



## CityTeam Graduates Saturday, 12pm

The Mission Board will host graduates of CityTeam's Renew and Turning Point programs whose lives have been restored after completing a year-long residential program to free them from addiction and homelessness. The congregation is invited to attend the graduation and hear powerful testimonies.

Lunch will be served to the graduates and their guests. CityTeam is a Mission Partner.

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## A Sweet Mother's Day Surprise

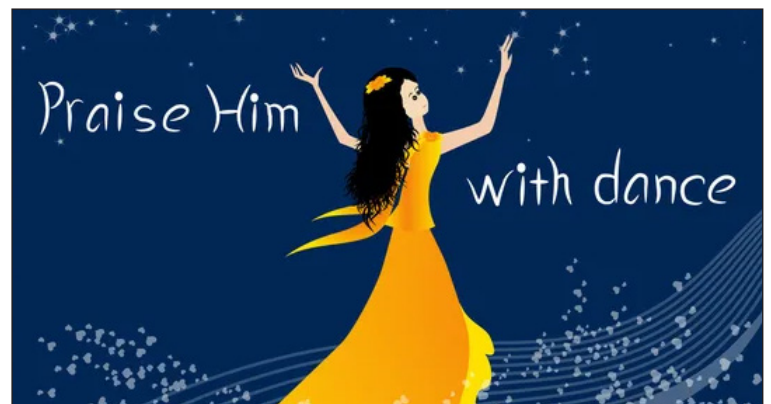
Our NextGen Kids and Students helped make Mother's Day a little more special last Sunday. During their regular programming, they created beautiful bouquets paired with heartfelt notes, then joyfully passed them out in the Courtyard following the service. These special gifts were shared with all women as a small reminder of how loved, valued, and appreciated they are in our church community. It was a simple but meaningful expression of kindness that brought many smiles to the morning.



## A Gift of New Chalices

As our communion practices have evolved over the years, so too has our need for the things we need to make it happen. Specifically, we needed more goblets to supplement the ones we have (that were glazed many years ago by Dana Gordon-Colton's mom, Willa Rae Gordon, who has since passed).

Ceramic artist Julia Kirillova has provided us with four custom glazed ceramic goblets that perfectly complement the existing set. This generous artist refused to accept any compensation for her work except our thanks. If you would like to personally thank Julia for her kindness, most days she may be found at Dress Best For Less at 4020 Piedmont Avenue, where she is the manager. Please drop by and say thanks on behalf of all of us at Piedmont Church. - Geoff Colton



## Group Dance Experience

All women of the church are invited to a very special opportunity to praise the Lord through group movement. No dance experience is necessary, just bring a loving heart. We will be led in slow and gracious movement by church member Kimery Leong, who learned liturgical dance from (or with) her mother.

This event was a big hit when Women Together offered it in 2024. Come to Guild Hall on Saturday, May 30 from 1-2:30pm. The event is free. We will have time to visit and to share a joyful spiritual experience. Please register by May 25.



**REGISTER**

## Volunteers for Worship, Flowers

The Altar Guild invites you to be part of preparing our Sanctuary for weekly worship and enhancing it with meaningful seasonal decorations throughout the year.

No experience is necessary, training is provided and all are welcome to serve.

We are also seeking volunteers for the Flower Arranger team. If you have experience creating large floral arrangements and a passion for beauty and design, contact Jennifer Giessler at [Jennifer@PiedmontChurch.org](mailto:Jennifer@PiedmontChurch.org)



## Welcome Zachariah Fuson

Zachariah Fuson is an East Bay native AV professional, filmmaker and perpetual choir kid. They graduated from Albany High School and have a degree in Cinema from San Francisco State.



When they are not behind the camera or mixing board, you can find them engaged in various musical projects throughout the bay, whether it be singing with the Marin Singers in Tiburon, playing keyboard in the band Cyan Pools or at a karaoke bar belting Stevie Wonder tunes.

They are more than excited to be joining Piedmont Church as their AV Manager, and is looking forward to meeting, engaging with and serving the congregation.

## Elin Hansen Has Passed

Piedmont Church member Elin Hansen died on May 10. Details regarding a service are forthcoming. May God bless Elin's family and friends as we give thanks for her life.

## Rose Mary Richmond Service June 10

Piedmont Church member Rose Mary Richmond died on April 20. A service will be held at the church June 10, 2 pm. May God bless Rose Mary's family and friends as we give thanks for her life.

## 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](http://PiedmontChurch.org/nextgen)



## Connecting Students to Ministry

*Open to All Middle and High School Students*

Students Serving is your student's chance to step into meaningful leadership—whether in tech, music, kids ministry, hospitality or more. We connect students to roles that match their gifts, provide training and mentorship and create a space to build lasting relationships while making a difference at church and with our community mission partners.

Open to kids of all faiths and those with no faith background, this program helps students grow in confidence, develop real-world skills and earn service hours—all while being part of something bigger than themselves.



Click or scan to get started: <https://piedmontchurch57.servewireapp.com/positions/>



NextGen Move Up Day and Volunteer Celebration takes place Sunday, May 17, from 11am - 1 pm in the C.E. Building Welcome Center.

This special gathering will include move up recognition, blessings, volunteer appreciation, gifts and a delicious meal together as we celebrate another meaningful year of ministry.

Everyone is welcome. Please register by Friday, May 15.



**REGISTER**



## Men's Breakfast Group Thursdays

You are invited to a weekly gathering of men for breakfast at Mama's Royal Café on Broadway at 8am Thursday mornings. Enjoy good food, lively conversation and fellowship. Contact Kurt Peterson at [kpeterson@pmrlegal.com](mailto:kpeterson@pmrlegal.com)



## Piedmont Community Church Theater Group

We'd love to see you at any or all of the following events and would love your suggestions for other outings (plays, musicals, comedies, dance, etc.). Contact Linda McClain at [lindamcclain@me.com](mailto:lindamcclain@me.com) or Judy Wright at [rbwright1@me.com](mailto:rbwright1@me.com)

**Saturday, May 16, 7:30pm**  
Diablo Ballet  
Leshner Center, Walnut Creek  
*Coppelia*

**Saturday, May 23, 7:30pm**  
22311 N 3rd St, Hayward  
Korsa Musical Theater  
*Anastasia*

**Sunday, June 7, 2pm**  
Altarena Playhouse  
1409 High St, Alameda  
*Night, Mother*

**Saturday, June 13, 8pm**  
Woodminster Amphitheater  
(Potluck picnic before)  
*Jekyll & Hyde*

## 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](mailto:suzie@hsdesigneb.com) to donate.

## Now Accepting Zelle

Piedmont Church accepts all payments made through your bank using Zelle.

Simply scan the code, search your bank and make your donation. Thank you!



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## Seniors Conversation & Coffee

Seniors Seeking Conversation and Coffee meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month in Guild Parlor, 9:30-11am. All seniors, aged 65-110 years, are welcome. Contact Ann Chandler at (510) 444-0280



## May 10 Worship Media

Steve Schibsted preached, 'An Invitation to Joy'. Don Ashburn and Francis Ripsteen led us in worship. Music by John Wilson, Michael Alvis and our Chancel Choir.

**WATCH**

## Our Channel This Week

**763 Views**  
**182 Hours Past 30 Days**  
**602 Total Subscribers**



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## Online Bible Study

Each Monday from 10 to 11am, Don Ashburn leads an online study. We are studying the Gospel of Luke.

To participate fully, no previous experience in Bible study is expected or required. Just come with an open heart and mind.

Contact Don Ashburn at [Don@PiedmontChurch.org](mailto:Don@PiedmontChurch.org)



The Zoom link is:  
<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/83211177073>



## Welcome New Babies

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





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