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Music Director Misha Tumanov sits with Magi and Zuri at the organ.

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World Labyrinth Day is May 4



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aturday, May 4 is World Labyrinth Day for 2024. That is the day set aside by the World Labyrinth Society for enthusiasts throughout the world

intentionally walking their labyrinths in support of world peace and spiritual awakening.

The labyrinth is found all over the world in many different cultures and forms. It is an archetypal symbol. It is not a maze and you cannot get lost. There is one path that leads to the center. The way in is the way out. You can think about walking the labyrinth as an inward journey, a walking meditation. There is no right or wrong way to walk the labyrinth. While the labyrinth is not a specifically Christian resource, its use as a medium for mediation and contemplation is wellestablished.

to share the unique experience of

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United Christian Parish will participate in World Labyrinth Day this year by opening its full-size Chartres-style labyrinth to all who are interested. Walking this outdoor labyrinth will be the focus of the event, with special emphasis on "Walk as One at 1"-a time when people from every part of the world are encouraged to begin their walk together at 1 PM their local time as a gesture of unity in our desire for world peace.

The event will also include indoor activities in case the weather makes it hard to walk outside.

This event is open to anyone interested, not just to United Christian Parish members. Feel free to come at any time and invite your friends.

These will include finger labyrinths to "walk"

and at least one prayer station focusing on

miraculous work in the world.

while seated, paper labyrinths to color, a much

shorter indoor labyrinth as an alternative walk,

labyrinths as a means of connecting with God's

The labyrinth can be accessed from North Shore

Drive by walking up the steps or from the church parking lot (behind the building) by entering the lobby though the double glass doors and walking

This event is sponsored by UCP's Worship Ministry as part of our spiritual development program. All of the resources for the event are provided by the ministry and no fees/donations are required.





PHOTO RECAP

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1. Sue Beffel shares ways to reduce the use of plastics during children's time on Earth Day Sunday. 2. Virginia General Assembly Delegate Karen Keys-Gamarra leads Sunday School. 3. UCP's pollinator garden is blessed on Earth Day Sunday. 4. Nancy Crawford, Joan Braxton, Ellen Pierson, and Linda Cobb at the Women's Retreat. 5. Squeals on Wheels Traveling Petting Zoo visits UCP Preschool.





PHOTO RECAP

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1. Former UCP Pastor Rev. Dr. Marcus Leathers is installed as the Regional Minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Capital Area. 2. Women prepare to paint at the retreat. 3. Women's retreat. 4. Beverly Cosham sings "Silent Spring" on Earth Day Sunday. 5. Pastor Beth and United Christian Parish members at the reception of Rev. Dr. Marcus Leather's installation service.



Pentecost Sunday is the 50th day after Easter, when Christians celebrate God's gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church. Not only is Pentecost the birthday of the church universal, it is also the anniversary of United Christian Parish. This year we are celebrating 51 years as a parish!

Our 10 AM livestream worship is a service of scripture, music and dance. Don't forget to wear red! Red symbolizes joy and the fire of the Holy Spirit.

At 11:30 AM, enjoy an outdoor picnic lunch on the portico (by the labyrinth) or enjoy your food inside in rooms 113-116. Bring sides, salads or desserts to share! Sunday School does not meet.

Happy Birthday, United Christian Parish!



Debbie AschenbachCongregational
Care Council
Chair, Board

n Pentecost Sunday, United Christian Parish will be having its 51st birthday. When I think of birthdays, I think of cake, maybe balloons and presents. On this day 51 years ago, UCP began a new experience. Instead of one faith, we joined four

faiths together. They were the Methodist, the Presbyterians, the Disciples of Christ, and the United Church of Christ. It was an experience to join four different faiths together and share one common denominator. We believe in Jesus so we are Christians. I think the present of Christ's love is the most special gift one could receive. So, all of us received that special gift and every year we get to celebrate Jesus' love for all of us.

What is Pentecost? Pentecost is a Christian holiday which takes place on the fiftieth day after Easter Sunday. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles of Jesus while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of the Weeks as described in Acts 2:1–31. While the Catholic Church believes the Holy Spirit descended upon Mary, this is not recorded in the New Testament.¹

Pentecost is one of the Great Feasts in the Eastern Orthodox church. The Catholic Church and Lutheran churches also celebrate in their own way. Christian denominations provide a special liturgy for this holy celebration.

Wikipedia¹ states:

The events of Acts Chapter 2 are set against the backdrop of the celebration of Pentecost in Jerusalem. There are several major features to the Pentecost narrative presented in the second chapter of the Acts of the Apostles. The author begins by noting that the disciples of Jesus "were all together in one place" on the day of Pentecost. The verb used in Acts 2:1 to indicate the arrival of the day of Pentecost carries a connotation of fulfillment. There is a "mighty rushing"

wind" (wind is a common symbol for the Holy Spirit) and "tongues as of fire" appear. The gathered disciples were "filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance."

In Christian tradition, this event represents fulfillment of the promise that Christ will baptize His followers with the Holy Spirit.

The timing of the narrative during the festival of Pentecost symbolizes both continuity with the giving of the law and also the central role of the Holy Spirit for the early church. The central role of Christ in Christian faith signified a fundamental theological separation from the traditional Jewish faith, which was grounded in the Torah and Mosaic Law.¹

Biblical commentator Richard C. H. Lenski has noted that the use of the term "Pentecost" in Acts is a reference to the Jewish festival. He writes that a well-defined, distinct Christian celebration did not exist until later years, when Christians kept the name of "Pentecost" but began to calculate the date of the feast based on Easter rather than Passover. Peter stated that this event was the beginning of a continual outpouring that would be available to all believers from that point on, Jews and Gentiles.

As Christians we accept and love all people. As we know Jesus never turned anyone away, we should care and love everyone. Celebrate your birthday gifts by welcoming others, provide a meal for your guests, and help all who are less fortunate.

Prayer: God, we thank you for all the gifts you bestow on us. May we celebrate our birthday by sharing the presents you give to us.

¹ Wikipedia Contributors. (2019, December 10). Pentecost. Wikipedia; Wikimedia Foundation. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pentecost

Pentecost Prayer Partners

On Pentecost you have the opportunity to sign up for our Prayer Partner Project! Prayer partners commit for one year to "meet" regularly to pray together and to pray for each other.

The benefits of praying for someone else are numerous. You gain a new connection with someone, and learn more about that person. The additional prayers help draw you closer to God. Plus there is bonus of having someone special to reach out to in times of need.

You'll have the option of picking a prayer partner (a friend, co-worker, family member, or neighbor within or outside of the church) or you can select that you want a leader to match you up with another individual.

Sign up forms will be available onsite and online on Pentecost Sunday, May 19.

At the April 28 congregational meeting two items were passed: approval by 77 votes of the distributed list of members to serve on UCP committees beginning July 1, and approval by 75 votes to become a 'bridge church' to offer assistance to any member of a United Methodist Church (UMC) who seeks counsel and help concerning UMC policies on gender issues. Further explanation of bridge churches and other churches in our UMC district which have voted to become them is being planned for inclusion in the June Parish Life.

April Parish Board Report



Pastor Beth
Ministerial Co-Moderator, Board

The Board received reports from:

- The Sustainability Task Force and the upcoming Legacy Giving Presentation on May 5 at 11:15 AM
- The Pastoral Model Task Force as they prepare for the listening sessions which will be held May 12 and May 17

The Board approved:

- The slate of new officers for the congregational meeting
- The goals for Building Spiritual Connections which were presented at the congregational meeting
 - 1. Increased participation in small groups
 - 2. Spirituality Walks/Holy Hikes
 - 3. Prayer Partners
 - 4. All-Church Book Read
 - 5. Praying through the directory
 - 6. Plan an all-church retreat
- The Preschool Budget for the 2024-2025 school year
- Selling a non-working keyboard that can be used for parts

Items that were discussed and tabled until the May meeting:

- Updates to Commitment to Children Policy, including social media recommendations
- Signing a Memorandum of Understanding with Faith Alliance for Climate Solutions

Pastoral Model Task Force Listening Sessions

The Pastoral Model Task Force (PMTF) was established in the fall of 2023 as a means to establishing a suitable long-term Pastoral Model. PMTF has planned two listening sessions on the progress of the task force to include an initial summary of the responses to the Congregational Survey. Both listening sessions will be offered onsite and on Zoom. The listening session dates are:

Sunday, May 12, 11:15 AM

(as the topic for the Adult Faith Formation class in room 113 & Zoom)

Friday, May 17, 7 PM (room 113 & Zoom)

Legacy Giving at United Christian Parish



John Moore Legacy Giving

id you know there is another way to support United Christian Parish besides making your annual pledge and volunteering your time? It's called Legacy Giving, a term that may remind us

of death but is really about life and living. The program was established to provide members and friends flexibility in providing a legacy resource supporting the mission and ministry of UCP before or after one's passing.

Recent generous legacy gift donors have played a significant role in helping the church fund important projects that could not be paid for with the annual budget. Projects include a significant renovation to our kitchen, an overhaul of the church's out-of-date fire alarm system, and a mission trip to Rwanda. Legacy gifts in the future are needed to support a variety of needs such as missions projects or building repair and equipment replacement.

UCP's Legacy Giving Program provides for Endowment or Non-Endowment gifts.

- Endowment Gifts: An Endowment gift requires preserving the original principal with only the annual earnings available for church use. The UCP Board has the authority to decide how those earnings are spent. Donors do not make specific designations in the case of endowments.
- Non-Endowment Gifts: A non-endowment gift allows the principal to be used as designated. Donors may designate how their non-endowment gift is to be used by choosing from five categories as follows:
 - 1. Undesignated-to be used as determined by the UCP Board. This choice allows spending decisions based on the church's highest priority needs
 - 2. Missions
 - 3. Capital Improvements
 - 4. Worship, Music, and Arts or
 - 5. Faith Formation and Scholarship.

Legacy giving tools can be a part of an estate plan, a financial plan for the living, or simply an addition to the beneficiaries of your IRA. Some of these options don't require a lawyer to be put in place. Typically, these gifts will also carry significant tax advantages. For a sampling of legacy giving methods, see our website (ucpreston.org/legacy-giving).

UCP's Legacy Giving program is an excellent way to create a lasting legacy to support the beliefs and programs of our church as an inclusive community, open to all, passionate about mission and social justice, and loving our neighbors. Please talk to Pastor Beth or any member of the Finance Council to learn more. You can find and complete the legacy gift intent form online: tinyurl.com/4ajuh5sz.





LEGACY GIVING PRESENTATION IS MAY 5, 11:15 AM

On May 5, the Finance Council continues the semi-annual educational series on financial planning and legacy giving. Bettina Lawton, who discussed estate planning with us last September, will be joined this time by Joni Alt, a certified financial planner with Evermay Wealth. The event will be in person in room 113 and via Zoom (same link as Adult Sunday School).



Heartfelt Donations Dominate March Missions Ministry Meeting

Joellyn Kinzer Missions Ministry

t the March Missions Ministry meeting, donations to the national/local and international organizations in dire need dominated the discussion. Pastor Beth informed the Missions

Ministry members of the significant increase in the number of phone calls she has been receiving from persons seeking help with their costs of food, rent and other expenses. The Pastor's Crisis Fund is limited.

The Closet of the Greater Herndon Area gives \$500 annually to all communities of faith whose members volunteer at the facility. The Closet asks that the gift be spent on the needs in our surrounding communities. After discussion, the team applied the \$500 recently given by The Closet to the Pastor's Crisis Fund. Further discussion of UCP's Crisis Fund will be reviewed in the coming meetings.

Additionally, the Missions Ministry approved \$1,000 donations to three local organizations: Herndon-Reston Friendly Instant Sympathetic Help (FISH), Cornerstones and Centreville Labor Resource Center

The international donation of \$1,500 went to World Central Kitchen (WCK) before the Israeli killing of WCK workers in Gaza. The success of World Central Kitchen's efforts to supply large quantities of food for the people of Gaza by sea and the work of Gazans to help build a jetty for food delivery was well known. But since the attack, WCK founder José Andrés said:

"It's not enough to simply try to avoid further humanitarian deaths, which have now approached close to 200. All civilians need to be protected, and all innocent people in Gaza need to be fed and safe."1

WCK operations were suspended there but

resumed April 29. The organization also feeds others in need throughout the world.

The Missions Ministry is very thankful for the contributions of United Christian Parish and tries to send donations to those they feel can use the funds to support Christ's work in their organizations. The recipients send UCP heartfelt letters of appreciation.

¹ WCK's statement about the IDF preliminary investigation. World Central Kitchen. (2024, April 5). https://wck.org/news/preliminary-investigation



DONATE SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR STUDENTS IN RWANDA

United Christian Parish has a mission team departing May 31 to Rwanda to visit our partner organization Hope Made Real. Donate school supplies for the team to take with them. Needed supplies:

- Play-Doh
- washable markers
 - white chalk
- blackboard erasers
 - yardsticks

- white string
- · four kickballs
- Scotch tape
- small rubber balls
 - pencils
- L-Square rulers

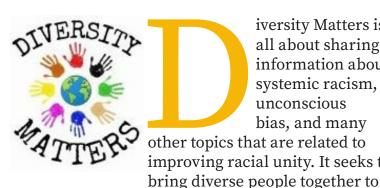
There will be a box for the items in the narthex each Sunday through May 19.





Diversity Matters Upcoming Studies

Dr. Debbie Holliday-Phillips



iversity Matters is all about sharing information about systemic racism, unconscious bias, and many other topics that are related to improving racial unity. It seeks to

find common ground.

The Diversity Matters group is supported by the Justice & Peace Ministry of the United Christian Parish. Diversity Matters is excited to announce its upcoming studies listed on the right.

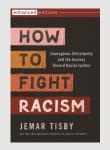
Discussion questions will be emailed for each book before reading begins. You can develop questions of your own too. Let's focus on forwarding this schedule to invite others to join this wonderful group.

Donations are welcome to help purchase tee shirts and provide lunch money as prizes that are won by participants. If you would like to send your taxdeductible donation through Zelle, please contact diversitymatterstome@gmail.com.

Sessions are one hour at 7 PM on Mondays on Zoom. Email or text me for additional information and for the Zoom link: diversitymatterstome@gmail.com or 773-879-1110.

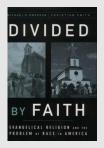
SCHEDULE

MONDAYS • 7-8 PM



JUNE 3

How to Fight Racism by Jemar Tisby



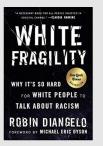
AUGUST 5

Divided by Faith by Michael Emerson and Christian Smith



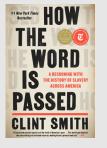
OCTOBER 7

Be the Bridge by Latasha Morrison



DECEMBER 9

White Fragility by Robin DiAngelo



WILL BE SHARED **AS A POWERPOINT** FOR INDEPENDENT **LEARNING**

How the Word is Passed by Clint Smith



ne of my favorite things about United Christian Parish is that

we are ecumenical. We receive from and give support to four mainline denominations. We alternate singing from different hymn books every three months to represent the liturgies of our four denominations. And we come from different backgrounds, which provides interesting conversations at Bible Study.

Editor's Note: This submission is the ninth in a series of expressions by parish members of what UCP means to them. What is your favorite thing about UCP? Send your thoughts for next month's issue to parishlife1@ ucpreston.org by May 15.



It's Butterfly Season

everal hundred colorful butterflies cross the sanctuary each Easter season in the annual flight that began nearly 50 years ago. But, do you know the roots of this tradition?

After UCP charter member Yvonne Kauffman learned from her sister about a church in Cincinnati that created an Easter butterfly migration, she began the United Christian Parish tradition in the 1970s, first at the Hunters Woods church building and then

extended to Redeemer.

"I made three different patterns and got help from many people in the church to color them, cut them out, and tape them all over the fronts of the sanctuaries, sometimes even on the ceilings," she recalled.

"We used to have to borrow a tall ladder from the Reston Community Center to do it."

This colorful butterfly season tradition continues five decades later.

Rev. Alexis Vaughan will speak at the 129th Convocation of the Disciples Divinity House of the University of



Chicago on May 31. The daughter of Sonja Vaughan, she was raised in and ordained at our church. She is currently Managing Director of Domestic Operations for the Week of Compassion, the relief refugee and development mission fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Hypothermia Meals Update



Eloise Williams

ur 2023-24 Hypothermia Meals season concluded on March 29. Thanks to our United Christian Parish volunteers, we served 24 meals to homeless members of our community every other Thursday evening, December through March. Our volunteers planned, shopped for, cooked and delivered meals, giving their time and

talents to a long-standing and worthwhile opportunity for service. Debbie Aschenbach and Sheila Allen served as team leaders, and a special thanks to all who were involved. We have already received the dates for next season!

SYMPATHY TO:

Elsa Nygard and family on the death of her husband, Greg Nygard, on April 13.

The family and friends of UCP member Eulene Bevans on her death on April 14.

SUBMITTED THIS MONTH:

Hans Huisman

(Annerieke Owen's brother)

Rob Libero

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR:

Sofia Alexiou

(mother of Kevin Fletcher's partner)

Alicia, Ann, Mary

(Patty Gehring's friends)

Henry and Sarah Andersen

George Bell Fred Ray

(Richard & Eloise Williams' brother-in-law and their cousin's husband)

Sue Beffel & family

Diane Brady & Mike Daks

(Kathy Schauer-Schmidt & Lee Schmidt's friends)

Sharon Castelda

Rev. Ken Collins

Dorice Crosby Pauline Fields

(Chervl Fields' cousin & mother)

Eleanor Dickey

Joyce Duke

Gail & Jeff Flood

D. Clark Gehring

(Rob Gehring's brother)

Patty Gehring

Lisa, Jamie, Dreama Kauffman

(Yvonne Kauffman's daughter, granddaughter, greatgranddaughter)

Conrad Kilinski

(Jane & Ken Plum's grandson)

Rev. Lloyd Kinzer

David Krafchick

(brother-in-law of Meg Moore's sister)

Lari Lopp

Joe McGregor

(Karen Young's father)

Fe' Moore

(John Moore's sister-in-law)

Elsa Nygard

Rev. Larry Pullen

Rev. Melinda Reed

Cynthia Rodriguez

Rev. Suzanne Rudiselle

Kathy Schauer-Schmidt

Cheryl Smith

(Jeff Smith's wife)

Mary Steinmann

(Rich Steinmann's mother)

Craig Stevens

(Al Stevens' son)

Joyce Hill Stoner

(Roxane Hughes' sister)

Joe Waugh Patrick Waugh

(Debra Bailey's brothers)

Sarah Webb

(Steve Webb's daughter-in-law)

Eloise Williams

SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST:

ucpreston.org/prayer

REMOVE A PRAYER REQUEST:

heidi@ucpreston.org

SUNDAYS AT UNITED CHRISTIAN PARISH

10 AM Worship

10:20 AM **Godly Play**

11 AM **Fellowship** (onsite & online)

11:15 AM Sunday School

4 PM Youth Group



Have a need for transportation, prayer or assistance? Contact the May Samaritan of the Month, Debbie Aschenbach: deborah.aschenbach58@gmail. com, or 703-585-8216.



BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays, 10 AM, Zoom The practice of thoughtful Bible study is crucial to our faith journey. Our Bible Study topics vary throughout the year and our current study is "The Sermon on the Mount." The Sermon on the Mount is Jesus' most well-known teaching and one of history's most famous speeches ever. Gain a deeper understanding of its implications today.



FLOWERS

Contribute flowers for the sanctuary on Sunday mornings. Cost is \$40. Sign up for a Sunday: ucpreston.org/flowers.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 8-12

At United Christian Parish Vacation Bible School (VBS) kids will be invited to be menders in God's world. As they make connections between Bible stories and mending actions—feed, heal, forgive, pray, and rest—they'll discover simple ways to live out faith in daily life. VBS is from 9:30 AM-12:30 PM every day for children age 4-rising fifth grade.

REGISTER TODAY:

ucpreston.org/vbs

Serve at VBS

Everyone is invited to support VBS in a variety of ways. Visit ucpreston.org/vbs to learn more.



ENROLL FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR AT UCP **PRESCHOOL**

Give your child a Christian foundation for lifelong learning. **UCP** Preschool provides exceptional education in a safe and Christian atmosphere for children ages 2- Pre-K. Enroll today or schedule a tour with Preschool Director Ginger O'Rourke: ucppreschool.org.

RESTON PRIDE AT LAKE ANNE PLAZA, JUNE 1, 12-6 PM





June 1, 2024

Founded in 2018, Reston Pride is focused on providing quality education about LGBTQIA+ culture to the greater Reston community through a variety of family-friendly events. Reston Pride features many musical guests, live entertainment, speakers, and vendors supporting the LGBTQIA+ community. Come out to celebrate and to spread Jesus' good news of love for all. Find additional details at restonpride.org



JOYFUL DINERS

Sundays, 6 PM

Joyful Diners meet weekly on Sundays at restaurants around the area. It is a space for you to meet, connect and share a meal with others:

first & third Sunday of the month: Silver Diner (11951 Killingsworth Ave, Reston) second & fifth Sunday of the month: Santini's (11804 Baron Cameron Ave, Reston) fourth Sunday of the month: Lucia's (2531 John Milton Dr, Herndon) Contact Jim Vollmer, jamesvollmerjv@gmail.com, with any questions.

FOOD COLLECTIONS

Cornerstones

Every Sunday bring your food donations to drop off in the box in the narthex marked "Cornerstones Food Pantry." Or, bring donations during church office hours and place them on the tables under the coat rack by the church office. Needed items are updated monthly and are shared in the Weekly Connection.

Helping Hungry Kids (HHK) Bring food donations for HHK on the first Sunday of the month, when there is a bin outside the sanctuary to drop off donations. Needed donations are updated on its Amazon wishlist, found on the HHK website: helpinghungrykids.org.



TRAVEL MINISTRY TRIP

September 9-13

Join United Christian Parish members and friends on a trip to Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard. Trip highlights include:

- · Zion Union Heritage Museum
- JFK Museum
- Ferry to Martha's Vineyard
- · Eastham Windmill

You will travel on a motorcoach. Eight meals, four breakfasts and four dinners, are included. Cost: \$699 for double occupancy. Add \$135 for single occupancy. \$75 is due upon signing by no later than May 5. Balance is due July 2. Submit checks payable to Diamond Tours to Jean Banks or the church office. Contact Jean for more information: jeanbanks@verizon.net, or 703-629-8581.

WOMEN IN THE SPIRIT (WITS) BOOK CLUB

WITS welcomes women at their monthly gatherings on **Zoom** at 7 PM. Contact Karen Skatoff, kskatoff@hotmail.com, for more information.

MAY 23

The Lions of Fifth Avenue by Fiona Davis

JUNE 27

David and Goliath by Malcolm Gladwell

JULY 25

The Water Dancer by Ta-nehisi Coates

AUGUST 22

Tom Lake by Ann Patchett

SEPTEMBER 26

Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver

OCTOBER 24

The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store by James McBride

DECEMBER 5

Rogue Justice by Stacey Abrams



INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Fridays, 10 AM, Zoom

Share prayer concerns and pray for others through intercessory prayer. Drop in on any Friday.

PARISH LIFE PHOTO CONTRIBUTERS

Special thanks to this month's photo contributers: Laurie Callahan and Megan Rohrer.

UNITED CHRISTIAN **PARISH**

The United Christian Parish is an open and affirming church united in ministry: Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Presbyterian (USA), United Church of Christ and the United Methodist Church.

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ADMINISTRATOR

PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR

CHILD CARE

HANDBELL CHOIR

DIRECTOR

MUSIC DIRECTOR

BOARD

DEBBIE ASCHENBACH CONGREGATIONAL CARE

COUNCIL CHAIR

LAURIE CALLAHAN CO-CLERK

JO FRANKLIN JUSTICE & PEACE MINISTRY

CHAIR

CHUCK GRITTON LAY CO-MODERATOR

BOB HALEY FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR

ROXANE HUGHES WORSHIP MINISTRY

LIAISON

HUMAN & ADMINISTRATIVE SARA MCALPINE

RESOURCES COUNCIL

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