



# In Remembrance



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The History of  
Saint Francis  
of the Mountains.

Copied from the journal of  
Bertha De Laguna Price.

In the summer of 1921, Mr. Price, with the assistance of Walter Hansen, set about the building of the chapel. Together they built most of the stonework of the foundation. Mr. H. P. Blanchard, seeing them at work, gave generously to the cause and had the plaque made honoring Nathan Gilmore and J. B. Richardson.





In 1922 Mr. Volk completed the frame and the roof and in the winter he constructed the benches and the altar.

In 1923, after the death of Mr. Price, Mr. Volk finished the building of the chapel so that in early June it was ready for its first service held to the music of deep gratitude by the Reverend David Evans of Palo Alto. On the first Sunday of July, 1923 the church was dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. Price. Reverend Hugh C. Montgomery of Menlo Park, Dr. D. Charles Gardner, and Benjamin Winslow ("Uncle Ben") Handy of Riverside added their tribute.





The name of "St. Francis of the Mountains" was offered by the Reverend David Evans in response to Mrs. Price's thought for the saint most near the mountains and God's birds and animals there.

By the advice of Dr. E. L. Parsons (Bishop of California) the chapel remained independent of any denominational affiliation.

A plaque was installed:  
In Memory of William Wightman Price.  
1871-1922.

"I will lift mine eyes unto the hills,  
Whence cometh my help? (contin.)





My help cometh from the Lord  
Who made heaven and earth."

The Fallen Leaf poem written by  
Horace B. Clifton, illustrated by .....  
Mr. L. D. Latimer and framed in cedar  
bark now on the front of the chapel,  
originally hung in the office of Fallen  
Leaf Lodge. The sale of copies of the  
poem brought in some of the funds used  
for building the chapel.

The first prayer books and hymnals,  
those of Agassiz Hall, the original  
camp, were presented by Bishop Mor-  
land. Mrs. Blanchard and others add-





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ed books from time to time.

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The chalice, paten, and ciborium were gifts of the Reverend Hugh Montgomery. They are engraved "To the glory of God" and in Memory of Laura B. Norton, Ascension 1911.

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The cross upon the altar was that used in the temporary chapel of Grace Church, San Francisco, after the earthquake and fire of 1906 and was given by the Reverend David Evans, then rector of Grace Church.

The Bible for the lectern was giv-





en by Mrs. Henry Gowing of Palo Alto.

The mosaic head of Christ, gift of...  
Dr. D. Charles Gardner, chaplain of...  
Stanford University, was given to him  
by an artist friend in Florence, Italy.

The marble credence table was  
formed of the only unbroken pillar of  
the communion rail of the old Stanford  
Chapel, as it remained after the earth-  
quake of 1906. This also was a gift  
of Dr. Gardner.

The sweet toned reed organ was





purchased from accumulated offerings in 1924. An evening of sacred music was held on the first evening of the use of the organ. The window ledges were banked with greens and red berries, and candles standing among those gave a soft light.

— The green dossal and curtain for the reading desk to match were given by Mrs. Horace B. Clifton in the summer of 1925.

— The carved Philippine mahogany plaque showing St. Francis and the birds, the work (and only carving in wood) of Miss Elizabeth Norton of Palo Alto, was given by a group of Palo Alto friends as a tribute to the memory of Mr. Price, in 1925.







The richly embroidered corporal and pall were given by Dr. and Mrs. D. Charles Gardner.

A set of communion linens was given by Mrs. Wager Bradford of Palo Alto, in 1925.

The chimes, a gift of the congregations who worshipped at the chapel, were dedicated August 7, 1927, by the Reverend William Benton of Santa Ana.

The bell was a gift of Mr. Harry Babcock of San Francisco and Gallac in 1928. He also contributed the money for the rustic bell tower. Professor E. S. Lesley of Stanford University





was its architect and superintended the building of it. The bell was dedicated by Dr. D. Charles Gardner.

Mrs. Price's account regrettably ends here.

We begin the continuing listing of  
Gifts and Memorials.





# MEMORIALS AND GIFTS

## St. Francis of the Mountains.

Plaque: In Memory of William Wightman Price.

Plaque: In Memory of Bertha De Laguna Price.

Fallen Leaf poem written by . . . .

Horace B. Clifton, illustrated and framed by  
L. D. Latimer.

Plaque: In Memory of Nathan Gilmore and  
L. B. Richardson, given by . . . .

H. P. Blanchard, August, 1921.

Bible given by Mrs. Henry Cowing.





Prayer books and hymnals given by . . . .  
Bishop Moreland and Mrs. Blanchard.

Altar cross given by the . . . .  
Reverend David Evans.

Chalice, ciborium and paten, gifts of  
the Reverend Hugh Montgomery, in mem-  
ory of Laura B. Norton.

Mosaic head of Christ and marble  
credence table, given by . . . .  
Dr. D. Charles Gardner.

Organ given by congregation collections.





Green dossal and reading desk curtain given  
by Mrs. Horace B. Clifton, summer of 1925.

Wooden plaque of St. Francis and the birds  
carved by Miss Elizabeth Norton, . . . .  
given by Palo Alto friends as a tribute to  
Mr. Price, 1925.

Communion linens given by Mrs. Wagner  
Bradford, 1925.

Chimes given by the congregation, 1927.

Bell and bell tower given by . . . . .  
Mr. Harry Babcock, 1928.





Prie-Dieu given by Susan LeCount Evans  
in memory of her husband, the Reverend David  
J. Evans, summer of 1934.

Credence shelf given by Susan LeCount Evans.

Altar given by Susan LeCount Evans in mem-  
ory of her sister, Ella LeCount Slocum.

Altar Linens given by Mrs. Carol Kulsewe.

Plaque: John Shaw Tarbet.

Brass candlesticks, engraved on the base  
1923 M.N.N. 1944.





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Plaque: In Memoriam, World War II . . . .  
Robert C. Allen, William M. Bassett,  
Morgan K. Brett, Jr., James G. Canning,  
George B. Culver, Alfred S. Etchevery.

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Kneelers embroidered with wild flowers  
by Mrs. Jean Deanesly and Elizabeth  
Deanesly Hudson, 1968.

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Baptismal Font given by Kitty and David  
Evans in memory of their son, . . . . .  
David LeCount Evans II, July, 1968.

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Plaque: Margaret Williams Smith given  
by her son Dr. Mansfield Smith.

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Brass ewer given by Myrl Jorgensen &  
Northway in memory of David Lee Bassett,  
M.D., July, 1968.

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Bishop's chair given by Phyllis Jorgen-  
sen Mc Callum, in memory of her father,  
Judge Henry S. Jorgensen, July, 1968.

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Pair of brass lotus bowls in the memory  
of Lawrence M. Smith, June 6, 1961.

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Book of Remembrance given by . . . . .  
Virginia Tomlinson Chandler in memory  
of Russell Grant Avery, June 1969.

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\$1,000 given by many donors in memory of Margaret Williams Smith for a new roof on the manse. July 8, 1978.

