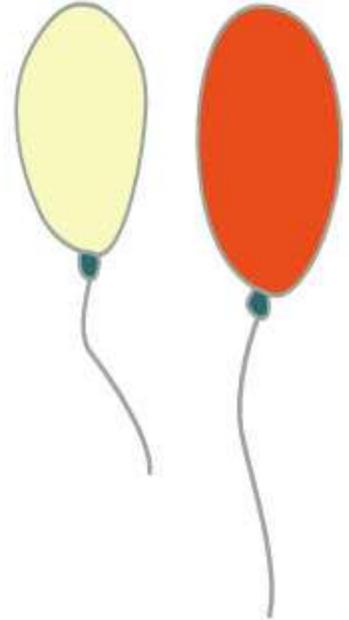


20th Anniversary



*Open Parties*

# Pick-A-Party

Congregational Church of San Mateo

As of October 24, 2018

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

**1 Amateur Geologist (Rock) Party for Families ..... \$15.00 per adult; \$15.00 per child;  
\$50.00 per family max**

# Guests: 8 children (plus parents). Kids should be 5 or older.  
Date: Saturday April 27, 2019  
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).

**4 Breakfast with Brahms ..... \$30.00 per adult; \$15.00 for children over 12 years**

# Guests: 16  
Date: Saturday, February 9, 2019  
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.  
Place: Mary Ann's home in Burlingame  
Hosts: Mary Ann Notz and Laura Peterhans

Enjoy a German breakfast buffet — featuring cheeses, wurst, broetchen (rolls) & breads, tortes, fruit compote, coffee and tea — followed by the music of Brahms in live performance. You may play an instrument and/or sing. Learn about Brahms and perform or just enjoy listening to others. All ages welcome.

**6 Camping: Memorial Park ..... \$25.00 per adult; \$10.00 for children over 10 years;  
\$70 per family max**

# Guests: 30  
Date: Saturday, March 23, 2019  
Time: 2:00 p.m. Saturday to after breakfast on Sunday  
Place: Memorial Park, Loma Mar off Pescadero Creek Road  
Hosts: Leslie and Krystal Burndon

Join Krystal and Leslie for a night of springtime camping at Memorial County Park among the redwoods and less than an hour from San Mateo. They will provide a group campsite, a cook-over-the-campfire dinner, and a pre-church breakfast. Bring your favorite fireside snacks and beverages and your own camping gear (or contact Krystal and Leslie for help getting gear.) Rain or shine.

**8 Casavant Love: Organ Concert and Chocolate ..... \$35.00**

# Guests: 30  
Date: Saturday, February 16, 2019  
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.

**11 Climate Crisis: Pessimism and Optimism; A Discussion..... \$30.00**

# Guests: 10  
Date: Saturday, January 5, 2019  
Time: 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Place: Gary and Betty's home in Belmont  
Hosts: Gary White and Betty Till

Join Gary and Betty for a slide presentation and group discussion on the latest developments in the deepening climate crisis. Learn about the most up-to-date regulations, laws, and political changes impacting the climate situation. Additionally, gain an understanding of the latest technologies that are already creating a societal shift toward a 100% renewable energy economy. Drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

**12 Coastal Walk & Light Brunch..... \$20 per adult; \$5.00 per child; \$40.00 per family max**

# Guests: 20 (adults and kids)  
Date: Saturday, November 10, 2018  
Time: 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Place: Ellen's home in Half Moon Bay  
Hosts: Ellen Palmer

Pack up your family (and dog too) in the car for some good family fun with Ellen and daughters Jess and Avery. We'll enjoy the fresh ocean air on a coastal loop trail, 2-3 miles in length, followed by a yummy light brunch with homemade baked goods. Weather permitting.

**14 Creekside BBQ Under the Redwoods ..... \$50.00**

# Guests: 16 adults  
Date: Saturday, May 4, 2019  
Time: 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Place: Pam's home in Burlingame  
Hosts: June and Tony Brown, Lani and Don Leydig, Lee and Mike Mullery, and Pam Ridlehuber

Saddle up and sashay on down to the Rancho Ridlehuber for a western style BBQ under the redwoods on the banks of Arroyo Seco (Burlingame Creek) home to Native Peoples for millennia. Classic BBQ fare, games and smores.

**15 Cribbage Party and Dessert ..... \$20.00**

# Guests: 10  
Date: Saturday, January 26, 2019  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Place: Alison and Jim's home in San Mateo  
Hosts: Alison and Jim Schwandt

Cribbage and dessert. Guaranteed to be fun and yummy.

**19 Eco-Xmas Workshop with Recyclables ..... \$10.00**

# Guests: 10 children (ages 5 to 9)  
Date: Saturday, November 3, 2018  
Time: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
Place: San Mateo  
Hosts: Sandra Soto-Grondona

Come make Christmas ornaments and cards using recycled materials with Sandra. Children will discuss the recycling process and write about the meaning of Christmas in a time of climate change. A healthy snack (fruit and crackers) will be provided. Parents are welcome to stay or drop off their children.

**21 Games, Games, Games... and Mexican Dinner ..... \$20.00 per adult; \$10.00 per child; \$50.00 per family max**

# Guests: 25 adults and kids (ten years & older)  
Date: Sunday, January 13, 2019  
Time: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
Place: Brian and Lauren's home in Burlingame  
Hosts: The Mathews family: Lauren, Brian, Cole and Lily

Who's game? The Mathews' family loves board games. The best thing about games is that they are always better with more people. They'll play familiar games like Telestrations and Clue along with games that are easy to learn and may become a new favorite such as Ticket To Ride and Alaskan Golf. Four games will be going simultaneously. They'll serve a yummy Mexican dinner. What could be better on a winter Sunday afternoon?

**26 Hillbarn Theater Outing with Kibbie: "A Christmas Carol" ..... \$30.00**

# Guests: 3 children; ages 9 or older  
Date: Sunday, December 9, 2018  
Time: 1:30 p.m.  
Place: Hillbarn Theater in Foster City. We will depart from CCSM parking lot.  
Hosts: Kibbie Ruth

There will be no "Bah! Humbug!" for CCSM kids. Get into the Christmas spirit by going with Kibbie to a musical about the transformation of Old Scrooge. Included in the fun are a snack during intermission and a ride home.

**27 Hymn Sing ..... \$25.00**

# Guests: 30  
Date: Sunday, March 3, 2019  
Time: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Place: CCSM: Sanctuary and Buckham Room  
Hosts: Diane Kalliam, Lynnelle Bilsey, and Angela Kraft Cross

Have you heard of a Hymn Sing? Join us for an afternoon of singing hymns. We'll 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 & some tasty treats following the hymn sing. Do you have a favorite hymn? Please add it next to your name when you sign up for this party.

**30 Kid-Sitting: Parents' Night Out ..... \$20.00 per child; \$40.00 per family max**

# Guests: 10  
Date: Friday, December 7, 2018  
Time: 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Place: CCSM: Wm. Bullis Community Room (upstairs in CE Building)  
Hosts: Cammy Caverly and Mackenzie Pratt

Want a night out while your children enjoy some fun with two of CCSM's remarkable teenagers? Cammy and Mackenzie will "sit" your children, entertain them with games and fun, and feed them a light dinner with beverages.

**32 Ladies' Poker Night ..... \$60.00**

# Guests: 14  
Date: Saturday, March 23, 2019  
Time: 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.  
Place: Austin and Margie's home in San Mateo  
Hosts: Margie and Austin Mader-Clark

Time to get your gamble on! This high-stakes poker party requires a \$20 "buy-in" and comes with drinks, heavy appetizers & snacks, and a fabulous time for all. Winnings will be donated to CCSM.

**36 Movie Afternoon: Amadeus..... \$25.00**

# Guests: 20  
Date: Sunday, January 27, 2019 Mozart's actual birthday  
Time: 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Place: CCSM: Buckham Room  
Hosts: CCSM Music Staff: Lynnelle Bilsey, Director

Celebrate Mozart's birthday with a screening of the film Amadeus. It portrays the life, success and troubles of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, as told by Antonio Salieri, the contemporary composer who was insanely jealous of Mozart's talent and claimed to have murdered him. We will watch the film over munchies and beverages, followed by discussion.

**39 Pizza Party – Make Your Own..... \$40.00**

# Guests: 20  
Date: Saturday, April 27, 2019  
Time: 6:00 p.m.  
Place: Borelli home in Foster City  
Hosts: Bob and Rhonda Borelli

These two foodies will show you some tricks to making fabulous pizza. Homemade dough will be ready for you to roll out and load up with delicious toppings from A-Z. The only request is that you share your masterpiece, so we can all enjoy. Beer, wine and Italian music will help set the mood. Ciao!

**40 Organ Camp for Adults ..... \$15.00**

# Guests: 12  
Date: Sunday, January 20, 2019  
Time: 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Place: CCSM: Chancel area of Sanctuary  
Host: Angela Kraft Cross

Join Angela as she describes the range and depth of sound produced by our beloved Casavant organ. Some experts consider it to be one of the finest organs in California. No previous attendance at organ camps necessary. Participants who would like to try playing the organ should bring their own piano music.

**42 Pool Party and Barbecue ..... \$15.00 adults, \$10.00 children; \$40.00 per family max**

# Guests: 40  
Date: Saturday, June 1, 2019  
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Place: Tileston/Lane home in Hillsborough  
Hosts: Fred Tileston & Nancy Lane, Tony & Kathy Gallo, Lisa Stoltz & Laurie Hearne, and Candy Nagare

Join this gang of fun-loving folks for a pool party and barbecue at Fred & Nancy's recently refurbished backyard swimming pool. Enjoy a swim or simply pull up a lounge chair. Guaranteed to be an afternoon of relaxation and fun. Hamburgers, hot dogs, snacks, beer, sangria and soft drinks provided. Families encouraged. Licensed lifeguard will be hired.

**46 Ring in the New Year with Dinner and "The Music Man" ..... \$25.00**

# Guests: 30  
Date: Saturday, January 5, 2019  
Time: 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
Place: CCSM: Buckham Room  
Hosts: CCSM's Carillon Ringers with Lynnelle Bilsey, Director of Music

In this classic musical film, Harold Hill poses as a boys' band leader to con naïve Iowa townsmen. Favorite songs include: "Seventy-Six Trombones", "Pick-a-Little, Talk-a-Little/Goodnight Ladies", "Gary, Indiana" and "Till There Was You". Come sing-a-long with these beloved songs, then enjoy trivia fun and a wonderful dinner provided by our own Carillon Ringers. All ages welcome.

**49 Sewing Lesson for Kids (Reindeer Pillow) ..... \$30.00**

# Guests: 6 kids – ages 8 and up  
Date: Saturday, December 1, 2018  
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Place: TrishTacSew Sewing School in San Mateo  
Host: Tricia Schroeter

Learn to sew with Trish, owner of TrishTacSew School for Kids. Your child will make an adorable reindeer pillow just in time to decorate their room for Christmas. Trish provides the machines, instructions and all the supplies needed to make this kid-friendly project. The fabric will be pre-cut so we can focus on sewing.

**54 Yoga in the Memorial Garden..... \$20.00**

# Guests: 25 (teens welcome too)  
Date: Saturday, May 11, 2019  
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Place: CCSM: Memorial Garden (near parking lot)  
Hosts: Valerie Wong and Javier Ruiz

Limber your body and lift your spirits. Join us for gentle yoga, led by Valerie and conducted in both Spanish and English. Opportunity for acquaintance across language differences. Refreshing snacks and drinks. Bring your own yoga mat or we'll lend you one.