

The Link

FEBRUARY 2022



Lenten Study to Begin Soon on Zoom

We will be meeting weekly to discuss daily devotions from the book ***A Grounded Faith: Reconnecting with Creator and Creation in the Season of Lent.*** We will purchase this material through

EcoFaith Recovery, a faith-based leadership development effort grounded near the confluence of the Columbia and Willamette Rivers and reaching out to other parts of the Pacific Northwest for the purpose of revitalizing congregational ministries to participate in the healing of creation.

We plan to meet from 7 to 8 pm via Zoom on Sunday, Monday, or Tuesday evening beginning February 27, 28, or March 1. Please let Sandy Mathis know by February 13 if you are interested so books can be ordered (available at no cost or by contribution--details later) and which day(s) of the week will work for you. Contact Sandy at sanjermathis@msn.com.



Our February mission emphasis/special offering is for WHO, the Winter Hospitality Overflow shelters in Vancouver.

These shelters are operated by Outsiders Inn in partnership with Saint Paul Lutheran Church, Saint Andrew Lutheran Church, the Council for the Homeless, SHARE, and many supporting congregations. Vancouver UCC has supported WHO, both financially and with volunteers since WHO was formed many years ago.

Sue Meyer from our WHO partner Congregation Kol Ami, tells us (regarding the men's shelter at Saint Paul Lutheran) "If you are willing to make and deliver (or order thru Doordash, etc) an evening meal for 27, this is needed 365 days a year. Signup is thru the app, MealTrain <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/04435v>.

Please be generous!



Church Directory Photos

We are working to create a photo directory for our church family. I am asking for your help with this project. Please email a recent photo of yourself or your family to be used in the directory to leslie@vanucc.org. Please send full size images saved as a jpeg.

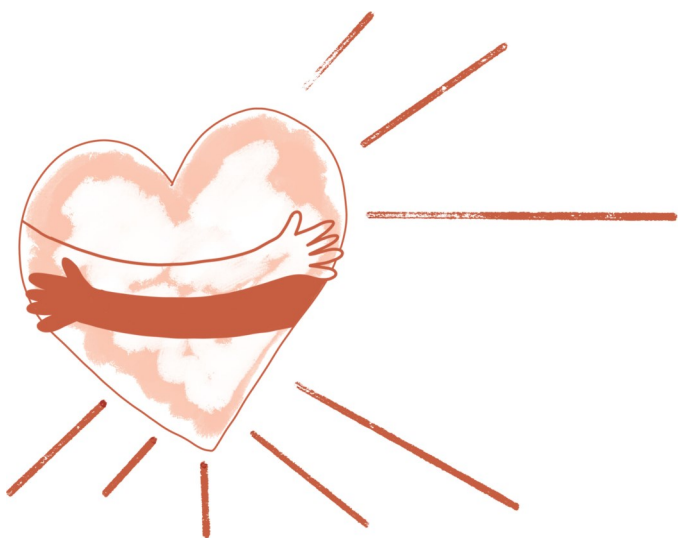
If you do not have a recent picture, you may have your picture taken after church on Sundays during the month of February. Just find me and I would be

happy to take your picture. We would like to have all photos loaded into the database by March 1, 2022. You do not have to be a member of the church to be included in our directory. If you are an active participant, please send your photo if you wish to be included in the directory. This is also a great time to update any information such as address, phone number or email address if do not have your current information.

We will create a new directory in March and email it out to the entire congregation. A photo directory is a great way for new members and visitors alike to be able to connect a face to a name. It will be extremely for when we have a new interim pastor on board.

If you have any questions please let me know. You can email me or give me a call at 360-910-0020.

Thank you! Leslie Chapman.



Pastoral Care

Until the time an interim pastor is called, please address pastoral care needs to anyone on the pastoral care team: Richard Trefren, Sandy Mathis, or Sue Benson. There are many within our church community able to assist during this time of transition and the pastoral care team will ensure needs are met. Prayer chain requests can be sent to Sandy Mathis by phone or email at sanjermathis@msn.com.

CAMP ADAMS

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Camp Adams Registration

Camp Adams will be held this summer after the Covid-19 hiatus! Registration is open for youth summer camp programs at Camp Adams this coming summer.

Session Dates-

- Taller and Smaller (completed K-3rd w/ adult) July 5-8, 2022
- Exodus (completed 9th-12th) July 10-16, 2022
- Sojourners (completed 7th-8th) July 24-29, 2022
- Discoverers (completed 5th-6th) July 31-August 5, 2022
- Genesis/Seekers (completed 2nd-4th) August 7-12, 2022

There is a registration button at the bottom of the campadams.org home page that will take interested campers to the online registration system.

Scholarships will once again be available. If you would like more information please contact Natalie Becker at campadams.om@gmail.com.

Vancouver UCC also has some scholarship funds available. If you are interested, please send an email to info@vanucc.org and we will contact you.

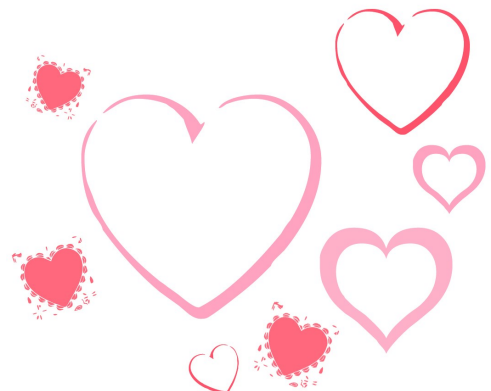


Irma Slocum

We have a date set for a summer memorial service for Irma on Saturday, August 13. It will be held at Vancouver United Church of Christ, 1220 NE 68th St, Vancouver, WA 98665, with possibly a potluck afterwards.

Memorials may be sent to the church. It was her wish that any donations be sent to Van UCC in care of the church choir fund. That was her deepest desire and her passion, to continue the legacy of beautiful music at Vancouver UCC.

Sincerely, The Slocum Family
Dave, Julie, John, Becky and Beth



UCC Northwest Regional Women's Retreat XIII

November 4-6, 2022
Salishan Coastal Lodge
Gleneden Beach, OR

The UCC Northwest Regional Women's Retreat welcomes women to Salishan Resort on the Oregon coast for our regional retreat Nov 4,5,6 2022. Explore the website at www.nrwr.org for information on speakers, workshops, the venue and registration. You may contact Carol Kiriluk with questions at ck5.maple@gmail.com, or any member of the committee as listed on the website.



Retreat Registration closes October 1, 2022

\$225 before August 1, 2022

\$250 August 2 to October 1, 2022

(Fees are transferable but not refundable)

If paying with PayPal there is an additional \$5 Fee.

Guestroom Reservation Cutoff Date: October 14, 2022

Guestroom Rate: \$117 + tax = \$130.81/night

(max. 4 guest/room at this rate)

Rate will be honored 3 days prior and post event.

The Resort Fee is Waived.

Group guestroom block and discounted rate not guaranteed after this date.

(No cancellation fee up to 72-hrs. before check-in.)

BOOK EARLY!



Vancouver
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Sunday Worship: 10 am

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The LINK is published the 1st week of each month. The **Due Date** for articles is the **4th Sunday** of the preceding month.

Submissions should have:

- Articles in WORD format or text in the body of an email.
- Pictures submitted as attached jpgs.
- Permission of the copyright holder for all copyrighted materials.



FEBRUARY

BIRTHDAYS

- Feb 6 Jay Palmer
- Feb 12 Carole Greenauer
- Feb 15 Stephen Hunter
- Feb 15 Lucie Murchison
- Feb 16 Cynthia Haverkate
- Feb 21 Brian Fick
- Feb 21. Simon Melton
- Feb 25 Don Walter
- Feb 28 Brenda Gaston

SPECIAL CONCERNS

The family of Ileana Hendrick
Brian Fick's mother

The family and friends of Joanie Nelson

The family of Carole Elizabeth

The family of Opal Chapman

The family of Jeremy Chapman
Leslie's son

Nathan Klump and Karen Klump
Lynn Chan's nephew, and sister

The family of Irma Slocum