



# Building a Deeper Foundation

From Mike Kinman

Years ago, when I was just beginning as a cathedral dean, a friend gave me Ken Follett's books – *Pillars of the Earth* and *World Without End* about generations of building a Cathedral in Medieval England.

*Pillars of the Earth* tells the story of the building of the cathedral. *World Without End* takes place two centuries later, when the Cathedral has a long history of serving the community and glorifying God. A time when the community is looking at the cathedral and asking:

"What's next?"

A builder named Merthin wants to take the existing cathedral and build its main tower higher, so it's the highest tower in all of England and can be seen from miles around. Problem is the existing tower was showing signs of serious wear.

Merthin does some digging (literally!) and discovers that when a previous builder had added to the original tower, he had neglected to reinforce and deepen the foundation. So he knew that before he could build it even higher – or even sustain the building as it was – he needed to deal with the foundation.

Before you build higher you need to see what your foundation is and shore it up.

If you want to build higher ... you've got to build the foundation deeper.

Inspiring people to give for things they can see is always easier than convincing us to give to things we can't. And yet Merthin knew they had to do both ... because the parts of our vision that we can't see are always as important, if not more, than the parts we can.

This year we have been working hard to build our foundation deep and strong using what we are literally calling our four foundational goals:

- \*Claim and embrace our values, mission and vision
- \*Provide space that is welcoming and embracing in love.
- \*Equip our staff to support the witness and work of All Saints Church
- \*Inspire new leadership and congregational connection.

As we are claiming our values and mission, as the PACES crews are coming up with options for a more welcoming campus, as we are working on reconfiguring staff and equipping them with everything they need, and as we are coming together more and more as a community, dreams of the future are beginning to emerge. These dreams will be the specific ways we live our values of radical inclusion, courageous justice, joyful spirituality and ethical stewardship.



PHOTO BY CYRUS DAVIS

These visions and dreams will be the tower that will serve the community and glorify God in new ways for generations to come.

And ... we have to give generously to build the foundation deep and strong if those dreams are ever to become reality.

Like that cathedral of old, All Saints Church has served the community and glorified God for more than a century ... and we have learned that if we want to build even higher we need to build the foundation deeper. And we absolutely cannot do that without everyone's generosity.

**We have a wide range of giving capacities in this community... and we need everyone to dig deep so we can... well... dig deep!**

This month we will be making our pledges for 2020 at All Saints Church. These pledges will quite literally determine how strong and deep a foundation we are able to build ... which in turn will determine how high we will be able to build.

This is a time for leadership for all of us. We have a wide range of giving capacities in this community ... and we need everyone to dig deep so we can ... well ... dig deep!

There is nothing like the feeling that we have been part of building something incredible for the power of love. All Saints Church has changed countless lives over the century-plus we have stood in Pasadena. We are here because we have found God and each other in powerful ways ... ways that connect the love God places in our hearts with the love God has for the world.

This month, let's move into that love even more. Let us trust in the power of love that is always greater than any fear ... and embrace a fierce belief in what, in the name of love, we can accomplish together.

Let us come together and dig deep so we can build high. And let's watch God's dreams for All Saints Church take flight.

## Spotlight

# John & Rosemary Hyde

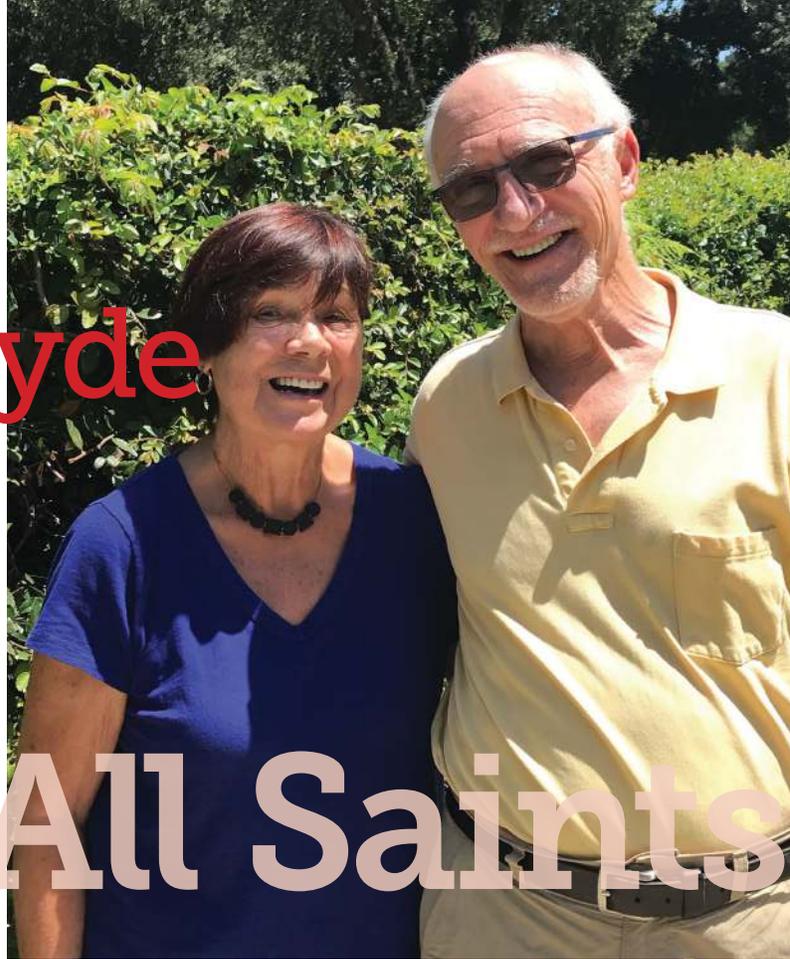
by Carolyn Ash

Rosemary and John Hyde's All Saints story begins in 1989 when Rosemary first visited and heard the familiar phrase: "Whoever you are and wherever you find yourself on your journey of faith, you are welcome at this table." This invitation along with similarities in worship to her Anglican upbringing in Northumberland made her feel at home. The many ministries to the congregation and to the wider community intrigued her. A few years later she met John, and in due course, he came to church with her. As a former Roman Catholic, he was surprised and delighted to see women priests! The tables on the lawn interested him, and he was inspired by the message about helping the poor and marginalized. Time went on, and on Christmas Eve 2000 on the tower steps John proposed to Rosemary. Of course, they joined their lives in marriage at All Saints!

Over the years, they became involved in many groups and ministries. The Interfaith Study Group, a joint effort by Jews, Christians, and Muslims to share about their faith traditions while building close friendships, attracted them. John and Rosemary have been leaders in this group for over ten years, gathering monthly to hear gifted speakers, engage in meaningful discussion, and enjoy potluck supper. The meetings rotate among All Saints, the Islamic Center of Southern California, and the Pasadena Jewish Temple. In October, Salam Al-Marayati at the Islamic Center will interview Susan Russell about the Reformation. The discussion is not limited to the Abrahamic traditions; in November the program at the Pasadena Temple will focus on the religion of California's Chumash tribes of Native Americans.

A decade ago, Zelda Kennedy invited John to consider becoming a counselor in All Saints' Lay Counseling Ministry. As Principal Inspector of Building and Safety for the City of LA, he knew he was good at problem solving and giving advice. In lay counseling training, John learned that counselors don't give advice or solve problems but listen deeply to clients who are experiencing difficult times. He is glad to serve clients who take advantage of the ministry. He also co-facilitates with Jim Foltz the ongoing lay counseling support group for those who have completed ten free sessions of counseling and wish to continue their own work. Rosemary, a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, serves as a supervisor to lay counselors.

Every other Monday morning, John joins Barbara



Beckham and Elisabeth McCurdy in the Prayer Ministry to write notes in response to requested prayers from the congregation. He enjoys being part of All Saints' compassionate outreach to those who are experiencing life's difficulties, either themselves or those they care for and about.

Prior to retiring, Rosemary was employed as a Family Court Specialist at the LA Superior Court. Her passion for working with families and children continues in retirement, and she became a member of the steering committee of the All Saints Foster Care Project. She is particularly interested in finding permanent homes for children and enhancing the lives of children in the foster system.

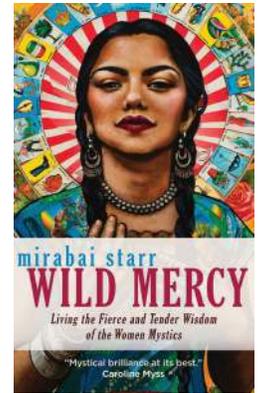
When they are not busy with activities at ASC, they have other interests. Rosemary is a docent at the Huntington Library, Art Museum, and Botanical Gardens where she introduces children to the American and European art collections. John is a woodworker, and their home is filled with beautiful Craftsman style pieces John has created.

John and Rosemary contribute to All Saints because they are committed to financially supporting the church that supports them in so many ways. They appreciate that All Saints encourages all of us to move beyond our comfort zones and experiences. They quote Zelda: "You can worship anywhere. Church is about community and expanding into the world beyond the perimeter of the church walls." They invest their talents and money in All Saints so that All Saints can continue to make a difference in the community and the world.

# Mirabai Starr at All Saints



All Saints Church Pasadena, in partnership with Stillpoint, presents author Mirabai Starr in a reading and signing of her new book *Wild Mercy: Living the Fierce and Tender Wisdom of the Women Mystics*, on Sunday, October 6, 5:00– 7:00 p.m. at All Saints Church. Author Caroline Myss has called *Wild Mercy* “Mystical brilliance at its best.” For information contact Christina Honchell at [chonchell@allsaints-pas.org](mailto:chonchell@allsaints-pas.org).



## Getting Connected Begins October 6

“Getting Connected” classes (formerly known as New Member Class) start October 6 and run for 5 weeks (skipping Nov. 3). If you are looking for a way to connect and meet people, to make friends and to find your place by getting involved in our many ministries consider the Getting Connected Class. Whether you come from other faith traditions, from no faith tradition, or you are a lifelong Episcopalian, you are welcome to learn about the Church’s mission and ministries, grow spiritually and meet new friends! This is both a class for people new to All Saints, and those who’ve been around for a while! For more information contact Amanda Perez at 626.583.2732 or [aperez@allsaints-pas.org](mailto:aperez@allsaints-pas.org).

## Jazz Vespers with Jessica Fichot



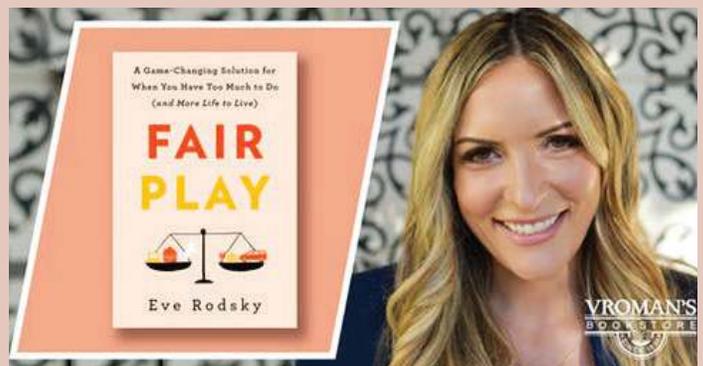
Sunday, Oct. 13, 5:00 p.m. on the Chancel. Accompanied by her accordion, toy piano, and fiery band, Los Angeles-based chanteuse and songwriter Jessica Fichot draws from her multi-ethnic French, Chinese, and American heritage to create an intoxicating multilingual amalgamation of French chanson, 1940s Shanghai jazz, swing, and international folk. Backed by a group of talented musicians and singing in French, Mandarin Chinese, Spanish, and English, Jessica can switch with ease from a lively French chanson to a moving Mexican classic or a jazzy Shanghai gem. Mike Kinman will give the reflection. Admission is free. No reservations required. Info = Melissa Hayes at [mhayes@allsaints-pas.org](mailto:mhayes@allsaints-pas.org) or 626.583.2725.

## “Vroman’s Presents” in October

Vroman’s Bookstore presents Eve Rodsky at All Saints in October. And save the dates for two other great authors in November: Anne Patchett (11/5), and Sherrod Brown (11/16).

### Eve Rodsky

Thursday, Oct. 3, 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Eve Rodsky’s game changing new book, *Fair Play: A Game-Changing Solution for When You Have Too Much to Do (and More Life to Live)*, is a revolutionary, real-world solution to the problem of unpaid, invisible work that women have shouldered for too long—from a woman tapped by Reese Witherspoon’s *Hello Sunshine* as the expert on this topic for a new generation of women. This is a ticketed Vroman’s event — through the Vroman’s website: <https://www.vromansbookstore.com/event>, or call 626.449.5320. The ticket price is the price of the book.



# Transformational Journeys: Building Community in Unexpected Places

by Linda Critchfield

It's a challenge that exists even for parishioners who have been at ASC for years. How do you build lasting relationships in a church of this size? The answer may lie in the most unexpected of places.

My interest in Transformational Journeys began in 2015, when a friend mentioned that the ministry was planning a trip to Tibet. As a child, leafing through issues of National Geographic, Tibet became the land of my dreams. For most of my life, it remained an elusive dream- a destination few tour operators traveled to due to a myriad of reasons: difficult to get to, lots of red tape. But the Transformational Journeys committee was undeterred, and the trip was scheduled for spring of 2016. My application might have been the first submitted, but I was nervous. Not because of the language barrier or the possibility of altitude sickness, but because I had not traveled with a group of strangers in thirty years. For most of my adult life, I have been a solo traveler; this was stepping out of my comfort zone.

It should be noted here that this is part of the mission of the Transformational Journeys ministry. The program plans local and global journeys that challenge participants to get outside of their comfort zones to encounter people of different cultures, many of whom may live in challenging circumstances. It also encourages participants to learn about our history, and to gain an understanding of other forms of spirituality and worship.

Our group met several times in the weeks that preceded the trip. Over a series of dinners and presentations, the community building began. By the time we departed for China, friendships had started to form. Some of the participants had known each other for years, while others were brand new to All Saints.

Within three hours of landing in Lhasa, Tibet, we had a step out of our collective comfort zone when five of us got stuck in a hotel elevator. Using the emergency phone was all but useless due to the language barrier. Texts were sent to other members of the group, who summoned help from the hotel staff. The doors were pried open, and as it turned out, we were stuck between floors. Thankfully, we could see our rescuers, who were about four feet above us. Gail Gunther's son Eric said "I'm not leaving until everyone is out of here!" He gave the rest of us a boost up, and we were back on solid ground. The Gunther family are definitely people to be around in an emergency!

Gail Gunther and I recently had another bonding experience, when our luggage was lost in Narita Airport in Tokyo. As minutes ticked by toward our connecting flight, smiling, helpful airport staff left no stone unturned in the arrivals terminal. After a stressful forty-five minutes during which we each vowed to not abandon the other, we were reunited with our luggage and on our way to Hiroshima.

Since embarking on my first Transformational Journey, many people have asked, "How were you transformed?" Transformation takes many forms. For some it may be facing our nation's legacy in Southeast Asia. Perhaps it is coming face to face with the shadow of homelessness in our own city and learning how to create change. It may be realizing the dream of a lifetime to turn prayer wheels at the foot of the Potala Palace, or to walk in the footsteps of Jesus on the Via Dolorosa.

Past journeys include destinations in the neighborhood to around the world: Goodwill Industries, Hsi Lai Temple, San Fernando Mission, Manzanar, Malawi, and the Holy Land. Upcoming journeys will visit Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos, Judson Studios in Los Angeles, Navajoland, and the UK. Come build community and be transformed.

*~To learn more about the Transformational Journeys ministry and upcoming trips, please join us for our annual open house on Sunday, October 27th, 12:30 p.m. in Sweetland Hall.*



*TJs in China, Japan, and Viet Nam*

# Worship

An epic September

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Legacy Wall Dedication, September 5



Youth Choir Retreat, September 7



Children, Youth & Families Sunday, September 8



Homecoming, September 15



Blessing Our New Mission Statement, September 15

# Intersectionality & Trauma

## Restoring, Reclaiming and Resourcing Traumatized Communities

by Brinell Anderson and Sally Howard

With the knowledge of the higher incidence of trauma and violence experienced by all people and communities on the margins of power, and with the continued escalation of gun violence and overt expressions of white supremacy in our nation and world, the interface between healing, and peace and justice are increasingly clear. Join clinical psychologists Dr. Brinell Anderson and Rev. Dr. Sally Howard for introductory training on trauma-informed community-based care, October 12, from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., at All Saints Church, Pasadena. This four-hour training is open to the public and will provide an overview of trauma – identifying different types of trauma and exploring the whole person impact of trauma across race, culture, gender, and sexuality. It will also explore healing on a personal and collective level; the development of resiliency in response to trauma; and identifying ways the All Saints Community can address different types of trauma within and beyond the walls of the church. The workshop will be provided in English and Spanish. Fees range from \$10-\$50, depending on ability to pay. Please pay according to your ability. Those needing full scholarships should contact Ana Camacho in the Pastoral Care Office at [acamacho@allsaints-pas.org](mailto:acamacho@allsaints-pas.org).

The October 12 training is a pre-cursor to a weekend long training session which will occur January 17-19, 2020. Relevant to the 400 year anniversary of the first documented enslaved Africans in the United States, the second training, over MLK weekend will involve an immersion into the history of the Maafa – “the great disaster and destruction beyond human convention and comprehension” that includes the transatlantic enslavement of people of African descent in the Americas. This immersion, and an in-depth training will include:

- An understanding of the STAR (Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience) model
- Awareness of The Association of Black Psychologists and Community Healing Network’s Community Care and Self Care Toolkit
- Descriptions of culturally-congruent strategies for restoring resilience
- An opportunity to equip our community to support and participate in the All Saints Trauma-Informed Community Based Care Project of Northwest Pasadena

Join us in this exciting journey of radical liberation and courageous justice that will empower us to be even greater agents of healing in our world. Fee range will be from \$30-125, depending on ability to pay. Please pay according your ability. Reparations awards and full scholarships available. Register online at: <https://tinyurl.com/y69botvn>.



## Feast & Friendship Celebrates 159!

PHOTOS BY CHRIS GLAESER

Four new gatherings in the Feast & Friendship ministry’s Fall series are available for signup on the All Saints website. The series includes two dinners, a brunch and an afternoon of “libations and nibbles,” all in October and November. Space is limited for each gathering so that guests may focus on making new friends while enjoying potluck dishes—and available slots fill up fast!

Some 159 individuals have enjoyed building community among 18 small groups of All Saints congregants since the Feast & Friendship ministry began in the Summer of 2018. Several of the 18 groups have met two or three times, and two have met multiple times, deepening their relationships while enjoying potluck meals in private homes or elsewhere.

In August, 40+ All Saints members of all ages gathered in South Pasadena’s Garfield Park for a picnic and a free public concert by the Blue Breeze Band. Conversation was lively before the music started and during an intermission that included watermelon and cookies furnished by the Feast & Friendship ministry volunteers.

“Feasting and friending” are the only agenda items for Feast & Friendship gatherings. [Sign up online](#) or contact Christine Cox at 626.583.2765 or [ccox@allsaints-pas.org](mailto:ccox@allsaints-pas.org) for more information. Your host(s) will contact you about two weeks prior to your gathering date to provide details.

Let us set a place for you!



Calendar of events for the month. Please check our website at <https://allsaints-pas.org> and the weekly *This Week At All Saints* for details and contact information.

# October

**1** – Tuesday, **Vestry Meeting**, 7:00 p.m., Sweetland Hall  
**3** – Thursday, **Senior Saints**, 12:30 p.m., Sweetland Hall  
**Vroman's Presents Eve Rodsky**, 7:00 p.m., Forum  
**4** – Friday, **Join Us at the Rectory!**, 5:30 p.m., Rectory, 540 Woodland Road, Pasadena 91106  
**4&5** – Friday & Saturday, **FCP and CASA Training**, 6:00 p.m., Scott Hall 5  
**5** – Saturday, **October Family Fun Day**, 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m., North Lawn  
**6** – Sunday, **Getting Connected (formerly New Member Class) Begins**, 10:15 a.m. Guild Room  
**Latino/Hispanic Ministry Open House and Cultural Celebration**, 2:30 p.m., Sweetland Hall  
**Mirabai Starr Presented by All Saints & Stillpoint**, 5:00 p.m.,

Church  
**9** – Wednesday, **Seeking Healthy Faith**, 6:30 p.m., Scott Hall 6  
**10** – Thursday, **Senior Saints Spiritual Reading Group**, 7:00 p.m., OCC Conference Room  
**11** – Friday, **Not-So-Bored Game Night**, 6:00 p.m., Sweetland Hall  
**11&12** – Friday and Saturday, **FCP Coach Monitor Training**, 4:30 p.m., Scott Hall 6  
**12** – Saturday, **Trauma-Informed Community-based Care Project**, 8:00 a.m., Forum  
**Free Legal Clinic**, 9:00 a.m.-noon., Jackie Robinson Center, 1020 N. Fair Oaks Ave., Pasadena 91103  
**13** – Sunday, **Welcome Cafe**, 10:15 a.m., Rector's Office  
**Jazz Vespers with Jessica Fichot**, 5:00 p.m., Chancel  
**15** – Tuesday, **Bring a Buddy to**

**Choir**, 4:00 p.m., Scott Hall 2 & 3  
**17** – Thursday, **Senior Saints: Creating Personal Memoirs**, 12:30 p.m., Seminar Room  
**18** – Friday, **Theatre Ministry: How the Light Gets In**, 8:00 p.m., Theater @ Boston Court  
**Fiction Fun!**, 7:30 p.m., Guild Room  
**20** – Sunday, **Feast & Friendship**, 5:00 p.m. off-campus  
**25** – Friday, **Fiction Fun!**, 7:30 p.m., Guild Room  
**27** – Sunday, **Transformational Journeys Annual Banquet**, 12:30 p.m., Sweetland Hall  
**Feast & Friendship**, 3:00 p.m. off-campus

## Adult Ed in October 10:15 a.m. Sundays

- 6** • **Rector's Forum**, with Devon Carbado, Sweetland Hall
- 13** • **Rector's Forum**, with Blair Imani, Church
- 20** • **Pronouns 101 & The Survey Says...**, with LGBTQ+ Vision Team, Sweetland Hall
- 27** • **Rector's Forum**, with Thomas Tighe and Siri Marshall, Sweetland Hall

## Getting Connected, formerly New Member Class, Begins October 6

If you are looking for a way to connect and meet people, to make friends and to find your place by getting involved in our many ministries, consider the New Member Class. Details coming soon!  
Info = Amanda Perez at 626.583.2732 or [aperez@allsaints-pas.org](mailto:aperez@allsaints-pas.org).

## The Circle of Life: Issues of Aging Parents

Sunday, October 13, 2019

2:30 – 4:00 p.m. in the Forum

Many of us face the joys and challenges of having aging parents. In this circle of life, roles often change and losses occur, both great and small. On Sunday, October 13, from 2:30-4:00 p.m., Mike Kinman and Sally Howard will offer a time for those of us facing the issues of aging parents to gather together. The initial meeting will allow us to share our experiences and explore the possibilities of forming an on-going group for support, exchange of information, and education. In the circle of life that we all move through, let's find our way together.

For more information on these offerings please contact Ana Camacho at [acamacho@allsaints-pas.org](mailto:acamacho@allsaints-pas.org) or 626.583.2737.

## Supporting All Saints Church is Easy!

There are several ways to financially support the mission and ministry of All Saints Church:

**Make your 2020 pledge:** <https://allsaints-pas.org/donate/pledge/>

**Pledge Payment (2019 and/or 2020):** <https://tinyurl.com/PledgeASC>

**Give Stock:** <https://allsaints-pas.org/donate/stock/>

**IRA Charitable Rollover:** <https://allsaints-pas.org/donate/ira/>

