



What Do You Think?

Scope Of Job Of Dir. of Religious Ed & Programs

A survey has been created by the Church Council to solicit your input on what you would like to see as the primary responsibilities for the position of Director of Religious Education and Programs. If you haven't filled yours out yet, now is the time to do so, please.

We have sent the survey electronically to members whose e-mail addresses we have so you can complete it online through Survey Monkey, and we encourage you to do so. Copies are also available in the church office. The survey asks your opinion about which past, present and requested responsibilities are important to you, along with space for you to add any additional information.

The deadline for completing the survey is June 30. Thank you ahead of time for providing us with this needed information.

Damon and Susan Curtin-Schamu
Co-Moderators ♦

Two Ways To Help Neighbors Midwestern Neighbors

In the wake of devastating floods, the UCC has issued an emergency appeal for support, both financial and volunteer, to help with immediate relief and long-term recovery.

Whether you'd like to help farm families who have lost both homes and livelihoods, or you'd rather join a clean-up or rebuilding crew, your efforts are badly needed. You can donate or volunteer through the UCC's Wider Church Ministries, online at www.ucc.org/disaster. And, whether or not you choose to donate, please do offer your prayers.

Adams Avenue Neighbors

The Adams Avenue Recreation Center is recruiting businesses and others to be sponsoring outlets for the "Signs of Hope, Love – Peace & Dreams" campaign. This campaign is to raise community awareness and funding for the center, which provides essential services for the youth of our community.

Sponsors will make available 7-inch round greeting cards, on which customers will be invited to write or draw their thoughts about hope, love, peace, and dreams, to be displayed up and down Adams Avenue throughout November and December. 365 of these words and drawings will be chosen for inclusion in a desktop calendar.

If you would like to be a sponsoring outlet or to help with this campaign, please contact the Adams Avenue Recreation Center, 3491 Adams Avenue, at 619-235-1149. Our community's youth will be grateful! ♦

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Pastor's Ponderings

Time flies when you're having fun! I can't believe that it's been almost fifteen months since I started as Senior Pastor of KCC. Over the first several months last year, we had a series of "Getting to Know You" cottage meetings as a way for us to meet each other and start getting acquainted. These were very helpful to get the ball rolling.

Now it's time to go to the next step, "Getting to Know You, Part Two." Over the coming months, I will contact church members and friends to set up informal, agenda-free times just for the purpose of getting better acquainted. We can meet at your favorite coffee shop or restaurant, at your home, at the church, or wherever – whatever works best for you.

If for some reason we can't meet in person, then we'll have a phone conversation. Don't worry. I won't ask you any questions from Bible Jeopardy! I only want us to chat, so I can get to know you better.

It will take me many months to connect with all of you. So I ask for your patience. If I haven't connected with you yet, and you want to meet with me sooner rather than later, there are two other avenues you can pursue:

- Call me (619-284-1129) and we can set up a time to meet.
- Stop by my office. I have an open door policy. This means that whenever I'm in the office, unless I'm on the phone or in a meeting, I'm available. (Please don't stop in on a Monday. Since that's my Sabbath day, I'm not in the office.)

If you have something you want me to know, or you're wondering about, but would rather not have to tell me in person, you can contact the Pastoral Relations Committee. Relatively new to KCC, the purpose of this committee is to enhance communication between me and the congregation, and between the congregation and me.

All information shared with members of the Pastoral Relations Committee is kept in strictest confidence. Members of this committee are Marsha Dodds, Bonnie McCarthy, Damon Schamu, Helen Vreeland, and Sharon Young. All of these people are very open to listening to whatever you want to share.

While I'm on the subject of getting better acquainted, I have something to share about myself. Guess what? The pastor doesn't know everything! I know that this may come as a shock, but it's true! Alas, I have no direct channel to omniscience.

This human limitation becomes especially apparent when it comes to hospitalizations. It used to be that hospitals contacted clergy when someone in their congregation was admitted. No longer. Even if you fill out a form on entering the hospital listing KCC as your church or me as your pastor, the hospital still won't contact us.

This means that, unless a relative or friend tells me, I have no way of knowing if someone is hospitalized. So I ask for your help. If you know of someone who has been hospitalized, please let me know. I will follow up to see if the person is receiving visitors, and if she or he would like me to visit.

Getting to know each other better is one of the cornerstones of living together as the Body of Christ. The better we get to know each other, the more faithful we can be in following the risen Christ who lives and moves among us through the Holy Spirit.

Grace and peace,
Bruce ♦



Vacation Bible School

What with the construction and the vacancy in the job of Director of Religious Education and Programs, KCC's Vacation Bible School will wait until 2009. If you would like to send your child to a UCC session this summer, Mission Hills UCC is offering VBS from July 14 to 18, 8:30-11:30 a.m. each day. To register, please contact Santina Poor (619-296-2169 or bslpoor@yahoo.com). ♦

Liaisons

Our current liaisons are:

- Apostolic Church/Landscaping – Bruce Larson (619-284-1129)
- Building Use – Amy Winn (619-516-4486)
- Cleaning Services – Amy Winn (619-516-4486)
- Finance/Budget – Jay Trischman (858-312-1342)
- Kitchen/Safety – Tony Guepin (619-282-9749)
- Property Management – Carolyn Davis (619-284-1095)
- Technology/Website – Brendan McCarthy (619-284-5207)
- Wedding Liaison – Debra Dupree (619-280-8993)

If you have questions or issues about any of these areas, please contact the appropriate liaison. ♦

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John Tarbox, Director of Music
Nina Deering, Organist
Connie Cleland, Preschool Director
Donna Hanson, Administrative Assistant

Chimes Editor Katherine Larson
Production Staff Millie Medigovich
 Beverly Patch

Sunday worship at 8:30 and 10:00 a.m.
All are welcome!

Confirmation Class Scheduled

Confirmation, sometimes called “Faith Formation,” is an opportunity for young people to explore their faith, including the asking of hard questions. It’s a rite of passage, a journey, and a way to make being a Christian and member of the church more meaningful.

This fall a confirmation class will begin at KCC. Led by Rev. Bruce Larson and including guest speakers and hands-on activities, this is a wonderful opportunity for young people from grades 7 to 12 to journey further into their faith.

Please contact Rev. Alexis Solomon, Chair of the Religious Education Committee (619-995-4192 or alexis.solomon@cox.net), or Bruce (619-284-1129 or bruce@kcc.sdcoxmail.com) if you are interested, know someone who might be interested, or have questions. ♦

Vacation Plans

Pastor Bruce Larson plans to take three of his four weeks of annual vacation this summer. One week, from June 27-July 3, will include step-daughter Karen’s wedding! Then, from July 29 to August 14, he will be in Michigan’s Upper Peninsula, visiting family and enjoying the woods.

If you need pastoral care during Bruce’s absence, please call Rev. Alexis Solomon (619-995-4192). She will also be preaching on Sunday, June 29. ♦

Lectionary Readings

Here are the readings from the Revised Common Lectionary for upcoming services. Bruce will pick two from this list each Sunday.

- June 29: Genesis 22:1-14 **or** Jeremiah 28:5-9; Psalm 13 **or** 89:1-4, 15-18; Romans 6:12-23; Matthew 10:40-42.
- July 6: Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 **or** Zechariah 9:9-12; Psalm 45:10-17 **or** 145:8-14 **or** Song of Solomon 2:8-13; Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30.
- July 13: Genesis 25:19-34 **or** Isaiah 55:10-13; Psalm 119:105-112 **or** 65:(1-8), 9-13; Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23. ♦

Prayer List

Please remember these people in your prayers:

David Adams
Kathleen Andrews
Utahna Atwell
Nancy Brest
Carolyn Devine
David Duran
Bob Guerra
Zosimo Jadloc
Penny Novak



Those who are unemployed
The family and friends of JoAnn Bachman, Chris Bishop, Bruce Campbell, Florence Hallinan, Charlene Moore, and Charlie Schroder

To get a name added to this list, please contact the church office (info@kcc.sdcoxmail.com or 619-284-1129) or the *Chimes* (klarson26@cox.net or 619-501-1187). Also, please let us know when it's time for the name to be removed from the list. ♦

All-Church Breakfast

Come enjoy the food and fellowship between the services on Sunday, July 6! With construction continuing in Lander Hall, we'll set up on the patio and enjoy the summer outside. ♦

New Library Books

The following books have been added to KCC's Ruth Cole Library.

- Jeffrey Archer's *A Prisoner of Birth* *
- M. C. Beaton's *Death of a Gentle Lady* *
- Carol Higgins Clark's *Zapped* *
- Mary Higgins Clark's *Where Are You Now?* *
- Traci Depree's *Into the Wilderness*
- John Grisham's *The Appeal*
- Robert Harris' *Pompeii*
- Randy Pausch's *The Last Lecture* *
- Ann B. Ross' *Miss Julia Paints the Town* *
- Alexander McCall Smith's *The Good Husband of Zebra Drive*

Please be sure to check out books that you borrow. ♦

* denotes large print

Men's Breakfast

Men, come take a break from your Fourth of July obligations with the KCC Men's Breakfast on Saturday, July 5, at 8:00 a.m. Jerry Cooper and John Loomis are doing the prep work, so you know the food will be good! ♦

Preschool News

Things are hopping around the KCC Preschool, with summer school well under way. The summer session will end on July 10, and then comes the groundbreaking for the new playground.

After the summer break, the regular school year – with enrollment full already – will resume on September 8. That new playground will enjoy plenty of activity! ♦

Congratulations!

...to Director of Music John Tarbox and Dean Hansen, who have announced their engagement and their plans for a wedding in early autumn! ♦

July Birthdays

- 4 A.J. Loomis
- 6 Bonnie McCarthy, Susan Meckstroth
- 7 Cecilia Mason, Kris Winter
- 9 Joel Baumbaugh, Kit Crane
- 10 Helen Witton
- 11 Sara Phipps
- 13 Irene Naismith
- 14 Jodee Christensen
- 16 Laura Jenks
- 17 Dean Hansen, Brendan McCarthy,
James Naismith
- 18 Brett Dupree
- 20 Lillian Baehr
- 23 John Tarbox
- 25 Marsha Dodds, Alice Marcoux
- 30 Donna Hanson
- 31 Ilah Jo Ely, Eddie Warner



If your name, or the name of someone you love, should be added to this list, please let Donna know at 619-284-1129 or info@kcc.sdcoxmail.com. ♦

Thanks To All These Generous Donors To KCC's Capital Campaign!

Abbott, Shannon
Allen, Barbara and Brock
Anderson, Janie
Apgar, Bob and Vicki
Apgar, Helen and Robert
Arjona, Oscar
Bachman, Joann
Barber, Gail and George
Barnier, David
Barrett, Froman
Bart, Janice and Richard
Bast, Fred
Baumbaugh, Joel and Marsha
Dodds
Berger, George and Virginia
Berkshire, Jeannette
Billingsley, Henry
Borger, Dawn
Bourda, Betty
The Boyle Family
Brammer, Joyce
Brewster, Marian
Brimhall, Jennifer and Lee Howeth
Brimhall, Jessie
Broselle, Carl and Susie
Broselle, Dennis and Judy
Bryan, Russell
Burgess, Margaret
Cardoso, Raúl
Ceriani, Carol
Ceriani, Martha
The Chaffee Family
Christison, Susan
Clark, Duke and Marg Stark
Clark, Florence
Cooper, Jerry and Lilian
Cooper, Marie
Craig, Betty
Crane, Kit
Cross, Ellen
Curtin-Schamu, Susan and
Damon Schamu
Davis, Pauline
Davis, Carolyn and Stephen
Day, Amy Lightner
DeBlanc, Ernest and Paula
In Memory of Lilah DeVries
Diener, Mary
DiMille's Italian Restaurant
The Dixon Family
Downing, Margaret and Rex
Ehlers, Bill and Sue
Eilers, Barbara and Bill
Elkins, Arlene
Elkins, Julia
Ely, Ilah Jo
Frontis, Bill and Carol
In Memory of Irv and Mary Frontis
Gary Payne Photography
Generoli, Betty
Gentry, Alison and Scot
In Memory of Glenn Grantham
Greer, Marjorie
Griffin, Colleen and Robert
Guepin, Beth and Tony
Gutierrez, Abel and Mary
Hanford, Richard and Winnie
Harrison, Amy and Powell
Hartung, Barbara and James
Hasler, Carrie and James
Hengst, Mary Annah and Nolan
Holloway, Betty
In Memory of Betty Holloway
Holloway, Richard
Holloway, Stephen
Hosler, Kathy
The Hueramo-Breidenstein Family
Hughes, Ralph and Jerrie Stringer
KCC's Aerobics Group
KCC's Chancel Choir
KCC's Junior High Youth
KCC's Preschool Parents
Auxiliary
KCC's Preschool Parents
Auxiliary's Officers
KCC's Senior High Youth
KCC's Young Adult Group
Kelsen, Sylvia
Keller, Milt and Nancy
Kennedy, Betty
Kieta, Gladys
KVH, Inc.
Lander, Bertha
Larson, Bruce and Katherine
Loomis, Debbie and John
Loop, Earline
Lowe, Robert
Marcoux, Alice
Mason, Ben and Edith
McCarthy, Bonnie and Brendan
McClain, Cindi and Mick
McClure, Lucretia
McKenney, Carl and Rebecca
Medigovich, Milica
Miller, Joan
Morrison, Joann
Naismith, Sheila
Neal, Jay and Jayne
Nelson, Marian
The Nicolls Family
Nielsen, Margaret and Paul
Odle, Joe and Mallie
Parkinson, Bob and Mary
Patch, Beverly
Payne, Gary and Zoraida
Payne, Patricia and Robert
Payne, Sharon
Perrigo, Robert and Wendy
In Memory of the Perrigo family
Peterson, Judie and Shelton
The Playman Family
Prisby, Don and Marie
Rhee, Kristine and Robert
The Russell Family
Sapier, Jacques and Susanne
Schroeder, Mary Ann and Paul
Short, Laura and Tim
Slocomb, Eleanor
Sly, Elisa and Jonathan
Stephenson, Cathy and Dude
Swann, Mary Jane
Thomas, William
Thompson, Margie and Steven
Trempe, Gayle and Mike
Trempe-Thomas, Jennifer and
Patrick
Trischman, Jackie and Jay
Unger, Patricia
In Memory of Amy Utz
Valenzuela, Walter
Vancott, Nancy
Vavra, Kay
Vik, Mary
Vreeland, Helen
Walker, Andrew
Walker, Elizabeth
Ward, Jim and Penny
Wayman, Dick and Joan
Wayman, Rich
Wells, Leslie and Tom Wheeler
Wender, Jacqueline and Paul
The Williams Family
Winn, Amy and Kevin
Winter, Zoia
Young, Sharon
There's still room for your name! ♦

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UPCOMING EVENTS

WOMEN: SPIRITUALITY GROUP

PLACE: KCC CONFERENCE ROOM

WHEN: TUESDAYS, 10:00 TO 11:30 A.M.

LEARN: LECTONARY BIBLE STUDY

PLACE: KCC CONFERENCE ROOM

WHEN: TUESDAYS, NOON TO 1:00 P.M.
(EXCEPT JULY 1)

DEADLINE: DREP SURVEY

PLACE: KCC OFFICE

WHEN: BY MONDAY, JUNE 30

MEN: MEN'S BREAKFAST

PLACE: KCC

WHEN: SATURDAY, JULY 5, 8:00 A.M.

BREAKFAST: ALL-CHURCH BREAKFAST

PLACE: KCC PATIO

WHEN: SUNDAY, JULY 6, 9:15 A.M.

SEE THE FULL CHURCH CALENDAR
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