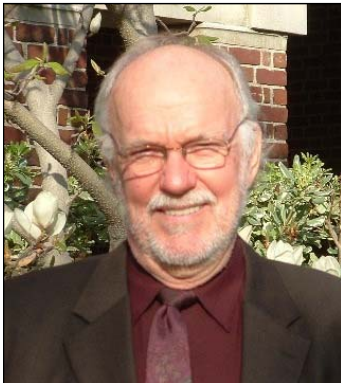


## New Members Who Joined February 12, 2006

### Junko Hosoi

Junko is Japanese. She immigrated here from Japan almost three years ago. She first came to the U.S. ten years ago to study at graduate school. After staying in the Bay Area for several years, she went back to Japan and worked as a translator, but was not as happy as she had been here, so she decided to come back. She loves cats. She adopted a cat from the SF SPCA when she was a student and took her back with her to Japan. Her cat also came back with her when she returned to the U.S. She would like a dog someday too when her situation allows it. She is a public high school teacher in San Mateo, where she teaches the Japanese language to American teenagers. She says that it's a stressful, demanding, and low paid job, but it's rewarding.



### Jim McVay

Jim began his life as a “hick” Hoosier farm boy with a love of music and a habit of church. He has tried many church combinations both here in the U.S. and while living abroad. He has explored a pretty complete range of occupations, from Fortune 500 executive to jet pilot to carpenter. He met and married his beautiful Larana almost four years ago, making his life complete. He looks forward to celebrating their 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary here in this church.

### Larana (Barbara) Robinson McVay

As the daughter of Marion and Rosalie Maynard, Larana grew up in this church and is happy to be rejoining. Her spiritual life is very important to her, and Jim and she are part of a mystery school exploring life's meaning. She graduated from UC Berkeley at age 20 and began her career as a teacher. She taught French, special education and music in grades 1-12. She continues her love of music by playing the flute in a concert band and directing the Retired Teachers' Choir since her retirement last year. Jim and Larana have remodeled her parents' home and moved there September 20. It was a terrific project and they invite all of FCCB to join them for an Open House and House Blessing on March 18 from 2 to 4 pm. After their projects are complete, they plan to continue traveling, which is another great love of theirs.



### Robyn Morrison

Robyn is a student at the Pacific School of Religion in her first year of the Master of Divinity Program. Her home is in Helena, Montana. She hopes someday to return to active ministry in Montana. She is the proud mother of two adult daughters: Kelson, who lives in Helena, and Kristen, who lives in Seattle.

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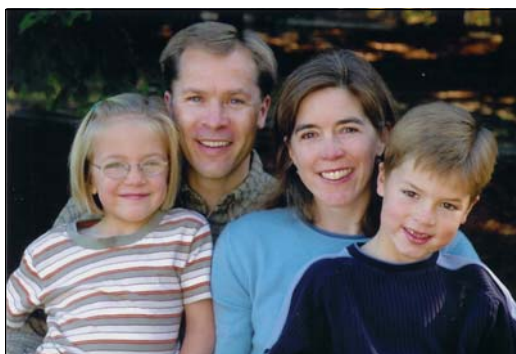
### Amy Smith

Amy spent her first 33 years in the Southeastern U.S. (originally in the Naval Airbase town of Pensacola—thus no drawl) and now lives with her partner, Renee; son, Adam; Labrador, Duncan; and two fire-bellied toads. When she's not hiking, making messy art, or hanging out with the InterPlayers at InterPlayce, she serves as a hospice chaplain through Pathways Hospice. Amy comes to the UCC from the American Baptist churches, and currently feels a bit like Harry Potter at the Quidditch World Cup, when he lifts the flap of the apparently tiny tent and sees more space and richness than he could have imagined.



### Clare Robinson

Clare is an architect and PhD student in architectural history at UC Berkeley. Clare joins us from the First Church Cambridge, UCC, via Ames, Iowa. She is looking forward to being a part of this warm and welcoming congregation.



### Julia Shepard Stenzel

Julia is the wife of Chris Stenzel and mother of Will, age 7, and Caroline, soon to be 6. She is a former consultant, who has worked for the World Health Organization and Kaiser Permanente. She is a native of

New England, who loves seasons, maple syrup, and running on a misty day, but is grateful to call the Bay Area home (after living here for 14 years).



### Chris Stutz

Chris is married to Kathy Wheadon and has been an at-home dad for ten years, leaving a banking career to care for Alexander and Sarah. He moved to the U.S. twenty years ago after growing up in Salzburg, Austria. Chris has made a strong commitment to help others through volunteer work.



### Kathy Wheadon

Kathy enjoys scrap-booking and baseball. She grew up in Peoria, IL and lived in Utah for a while before moving to California. She exercises regularly and is a good organizer.