

THE WEEKLY RAG

For the United Ministries
of the Presbyterian Church in Chinatown and Donaldina Cameron House

January 5, 2025

This Sunday at PCC

Life rarely follows the path we expect, and neither did the Magi's journey to find Christ. This Sunday, join us as we explore how God meets us in the twists and turns, creating new paths through the wilderness and guiding us home by another way. Drawing from Matthew 2:1-12 and Isaiah 43:16-21, we'll uncover the beauty of life's detours and the divine light that leads us forward. Come be inspired by a message of hope, courage, and God's steadfast presence in every unexpected turn.

The Christmas decorations in the sanctuary and fellowship hall will be packed away on Sunday after the Cantonese worship service. If you can stay and help, please see Diane Go.

Ordination and Installation Service

Join the English Worshipping Community Sunday January 12 for a service of Installation and Ordination as we ordain Whitney Tom and install her along with Eddie Kam and Scott Barlow as Elders, and as we ordain Keith Jew and install him along with Wayne Eng as new deacons!

School of Discipleship - January 13

The School of Discipleship reconvenes on Monday, January 13! Mark you calendars!

Per Capita Apportionment

Every church is apportioned a share of the expenses of the Presbytery, Synod and the General Assembly for ecclesiastical purposes. For 2025, the per capita amount per PCC member is **\$40.00**. If you received your offering envelopes, use the blue envelope to pay your per capita.

Opportunities at PCC

FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS: [Saturday Pantry](#).

Thursday Pantry: 10:15-11:45am. Email foodpantry@pccsf.org if you can volunteer. Location: Cameron House parking lot.

To Host Teatime: **TEATIME SIGN UP**

Today's Hymns and Scripture Passages

Opening

Angels from the Realms of Glory

143 in Glory to God

Communion

We Three Kings of Orient Are

151 in Glory to God

Closing

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

132 in Glory to God

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Isaiah 43: 16-21

Matthew 2: 1-12

Prayer Concerns

Prayers for Stuart's sister **Rosalind Go and family** after death of her brother-in-law Ryan.

Continuing prayers:

For those facing treatments -- **MaryBeth** for lung inflammation and **George** for stage 4 cancer. Ongoing treatments for **David** that have improved his strength and caregiver help for **Carl**.

Continued recovery for **Jerry** from a stroke and surgery for **Christine** and **Mike**.

Ruth Leong in hospice care at home w/family.

Send prayer concerns to prayers@pccsf.org.



Update on Antiracism Work from the Presbytery of San Francisco

In 2022, the Presbytery of San Francisco established a commission to conduct an internal Race Equity Audit. The goal of this work is to identify how systemic racism is embedded in presbytery structures and culture. (You may remember filling out a survey in June as part of this work.)

The commission is named the Truth Commission for Race Equity or T-CARE for short. Linda Lee has been serving as a volunteer with T-CARE. T-CARE is excited to report that they have completed a Draft Report with their findings. The report is relatively short (16 pages) and they hope you will find it readable. Their documentation and detailed analyses are in appendices. T-CARE is inviting folks to read their Draft Report and then attend a Conversation Circle to share your reactions. They want to bring the voices, experiences, and thoughts of people within our presbytery into their Final Report.

There are three upcoming Conversation Circles scheduled:

Tuesday, December 17 - 7-8:30 pm, via Zoom, in English with translations available
Hosted by Erina Kim-Eubanks, and co-facilitated by Rev. Kamal Hassan and Noah Kruis (Crossroads).

Tuesday, January 7, 2025 - 7-8:30 pm, via Zoom, in English with translations available
Hosted by Rochelle Shaw, and co-facilitated by Rev. Kamal Hassan and Noah Kruis (Crossroads)

Saturday, January 11, 2025, 2-4 pm, in-person, Presbyterian Church in Chinatown, San Francisco.
This session is part of the West Region Antiracist Group's meeting.

To register, click on this link: [Conversation Circle Registration](#). After you register, you will receive a link to access T-CARE's Draft Report and a Zoom link for the on-line meetings.

T-CARE will gather feedback from the Conversation Circles for their Final Report, which will be presented at a February 2025 Open Space. Then, at the February 11, 2025, presbytery meeting, T-CARE will present their Final Report for approval.

To learn more about T-CARE Truth Commission – [Presbytery of San Francisco](#)