



Pick-A-Party

Congregational Church of San Mateo

Parties with Open Seats as of February 1, 2020

Organized by Date

Thanks for making this year's Pick-A-Party so successful!

7 Casavant Love: Organ Concert and Chocolate \$35.00

Guests: 30
Date: Saturday, February 15, 2020
Time: 4:00 p.m.
Place: CCSM: Chancel area of Sanctuary
Hosts: Angela Kraft Cross, Diane Kalliam, Fiona Martin and Beth Sandell

Come enjoy a beautifully performed concert in the chancel by CCSM's talented organist, Angela Kraft Cross, followed by a time of fellowship and fun. Fancy appetizers, chocolate truffles and wonderful wine will all be part of this lovely experience.

24 Hymn Sing \$25.00

Guests: 30
Date: Sunday, February 23, 2020
Time: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Place: CCSM: Sanctuary and Buckham Room
Hosts: Lynnelle Bilsey, Diane Kalliam, and Angela Kraft Cross

Have you heard of a Hymn Sing? Join us for an afternoon of singing hymns. We will begin with traditional hymns that have lasted over a century, then move to more contemporary hymns. Accompaniment will alternate between organ and piano. Everyone is welcome to join us for a light reception and some tasty treats afterwards. Do you have a favorite hymn? Please add it next to your name when you sign up for this party. *This is a repeat of a party last year that had to be canceled. If you purchased a ticket last year, you won't be expected to pay again this time.*

5 Burning Man: What Is It? Dinner and Discussion \$35.00

Guests: 30 adults
Date: Saturday, March 14, 2020
Time: 7:00 p.m. to 11-ish
Place: Dave and Megan's home in Redwood City
Hosts: Dave and Megan Goulden

Have you ever wondered what draws 70,000 people to the barren desert each year for Burning Man? Yes, it's a fun party, but it's much deeper than that. It's a celebration of art and creativity as well as a radical experiment in community building that has surprising parallels to Jesus' teaching. Come to learn more about this phenomenon while enjoying a backyard BBQ with tri-tip, chicken, or salmon. Vegetarian options also available. Wine, beer, and non-alcoholic beverages provided. At your option, experience a bit of the Burning Man ethos of Radical Self-Expression (by coming in costume) and Gifting (by sharing a gift with the group).

**10 Climate Change Presentation and Mini Greenhouse \$15.00 per person;
\$35 per family maximum**

Guests: 10 guests (children ages 6 to 12 and adults)
Date: Sunday, March 29, 2020
Time: 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Place: CCSM: Fireplace Room
Hosts: Sandra Soto-Grondona

Sandra is passionate about educating youth on climate change through science, art, and storytelling. Adults and children ages 6 to 12 are invited join Sandra for an interactive presentation about how children are being impacted by climate change around the world, and more importantly, how they are responding. During the presentation and discussion, children will make a mini greenhouse with recyclables which they can take home along with a native plant. Popcorn snack included. Individual adults as well as families encouraged to attend.

25 Kentucky Derby Garden Party \$40.00

Guests: 16
Date: Saturday, May 2, 2020
Time: 2:30 p.m.
Place: Mike and Sue's home in Redwood City
Hosts: Mike and Sue Hill

The Kentucky Derby is often referred to as the "best two minutes in sports". Join Mike and Sue in their garden for an afternoon of big hats, Mint Juleps, and bountiful Southern delicacies. Post time for the "Run for the Roses" is 3:59 pm. Just prior, we'll gather around the TV, sing *My Old Kentucky Home* as the horses parade the track, and then rowdily cheer on our favorite thoroughbred horses. Ladies are encouraged to wear a Derby-style hat.

**2 Amateur Geologist (Rock) Party for Families \$20.00 per adult; \$20.00 per child;
\$60.00 per family maximum**

Guests: 8 children (plus parents). Kids should be 5 or older.
Date: Saturday, May 2, 2020
Time: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Place: Betsy and Phil's home in Foster City
Hosts: Phil Lind and Betsy Woodward

Kids, come learn about geodes, agates, minerals and fossils. Each child will choose his or her own geode. Discover what is hidden inside and receive a rock journal and a bag of interesting rocks. Delicious dinner included afterwards for the kids plus their parents. Dress casual as rock cutting is messy. At least one parent must accompany their child(ren).