



Peninsula Bible Church Cupertino

Art in the Auditorium

Invites PBCC folk **OF ALL AGES, children through adults**, to submit art for the 2026 Advent Exhibit,

Names of God

An art exhibit opening in November 2026

Theme: The Bible uses many names to refer to God, names which God uses to reveal Himself to us. PBCC folk **Of All Ages and Skill, Children through Adults**, are invited to create artwork inspired by your own study of and reflection on His Names and submit it for inclusion in this year's Advent exhibit, *Names of God*.

A list of many of the Names of God, as well as references to books and online sites where you can read more about the Names of our God is included with this Call for Art.

Artwork: All 2-D and 3-D works are welcome, including drawings, paintings, prints, photographs, mixed media, collage, quilts, needlework.... Art must be no larger than 72"Hx48"Wx4"D, **and appropriately framed and ready to hang with a hook attached on the back of each side of the frame, approximately 4" from the top edge; please do not use saw teeth. Wire is unnecessary. Attach a label to the back of the work with your name and title of the art.** This is not a juried exhibit, but the Arts in the Auditorium leaders and supervising pastor reserve the right to approve what is ultimately exhibited. Each artist may submit a maximum of 3 works. Work that has been previously exhibited at PBCC will not be accepted.

Artist Statement: Submit with each work a statement of 150 words or less, identifying the Name of God it is in response to, a relevant Scripture passage(s), and why you chose this Name.

Sales: Indicate if your work is for sale or not. The Brochure that will accompany the Exhibit will identify those that are not for sale, and will give an email address and/or phone number for the artists who wish to sell their work. Interested buyers will be directed to contact the artist directly. No commission will be charged on sales occurring during the Exhibit, but a donation to PBCC is suggested.

Important Dates:

- **EXHIBIT DATES:** **November 22, 2026 – January 24, 2027**
- **NOVEMBER 2:** Submit by this date (even if the art is unfinished), a photograph (digital or print; even if the art is unfinished) of your work, the artist statement and the signed Artist Agreement to Marilyn de Kleer (see below *)
- **NOVEMBER 15:** Deliver the ready-to-hang artwork to the VAM table after morning services at PBCC
- **TBD** Reception

**Contacts:*

Marilyn de Kleer: mdekleerdk@gmail.com; 415-608-6634; 685 Paco Drive, Los Altos, CA 94024

Nancy Woodward: nancyjwoodward@gmail.com; 408-315-1829

Suggestions for the Preparation of Art for Display

Nancy Woodward is available to give hands-on help and advice on how to present and frame artwork.

Contact her directly at 408-315-1829 or nancyjwoodward@gmail.com.

PAINTINGS ON CANVAS

- Either frame the painting, or if you do not plan to frame it, continue the painting around all 4 edges of the painting. Do not submit works on canvas that have unfinished or unframed edges.
- The back of the artwork must have a hook attached near each top corner approximately 4" down from the top edge. Please do not use sawtooth hangers. Wire is unnecessary.

WORKS ON PAPER

- Works on paper have the best protection if they are framed behind acrylic or glass. Acrylic scratches more easily than glass, but glass breaks more easily often damaging the artwork when it does.
- Works on paper usually look their best when they are framed with a mat around the image, giving the image space to "breathe" and a professional look.
- The back of the artwork must have a hook attached near each top corner approximately 4" down from the top edge. Please do not use sawtooth hangers. Wire is unnecessary.

WHERE TO FIND INEXPENSIVE FRAMES AND FRAMING SERVICES

- If you want to frame your work yourself:
 - Michaels has ready-made framing kits that contain frame, glass, mat, and backing. They also sell pre-cut mats alone in standard sizes. If you are framing a canvas, you can also find pre-made wooden frames. All of these items come in a few standard sizes. They also do custom framing. The staff is usually very helpful whether you are buying a kit or custom framing. Their prices are generally reasonable, especially during one of their frequent specials.
 - An online source for standard and custom sizes of frames, mats, and acrylic/glass glazing is <https://www.americanframe.com/>
 - Very inexpensive and good quality frames can often be found at discount stores such as T.J. Maxx and Ross, where you buy a framed print or poster and discard the print or poster, using the frame and other materials for your own work.
 - Thrift stores such as Goodwill and Salvation Army are also possible sources of inexpensive frames.
 - If you find a frame for a work on paper but need a mat and/or acrylic or glass glazing, you can get a standard size or custom-cut mat from someplace like Michaels, standard size glazing from Lowes, and custom-cut or standard size glazing from TAP Plastics.
- If want to have your work framed:
 - Michaels does custom framing

Artist Agreement:

To be used for any age, children through adults

This agreement can also be submitted at pbcc.org/ministry/art

The Names of God

Print Artist's Name: _____

If artist is a child, age of the artist: _____

Phone (Of the Responsible Adult if the artist is under 18 years old): _____

Email (Of the Responsible Adult if the artist is under 18 years old): _____

Address: _____

Works that are not for sale will be designated as such. All sales will be handled directly by the artist; interested people will be instructed to contact the artist. If you wish to sell your work, please circle above whether you wish your phone and/or email info to be printed in the Exhibit Brochure. All artworks will remain in the Exhibit through the end of the Exhibit on January 24, 2027.

Title #1 _____

Relevant Name of God and portion of Scripture _____

h" x w" x d" (including frame) _____ Price if for sale _____ NFS _____

Medium _____

Title #2 _____

Relevant Name of God and portion of Scripture _____

h" x w" x d" (including frame) _____ Price if for sale _____ NFS _____

Medium _____

Title #3 _____

Relevant Name of God and portion of Scripture _____

h" x w" x d" (including frame) _____ Price if for sale _____ NFS _____

Medium _____

Please sign this Agreement on the back of this page:

I agree to exhibit the artwork(s) listed above in the *Name of God* Exhibit as described above.

I hereby release Peninsula Bible Church Cupertino (PBCC), all others affiliated with PBCC, and all individuals involved in the preparation of and installation of this Exhibit from liability due to loss or damage of my artwork. I understand that I am solely responsible to provide my own insurance for my artwork, from the date of drop-off until the date of pick-up of that artwork.

I grant PBCC the right to photograph my artwork(s) and to include those photographs and any provided by myself in any or all the following: the Exhibit Brochure, the PBCC website, the PBCC and/or VAM eBulletins, projection during Sunday Services, the Sunday Service Worship Guide, and the Arts in the Auditorium History Scrapbook. If you do not want your work to be used in some of these ways, please circle those.

Required: Signature of Artist (Of the Responsible Adult if the artist is under 18 years old):

_____ Date: _____

I grant PBCC the right to photograph my artwork(s) and to include those photographs and any provided by myself in the password protected PBCC Visual Arts Ministry Image Library that will be made available to a limited set of people (such as PBCC pastors) to use in support of their teaching and preaching ministries. For more information, refer to the contacts listed on the previous page.

Optional: Signature of Artist (Of the Responsible Adult if the artist is under 18 years old):

_____ Date: _____

- Please submit both this and the previous page (the Artist Agreement) , as well as a photograph (digital or print) of your work, and the artist statement to Marilyn de Kleer by November 2, 2026.

Introduction to the Theme, *NAMES OF GOD*, and Helpful Resources

Throughout the Bible, in both the Old and New Testaments, God Himself and the authors of the books of the Bible use many names to refer to Him. God's names reveal to us who He is – His nature, His attributes and His actions. They also reveal to us how God views and relates to His creation, especially mankind – and specifically, each one of us. Each name of God that we encounter adds to the picture we have of the Being we are worshipping, and enlarges the relationship we can have with Him. The more we know of Him, the deeper we will bow before His Majesty and Holiness, the more gratefully we will receive His love and care, and the closer we will draw in love to Him.

In PART 1 below, you will find many of the Names of God. Some refer to a specific member of the Trinity.

In PART 2 below, you will find books and online sites where you can read more about the Names of God.

May your study of the Names of God in preparation for creating art for the future *NAMES OF GOD* Art in the Auditorium exhibit, richly bless your relationship with our glorious and loving God.

PART 1

The following list contains many of the Names of God used in the Old Testament:

- [El Shaddai](#): The God of the mountains or God Almighty (Genesis 17:1, Psalm 91:1)
- [El Elyon](#): The Most High God (Genesis 14:17-20, Isaiah 14:13-14)
- [Adonai](#): Lord, Master (Malachi 1:6)
- [Yahweh](#): Lord, Jehovah (Genesis 2:4)
- [Jehovah Nissi](#): The Lord My Banner (Exodus 17:15)
- [Jehovah-Raah](#): The Lord My Shepherd (Psalm 23:1)
- [Jehovah Rapha](#): The Lord That Heals (Exodus 15:26)
- [Jehovah Shammah](#): The Lord who is Present (Ezekiel 48:35)
- [Jehovah Tsidkenu](#): The Lord Our Righteousness (Jeremiah 23:6)
- [Jehovah Mekoddishkem](#): The Lord Who Sanctifies You, the One who makes you holy (Exodus 31:3)
- [El Olam](#): The Everlasting God (Isaiah 40:28-31)
- [Elohim](#): God, a reference to God's power and might (Genesis 1:1, Psalm 19:1)
- [Jehovah Jireh](#): The Lord Will Provide (Genesis 22:13-14)
- [Jehovah Shalom](#): The Lord Is Peace (Judges 6:24)
- [Jehovah Sabaoth](#): The Lord of Hosts (Isaiah 6:1-3)
- El-Roi: The Strong One Who Sees (Genesis 16:13)

The following list contains a very small selection of the names of God used in the New Testament:

- [Abba, Father](#) (Romans 8:15)
- [Alpha \(Revelation 22:13\)](#)
- [Bright Morning Star](#) (Revelation 22:16)
- [Deliverer](#) (Romans 11:26)
- [Immanuel](#) (Matthew 1:23)
- [Friend](#) (Matthew 11:19)
- [Great High Priest](#) (Hebrews 4:14)
- [Holy Spirit](#) (John 15:26)
- [I Am](#) (Exodus 3:14, John 8:58)
- [King Of Kings](#) (1 Timothy 6:15)
- [Radiance Of God's Glory](#) (Hebrews 1:3)
- [Savior](#) (Luke 2:11)
- [Word Of God](#) (Revelation 19:13)

PART 2

BOOKS

For Adults

Lord, I Want to Know You by Kay Arthur (Creator of *Precept Upon Precept Bible Studies*)

- Where to buy a copy:
 - <http://store.precept.org/p-535-lord-i-want-to-know-you.aspx>, & amazon.com

Living in the Names of God

Living in the Names of God Bible Study

- both by Judy Squier
- Where to buy a copy: amazon.com

For Children

I Am

- Three books by Diane M. Stortz about the Names of God, one each for ages 1-4 years, 4-8 years, and 5-9 years
- Where to buy:
 - amazon.com
 - https://www.amazon.com/s?k=Diane+M.+Stortz&i=stripbooks&crid=1F8A0B9ERP6R5&srefix=diane+m.+stortz%2Cstripbooks%2C176&ref=nb_sb_noss_1

A Kid's Guide to the Names of God

- By Tony Evans
- For Ages 8 – 12 years
- Where to buy: amazon.com

ONLINE RESOURCES

For Adults

Blue Letter Bible website:

- http://www.blueletterbible.org/study/misc/name_god.cfm
- Clear explanations of 16 Names of God in the Old Testament

Smile, God Loves You website:

- <http://www.smilegodlovesyou.org/names.html>
- Alphabetized list of the formal Names of God as well as descriptive and metaphoric terms used in reference to God, in both Old and New Testament, and scripture references for each

Lambert Dolphin's website:

- <http://www.ldolphin.org/names.html>
- Lengthy discussion of the Names of God in Old and New Testament

The Navigators website:

- <https://www.navigators.org/resource/praying-names-attributes-god/>
- 30 Days of Praying the Attributes of God; 30 Names or attributes of God with brief definitions and scripture references for each

For Children

The Name of God Song

https://www.google.com/search?q=names+of+god+for+kids+online&sca_esv=cf93c123bfee53a8&rlz=1C1CHBF_enUS881US881&sxsrf=APpeQnsYmc1zhwMSyo2ZhTyPP8RtYoJznw:1788641631602&ei=X4Gcar2eJP2yOPEPjff02Q8&start=10&sa=N&sstk=AS6-VmK39C1snT66iZHZDyMHJ3QZBSaes8XOaza3wi0npJDs8gJqS0zqyyHkRseRi0FIXIJMq4WyTqSniexMN8UEKjd4xsaBYFEQag&ved=2ahUKEwj9ydOoqdiWAXV9GTQIH07PfsQ8NMDegQISxAW&biw=1536&bih=695&dpr=1.25#fpstate=ive&id=cid:116dc39e,vid:oUHv8enFzlo,st:0