



**HAPPY
4TH
OF JULY!**

Getting to Know Pastor Angel Rivero

In an effort to get to know our new Pastor Angel, Jan, Dave, Kathleen, and Nancy submitted some “burning questions” to quote Dennis Bull and the following are Pastor’s answers to the questions of his choice.

Were you always a cat person?

No. I never had a cat growing up and realized I had a cat allergy when I first met Martin (one of his roommates had a cat). When I started my appointed ministry in Marina in July 2020, we weren’t sure if Martin would stay in Marina or return to San Francisco due to the uncertainty of how long the pandemic would last and if his work would require him to go into the office. So, I thought maybe it would be nice to have some furry roommates! I worried that perhaps a dog would require more attention than I could provide (given a new job and new community) so we went with cats (natural homebodies). Since then, I have become a crazy cat pastor!

What drew you into pastoral ministry

In high school, I just wanted to be a “helper” when I grew up. So, when I was thinking of going to college, I thought I’d study to become a school teacher. But, it was through my home church’s youth group where I felt that being a pastor would allow me to help people from all walks of life. This developed further with a sense of calling and years-long theological exploration, but that is what first drew me into pastoral ministry.

Any favorites?

Scripture Passages: Psalm 139

Bible Books: Epistle of James, Gospel of Luke

Apostle: Peter (we can all see ourselves in him)

Hymns: So many... absolute favorite, UMH 120

Ministers: John Wesley (of course!), Mister (Fred) Rogers

Authors: Howard Thurman, Rachel Held Evans

Liturgical Season/Day: Season of Lent, All Saints’ Day, Pentecost

Any siblings? Where are you in the pecking order?

I am the eldest of three. My sister, Victoria, and my brother, Christopher, both live in the Los Angeles area.

Your primary theological message in one sentence.

“The greatest thing we can do is to let people know that they are loved and capable of loving.” – Mister Rogers.

Favorite childhood memory.

It would probably be my mom taking us to the public library during the summer months and participating in their programs.

What’s the most interesting place you’ve been to?

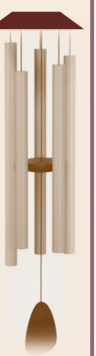
Xochicalco, pre-Columbian archaeological site in the Mexican state of Morelos. It was a short-lived (650-900 C.E.) urban center for Mesoamerica. It held religious and scientific significance for the Mayan people.

If you could be any animal, what would it be?

When I was a kid, I wanted to be an elephant. Now, as an adult, a house cat.

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Re-opening The Doors

Melanie Kincheloe, a long term member of First Church Roseville and the daughter of Connie Witherow, our Administration Assistant, moved to Northern California about two years ago. A trained Lay Minister and United Methodist Volunteer in Mission Team Leader, Melanie is dedicated to doing the Lord's work. Through her volunteer work in the area, Melanie became familiar with the indigenous people, living on The Yurok Reservation. The Yurok Indian Reservation is a Native American reservation for the Yurok people located in parts of Del Norte and Humboldt counties, California, on a 44-mile stretch of the Klamath River. It is one of a very few tribes who have never been removed from their ancestral lands in California.

Melanie came across The UMC Church of the Redwoods which has been closed for the past five years. Six months ago, with the permission of Blake Busick, our District

Superintendent, Melanie opened the doors to the church. Last week many of you received an email requesting donations to help pay an overdue property tax bill of \$3000. Because of your generosity, the bill is being paid as I write this article.

In order to re-establish the church, Melanie has created a non-profit organization, known as Klamath Community Church. She is raising money through this non-profit to donate to the project.

Melanie's focus is all about nurturing the community. The area is a food desert, and already property next to the church has been donated for use as a community garden. The church is open for a lunchtime gathering on Sundays and a gathering time on Wednesdays. Many locals are stepping up to offer classes in native crafts, as well as child daycare, NA and AA meetings.

The church has also become involved with the Klamath Dam Removal Project. On March 10, 2023, the Klamath River Renewal Corporation officially broke ground on removal activities for the Klamath River dams. Removal of the four Klamath River dams will be the largest dam removal project in the history of the United States and the largest salmon restoration project ever. It will also begin to restore justice to the Tribes and indigenous peoples who have lived along the Klamath River since time immemorial.

"We have broken ground on the world's biggest salmon restoration project to date." -

Craig Tucker, Natural Resources Policy Advocate for the Karuk Tribe.

Please keep Melanie, the Klamath Community Church, the Yurok Tribe and The Church of The Redwoods UMC in your prayers.

submitted by Kathleen Mirtoni



Letter to Safeway

This is a letter that was sent to the new Safeway store across Washington Blvd and the church

March 17, 1954

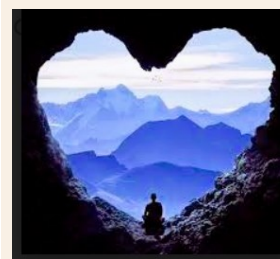
It is with a great deal of pleasure that we have watched the progress of the construction of your splendid building across the freeway from our church. Roseville and vicinity will be well served with such a facility and many are anticipating the opening of this store. This church wishes at this time to courteously make this request directly to your office, that Safeway Stores,



Inc. do not sell from this store alcoholic beverages of any kind. We feel that this request is reasonable and that your organization would be reasonable in granting it. It can come as no surprise to you that we should make such a request. It has been a clear policy of our denomination since its inception to take a firm stand against the sale of alcoholic beverages. But, furthermore, our community here in Roseville is well supplied with such outlets. The licenses for the sale of such beverages, is far above the number which the law allows. Furthermore, within 600 feet of the entrance to our building there are already ten places where alcoholic beverages are sold. I may say here, that since my pastorate began in August of 1951 none of these licenses have been granted, to my knowledge. Your new store entrance is within 300 feet of our sanctuary entrance. This church's cornerstone has the date of 1882. The street we both front on is named for this church. But its history goes back twenty years before that to the Civil War period when preaching first began here by our ministers. Besides official action taken by our church prior to your construction, I may say that the sentiment of not only our people supports this statement but also that of other neighboring churches and citizens of the community. We greatly trust that you will respect our request. We greatly trust that you will respect our request.

Phoebe Astill,
Historical Chair

New Group Forming "A Journey of Creativity & Faith!"



"Shoot For The Moon. Even If You Miss, You'll Land Among the Stars."

Norman Vincent Peale Quote

**Enhanced Creativity & the Power of Faith supporting Change.
God Created a Masterpiece and you are that Masterpiece!
What is your calling? What is your source?**

Gay Brodsky MACC is known in the Bay Area and San Francisco for her work facilitating the Artist's Way process and is certified as a Spiritual Director thru the Hesychia School of Spiritual Direction. Along with her knowledge of worship music, she has the perfect skill set to provide a rich environment, inspirational for creating.

Join me for 4 Saturdays in August (8/5, 8/12, 8/19, 8/26) @11am - 1pm in the Heritage Chapel, for a spirit filled experience, using music, writing and conversation, on our Journey of Creativity and Faith.

Please contact me for information and/or to sign up, via phone/text at 415-259 -7675 or email: Gaybrodsky@gmail.com.

Submitted by Gay Brodsky

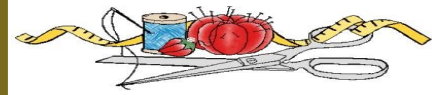




With Father's Day being celebrated during the month, at our June 2023 meeting we honored our fathers by examining our relationships with them. Some reported their fathers teaching them to build objects using tools, and there was consensus that our fathers had played a significant role in building our characters. The desire that we could once again talk with our dads was expressed.

Our next gathering will be on Saturday, July 8, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Heritage Chapel. The burning question of the day will be to reminisce about a favorite vacation or favorite vacation destination. Any questions please contact any of the Agape Team members (Don Harris, Dave Sechrist, Thom King, and Jim Wecker) or Dennis Bull at 630-781-6110.

3 C's Invite You to Join Us!



COME AND EXPLORE YOUR CREATIVITY

On July 12th, 2023, at 9:30 AM, the Stampers of 3C's will be meeting to make Greeting Cards. All who are interested in participating are welcome. We'd love to have you join us for fellowship and sharing ideas. NO EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED, just a willingness to pick up to pick up some stamping tips, have a fun time and create. Questions? Feel free to contact Betsy Green at 719-357-1581. We look forward to seeing you there! (Room at end of hall past craft room 2nd floor)



United Women in Faith

SHARING OUR GIFTS

Each of us has gifts to share, ways to serve others. For some members of United Women in Faith, one of their gifts is creating prayer shawls. These shawls are given to anyone who needs a measure of comfort in times of illness or mourning. Each shawl includes a tag with this verse:

*You created every part of me.
Knitting me in my mother's womb.
For such handwork, I praise you.
Awesome this great wonder.*

Psalm 139: 13-14

If you know someone who would appreciate a prayer shawl, please contact Connie in the office (cwitherow@firstumcroseville.org) or Susan (sireining@comcast.net).

"DID YOU KNOW..."



It's July already! The year is HALF over?? Amongst the many things that means (such as I still haven't started my house painting project yet), it is time for me to mail out our quarterly giving statements. When your statement arrives, please take a moment to look it and let me know if you see something wrong. Since the year is half over, your pledged giving should be half of your total pledge for the year. If you have not made a pledge, it is never too late! Pledge cards are available in the sanctuary, you can contact me personally, or you can submit a pledge online by entering the following into your search engine <https://9914464f.churchtrac.com/> then click on the red and white "DONATE" button.

Dave Sechrist, Finance Chair

Please continue to pray for the following people.

For Healing & Comfort

Connie, Hazel, Jim, Audrey, Vicki



For Bereavement

The Family of Marie Moody
The Family of Loren Kinzel

Please submit request for prayers to prayers@firstumcroseville.org



JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 2ND BRIAN RIPLEY
- 11TH JANICE GAITOR
JUEL KINCHELOE
- 14TH DAVID PROVINE
- 16TH THOM KING
- 29TH EJ THOMAS
- 31ST DENNIS BULL



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Church Office Hours
Monday— Friday 9:00 AM—12NOON



On 6/10/2022 we received \$77.25 for CAV recycle cans & bottles. Thanks to all who saved and brought them to church to help pay our bills.
Don Harris, Trustee President

NEXT RECYCLE IS SATURDAY July 8, 2023

FIRST CHURCH ROSEVILLE TEAM LEADERS

Pastor—Angel Rivero
Certified Lay Minister—Kathleen Mirtoni
Church Council Chair—Liz Harvey
Lay Leaders—Kathleen Mirtoni
Jan Sechrist
Ruth Ann Baker
Treasurer—Chris Handley
Financial Secretary—Elizabeth Harvey
Finance Team Chair—Dave Sechrist
Trustees President—Don Harris
Staff Parish Chair—Dennis Bull
Mission Outreach—Dennis Bull,
Thom King, and Paul Woicicki
Memorial—Susan Reining
Worship Team Leader—Nancy Bray
Congregational Care—Gail Provine
Music Director—John Handley
Communications—Kristi Kinzel
Lay Leadership Training—Kristi Kinzel

Worship

Attendance in June was 269 the Average was 67.

The Monday Feeding Program

In June 250 meals were served to the hungry in our community.



Featuring

Hot Dogs, Potato Salad, & Ice Cream for a \$5.00 Contribution

Don Harris and Judy Solari are our hosts
Please come to welcome our new pastor and enjoy the fun celebration of the 4th of July!

