

Upcoming Speaker Series



Dr. Katharine
Hayhoe



May Climate Change Presentation

On Sunday, May 18, 4-5:30pm, Project Peace and Piedmont Church team up to host a presentation by climate change expert Katharine Hayhoe in the Sanctuary.

Called “one of the nation’s most effective communicators on climate change” by The New York Times and named one of *Christianity Today’s* “50 Women to Watch,” Katharine brings clarity, compassion, and credibility to a topic that affects us all. With wisdom and grace, she addresses skepticism, overcomes apathy and bridges the divide between faith and science. Her message is clear: the most important thing we can do about climate change is talk about it—and she’ll show us how.

Registration by May 15 is required. Cost is \$15.
Contact Don Ashburn at Don@PiedmontChurch.org



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Leadership Volunteers Needed

The business of Piedmont Church requires many hands, with different talents, in order to accomplish its various missions. The Mission Board, Board of Deacons, Stewardship Committee, Building & Grounds Committee and Altar Guild all serve important functions at the church and have special needs. To lend a helping hand with one of these groups, contact Paul Schroeder at pschroeder@slatt.com, Steve Schibsted at Sschibsted@PiedmontChurch.org or Don Ashburn at Don@PiedmontChurch.org

Keep Up with the Kids

Our NextGen ministry is very active, with lots of events throughout the month. Visit the NextGen web page at PiedmontChurch.org/nextgen



CityTeam Oakland Graduation

You are invited to the CityTeam Oakland Graduation, 12pm - 2pm, Saturday, May 10.



CityTeam provides a residential program for men struggling with addiction. Participants graduate from the program after six to nine months.

We are hosting this year's graduation in our Sanctuary with a brief worship service and music arranged by Stephen Main. Graduates will provide powerful and moving testimony about their experiences in achieving sobriety.

Lunch will be served in Guild Hall after the ceremony.

CityTeam is one of our Community Service Partners. They were the recipients of our 2024 Christmas offering.

Contact Janet Peterson at janetp201@gmail.com, Katrina Bergen at katrina.brgn@gmail.com or Judy Wright at rbwright1@me.com



Our next free adults Game & Gab Night will be held on Friday, May 16, 6:30-9pm in Guild Hall. Snacks, dessert and drinks will be served.

Enjoy chat tables for those who don't like to play games. Poker, Mexican Train, Rummikub, Scrabble and more. Bring your favorite game or puzzle if you'd like.

Click the registration link or sign up in the Courtyard after worship by May 11. Contact Kathy Hurd at (916) 343-1519

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Don't Miss a Beat

Our church calendar is updated almost daily to reflect all the events happening at Piedmont Community Church.



[CALENDAR](#)

New Babies Celebrated with Rose

We would love to share your joyous news of a new baby in your family. This child might be a son or daughter, grandchild or great grandchild. As part of your church family, we offer the opportunity to celebrate with you by putting a rose on the Chancel while including the child's name and family members in the bulletin within two weeks of the child's arrival.



Contact Sue Coffin at pinebox4@mac.com or (510) 654-0152, (510) 913-1140 (cell)



Memorial Service

for

John F. Becker

November 10, 1923 - March 2, 2025

Tuesday, May 13, 2025

11 AM - Ceremony

12 PM - Light Refreshments

Piedmont Community Church,
Piedmont, CA

Support Children Rising

Hear stories of children and families in Children Rising programs. Be inspired by the loving parents and caregivers, caring tutors, and passionate educators who are working to help children rise above the everyday challenges they face in school.



Consider attending one of three Hope for Children Now gatherings in May hosted in the homes of Children Rising supporters. All dates are hosting 4-6pm.

Saturday, May 10

Home of Ted and Beth Streeter
267 Scofield Dr., Moraga, CA 94556

Saturday, May 17

Home of Martha Harrell Smith and DeEric Smith
3318 Wisconsin St., Oakland, CA 94602

Sunday, May 18

Home of Ruth Brousseau
1661 Grand Ave., Oakland, CA 94611

Contact Jim Wambach at jim@children-rising.org



Get ready for an unforgettable adventure at True North Kids Summer Camp, happening June 9-13, 9am - 12pm for kids age 4 through 5th grade in the Christian Education (C.E.) Building.

This year, we're heading into the majestic beauty of Alaska, where northern lights glow, rivers race and glaciers glisten!

As your kids trek through this thrilling tundra, they'll learn how to navigate life's challenges by keeping their eyes on Jesus—a faithful friend we can always trust. With engaging activities, meaningful lessons and fun surprises, this Vacation Bible School adventure will help your kids discover that Jesus is our ultimate guide, our True North.

The cost of the 'trip' is \$189 per child. Spots are limited. Deadline for registration is May 15.

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Cantata Ask \$6k Away from \$40k

The New York premiere of Stephen Main's cantata *The Image* is now less than a month away. It will be performed at 6:30pm EDT on June 4 at Trinity Church Wall Street. Steve will be flying to NYC on June 1 to be part of the two dress rehearsals with the 40-piece orchestra and 60-voice choir on June 2 and 3. He will be playing the piano solos for the performance.

If you are planning to go to New York for the performance, please let Pat Leicher know (patleicher@gmail.com). We want to reserve seats together and are hoping to plan a post-concert celebration.

We have received a wonderful contribution of \$15,000 towards the cost of the orchestra and are now only about \$6,000 short of the amount we have to raise. Can you help? Please send a contribution to the church and mark it NY Concert. Your donation will be tax deductible.

We are also hoping to have a live stream of the concert at the church, but we need people to coordinate the event. Can you help with this? Again, please contact Pat Leicher.

At some point following the concert we will have a composite video from 15 cameras that we can show and post on our website. This event will put Piedmont Community Church on the musical map.

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Lending Library, Spiritual Growth

Our church lending library is full of spiritual food for the soul and we're excited to share them all with our community. Our only request is that books be returned. Even if you've had a book for many months or even years, we'd love them back...no questions asked.



Books will have a "Return to Piedmont Church" on the inside cover. Contact Suzie Skugstad suzie@hsdesigneb.com to donate.

Online Bible Study

Mondays at 10am, Don Ashburn leads an online study. The focus will be on the Book of Revelation.

To participate fully, no previous experience in Bible study is expected or required. Just come with an open heart and mind and see where the Spirit leads you.



The Zoom link is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83211177073>



Dessert and Conversations

Women of our church community are welcome to this festive and fun recap of our March Women's Retreat on the Mary and Martha story in Luke's gospel, organized by Women Together.

Meet Thursday, June 12, 7-8pm in the Clara Barton Room.



Even if you were unable to attend the retreat, please come anyway.

Bring your retreat journal (or not), and enjoy some gelato with others in the spirit.

RSVP on Church Center App or email suzie@hsdesigneb.com

Trybe Day of Service May 31

Spend time with Trybe on Saturday, May 31, 9am - 12pm at Clinton Park, 655 International Blvd. in the heart of Little Saigon.



Trybe is a community-based non-profit rooted in Oakland's Eastlake, San Antonio and Fruitvale areas, serving youth, young adults and families in Oakland, Berkeley, Richmond, Hayward and the greater East Bay Area.

Do some gardening, mulching, graffiti abatement, painting, light carpentry, cleaning, picking up trash and end with a meal at one of the local eateries.

Also, join Andrew Park of Trybe to do a bit of prayer walking the area, praying for businesses, the women getting trafficked, the violence, the addictions and mainly for the children and schools.

Contact Blaire Jahn at blairejahn650@gmail.com

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**MOVE UP
SUNDAY**

**ALL NEXTGEN KIDS AND STUDENTS
GRADUATE TO NEW GRADES**

SUNDAY, JUNE 1 | 11 AM – 1 PM

On Sunday, June 1 we'll celebrate one of our most meaningful milestones: Move Up Day. On this special day, we celebrate every child and student who's moving up to the next grade or stepping into a new grade or phase of our NextGen ministry.

It's more than just a transition—it's a moment to recognize growth, honor their journey of faith, and launch them into what's next with joy and purpose.

Come and celebrate with us:

- Special gift for every kid and student
- Delicious food for the whole family
- A heartfelt prayer of blessing from Pastor Steve

We'd love for your family to be part of the celebration. Register by May 29.

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Piedmont Community Church
Theater Group

You are invited to suggest any theater event you might like to attend. We are a very casual group. If you'd like to be personally notified of upcoming shows, please go to our Church Center app for Theater Group and add your name, or contact Linda McClain at lindamcclain@me.com or Judy Wright at rbwright1@me.com

Wednesday, May 28, 7pm
Berkeley Rep
2025 Addison Street, Berkeley
The Avenues

Thursday, June 19, 8 pm
Woodminster Amphitheater
Joaquin Miller Park (picnic before)
3540 Sanborn Dr, Oakland
Anastasia

June 15 & 22, 2pm
Contra Costa Civic Theater
951 Pomona Avenue, El Cerrito
Fiddler on the Roof

June 29, 2 pm
Altarena Playhouse
1409 High St, Alameda
Suddenly Last Summer

July 17, 8 pm
Woodminster Amphitheater
Hello Dolly

August 14, 8 pm
Woodminster Amphitheater
In the Heights

MAY 30

LOCK-IN

GAMES, LAUGHS, AND ONE UNFORGETTABLE
ALL-NIGHTER AT CHURCH!

STUDENTS
PIEDMONT
CHURCH

Friday, May 30 | 8 PM – 8 AM
Youth Room | For Middle & High School Students

Bring: comfy clothes, a sleeping bag, and a pillow. We'll bring the snacks, games and nonstop fun. Drop-off at 8pm, pick-up at 8am. Grab your friends, bring your best scavenger hunt instincts and get ready to send the school year off in style.

Contact Kerry Persichitte at
Kerry@PiedmontChurch.org

Chancel Flower Donations

Flowers bring life and beauty to our Sanctuary. They are an offering to the Lord and a gift to our worship community.



Our church has a long tradition of inviting flower donations. The donor makes a dedication that is printed at the top of the Sunday bulletin, a way to glorify God and to share with the church family important memories, life events and gratitudes.

The Altar Guild has just updated the flower donation process. You can donate through the Church Center app, via the church website or by scanning a QR code here.

You can also sign up in the Courtyard after worship on May 11. Please stop by the Deacons' table in the Courtyard for a handout with complete information.

Presently, we are inviting donations through September. Contact Julie McDonald at julieemcdonald@yahoo.com

[SIGN UP](#)



PIEDMONT COMMUNITY CHURCH
LIVE
with Dr. Don Ashburn
10AM SUNDAY
WATCH
YouTube
and PiedmontChurch.org

Sunday, May 4 Media

It was Communion Sunday. Don Ashburn preached 'Friends of God.' Nancy Walters leads us in worship. Music by Stephen Main and our Chancel Choir.

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Our Channel This Week

1,430 Views
286 Hours Past 30 Days
541 Total Subscribers



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