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Pastoral Reflection

Hello New Friends:

I'm happy and grateful to be with you as your interim minister, and very much looking forward to getting to know you, and supporting and assisting you through this transition time. My friends who know Broadview UCC told me how much they love this church, and in these first two weeks I have already found out how right they are.

My position is three-quarter time, which means I'll be serving as your pastor/preacher all but one Sunday a month and Vincent Lachina will preach on those Sundays, which usually will be the 4th Sunday, or if there are 5 Sundays that month, on the 5th Sunday. In addition, most weeks, my office hours at the church will be Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 to 3. I will be doing some of my work, i.e. writing sermons, from my home in West Seattle. Bobbi Dykema, in the Church Office (206-363-8060), will know any changes to that schedule so you can check with her if you're wondering. Please call the Office or email me to set up a time to talk or ask for a pastoral visit. And of course any time you have an emergency, don't hesitate to call. My contact numbers are: Cell phone: 206-941-8631; Email: janvp@comcast.net.

New adventures always bring a range of emotions for me: from sadness in leaving one place to excitement as I launch into a new experience. I wouldn't be surprised that your emotions are mixed as well, after you've been so faithfully and beautifully served by Dan Stern for these past 14 years, now wondering what the future will look like.

I will support and assist you through this transition time, through your search for a new settled pastor. Over the next months, we will worship and do ministry together, we'll have conversations about your history, what you value and care about, what God is doing amongst you, your hopes and dreams.

Interim pastors are jokingly called *faster pastors*, because we're expected to get up to speed more quickly than a settled pastor. So these first weeks I'm asking a zillion questions, getting to know the church, and settling in in my new upstairs office (I've got a ways to go on that project!). In these next months, I will be meeting you in worship and classes and meetings, but I also look forward to having conversations with each of you individually, hearing your stories, your ideas, your hopes for the church.

Some of the things we may pay attention to during this transition time (in addition to usual pastoral work) include these 5 tasks that are commonly recognized as important during interim periods:

- 1. Coming to terms with history: Grieving, working through any conflict or difficulties, acknowledging and learning from the past, deciding what is important and worthwhile to carry into future.
- 2. Facilitating shifts in leadership: Honoring past leadership, keeping people involved; encouraging and equipping new leadership.
- 3. Clarifying identity and purpose: Discovering a realistic and promising identity for the church's future.
- 4. Creating a healthy partnership with other churches and the UCC, locally and nationally.

5. Search for and commitment to new leadership and the future; building consensus and excitement about a shared vision for future.

I look forward to our journey together with great anticipation and high hopes, knowing that Christ's life-giving presence will be with us each step of the way.

Blessings and Peace,

Jan

BCUCC News & Notes

Carrie Hylander, M.I.T.!

Carrie Hylander graduated from UW Sat June 14 with her masters in teaching (after her undergrad major in Spanish and global studies). She has a job next year in the Burien area at Hilltop Elementary teaching 4th grade in a dual language program. (Co-teaching with another teacher in Spanish/English...Carrie will be teaching in Spanish) Congratulations Carrie on this accomplishment!

(from her proud and admiring parents, Dennis and Ruth Hylander)

Community & Denomination Happenings

UCC Reads: Hot Dogs & Hamburgers

Did you know that 1 in 5 adults lack the basic reading skills beyond a fourth grade level? Or that almost 85% of all young people in the juvenile court system are illiterate?

Participate in this unique, all-church initiative, the United Church of Christ's inaugural One

Read of the inspirational book, <u>Hot Dogs & Hamburgers: Unlocking Life's Potential by Inspiring Literacy at Any Age</u>, by Rob Shindler. The book is available with free shipping for \$11.99 single copy or \$45.00 five-book-package from <u>UCC Resources</u>.

And it's simple to participate. Yet rewarding, motivating, and educational.

The "One Read" is recommended to begin in early September (on September 8, 2014, National Literacy Day). The free discussion guide with suggested timeline is now available for free download at

http://www.uccfiles.com/literacy/oneread.html. Additionally, an eBook is available directly through <u>Amazon</u>, and an audio version of the book will be made available this summer.

Buy and read the book, download the free discussion guide, and encourage your congregation, friends and family to join in. It's that simple.

Plus, sign-up to be a part of Reading Changes Lives and receive monthly updates!

Aging Your Way 2014 Community Connections Conference: "Moving from I to We" Thursday, June 26, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm Brockey Center, South Seattle College 6000 16th Ave SW

For us to age well, we must be connected. AT this conference, you will be inspired and motivated to build interdependent networks for yourself and for others in partnership with nonprofits, businesses, government, and other funders. \$25 (lunch included). Facilitator: Jim Diers. Register at http://seniorservices.org/agingyourway/2014Conference.aspx

For more info, email <u>dorig@seniorservices.org</u> or call 206.268.6737.

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Gifting the World as We Age Sage-Ing® International Conference for Faith Communities August 21-24, Seattle University

The theme of the conference is: Gifting the World As We Age. Highlights include:

- Thursday evening will begin with an opening ritual, meeting the Council of Honored Sages, and a reception.
- Friday morning will feature an opening presentation on "What Do You Leave in the Earth for the Future to Find?-A Dialogue of Gifting Stories," by Wendy Lustbader and Christina Baldwin. Both women are known for their work in helping people to harvest stories and glean insights into what those stories tell about one's journey.
- Saturday morning will begin with a presentation on "Tapping into Spirit to Inform Our Giving," by the Three Interfaith Amigos. Don, Jamal, and Ted represent the three Abrahamic religious traditions and will engage us in thinking about the contributions of spirit within our traditions in helping us to refine our gifts to give from the deepest part of ourselves.
- Sunday morning will feature wise sage, minstrel and philosopher, <u>Bob Atchley</u>, on "Using The Wisdom of the Sage to Offer Our Gifts." Bob will be joined by Connie Goldman, Lynne Iser, and Rick Moody in a discussion of his ideas.

Throughout the conference there will be many sessions to choose from including the following topics:

- Body: Physical vitality, adjusting, sexuality
- Mind: Lifelong learning, creativity, arts
- Spirit: Women's/Men's spirituality and aging; Spiritual practices for aging – Aging as spiritual practice; Becoming a Sage; Leaving a Spiritual Legacy
- Community: Service as a Spiritual Practice

Register at http://sage-ing.org/

Poetry & Prayers

Touched by an Angel

We, unaccustomed to courage exiles from delight live coiled in shells of loneliness until love leaves its high holy temple and comes into our sight to liberate us into life.

Love arrives and in its train come ecstasies old memories of pleasure ancient histories of pain. Yet if we are bold, love strikes away the chains of fear from our souls.

We are weaned from our timidity In the flush of love's light we dare be brave And suddenly we see that love costs all we are and will ever be. Yet it is only love which sets us free.

--Maya Angelou, April 4, 1928 - May 28, 2014

As the war drums beat again for Iraq, a prayer...

We interrupt this war for doctors to heal, teachers to teach, and students to learn.

We interrupt this war to marvel at sunsets, listen to music, and to laugh.

We interrupt this war for poets to rhyme, sculptors to

chisel, and writers to paint pictures with words.

We interrupt this war to plant tomatoes, mow the grass, and to smell the roses.

We interrupt this war to feed the hungry, build new schools, and to stamp out ignorance. We interrupt this war to clean up the air, save the whales and to find a cure for cancer.

We interrupt this war to rebuild New Orleans, tickle babies and for world peace.

We interrupt this war for PTA meetings, band concerts, and high school graduations.

We interrupt this war for Girl Scout Cookies, church bake sales, and the Special Olympics.

We interrupt this war for Disneyland, the World Series, and the Super Bowl.

We interrupt this war for Halloween candy, Thanksgiving Turkey, and 4th of July fireworks.

> We interrupt this war for Hanukkah, Christmas and Kwanza.

We interrupt this war to bring sons, daughters, sisters and brothers home. We interrupt this war to hear a message from Our Sponsor: THOU SHALT NOT KILL.

we interrupt this war - cappy hall rearick - 2001

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UPCOMING EVENTS....

Western Regional UCC Youth Event June 29 – July 3

This big event will be held at Seattle University for all western UCC youth currently in 7th through 12th grades. Registration and further information is available from either Susan Andresen at susan_andresen@hotmail.com or Tara Barber at barbertara@hotmail.com.

Summer Camp Schedule!

Pilgrim Firs:

Kid's Camp – June 29 – July 2 Intermediate Camp – June 29 – July 3 Sr High Camp – July 6-12 Jr High Camp – July 13-19 Family Camp – August 17-21 Camp Pilgrim Firs is located near Port Orchard on the Kitsap Peninsula.

N-Sid-Sen:

Emerging Adult Camp – June 22-24 Kid's Camp – July 6-9 Intermediate Camp – July 6-12 Sr High Aqua Camp – July 13-19 Family Camp 1 – July 27 – August 2 Jr High Aqua Camp – August 3-9 Family Camp 2 – August 10-16

Camp N-Sid-Sen is on Lake Coeur d'Alene in northern Idaho. Info and registration for all camps can be found at the Pacific Northwest Conference website: www.pncucc.org.

LECTIONARY READINGS

June 1, 2014 – Seventh Sunday of Easter Acts 1:6-14 Ps 68:1-10, 32-35 1 Pet 4:12-14; 5:6-11 John 17:1-11 White

June 8, 2014 – Pentecost Acts 2:1-21 or Num 11:24-30 Ps 104:24-34, 35b 1 Cor 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21 John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39 Red

June 15, 2014 – Trinity Sunday Gen 1:1-2:4a Ps 8 2 Cor 13:11-13 Matt 28:16-20 Father's Day White or Green June 22, 2014 – 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Gen 21:8-21

Ps 86:1-10, 16-17 or Jer 20:7-13

Ps 69:7-10, (11-15), 16-18

Rom 6:1b-11

Matt 10:24-39

Green

June 29, 2014 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gen 22:1-14

Ps 13 or Jer 28:5-9

Ps 89:1-4, 15-18

Rom 6:12-23

Matt 10:40-42

Green

July 6, 2014 – 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gen 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Ps 45:10-17 or Song of Sol 2:8-13

Or Zech 9:9-12

Ps 145:8-14

Rom 7:15-25a

Matt 11:16-19, 25-30

Green

July 13, 2014 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gen 25:19-34

Ps 119:105-112 or Isa 55:10-13

Ps 65:(1-8), 9-13

Rom 8:1-11

Matt 13:1-9, 18-23

Green



July 20, 2014 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gen 28:10-19a

Ps 139:1-12, 23-24 or Wisd of Sol 12:13, 16-19

Or Isa 44:6-8

Ps 86:11-17

Rom 8:12-25

Matt 13:24-30, 36-43

Green

July 27, 2014 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gen 29:15-28

Ps 105:1-11, 45b or Ps 128 or 1 Kings 3:5-12

Ps 119:129-136

Rom 8:26-39

Matt 13:31-33, 44-52

Green



June & July Birthdays

June

Peter Doney	6/6
Kymberly Lundt	6/7
June Bender	6/11
Henry Thompson	6/15
Kay Groves	6/17
Elena Richmond	6/17
JoAnne Conard	6/18
Mary Mackenzie	6/18
Marie Fortune	6/22
David Warfield	6/22
Eileen Elliott	6/25
David Anderson	6/27

July

Vincent Lachina	7/3
Pete Thorn	7/5
Bobbi Dykema	7/8
Peter Kujac	7/7
Day Murti	7/14
Jeff Lundt	7/19
Frances Squaglia	7/19

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Non-Profit Office Space Available

Office space available immediately in Broadview Community United Church of Christ.

Space 1 – located on the 3^{rd} floor - approximately 378 sf (15 X 24). 2 cubicle stations already set up. Access to small bathroom and shared kitchen. 24/7 access with parking. \$450 per month including electricity.

Must be a qualifying non-profit agency.

Further inquiries can be made to Bobbi Dykema in the BCUCC church office at 206-363-8060