

# UNIVERSITY CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

May 19, 2019

## UCUCC Congregational Annual Meeting

### Following Worship in the Sanctuary



At our 128<sup>th</sup> annual meeting, we will:

- ✦ Receive reports from ministry areas, hear updates on our restructuring, check in on our racial justice initiative, and hear an update from the Futures Committee.
- ✦ Vote on nominations for officers and committee members. We will hear and vote on a resolution from a Sacred Earth Matters Committee.

Together we will celebrate our legacy and look to our future. All are welcome, and all UCUCC members will have a vote. Please plan to be present as we talk, dream and move into our next years!

The packet with our Annual Report, Meeting Agenda, and text of Sacred Earth Matters is available in the church office, and at [universityucc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/UCUCC-2019-Annual-Report-Total-Report-FINAL.pdf](http://universityucc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/UCUCC-2019-Annual-Report-Total-Report-FINAL.pdf)

## Spirit Workshop: Make Your Own Mobile Art 2pm-4pm in Ostrander Hall



Join us in a cooperative learning adventure, led by Spirit Workshops member Molly Ebert, who has been crafting mobiles for years. You are welcome to bring meaningful objects from nature or your life to build your mobile. They should be lightweight, a similar weight, and able to be attached to string. We will also provide objects.

RSVPs earnestly requested to plan for materials: [spiritworkshops@universityucc.org](mailto:spiritworkshops@universityucc.org), on Facebook or Meetup, or 206-524-2322.

## Northwest Girlchoir concert: Amore and the Seniors 6:00 in the Sanctuary

The entire Seattle community is invited to help us celebrate our graduating choristers (including our own Martha Coleman). Enjoy senior solos, the “senior song,” performances by Amore and Ensemble, and a cake reception. Free admission.

## IN THE TURNER NARTHEX

### Sign up for May 31 Basic Peace Circle Workshop

May 31, 7-9pm and June 1, 9:30am – 5:30pm

We are again offering a Basic Peace Circle Workshop, sponsored by the Racial Justice Action Team and the Multicultural Circle. Taking part in the workshop will provide an opportunity to deepen conversations and hone listening skills. Participants will also be eligible to take part in a Peace Keeper Training Workshop next Fall. For details, see the *May Church and Home* or ask Ginger Warfield ([vwarfield@mac.com](mailto:vwarfield@mac.com)) or Aileen Pruikma ([aileenspr-biz@yahoo.com](mailto:aileenspr-biz@yahoo.com)). Registration can be done at a narthex table Sundays in May.

### Welcome Tent City 3!

Starting May 17, Tent City 3 will be staying three months in our parking lot at 45<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to the considerable work from church members, and an approval of the camp's request by the Church Council. This is the sixth time we've hosted an encampment. As in the past, we'll have Sunday morning parking challenges.

*If you can, try commute alternatives, or consider parking in a University of Washington lot ([bit.ly/TC3-UCUCC](http://bit.ly/TC3-UCUCC)) and enjoy the brief walk!*

If you're interested in helping, or offering financial support, contact Tim Croll at [timcroll@hotmail.com](mailto:timcroll@hotmail.com) or stop by the table in the narthex after worship. Any donations above the church's costs will go to build up our Encampment Hospitality Revolving Fund for future encampments.

### Support Climate Change Legislation

Join the 125 UCUC people who are calling the legislative hotline each week to support Sacred Earth Matters' *Legislative Priority of the Week*. The session in Olympia will end soon, and we can use additional people (including youth and others who aren't registered voters) to advocate for 12 bills and state funding to combat greenhouse emissions, transition to carbon-free electricity, reduce plastic pollution, save our orca whales, etc. Calls take no more than 2-3 minutes. Sign up at SEM's narthex table or email [lon\\_dickerson@yahoo.com](mailto:lon_dickerson@yahoo.com).



# There is still time to register for

## July 7—12, Seabeck



### Talk to a volunteer & fill out a registration form

This summer, we welcome Betsy Rose as camp musician and Ali Mian as the morning presenter. We will learn something about Islam and our own faith tradition as we explore our theme of *Challenging Faiths: Islam and Christianity*. More info: [universityucc.org/education/seabeck/](http://universityucc.org/education/seabeck/)

### Sunday, 19 May 2019

All Day	U-District Street Fair 10:00-6:00	
8:45 AM to 12:55 PM	Childrens & Activity Center (Lounge)	
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Youth Group	Pilgrim room
9:00 AM to 9:55 AM	Discovery Bible Class	331
9:00 AM to 12:30 PM	Library Open for Browsing	Library
10:00 AM to 11:30 AM	Early Childhood CE	237 & 239
10:00 AM to 11:20 AM	Sunday School: Elementary CE	329
10:00 AM to 11:20 AM	WORSHIP Preaching: Amy Room	Sanctuary
11:45 AM to 1:00 PM	UCUCC Congregational Meeting	Sanctuary
1:00 PM to 5:00 PM	Spirit Workshop: Mobile-making event	Q Hall 1
8:00 PM to 8:20 PM	Northwest Girlschoir: Amore & The Seniors	Sanctuary

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### May Special Offering: Strengthen the Church

Please give to Strengthen the Church to invest in new ministries to meet the emerging needs of local communities. Thank you for supporting the United Church of Christ vision!

Half of our giving will help smaller churches in our Northwest Conference to realize their dreams and help their communities.

The remainder will be distributed nationally: to new churches, existing congregations, and developing the spiritual life for our youth and young adults.

## **Theological Improv Class, by Pastor Amy Roon**

**June 16, 23, 30 from 11:30-12:30 in room 333**

Over three Sundays, join a group led by Pastor Amy Roon in which you'll play fun improvisational games in order to learn techniques for fielding difficult questions regarding the Bible, or faith. Our conversations in general are "improv," and Pastor Amy has some practical tips for how you can turn conversations and questions about your spirituality into greater enlightenment. In a healthy, gentle, "low stakes" learning environment, we'll play with thinking *about faith* and its stories, and find out *what to do with* what we know and learn.

This class is in perfect confluence with our Summer Series worship theme, "I Love To Retell The Story." Each Sunday this summer, our pastors will focus their sermons on a story featured in our *Children's Illustrated Bible*. The Theological Improv class is a fun way to both gear up for this summer worship series, and to equip yourself with some new skills for being a bearer of the light.

Come to one, two, or all three classes after worship. Childcare is offered in the Lounge. RSVP to Betsy Herring, [bherring@universityucc.org](mailto:bherring@universityucc.org), to sign up for class and for childcare.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **May 20, AWE dinner**

**6:00 in the Turner Lounge**

The All Women Extraordinary potluck dinner normally meets the fourth Monday of the month. As the building is closed May 27, for Memorial Day, all women are invited to the AWE dinner a week early.

Questions? Linda Messent [lindamessent@comcast.net](mailto:lindamessent@comcast.net), 206-789-1286

### **May 23, Parish Care Luncheon**

**12:00 in the Turner Lounge**

Are you interested in learning more about the Befrienders, Parish Visitors, Prayer Chain, and/or Meal Providers? If so, please come to the Parish Care Luncheon. Let us know if you have dietary considerations when you RSVP to Carol Coleman 206-524-2322 x3311 or [parishcaresupport@univeristyucc.org](mailto:parishcaresupport@univeristyucc.org)

## **Jun 1, 100 years of the Church Council of Greater Seattle Plymouth Church, 1217 Sixth Ave., Seattle 98101**

Doors open at 6 pm; Program at 6:30 pm; Buffet reception at 8:30 pm. We'll gather as communities brought together by the work of faithful justice. Across religion, sectors, geography and other diversities we'll hear stories of our work together over the years; reflect on the present day; honor prophetic leaders essential to who we are today as the Church Council; and look to the future, together. All are welcome. This gathering, including the buffet reception, is free thanks to our community sponsors. RSVPs are requested. More info & RSVP at [thechurchcouncil.org/june-1-celebration/](http://thechurchcouncil.org/june-1-celebration/)

Questions? Contact Ann at [aerickson@thechurchcouncil.org](mailto:aerickson@thechurchcouncil.org) or 206-204-3855.

### **May Calendar**

#### **May 20**

6:00 All Women Extraordinary dinner

#### **May 21**

7:30 Bread for the World meeting

#### **May 23**

12:00 Parish Care Luncheon

**May 27 *building closed for Memorial Day***

#### **May 31**

7:00 UCUC Mariners night

### **June Calendar**

#### **June 1**

6:00 Church Council of Greater Seattle anniversary

#### **Sunday, June 2 — Youth Sunday**

12:00 Spirit Workshop: vigil for the common good

2:00 Spirit Workshop: writing group

7:00 Peace Chorus Concert

#### **June 8**

7:30 Northwest Chamber Chorus concert

#### **Sunday, June 9**

2:00 Northwest Chamber Chorus Concert

3:00 Street Requiem performance (our choir, Bellevue)

5:30 Youth end of year party

## EVENTS FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

*For more information about our Children's Ministry, please contact Director of Children's Ministry Betsy Herring at 206-524-2322 or [ChildrensMinistry@ucucc.org](mailto:ChildrensMinistry@ucucc.org).*

### **Seabeck Registration Is Underway!**

**Summer Camp is from Sunday, July 7 - Friday, July 12**

We hope you will join us for our annual camp at Seabeck. The whole family is welcome. We'll have programming in the morning for children, youth, and adults (9am -11:45am) and the rest of the day is for meals, free time, and other fun opt-in activities & events. You can swim, go for a row boat ride, read, nap, go for a run, play tennis, do arts & crafts, slip -n-slide, play ultimate frisbee, and so much more!

## EVENTS FOR YOUTH & FAMILIES

*For more information about our Youth Programs, please contact Directory of Youth Ministry Margaret Swanson at 206-524-2322 or [MSwanson@ucucc.org](mailto:MSwanson@ucucc.org).*

### **Sundays in May, Youth Group**

#### **9am Youth Group**

Youth in grades 6 – 12 are invited to join us Sunday mornings for our weekly gathering. Youth group is a place where we talk about things that matter, we do things that matter and we know that we belong. We will have times of discussion, activities and games. All youth are welcome!

### **May 29, Teen Feed**

#### **5:00 - 8:30 in Ostrander Hall**

The youth program volunteers on the 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at Teen Feed. All youth and their families are encouraged to volunteer to prepare and serve a meal to homeless youth and young adults.

Arrive at 5:00pm and leave by about 8:30pm.

Please let Margaret Swanson know if you would like to volunteer.

### **Dates to Remember:**

- ◆ June 2: Confirmation & Youth Worship
- ◆ June 9: End of Year Party

## SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

*“To care for and pray for each other in trials of the spirit and in times of joy...”*

Each week we share prayer requests as a congregation, both in prayers led by one of the pastors, and on our pew cards. We list the prayers for each other here as a way to continue to hold one another in prayer.

### **Prayers Announced May 12, 2019, the Rev. Amy Roon leading**

- ✦ We offer prayers of deep gratitude for the Sunday morning breakfast crew who have served so faithfully and well over this past year. Several members of that crew were recognized in our service this morning. They are always open to receiving anyone who would like to help.
- ✦ We offer prayers for continued healing for Beth Bartholomew who was recently discharged from the hospital and is home recovering after illness.
- ✦ We remember Dr. Paul Wiesner and his wife Nancy as Paul has been hospitalized. They so appreciate our prayers and they hope Paul will be discharged early in this coming week.
- ✦ We pray for longtime member Jack Mitchell and family as Jack has been facing multiple health challenges and was hospitalized this past week.

### **Global Ministries: Pray with Haiti on May 19, 2019**

*(Read the full print-out on the Love & Justice section of the Red Wall)*

All-loving and gracious God,

You have given us a new commandment - to love one another. We are to love others as You have loved us. You did not come to teach us only in words, not to rule over us with laws and regulations. And we thank You for being the perfect model of love. You came to show us how to truly be servants of others, and by doing so—*we love*. We pray, Lord, help us to put aside our egos, our “good intentions,” our personal agendas, assumptions, and fears, in doing so we can love others with a humble spirit and open heart so our actions will reflect and glorify You. Lord, help us to be ready, at any moment, at all moments - to love. Simply love.

# THE WEEK AHEAD

All Day	Tent City 3 (5/17-21/7)	Parking Lot C
<b>Monday, 20 May 2019</b>		
10:00 AM to 11:30 AM	Listening Team Meeting	313 conference room
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	All Women Extraordinary (AWE) dinner	Turner Lounge
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Future's Task Force	Library
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Parish Care meeting	Office Conference Room
<b>Tuesday, 21 May 2019</b>		
10:00 AM to 12:30 PM	Bible Study	Turner Lounge
12:30 PM to 1:30 PM	Lunch area for choir	Turner Lounge
1:00 PM to 2:30 PM	choir rehearsal	Choir room
1:00 PM to 3:30 PM	Leadership Staff Meeting	313 conference room
7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	Bread for the World	Office Conference Room
<b>Wednesday, 22 May 2019</b>		
2:00 PM to 2:55 PM	Worship Meeting	313 conference room
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM	Leadership-Parish Relations Committee (LPRC)	Office Conference Room
5:30 PM to 7:00 PM	Ball Choir Rehearsals (Ball Choir Room)	
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM	tent city UW student collective	Chapel
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM	Youth: Junior/Senior small group	Office 1
<b>Thursday, 23 May 2019</b>		
9:30 AM to 11:30 AM	C&H bulk mail folding	Office Conference Room
12:00 PM to 1:30 PM	Parish Care Luncheon	Turner Lounge
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM	Choir Pre-Rehearsal	Choir room
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Choir room
<b>Sunday, 26 May 2019</b>		
8:45 AM to 12:55 PM	Children & Activity Center (Lounge)	
9:00 AM to 9:55 AM	Discovery Bible Class	331
9:00 AM to 12:30 PM	Library Open for Browsing	Library
10:00 AM to 11:30 AM	Early Childhood CE	237 & 239
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