



# ALONG THE WAY

The Newsletter of Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church • July 2017

## Rev. Hardy Kim Joins Us July 30

By Kris Sheridan, Marketing Manager



We are excited to welcome our new Head of Staff, the **Rev. Hardy H. Kim**, as he begins his time with us on Sunday, July 30. Come to one of our three regular services to hear Pastor Hardy preach, and stay for a light meal afterward.

We send our prayers and warm wishes to Hardy and his family as they say goodbye to their church community and friends back in Chicago and for safe travels as they embark on a journey across the country to join us in Sunnyvale. Hardy will be on study leave beginning mid-July to prepare sermons and begin the transition into his new job. His first official day in the office will be Monday, July 31.

Just as we are excited to get to know Pastor Hardy, he is looking forward to getting to know all of us. There will be many opportunities to get acquainted—the best of which is to come to church! Hardy will preach all Sundays in August, except August 6, which is CARAVAN Sunday and will be led by our CARAVAN participants. Plan to join Hardy and others as we continue our summer community dinners after Intersections in August. All are invited—even if you worship at one of the other services, please come back at 6 PM to reconnect with friends old and new.

Pastor Hardy and his family will attend SVPC's  
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All-Church Camp over Labor Day weekend; feel free to introduce yourself and welcome them into our church family. 🌿



## Opportunities to Meet Pastor Hardy

### Sunday, July 30

Come hear Pastor Hardy preach at one of our three regular services, followed by a meal.

- 7:50 AM—Early Light service, followed by a light brunch
- 10 AM—Traditional service, followed by a light lunch
- 5 PM—Intersections service, followed by our community dinner

### Community Dinners in August

Everyone is invited to join SVPC's community dinners in Trinity Court after Intersections.

- August 6 (CARAVAN Sunday)—dinner provided
- August 13, 20 and 27—potluck so bring a dish to share

### All-Church Camp, September 1–4

Meet the Kim family informally



# The View From Here

by Rev. Karin Kennedy Hejmanowski



*Dear Friends,*

It feels like summer only just began and already we find ourselves in July with so much happening. For our kids, already a fantastic week of VBS has come and gone with many kids hearing afresh in creative ways about God's love, and Summer Church School is in full swing.

Our high schoolers are leaving on CARAVAN—their weeklong trip of service and learning—on July 15. Please be praying for them as they stretch themselves and experience Jesus in new ways.

And last, but far from least, **Pastor Hardy** is arriving and will be preaching on July 30.

Hardy and his family are in the midst of traveling cross-country and making space in their hearts to receive us. Our job, then, is to make space in our own hearts to receive them—how exciting!



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In the office, we have been preparing in many ways to bring on Pastor Hardy, finding ways that we think will help him acclimate and get to know us as a congregation and as an organization. We are so excited, and I trust you are as well.

Let’s recommit to wearing our nametags and graciously not only introducing, but also reintroducing ourselves

to Hardy as he learns so many names and faces. Nametags are part of our hospitality to Hardy, but also to one another.

I’m looking forward to our next season in life and ministry together. Cheers to new beginnings! 

Peace,

*Karin*

# July & August Calendar

A quick look at what's happening at SVPC this month...

## July

- 2 Food drive for those in our community served by  
Sunnyvale Community Services  
Summer Church School
- 4 Church office closed for Independence Day
- 9 Summer Church School  
Summer Community Dinner #1, 6 PM,  
Trinity Court, dinner provided
- 10 Deadline for newsletter articles
- 13 Spice Dinner, 6 PM, Marie Callender's, Sunnyvale
- 15–23 CARAVAN—high school service and learning trip to  
Yakima, WA
- 16 Summer Church School  
Summer Community Dinner #2, 6 PM,  
Trinity Court, dinner provided
- 18 Session meets
- 22 Our Daily Bread Workday, St. Thomas Episcopal  
Church, check bulletins for details
- 23 Summer Church School  
Summer Community Dinner #3, 6 PM,  
Trinity Court, dinner provided
- 30 Pastor Hardy's first Sunday at SVPC  
Last Summer Church School  
Summer Community Dinner #4, 6 PM,  
Trinity Court, dinner provided

### *Where is that?*

Coleman Room  
(Bldg 700)  
Fellowship Hall  
(Bldg 300)  
Fireside Room  
(Bldg 200)  
Gym, Phoenix Center  
(Bldg 700)  
Sanctuary (Bldg 100)  
Soulé Hall (Room 501,  
Bldg 500)  
Youth Room, Phoenix  
Center (Bldg 700)







## August

- 6 CARAVAN Sunday  
Hymn Sing, 9:50 AM  
Family Worship  
Summer Community Dinner #5, 6 PM,  
Trinity Court, dinner provided
- 13 Hymn Sing, 9:50 AM  
Family Worship  
Summer Community *Potluck* Dinner #1, 6 PM,  
Trinity Court, bring a dish to share
- 20 Hymn Sing, 9:50 AM  
Family Worship  
Summer Community *Potluck* Dinner #2, 6 PM,  
Trinity Court, bring a dish to share
- 27 Hymn Sing, 9:50 AM  
Family Worship  
Summer Community *Potluck* Dinner #3, 6 PM,  
Trinity Court, bring a dish to share

## Looking Ahead

Sept. 1–4 Redwood Glen Camp, Loma Mar, CA  
Sept. 16–Oct. 7 Saturdays, GriefShare

### ***YOUTH Summer Calendars***

<http://bit.ly/Summer2017-CLUE>  
<http://bit.ly/Summer2017-FLASH>

[www.svpc.us/youth](http://www.svpc.us/youth)



## Newsletter Deadlines

The newsletter deadline is Monday, July 10 for the August edition. Articles may be up to 120 words in length. Send your article to [newsletter@svpc.us](mailto:newsletter@svpc.us), and, if possible, include a photo with your article.



## Go green!

Go Green! Consider joining the more than 430 individuals and families that now receive their newsletter electronically. The online edition arrives sooner, contains the same articles plus vivid full-color photos and live links, and can be easily shared with family and friends, all while helping reduce our carbon footprint! *Opt-in* by sending an e-mail to [newsletter@svpc.us](mailto:newsletter@svpc.us) with your request. 

# Rooted in Christ...

Sunnyvale Presbyterian offers everyone an opportunity to connect with the church community.

## Session Summaries

### June session meeting

The June session meeting worship time opened with reading John 12:46, lighting the Christ candle, reflection, affirming the church's vision and prayer. Session reviewed and approved the consent docket.

Session members listened to the faith journeys of six prospective new members and approved their membership. Children's, Youth, and Family ministry teams presented their updated charters.

Each ministry team expressed their thanks to **Pastor Debbie** by sharing a verse and how that verse reflected her work with that ministry team during her two years as interim pastor at SVPC. Session closed their time together laying hands on Debbie and praying for her, closing corporately with the Lord's Prayer. 🌿

## What are Your Favorite Hymns?

Valerie Sterk, SVPC organist

During August, we'll precede our 10 AM worship services with a hymn sing beginning at 9:50 AM. Which hymns will we sing? We'd like to again feature the favorite hymns of our congregation—our "top 10" or "top 20" for summer 2017.

On each Sunday in July look for a hymn-ballot box in Trinity Court after the 10 AM worship services. You can write down your all-time favorite hymn, and place your hymn-vote in the ballot box (one hymn-vote per ballot, please). Valerie will tally the votes and give our list of top hymn favorites to the pastors, who will lead the August hymn sings. We'll also try to weave your favorite hymns into 10 AM worship services throughout the year.

Arrive 10 minutes early Sundays in August for an opportunity to warm up your souls and singing voices with our favorite hymns. Vote often and sing joyfully!





## We'll Miss You, Pedro!

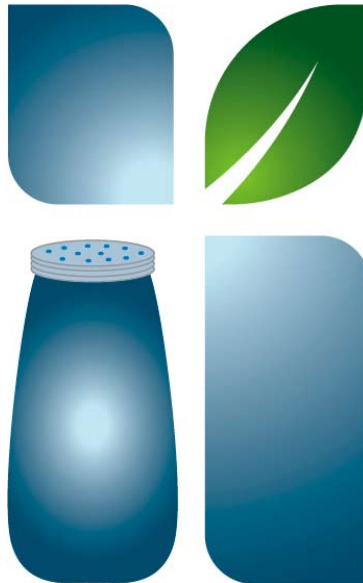
**Pedro Cadeñas**, one of SVPC's outstanding maintenance team members and a beloved colleague, is retiring in early July. Pedro has worked at SVPC for over 16 years. We will be praying for him in service on Sunday, July 2. If you see him on campus between now and then, let him how much you appreciate him and his years of service at SVPC. 🌱

## GriefShare Class

**Saturdays, September 16–October 7,  
9 AM–12:30 PM, Fireside Room**

Please join us for this four-week class which will be led by the **Rev. Dr. Libby Boatwright**. GriefShare is

a video seminar featuring speakers combined with small group discussion led by trained facilitators. Each session allows participants to talk about how they are dealing with the death of a loved one. The cost is \$15 for the workbook; snacks are provided. To register, contact **Jean Ranck** at [jean@svpc.us](mailto:jean@svpc.us) or 408-739-1892.



## Spice Dinner

**Thursday, July 13, 6 PM,  
Marie Callender's**

Our 50s+ Singles Group, Spice, will enjoy a no-host dinner at Marie Callender's in Sunnyvale. Join us and enjoy a pleasant meal with the group. This is a wonderful way to make new friends and enjoy an evening out. For more information, please contact **Melanie Prolo** at 408-394-9311 or [melanieprolo@gmail.com](mailto:melanieprolo@gmail.com).

# Congratulations 2017 Graduates!

## High School Graduates

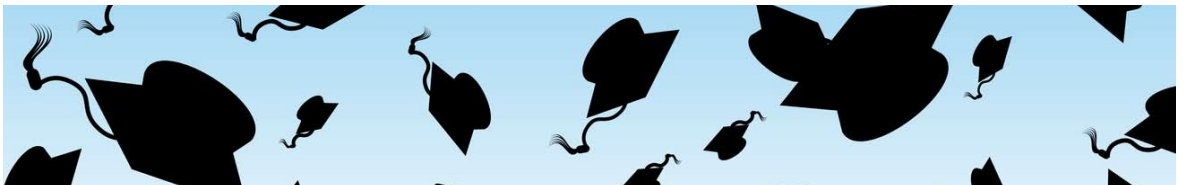
<i>Name</i>	<i>High School</i>	<i>Next Steps</i>
Lindsay Archer	Archbishop Mitty High School	UC Davis
Megan Bennett	Cupertino High School	University of Southern California
Aaron Gove	Homestead High School & De Anza Middle College	Central Film School, London
Christian Hartley	Wilcox High School	San Jose State University
Jennifer Howe	Saint Francis High School	Berklee College of Music, MA
Nicole Hunt	Homestead High School	Cinema Makeup School, Hollywood
John Johnston	King's Academy	Texas A&M University, TX
Kaitlyn Koo	Homestead High School	U.S. Naval Academy, MD
Seth Krogstad	Homestead High School	Foothill College
Alison Lewis	Leigh High School	UC Santa Barbara
Courtney Martin	Homestead High School	University of Colorado, Boulder
Livvy Nolin	Homestead High School	Seattle Pacific University, WA
Kevin Papamarcos	Homestead High School	Purdue University, IN
Shannon Reilly	Wilcox High School	University of Delaware, DE
J. Henry Rogers	Bellarmino College Prep	Saint Mary's College
Alisa Schouten	Wilcox High School	Foothill College
Susannah Schulz	Fremont High School	UC Davis
Amos Shiau	King's Academy	St. Olaf College, MN
Claire Wynne	Homestead High School	Tulane University, LA
Jon Zhang	Homestead High School	University of Washington, WA

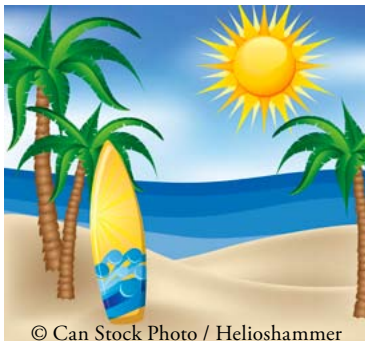




## College Graduates

<i>Name</i>	<i>College &amp; Degree</i>	<i>Next Steps</i>
Bobby Caldwell	Menlo College— B.A. Business & Sports Management	Job hunting in Texas
Jackson Heath	Sierra Nevada College, NV— B.A. Outdoor Adventure Leadership & Journalism	Outdoor Adventure Guide with Aspiro Wilderness Therapy Company
Matthew Klein	University of Colorado, Denver CO— B.S. Public Health and Psychology	Graduate studies, Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus
Mathias McAfee	University of Puget Sound, WA— B.A. Business	Dental School prerequisites, Foothill College
Mary McManis	St. Olaf College, MN— B.A. English w/ Management Studies Concentration	Project Manager, IBM, Austin, TX
Steven Murray	University of Michigan— B.S. Mechanical Engineering & B.S. Computer Engineering	Graduate studies, University of Michigan
Katie Sheridan	University of Arizona, AZ— B.A. Urban and Regional Development	Job hunting in Arizona
Emily Taylor	Westmont College— B.A. English Literature	Teaching credential, Westmont College
Katherine Woodruff	Pacific University, OR— B.S. Environmental Biology	Graduate studies, University of Exeter, UK





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## Vacation Bible School— **We Went on a Surfin' Safari!**

If you were on the church campus during the week of June 12 you witnessed a sea of children in tie-dyed shirts, laughing, singing, and discovering the “reaching out in love” that SVPC does so well. This year during VBS we had almost 200 children and more than 40 youth counselors who learned about the life of Joseph through Bible stories, crafts, dramatizations and music. Please pray for the children who attended VBS that God would continue to be a part of their lives as they grow and mature in their faith.

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## **Goodbyes in Children's Ministry**

Please join us in saying goodbye to two long-time staff members who have served on the Children's Ministry team.

**Debbie Klein**, our Childcare Coordinator for 18 years, has decided to focus on her job at the Presbyterian Early Learning Center and spend some of her extra time with her husband during these empty nest years. Debbie has nurtured and mentored the youth who served as her child care workers and made sure that the youngest in our church family were always cared for well.

**Colleen D'Amour**, our Associate Director of Children's Ministry for the past 11 years, will be leaving the staff to enjoy more time with her kids before they grow up and fly from the nest. Colleen has helped to lead all aspects of the programming in Children's Ministry including BLAST, Stars, VBS, and LOGOS. But more than that, she has built relationships with kids and parents and helped families feel more connected in our community.

The very good news is that Debbie and Colleen and their families will continue to be a part of the SVPC family, so please extend your gratitude to them for their years of ministry when you see them around. 🌱



*Colleen and Debbie*



## July is a Big Month for Children's Ministry

It is during this month that we hope to fill the *many* Church School teacher and shepherd volunteer positions for both morning and evening Church School for the upcoming fall. Some spots have been filled, but *many* more are empty. Would you consider teaching or shepherding during the next Church School year? *Many* are needed, so we hope *many* will come. Please call or email **Carol Heath** ([carol@svpc.us](mailto:carol@svpc.us)) for morning volunteering or **Carol Tadros** ([tadros@svpc.us](mailto:tadros@svpc.us)) for evening volunteering.

## It Takes a Village—Welcome Teams

Jennifer Britton, Welcome & Hospitality Lead Elder

The Welcome & Hospitality ministry team has been busy and it's not just the new campus signs, welcome booth arrangement and donut holes—we are creating new teams as well. Join us in our efforts to keep SVPC a warm and welcoming place to worship and be in fellowship with others. You're invited to sign up to be on a "Welcome Team," a group made up of your friends or others you may not know yet, but who share their warmth as they meet and greet in Trinity Court or on our way into services.

There are four ways to serve:

- 10 AM—nametag greeter/Welcome Booth greeter
- 10 AM—coffee service helper (coffee, tea, lemonade, hot chocolate)
- 10 AM—roaming "ambassador" who walks and talks among the people with an eye on meeting new people and answering any questions about our church
- 5 PM—nametag greeter

Signing up is easy; select the link below, or visit the church home page at [www.svpc.us](http://www.svpc.us) and look for the orange Sign Up Genius box in the top right hand of the page. Click on it and you will be redirected to a page where these four opportunities are listed as "Welcome & Hospitality Service Opportunities."

For more information contact **Jennifer** at [jbhanlon@pacbell.net](mailto:jbhanlon@pacbell.net).

### Welcome & Hospitality Service Opportunities

 <http://bit.ly/2sVxvum>



# Reaching Out In Love.

Christ commands us to love one another as He loves us. Here's how.

## Financial Update through May 31

We are 2 months into our fiscal year which began April 1 and here are the results:

\$321k	Income
-\$279k	Expenses
\$ 42k	Surplus

We are grateful for your stewardship to this church community. Thank you!

**GOD'S MISSION**  
**OUR GIFTS**

## Knit for Kids

Marilyn Kunz



Knit for Kids is taking the summer off from meetings, but not from knitting. Please keep working on your sweaters at home and plan to meet with us again in September.

Sweater Dedication Sunday will be October 15. Your finished sweaters should be turned in to **Marilyn Kunz** (408-247-7865) or the church office by October 8 so that they can be part of this year's sweater display.

Thank you to all the knitters and crocheters for the time and love that you give to this ministry. Please check the Sunday bulletins in September for announcements about our next meeting as well as about Sweater Dedication Sunday.



## **Summer Community Dinners**

**Sundays, July 9–August 6**

You're invited to join us for dinner this summer after our 5 PM worship service Sundays beginning July 9. It's one of the ways we build community and practice hospitality. We eat outside at tables in Trinity Court. The meals range from pizza to specialty food trucks to BBQ, and we work hard to include gluten-free and vegetarian options. There's always a donation basket set out to help cover costs, but never let that stop you from joining us.

Your support of these dinners is appreciated! Make plans to join us when you're in town these summer Sundays, and consider offering to help setup and/or clean up. Contact **Debbie Shaver** at [dshaver@stanfordalumni.org](mailto:dshaver@stanfordalumni.org).

## **Summer Potluck Community Dinners**

**Sundays, August 13–27**

We'll continue to have dinners together on Sundays beginning August 13 after our 5 PM worship service, but we're going to do so with good old-fashioned potlucks. Arrive a few minutes before the worship service with a dish to share and there will be signs indicating where to store your hot or cold dish during the church service, or come at 6 PM with your dish. We'll provide the plates, utensils and drinks! 🌿





# Memorial Garden

**Rev. Karin Kennedy Hejmanowski**

Out near our wonderful prayer labyrinth, there is a quiet area with two marble walls that have brass name plaques on them. One is the Memorial Wall where the names are displayed of those whose ashes are interred beneath the grass in our own Memorial Garden. The other is the Remembrance Wall where the names of members or the immediate family of members whose remains are elsewhere may be displayed. Both are loving ways to remember those whose lives formed our own. For details about cost or for an application, feel free to contact Memorial Coordinator **Roxanne Ramirez** at 408-739-1892 or [roxanne@svpc.us](mailto:roxanne@svpc.us).



# Our Daily Bread Work Day

**Saturday morning, July 22,  
St. Thomas Episcopal Church**

Mark your calendar for a service opportunity at [Our Daily Bread](#). Our Daily Bread serves free hot meals three days a week to hungry people without qualification or restriction. Tasks include cleaning and light repairs. Look for more details in the Sunday bulletins.

# Toiletries for the Homeless

**Gary Ruschke, Mission & Service Lead Elder**

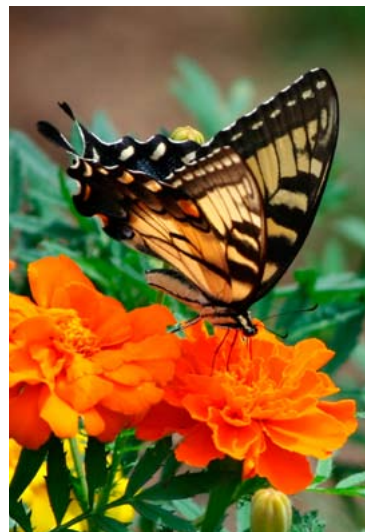
Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church supports the Front Door Ministry homeless outreach program of First Presbyterian San Jose by collecting toiletries for those who are homeless. Summer is here and with it travel season. As you enjoy your vacation, please remember those who are less fortunate and bring home your unused soaps and shampoos from your hotel. You might also think about purchasing a buy-one, give-one toiletry item like toothpaste, disposable razors, etc., when you do your weekly grocery shopping. Items can be dropped off in the church office, mailroom or at the monthly food drive. Thank you for answering Jesus' call to serve Him by serving "*the least of these.*" 🌱

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers...

*For recovery:* **Aidan Birdsong, Chris Derr, Carolyn Gross, Harlyn Larmer, Max Mikles, Sue Slavik, Nancy Tucker**

*For cancer treatment:* **Randy Fletcher, Trina Grube-Liu**

*For the loss of loved ones:* **Jane Finch's husband (Doug Finch); Patty Shannon's mother (Flora Watson); Cathy Villa's mother**



## In Celebration...

*New members who were publicly received in worship on June 25:*

**Brian Beck, Marciana Chang, Eva Ordinario, Sandi Ordinario and Rachel Veronneau**

*The 50th wedding anniversaries of* **Ken and Jeanie Hadden** *and* **Bill and Marilyn Kunz**

*The birth of* **Felix Camden Collins**, *first grandchild of* **Richard Collins**

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## Email Newsletters

Do you receive the **Children's** or **Youth** email newsletters each week? This is the best way to stay current with what is happening in Children's and Youth Ministries. To be added to the Children's mailing list contact **Carol Tadros** at [tadros@svpc.us](mailto:tadros@svpc.us). To be added to the Youth Ministry mailing list contact [youth@svpc.us](mailto:youth@svpc.us).

Other SVPC email newsletters include the weekly Worship Focus and SVPC Music Events. You may opt-in to any of these newsletters from the website, [www.svpc.us](http://www.svpc.us); sign up by selecting [JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST](#) at the top of any page.

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## All-Church Camp

**Labor Day Weekend, September 1–4, 2017, Redwood Glen**

Come to All-Church Camp and “Discover the Singing Heart Within Us!” Spend your Labor Day weekend with friends from our church family at Redwood Glen Camp near La Honda, about a one hour drive from SVPC. We still have open jobs so come and join in the fun! There will be special activities for first-time campers too. Camp will also provide an opportunity to meet our new head of staff, the **Rev. Hardy Kim** and his family. Visit the camp table after worship services on Sundays to choose a job that suits you and register for lodging. For more information, contact **Anneka** or **Stephen Bear** at [bear.churchcamp2017@gmail.com](mailto:bear.churchcamp2017@gmail.com). 🌿

