

# **COMMUNITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

## **Nurturing Spiritual Growth and Working for Social Justice**

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### *A Word from our Pastor*

Dear Friends,

I've got some exciting news to share. The UCC Coalition for LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender) concerns is celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Open and Affirming (ONA) Resolution in July 2010. The five-day event will take place July 14-18 in San Diego, California. Part of the exciting news is that CUCC will have 3 representatives in attendance, myself, Joan McAllister and Skip Stoddard.

Since 1985, more than 760 UCC congregations have engaged in ONA study programs and voted to be ONA congregations. Many of them are among the most vital and vibrant congregations in the UCC. It is time to celebrate this wonderful achievement as well as hear visionary speakers and attend workshops that will support our local ministries and empower us to reach out and grow in new ways. Speakers will include: Geoffrey Black, UCC President and General Minister, and Sandy Sorensen, Director of the Washington Office of Justice and Witness Ministries. Workshops will include: "Adding Transgender to Your ONA Statement," and "What 20somethings are Looking for in a Church?" There are many more great speakers and workshops for Joan, Skip and I to take in and bring back to CUCC.

The overall theme of the gathering will be: "Any Body, Everybody, Christ's Body." It will also carry forward the "Accessible to All" resolution calling the UCC congregations and instrumentalities to be physically, spiritually and emotionally open and affirming to people with disabilities, living out God's extravagant welcome to all.

Joan, Skip and I look forward to representing CUCC at this 25-year celebration of ONA and returning with renewed energy and insights to carry forward this vital area of our ministry together.

Blessings and Peace

Steve

# Congregational

## **THERE WILL BE A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING MAY 2 FOLLOWING WORSHIP**

### Agenda:

Approval of [Minutes of January Congregational meeting](#)

1. [Safe Church policies](#)  
New: Youth Protection Policy  
Existing policies relating to harassment and equal opportunity:  
Personnel Policies Relating to Staff and Congregation  
Justice, Inclusiveness, and Self-Discipline: A Covenant Among the People of Community United Church of Christ.
2. [Proposed revisions to the CUCC By-Laws.](#)  
(Here are the [current bylaws.](#))
3. Report from the Property Ministry concerning renovations in progress
4. Report from the Social Justice Ministry on current activities and concerns
5. New business

Adjournment.

Please look at these documents before the meeting, so that we will not have to sacrifice so many trees to hand out paper copies at the meeting.

## Church Council

The Church Council passed several motions at its 19 April 2010 meeting. Related documents are linked to the agenda for the **May 2 Congregational meeting** on the CUCC website.

### **Safe Church Youth Protection Policy**

At the urging of the national UCC and its Insurance Board, and after a long period of study, the Church Council has adopted new CUCC policies to assure that we create and maintain a safe and healthy environment in which young people can learn about and experience God's love. This policy has several components:

1. Procedures to be followed for new employees or authorized volunteers, including interviews,

disclosure statements, background checks, training, and commitment to maintaining a safe church.

2. Adequate supervision of all youth activities both at the church and on those occasions when, with the knowledge and permission of the parents, children or youth are taken on trips away from the church building.

3. Recommitment to the covenant adopted several years ago between CUCC adults and children entitled, "Justice, Inclusiveness, and Self Discipline: A Covenant Among the People of Community United Church of Christ."

The national UCC has established a cooperative agreement with Praesidium, which will provide the means for doing background checks and for training in sexual abuse prevention. A presentation on the Safe Church policy and an opportunity for discussion will be part of the May 2 Congregational meeting. Carol Clark will be the first CUCC Safe Church Administrator.

### **Revision and updating of CUCC's Personnel Policies**

Sample Safe Church policies provided by the UCC for our assistance in developing CUCC's policy envisioned the creation of a Safe Church policy including issues of sexual and other harassment as well as youth protection. The committee working on our policy decided that our existing Personnel Policies already covered sexual harassment, so that it was not necessary to try to encompass sexual harassment within the new Safe Church policy. Our existing Personnel Policies have been revised several times, including a proposed revision in 2008 to adjust the positions and the groups named in the policy to include only those currently in effect (e.g. to remove reference to an "Associate Pastor" and to change "Board of Deacons" to "Deacons Ministry"). Partly in response to the current activities of the Open and Affirming *ad hoc* committee, established under the Council at its March meeting, the Council voted to accept previously suggested revisions and, in addition, to add gender identity to the policy, so that it reads, for instance, "The Community United Church of Christ (CUCC) is committed to creating and maintaining a worship and work community in which members, friends, staff, and volunteers can worship and work together in an atmosphere free from all forms of discrimination, harassment, exploitation, or

intimidation, whether on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, or disability.”

### **Proposed revision to CUCC Bylaws, May 2010**

According to the existing CUCC By-Laws, the “By-Laws may be amended or revised by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a meeting of the congregation provided a quorum is present and at least one week’s written notice of the meeting shall have been given.”

1. The Council will propose to the Congregation at the May 2 meeting to amend the By-Laws to DELETE from Article VI. Nature and Order of Business, Section 3, Second Annual Congregational Meeting, the statement that *“The purpose of the meeting is for the Stewardship Ministry to present a slate of candidates to be Officers, Ministry members, Committee members and other positions to be elected by the Congregation. The Congregation shall elect members to these positions.”*

Reason for proposed deletion: The first presentation of candidates is now made at the third annual congregational meeting in the fall and the election takes place at the first annual congregational meeting in January, so this sentence is no longer pertinent.

Proposed new wording:

#### Section 3: Second Annual Congregational Meeting:

This meeting shall be held in the Spring of each year. The date and time shall be set by the Church Council and announced at least two weeks in advance. Any business consistent with the Constitution and By-Laws may be transacted at this meeting.

2. The Council also proposes a second amendment to the By-Laws to correct an oversight in their current form, namely that no provision is made for the formation of the Personnel Committee. Under Article IV. Church Council, Section 4. Personnel, to ADD a second sentence (in bold in following text):

The purpose of the Committee is to provide a consistent, focused approach to CUCC’s role as an employer. **As soon as new officers are installed at the beginning of each year, the Past Moderator will establish a Personnel Committee composed of 3-5 people including him- or herself, at least one other person from the Council, and at least**

**one Deacon.** It shall be the duty of the Committee...” and so forth, as in the current By-Laws, which are found on the CUCC website. It might be noted that in addition to the three tasks listed in the current By-Laws, the Personnel Policies state that if the Pastor is unable to resolve staff grievances, the Personnel Committee Chair may be called upon to facilitate negotiations between the parties.

– submitted by **Edith Sylla**

## *Deacons*

Excerpted from minutes of the Deacons meeting April 15:

Pastor Steve discussed his plans for vacation and study leave. He will be on vacation June 20-July 3, and will take study leave July 12-18 to attend the UCC ONA gathering in San Diego. Arrangements for guest preachers will need to be made for June 20, June 27, and July 18.

There will be many church activities during the coming months. The Deacons made plans for a memorial service, welcoming new members, confirmation, baptism, communion. Confirmation and Graduation Sundays will be observed May 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, respectively.

The ONA *ad hoc* committee meeting is April 18, and the ONA films series will be shown Friday evenings April 30, May 7, and May 21 and after Sunday worship June 6.

The Deacons discussed plans for summer intergenerational activities: The JCC and ONA groups have an idea for three separate activities during the summer, one per month. Friday - Saturday July 23 - 24 will focus on environmental issues, in part to make our property more welcoming to non-human creatures. This will be coordinated by JCC and Property Ministry. The July 25 worship service will also deal with the topic. In August, probably during the week of August 9 (possibly Wednesday evening August 11), the ONA group will coordinate an activity focusing on diversity issues and reporting on the San Diego conference. Again, the worship service that week will deal with the issue as well. The third activity is to address accessibility issues, and its date and responsible group are not set. However, it is hoped that the June 27 worship service will include a

sermon on the topic. Heather Burkhardt has a contact person who might come and speak with us at some point. Suzette will order the book, *That All May Worship*.

## *Property*

### Tour, Sort and Toss Work Day for CUCC

Saturday morning, May 15, 8:30 – Noon

Ever wonder where supplies, equipment and of course, the always-present clutter are stored at CUCC? What's in the sanctuary attic? The Bryan-Berry Building? Or, the garage space under the Pilgrim House? Well here's an opportunity to find out, sort out, organize and toss out for recycling or reuse all those things that are no longer needed at CUCC. In other words, we'll do some much-needed Spring Cleaning!! Please join us to explore the hidden side of CUCC and help us clear the clutter. **See you on May 15.**

– submitted by **Lena Gallitano**

## *Religious Education*

COME EXPLORE, PILGRIMS!!

Does a pilgrim's heart beat inside you? The difference between being a pilgrim and a tourist is simply in how you approach the journey. If like Abraham, Moses, or Paul you have ever embarked--across an ocean or across town--with a sacred purpose, following a call, or even fully awake and alive to the world around you, you have made a pilgrimage.

As we approach the season of vacation and travel, we ask you to share your story of pilgrimage with your brother and sister pilgrims at CUCC. What stirred you on your way? How did you prepare? What did you find?

The Adult Education Committee invites you to an Evening on Pilgrimage, Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Vaughan fellowship hall. We'll enjoy a light dessert and time together. Plan to speak or feel free to just listen and be inspired to make your next journey sacred.

If you know you'd like to share, please contact Ellen Beidler in advance so that we can arrange to support the telling of your story.

submitted by – **Ellen Beidler**

## Forum

May 2 – Dr. Ann Aspnes, "Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Programs in VA Hospitals". Dr. Aspnes is a Clinical Psychologist at the Baltimore VA Medical Center.

May 9 (Mother's Day) – TBA

May 16 – Molly Beacham, Director of Development, Democracy NC

May 23 – John Tote, Executive Director, NC Mental Health Association

May 30 (Memorial Day weekend) – **NO Forum.** Have a nice summer!

## Youth

The recent past...

April included:

- a beautiful Easter Service
- an excellent ASP presentation and after-church reception
- the creation of posters promoting the silent auction
- the logo design and tie-dying of 24 shirts for the auction (18 sold, with orders for at least 4 more!)
- auction childcare provided by (and mostly attended by) youth, complete with tag, hide and seek, complex puzzle work, art, and games.
- care packages were compiled and mailed to our college friends

Also, in early April, Santi returned from her amazing trip to Cuba. Thanks for the many ways you supported this special opportunity! Santi looks forward to sharing about her trip on June 18, and how it deepened her faith and renewed her spirit.

Sunday, May 2 (First Sunday): No Church School or Youth Group for 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders, but a beautiful Sunday to be in church as the choir and instrumentalists will perform John Rutter's *Requiem* (beautiful).

Friday, May 7: Durham Bulls baseball game; call the church office ASAP (by Thursday 5/1 at 1:00 p.m.), then join us for some beautiful baseball fun!

Sunday, May 9: Confirmation,  
CONGRATULATIONS Carson and Jackson!

Youth (besides Carson and Jackson) bring a snack to share at the reception, and join in celebrating this exciting day by attending worship and the celebration/reception afterward. No Youth Group today.

Sunday, May 16: Church School for Journey and Confirmands (5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade) - get ready for graduation Sunday, Church School for 12<sup>th</sup> graders - with Maggie

Sunday, May 23: Graduation Sunday, CONGRATULATIONS Abby and Anna! Youth (besides Abby and Anna) bring hors d'oeuvres for this special reception. (Watch your email for more details.) Church school for 5<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> grade: decorate and set up for Graduation Celebration! Youth Group: stay and celebrate at the reception!

Sunday, May 30 (Fifth Sunday): Church School and Youth Group for all 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders: end of year party!

PARENTS of 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders: Please check your calendars and vote for your favorite time for a parent meeting by emailing your preferences to Santi at [forsanti@aol.com](mailto:forsanti@aol.com). The purpose of this meeting will be to coordinate summer calendars (BRING THEM), to make plans for the summer, and if there's time, to share preliminary thoughts for the fall.

(A morning meeting would include breakfast; an evening meeting would include dinner.)

- Sunday, May 2 at 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesday, May 4 at 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 11 at 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday, May 16 at 9:30 a.m.

## ***Social Justice***

*(See JCC joint project with ONA/Deacons and Property for intergenerational summer series, reported under Deacons, above – Ed.)*

## ***Welcoming, Fellowship & Growth***

**Communications** – The next issue of the newsletter will be the June/July issue. The deadline for the next issue is **June 7**. Any information that needs to be communicated before

the newsletter is published (June 16) will go into the bulletin and/or emails to the congregation.

### **Retirees Group**

#### **Return Engagement!**

The Retirees Group is happy to welcome back Tom Earnhardt, co-producer of “Exploring North Carolina” (PBS), as the speaker for the meeting at 10:30 a.m., Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy his delightful presentation. Bring a sandwich; drinks and dessert are furnished.

### **Sisters in Spirit (SIS)**

SIS will meet in May on Tuesday the 25th at 7 p.m. for potluck, sharing, and drumming. Caroline McLester of the drumming group/Rhythmicity /will be joining us with lots of percussion instruments to share. She'll have us listen to the voices of the different instruments, learn some polyrhythms, talk about the role of drumming in West African villages, consider the importance of listening when drumming, and experience drumming as a way to connect with others and the earth and with our deepest selves. Come explore the tones and rhythms!

– submitted by **Marty Lamb**

”Music has the capacity to touch the innermost reaches of the soul and music gives flight to the imagination.” – Plato

### **Foreign film series continues on June 4**

The next movie night will be Friday, June 4, at 7:30 p.m. Possible selections include the Japanese film "Departures" and the British film "Dear Frankie". The final choice will be posted on the CUCC website by mid-May and will be listed in the June/July newsletter.

## ***Our People***

### **Prayer Requests**

Please write your prayer request on a slip of paper and place it in the offering plate or one of the prayer jars (Narthex and office). Prayers are solicited for: **Jo Lemons; Al Matthews; Carolyn King; Lisa Marsh; Ann McLaughlin's mother, Frances Cox; Kerma Hazel; Gary Smith; Katherine Mew (Binks' granddaughter);** the people of the DRC, and other victims of war and natural disaster across the globe.

## **Condolences**

Our condolences go to the family of **Irene Doak** who died April 2 as the result of a traffic accident. A memorial service was held at CUCC on April 24.

Raleigh resident and past CUCC church member, **Ollie Adams**, passed away Thursday April 22 in Durham, NC.

## **Congratulations to our CUCC 2010 Graduates!**

This spring, we are proud and excited to have four graduating CUCC'ers, all of them wonderful young women whose names begin with the letter

**"A!"**

On May 23 we will recognize their achievements, so be sure to be there to pass along your personal congratulations.

Our congregation has two young women graduating from high school this year: Anna Roach-Howell and Abby Smith. Anna and Abby (commonly known as the "Youth Couple") have grown up here at CUCC and have remained active members of our church family, despite being the only two members their age! They have contributed to our church through their activities with the Youth Group and this year they've had some very thoughtful and interesting discussions as the Leaders church school class. Anna has blessed us with her musical talents during worship, and Abby has served as a dedicated Appalachia Service Project work crew member.

### **Anna Roach-Howell**

Anna, daughter of Suzette Roach and Ron Howell, will graduate from Enloe High School. This fall, she plans to begin studies at Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, where she intends to major in Asian Studies. Anna has a passion for languages; she participated in a student exchange program in Japan last year, and plans to continue studying Japanese and Chinese in college.

### **Abigail K. Smith**

The daughter of Gary and Jane Smith, Abby will graduate from Broughton High School. She is looking forward to entering college in the fall at Appalachian State University in Boone. She thinks she will probably major in industrial design at ASU. Abby has a passion for photography, and she hopes to continue pursuing that interest at Appalachian.

Next year we will surely miss having Anna and Abby with us each week, but as we know, it's a necessary part of the growing process! Our next graduate is now completing that four-year period.

### **Amanda Bowen**

Amanda will receive her B.S. degree in Atmospheric Sciences, with a Concentration in Weather Forecasting, on May 15 at UNC Asheville. Her mom Geri and older brother Andy both live in Raleigh, while her oldest brother Peter resides in Ottawa, Ontario, with his wife Stephanie and Amanda's new nephew Alex. Her father Dan lives in Hendersonville, NC, conveniently just down I-26 from Asheville.

Amanda became fascinated with the ever-changing weather at a very young age. In 1996 with Hurricane Fran was approaching Raleigh, she set out a cup on the porch and stabilized it with rocks, in order to measure the rainfall. Though it did not blow away, her cup overflowed! A 2006 graduate of Broughton High School, Amanda enjoyed college in the mountains and being part of a small and intimate program at UNCA. She particularly enjoyed participating in an annual field experiment during the past three winters, releasing weather balloons in the Boone area in the wake of departing low-pressure systems. The data collected were used to forecast local Northwest Flow snowfall events for some mountain communities. She has also participated, and performed quite well, in a nationwide weather forecasting competition sponsored by the University of Oklahoma.

Following her junior year, Amanda landed an internship with the National Weather Service at their Morristown, TN office. She thoroughly enjoyed that experience, and has just accepted a job, beginning in early June, at the NWS Weather Forecast Office in Melbourne, Florida. With an active hurricane season having been predicted for 2010, she is looking forward to some excitement at her new job!

Having grown up in CUCC, Amanda still feels a strong connection. She is especially grateful for the unsolicited cards and messages giving support and good wishes during her college years. And finally, don't expect to see her on television anytime soon; despite what many folks assume when they learn about her college major, Amanda has no aspirations towards broadcast meteorology.

Our final graduate and her family bring much energy and talent to the life of CUCC; many may have been aware that she has also been pursuing an advanced degree.

### **Amy Jensen**

I grew up in a small town in Ohio and went on to attend Bowling Green State University for my undergraduate work. This was a big move, exposing me to a great many new experiences, people and ideas. I loved the academic experience. I have always enjoyed literature and writing, so a degree in technical writing was a practical compromise. When my family moved to North Carolina, I took a couple of writing classes that eventually led to the Master of Liberal Studies program at NC State and finally to the Higher Education program.

I am graduating in May from NCSU with a Masters (M.Ed.) of Higher Education Administration and Student Affairs. During the 2009-2010 academic year, I held an internship at NCSU working as an academic adviser/coach with students who are at-risk academically or at-risk because of their low-socioeconomic background. I am thankful for the students I've had the privilege to work with, as I have learned at least as much from them as they have from me. I am interested in gaining experience working in a small liberal arts college or community college, and hope to find volunteer opportunities to work in one of those settings in the Raleigh area next fall. This marks a career change from my former life as a technical writer, and is a transition that has been years in the making. I am most thankful to Tim and Leah as they have patiently supported me through all the evening classes and the long hours I spent researching and writing.

– submitted by **Skip Stoddard**

Double Congratulations to Cally and Frank Rogers-Witte on the birth of their grandson, Lee Samuel Ciciarelli, on April 5 to daughter Mary Ann & husband Christian of Charlotte, N.C., **AND** the wedding of daughter Beth on May 1 in Washington, DC to Omar Garriott.

## *Community Outreach*

Meals on Wheels. <http://www.wakemow.org/> On April 14, our usual four routes were delivered by Shannon and Glenn Core (2 routes), Sue Cottle, and Marge Eckels and Sally Cook. The Meals on Wheels team will greatly miss Irene Doak, who was for many years a faithful substitute for delivering Meals on Wheels.

On April 18, the women at the Wright Center <http://www.urbanmin.org/services/women.php> enjoyed a dinner prepared by Grady McCallie, Linda Baker, Jeannie Ledbetter and Margaret Osborne and served by Margaret Osborne and Peggy Beasley-Rogers. Thanks to Julia Robertson for coordinating all the meals for the past year. If you'd like to help prepare or serve a meal on the third Sunday of a month, call or email Jeanne Ledbetter, (851-8824) [davidledbetter@bellsouth.net](mailto:davidledbetter@bellsouth.net) who has just taken over as coordinator for this ministry.

Urban Ministry Food Pantry Bags  
<http://www.urbanmin.org/services/foodpantry.php>



For the month of April our collection

of emergency food bags was 20. Our goal is still 25 per month, so let's try to get there next month. The demand for emergency food is greater than ever. Just read articles in the newspaper! We all remember our neighbors in need. Thanks for caring!

Food bags will be collected May 2<sup>nd</sup> and every first Sunday of the month.



### **Our Young People's Birthdays**

**6/1/2000 – Cammy Riemann**

**6/13/1997 – Isaac Milandu**

**6/13/1995 – Carson Roach-Howell**

**6/18/2009 – Ruth Ann McCallie**

**6/27/1997 – Colleen Barrick**

### **One Great Hour of Sharing**

<http://www.ucc.org/oghs/> CUCC took in \$5593, which was larger than recent years (2009 contributions were \$2800; 2008, \$3073). CUCC received no confirmation from the national UCC of web donations from our congregation. Summary of activities included:

- 3 mission moments
- 2 children's messages: kickoff and collection
- Newsletter article
- Bulletin inserts
- Posters
- Information on the home page
- Email (edited from national UCC email) one week before the offering
- Potluck dinner with video
- The children used OGHS materials in Sunday school lessons and donated Sunday school offerings from January – March 2010 to OGHS, collecting about \$45.

### ***Wider Outreach***

**Bill Lamb** will be conducting a 7-week training program, **Powerful Tools of Caregiving**, starting on Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, and continuing through June 27<sup>th</sup> here at CUCC. Sessions will be weekly, meeting from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. This training program was designed by Legacy Health Systems and is sponsored by AARP-NC and Friends of Residents in Long Term Care.

**This particular class is being targeted to caregivers providing support to a relative or loved one residing in a long term care facility.**

**Registration is required: Call Bill at 919-819-3338 or email: [william.e.lamb@gmail.com](mailto:william.e.lamb@gmail.com)** if you want to register or if you have questions. This program is not limited to members of CUCC. If you know of someone who might benefit, please pass this information on. There is no charge to attend but space is limited to 12 participants.

### **Habitat for Humanity Benefit Concert**

**5 p.m. Sunday, May 16, 2010  
Highland United Methodist Church Sanctuary  
1901 Ridge Road, Raleigh, NC 27607**

**Featuring three accomplished groups:  
Raleigh Boychoir, directed by Thomas E. Sibley  
Accompanied by Vicki Oehling  
Raleigh Moravian Church Band, directed by  
Hubert Fort  
**HUMRingers Handbell Choir**, directed by  
Ann Pearce**

**An offering will be taken for Habitat.  
Music will be a mix of sacred and secular  
selections.  
Grand finale all together: "Joyful, Joyful, We  
Adore Thee"  
Followed by a reception with the musicians in  
the Conference Room**

### ***Wider Church***

**Rev. Cally Rogers-Witte announces retirement-**  
We recently learned that Cally plans to retire from her position as Executive Minister for Wider Church Ministries and Co-Executive for Global Ministries. We know that the UCC will miss her talents and energy. We also know that she will enjoy spending more time with family. She and husband Frank will be moving to Florida soon.

## DAY-TO-DAY CONTACTS AT CUCC

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Children's Education: Anne Bailey Zschau

Youth Ministry: nti Matthews

Organist: Doug Barrick

Choir Director: Anne Moorman-Smith

Newsletter: Carol Clark and Vandy Bradow

## JCC's Green Tip for May

**Transportation and 'Errant Errands'**  
Make a list, check it twice. Consolidating your to-do list keeps you from making unnecessary trips around town - which, in turn, cuts unnecessary CO2 emissions.

—This tip comes from

Bonneville Environmental Foundation's website, where you can measure your carbon footprint [www.b-e-f.org/carbon/calc/](http://www.b-e-f.org/carbon/calc/)

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**The deadline for our June/July Newsletter is June 7<sup>th</sup>**

### A Month of Sundays

**May 2 | Fifth Sunday of Easter | 9:00-9:30 Taize; 9:15 Bible Study; 9:15 Forum; 10:30 Worship Service with Communion & Church School; Fellowship Time; CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

**Lectionary:** Acts 11:1-18; Ps 148; Rev 21:1-6; John 13:31-35

**May 9 | Sixth Sunday of Easter | 9:00-9:30 Taize; 9:15 Bible Study; 9:15 Forum; 10:30 Worship Service & Church School; Fellowship Time;**

**Lectionary:** Acts 16:9-15; Rev 21:10, 22-22:5; John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9

**May 16 | Seventh Sunday of Easter | 9:00-9:30 Taize; 9:15 Bible Study; 9:15 Forum; 10:30 Worship Service & Church School; Fellowship Time;**

**Lectionary:** Acts 16:16-34; Ps 97; Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26

**May 23 | Pentecost Sunday | 9:00-9:30 Taize; 9:15 Bible Study; 9:15 Forum; 10:30 Worship Service & Church School; Fellowship Time;**

**Lectionary:** Acts 2:1-21; Gen 11:1-9; Ps 104:24-34, 35b; Rom 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-17, (25-27)

**May 30 | Trinity Sunday | 9:00-9:30 Taize; 9:15 Bible Study; 9:15 Forum; 10:30 Worship Service & Church School; Fellowship Time;**

**Lectionary:** Prov 8:1-4, 22-31; Ps 8; Rom 5:1-5; John 16:12-15