

# SYCAMORE TREE

The Monthly Newsletter of Sycamore Congregational Church, U.C.C.

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## Come Join Us...

Sun, Sept. 11 Bazaar set-up begins after lunch

Sat, Sept. 17 Bazaar set-up, all day



### SYCAMORE BAZAAR

September 18

11:30 am Worship

Pastors Kevin Omi & Yasutaka Yoshioka

12-5 pm Bazaar

#### Entertainment:

- 12:30 pm Tatsumaki Taiko
- 1:30 pm Awa Odori Sakura Ren  
(Japanese dance group)
- 2:30 pm Sycamore Rocks  
(vocal group)
- 3:30 pm DulTones (doo wop)
- 4:15 pm Genyukai Berkeley  
(Okinawan band)

Mon, Sep. 19 Bazaar clean-up  
Sun, Sept. 25 All-Church Picnic,  
Cerrito Vista Park, 11 am



In late July, Pastor Koji Sahara and his wife, Marie, paid a wonderful visit to Sycamore Church; he also celebrated his birthday with us, blowing the candle Pastor Yas Yoshioka presented him with, as everyone enjoyed this heartwarming occasion together.

Women's Fellowship sponsored a Calendar Bag Workshop and shown are the finished bags made by many of those who attended. These nice bags will be sold at future craft sales, including the upcoming Bazaar.



## SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

11 a.m.

September 4, 2016 *Communion Sunday*

Preacher: Rev. Kevin Omi  
Liturgist: Karen Nishikawa  
Musician: Satoko Fogarty

September 18



**SYCAMORE BAZAAR**

12-5 pm  
Worship Service 11:30 am  
Rev. Kevin Omi & Rev. Yasutaka Yoshioka

September 11 *Memorial Sunday for this month*

Preacher: Rev. Kevin Omi  
Liturgist: Reiko Kamada  
Musician: Rev. Rodney Yee

September 25




*All-Church Picnic*  
Cerrito Vista Park, 11 am  
Preachers: Rev. Kevin Omi &  
Rev. Yasutaka Yoshioka

<h3>Schedule of Events</h3> <p>Sun, Sept. 11 Bazaar set-up begins after lunch                  Sat, Sept. 17 Bazaar set-up continues                  Sun, Sept. 18 SYCAMORE BAZAAR                  Mon, Sept. 19 Bazaar clean-up                  Thu, Sept. 22 Church Council Meeting, 7 pm                  Thu, Sept. 22 Newsletter articles due                  Sun, Sept. 25 All-Church Picnic, Cerrito Vista Park, 11 am                  Thu, Sept. 29 Newsletter mailing, 4 pm</p>		<p><i>Other Events:</i>                  Sat, Oct. 1 Lay leadership gathering, Auburn                  Sun, Oct. 2 New Beginnings Discussion</p> <p><i>Fall Craft Shows:</i>                  Sat., Sept. 24 Jan Ken Po Gakko Arts &amp; Craft Fair,                  Sacramento Asian Sports Foundation, 9040 High                  Tech Court, Elk Grove, 9–3:30 pm                  Sat, Oct. 8 Eden Holiday Craft Show, Marina Community                  Center, 15302 Wicks Blvd., San Leandro, 9–4 pm</p>
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### Happy September Birthdays!

2 Gloria Morita	9 Megan Inada	20 Janna Matsuoka	28 Roy Adam
3 Tasha Yorozu	10 Joan Matsuoka	21 Keilani Imada-Delgado	30 Patrick King
5 Stefanie Head	13 Dori Barry King	25 Zoe Mitchell	
7 Chieko Endo	13 Kimberly Whitney	26 Erin Inada	
8 Clair O'Shea	16 Kai Mitchell	27 Joseph Collins-Tabuena	



### Acknowledgments for July 24–August 14, 2016

<p><b>General Fund</b>                  Silvia Akinaga in memory of Hisaye Akinaga                  Silvia Akinaga                  CostCo TRUiST                  Chieko Endo                  Jan Fabini                  Georgia/Dr. Mark Fujikawa                  George/Midori Goto                  Dr. Harlan/Marilyn Head                  David/Ellen Inada                  Tom Inada                  Karen Inouye                  Taichi Ito                  Karen Inouye in memory of Ray Matsunaga                  Shingo/Reiko Kamada                  Shingo/Reiko Kamada in memory of Mr. Welty                  Hidenori Kanno                  Roslyn/John Kartychak                  Marie Kudo                  Osamu Kumao                  Rev. Deborah Lee                  Kathleen/Jimmy Louie                  Annette Matsunaga                  Eiko Matsuoka in memory of Toshiko Kamada                  Joan Matsuoka                  Kay Matsutani                  Gloria Morita                  Karen Nishikawa                  Muts/Dr. Philip Nishino                  Toom Noble (Noble Family)</p>	<p>Stan/Bea Nomura                  Naoko Okahashi                  Rev. Kevin Omi                  Rev. Dr. Koji Sahara/Marie Kudo                  Sycamore Womens Fellowship in memory of                  Ray Matsunaga                  Sycamore Womens Fellowship in memory of                  Toshiko Kamada                  Sycamore Womens Fellowship in memory of                  Carol Eyheralde                  Sycamore Womens Fellowship in memory of                  Aya Tanaka                  Hiro Taniguchi                  Akiko/Kenyon Taylor                  Sherry Watson                  Sumi Wu                  Rev. Yasutaka Yoshioka/Hitomi Yoshioka                  Anonymous donations  <b>Nichigo</b>                  Roy Adam Family                  Shoko Akiba                  Kaori Davis                  Satoko Fogarty                  Dr. Harlan/Marilyn Head                  Stefanie Head                  Hidaka                  Taichi Ito                  Miki Kanno                  Hiroko Kilburg                  Osamu Kumao</p>	<p>Naomi Tokinori Kusano                  Tokinori Kusano                  Rev. Dr. Koji Sahara/Marie Kudo                  Kenichi Shinohara                  Riko Shinohara                  Inori Fukuda Trant                  Tasha Yorozu/Sam Suttle                  Anonymous donations                  Written in Japanese script  <b>Property Maintenance/Building Fund</b>                  Dr. Mark/Georgia Fujikawa                  Tom Inada                  New Beginnings                  Rev. Kevin Omi  <b>Memorial Fund</b>                  The Head Family in memory of Ray Matsunaga  <b>Facilities Use</b>                  Huntington's Disease Society of America                  Awa Odori                  Hillside Community Church                  Sycamore Christian Preschool                  Bunka Camp  <b>GRIP</b>                  Dr. Harlan/Marilyn Head                  Hiro Taniguchi                  Sumi Wu</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>By Silvia Akinaga</i></p>
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### *In Remembrance...*

We remember and pay our respects to Sycamore Church members, relatives, and friends of Sycamore who died in the month of September:

Ryosuke Kasai 1966, Sekiyo Kuroiwa 1968, Yaeko Ushigusa, Albert Pon 1985, Marie Leudke 1986, Harry Katayama 1987, Mrs. Wu 1988, James Kajioka 1988, Shigeo Mizokami 1990, Robert Iki 1991, Masao Yabuki 1991, Mary Kim 1992, Michio Suzuki 1994, Rev. Norio Ozaki 1994, Carl Head 1994, Rev. Kenji Kikuchi 1994, Ruth Walker, 1994, Rev. Shigeo Shimada 1994, Ko Kyono 1995, Mary Masako Obata 1999, Roy Inouye 2001, Grace Nishiyama 2001, Rev. Dan Shinoda 2001, Leung Man-chun 2004, Gina Hotta 2009, Clarence Mah 2009, Jenny Leung 2010, Charles (“Wacky”) Sumimoto 2015, and Albert Kilburg, 2015.

*“These all have died in the Faith... pilgrims on earth... seeking a homeland... therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared for them a city.” (Hebrews 11)*

In honor of Hiro Katayama

# Sycamore Tree 日取



## 同志社大学より夏期伝道神学生

7月下旬より9月上旬まで、京都の同志社大学大学院神学研究科より、金澤友幸神学生をお迎えしています。金澤神学生は将来牧師になることを志しており、この夏ベイエリアの日系教会で説教奉仕などをして、実習の時間を重ねておられます。シカモア教会では、日語部と英語部の礼拝や家庭集会などで説教を担当して下さいます。これからの学びと牧師となるための準備の上に、主の導きが豊かにありますようにと、お祈りにお覚え下さい。

### 報告



## 天ぷらうどんセール

8月14日(日)に、金澤友幸神学生の渡航費及び活動費を支えるための天ぷらうどん&パークセールを行いました。多くの方にご奉仕いただき大繁盛! \$630もの利益を得ることができました。「美味しかった」とのお言葉をたくさんいただきましたので、今後も新たな目的を定めて天ぷらうどんセールを開催していきたいと思えます。次回は10月を予定。どうぞお楽しみに!



## 教会バザー2016

9月18日(日)

礼拝: 午前11時半~

バザー: 正午~午後5時

毎年恒例となっています教会バザーが近づいてきました。栗まんじゅう作りや会場設営など、お手伝いいただける方を募集しています。下記のスケジュールをご確認下さい。たくさんの方々のご奉仕、ご来会をお待ちしています。

## 9月の集会予定 どの集会にも、どなたでもお越し下さい!

- 9月 3日(土) お散歩会 午前9時
- 9月 4日(日) 日語部礼拝 聖餐式 誕生者祝福 9時45分
- 9月 8日(木) 礼拝委員会 午後2時
- 9月11日(日) 日語部礼拝 召天者記念 9時45分  
バザー準備 正午
- 9月14日(水) 友の会 正午
- 9月15日(木) プエナビスタ聖書研究会 午前10時  
栗まんじゅう皮作り 午前9時

- 9月16日(木) 栗まんじゅう焼き上げ 午前9時
  - 9月17日(土) バザー前日準備 午前8時
  - 9月18日(日) バザー(礼拝: 11時半、バザー: 正午)
  - 9月19日(月) バザー片付け 午前9時
  - 9月22日(木) 教会役員会 午後7時
  - 9月25日(日) 教会ピクニック 午前11時 (Vista Park)
  - 9月29日(木) 月報発送作業
- ※9月の家庭集会はお休みします。

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夏休みが終わり新学期を迎えました。大人も子どもも新たな思いでこの時を過ごしていることと思います。どうか、神様が皆さんの新しい一年の歩みを豊かに祝福して下さいますように。特に、新しい働きや学びの環境に不安を覚えている人がいるかもしれません、そのような人の上にも、神様が共にいて力強く支え、希望を豊かにお与え下さいますようにとお祈りしています。

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## Sunday Morning Schedule

9:45 a.m. Nichigobu Worship Service  
10:10 a.m. Tomodachi Time  
11:00 a.m. Nichigobu Bible Study  
11:00 a.m. English Worship Service  
12:00 noon Fellowship Hour

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*Rejoicing in the gospel and worship;*

*Reaching out to all people;*

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# SYCAMORE CHURCH

## B A Z A A R

# シカモアバザー

Sunday, Sept. 18, 2016

11:30 Bilingual Worship – please join us!

12:00 noon to 5:00 pm Bazaar

An afternoon of great entertainment:

12:30-1:00 Tatsumaki Taiko

1:30-2:00 Awa Odori Sakura Ren

2:30-3:00 Sycamore Rocks

3:30-4:00 Du!Tones

4:15-4:45 Genyukai Berkeley

Japanese and Japanese American cuisine, including:

Sushi • Udon • Curry Rice  
Spam Musubi • Teriyaki Chicken  
BBQ Tri-Tip • Hot Dogs

Manju/Sweet Treats

Plants • Hidden Treasures  
Silent Auction • Games

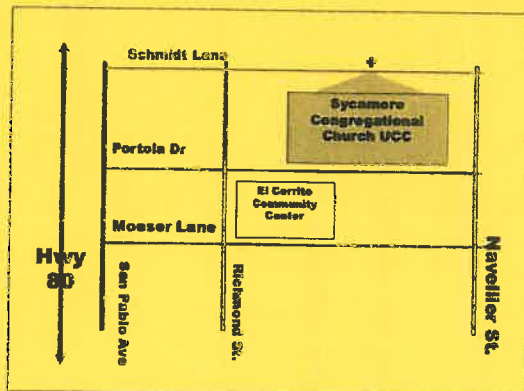
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**BAZAAR 2016 -- SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 18**

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SUN 9/11	FRI 9/16	SAT 9/17	SUN 9/18
(Come to worship in working clothes) 9:45 am: Nichigo Worship 11 am: English Worship 12N: Lunch 1 pm: Booth set up Other Bazaar preparation	9 am: Bake kurimanju  Starting at 1 pm Make tsukemomo Set up plant booth & price Set up cooking equipment in the back	Starting at 8 am, throughout the day Boil udon Prepare ingredients for curry, sushi, udon, chicken, and bentos Pick up ice Prepare games & game prizes Set up booths, signs, tables, & chairs	5 am: Wash, cook rice 6 am: Start charcoal and BBQ chicken 8 am: Stuff inarizushi Roll and package sushi Prepare udon and curry
THU 9/15	Set up tables & shelves for - Silent Auction - Hidden Treasures Set up tables for food preparation inside	Set up handcrafts booth & price Set up plant booth & price Set up stage Set up sound system Set up Bazaar entrance Set up Hidden Treasures booth & price Set up grill	Set tables for food service Set up umbrellas Decorate & stock booths Price baked goods 9 am: put out four Bazaar sandwich board signs on nearby street corners
Make teriyaki sauce  Make kurimanju dough		9:30: Clean chicken pieces	9 am: put out four Bazaar sandwich board signs on nearby street corners <b>WORSHIP 11:30 AM</b> <b>BOOTHS OPEN AT 12:00N</b> <b>BAZAAR 12 – 5 PM</b> 5 pm: Clean-up begins
<b>DISHWASHERS and DRYERS NEEDED THROUGHOUT PREPARATION &amp; BAZAAR</b>			
Monday, September 19 <sup>th</sup> Clean-up: help needed from 9 am – 3 pm			

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**ALL WEEK: MAKE PASTRIES & HANDCRAFTS**