



## Celebrating Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month at LOPC!

During the month of May, we are celebrating Asian/Pacific American Heritage month at LOPC. The Racial Equity and Engagement Team is planning ways to celebrate and lift up Asian/Pacific Americans in our congregation and community through worship, sharing of food, and the celebration of art, music, and prayer. **Our first celebration will be in worship TODAY, and we hope you will join us on the plaza to celebrate with Asian treats and a time of fellowship.** In May, we look forward to celebrating our faith in Christ and giving thanks for the continued building of a strong Christian community that loves and serves God together.

To learn more about Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month, please visit [asianpacificheritage.gov/](http://asianpacificheritage.gov/).

## Children of the Camps Documentary

May 19, 11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m. in the Oak Room

Please join the Racial Equity & Engagement team for a showing of *Children of the Camps*, a one-hour documentary that portrays the poignant stories of six Japanese Americans who were imprisoned as children in the U.S. concentration camps during WWII. The film follows their journeys toward healing in a workshop led by

Dr. Satsuki Ina. Question prompts at each table will be discussed after the film. Dr. Satsuki Ina, who initiated the documentary, was interviewed by The Rev. Gerald Chinen, former LOPC pastor, in one of his “Talking Story” episodes.

“This travesty of justice could easily happen to any other group....Educating people about the incarceration of one group will help prevent its happening to other minorities in our American democracy.”

-the Report of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians.

Please register at [lopc.org/registrations](http://lopc.org/registrations) by May 14. Drop-ins the day of the program are welcome. A light lunch will be provided with a suggested donation of \$5.00.



## Vacation Bible Camp

### Register Now!

Last chance! Vacation Bible Camp is running a special **FLASH SALE** through **TODAY!** Use code flash20 at checkout to receive \$20 off tuition! Send the code to a friend and help spread the word. It's going to be a fin-tastic time!

At Scuba VB Camp, we welcome children in Pre-K (4+) through completed 4th grade to join us for a week filled with fun, friends, adventure and more. Dive into friendship with God this summer.

Register now at [lopc.org/vbcamp](http://lopc.org/vbcamp).

## Pastors

Peter Whitelock, Head of Staff • Jaime Polson, Care & Executive Leadership  
Lauren Gully, Mission & Outreach • Chris Baldwin, Community & Formation

# children & youth

## Youth Ministry

**Youth Alive** TODAY and every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in CLC 201 for 5th–8th graders. Join this weekly interactive Bible lesson with games and fun activities.

**By The Way (BTW)** BTW is on break until September! Keep an eye out for summer service learning opportunities, hang-outs, and community events! Email [junha@lopc.org](mailto:junha@lopc.org) to subscribe to our LOPC HS newsletter.

**Youth on Wednesdays (YOW)** YOW is on break until September! See you at Service Squad and our service-learning trip this summer! Email [junha@lopc.org](mailto:junha@lopc.org) for more information about our summer service-learning opportunities for 5th–8th grade students!

### Sunday Morning Infant Care

If your child is younger than one year old, please contact Susan Wentworth at [susan@lopc.org](mailto:susan@lopc.org) prior to attending on a Sunday to make special arrangements.

## Children's Ministry

### The Garden

Sundays during Worship

- Children 6 months+–toddlers in CLC Nursery\* & Toddler Rooms
- Pre-K–1st in CLC Room 204
- 2nd–4th in CLC Room 205

Ages 6 months–4th grade. Kid-friendly time for growing friendship with Jesus and with one another.

\* limited space

### Volunteers needed in the Garden this summer!

If you have a Sunday or two free this summer, we would love your help in The Garden helping our children grow their faith. Our goal is to give our school-year volunteers a break and a chance to go into the sanctuary for worship. To be able to do this, we need your help to come and spend an hour with our kids. Please consider giving of your time on a Sunday during the months of June, July, and August. No experience required to come and love the children of LOPC.

Contact Susan Wentworth at [susan@lopc.org](mailto:susan@lopc.org) with questions.

# job opening

## Associate Director of Youth Ministry

This position is responsible for shared leadership of the LOPC youth ministry (5th through 12th grades) in partnership with the Director of Youth Ministries, Pastor for Family Ministries, the Family Ministries Team and other LOPC staff, and volunteers. This position will work with the Director of Youth Ministries to develop ministry programs for LOPC youth.

For more information, please read the full job description at [lopc.org/jobs](http://lopc.org/jobs). To apply, submit a cover letter and resume to Jaime Polson at [jaime@lopc.org](mailto:jaime@lopc.org).

# church nominating committee

## Seeking New Church Leaders for Terms Starting January 2025!

One of the cornerstones of our Presbyterian heritage is the annual election by the congregation of church officers to provide leadership for the church. It is a privilege and responsibility to nominate members to serve as elected lay leaders. It is also necessary for us to participate in the essential process that will influence our church in the near future.

Submissions will be accepted until May 31 for terms beginning January 1, 2025. Nomination forms may be found in the sanctuary pews, Ministry Center front desk, or online at [lopc.org/cnc](http://lopc.org/cnc).

# community

## Fourth Monday Book Group

May 27 at 2:00 p.m. on Zoom

The group will discuss *Solito, A Memoir* by Javier Zamora. *Solito* is about family: family left behind, family waiting at the other end of the line, and the family that sustained Zamora along the long journey.

Contact Jean Fiske at [jdfiske@gmail.com](mailto:jdfiske@gmail.com) to be added to the group.

## Fourth Friday Book Group

May 24 at 4:00 p.m. on Zoom

The group will discuss *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawton. All are invited to join.

Email Catherine Coleman at [awaitingword@gmail.com](mailto:awaitingword@gmail.com) to receive the Zoom link.

## Young Families Connect

TODAY after Worship

Are you a family with young kids (infant–4th grade) looking to hang out with other families? Join us on the back playground where kids can play and parents can socialize with each other while enjoying breakfast bites and coffee.

Questions? Email Michelle Browning at [michelle@lopc.org](mailto:michelle@lopc.org).

## Thursday Fellowship

### A Senior Ministry Program

May 9 at 11:00 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Thursday Fellowship turns 45! Join us for our 45th Anniversary Luncheon and Celebration featuring entertainment from Joe and Gillian Roebuck. It's a party not to be missed!

If you have questions, please contact Julie Peterson at [julie@lopc.org](mailto:julie@lopc.org).

## A Joyful Start: Donation Drive

May 19, 9:30–11:30 a.m. on the Plaza

Chicks With Sticks will also be collecting donations of new and gently used baby layette items for families in need in a bassinet at the Ministry Center front desk during the month of May. **Items needed:** Onesies, Sleep and Plays, new stuffed animals, blankets, hooded towels, diapers, teething rings, and books.

For more information, contact Dianne Schneider at [dianneschneider@hotmail.com](mailto:dianneschneider@hotmail.com).

# mission

## Food Donation List For Monument Crisis Center

- May – Oatmeal
- June – Dry Rice
- July – Canned Chili
- August – Pasta
- September – Canned Vegetables
- October – Canned Fruit
- November – Cereal
- December – Dried Beans

Requested food donations can be dropped off anytime in the MCC barrel outside the Ministry Center and Oak Room.

## Congo Team Meeting

TODAY at 11:15 a.m. in the Fireside Room or on Zoom

All are welcome. If you wish to attend, please contact Herb Long at [herblong7@gmail.com](mailto:herblong7@gmail.com).

## Hold in Prayer

Our prayers of comfort and peace go out to the family and friends of:

**Kaaren Rose**, who passed on February 27. A service will be held on May 11 at 1:00 p.m.

**Gwen Reichert**, who passed on April 2.

**Ralph Sackman**, who passed on April 5. A service will be held on May 18 at 2:00 p.m.

**Ernie Hulsey**, who passed on April 7.

**Tom Lowe**, who passed on April 15.

**Deloris Heathorn**, who passed on April 19. A service will be held on May 31 at 1:30 p.m.

# care

## Deacon Support

The Deacon Ministry consists of LOPC members who have been elected by the congregation to serve as beacons of care. Deacons offer support in the following ways:

### Home Visits

Deacons arrange and participate in visits to members who are homebound, hospitalized, or in various types of care facilities.

### Home Communion

Upon request, home communion kits are available to members not able to attend worship services in person.

### Meal Delivery

Deacons order and deliver food to persons recuperating from illness, those recently discharged from the hospital, new moms, grieving families, or anyone who might need a meal in a time of crisis.

**To request any of these services, please leave a message on the Deacon Line at (925) 283-8722, ext. 274. Messages are responded to in a timely manner daily.**

## Dementia Caregivers Support Group

May 15 at 10:30 a.m.  
on Zoom

Join this one-hour support group for those caring for someone with dementia. The group meets on the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

**To join, please contact Linda Fodrini-Johnson at [lindafj620@outlook.com](mailto:lindafj620@outlook.com).**

## Giving at LOPC

One of the most practical ways you can help is through your financial support so LOPC can share God's love through our ministries.



To give visit [lopc.org/giving](http://lopc.org/giving), or scan the code above on your mobile device.

# worship

### Sermon Series

## THE CHURCH EMPOWERED

Snapshots of the First Christian Communities from the Book of Acts

- April 7 A GREAT GRACE  
*Acts 4:32-35*
- April 14 BY THE NAME MADE STRONG  
*Acts 3:12-19*
- April 21 OUR CORNERSTONE  
*Acts 4:5-12*
- April 28 THE SCRIPTURES FULFILLED  
*Acts 8:26-40*
- May 5 WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT FALLS  
*Acts 10:44-48*
- May 12 IN GOD'S HANDS  
*Acts 1:15-17, 21-26*

## Sponsor the Sanctuary Flowers

Dates available in June.

Sponsoring the flowers for a Sunday worship service is a beautiful way to celebrate or honor your loved ones. For a \$150 suggested donation to the Flower Fund, your personal dedication will be published in the worship bulletin on the Sunday of your sponsorship, and the flower team will do their best to accommodate any special requests for the arrangement.

**Sign up now at [lopc.org/flowers](http://lopc.org/flowers) to confirm your Sunday of choice.**

## Sanctuary Guild Volunteers Needed

The Sanctuary Guild is a volunteer team behind the scenes that prepares the sanctuary to welcome members and guests to LOPC by ensuring clean, organized pews that allow people to engage fully in whatever service or program is running in the sanctuary. Teams of two volunteers to work approximately once every six weeks.

**For more information or to volunteer please contact Tim Carlson at [timmycarlson541@gmail.com](mailto:timmycarlson541@gmail.com).**



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