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FROM THE PASTOR

Dear companions on the journey:

It's summer, so how about something a little lighter? How about ... television? I haven't figured out a way to share this with you in a sermon that wouldn't take up too much of the sermon, so here, as part of our summer emphasis on community, I'll share my impressions of a television sitcom that I find both entertaining and thought provoking: NBC's "The Good Place." First of all, **a disclaimer:** It does **not** reflect any theology I'd endorse, reflecting a loving, forgiving gracious God. Don't watch it hoping to learn more about the Christian faith. **Not** the point. What it deals with, in what one reviewer describes as an unusually ambitious premise, is moral philosophy. That's right: a *sitcom* about *moral philosophy*. And it deals with moral philosophy intelligently, sensitively, with talented actors, amazing scripts and loads of fun.

The basic plot: A woman named Eleanor (Kristen Bell) dies and finds herself in a non-denominational heaven reserved for only those who led the most selfless and ethical of lives. The problem is she was a terrible person on earth who ended up in the so-called "good place" by mistake, so to avoid being sent to "the bad place," she hides her identity and tries to become a better person in the afterlife. She discovers a fellow occupant of the good place, Chidi (William Jackson Harper), who was, during his life, a professor of moral philosophy.

At some point during most episodes in Season 1, Chidi rolls out a chalkboard and breaks down complex ethical frameworks for Eleanor, giving her reading assignments on Immanuel Kant, Søren Kierkegaard, and Thomas Scanlon's book on contractualism, ***What We Owe to Each Other***. Chidi encourages Eleanor to take into account the needs of others, rather than just her own needs. I've decided not to spoil the Season 1 finale for you except to say it includes a massive plot twist. Season 2 is consistently funny, smart and engaging. One reviewer for the ***Atlantic*** wrote, "As a bioethicist who teaches a class on ethics and pop culture

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Homecoming 2018 Ice Cream Social & Jazzfest

September 9th

Welcome back to church!

Join us in Duncan Hall
at coffee hour for some
delicious ice cream
with all the fixings.
And bring a friend!



With live music by

The Barrelhouse Jazz Band



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Godly Play and Family Worship

Godly Play, our worship program for children, will resume in the fall. A teacher will be hired by the Personnel Committee. In the meantime, bring your kids to worship. They are welcome with all their wiggles and giggles.

Family Worship Sundays will also resume in the fall. Watch for the announcement in your bulletin and the KP.

Good to know...

Children who are active members of a congregation tend to gain more ownership of their faith journey and often possess a deeper desire to become an integral and lasting part of a faith community in the future.

Check It Out

Below is a great little reference for how to talk with your kids about climate change.

YOUTH EVENTS

Save the date: August 12

The Youth will be grabbing lunch after church at **In-N-Out** and then bowling at **Country Club Lanes in San Rafael**. For more details email: youth@togetherweserve.org



Children look on as our high school grads receive their Close-Knit prayer blankets, a gift from our congregation to remind them that our prayers are ever with them as they go on to their next great adventure.

Wisdom for Talking to Kids About Climate

Connect new ideas to familiar ones. Mother Earth; good guys stopping bad guys; cleaning up our messes; and following the rules.

Look and learn! Observe what's around us: birds, bikes, buildings, buses. Kids know stinky exhaust from fresh air.

Model good behavior. Recycling—yes, but also listening, empathy, responsibility, and civic engagement.

Weave a sturdy social fabric. Show we're part of something bigger. "We" not "me, me, me!" Celebrate the joys and duties of being a community member.

Reinforce kids' moral compass. Kids know right and wrong. Show them how we can stand up to bullies, fight for racial justice, and take care of one another.

Empower and amplify! Kids' imagination and energy inspire us. Young voices are powerful reminders of our collective conscience!



Photo courtesy of flickr user Freedom II Andres

<http://www.sightline.org/2016/12/09/wisdom-for-talking-to-kids-about-climate-change/>



...from the choir

High Praise for Maestro Canosa

Over the years we've devoted much of this space to thanking the fabulous artists and musicians who've enriched our service

and our spirits. This time, we'd like to recognize the efforts and abilities of the FPCSA's Music Director, Daniel Canosa, who has been with us since 2012.

A specialist in Baroque period music, he appreciates and collaborates successfully with local talent, and brings to our community **Marin Baroque** and the **Echo Chamber Orchestra**. Yet here in church he works with real, largely untrained, singers. Fortunately for us all, the bar is set high. His commitment to excellence makes us want to learn and do better. He encourages us to sing confidently and musically and promptly corrects those passages that aren't faithful to the work (he can suss out soft, sour notes like a bloodhound). And while he readily confesses to his own flaws (although few), he's pretty good at hiding our inevitable mistakes.

He shines at imparting the feeling of the piece. He seems energized by the music, and delivers it with precision, confidence and style. He's not just waving his hands — his gestures are beautiful and expressive — and his intentions are clear. Particularly endearing is his genuine amazement at certain nuances of language or custom; we appreciate his subtle wit.

As exemplified in our most recent offering "**Feel the Spirit**", Daniel executes the works faithfully and with passion. His preparation and devotion to his work are beyond reproach. With a painstakingly thorough knowledge of the score, he selected just the right instruments and prepared for each a specially written accompaniment to communicate the essence of the piece to the congregation.

He has led us in many a difficult piece, not all of which we liked at the beginning. After rehearsing with him for months, however, he helped us appreciate the subtleties and artistry of the masters, old and new. We will not soon forget "**The Armed Man, A Mass for Peace**", our recording of which he sent to organizers for selection to sing at Carnegie Hall. We've also sung Durufle's "**Requiem**", Mozart's "**Sparrow Mass**", Ramirez' "**Missa Criolla**", Chilcott's "**A Little Jazz Mass**", and Vivaldi's "**Magnificat**", among others, each of which vary in style but are similarly devoted to the Glory of God.

The gifts God gave to Daniel loom large on the podium. We're blessed to have this maestro in our midst.

CELEBRATE!

There are many poets and artists in our midst. We turn our focus to the works of two women who submitted their work to review at the Marin County Fair. The first, Lauren Swalberg, who uses the *nom de plume* Lauren Scott. She won several ribbons for poetry and an essay. The poem below took first place, and is in the form known as chain verse.

Presence of Mind

By Lauren Scott

The window's blinds remain closed
closed as folks stroll by, oblivious
oblivious to the darkness
darkness deeper than sight, though
though, sight alone suggests flickering
flickering of a hope so minute
minute enough to miss its presence
presence of mind to see its strength
strength required to step forward
forward at a time of endless challenges
challenges with painful, steady grips
grips leaving no room for faith
faith, however, lies within that flicker of hope

Christine Francisco is our other entrant, Chris has a great eye for color and design, unmatched by her gift with anything handcrafted. Shown here is her entry that got her a Blue Ribbon and Special Award for Best Workmanship.



Finally, it turns out that our most excellent webspinner and communications maven, Martha Olsen Joyce, currently holds First Place in US Masters Swimming. Check it out: <https://bit.ly/2Lki60o>

Way to go, Lauren, Chris, and Martha! As our friend and pastor likes to say, "**Huzzah!**"

EVENTS AT 72 KENSINGTON

Consort Chorale's Jubilee Celebration

Save the Date: August 19th, 7pm

The Consort Chorale celebrates its 25th Annual Summer Concert titled "Jubilee Celebration" at 7 PM on Sunday August 19 in our sanctuary. The concert repertoire is from multiple eras. Della Joio's *"A Jubilant Song"*; and the premiere of Allan Petker's new commission for the group, *"A Song of Joys"*, embrace the theme.

Handel's coronation anthem, *"Let Thy Hand Be Strengthened"*, and Haydn's *"Insanae et Vanae Curae"*; reflect Baroque and Classical periods and the *"Kyrie"* from Bruckner's *"Mass in E-Minor"*; is a selection from the Romantic era.

New works by living composers Mealor, Padworski, Runestad, and works by Memley and Dole are featured. Spirituals round out the program. An orchestra accompanies various selections.

Allan Robert Petker leads the auditioned Bay Area singers including some of our church choir singers as well as former music directors Sally Johnson & Martha Wall.

A reception on the patio follows the concert. Tickets are \$25. at the door, \$10 for students. For more information, visit www.consortchorale.org or contact Bob Friestad, 1RAF@msn.com or at 415-568-0550, cell/text.



FELLOWSHIP

**Contribute to Our "It Takes All of Us" Community Mural
San Anselmo Country Fair Day!
Sunday, September 29th**

On September 29th, we'll greet our neighbors from our booth at the San Anselmo Country Fair Day street fair on San Anselmo Avenue. We'll hand out free (compostable) cups of water and let folks know what we're up to, from Green Chautauqua to Black Lives Matter to welcoming families. In addition, we'll give all our neighbors an opportunity to contribute to our "It Takes All of Us" community mural.



WORSHIP

**Labor Day Sunday Worship:
My Labor, My Work, My Ministry
September 2**

As we have in the past, on the Sunday before Labor Day we will celebrate the way people respond to God's calling in their work and life outside the church. Irma Rivera-Carlisle, Shiloh Ferreira, and Virginia Thibeaux will share the pulpit, each one describing how the work that she does outside the church is also God's work. In the past, we have heard from teachers, a baker, doctors, lawyers, contractors, nurses, a wine merchant, artists, psychotherapists, a sound editor and designer, veterinarians, a composer, an accountant, environmental engineers and more. All of these people sensed God at work through them, and God's calling in the way that they carry out their responsibilities. Join us for worship on Sunday, September 2nd.

FELLOWSHIP



Announcing New Nametags

Why we wear nametags. Starting on Sunday, July 15th, the nametag board has fresh new nametags for everyone, all sporting our new logo and look. Make sure to pick up yours next time you are in church.

Nametags are an act of welcome and full-hearted participation in our church community. By wearing them we say to each other, "I want you to know me by name, and I want to know you by name, too." We may *think* everyone knows our name, but the person who is here for the first or second time doesn't. Or what about the newcomer who is trying to learn a lot of new names? Or trying to connect names and faces? If you haven't been wearing your nametag, here's a chance to try on a new practice of welcome and hospitality. Our hope? Everyone wearing their new nametag by Homecoming, September 9th.

For anyone wondering what's happening to the old nametags, we are actively working on creative ideas to keep them out of the landfill. You are welcome to keep yours, if you wish, for posterity. See Libby Davis or Martha Joyce with any questions.

And, if you are missing a nametag or you've found a typo, let us know how to correct it for you. Nametag request forms are in the lobby.

You can also send an email to our church administrator Joanna Magee, joannamagee@togetherweserve.org.

"In the external scheme of things, shining moments are as brief as the twinkling of an eye, yet such twinklings are what eternity is made of—moments when we human beings can say 'I love you,' 'I'm proud of you,' 'I forgive you,' 'I'm grateful for you.' That's what eternity is made of: invisible imperishable good stuff."
~Mr. Fred Rogers

FLOWER GUILD

The Dual-Purpose Bouquet

Flowers are a welcome presence in our worship services, appreciated by the congregation. Their beauty, uniqueness and color are a delight to the eye, and solace for the soul. Each week, the flowers given for our Sunday worship are divided into smaller arrangements following worship and delivered by our deacons to our church family who are not able to attend worship, or who have been otherwise designated. (Birthday or anniversary, etc.)

If you would like to contribute to this ministry, there are two ways you may be involved:

- Request flowers to celebrate or remember a person or event. Check dates on the Flower Guild's chart in the narthex; fill in a Flower Request Form, and put it and a check in an envelope, and place it in the offering plate or the Church Office. Maureen Kalbus will contact you to confirm the request, and discuss colors, types of flowers and wording for the bulletin.
- Volunteer as a Flower Guild member, to buy and arrange flowers on a designated Sunday. For those interested in creating an arrangement, a workshop will be organized after a Sunday service in late September/October, during which Maureen Kalbus will give an overview of how the Flower Guild operates, and Inger Hewitt will lead in sharing the art of flower arranging.

Kindly return to us cleaned vases you may have received. Your support in any way is greatly appreciated. For more information, contact Maureen Kalbus: maureenkalbus@comcast.net or 415 444-0302



"The earth laughs in flowers."
~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

THEATRE OUTINGS

All The World's a Stage (except in Ross, where the stage is in a "Barn")

Theatre Outings to Ross Valley Players' productions in their 89th season, will begin in October. Many members of our church community have enjoyed attending Sunday matinees at the Barn (above the Arts and Garden Centre in Ross) at reduced rate group tickets.

If you would like to hear more about the Ross Valley Players and their selection of productions for the upcoming season, join Maureen and Ralph Kalbus in the Fireside Room, on Sunday, September 23rd, at 11:30am.



Save the Date

2019 Women's Retreat

May 3 - 4, 2019

Ralston White Retreat Center



PEDAL FOR PROTEIN



As summer rolls along, you are invited to consider a way in which you might support the Presbytery of the Redwood's 5th annual charity bike ride. P4P (Pedal for Protein) raises money to help food pantries supplement the amount of protein they can offer in areas along

the Northern California coast.

The goal is \$50,000 this year, and FPCSA has supported the ride each year since its beginning with riders and donations. Consider participating through:

- Purchases at our fundraising sale of Equal Exchange coffee, chocolates and tea, plus fair-traded Global Crafts on **Sunday, August 26**.
- Directly donating any Sunday with a check made out to FPCSA with P4P in the memo line.
- Sign-up to be a 1 day to 6 day rider, information on the kiosk in Duncan Hall. For further information contact Jillian contact Jillian Robinson (jillianr@aol.com), or Patty Sanders (pattyredwoodshae@sbcglobal.net).

TOGETHERWESERVE.ORG

Have You Seen Our Beautiful New Website Yet?

I would like to direct your attention to our new website (same url as our old one). Among its many beautiful things is this section in About, titled "What We Believe." It is an elegant and accessible statement of who we are, and what we understand about being a church. I have conveniently pasted the text in that section, and hope that you will want to go there and read and see more. Well worth your time.

<https://www.togetherweserve.org/about>

What We Believe

We believe, along with the psalmist, that "The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it; the world, and those who live in it." (Psalm 24:1). We believe that God created the world in love, that God still loves the whole world, and that love is God's hope for us all, borne out in the life and teachings of Jesus.

We believe that Jesus points us to a way of life and faith centered in the love of God. He called this "the kingdom of God," a kingdom not defined by a list of unchanging beliefs, but by the dynamic pursuit of love. Therefore, we believe that church should be more of a "school of love," and less about right doctrines or beliefs.

Our starting place is seeking to love one another. We strive to be a welcoming and hospitable community where all people are welcome. We value the sacredness of life. We honor diversity. We listen for God's call. We challenge and nurture each person's journey toward the justice of Christ, the reconciliation of the Spirit and the wholeness of God. This is how we live our faith in the world.

We are called to live out our faith in our relationships in the world. We are called to love broadly and to seek fullness of life for all people, wherever they are. This means that we will act on behalf of others and on behalf of God's creation, addressing injustice, healing the planet, and seeking peace with our neighbors and our enemies.

Above all, we believe that practicing love is more important than anything we believe.

I love that last line, don't you?

You might also enjoy reading a book titled, "The Phoenix Affirmations: A New Vision for the Future of Christianity", by Eric Elnes.



The following article is a slightly edited article from the PC(USA) website. It can be found at:

<https://bit.ly/2JP7Sza>.

223rd General Assembly (2018) in Review

Church Leadership: In one of closest elections in years, Ruling Elder Vilmarie Cintrón-Olivieri (Presbytery of Tropical Florida) and the Reverend Cindy Kohlmann (Presbyteries of Boston and Northern New England) were elected Co-Moderators of the 223rd General Assembly (2018) on a fourth ballot vote. (It should be noted that Co-Moderator Vilmarie Cintrón-Olivieri is from Puerto Rico.)

Fossil Fuel Divestment: By a vote of 332-178, the assembly voted in favor of a minority report that called for the PC(USA) to continue its corporate engagement with fossil fuel companies—through its Mission Responsibility Through Investment Committee—rather than divest from those companies. The Committee on Environmental Issues had voted 35-20 in favor of divestment.

Israel-Palestine/Middle East: After spirited debate in the Assembly Committee on Middle East Issues that spilled out into the hallways of America's Center (St. Louis' convention center), the assembly raced through the committee's report in just thirty-five minutes on June 22. Among its actions, the assembly:

- Asked RE/MAX, LLC, to end its sale and rental of property on occupied, disputed land in East Jerusalem and the West Bank. The vote was 393-55.
- Voiced support for all efforts to bring Palestinians and Israelis together peacefully.
- Asked the state of Israel to fully comply with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in order to stop discriminatory practices and called on the U.S. government to rejoin the United Nations Human Rights Council.
- Condemned the recent violence along the border between Israel and Gaza.

Racism/Poverty/Violence: The assembly engaged in various acts of public witness that sought to engage issues of racism, poverty, and violence in St. Louis under the umbrella of Stated Clerk J. Herbert Nelson, II's, *Hands and Feet* initiative. In addition to a number of groups who came to St. Louis to engage in *Hands and Feet* service/learning projects during the assembly, several "mission trips" for assembly-goers engaged with various faith-based community groups to address poverty and racism in the city. The offering from the opening worship service raised more than \$54,000, which after a dramatic march by nearly 1,000 assembly-goers from America's Center to the City Justice Center on Tuesday afternoon, was given



to ArchDefenders, a faith-based group that bails low-level offenders out of jail. Nearly three dozen people, victims of St. Louis' draconian cash bail system, were released from custody with the money. In its actions, the assembly:

- Approved "The Gospel from St. Louis," prepared by the Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy.
- Initiated the arduous process of possibly including Martin Luther King Jr.'s "Letter from a Birmingham Jail" in the Book of Confessions.
- Strongly condemned "the unjust, racist disparagement of people and entire nations" and committed the PC(USA) to "a collective effort to solve the real problems facing our nation and the world."
- Changed the church's nomenclature from "racial ethnic people" to "people of color" and the name of the Advocacy Committee for Racial Ethnic Concerns to the Racial Equity Advocacy Committee.
- Called for an immediate moratorium on the imposition of the death penalty and for the commutation of all death sentences to sentences of life imprisonment.
- Authorized a five-member task group with a black women majority to raise awareness of issues adversely affecting black girls and women in society and the church, and to develop action plans to address those issues.
- Affirmed and celebrated the "full dignity and humanity" and gifts of people of all gender identities and sexual orientations.

Immigration: Following on statements issued by General Assembly Stated Clerk J. Herbert Nelson, II, the assembly called upon the federal government to end family separations at the U.S.-Mexico border, to immediately reunite parents with their children, to inform every parent where their children are being held and their condition, to stop using separation of children from their parents as a tactic to force criminal confessions; and called upon Presbyterians to support immigrant families, particularly parents and their separated children in any ways they can. The assembly also addressed war, violence, and human rights in Central America (particularly Nicaragua), South Sudan, Yemen, Syria, Madagascar, and the Korean Peninsula.

Gun Violence: The assembly reaffirmed previous General Assembly policies designed to reduce gun violence, called all Presbyterians to pray for a movement of the Spirit to engage Presbyterians in nationwide actions to prevent gun violence, and urged them to create opportunities to study the issue of gun violence, with an emphasis on resources produced by the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship.

More GA News on the next page.



WORSHIP

Worship in August

- August 5 Communion
Created for Community
"Speaking the Truth in Love"
Ephesians 4:1-16
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching
- August 12 Created for Community
"Be Angry, But Do Not Sin"
Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching
- August 19 Created for Community
"Who Is My Neighbor?"
Leviticus 19:9-18
Luke 10:25-37
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching
- August 26 Created for Community
"Their Welfare, Our Welfare"
Jeremiah 29: 4-7, 10-11
Philippians 2:1-13
The Rev. Dr. Joanne Whitt, preaching



The Closely Knit group gathers in the Fireside Room to make plans for the coming year.

And just for fun...



More Light at GA 223

Statement from More Light: "At the 223rd General Assembly, the Presbyterian Church, (USA) passed in consent agenda, by a unanimous voice vote, four resolutions that will have a tremendous impact on supporting LGBTQ people. More Light, in partnership with The Covenant Network of Presbyterians, as well as other partners, worked for the passage of these overtures. We are beyond delighted by the this affirmation by our denomination.



"We celebrate this tremendous progress, and will continue working diligently and deliberately to ensure these commitments are lived out in the life of the church, that they may have a meaningful impact in a world increasingly in need of More Light."

Additionally, the Assembly passed **Overture 10-03: A Resolution on Determining the Need for an LGBTQ Advocacy Committee in the PC(USA)** — From the Advocacy Committee for Women's Concerns.

Horizons Bible Study Day with Amy Poling Sutherland God's Promise: I Am With You

Spend the day learning and preparing to lead this magnificent study which invites you to explore the 2018—2019 PW/Horizons Bible study, **God's Promise: I Am with You**. This book takes readers on a journey through scripture to consider circumstances in which God articulated God's promise of presence. This study does not delve deeply into manifestations of God's presence but rather on God's actual articulation of God's promise. We will see anew that God offered these words of profound comfort and commitment to individuals and communities from the time of the patriarchs to that of the prophets; from the judges to the kings; before, during, and after the exile; into the New Testament and beyond, to the end of the age.

Your registration fee includes lunch. Book NOT included. Register online or by mail only (No Phone registrations.) Go to: <https://bit.ly/2LHMVb7>

Saturday, September 22, 2018 | 10am – 4pm
\$42 in advance | \$50 at the door
San Francisco Theological Seminary
Lower Alexander Hall

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at Fordham University, I've integrated clips from the series into my lectures for a few reasons. While other shows have discussed moral principles, "The Good Place" stands out for dramatizing actual ethics classes onscreen, without watering down the concepts being described, and while still managing to be entertaining."

"The Good Place" takes on the most profound questions of human existence: Is morality fixed or relative? What does it mean to be good – and is true goodness even sustainable in a world that often rewards selfishness and avarice? And, as the being in charge of the good place, Michael (Ted Danson) asks Eleanor rhetorically in the Season Two finale, "What do we owe each other?"

What do we owe each other? "The Good Place" does not ask this question from a Christian perspective, but the answer it implies is at the core of our faith and our ability to live in community. So have a little fun. Watch some TV. And learn about moral philosophy.

Together we serve,
Joanne



Prayers for Nicaragua: A Letter from CEPAD

CEPAD, the Council of Protestant Churches of Nicaragua, has been sending letters to help people understand what is happening in Nicaragua, why it's happening, and what we can do to help. This letter below, which is excerpted, was sent to Phyllis and Dick Schlobohm.

Dear Dick and Phyllis,

I'm writing today because I felt it was so important to give you, our beloved friends, an update on what is happening in Nicaragua. You may have seen some coverage although I have been told the US news media has not been covering the situation well.

On April 18th, 2018, the Nicaraguan government passed a law that would have increased the amount workers and employers pay into our social security system and would have reduced the amount received by people currently receiving social security. Many people took to the streets in peaceful protest to oppose this new law. The government responded with force by sending out the police to stop the protests any way they could. The law was later revoked, but by that time many people had been killed.

More than 130 people have been killed, many by the police, others by supporters of the government and still others by people taking advantage of the chaotic situation.

CEPAD has been communicating with the Nicaraguan government, advocating for peace and the restoration of rights of the people of our country. (Read more at their website: <https://www.cepadnica.org>.)

They ask for three things: 1) **Pray**. Please pray for peace and a quick resolution to the current crisis. 2) **Share information**. The US news media has had only scant and intermittent coverage of the situation in Nicaragua. 3) **Donate**. Please consider a donation to CEPAD or another organization based in Nicaragua. Everyone is hurting and in need of funds to continue their work. To donate to CEPAD, go to <https://www.cepadnica.org>

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SUNDAY WORSHIP
10:00am
(Nursery Care)

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Please submit stories by the 15th of the month prior to publication.

Donate Furniture & Household Items to New SFTS Students!

Each year, incoming San Francisco Theological Seminary students have the opportunity to “shop” for FREE gently used furniture and other household items that have been donated by the community. These items help transform an apartment into a home.

Items especially needed: tables, chairs, sofas, love seats, desks, bookcases, linens, kitchen & laundry items, and kids’ gear.

Donations will be accepted: Sunday, August 20, 1:00-4:00pm
Monday, August 21, 2:00-6:00pm

Drop off at:
Lower Alexander Hall
40 Kensington Rd

Have a large piece of furniture to donate?
Take a photo and email to nancyg@sfts.edu
and the interested student will coordinate pickup.

Don't Have a Truck? Don't Have Time? No Worries!

1. Send us a photo of your donation along with your contact info.
2. Photos will be displayed in a Photo Gallery on Furniture Fair Day, August 22.
3. Interested students will contact donors.
4. Students and donors may determine the most convenient means of pickup or delivery.

****Please no tube TVs, fold-out sofa beds, or oversize furniture.****

For more information, contact:

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