

## BIRTHDAYS COMING UP

### ADULT BIRTHDAYS

3/17 Casey Crouch  
3/18 Mary Ries  
3/19 Polly Berger

### CHILDREN / YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

3/19 Jonathan Reinert (7)



## PRESBYTOPICS

Our love and prayers are with—

- † Rebekah Vanderstoep & Iradj Vokhshoori following the birth of their granddaughter, Koralee Jewel Atwater Vokhshoori on March 2, 2026. Koralee is the daughter of Nikolas Vokhshoori & Kaleigh Atwater and the brother of Kirbie Andrew Atwater Vokhshoori.
- † Ida King who is now recovering at home after being hospitalized with COVID and Pneumonia.
- † Maddie Gamble who is currently home after undergoing treatment for a severe infection affecting her kidneys.

*Please help us keep Presbytomics up to date! If you or someone in our WPC family is hospitalized ... if there's the joy of a new child or grandchild ... if there's the sorrow of the loss of an immediate family member – please let us know. Email or call the Church Office or any of the pastors.*

**Our prayers continue for those of our faith family in need of God's healing touch:**

Rubina Andonian	Eva Hrachovec	Linda S. Spitzer
Polly Berger	Ian Hrachovec	Kuki Sullam
Susan Chapman	Nancy Immel	Amy Tan
Aiden Cohen Davis	Mark S. Jones Sr.	Ron Tranquilla
Christopher Davis	Nina Louie	Wes Truitt
Earl Ellis	Queen Esther Rankins	
Rose Helm	Rita Ries	



This Sunday, the Flame of Unity will be at **Taiwanese PC in South Bay**. We pray for these congregations as others pray for us when the flame is here. The **Flame of Unity** is a symbol of our shared mission and service in Christ, appearing each week at one of the congregations of the Presbytery of the Pacific.

## COMING UP

Sun. Mar. 15	WPC Worship Service— 4th Sunday in Lent Faith Conversation	10:00am 11:20am
Wed. Mar. 18	Women Reading	7:30pm
Sun. Mar. 22	WPC Worship Service— 5th Sunday in Lent	10:00am
Sat. Mar. 28	Easter Egg Hunt at Crestwood Hills Park in Brentwood	11:00am
Sun. Mar. 29	WPC Worship Service— Palm/Passion Sunday	10:00am
Thurs. April 2	Maundy Thursday Worship and Supper	6:00pm
Fri. April 3	Good Friday Vespers Service	7:00pm
Sun. April 5	Easter Sunday Sunrise Service and Pierce Bros. Easter Sunday Service	7:00am 9:00am 11:00am
Mon. April 6	Easter Monday—Church Office Closed	

## WESTWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

### MINISTERS All the People

#### PASTORAL

Rev. Dr. Christine Chakoian, Pastor  
Rev. Mark S. Jones Sr., Pastor of Mission, Outreach, and Pastoral Care  
Rev. Paula Mann, Executive Associate Pastor

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Anne Cioffi, Coordinator of Membership Ministries  
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Jake Putich, Director of Faith Formation & Creation Care  
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JA' Michael Davis-Hoag, Sunday Receptionist  
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Dakota Hodge, Sound & Lighting Engineer

#### SECTION LEADERS

Elias Berezin and Emerson Boatwright, tenors  
Christina Borgioli and Devon Davidson, sopranos  
Emily Kerrigan, alto  
Matthew Lewis, bass

#### PRESCHOOL

Tajmaya "Taj" Anders, Preschool Curriculum Specialist  
Priscilla Glaza, Preschool Office Assistant  
Brienne Naiman, Preschool Director  
Heidi Rudd, Preschool Office Manager



## NEWS & CONCERNS

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026

Holy Week <b>SCHEDULE</b>	
<b>Saturday, March 28</b> Easter Egg Hunt and Picnic	11:00AM
<b>March 29</b> Palm Sunday Service	10:00AM
<b>April 2</b> Maundy Thursday Service	6:00PM
<b>April 3</b> Good Friday Vespers Service	7:00PM
<b>Saturday, April 4</b> Easter Cross Decorating	10:00AM
<b>April 5 - Easter Sunday</b> Sunrise Service at Pierce Brothers in-person and online at WPC in-person and online at WPC	7:00AM 9:00AM 11:00AM

## FAITH CONVERSATION—TODAY!



Please join us today after worship in the Sanctuary for a Faith Conversation with Dr. Daniel Wehrenfennig. Daniel is the Founder and Executive Director of the Center for International Experiential Learning (CIEL) and the founding Executive Director of the Olive Tree Initiative, an award-winning experiential learning program launched at UC Irvine. As a committed Christian with a doctorate in International Relations, he has taught and led programs focused on conflict analysis, constructive dialogue, and bridge-building across deep differences, drawing on years of experience accompanying groups in conflict-affected regions.

Daniel's presentation, "Navigating Change Together," will be a timely invitation for WPC to think clearly and faithfully about how communities move through seasons of transition with courage, honesty, and care for one another.

## ADORN THE SANCTUARY WITH EASTER LILIES

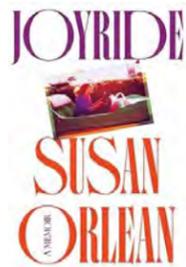


It is a long WPC tradition to adorn our sanctuary with lilies for Easter Sunday. You can buy an Easter lily in memory or honor of a loved one, or simply as an act of love. Each lily costs \$15. Sign up online today at [westwoodpres.org/updates](http://westwoodpres.org/updates) or visit the table on the Side Porch today after worship. (Sign-ups close Monday, March 30).

After the Easter service(s), you can take your lilies home, give them to others as gifts, or donate them to be delivered to our members who are homebound or in other need. You may also choose to give extra towards the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. If you are able to assist with deliveries after the 11:00 am service on Easter Sunday, April 5, please contact the church office at [office@westwoodpres.org](mailto:office@westwoodpres.org).

Finally, while the stamens will be removed to reduce allergies, please note that lilies can be toxic to cats.

## WOMEN READING —WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18



Women Reading invites you to join us on Zoom on Wednesday, March 18, at 7:30pm to discuss the book *Joyride* by Susan Orlean. *Joyride* is Susan's most personal book ever—a searching journey through finding her feet as a journalist, recovering from the excruciating collapse of her first marriage, falling head-over-heels in love again, and becoming a mother while mourning the decline of her own mother.

Newcomers are always welcome—if you would like to receive the Zoom link to join our thoughtful community of women readers please contact the church office at [office@westwoodpres.org](mailto:office@westwoodpres.org).

## ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING



Easter's One Great Hour of Sharing offering (OGHS) brings hope to people in difficult times. Gifts are divided between two worthy efforts. One half supports our denomination's mission - including the Presbyterian Hunger Program, Disaster Assistance, and Self-Development of People.

The other half will support the *Clergy and Laity United for Economic Justice's* (CLUE) Detained Immigrant Bond Fund. CLUE educates, organizes, and mobilizes religious leaders and community members to walk with our immigrant siblings promoting dignity and respect for everyone regardless of documentation status. CLUE's Bond Fund provides financial support to help secure the legal representation and release of detained community members whose families are facing separation from immigration detention or deportation.

Give generously as we wrap our arms around our neighbors in need. Donate by scanning the QR code below and select **One Great Hour of Sharing**; or by check, adding OGHS in the memo line.

### SPONSOR COFFEE FELLOWSHIP



The refreshments on the side porch after worship depend on your participation. Members and friends are invited to host the fellowship hour. You may shop for refreshments, bake something, or ask the church to do the shopping for you!

If you would like the church to shop for you, you may give in worship on Sundays, by mail, or scan our QR code and select the field **Coffee Fellowship** (\$100 per family or team of sponsors).

Please support this wonderful ministry of fellowship and schedule your desired 2026 sponsorship date on the Side Porch after worship today!

### SPONSOR THE CHANCEL FLOWERS



The chancel flowers depend on your participation. A donation of \$75 covers the cost of the flowers and a chance to remember a loved one with a dedication in the bulletin.

The WPC Deacons deliver the flowers to WPC members and friends after worship each week. You may give in worship on Sundays, by mail, or scan our QR code and select the field **Chancel Flowers**.

Please support this wonderful ministry of encouragement and comfort and schedule your desired 2026 sponsorship date on the Side Porch after worship today!

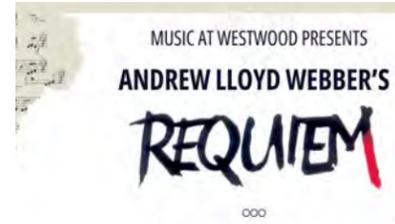
## EASTER EGG HUNT —SATURDAY, MARCH 28



WPC's Children & Family Ministries Committee warmly invites you to the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 28, 11:00am - 1:00pm. This year we'll return to the beloved Crestwood Hills Park tucked away in nearby Brentwood. Come hunt eggs on the hillside, play classic lawn games in the field, and, of course, meet the Easter Bunny! It's a BYO picnic

so remember to pack your baskets, grab your blankets, and get ready to share in some springtime fun and fellowship. We encourage participating families to help fill eggs with goodies (2 dozen per child is recommended). Feel free to grab a sack full of empty eggs outside Marin's office and either fill them up and return them to her or just bring some with you to the hunt! Candy donations are gladly welcomed. For any inquiries please contact Marin Miller at [mmiller@westwoodpres.org](mailto:mmiller@westwoodpres.org). We hope to see you there!

## MUSIC AT WESTWOOD PRESENTS: ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER'S REQUIEM —FRIDAY, APRIL 24



On Friday, April 24, at 8:00pm Music at Westwood presents Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Requiem*. Composed in 1984 in memory of Lloyd Webber's father, composer William Lloyd Webber, the *Requiem* premiered

in February 1985 at St. Thomas Church in New York.

This concert will also feature choral works by composers Miklós Rózsa and William Ross. Featured soloists are Devon Davidson (soprano), Raewyn Davidson (child soprano), Elias Berezin (tenor), the WPC Chancel Choir & Chamber Orchestra under the baton of music director Dan Redfeld.

This concert is a FREE event thanks to a special grant from the Musicians Trust Fund. Sign up online at [westwoodpres.org](http://westwoodpres.org) to reserve your spot today.

## YOU ARE INVITED TO ADD TO THE LENTEN CROSS



This Lent, we are *Seeking Transformation*. The Cross stands at the front of the sanctuary to encourage your prayers – to consider what Christ calls you to let go of or turn away from; and what Christ calls you to take up or turn towards as you seek to follow him. Each prayer can be written on a ribbon and tied to a nail on the cross any time during Lent. (Ribbons and markers are at the foot of the cross.) If you cannot worship in person, participate wherever you are: write on a ribbon or paper, and offer your intentions to the Lord.

## Donate to WPC today



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