

Spiritual Care Services Team

Rev. Margaret H. Gelini, MDiv, BCC **Palliative Care Chaplain**



Margaret joined Kaiser Permanente Medical Center San Francisco as our Palliative Care Chaplain in March, 2019. She is an ordained minister with the Presbyterian Church (USA) and a Board Certified Chaplain (BCC) with the Association of Professional Chaplains. She received a Master of Divinity Degree from Fuller Theological Seminary and holds a Bachelor of Science in Commerce from Santa Clara University. Prior to pursuing Chaplaincy, Margaret served in a variety of pastoral roles for more than 20 years with Presbyterian congregations in both California and Washington States. Additionally, Margaret has served in leadership for several non-profits spanning healthcare, social services, and education. Margaret's chaplaincy has included working with patients, their loved ones, along with staff in acute and hospice settings. Today, as Palliative Care Chaplain, she offers patients and their families spiritual and emotional support around the common human need for meaning, connection and inner peace in the face of serious illness. Focusing on what provides meaningful comfort for a patient or family, Margaret offers emotional support, careful listening and gentle guidance as patients and their families deal with stress, uncertainty, and grief around illness. Margaret is interested in helping people discover their own personal inner resiliency for coping with pain and suffering, cultural humility, and transdisciplinary palliative care. She lives in the East Bay with her husband (also clergy), daughter and a 7-year old Yorkshire Terrier name Quincy.

Rev. Lisa N. Schilbe, MDiv, BCC **Acute Care Chaplain**

Lisa is our Acute Care Chaplain at the Geary hospital campus. Lisa has been with Kaiser Permanente since 2009. As a chaplain, Lisa provides a compassionate, listening ear that assists patients, family and staff in sharing their stories, finding meaning and creating a sense of hope and peace through the uncertainty of vulnerable health challenges. She sees a deep connection between mind, body and spirit and is committed to holistic healing as she provides spiritual and emotional support. Lisa is a Board Certified Chaplain (BCC) with the Association of Professional Chaplains. She has been ordained as a minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA) for over 25 years. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology and a minor in the Sociology of Family Relations. Lisa received her Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary. Prior to joining the Kaiser Geary hospital team Lisa worked 10 years as the Spiritual Care Counselor for Hospice in South Sacramento. Lisa is certified as a Grief Recovery Specialist through the Grief Recovery Method Institute and utilizes her skills to lead grief groups and provide one-on-one bereavement support. Lisa has a special interest in diversity and inclusion having taught Spiritual and Cultural Diversity classes with the Hospice Consortium and through her participation in local Interfaith Councils.

