

Meet Karl Hauser



San Marino Community Church welcomes Karl Hauser as one of two Seminary Interns for Student Ministries beginning this month.

Karl recently graduated from Fuller Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity, and Jennifer continues working towards her M.Div. at Fuller. Karl and Jennifer Hauser recently started attending San Marino Community Church.

Karl did not grow up in the Church, but while in college at U.C. Santa Barbara, a Presbyterian outreach ministry helped him begin his walk of faith. Karl and Jennifer met while students at UCSB; they married in September 2002. After graduation, he and Jennifer both worked full-time, also volunteering with the Junior and Senior High School youth. After serving as Interim Junior High Youth Director, and having several people in the church confirm his gifts for ministry, Karl felt led to seminary to continue his calling to use the arts in worship. As Jennifer felt called to inter-cultural ministry, they moved to Pasadena to attend Fuller Seminary, and are currently under care of the Presbytery of Santa Barbara.

Having now completed his time of study, Karl is eager to join God's work of ministering with youth who need God's Good Word and looks forward to working with the Middle School and High School ministry.

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Meet Ryan McKenzie



San Marino Community Church welcomes Ryan McKenzie as one of two Seminary Interns for Student Ministries beginning this month.

Currently Ryan is a student at Fuller Seminary, working on a Master of Divinity degree and he plans to become ordained in the Presbyterian Church (USA).

Ryan grew up in the small town of Incline Village on the North Shore of Lake Tahoe and attended the University of Nevada Reno to receive a B.A. in History with a minor in English. He and his wife, Nellie, met in 2001 while working at Calvin Crest, a Christian Camp just south of Yosemite National Park. They fell in love and were married in 2003. Together, the McKenzies moved to Oakhurst, CA, where Ryan served on staff at Sierra Vista Presbyterian Church for over five years as the Director of Student Ministries. It was also during that time their daughter, Naomi was born. She will be three in November!

Ever since leaving Sierra Vista, Ryan has greatly missed working in youth ministry and is deeply excited for all that is to come at SMCC. Being a seminary student has challenged and enriched his faith while taking courses that have deepened his understanding of what it means to be both a disciple of Christ and a member of his body – the Church. Yet, Ryan says, he's missed the practical hands on experience, working side by side with students in ministry, gaining an education that one can't get from class lectures and course books.

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