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Community Events

Sunday Morning Schedule

9:00-10:00 Early Gathering 10:00-10:20 Fellowship time 10:20-11:00 Study Groups 11:15-12:00 Second Service

Important Dates ...

Oct. 1: In*Spire Meditation, 12:00pm, Sanctuary, and Brown Bag Lunch at 12:30pm in Fellowship Hall

Oct. 5: Monthly Work Day, 9:30am-12:00pm, meet in the Fellowship Hall

Oct. 6: Communion Sunday

Oct. 6 CROP Walk!

Oct. 8: Session Mtg., 6:00pm, Faselo Room

Oct. 8: Sierra Club, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Oct. 22: ARC meeting, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Oct. 28: College Hill Neighborhood Assn. meeting, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Oct. 27: JOINT SERVICE, 10:00am, with Luncheon to follow

Oct. 31: Halloween!

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Session Meeting Minutes, September 2019

The Session has tabled discussion of outreach for Mary's House until Rev. Sandlin has met with their director.

After Gateway has enquired about the possibility of renting additional ground floor space, pending approval from the State of North Carolina. If Gateway receives state approval, PCoC will reactivate the committee, which worked with AGI on their last expansion, to determine feasibility and potential expense.

PCoC participated in the Greensboro Pride Festival on Sunday, September 15th. PCoC partnered with U-Kirk and had a table with a rainbow table covering and flag, manned by Rev. Sandlin and the UKirk chaplain. U-Kirk gave away stickers and buttons, and Covenant passed out church brochures. There was a lot of interest from those who stopped by our table.

The Farrell scholarship received two applications; both were after the cutoff for fall semester assistance, so funds will be disbursed in time for the spring semester.

Fellowship reports that the Stewardship Luncheon is scheduled for September 29th. The theme for the Luncheon is Past, Present, and Future.

Resource reports that no building/grounds projects have been decided upon. Options, repairs, and projects are under consideration, with decisions to be made later in the year.

Resource reports that giving is down by \$4,500. As of August 31st, the Capital Campaign has received \$24,700 (86.6%) of the pledged \$28,520. Several of those who pledged paid the entire amount at the outset of the campaign.

Resource is receiving financial requests from the Committees for the 2020 church budget. The need to hire a new company for snow removal was discussed. This is an urgent wintertime need, especially since the church is in use seven days a week.

Spiritual Formation has been interviewing candidates for the positions of nursery attendant and youth teacher.

Session was asked to let Kate Baird know the times/dates of committee meetings, in order to schedule available facilities.

The contracts for the music director and assistant music director were reviewed during the Session meeting and approved, after one final revision. Personnel will be meeting with the music staff to sign the contracts.

Congregational Care had eight providers who visited or called seven individuals and Jane Cauthen served eight with visits and calls.

Annie Oakley, Clerk of Session

October Sunday Service Information

October 6: Communion Sunday
9:00 Host Susan Andreatta
9:00 Music: Lynne Haeseler

11:15 Asst.: TBA 11:15 Music: Dave Fox

11:15 Ushers: Nancy Schaefer, Lem Cox

October 20:

9:00 Host.: TBA

9:00 Music: Bruce Piephoff

11:15 Asst.: TBA

11:15 Music: Nancy Pitkin



9:00 Host: Linda Jensen 9:00 Music: Joel Landau

11:15 Asst.: TBA 11:15 Music: Dave Fox

11:15 Ushers: Clara Kelly, Barry Barber

October 27: Joint Service/Meal 10:00 Host.: Ralph Cauthen

10:00 Music: Nancy Pitkin 11:00 Meal in Fellowship Hall



Church Office Hours

Mark Sandlin: Mon.—Thurs., 9:00am-3:00pm Kate Baird: Mon.—Friday, 9:00am-4:30pm

Monthly Work Day in October

Join us to spend a morning on tasks to keep our building and grounds clean and beautiful. Coffee is served in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am, and you choose the chore, to be completed by noon. Contact

Higher Ground Breakfast

Join our volunteers at 10:00am on October 7th at Higher Ground, 210 East Bessemer Ave., to make and serve breakfast to this community group for those with HIV/AIDS. Contact Sue Stinson to volunteer: suestinson1968@yahoo.com. Donations welcome!

In*Spire Meditation Each Tuesday

In*Spire Meditation meets every Tuesday at noon in the Sanctuary for 20 minutes of meditation. It's free, for the community, and led by members. Join our monthly brown bag lunch in the Fellowship Hall after meditation on Tuesday, October 1st

New Contact Info?

If any of your contact information changes, be sure to let the church office know!

Every Week ...

Mon.: 5:30pm, Yoga, Parlor **

6:00m, Meditation, Marty's Room (106) **Tues.:** 12:00pm, In*Spire Meditation, Sanctuary, free! **Wed.:** 9:00am, Coffee Group, The Green Bean

6:00pm, WNFS Potluck, Fellowship Hall

Thur.: 5:00pm, Yoga, Fellowship Hall**

Fri.: 9:00am, Coffee Group, Panera (New Garden Rd.)

** \$10 per class; \$7 for church members!

Weekly Wednesday Night Supper

PCoC's weekly potluck supper group meets at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy fun, food and fellowship with the group. Contributions welcomed but not required. Sometimes there's a program afterwards, or a project you can donate a few minutes to...it's always enjoyable!

Choir Rehearsal Schedules

Choir rehearsals in October:

Choir: 4:00pm, Dave Fox: 10/7, 10/14, 10/21 Bell Choir: 5:30pm, Nancy Pitkin: 10/7, 10/14, 10/22 Men's Quartet: 5:30pm, Nancy Pitkin, 10/28

Volunteers Needed!

Volunteer to be a service host on Sunday mornings; to provide snacks at Sunday Fellowship times; to help with Monthly Work Days; to help with the Wed. Night Fellowship Suppers; or to help with fellowship meals. Contact the Church Office for information.

CROP Walk is on Sunday, October 6th!

Even if you can't walk in the October 6th CROP Walk with the PCoC team, you too can participate by sponsoring a walker or making a donation. Make checks payable to CWS/CROP (Not to PCoC). The team members are Clara Kelly, Lem Cox, Cathy Routley, Gratia Wright, Don & Linda Jensen, Henrietta Mayo, Samantha Bradshaw, Virginia Bouvier, Chewan Moore. Many thanks to those who have already donated! Checks may be given to Clara Kelly, or put in the collection basket on Sundays, or dropped off at the church office on weekdays.

The 2018
PCoC
Crop Walk
Team!





Joint Service in October & Brunch

Our October joint service is 10:00am, Sunday, October 27th, with special music from Nancy Pitkin. The service will be followed immediately by a potluck brunch in the Fellowship Hall. A sign-up sheet will be available on the back table in the Sanctuary for you to sign up to bring your favorite brunch dish. Got a special casserole? A cheesy grits recipe? Vegan quiche? Biscuits and sausage gravy? How about some bacon and scrambled eggs? Come enjoy it all with us!

Outreach Corner

The Outreach Committee continues to focus on several ongoing projects for local organizations: Thriving At Three (TAT); When We Eat, They Eat; and Higher Ground. Higher Ground is supported by individual contributions and will need additional funds in October. Thriving at Three is supported by PCoC volunteers; make donations via their website: https://cnnc.uncg.edu/thriving-at-three/ or by purchasing items on their Amazon.com wish list: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1G65ZRYKKT1YV?ref = wl_share In September, Rev. Sandlin and Rev. Katie Barrett Todd of UKirk manned a table at the Greensboro Pride Festival, and passed out church brochures, buttons, and other resources to raise community awareness of our presence and to provide support to the local LGBTQ community.

"When We Eat, They Eat" Food Drive

Donate canned or dry food items to benefit the food pantry of Greensboro Urban Ministry, which feeds over a thousand people a month. We are accepting donations for the baskets in the back of the Sanctuary, and in the Fellowship Hall. Volunteers will transport it to GUM. This is an ongoing effort; make it part of your weekly visit to PCoC!

Upcoming Events







Oct. 5th, 2019, 6-9pm, Hirsch Wellness Network



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