grateful for our prayers.
- Prayers for **Bonnie Powers** who is recovering from shoulder surgery at home and doing well.
- **From Mary Kay McClure:** Prayers of support for my dear friend **Kathie** who is struggling to learn to drive with her left foot.
- **From Joy Davis:** Prayers of health and safety for **Jenny**.
- **From Brett & Gail Clark:** Please pray for healing for **Elaine Werfelmann**. She has been in the hospital for the past three months and is currently in a wound-care facility in San Francisco.
- **From Eileen Ackley:** Prayers of healing for my cousin **DJ Lynch** who is undergoing chemotherapy.
- We continue to pray for **Dick Karns** and for **Nan** as Dick navigates health challenges.
- Healing prayers for Paula Boyd's sister **Vickie** who is recovering from surgery.
- **From Rene Brucker:** Prayers of **healing for me** this Thursday and next Thursday for mono vision surgery. I am so grateful for these surgeries.
- **From Bonnie Violet:** **My mother** and her battle with cancer.

Prayers of Healing and Strength for...(continued)

- **From Brett and Gail Clark:** Please continue to pray for **Emma Lourenco**. She is now wiggling her toes on command and squeezing hands. These are very good signs that she has brain activity. Your continued prayers are greatly appreciated. Thanks be to God.
- **From William White:** Please keep **Peter Clark** in your prayers. He is in the hospital currently fighting an unexpected and sudden illness.
- **From Carol Gerich:** I invite our DCC congregation to pray with me for the recovery from pancreatic cancer suffered by the **daughter of a dear friend** in Santa Cruz.
- **From Haley Blythe:** Please lift up my **son's music teacher** in prayer. She is a young mother to two boys and a light in our community which is why her diagnosis of stage 4 lung cancer has come as such a shock to all of us. Please God work to heal her body and provide her family with all that they need during this trying time.
- **From Mary Kay McClure:** Prayers that we may find meaningful ways to support the staff and congregation of **Altadena (UCC) Community Church** which disappeared in the fires last week.
- **From Larry Berlin:** Prayers for those in this **Congregation who are ailing in many ways, and those awaiting test results, or discussions with their physicians**. Let them be blessed with good and comforting news, and more hope for their future.
- **From Amy Furber Dobson:** Prayers for health for **those who are ill**.
- **From Pastor Lauren:** Prayers for my grandma **Emma** after being diagnosed with shingles last week and is in a lot of pain.
- **From the Luther Family:** Prayers for **Megan's cousin** who will soon have to be hospitalized at 28 weeks pregnant for an extremely risky and life-threatening condition to their unborn baby girl. Prayers for health and wellness for our family so we can help and be more present to our community ❤️
- **From Mariah Callison:** Prayers of healing for **Jia**, the 3 year old granddaughter of my friend, Debbie. She has been diagnosed with cancer and has already begun chemo. Bring her and her family healing and comfort.
- **From Amy-Furber-Dobson:** Please pray for my mom **Pat** who has been sick for 3 weeks. She's ready to be healthy and to be able to join her church and family events.
- **From Larry Berlin:** Prayers for **those that had a bad week this week**, and we bless them with better health and spirit now and in the future.
- **From Eileen Ackley:** Prayers for my cousin **Bill** now in rehab recovering from cardiac bypass surgery.
- **From Anita Jackson:** Prayers for **Derek** and for all educators trying to protect and teach their students.
- **Francisca from Guatemala:** Prayers for her **husband** and **brother** who are working in the U.S.
- **From Sister Parish:** Prayers for **Ana Hernandez Lopez**, a young girl in the community that is struggling with mental illness.

Prayers of Healing and Strength for...(continued)

- **From Melissa Tumaneng:** Prayers for my **Aunt Estefania** who had another fall and hit her head. Grateful for no internal injuries. May her head wound fully heal.
- **From Joan Dobson:** Prayers for my sister **Kathleen** who is recovering in a rehab center for surgery on a broken hip.
- **From Leo Facine:** I'd like to request healing prayers for my mother **Gloria** and her recovery and healing journey
- **From Mary Courtenay:** A prayer for **Ryan** as he has returned to work this week after a successful surgery and recuperation. May his good health continue.
- **From Sharon Brockman:** Asking for prayers for my friend **Connie** who had a foot operation on Tuesday and is in a lot of pain.
- Prayers for **Anita Jackson** who along with six others lost her job last week. She asks for prayers to stay faithful as the future is so unknown, to stay steady and centered in love, and to trust God is moving for all good.
- We also pray for our friend **Carmarion D. Anderson** who along with 20% of the HRC was laid off.
- **From Linda Jewett:** For **understanding, patience and grace** in family relationships.
- **From the Bridgeman's;** Prayers for support and healing for **Linda Dowell** who is facing her fourth surgery to repair her neck.
- **From Dianne Dorn:** Prayers for **Kylie Ott**, daughter of my Rotary brother Jim Ott, who is fighting a serious respiratory infection in Santa Clara Kaiser.
- **From Carol Gerich:** Prayers of condolence and love for my friend **Pat** whose 45-year-old daughter just entered hospice care for pancreatic cancer. May the pain and grief finally subside.
- Prayers for **Francisco Hernandez** (Vice president of the committee of the church in Guatemala) is facing health problems due to illness.
- **From Joan Dobson:** Prayers for **Jim, Hazel, and Amy Furber-Dobson** for safe travels to Korea on Friday.
- **From Bill Williams:** Prayers for the **courage** to lovingly engage in difficult conversations with those whose views are different from ours.

Prayers of Sympathy for

- **From Rene Brucker:** Prayers for my dear friend, **Jane**, who is knowing the pain in her heart from the passing of her husband, Harold.
- **From Amy Furber-Dobson:** Please pray for the family and loved ones of Jim's uncle **Bob Dobson** who passed away this week.
- **From Melissa Tumaneng:** Prayers for **Glenyse and me** for the death Thursday night of her "brother-in-love" Michael Sweeney and for his surviving wife, **Wendy**. May he rest in peace.

Prayers of Sympathy for...(continued)

- **From Nancy Hill:** Prayers for *comfort for our family in Massachusetts* as we all mourn the loss of Richard, our brother. Grateful for his wisdom, kindness, humor and his model as a Christian. We have been richly blessed and deeply saddened.
- **From Barb DeBarger:** Prayers of *comfort for our family* as we mourn the death of our beloved dog Milo. He had a wonderful life with us, and we pray that he has endless treats and much love in doggy heaven.
- **From Rene Brucker:** Praise God for the life of my sister-in-law *Phyllis* who was taken away suddenly with her battle from cancer. Ever grateful for all the memories the Brucker family thankfully holds in our hearts.
- **From Jim Conning:** Prayers of remembrance for **Keith Conning**, father of Jim and grandfather of Jasmine, Jackson, and Jayden. Keith passed peacefully on Friday surrounded by family after entering hospice in recent months. Keith and Marian raised three children in Berkeley where he taught at Berkeley High for 20 years. We honor the life of Keith and all who loved him.
- **From Steve & Heidi Bridgeman:** Prayers for peace and condolences for the family of Dave Weiss who passed New Years Day—wife *Bridgette* and sons *Radley and Devery*. Our son Ryan's best friend, Dave, was the director of schools in Jefferson County, CO. He was 42 years old.
- We express sympathy to the *family of Sandra MacAulay* who transitioned from this life on December 21. During her time at DCC, Sandra was the Children's Musical Director. She and her husband of 50 years Bruce were very involved here at DCC made a big impact.
- We also pray for the *family of Joan Bodenman* who transitioned from this life on January 12. Joan and her late husband Bill joined DCC in 1974 and were active members here.
- Prayers for *Alice Donovan and her family* on the passing of her brother Bob (Robert) this past Tuesday evening in Concord. Bob attended DCC for several years, as does/did Alice.
- **From Carol Gerich:** Loving condolences to the *family of Gil Ramos* on his sudden death last week. He was a faithful and much beloved mail carrier.
- We mourn the passing of long-time DCC member Joyce Boehmert who passed away on February 3. We express our sympathy to Joyce's children *Karen and Beth* and their families.
- Prayers for the *family of Marcela Itzep* who passed away 8 days ago. Marcela was an original member of the Sister Parish Committee, and although she had been ill and homebound for a number of years, often prayed for her DCC friends. We visited and prayed with Marcela in November during the delegation.
- Francisca's grandmother, Mrs. Juana Itzep, died last month. *Francisca* is one of the Committee leaders and helped to organize our delegation. We visited and prayed with Juana in November during the delegation.

- **From Julie Brown and Heidi Bridgeman:** Prayers of compassion and healing for the family of **Derek Brown—Kristen, Jess, and Justin** (daughter and son), four grandpips, and his sisters **Julie and Heidi**. Derek (64) was in a fatal car accident in Denver on Tuesday (2/25). Most definitely, there is joy in heaven as he joins our mom and dad.
- **From Nancy Dowell:** Love and support to **Heidi** as she and **Steve** mourn the loss of Heidi's brother Derek, killed after an automobile accident last week.

Prayers of Thanks and Gratitude for...

- **From Kristin Chambers:** Prayers of gratitude for the **lunch bunch attendees**. I'm loving getting to know members of our church family who I didn't know before. Spending time with you is a blessing!
- **From Bill Williams:** A joyous prayer of thanksgiving for a coming together that Bob Howell and I experienced at a group called **Faith in Action East Bay**.
- **From Anne & Tim Seiler:** Congratulatory prayers for **Allison** who has been accepted to Chapman's Family Marriage Therapy masters program. She will begin those studies in February 2025.
- **From Stephanie & Chris Taddeo:** Prayers of gratitude for our grandson **Michael**. He is growing strong every day as exemplified by outgrowing his bassinet.
- **From Kristin Chambers:** Prayers of thanks for **Pastor Todd's wonderful service** today. I think I will play it on repeat in the next several weeks!!
- **From Kyra Kennedy:** Congratulations to **Nicole and Dan** for the marriage of their daughter Annalise this past weekend.
- **From Anne Seiler and Laura Beaver:** Happy birthday blessings to **Tim and Ben** who were both born on October 25.
- **From Eileen Ackley:** A heartfelt prayer of gratitude for my Zoom-tech angel today. God bless **John Kendall Bailey**.
- **From Kyra Kennedy:** Thank you to the volunteers who hosted the wedding at DCC this past weekend, including **Heidi, Steve, Anne-Marie, Barb, Nicole, and others**.
- **From Kim Michaud:** Prayers of thanksgiving for all the **folx who supported Dayspring** events this past week—Trunk-or-Treat, storytime with Donna Lenhardt, staff breakfast, book fair. We are so blessed to be in community together.
- **From Allison Sands:** (speaking of awe and wonder!) Prayers of gratitude for a **healthy first trimester** in a much prayed for pregnancy. Walk with Allison and Leo and keep them in hope and health throughout this journey.
- **From Norman Palmer:** A prayer of thanksgiving for **my family** as we gather to celebrate the day.
- **From Brett and Gail Clark:** Prayers of thanks that our friend **Brian** came through his surgery and is at home.
- **From Kyra Kennedy:** Thanks to the **community** for the prayers, support, visits and rides as I heal from my surgery! I am healing!
- **From Cathy:** **Incredible blessing, gift**, this morning. Thank you! Thank you!

- **Prayers of Thanks and Gratitude for...(continued)**

- **From Cathy:** Gratitude for the healing of a 13 year old young girl who was healed likened to the miracles in the bible; her name is **Hannah**.
- **From Mariah Callison:** Gratitude for your prayers for my sister **Lisa**. It has been an easier week. Thank you church!
- **From Bruce Lohmann:** **Wonderful music!** Thank you to all who performed and organized this gift!
- **From Linda Jewett:** The **music** is so uplifting and joyous, Thank you all for your hard work!
- **From Linda Reeve:** Gracious God—We thank Thee for **this beautiful season!** We love this time of year and pray our hearts may be open to Love and Loving-Kindness.
- **From Bob Howell:** Gratitude for the **over-throw of the Assad regime in Syria** and pray for guidance of leaders seeking to form a democratic government there.
- Prayers of gratitude for the continued healing and health for **Donny Woo** and **Michiyo Liang**.
- **From Wayne Snyder:** This December, **Nancy and I have been married for 60 years.** What a blessing to have shared our lives together for all these years.
- **From Vickie Lanini:** Blessings to you **Bonnie Violet**...we could feel your Joy... Thank you !
- **From Mary Courtenay:** A prayer of thanks to the DCC community for all the support last week as **Ryan** underwent surgery. He—and all of us—are so appreciative. The surgery was a success and Ryan is home now recuperating. He should be fully recovered by February.
- **From Bette Felton:** Thanks to **Alene Riley and the Blackhawk Chorus** for a wonderful holiday concert.
- **From Mariah Callison:** Prayers of joy and gratitude for the birth of our granddaughter, **Lincoln Amelia Staton** on January 2nd!
- **From Rene Brucker:** Good morning....I went for a walk early this morning. It was Wisconsin temps here in Pleasanton—35 degrees!!! The **sun came out** and warmed up Mother Earth. Blessings to you and yours!!
- **From Linda Jewett:** Joy for all **new members**.
- **From Tim Seiler:** I would like to offer sincere Thanks on behalf of the Bodeman, Wadsworth, and Seiler families to the entire Danville Congregational Church family for planning and conducting a **wonderful memorial service for Joan Bodeman** in this sanctuary Saturday—on barely 5-days notice. Particular thanks to Sandra, Joyce, Kyra, Donna, Randy, John, and of course Pastor Todd, John Kendall Bailey, and Anne-Marie.
- **From Carol and Matthew Bassett:** Thank you **DCC** for your loving kindness of cards, emails, calls, dinners and trips to the doctors. Matthew and I appreciate you so much.
- **From Bruce Lohmann:** A prayer of gratitude to God for the **people of our Danville Church**. I am included as all are included. I was blessed by the welcome we all received. We are blessed by the good work done by all in the church and in our communities. I am thankful, Bruce Lohmann in Mexico.

Prayers of Thanks and Gratitude for...(continued)

- Prayers of gratitude for the presence, witness, and ministry of **Elizabeth Rodriguez** who was with us in worship Sunday and for the National Farm Worker Ministry.
- **From Dianne Dorn:** Grateful for the **opportunity to serve as a “buddy” at Night to Shine**—a formal prom for disabled folks—with my Rotary brothers and sisters on Friday night.
- **From Nicole & Dan Northway:** Prayers of joy for the engagement of our daughter **Claire** to **Connor Blount** yesterday.
- **From the Beavers:** Happy 15th birthday to our sweet son **Oliver**. He’s brought so much love, laughter, and joy into our lives and into the world. Thank you God for the blessing of Oliver.
- **From Melissa Tumaneng:** Thank you for your prayers for my **Aunt Estefania**. She is now recovering in a skilled nursing facility and I will travel to see her this month.
- **From Kristin Chambers:** Thank you for the prayers last week for my friends **Shawn and Jason**. Shawn received his liver transplant on Tuesday—the surgery was successful and he is recovering well.
- **From Kyra Kennedy:** Grateful for **Michelle Sbrana** and the **Flourish Collective** for the Racial Justice Retreat. Thank you for guiding me on my path to allyship.

Prayers for the World...

- **From Stephanie Taddeo:** Prayers for all those **suffering from hurricanes Helene and Milton**. May they gain the strength needed to fully recover from the destruction and loss.
- We pray for an **end to all wars on this earth**, including those being waged in homes and families we know nothing about, and the war in Ukraine, in the Holy Land, and around the world.
- We pray for our country, particularly for the election that is about to happen. We pray for a peaceful election, and a **peaceful transition of power**, whatever that looks like.
- **From Barb DeBarger:** Lord, **heal our aching hearts** as we navigate our journey in our nation’s political climate. Let us find love amidst the discord.
- **From Barbara:** Prayers for **no tax on social security and no income tax and home tax** which may come next.
- **From Nancy Halseth:** Prayers of caring support for **the thousands who have lost their jobs or are worried they will**, including my brother-in-law and my next-door neighbor.
- Prayers for those **around the world—children and adults**—whose health and very lives will be impacted by cuts to funding for programs that prevent the spread of disease and mitigate poverty.
- **From Eileen Ackley:** Prayers of **tolerance and acceptance of the need for ASL interpreters** at public gatherings.
- **From Wayne and Nancy Snyder:** Prayers for **our world and all that is going on** around us. We ask for strength to stay positive and focused on what we can DO!

Prayers for the World...(continued)

- Prayers for the **people of Ukraine**, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our siblings in need. May peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world.
- Prayers for those **around the world—children and adults**—whose health and very lives will be impacted by cuts to funding for programs that prevent the spread of disease and mitigate poverty.
- **From Bill Williams:** Thanks to God that I **could be traveling** to share what I have experienced today from this sermon, from singing this music, from looking out into the faces I've come to know and love, that I am able to carry with me to the people I am going to visit, that my community cares about them and their stories and their lives.
- **From Larry Berlin:** Dear Lord, we pray to you in what feels so much in vain at times, for you to **stop wars and to put love and compassion in human hearts and minds**. Maybe we need to also look more inward and then to say those prayers to others with dark hearts and minds so that they reflect on their actions, and allow peace to prevail. Please Lord, let it be so.
- **From Nancy Halseth:** Prayers for all in **LA County** as they rebuild their lives. May caring, kindness and generosity prevail.
- **From Eileen Ackley:** Prayers of thanks, courage, and hope for the **victims, firefighters, emergency responders, for and shelter providers, and all those engaged in the Los Angeles fires and recovery**. May they know the love and healing spirit of God.
- **From Sally Baca:** Prayers for all the **fire victims in Southern California**.
- **From Syd Dent:** Prayers of safety and support for the **people of Altadena and Pacific Palisades** as they recover from the fires.
- We pray fervently for the success of the **return of Israeli hostages and for the ceasefire in Gaza**.
- **From Sharon Brockman:** Deep prayers that our **US leaders act out the words of Martin Luther King, Jr.** and all great leaders who promote justice and peace.
- **From Bill Williams:** Pray that we as educated people of means will look deeply into what is required for us to change a system that creates a new billionaire every day and a half and **lifts up the interest of people who are trying to feed their families**.

If you have a request for prayer, please contact the pastoral staff, members of the Diaconate, or the church office.



Spring Activities

- Wednesday Morning Prayer April 2
- Lenten Weekly Devotional April 2
- Choir Rehearsal April 2
- Communion Sunday April 6
- Choir Rehearsal April 6
- Diaconate Meeting April 8
- Wednesday Morning Prayer April 9
- Lenten Weekly Devotional April 9
- Choir Rehearsal April 9
- Palm Sunday April 13
- Choir Rehearsal April 13
- Adult Education Second Hour April 13
- Commission Sunday April 13
- Youth Group April 13
- Finance Committee Meeting April 15
- Holy Tuesday at the Mormon Temple April 17
- Prayer Shawl Ministry April 16
- Wednesday Morning Prayer April 16
- Lenten Weekly Devotional April 16
- CARE Support Group April 16
- Choir Rehearsal April 16
- Maundy Thursday April 17
- Spirited Sisters April 17
- Good Friday Service at Orinda UCC April 18
- Egg Hunt and Brunch April 19
- Easter Sunday April 20
- Choir Rehearsal April 20
- Wednesday Morning Prayer April 23
- Choir Rehearsal April 23
- Council Meeting via Zoom April 24
- John and Gabrielle Recital April 26
- Choir Rehearsal April 27
- Stewardship Luncheon April 27
- Youth Group April 27
- Wednesday Morning Prayer April 30
- Choir Rehearsal April 30
- Communion Sunday May 4
- Graduates Sunday and Brunch May 4
- Interfaith Earth Fest May 4
- Wednesday Morning Prayer May 7
- Choir Rehearsal May 7
- Choir Rehearsal May 11
- Commission Sunday May 11
- Youth Group May 11
- Diaconate Meeting May 13
- Wednesday Morning Prayer May 14
- Choir Rehearsal May 14
- Spirited Sisters May 15
- Ingathering Sunday May 18
- Choir Rehearsal May 18
- Council Meeting May 18
- Adult Education Second Hour May 18
- Youth Group May 18
- Finance Committee Meeting May 20
- Prayer Shawl Ministry May 21
- Wednesday Morning Prayer May 21
- CARE Support Group May 21
- Choir Rehearsal May 21
- Choir Rehearsal May 25
- Wednesday Morning Prayer May 28
- Choir Rehearsal May 28
- Communion Sunday June 1
- Choir Rehearsal June 1
- Wednesday Morning Prayer June 4
- Choir Rehearsal June 4
- Choir Rehearsal June 8
- Music Sunday June 8
- Annual Meeting June 8
- Diaconate Meeting June 10
- Wednesday Morning Prayer June 11
- Ingathering Sunday June 15
- Finance Committee Meeting June 17
- Prayer Shawl Ministry June 18
- Wednesday Morning Prayer June 18
- CARE Support Group June 18
- Choir Rehearsal June 18
- Spirited Sisters June 19
- Valley Pride June 21
- Choir Rehearsal June 22
- Council Meeting June 22
- Wednesday Morning Prayer June 25
- Choir Rehearsal June 25
- Choir Rehearsal June 29
- Adult Education Second Hour June 29

Birthdays and Anniversaries

April

- 1 Bret and Kim Lawrence
- 2 Dan Northway
- 2 Edgar Wong
- 3 Steve and Heidi Bridgeman
- 8 Brett Clark
- 10 Barb DeBarger and Judy Gestring
- 15 Spencer Daily
- 18 Peggy Gierke
- 20 Alene Riley
- 27 Bob Howell
- 30 Luci Beaver

May

- 1 Penny Atkin
- 1 Todd Atkins-Whitley
- 1 Marge Czajkowski
- 2 Kim Michaud
- 2 Emily Luther
- 4 Anne & Tim Seiler
- 4 Amy & Jim Furber Dobson
- 5 Donna Lenhardt
- 6 Tahir Mahmood
- 10 Camara Rauen
- 10 Jim Stickler
- 10 Chris Wang
- 13 Gail Clark
- 16 Allison Seiler
- 16 Stephanie Taddeo
- 17 Aram Boyd
- 17 Daniel Lanini
- 18 Will Kovach
- 25 Jim and Pae Conning
- 26 John Kendall Bailey
- 30 Carol Gerich
- 31 Marianne Clark & Donny Woo
- 31 Judy Weisgraber

June

- 5 Katie Beaver
- 5 Carrie Hrousis
- 6 Mary Ann Prickett
- 10 Steve Bridgeman
- 11 Jackson Conning
- 11 Jayden Conning
- 13 Vickie Lanini
- 18 Janis and Randy Jang
- 20 Brett & Gail Clark
- 21 Kathie and Bruce Hixon
- 29 Joy Davis
- 29 Diane and Richard Stein
- 29 Richard Stein

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