



Fall
is proof that
change is
beautiful

*Our twilight month November is,
 The evening of the year.
 The brilliant summer noontide left
 A pallor soft and clear.*
 -Ruby Archer

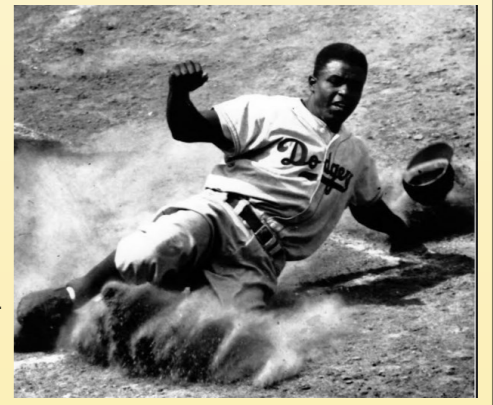
Within literature, the “twilight month” of November is often described in bleaker terms because of its proximity to winter’s encroaching cold. However, I love November. While others may experience it as a “pallor soft and clear,” I see *Her* autumnal face filled with blushed but quiet vitality. There is a sense of warmth and comfort in the atmosphere that animates activities infused by hot cider sipping rituals performed while wearing earth-toned turtle-necked sweaters. Also, for some reason November evokes the smell of cinnamon sticks and that’s always good. I love this penultimate month that is birthed in the wake of Halloween’s revelry only to find fulfillment in a holiday that features the four “F’s” of food, football, family, and fun. As I think of this November, three themes readily present themselves: *gratitude, running, and home.*



I am *grateful* for family and memories of past Thanksgivings in my *hometown* of Manchester, CT. This includes watching the annual *running* of the famous Manchester Road Race. This Turkey Day event attracts people from all over, and for one day, Main Street in the historic section of downtown swells with thousands of people ready to *run, jog, or walk* the 4.7 miles. I am particularly *grateful* for my brother David who faithfully *ran* that race annually. Though, he has lived in San Francisco for nearly 25 years, he often flies the 3000 miles back to our *hometown* during Thanksgiving to visit family and to *run, of course.* It was David’s courageous example that

enabled Kawami and I to move to California as newlyweds in 2004, and it is because of his big-brother love that makes the “twilight” month of November always feel like *home.*

This November, I am also *grateful* for the life and example of Jackie Robinson. When thinking of him, the first image that comes to mind is seeing the word “Dodgers” in cursive font on his away gray uniform disappear in a blurring cloud of dust as he slid into the plate, *running* to steal *home* against my Yankees during the 1955 cross borough World Series. Though Yogi Berra insisted to



his dying day that he was out, there is no doubt that Jackie Robinson’s risk-taking bravery still safely finds an indelible *home* in the hearts of those who imagine a fairer and just society for our shared nation. Before *running* for the scrappy team playing on Ebbets Field in the Flatbush section of Brooklyn, Jackie Robinson was a second lieutenant in the segregated United States Army in 1944. Robinson was famously court marshalled for refusing to move to the back of a bus that was operating on base. Though he was later acquitted by an all-white panel of nine officers, he eventually found a *home* in the sport of baseball. The rest, as they say, is history, and I am *grateful* for this hero of American excellence and integrity.

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Veteran's Day arrives on November 11th and I am honoring all those who have served in the armed forces. I am not only grateful for their service in general, but for safeguarding the promise of our Democracy usually at great personal and hidden costs. This realization led Dawn Blue of Wadsworth, Ohio to selflessly act in a way that combined the themes of gratitude, running, and home. Last month, she ran 105 miles (the equivalent of 4 marathons) over the course of 4 days in her hometown to raise funds for the families of wounded warriors, those injured during their time in the military. When asked about her motivation to run, she said, "It is very worth it because what I go through is a small portion of what the veterans go through" Dawn went on to say, "I'm doing it for my uncle. He passed away [but] couldn't get the help that he needed. And I'm like, 'That's it, I can't have anybody else suffer like that,' so I started working with Wounded Warrior." I am grateful for this former firefighter's efforts whose running not only raised thousands of dollars from 38 sponsors, but energized her community in support of those who bravely protect the shared home of our nation. As we enter into this "twilight month" of November, it is my hope that we hold on to a sense gratitude, as we nurture our places of home. In so doing, I pray that we will be strengthened in our awareness of our purpose as we are guided to, "run with perseverance the race that is marked out for us."



Blessings,
Pastor Mahsea

Opportunity to Serve

Our church has an Automatic Electronic Defibrillator (AED) for use just in case of someone experiencing a heart attack on our property. At one time we had 10 members of our congregation trained for this and basic first-aid. Now those 10 have "retired" and we have no one ready to assist, should the need arise (it never has so far!) The church will pay for the 4-hour training course for anyone willing to take it and step up if ever needed. If no one volunteers, Council will vote to cease annual fees and maintenance costs on the equipment, and perhaps try to sell it.

Please contact Don Harris, if you would be willing to be a volunteer. (916) 712-8338

Please keep the following people in your prayers for

Healing and Comfort:

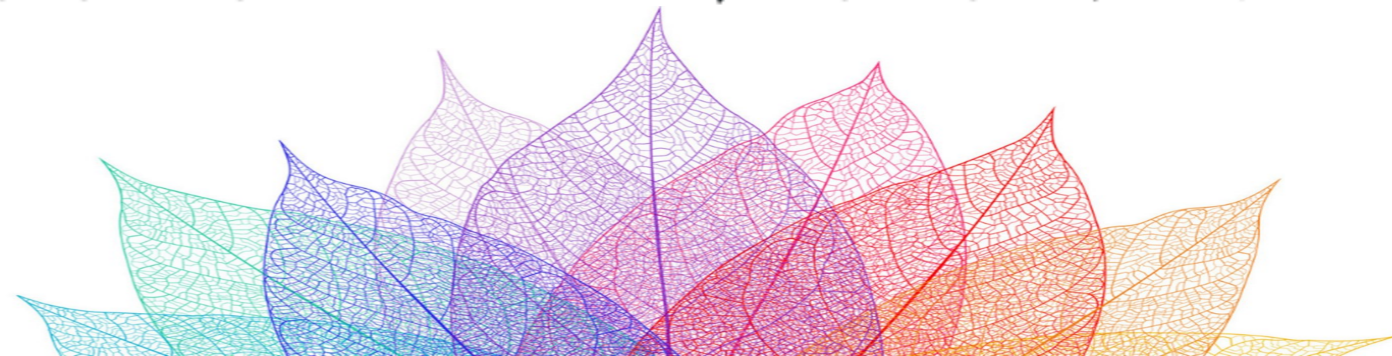
Ruth Ann
Marie
Hazel
Connie
Barbara



Jan and John
Brandon
Mary and Family

Please submit prayer requests to prayers@firstumcroseville.org

COLOR THE VISION 2022



First UMC has been such a blessing to Weston and myself. We were given a fantastic job of improving the looks and function of much of the building, which had needed much love and attention. I heard one member say at a meeting one day, "This is God's house and we need to clean it up". That's all it took. It started with the Meeting Room table and chairs and ended with the Lift to get upstairs. Weston and I enjoyed the planning, purchasing, and idea gathering. Don Harris and Cliff Williams did most of the hands on work, painting, assembling, and installing. We always felt whatever we had was not ours, but belonged to God, so giving to the church was easy for us. Whatever we gave seemed to come back to us double fold. Weston is no longer with us, but his spirit lives on in all the things he was part of here at First Church. Please give generously to First Church for our annual Stewardship campaign. You will be glad you did.
Blessings, Barbara Hulse

SonShine



Fall into the arms of Jesus.
He will never drop you.

..."Did you waste your day or use it? Was it well or poorly spent?

Did you leave a trail of kindness or a scar of discontent?

At the closing of the day, do you think that God would say,

You have made the world much better with the life you've lived today?"

Excerpt from "Have You Earned Your Tomorrow?" by Edgar Guest

Dear Church Family,

Every morning offers a chance to make a difference.

Smile at your neighbor. It may make his or her day brighter.

The goal of the Care team is to help you feel the love of Jesus.

You are loved! Let us know when someone needs a call.

Much Love, Gail Provine



Agape Men's Group

References to our jobs during our Agape Group gatherings have aroused interest and curiosity about our work histories. Answers were provided during our October meeting as we answered the burning question: Tell us about your work life---a favorite job and/or a not-so-favorite job. Jobs have included the following: driving a rock truck to a crusher; supervising home and commercial building construction; selling toilet paper; director of a foster girls' home, and being a member of a Combat Stress Control Team deployed to Bosnia. All were in agreement that many life lessons had been learned during our work careers.

Our next gathering will be on Saturday, November 13, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in Heritage Chapel. Our *burning question* will be: Share your family's Thanksgiving traditions and a memorable Thanksgiving experience. Any questions please contact any of the Agape Team members (Don Harris, Cliff Williams, Dave Sechrist, Thom King, and Jim Wecker) or Dennis Bull at 630-781-6110.

Hope to see you!

Dennis Bull



In October a UMW survey was emailed out. Eight people responded to the survey and the results follow:
The best day for a zoom or in-person meeting was a tie between Wednesday and Thursday.
The best time was 10 AM-12 noon.
85 % would attend an in-person meeting.
Only 50% of those responding would attend a zoom meeting.
Taking the results of the survey into account, we have scheduled our next UMW in-person meeting on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 10:00 AM to 12 noon. If you would like to stay after the meeting for more time together be sure to pack a sack lunch. Every woman is invited to attend. You do not need to be a Methodist to attend and belong to UMW. If you didn't get a survey and would like one, please contact Nancy by emailing your request to nbray@firstumcroseville.org.
Hope to see you in January.
Many Blessings, Nancy Bray

Historical Gleanings Memorial Committee

In February 1975, at a Church Charge Conference a new committee was formed. Its name was "Memorial Committee". The first members appointed were Joyce Davidson, Chairman, Grace Tueller, Arthur Circle, and Terry Tutor, and over the years the names changed. In 1977 Eleanor Darling replaced Terry Tutor, 1978 James and Beverly Bush were added. 1979 Pauline Smith, Art and Lela Circle were added. In 1980 Lela Circle became chairman. 1982 Kieth and Mabel Martinelli were added. 1985 Florence Brown and Siddie Rice were added, 1991 Ray Jellison was added. In 1992 James Bush became chairman and 1997 Janice Gaitor became chairman. In 1997, when this article was first written the members of this committee were: Janice Gaitor Chairman, Ray Jellison vice chairman, Benjie Lohse, Cora Reading and Paul Gordon

This committee, in 2021, is still a hard working committee, working to honor, those who have gone before us. Phoebe Astill, Historian

What does the Memorials Team do?

The Memorials Team at FUMC Roseville exists to honor and acknowledge the members and friends who have died. To this end, they process donations and ensure that the monies are sent to the appropriate, sometimes designated, recipients. They maintain oversight of monies that have been donated and distribute funds as requested in writing. ... They maintain and update plaque boards with names located in the foyers of the church. They send thank you letters to donators.

There are some monies undesignated in the account. The Team, after the receipt of written requests for appropriate expenditures, can vote on projects and distribute the funds as needed.

Anyone can donate to the memorials fund and you can designate where you wish the money to go or you can leave it undesignated.

Barbara Schwartz is the current team leader.

Thank You!

I want to express my deepest appreciation to all of you who sent cards and prayed for me during my recovery from my fall. I have been released from all restrictions and don't have to see my ophthalmologist for 3 months. Thank you so much!
Blessings, Chris Handley

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1ST DEBBIE THOMPSON
- 2ND DELANEY WILLIAMS
JOHNNA STAUFFER
- 3RD SHELLY NEWTON
- 4TH FRAN BURTON
- 5TH DREW BRAY
CORRINE WILLIAMS
- 8TH ERIC LUMLEY
- 9TH ELBA AULICH
- 10TH DORIS
SHEPARD-BAKER
BRIAN CROOKS
DENISE LUMLEY
- 11TH CONNIE WECKER
- 20TH NANCY BRAY
CHLOE TRILLO
- 22ND NICHOLAS WILSON
- 23RD RACHAEL WILSON



September/October Noses, Dollars, and Cents

Basic Monthly Statistics

Income Sept. 2021: \$ 9,297.05
Expenses Sept. 2021: \$14,761.54
Net Income Sept. 2021: \$7,663.84

Transfer from Lending: \$ 0.00
New Total: \$7,663.84

Basic Yearly Statistics 2021

YTD Income: \$101,939.94
YTD Expense: \$120,580.07
Net Income: \$18,640.13
Transfer from Lending: \$ 2,500.00
New Total: \$15,140.13

Thank you for your continued financial support. It is very much appreciated.

October Worship Attendance
Total: 164 Average: 41
The Monday Feeding Program
for the homeless
served 231 meals in October



FIRST CHURCH ROSEVILLE TEAM LEADERS

Pastor--Mahsea Evans
Certified Lay Minister--Kathleen Mirtoni
Church Council Chair-- Kathleen Mirtoni
Treasurer--Chris Handley
Financial Secretary--Elizabeth Harvey
Finance Team Chair--Dave Sechrist
Trustees President--Don Harris
Staff Parish Chair--Dennis Bull
Mission Outreach--Kathleen Mirtoni
Memorial-- Barbara Schwartz
Worship Team Leader--Nancy Bray
Congregational Care--Gail Provine
Music Director--John Handley
Communications--Kristi Kinzel
Lay Leadership Training--Kristi Kinzel



Recycle October 9th \$81.00
Please keep saving your recyclables to bring in on Saturday November 13th in the parking lot between 9-11 AM
Thanks to all! It helps our church pay our bills.
Don Harris, Trustee President



Fall Craft and Bake Sale Sunday November 14th

We look forward to seeing you at our craft and bake shop in Backman Hall on Sunday the 14th. And we wish to thank all those women who have volunteered to bake the goodies that will be available to you. Come and enjoy!
We hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving also!
Blessings, Susan Reining and the 3C's