

## All-Church Workday Update

More than 30 volunteers, from pre-teens to nearly 90, were busy on St. Mark's campus on Saturday, November 13. We sorted things in our closets and kept the good stuff, built forms for new concrete foundations in the playground, fixed roof leaks in the Education Building, really cleaned the Grace Café kitchen, replaced batteries in the smoke detectors, trimmed much of the landscaping, cleaned some gutters, and much more. Thank you to all who contributed their time and skill. The fifth and final work day of the year will be Saturday, December 11.

## Pardon Our Dust!

St. Mark's Preschool is replacing the old play ground and has received the new equipment. The installation of the new equipment begins very soon! If you would like to help with the building efforts please contact Lily Andrews at the preschool office 485-6509.

## Sacramento Entertainment Books

In addition to the 2011 Sacramento Entertainment Book, please consider obtaining an out-of-area book. We have available every book Entertainment publishes in California, Oregon, Nevada, and Arizona. Take a look Sunday on the Patio. Sacramento books are also available in the church office during the week. Proceeds provide additional support for our Youth Fellowship. The new Sacramento price is only \$30! Call John White, at 487-8714, for more information.

## Robert & Dorrie **MOON** LECTURE SERIES

"...without God's guidance every day, Nyaka School would not exist. It was not my intellect, my education or even my connections in America that led to the school's success. It was my calling and faith in God that carried me through the times of doubt and uncertainty."

Lecture tickets are on sale now for \$25. If you have a series ticket, you may purchase a second ticket for \$20 on Sunday. All lectures take place at St. Mark's UMC. For more information and tickets please visit [www.stmarksumc.com](http://www.stmarksumc.com)

## Twesigye Jackson Kaguri

November 26, 2010, 7:30pm  
St. Mark's Sanctuary



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## TODAY at St. Mark's is Celebrated with New Members

8:45am	Chancel Choir-CR
9:30am	<b>Worship Service</b> -SA
9:30am	Faith Pilgrimage-E25
9:30am	Sunday School-E3-4, 22
9:30am	Youth Sunday School-GC
9:30am	St. Mark's Singers-CR
9:45am	Worship Band Rehearsal-E26
11:00am	<b>Worship Service</b> -SA
11:00am	Jesus Seminar Class-E25
11:00am	Quest Class-E24
11:00am	Sunday School-E1-4
12:00pm	Grace in Motion-MH
2:00pm	Seasoned Companions-E24
4:00pm	Youth Group-GC
6:00pm	Spiritual Companions-E24

## Let's Get Creative

This year's version of Let's Get Creative takes place **today**, from 9:00am to 1:00pm in MacMurdo Hall. The challenge was the same—create something to sell, and return the profit to St. Mark's. Please visit the sellers and help support St. Mark's.

## Fair Trade Products

Pick up your Fair Trade items to complete your holiday table **today**. Candy, teas and coffees make thoughtful hostess gifts. If it is raining you can find the Fair Trade table near the Art Show.

## Community Breakfast

It is time again for another St. Mark's Community Breakfast. On Saturday, November 27, from 10:00am until 12:00pm, in Grace Café, our volunteers create a hot and tasty meal for any who are hungry. Workers arrive at 8:00am and begin the work of cooking and creating fellowship. Any one interested in helping this month please contact Kevin W. in the church office. All are welcome to cook or to eat.

## This Week at St. Mark's

Monday, November 22

**Office Closed**

7:30pm Home Bible Study-Off Site

Tuesday, November 23

9:45am Calexico Circle-Off Site

7:00pm Bell Choir-CR

7:00pm Disciple-E5

Wednesday, November 24

9:00am UMW Sew & Craft Circle-E5

9:30am Hilton Group-E25

7:00pm Grace in Motion-GC

7:00pm Shalom Circle-E26

Thursday, November 25

**Happy Thanksgiving-Office Closed**

Friday, November 26

**Office Closed**

7:30pm Moon Lecture-SA

Saturday, November 27

10:00am Community Breakfast-GC

Sunday, November 28

8:45am Chancel Choir-CR

9:30am **Worship Service**-SA

9:30am Faith Pilgrimage-E25

9:30am Sunday School-E3-4, 22

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12:00pm Grace in Motion-

12:00pm ADVENTure-MH

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## Remember In Prayer

Walter Aldrich

Paul Allen

Andy (Beth Shoemaker's  
grandson)

Sue Bailey

Allen Baker

Lorin Brown

Maurice Brown

Sherry Cavros

Margaret Ann Dukleth

Jill Fernino

Hans Fors Family

Noel Glasgow

Twila Humiston

Jared (Mikailla Johnson's  
Friend)

Jennine & Olivia Jones

Mary Kasai

Shannan Loveless

Jimmie Poxon & Family

Tim Rowe

Marvin Short (DeeAnn  
Schmucker's father)

Dick Smith

(Anne's husband)

Betty Wright

## In Memoriam

We extend our love and sympathy to friends and family of member Nick Konovaloff, who died on November 12. Services have not yet been planned. Please keep Gloria and the rest of the family in your prayers.

## Advent Small Groups: Deadline Today

Advent, a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the arrival of the Messiah, begins on Sunday, November 28. As part of the Advent season, we are organizing small groups to meet for fellowship and inspiration. Groups will gather weekly during Advent. Each week, groups will examine one of the four gifts of Christmas: Hope, Love, Joy & Peace.



Pick up an Advent Brochure from the visitors table in the narthex and complete the enclosed registration form. You can also visit [www.stmarksumc.com/advent](http://www.stmarksumc.com/advent), download the flier and call the church office with your picks. Please register **TODAY**.

## Thanksgiving Offering: Annual Conference Ministries

Together, connected to each other and to Christ, we do far more than we can alone. The *California-Nevada Annual Conference Ministries* apportionment item supports mission, ministry and benevolent causes of our Conference

This connectional ministry makes it possible for us to educate, train, and deploy people in local churches and districts. It provides for the programs, resource persons and materials to strengthen the work of the local church as it seeks to proclaim the gospel, welcome, and gather people of faith into the body of Christ.

Please be generous **today** or November 28, and put your contribution in the offering plate using your Thanksgiving Offering envelope or a pew envelope clearly marked, "Thanksgiving Offering." Make checks payable to St. Mark's UMC. Thank you.

## ADVENTure

It's ADVENTure time! Yes, it's the time of the year to kick off a *creative* Advent season with our annual *ADVENTure Make and Take Craft Fair*. Join us in MacMurdo Hall on Sunday, November 28, from 12:00pm until 4:00pm for a light lunch of soup and bread and the chance to *make and take* a variety of crafts, decorations and gifts to brighten your holiday mood.

Since we are all facing the ongoing crunch of the recession, how fun would it be to go back to the tradition of making gifts for your family and friends? Our craft projects are designed to be simple enough for young and old to make with ease.

In keeping with tradition admission to this fun event is a canned or non-perishable food item (or items) for the St. Mark's food closet.

Bring a finger food snack to share and join us for an afternoon of fun, fellowship and creativity. Soup, bread and music will be provided. For more information or to volunteer, call Boni Fields.

## Annual Church Conference

St. Mark's will be holding our Annual Church Conference on Wednesday evening, December 1, at 7:00pm, prior to a combined meeting of our Church Council and Council on Ministries. All persons are welcome to attend, and, if a church member, may vote. The Committee on Lay Leadership will present their report, including electing the Board of Trustees; the Finance Committee will be recommending the 2011 budget and we will vote on the Pastor's compensation.