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# The Courier

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*Welcome to First Church where everyone is either our friend or family.*

*Sunday Worship at 10:00 am*

## Welcome

First United Methodist Church of Canoga Park is excited to welcome Pastor Elaine Shin-Paull to our congregation. Pastor Elaine's first Sunday worship service will be July 10, 2022.

Educated at Fuller Theological Seminary, Pastor Elaine is ordained in the California Pacific Annual Conference. She has served Southland congregations at La Canada United Methodist Church and Santa Clarita United Methodist Church.

Pastor Elaine's family includes husband Gideon and two children, college student daughter Selina and middle-school-aged son Aaron. Rounding out the family is Babycho, their four-legged furry friend whom Pastor Elaine describes as "very clingy, but sweet!"

In her free time, Pastor Elaine enjoys hiking, paddle boarding, and travel. She also confesses a passion for Belgian waffles with strawberries. Take a look at her website, too: [elainepaull.com](http://elainepaull.com).

We look forward to getting to know Pastor Elaine as she gets to know our congregation at First UMC of Canoga Park.



*Elaine Shin-Paull*



### **Pastor**

Elaine Shin-Paull

### **Preschool Director**

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### **North District Superintendent**

Rev. Melissa Roux  
MacKinnon



**WELCOME OUR NEW PASTOR!**

## Reception

Plan to be in church on July 10 as we welcome our new pastor. Stay for an ice cream social on the patio after worship.

# Birthdays & Anniversaries

## July Birthdays

- 1 Diane Rosales
- 3 Pat Rowe
- 11 Roger Johnson
- 12 Gerald Rowe
- 16 Judith Austin  
Guy Maturro
- 19 Shirley Thomson
- 22 Dylan Bautista
- 23 Nanette Roberson
- 25 Jonathan Arnold
- 29 Talia Maturro
- 30 Devon Cates  
Elma Villacisneros
- 31 Lanette Hastings

## July Anniversaries

- 7 Lou & Sharon  
Mountford
- 26 Robert & Flo Lamb

*If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please let us know.*



## July

### Flower Calendar

- 3 Louis & Sharon Mountford  
*in honor of their 60th Anniversary*
- 10 Welcome Pastor Elaine  
Shin-Paull and family
- 17 Open
- 24 Open
- 31 Open

# July Calendar

## Weekly Activities

- Sunday Peace Evangelical Church, Hall, 9:30 am  
San Fernando Valley Youth Chorus, Hall 1:45 pm  
Hindi Urdu Church, Sanctuary, 5:00 pm
- Monday Harmonettes, Fellowship Hall Lounge, 10:30 - 12:30 pm  
Cub Pack 474, Boy Scout Room, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
- Tuesday Boy Scout Troop 474, Boy Scout room, 6:30 pm
- Wednesday Men's AA Group, Parlor, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
- Thursday Narcotics Anonymous, Parlor 6:00 - 8:30 pm
- Friday Girl Scouts, Scout Room, 6:00 - 7:30, 1st and 3rd Friday
- Saturday Narcotics Anonymous, Parlor 9:30 - noon

## Other Activities

- Saturday 2 Men's Fellowship Breakfast, 8:30 am  
*Weiler's Restaurant on Sherman Way*
- Sunday 3 Communion, reception for Rev. Liddell
- Tuesday 5 Boy Scouts Parent Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm
- Fri-Sun, 8-10 Boy Scouts backpacking Trip to Little Kern River
- Sunday 10 Reception to welcome Pastor Elaine  
SFV Youth Chorus Summer Jam (also 17, 24, 31 and Aug 7)
- Tuesday 12 Boy Scouts Patrol Leaders meeting, 7:00 pm
- Saturday 18 Rockchippers, Lounge, 6:30 pm
- Saturday 23 Young Ambassadors, Fellowship Hall, 2:30 - 6:30 pm  
Rockchippers, Lounge, 6:30 pm
- Jul 24-Aug 8 Boy Scout trip to Philmont

## Coming in August

- Saturday 6 Men's Fellowship Breakfast, 8:30 am  
*Weiler's Restaurant on Sherman Way*



## Thanks

to Sandy Liddell

## July 3 Reception

Plan to be in church on July 3 to thank the Rev. Sandy Liddell for the many Sundays she has graced our pulpit during this transitional period.



**United  
Women  
in Faith**



**New Name :** Are you challenged by the new name UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH? The plus is the opportunity for inclusion of women of other faiths or those who may not yet be part of a faith community but want to promote our purpose. We want to attract new members and build up God’s kin-dom on earth.

**North District Committee on Nominations:** The following positions are open on the district team: Vice President, Secretary, Mission Education and Interpretation, Language Coordinator for Spanish, Korean and Tongan and Young women for Limitless.

**Reading Program:** A couple of books recommended by United Women in Faith are “The Little Golden book about Ruth Bader Ginsberg” which deals with her life from childhood into adulthood. Another book is “Hidden Figures” which gives the history of various programs in which women have been involved. Additionally, read the Response magazine, which has some great articles. This magazine is located on the book shelf in the church library.

**Faith Talks:** My recent webinar was on Forgiveness & Friendship. This was an excellent topic. There were 270 participants from across the nation. You can access the webinar on the internet under United Women in Faith/Faith Talks.

**Mission U 2022:** Will be held July 11 thru July 23. The study classes on Luke 13 will be online via Zoom. Each class will be 4 sessions of 2 hours each and will be offered on various days and hours between July 7 to July 23. The times of the classes will be published on the registration form. The book is: a) The Adult Study – “Who Can We Be Together?”. There is only one study this year. You can order the book today through [www.umwmissionresources.org](http://www.umwmissionresources.org). The cost will be \$10.00 for online study and \$25.00 for the in-person Worship & Fellowship.

*Shirley*

### **Pledges**

United Women in Faith members’ giving and special offerings make missions happen! In 2020 and 2021 more than \$9 million was provided to 226 national and international projects and partners. Your Mission Team strives to make sure that our unit supports these worthwhile missions, and would like to remind all of our members that the collection of annual pledges and special offerings are our only sources of funds which enable us to meet our goals. Our 2022 budget totals \$2,700; as of May 25, we have received only 11 pledges totaling \$845 plus \$65 for Prayer and Self Denial. Please consider making your discretionary pledge for 2022 or a Prayer and Self Denial offering today. The DBA(name) for the organization has not changed so checks should still be made payable to UMW and mailed to Chandra Seeger, 6625 E Maplegrove, Oak Park, CA 91377. Thank you and take care.

*Chandra*

*Confirm gatherings  
before you go.*

**Bookends**  
no meeting

**Sarah Circle**  
Thursday, July 14

9:30 am

Breakfast at Weilers Deli,  
22323 Sherman Way  
near Shoup

**Faith, Hope & Love**  
Wednesday, June 20  
TBA



## Welcome Jon, Abbey and Sam!



On Sunday, May 22, 2022 we baptized Jonathan Arnold and Samuel Arnold and received Jonathan Arnold and Abbey Hafner-Arnold as members. The Arnold family started attending worship at First United Methodist Church of Canoga Park in November 2021.

Jon works for Boy Scouts of America and Abbey works at the West Hills Animal Hospital as a vet tech. As a family, they enjoy going to parks, watching movies, hiking, and hanging out at home with their dog Ozzie and cat Cindy. They are also passionate about helping animals in need. They often donate food to homeless pets and bring stray kittens to the West Hills Animal Hospital to receive care and find forever homes.

We welcome Jon, Abbey, and Sam into the First United Methodist Church of Canoga Park family!



### From the Mailbox

Thank you for remembering Mom with your cards, letters and

newsletters. She reads each one carefully and takes much joy in them.

Mom will be ninety-six in August. She is now living in the assisted care wing of the Judson Park Retirement Community in Des Moines, WA.



Mom's health is pretty good. She is not as physically active as she used to be and gets a little confused on occasion. She takes great interest in her daily paper and mail, reading each item thoroughly and keeping up on what is going on in the world.

You have each brought some sunshine into her life with your remembrances and I thank you for that.

Mom's address is: Sabra Pittenger  
Judson Park, Room #117  
23600 Marine View Dr., Des Moines, WA 98198  
*Mark Pittenger, Sabra's son*

### Preschool News



*Colorful stage for the June graduation!*

Summer school has begun and all the kids are having a great time!

We will be in summer session until the end of July and then start the fall semester the middle of August.

If you know anyone who needs a great preschool, have them give us a call to schedule a tour.  
818-340-6639

Enjoy your summer!

*Wendy Finley*

## 2022 United Women In Faith Special Mission Recognition Awarded to Lou Mountford



Louis Alvin Mountford was born at home in Newell, West Virginia on 15 October, 1933. The Mountford family continued to live in West Virginia until Lou finished high school. He played football for his high school and remembers getting knocked out during a game, waking to find himself sitting on the bench. He served as a newspaper delivery man with a route through the pottery factory where his father worked as a decorator. He also delivered the mail one summer.

His musical education began with a former vaudeville pianist who came to the house looking for a piano which might need tuning. He gave Lou lessons for several years and he became quite proficient at some of the favorites of the piano repertoire, such as *The Moonlight Sonata*. Piano served Lou well in the Methodist Student group when he went away to college. As a young man he also played bass bugle with a Drum and Bugle Corps, which marched in parades to lead people to the local Volunteer Firemen Carnivals. Although the yearbook for Wells High School indicates that there was a boys' choir, none of the supposed singers remembers there having been such a group.

Along the way he picked up the trombone and the guitar.

After graduation Lou went to Morgantown to attend West Virginia University, majoring in Physics. While there, his father was offered a job in California. Dad traveled to Pasadena to give it a try, leaving Lou's mother at home with the six younger siblings. The trial went well and Dad told Mom to pack up, sell the house and bring the family west. They settled in Glendale and lived there the rest of their lives. Lou joined them and attended UCLA where he earned a Master's degree in Physics.

His first job was with Atomics International, up on the mountain west of Canoga Park. Lou took an apartment nearby and became a valley boy. A sodium moderated nuclear reactor was built up at Burro Flats. It was the prototype for a small power reactor which Atomics International built in Piqua, Ohio. When that reactor was ready to start producing power, Lou was sent to Piqua to serve as start-up engineer, a position he enjoyed enormously.

The next assignment found Lou in Idaho Falls on loan to the National Lab, which had an experimental Breeder Reactor program. On the larger atomic power scale, the Clinch River Breeder Reactor was under development. When Congress cancelled that project, the power reactor business dried up.

Back in Canoga Park, Lou was transferred to Rocketdyne, another division of North American Rockwell. He worked on the Space Shuttle main engine team, preparing for return to flight after the Challenger disaster.

On the personal side, Lou met Sharon Palmer at the Glendale First Methodist Church and they were married in 1962, so this year will be their 60th wedding anniversary. Brian was born in 1964 and Diane in 1966. Both children lived in Idaho Falls, moving back to Canoga Park in August 1969, to the home where they have lived for 52 years.

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Lou joined the church choir under Director Rhoda MacCachran and has been a member for 52 years. One day in the LA Times there was a notice that the Valley Master Chorale was holding auditions. Lou tried out and joined. John Alexander later said that accepting Lou into the chorale was one of the best things he had done...because Sharon soon became the volunteer administrator for the Chorale, serving for seven years.

Soon after joining they were able to accompany the chorale on their trip to China. Upon return, Alexander changed the name to Angeles Chorale, under which it still operates today. Choral singing became the major vacation activity, with a choral tour to England with the William Hall Chorale. Lou sang almost 20 times with the Berkshire Choral Festival, usually in Massachusetts, but also around the country and even in England and Austria.

With Roger Johnson and Robert Lamb, The Men in Black is Lou's final avenue for pursuing music.

## **Nursery Attendant**

The church is still looking for a nursery attendant to take care of toddlers and young children during church services. Contact the church office if you might know someone who would be the perfect match for the job. A description of the job can be e-mailed to any possible candidates.

## **Financial Update**

I'm pleased to say that we will be making our first 2022 Apportionment payment to the Cal-Pac conference in late June. The finances continue to be very tight but hopefully we can work our way out of this difficult period. We have one new congregation waiting for their head office to approve a proposal to use our property. They would be using the Fellowship Hall Gym on Saturday morning and Tuesday night. In addition, we had two other churches inquire about property space. We remain hopeful that additional user groups will ease the financial pressure of keeping up the facilities. If you know of any non-profits looking for space, please put out the word that we have space to rent at reasonable prices!

## **Facilities Update**

**Landscaping:** Water reduction projects - The project to cover the lawn area outside the Education rooms 6-8 with wood chips is 90% complete. There are a few sprinkler related issues that will be complete by the end of June.

We decided to delay the removal of the 3 "almost" dead trees on the property until later this year. This will include the two trees in front of Education rooms 6-8 and the one large redwood closest to the Narthex entrance to the sanctuary.

**Fellowship Hall Kitchen:** We are still in the process of detailing the quote for the Fellowship Hall kitchen stove/oven fire repression system. The fire inspector has now said that because we are not commercial that there is much less to do - Yeah!. We hope to have it up to code sometime this summer.

**Parsonage:** Karen Grengs is organizing all the upgrades to the Parsonage in preparation for the arrival of Pastor Elaine & family. We expect most of the updates to be finished by July 1. The updates include, painting, flooring, new lighting, some updates to the bathrooms, carpet stretching and carpet cleaning.

**Pastors' Office:** We will be changing out the light fixture lenses to improve the lighting, removing the contact paper behind the bookcase, painting the bookcase and walls, and cleaning the carpets.

We were blessed to have Stan Westover oversee many maintenance projects during Pastor Lynn's tenure at First Church. We now have some big shoes to fill with his leaving. We still have a faithful group of people who regularly do work at the church including Mary Mackay, Margaret Cates, Jeff Leighton, Tim O'Connor, Ken Dimmick, and George Grengs. If anyone has an interest in joining the facilities group by helping us, please touch base with anyone on this list. Thanks!

*George Grengs*



**The Men's Breakfast Fellowship** gathered on Saturday, June 4 to greet, eat and share fellowship with Stan Westover one last time before he and Pastor Lynn retire and move up to Washington. We all expressed gratitude to Stan for his ministry of Christian example, his participation in this fellowship for the past 10 years and all he has done to help us around the church. The men each added their personal greetings to a 'retirement' card and presented it and another card that he will really appreciate: a Home Depot Gift Card. We will miss you Stan, and wish you well.

Attending were (Left to Right): Dave Perry, Chuck Mabry, Tom Roe, Roger Johnson, Stu Schwartz, Gary Davis, Ryan Barksdale, Bill Satterlee, Robert Lamb, Victor Avalos, Joe Dedinas, Ken Dimmick, Stan Westover, Louis Parrinello, George Grengs, and Guy Maturo.

*Roger Johnson*

## Lost & Found

A lovely ring was found in the grass alongside the church walkways on Sunday, May 22nd. Please contact the office if this is yours.

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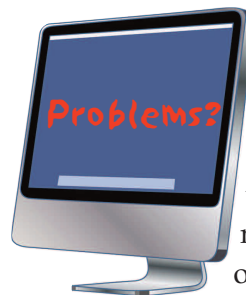
## Edwin's Computer Ministry

If you're having problems with your computer and would like someone to look at it (for free) please contact me. Edwin works in the IT department at Valterra Products, where I work, and has gladly looked at a number of computers for the church

and church members. It's done remotely (he doesn't come to your house, he just connects onto your computer through the internet to work on it) on the third Saturday of each month between 9-11am. If you or your computer needs help,

please contact me and I'll schedule you in!

*George Grengs, [george@valterra.com](mailto:george@valterra.com)  
or 818 632 7538.*



*Pastor Sandy Liddell has many meditations posted on the website of her former church, Malibu UMC. If you have enjoyed the sermons she shared with us, you might like to visit her Pastor's Blog on Malibuumc.org. Here is one that caught my attention and captured her spirit.*

## Monday Mornings

Sunday are great days here

The folks gather. They talk...and laugh...and hug.

Then, Joellen starts to play the piano and people start to sing...rehearse.

Patty is brewing coffee. Dishes begin filling up the big table...sometimes pie.

Lunch is coming.

We share stories and songs.

We pray. We think about God. We talk about God.

We ask questions.

Sometimes we answer them...sometimes we don't.

Sometimes no answers come.

Silence.

Sundays are great days here.

And then Monday mornings come, and we have to think.

We have to consider how what we talked about and told each other and pondered about God yesterday has to do with the living of our days...today, Monday.

And Tuesday and Wednesday and on and on.

We have to think what does what we did yesterday have to do with the way we treat people, the decisions we make.

Choices we make on how we use our resources, spend our money, our time, our very lives.

Monday mornings.

*By Pastor Sandy Liddell*

## Cabinet Available



Mel Davis made this wall cabinet for the sanctuary at St. John's church. We have not found a place to use it at our church and now offer it to anyone who could enjoy it. It has a glass hinged door. The cabinet is 30" wide, 15-3/4" high and 6-3/4" deep.

If you could use this cabinet, contact Mary Mackay 818-731-5872.

## Live Streaming Available Thank You, Grant Simmons!

There are two different ways that you can access livestreaming.

1. Visit <https://www.umccp.org/videos/> and the livestream will be at the top of the page. The livestream will begin a few minutes before the service starts on Sunday at 10 am.
2. Subscribe to Grant Simmon's YouTube channel at <https://youtube.com/user/Spetet> and click on the bell icon to be notified when livestreams begin.

We need volunteers! If you'd like to help Grant operate the livestreaming system, contact the church office. No technical experience is required!

We look forward to worshipping in person and virtually with you all!



# In Memoriam ... Frank Rosales

11 December 1942 – 23 May 2022



When he was two years old, Frank came to the states with his mother and brother from Penejamo, Mexico, to have a better life. After graduating from Anaheim High School, Frank joined the Navy at age seventeen and

served for four years. He saw the world, but more importantly, he found his niche. He developed an interest and skill in mechanical and manufacturing engineering. Later, he worked many years in the aerospace industry, mainly with Lockheed, Rocketdyne, and Raytheon.

Diane and Frank met at Rocketdyne over forty years ago. He knew right away he wanted to marry her, but Diane wanted to go at a slower pace. After dating five years, she finally said, Yes. They were married on 18 June 1985.

Family was very important to Frank. He adored Alicia and his grandchildren, Dane, Quinn, and Amanda. He took great joy in watching them grow up into young adults.

Frank had a big heart and was active in the community. He was a member of Kiwanis Club, Elks Lodge, and American Legion. He was the Vice President of the Boeing Retirement Club. He picked up and delivered food for the West Valley Food Pantry, a community organization at work so that no one goes away hungry. He also worked with Operation Gratitude, whose mission is to honor and express gratitude for the service of our Military and First Responders. And naturally, he volunteered at all of Diane's events with Valley Harmonettes and San Fernando Valley Master Chorale.

Frank was knowledgeable and very handy. There wasn't anything he couldn't fix, build or make. He did tend to go overboard with specs. If it called for a 2 x 4, he used a 2 x 6. If you needed 4 inches of cement, he poured 8 inches.

Frank enjoyed life and was happy, kind and friendly. He loved people and talked to everyone, so he was good at helping people connect. He did indeed like to talk, but he was also a good listener. And he never gossiped or had a bad word to say about anyone.

Frank was baptized and grew up in the church. He was a longtime member of Woodland Hills United Methodist Church before he and Diane transferred their membership to First United Methodist Church of Canoga Park. He came to worship nearly every week and went to the monthly Men's Fellowship Breakfast. After Sunday worship, he would often say, "Pastor, it was a good sermon. I don't remember everything you said, but it helped me." It is no wonder, that like everyone else, I liked him the moment I met him!

Frank read the Bible often. His strong faith was founded on God's Word. God's promises gave him the strength to face his illness with good courage and grace. He confidently told Diane, "When God calls me, I'm ready."

After delivering the terrible diagnosis, the doctor asked Frank, "How are you?" The doctor said, "Where are you at?" Frank said, "It's no one's fault. And no one can fix it. But I'm in God's hands."

Frank's Memorial Service was conducted on June 9 at our church, followed by a catered dinner in the parlor for the many friends and family who had gathered to pay tribute to Frank.



# In Memoriam ... Dean Owen Schafer

5 January 1933 —29 May 2022



Dean was my big brother by seven years. I always looked up to him. He was caring, lively, fun and interesting. In our childhood on Texel Drive in Kalamazoo, he was always

making something. As a six-year-old I knew about Morse Code and oscilloscopes. Then on to radios, record players and building a TV. We could sit on the floor eating candy bars and watch Kookla Fran and Ollie for 20 minutes before the set wires started to smoke.

Then he went to college at Western Michigan University. Soon he met and brought home Eileen to our family—now I had a sister. Both of them were good to me and let me tag along — sometimes. Mom said, “Leave them alone.”

Next step, Dean joined the Army. In August 1955 Dean married Eileen in Delavan, Wisconsin and right away they left to live in Anchorage, Alaska. During this time Dean served in the tank division for two years. Eileen remembered Dean shoveling the snow off their roof because it was so deep, and Eileen would walk with the neighborhood large dog to get the mail – there were bears nearby.

After the Army, Dean finished his engineering degree at University of Michigan in 1958. Then off to Santa Monica, California to work for Douglas Aircraft. In 1960 they bought their brand new home in Woodland Hills, California. Everyone was happy for them. Soon after moving, they joined the Woodland Hills Methodist Church that was just starting in 1960. Both of them being “good Methodists” put their heart and soul into the church, which eventually grew to be the largest

Methodist congregation in the Valley. Dean served many years as the church financial secretary. Dean and Eileen loved their Church and their friends. Life was good. Dean was very happy to be living in California and working as an aeronautical engineer for Douglas, which became McDonnell-Douglas and then Boeing.

In retirement they traveled to the Orient many times, Europe, the Mediterranean, and the last trip to Australia. In the States they often drove across the country or flew to visit Eileen’s parents, sister and niece Pamela in Delavan, Wisconsin. Then they would visit sister Annabelle and nephew Fritz Ochs in Grand Rapids, Michigan and visit Dean’s parents in Temperance, Michigan, and later to see Dean’s sister Judy and husband Dale and nephew Steve in their home in Cleveland, Ohio, plus the many trips with Eileen’s brother Raymond to Veteran Memorials. One family trip was to Colorado to read the Bible for Steve and Jeannie’s wedding. Dean appreciated hearing the birth of two nieces Ava and Lily added to our family.

They had many good friends at church and at Dean’s work with the Terry Family and daughters. Later in life they cherished the Fiesta family, Gina, Marty and Erlander, and new friend Saul. Dean appreciated his new friends Marion and her twin daughters at Canoga Park United Methodist Church.

May God bless you, Dean. You will be greatly missed by all of us.

*Judith Buhr*

Dean’s Memorial service was held at Forest Lawn, Hollywood Hills, on June 22.



## Westovers Are Now in Washington

George Grengs took Pastor Lynn and Stan to the airport on Friday morning, June 17, for their flight to their new home. The movers had come and picked up their belongings for the move, so they were ready to depart. The Westovers have found a home to rent near their family in Washington. Their address is: 1851 N 200th Street, Shoreline, WA 98133

## Eye Glasses Donations

Dana Dreyfuss donates used eye glasses to the Lions Club as part of the Lions Recycle For Sight Program that provides used eyeglasses to individuals in low and middle income countries.

If you would like to donate your used eyeglasses to this program, please bring them to the church office!



## Raymond Allen

17 May 1966 – 29 April 2020

Raymond Allen was born and raised in Canoga Park. He was active in scouts, played many different sports at the YMCA and the local parks, and made many lifelong friends.

Ray developed an early interest in music. He learned to play the guitar at the age of ten. He studied the guitar throughout his youth and graduated from the Guitar Institute of Technology in Hollywood, CA. Later he created an instructional video, *Rhythm Guitar Basics with Ray Allen*, that was nominated for Best New Instructional Video of 1999 by MVP Entertainment, Inc. In the following years, Ray helped start and performed with different bands. In 2004 he and his Bamboozle bandmates created a CD. Ray played rhythm and electric guitar and wrote and performed vocals on some of the songs. It was a delightful collection of songs that received radio play and recognition on KLOS in Los Angeles. In addition to Ray's love of and expertise in rock & roll guitar playing, he also taught himself to play classical guitar and continued his study of classical guitar at Pierce College while completing his AA degree. During this time, he created his own recordings of many of his favorite pieces by Bach and Beethoven.

With a talent for speaking over the phone, Ray worked in music event promotion, sales, and marketing. He also helped many people as an insurance agent. Raymond Allen, beloved son, brother, and friend, died in his sleep at his home in Van Nuys, due to complications involving pneumonia and sleep apnea. He is survived by his mother Geraldine Allen, his sister Beverly Allen Harris, and his brother Reese Allen.



Pastor Lynn & Stan  
Pastor Elaine & Gideon  
Russ & Lindy Amico  
Geri Allen  
Abbey, Jon & Sam Arnold  
Beverly & Craig Harris  
Pat Connolly  
Ken & Lori Dimmick  
Frank & Diane Rosales  
Dixie Smith  
Mary Beth Godwin  
Grace and Jeff Leighton  
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and CC Pastor Elaine  
([eshinpauull@gmail.com](mailto:eshinpauull@gmail.com))

## Memorial Garden

Interment in our  
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is open to all  
who request it.





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The San Fernando Valley Youth Chorus has planned a unique summer music adventure from 2:00 to 5:00 on five Sunday afternoons, July 10, 17, 24, 31 and August 7 here at our church. Each session will be self-contained, but all will offer hands-on experiences in music and art. Students may participate in all 5 sessions, or on select dates to mesh with family plans.

Enrollment is \$125 for all sessions, \$25 per session. The one session for Kinders is August 7. Scholarships are available.

Encourage your young people to attend.