

# CHURCH AND HOME

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UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



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## Gathering to Welcome and Get Acquainted With Newcomers

An invitation is extended to newcomers and visitors for an informal gathering with a few church members and clergy before worship on **Sunday, April 29 at 9 a.m.** in the church lounge. This will be an opportunity for a more personal welcome, and to get better acquainted in a friendly, informal setting. Bring any questions that you may have about our church such as, "What does membership really mean?" or "Why do we claim to be a 'liberal' church?" Coffee and snacks will be served.

## Peter Ilgenfritz Asked to Preach at Colgate University Church

Peter was asked to return to his alma mater, Colgate University in Hamilton, New York, to take part in the second annual "Big Gay Weekend." Peter co-led a workshop on "Sexuality and Spirituality" and preached at Colgate's University Church.

Peter had been an active member of University Church while at Colgate (1980-1984) which shaped and grounded his Christian faith and call to ministry. During the weekend Peter also had dinner with UCUC member and Colgate senior, Dan Greer.

Peter notes, "My experience this weekend reminds me how essential it is for Christians to speak out boldly about God's love for all people and especially those who are questioning their sexuality: gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and queer. There is a lot of bridge-building work that is still needed between the GLBT community and the religious establishment.

University Congregational United Church of Christ, as an open and affirming community, is not only good news to our members and friends, but offers hope, encouragement and healing to many who still bear the scars of a church that so often has told GLBT people that they cannot authentically be people of faith and who they are at the same time."



## Sounds of Today for Easter Sunday

How are the sounds of today different from those of yesterday? Basically, they have a beat—a living, driving pulse against which players syncopate, anticipate, elaborate, give freer range to individual expression and in a special way, welcome a new way which is the spirit of Easter. The traditional hymns will form a framework against which the special music of choir and instrumentalists provide a contemporary contrast.

Linda Waterfall has been an unofficial composer/performer-in-residence for University Congregational United Church of Christ for several years. The principle work we will perform on Easter is composed by her and was commissioned several years ago in memory of Debbie Coleman. In it, the texts from the gospels of Matthew and Mark are woven into the narration of the empty tomb using contemporary soft rock rhythms enhanced by classical music's vocal textures. The central message of this Easter message is, "When love is resurrected in the heart's rebirth, the Kingdom of heaven is reborn on Earth." Three Cornish College colleagues of Linda will provide the accompaniment.

The call to worship is an arrangement of a hymn by the contemporary American composer, William Albright. The jaunty, jazzy tune bears a message of hope: "What Christ brings in his hurt hands is life on life for you and me, joy, joy to the heart."

The anthem is a hymn arrangement (text by Shirley Erena Murray and music by Colin Gibson) which declares, "The spring is come, let all the earth be part of it." And no Easter would be complete without the congregation joining organ and choir in Handel's always jubilant "*Hallelujah*" chorus.

"The spring is come, let all the church be part of it!"

—Robert Scandrett  
Music Director

## Children and Youth

### Teachers Needed at Seabeck!

We are looking for individuals who enjoy—even THRIVE—being with children. The children at camp will range in age from barely speaking toddler to barely speaking teenager!! If any of these ages appeal to you, if you love to play games and challenge a thirsty mind, if you long to be in a beautiful setting with a bunch of fun-loving youngsters, than we have the opportunity you've been looking for. The Seabeck Committee is seeking to fill at least 12 positions. If you think you might be interested, don't hesitate to contact Lisa Coleman at 206-706-8407 or at [beanrhit@comcast.net](mailto:beanrhit@comcast.net).

### Parents Meet to Discuss Sunday Morning Schedule on April 15

A meeting will be held on **April 15 after worship at 11:30 a.m.** for parents who couldn't attend our meeting on Feb. 25 when we talked about the Sunday morning schedule, the teaching load that parents carry, and the need for spiritual nurturing of parents. If you are unable to attend this meeting, please e-mail Catherine Foote at [cfoote@universityucc.org](mailto:cfoote@universityucc.org) for a follow-up questionnaire.

### Welcoming Families in Our Congregation

If you are expecting a child by pregnancy or adoption, please contact Christa Tinker at 425-497-8569 or [christa\\_tinker@comcast.net](mailto:christa_tinker@comcast.net) to learn how our congregation welcomes families.

### Youth to Lead Preschool Classes

Our middle school and high school youth will be trained to lead our preschool classes on **Sundays, April 29 and May 6**. We will be training our youth at **9 a.m.** on both Sundays, then leading class during the worship hour. This is part of our "Justice Sunday" commitment for April and May! Thank you youth for helping our children and their families!

A copy of our pastors' weekly schedule is posted in the church office. **For pastoral emergencies**, please call a pastor at **206-541-7984**, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. **Please call the church office at 206-524-2322 to report any illness, accident, or other situation of concern in our church family that needs pastoral attention.**

### Preschool News

Our preschoolers will enjoy their Christian education programming at **9 a.m.** on **Easter Sunday**. We will be providing childcare in room 345 for preschoolers whose families plan to attend the **11 a.m.** worship service.

On **April 15**, the preschoolers will begin the Building Blocks of Faith unit: "God's Love is for Sharing." This unit will be taught entirely by friends of the preschool program, and will provide an opportunity for preschool parents to attend worship while others share in the teaching of our children. The groups leading our preschoolers are members of the Tuesday morning Bible study, the middle school and youth of our church, and the men's group. Thank you!

### Elementary News

The next elementary Christian education unit will begin on **April 15**. This three-week unit will be a family event entitled "Families Together: How We Honor One Another" and "Our World." Each week families are invited to attend chapel together and then work as a family on the themed activities. These activities include exploring what makes the family special, discussing family values, and two mission projects. All members of the family are encouraged to attend and share this education time with one another.

### Youth News

**April 8 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Easter Worship**  
No youth group during worship or second Sunday youth gathering.

**April 15 9 a.m. Worship**  
Youth group for those who aren't on the retreats.



## CHURCH AND HOME

Submissions are due before:

**Noon, Monday, April 9** (April 22-29 issue)

**Noon, Monday, April 23** (May 6-13 issue)

Place in *Church and Home* box in the church office, fax to 206-524-0602 or e-mail to:

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## Our Church Family

### We Remember the Reverend William (Bill) Wright

The Reverend William (Bill) Wright was minister of Christian education at University Congregational United Church of Christ in the early 1970's. William Wright passed away on Wednesday, March 14, 2007.

During his time at UCUC, he developed curriculum for adult and children's Christian education, and co-founded the Compassionate Dying organization with Paul Sutley.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Connie. He is survived by his wife, Hilde Benson-Wright, sons Kevin and Bill, daughter Micki, his granddaughter and his great-grandson. A memorial service was held on Sunday, March 25, 2007.

Condolences may be sent to the family in care of Hilde Benson-Wright, Merrill Gardens, 14905 Bothell-Everett Highway #280, Mill Creek, WA 98102-5366.

### Pastors Offer Spiritual Guidance Class

As another follow-up to the visit by Marcus Borg, your pastors will be offering a **Sunday morning class** on spiritual guidance at **9 a.m.** beginning **April 15 through May 20**. Marcus used the phrase "thin places" in reference to those moments when the "veil" between the world of the material and the world of the spirit seems thin. How can we be spiritual beings while inhabiting material bodies? How can we help each other? Come share in this conversation with your pastors.

### Grand Opening of Superfluity Soon

The grand opening of Superfluity is **Thursday, April 19 from 7-9 p.m.** Tickets for Thursday evening are a \$5 donation at the door or \$3 if purchased ahead of time. They will be on sale in the narthex on **Sunday, April 15** or in the church office. The sale will continue on **Friday, April 20 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.** On Friday you can purchase a lunch along with snacks and beverages to fortify yourself while you shop. The last day of the sale is **Saturday, April 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

All of the proceeds from the sale are used for charitable purposes. There are many opportunities for you to have fun while helping out, so call Mary Ellen Smith at 206-525-0494 to volunteer.

### Close-In Parking Available for Worship

If you have limited mobility and must park close to the church in order to attend Sunday morning worship, please call the church office at 206-524-2322 by **noon on Friday** to reserve a space.

### Peter Ilgenfritz Travels With Peacemaker Delegation

Last fall I shared that Dave and I were planning to go on a two-week delegation with Christian Peacemaker Teams to Columbia. We had to delay that trip due to Dave's accident but now that he has recovered, we have rescheduled the trip for May 23 – June 5. I am excited to have the opportunity with your support to learn more about nonviolent witness and the difference a group of committed Christians have made in this troubled region.

### Ross Pascoe and Miranda Rice to Marry

Ross Nicholas Pascoe and Miranda Ellen Rice will marry on April 14, 2007. The couple will reside in Little Rock, Arkansas. Ross is the son of Rosalind and Thomas Furin, members of UCUC, and Richard and Sharon Pascoe of Maumelle, Arkansas.

### Pastor Leadership Retreat

Our pastors met for a week long leadership retreat in the fall of 2006 led by interim minister, George Meier. The retreat was centered on leadership during this interim time. Using the book, *A Hidden Wholeness, The Journey Toward an Undivided Life* by Parker Palmer, the pastors considered ways to help our church hear its call in these days.

During the retreat, the pastors became aware of several issues. First, they decided to work toward finding a balance between their management tasks and their invitation to transformational leadership. The pastor team noted that they need to find a way to manage efficiently in order to provide more time for transformational leadership. This includes maximizing use of support staff, and addressing leadership issues and management topics.

They also reviewed new ways of looking at how clergy relate to boards, and how boards understand their work. This could include re-examining the structure of the church and its governance. The pastors also identified the need for a coach from outside our church system who understands systems and boundary management, who could help the team live out its call to leadership at University Congregational United Church of Christ.

As a result of the retreat, the self-understanding of the team has grown. The pastors have learned more about each other's gifts, and see a way to develop and strengthen efficiency and focus as they draw on those strengths. Thank you all for your support of this retreat time, and your continued support of this congregation as we move forward.

—Personnel Committee

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## Sunday Worship Service

9 and 11 a.m.

✠ April 8

### Easter Sunday

Preacher: Catherine Foote  
Scriptures: Matthew 28:1-7  
Philippians 3:7-14

10 a.m.

✠ April 15

Preacher: George Meier  
Scriptures: Matthew 6:25-34

### Wednesday Service

Taize-style worship, 6 p.m.  
University Congregational  
Chapel



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## Sunday, April 8

### Easter Sunday

Sermon: "Resurrection Reality"

Text: "I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection..." Philippians 3:10

At the heart of the Christian faith is the affirmation of life beyond death. In all the ways we understand this reality, there is power that comes into our life right now. Join us as we explore the meaning of the force of life in the midst of our difficult, death-drenched world.



## Sunday, April 15

### Second Sunday of Easter

Sermon: "What, Me Worry?"

What role does anxiety play in our lives and what might it mean to accept for ourselves the grace and peace of God in our daily lives?

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## As I See It



## Following Jesus: A Modern Parable

By Oleg Kripkov (&amp; members of the Jesus Seminar)

✝ An Iraqi woman came to Lockheed Martin headquarters and asked a senior manager, “Sir, are you a Christian?”

“Of course,” was the answer.

She continued. “Do you know that your company’s military jets have killed all my family and continue to destroy my country?”

“Nonsense,” the manager retorted. “Our company is not responsible for deaths in your country. Go away, woman.”

The Iraqi woman then approached an engineer who worked in the same company and asked him, “Sir, are you a Christian?”

“Yes, I am,” proudly responded the engineer.

“Do you realize that your company’s military jets have killed all my family and continue to destroy my country?” she asked.

“Perhaps, some of them did. So what?” he replied.

“I’m begging you, sir—in the name of Christ!—to stop participating in the military production that feeds this aggressive war and destruction of my country.”

After a pause the engineer said, “I’m sorry, but I cannot quit the job. I must provide for my family. And

even if I quit, Lockheed Martin will continue doing what it does.”

The woman then approached a simple manual worker who happened to have rather low salary at Lockheed Martin as a result of outsourcing.

“Sir, are you a Christian?” she asked.

“I’m a follower of Jesus,” the worker replied.

“I’m begging you Sir—in the name of Jesus!—to stop participating in the military production that feeds this aggressive war and destruction of my country.” She showed to the man photographs of the dead members of her family.

After a long pause the worker quietly uttered, “Forgive me Jesus for what I was doing. I did not realize all the consequences of my action.” Then he turned to the woman and said, “Forgive us all.” On the next day, the worker quit his job.

Soon the Iraqi woman joined the organization called “Jesus for Peace” where she found the man who had quit the job at Lockheed Martin. He had become an organizer for the “Jesus for Peace” movement. His creed was, “This world has become too small to have anything less than love, and it’s too dangerous to allow anything less than truth.”

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## From the Staff

## Flattened to Resurrection

By Peter Ilgenfritz

✝ I spent the better part of the last week flattened by the flu. I hadn’t been so sick in years. For the first time in twelve years I spent Sunday morning in bed. At times I thought, “Will I ever feel better?” And also, “Why is it always this way? Why does the way to God’s New Life, to Resurrection, always seem to come by being flattened by the various flus and frustrations of life?”

Last month Marcus Borg talked to us about “thin places,” those places and experiences where we encounter God’s sacred presence in the midst of our everyday lives. I dream of “thin places”—tropical beaches with surf, sun, warmth and fine food. I know my heart would be opened there! And yet, though I imagine God can and does meet us in such places and times, that has not been my everyday experience.

Instead the opening-to-God-places in my life have come lying flattened in bed. My “thin places” of opening to God have come through runny noses and a wellspring of tears. They have come through broken relationships,

fights with friends, hurt feelings, body weariness and hope forgotten. They have come when my defenses are down, my spirit compressed. Come when I have seen no way ahead and abandon all hope. Come when I can’t pretend, put up, be strong anymore and God’s grace, imagination and new life has found room to get into my otherwise all-too-crowded-for-God’s-grace kind of life.

And so it happened to me again last week. I didn’t recognize the change when I was in the midst of it. But something changed. A bit more compassion, a bit more gratitude, a lot more room for grace.

When I needed hope to draw close, I turned to a book of Celtic prayers that remind me of the interweaving of God’s grace in and through the broken and strained fabrics of our everyday lives and creation. Here in bed, here in the garden at night, here deserted by friends, here at the end of all hope, here is where it happens: God’s New Life springs forth. Our hearts are lighter and expanded. Our spirits freed and our eyes opened. And Life, God’s amazing, never-can-die, can’t-stop-quitting-you kind of Life, comes again where we least expected and most needed it to come. So may it be for all of us weary souls and our weary world this Easter season. Come, O Christ, awaken us to Life!

## The Wider Community

### Jesus Study Group Changes Meeting To April 15 Due to Easter

The Jesus Study Group will meet at **7:02 p.m.** in the church lounge on **Sunday, April 15** to discuss Dr. Charles W. Hedrick's essay, "The Good News About the Historical Jesus." The regular meeting day of the second Sunday in the month was changed because of Easter.

When Marcus Borg was at our church, he discussed the nature of God and prayers of petition. At the March session, members of the Jesus Study Group voted on the affirmation, "I believe God intervenes and responds to prayers of petition." The votes were: Yes - 7; Possibly - 10; Unlikely - 10; No - 12.

What is your opinion? New members are always welcome and invited to share in our spiritual journey.

—Bob Fitzgerald

### Water Is on Its Way!!

#### Many Thanks to UCUC from Everyone in Rabour Village, Kenya!

University Congregational United Church of Christ has strongly supported this water project since 2004 with \$12,000 from the 1% of the Cornerstone Project pledges which was devoted to international missions. With this seed money, the Rabuor Village Project was able to gain support from many individuals, other non-profits, five local Rotary Clubs, plus a grant from Rotary International. The \$65,000 cost is now in hand. The local water district, Karateng-Kapuonja Community Water Project, is set up, registered as a Kenyan non-profit, and is planning to take over the operation and maintenance of the system when it is completed this summer. The many users will sustain the system with their small yearly payments.

The potable water will be pumped uphill 300 feet and across 1.6 miles of terrain from a free flowing well at Chulaimbo Medical Clinic. This is a distance comparable to pumping water from Puget Sound to the top of Queen Anne Hill. This isn't too long of a distance for a powerful pump, but a very long way to walk two or three times every day for a family's water needs.

This precious water will enhance the care of the nursery children, support the people on AIDS medication, and improve the general health of the Rabuor Villagers and surrounding community.

What a difference we at UCUC are making!!

—Barbara Peterson

### As I See It *(continued)*

#### Epilogue

Life is more inventive than any fiction. The worker at the military plant who quit his job and became a devoted peace activist is a real man whom I know personally and closely. He has influenced my thinking and helped me understand who the real Jesus was.

### Church Leaders Killed in Philippines

"The Persecution of Filipino Muslims and Progressive Christians" is the topic of the presentation at **11:30 a.m., Sunday, April 22** in Ostrander Hall 1. The speaker, Ago Pedalizo, is actively working with a network of organizations to stop political killings in the Philippines. Clergy and lay members of the United Church of Christ in the Philippines (UCCP) and the Disciples of Christ have been killed in greater numbers than other religious groups.

The Multicultural Circle and the Social Action Board encourage you to come and hear the stories behind the killings. A light lunch will be served. Please call Aileen Pruiksmas at 206-363-3872, if you can help with this event. Thank you!

### Changing America's Mind About Climate

Please join UCUC member Kevin Raymond, M. Div., and the Sacred Earth Task Force on **Sunday, May 6, at 5-7 p.m.** for a soup supper and slide presentation based on Al Gore's, "*An Inconvenient Truth*." Kevin has received training from former Vice President Al Gore in presenting this action-inspiring work. Kevin is a member of the Earth Ministry Board of Directors. He also serves as Washington state policy representative to the Pacific Forest Trust, and as external relations director for Washington Biodiesel.

Come learn how we can synergize our faith with action toward healing transformation of the economic, social, and systems which impact our larger ecosystem. We look forward to seeing you, your families, and friends at this key event! Sign up in April in the narthex. Childcare is available.


### Mission Board Report

A big thank you to all who donated to the February special offering for First Place School and the Turning Point Preschool. Almost \$3000 will be shared by these two organizations to help children succeed. The March offering will go to the 45th Street Clinic, Multifaith Works, and One Great Hour of Sharing.

—Evelyn Crichton

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 **Sunday, April 01, 2007 - Monday, April 30, 2007**

Date/Time	Event Description	Attendees/Resources
<b>Sunday, April 01, 2007</b>		
06:00 PM-10:00 AM	Young Adult Retreat	OffSite
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Christian Education	105, 106, O-Hall S, 339, 343, 345, Chapel, 333, 327, 329, O-Hall 1, O-Hall 2, 103, 104, Pilgrim Rm, 240A, 240B, 239, 241, 243, 341
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Discovery Bible Class	339
09:10 AM-09:50 AM	Mission Trip Meeting	Pilgrim Rm
10:00 AM-11:15 AM	WORSHIP/Communion/New Member Sunday	Sanctuary
10:00 AM-11:30 AM	Preschool Christian Education	239, 240B, 241, 243, 340, 341, 343, 345
11:30 AM-12:30 PM	New Member Reception	Lounge
11:30 AM-12:30 PM	Sacred Earth Group	312
11:30 AM-01:00 PM	Katrina Project Forum	O-Hall 1
11:30 AM-02:00 PM	Turner Legacy Meeting	339
03:30 PM-05:30 PM	Women's Fireside	Lounge
05:00 PM-11:59 PM	PNC First Sunday Youth Gathering	OffSite
<b>Monday, April 02, 2007</b>		
05:00 PM-06:00 PM	New Cornerstone Follow-Up	Library
05:00 PM-06:30 PM	Pledge Campaign Committee	Lounge
06:00 PM-07:00 PM	Rabuor Village Education Cmte.	327
06:00 PM-09:00 PM	Long-Range Staffing Task Force	Office CR
07:00 PM-09:00 PM	Mission Board	329
07:00 PM-09:00 PM	Preschool Board	Lounge
07:30 PM-09:00 PM	Youth Board	312
<b>Tuesday, April 03, 2007</b>		
10:00 AM-11:45 AM	*Bible Study	Lounge
06:30 PM-09:30 PM	Passover Gathering: UCUCC & Bet Alef Meditative Synagogue	O-Hall 1, O-Hall 2, O-Hall D, O-Hall K
06:30 PM-09:30 PM	Communications/PR Board @ Ellen Naden's	Member's Hm.
07:00 PM-09:00 PM	Going Deeper to Say Yes to God Class	Chapel
<b>Wednesday, April 04, 2007</b>		
01:30 PM-03:00 PM	Alzheimer's Support Group	Lnge Kit, Lounge
04:30 PM-06:00 PM	Exec Committee Meeting	Office CR
06:00 PM-07:30 PM	*WORSHIP - Taize Meditation and Meal	Chapel, Narthex, Lnge Kit
06:00 PM-09:00 PM	Metropolitan Community Church Bible Study	Pilgrim Rm
06:30 PM-09:00 PM	Girls' Retreat Meeting	312
07:00 PM-08:00 PM	Teen Feed	O-Hall D, O-Hall K
07:00 PM-08:30 PM	Seabeck Committee	Office CR
07:30 PM-09:00 PM	Theology Book Group	Lounge
07:30 PM-09:00 PM	Music & Worship Board	329
<b>Thursday, April 05, 2007</b>		
10:00 AM-12:00 PM	UDYC Weekly Meeting	Lounge
06:00 PM-07:30 PM	Maundy Thursday Meal	Lnge Kit, Narthex
07:00 PM-08:00 PM	Teen Feed	O-Hall D, O-Hall K
07:00 PM-09:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal w/join Maundy Thursday Service	Sanctuary, Choir Rm
<b>Friday, April 06, 2007</b>		
12:00 PM-01:00 PM	U District Good Friday Service @ U Christian	OffSite
<b>Saturday, April 07, 2007</b>		
10:00 AM-12:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary, Choir Rm
07:00 PM-10:00 PM	Youth Confirmation Journey - Easter Vigil	Pilgrim Rm
<b>Sunday, April 08, 2007</b>		
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Preschool Christian Education	239, 240B, 241, 243, 340, 341, 343, 345
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Discovery Bible Class	339
09:00 AM-10:15 AM	WORSHIP	Sanctuary
10:00 AM-11:30 AM	Preschool Christian Education	239, 240B, 241, 243, 340, 341, 343, 345
11:00 AM-12:15 PM	WORSHIP	Sanctuary
11:30 AM-02:00 PM	Rainbow Followers 2nd Sunday Meeting	OffSite
<b>Monday, April 09, 2007</b>		
12:01 AM-11:59 PM	BUILDING CLOSED - IN OBSERVANCE OF EASTER MONDAY	Other
<b>Tuesday, April 10, 2007</b>		
10:00 AM-11:45 AM	*Bible Study	Lounge
<b>Wednesday, April 11, 2007</b>		
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Kid's Retreat - 3rd Annual	OffSite
10:00 AM-12:00 PM	Palestinian Concerns TF	Office CR
06:00 PM-07:30 PM	*WORSHIP - Taize Meditation and Meal	Chapel, Narthex, Lnge Kit
06:00 PM-09:00 PM	Metropolitan Community Church Bible Study	Pilgrim Rm
06:30 PM-09:00 PM	Personnel Bd	Library
07:00 PM-07:30 PM	Stewardship Ministry	Lounge
07:00 PM-08:00 PM	Teen Feed	O-Hall D, O-Hall K
07:00 PM-09:00 PM	Stew/FI Board	Office CR
07:00 PM-09:00 PM	Facilities/Equipmt Bd	Lounge
<b>Thursday, April 12, 2007</b>		
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Kid's Retreat - 3rd Annual	OffSite
10:00 AM-12:00 PM	UDYC Weekly Meeting	Lounge
07:00 PM-08:00 PM	Teen Feed	O-Hall D, O-Hall K
07:00 PM-09:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary, Choir Rm
<b>Friday, April 13, 2007</b>		
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Kid's Retreat - 3rd Annual	OffSite
02:00 PM-02:30 PM	Girls' Retreat	OffSite
02:00 PM-02:30 PM	Boys Retreat (times not confirmed)	OffSite
<b>Saturday, April 14, 2007</b>		
02:00 PM-02:30 PM	Girls' Retreat	OffSite
02:00 PM-02:30 PM	Boys Retreat (times not confirmed)	OffSite
<b>Sunday, April 15, 2007</b>		
02:00 PM-02:30 PM	Girls' Retreat	OffSite
02:00 PM-02:30 PM	Boys Retreat (times not confirmed)	OffSite

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09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Christian Education	O-Hall 1, O-Hall 2, O-Hall S, Pilgrim Rm
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Discovery Bible Class	339
10:00 AM-11:15 AM	WORSHIP/Baptism	Sanctuary
10:00 AM-11:30 AM	Preschool Christian Education	239, 240B, 241, 243, 340, 341, 343, 345
11:30 AM-01:00 PM	Interim Advisory Committee	312
07:02 PM-09:00 PM	Jesus Study Group	Lounge
<b>Monday, April 16, 2007</b>		
07:00 PM-09:00 PM	Church Council	Lounge
<b>Tuesday, April 17, 2007</b>		
10:00 AM-11:45 AM	*Bible Study	Lounge
<b>Wednesday, April 18, 2007</b>		
01:30 PM-03:00 PM	Alzheimer's Support Group	Lounge, Lnge Kit
05:45 PM-06:30 PM	AIDS Care Team	Library
06:00 PM-07:30 PM	*WORSHIP - Taize Meditation and Meal	Chapel, Narthex, Lnge Kit
06:00 PM-09:00 PM	Metropolitan Community Church Bible Study	Pilgrim Rm
07:00 PM-08:00 PM	Teen Feed	O-Hall D, O-Hall K
07:00 PM-09:00 PM	New Member Board	Lounge
07:30 PM-09:00 PM	Parish Care Board	327
<b>Thursday, April 19, 2007</b>		
10:00 AM-12:00 PM	UDYC Weekly Meeting	Lounge
01:00 PM-04:00 PM	Spiritual Direction Supervision Group	Lounge
07:00 PM-08:00 PM	Teen Feed	O-Hall D, O-Hall K
07:00 PM-09:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary, Choir Rm
07:00 PM-12:00 PM	Superfluity	Bell Choir, Choir Rm, O-Hall 1, O-Hall 2, O-Hall D, O-Hall K, O-Hall S
<b>Friday, April 20, 2007</b>		
07:00 PM-12:00 PM	Superfluity	Bell Choir, Choir Rm, O-Hall 1, O-Hall 2, O-Hall D, O-Hall K, O-Hall S
<b>Saturday, April 21, 2007</b>		
07:00 PM-12:00 PM	Superfluity	Bell Choir, Choir Rm, O-Hall 1, O-Hall 2, O-Hall D, O-Hall K, O-Hall S
<b>Sunday, April 22, 2007</b>		
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Discovery Bible Class	339
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Christian Education	O-Hall 1, O-Hall 2, O-Hall S, Pilgrim Rm
09:00 AM-01:00 PM	Seabeck Sunday Reception	Lounge
10:00 AM-11:15 AM	WORSHIP/Baptism	Sanctuary
10:00 AM-11:30 AM	Preschool Christian Education	239, 240B, 241, 243, 340, 341, 343, 345
11:30 AM-01:00 PM	Usher's Meeting	327
11:30 AM-01:00 PM	Multi-Cultural Circle/Social Action Board Forum	O-Hall 1
11:30 AM-01:30 PM	Youth Confirmation Journey	Pilgrim Rm
05:30 PM-08:00 PM	Youth Gathering @ E&C Coleman Hm.	OffSite
<b>Monday, April 23, 2007</b>		
07:00 PM-09:00 PM	UCEF Board Meeting	327
<b>Tuesday, April 24, 2007</b>		
10:00 AM-11:45 AM	*Bible Study	Lounge
<b>Wednesday, April 25, 2007</b>		
06:00 PM-07:30 PM	*WORSHIP - Taize Meditation and Meal	Chapel, Narthex, Lnge Kit
06:00 PM-08:00 PM	Child Care Board	Office CR
06:00 PM-09:00 PM	Metropolitan Community Church Bible Study	Pilgrim Rm
07:00 PM-08:00 PM	Teen Feed	O-Hall D, O-Hall K
07:00 PM-09:00 PM	Rabuor Village Exec Committee	327
<b>Thursday, April 26, 2007</b>		
10:00 AM-12:00 PM	UDYC Weekly Meeting	Lounge
07:00 PM-08:00 PM	Teen Feed	O-Hall D, O-Hall K
07:00 PM-09:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary, Choir Rm
<b>Friday, April 27, 2007</b>		
06:30 PM-08:30 PM	Teen Feed Volunteer Appreciation Event	O-Hall D
<b>Sunday, April 29, 2007</b>		
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Get Acquainted Gathering	Lounge, Lnge Kit
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Discovery Bible Class	339
09:00 AM-10:00 AM	Christian Education	O-Hall 1, O-Hall 2, O-Hall S, Pilgrim Rm
10:00 AM-11:15 AM	WORSHIP	Sanctuary
10:00 AM-11:30 AM	Preschool Christian Education	239, 240B, 241, 243, 340, 341, 343, 345
11:45 AM-02:00 PM	116th Annual Congregational Meeting	O-Hall 2, O-Hall D, O-Hall K, O-Hall 1
<b>Monday, April 30, 2007</b>		
07:00 PM-09:00 PM	Rabuor Village Exec Committee	327

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# United Church of Christ Gulf Coast Hurricane Recovery

[Update] March 2007

In many parts of the United States we are aware that Spring is upon us: the longer days, the blooming flowers, the budding leaves on trees and the warmer breezes. On the Gulf Coast the changing of one season for the next is more subtle - milder winters provide us with flowers in January and green trees in February. Signs of Spring bring us hope for new life. New life on the Gulf Coast is also heard in the sound of hammers and saws repairing and rebuilding homes; the sound of children laughing as they head to school in the morning; the sound of cars and buses carrying people to work - these are some of the sounds of a healthy community. Work continues on restoring communities to health.

The United Church of Christ has received \$6,046,922.14 to address the needs of people impacted by the 2005 hurricanes. The funds received will allow a UCC presence on the Gulf Coast for the long term recovery. These generous gifts of UCC members and friends represent hope for thousands of people affected by the 2005 hurricanes.

The major role of the church in this disaster continues to be the rebuilding and repairing of homes for persons identified with "un-met needs" people who have no insurance or who are under-insured. One of the best ways local churches can respond to this need is to send a work group to help rebuild or repair homes. The UCC has been able to develop work group rebuilding opportunities thanks to the generous donations to One Great Hour of Sharing and disaster appeals. [University Congregational United Church of Christ will be participating in a volunteer work group this year – watch for info].

Relief, Response and Recovery Phase –  
August 29, 2005 to March 13, 2007

Funds Disbursed thru 3/7/07

\$592,153 UCC South Central Conference to meet emergency needs; provide grants to UCC clergy families who have been displaced and lost homes & income sources; continuing pastoral support; renovation and repair of UCC churches; long term recovery disaster response coordination [long term volunteers]; housing for long term volunteers; tool shed for equipment used to repair homes. Additionally, Rev. Alan Coe has been called by the South Central Conference to coordinate disaster recovery and work camp groups in the New Orleans Association.

\$27,300 UCC South Central Conference towards renovation/restoration of Central Congregational

UCC parsonage to be used for long term volunteer housing.

\$105,000 Back Bay Mission to increase housing capacity for volunteer work groups which will allow for increased ability for UCC work to repair and rebuild homes; and for project managers to work with additional volunteer groups.

\$2,310 UCC New Orleans Association to place an ad in the Times Picayune newspaper at Christmas inviting the community to worship; all UCC churches were listed.

\$3,600 Back Bay Mission for long term volunteer (9 month placement) stipend to assist with coordination of volunteer work groups scheduling and project management paperwork.

\$30,000 Boat People SOS, Inc. to continue assistance to the Vietnamese American community (approximately 36,000 live in the



Gulf State region) impacted by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Unmet needs include transportation money to search for employment, supplies for repair of damaged fishing boats, legal assistance for recovery and filing of lost and destroyed documentation.

\$885 UCC Justice and Witness Ministries for registration of three interns working on housing advocacy issues in New Orleans to attend the Samuel Dewitt Proctor Conference.

\$5,000 Howard University grant to assist with expenses for student Alternative Spring break to work on advocacy issues; and repair of homes in New Orleans.

\$25,000 Greater New Orleans Disaster Recovery Partnership (GNODRP) to strengthen regional long-term recovery efforts; GNODRP assists with the work and coordination of 20 agencies working in 34 different programs.

\$50,000 Jefferson Davis - Marion Counties Long Term Recovery Committee (Mississippi) to assist with casework; and construction/repairs on homes for people who are under-insured or not insured.

\$50,000 The Rebuild Center Project, New Orleans, LA; working with the Catholic Church a Rebuild Center is opening to assist day laborers who have come to New Orleans to work on clean up and repairs. The majority of these persons do not have a place to live (people have been living in abandoned cars and houses). The Center will include: medical and legal services; shower, restroom and laundry services; meals; immigration related services; respite services.

\$46,500 Dillard University to support two interns. One intern is working with the Lower 9th Ward Association on home ownership issues; and rebuilding. The second intern is working on the same issues for other areas on New Orleans.

\$2,400 UCC Florida Conference to support a long term volunteer working with the conference

disaster ministries staff on Hurricanes Katrina and Wilma recovery.

\$500 UCC Storrs Congregational church as a grant to assist with supporting a volunteer work group to travel to New Orleans to repair homes.

\$23,867 UCCNews insert on participation of UCC in hurricane recovery: "Walking the line between devastation and hope" (note: UCNews circulation is 185,000).

\$6,000 Back Bay Mission, support for long term volunteers to serve as mission trip coordinators and site managers for repairs and rebuilding.

\$50,000 UCC South Central Conference to purchase building materials for repairing and rebuilding of homes of persons who are under-insured or not insured.

\$50,000 Committee for Plaquemines Recovery (long term recovery committee) for building materials for people with unmet needs in Plaquemines Parish, LA.

\$50,000 Jefferson Disaster Recovery Committee (long term recovery committee) for building materials for people with unmet needs in Jefferson Parish, LA.

\$35,000 Southwest Mississippi Recovery Network (long term recovery committee) for caseworker to assist persons with unmet needs.

\$50,000 Church World Service Advocacy Fund (note: support for two years of Ag-Missions work with the Federation of Southern Cooperatives /Land Assistance Fund) support for home and land owners to retain ownership where developers are pressuring for unfair buyouts in Biloxi, Gulfport and Pass Christian, MS; and New Orleans, La.

\$25,000 Terrebonne Readiness and Assistance Coalition (long term recovery committee) to repair and rebuild homes in 21 south Louisiana parishes.

\$20,000 Stone County Long Term Recovery Committee to assist with administrative costs for staff, and caseworkers to repair and rebuild homes for persons with unmet needs.

\$25,000 Church World Service, (Hurricane Katrina) to support distribution of blankets, health kits, and continued deployment of Disaster Response and Recovery Liaisons to work with establishment of Long Term Recovery Committees.

\$25,000 Church World Service, (Hurricanes Katrina and Rita) to support advocacy issues as they arise on the Gulf Coast; i.e. land ownership rights for people returning to communities, jobs. Through CWS, funding was provided to Interfaith Worker Justice.

\$50,000 Boat People SOS, Inc. to assist the Vietnamese American community (approximately 36,000 live in the Gulf State region) impacted by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Unmet needs include transportation money to search for employment, preparation of resumes, clothing for job interviews, supplies for repair of lightly damaged fishing boats, replacement of household furnishings, legal assistance for recovery and filing of lost and destroyed documentation.

\$5,000 City of Refuge UCC to assist members of Freedom Fellowship Church in New Orleans to attend the national gathering of fellowship churches sponsored by City of Refuge. This annual gathering is an opportunity for fellowship members to gather for worship, support and continuing education.

\$12,199 to assist with a weekend retreat for 57 women from UCC churches in Louisiana; an opportunity for women to begin a healing process.

\$15,000 Mix in '06 to assist 25 women from the South Central Conference impacted by the 2005 hurricanes to attend the women's event in

Indianapolis. The women attending will participate in planned events including leadership in worship with opportunity to tell their stories to women from across the United Church of Christ and the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

\$25,000 Missouri Interfaith Disaster Recovery Organization (MIDRO) to support long term recovery committees throughout Missouri who are assisting persons evacuated and still displaced by the hurricanes.

\$25,000 Disaster Recovery Services of George County, Mississippi - interfaith support to buy materials to repair and rebuild homes for persons who are under insured; or, have no insurance. Volunteer work groups will provide the labor.

\$25,000 Interfaith Disaster Task Force (Jackson, Hancock and Harrison Counties in Mississippi) - interfaith support to buy materials to repair and rebuild homes for persons who are under insured; or, have no insurance. Volunteer work groups will provide the labor.

\$170,000 Community of Faith Church of Houston (UCC/Disciples of Christ) - Amistad Resettlement Project, to assist in paying resettlement costs (job re-training; housing; food and clothing; medical assistance) for 82 evacuated families who have been identified to participate in long-term resettlement project.

\$15,000 Community of Faith Church Of Houston (UCC/Disciples of Christ) - to assist with costs to bring 27 people from the Amistad Resettlement Project to Cleveland for the United Black Christians meeting.

\$50,000 Church World Service - Relocation Program for Displaced Americans, relocation of families in various sites across U.S.

\$15,000 UCC Southeast Conference to meet emergency needs; feeding evacuees in Atlanta through the Hosea Williams Feeding Program (at the request of Ambassador Andrew Young).

\$20,000 UCC Back Bay Mission, Biloxi, Mississippi to re-establish mission site for emergency relief and long-term recovery and rebuilding.

\$5,000 Purchase of two Iridium satellite phones and service for use by Back Bay Mission staff as long as normal land-line and cell phone communications are disrupted.

\$40,000 UCC related Dillard University, New Orleans to assist with repairs on damage to campus and restore operations.

\$5,000 UCC related Olivet College, Michigan, to help cover costs of feeding and sheltering 18 evacuees.

\$10,000 Farm Worker Association of Florida to assist migrant farm workers unemployed when the crops were destroyed by Hurricane Katrina.

\$113,800 Good Shepherd UCC, Metairie, Louisiana to prepare church building (repaired damages, remove mold) to serve long term as site for UCC volunteer work groups.

\$10,690 St. Matthew UCC, New Orleans, Louisiana to prepare church building (install showers, kitchen facilities) to serve long term as site for UCC volunteer work groups.

\$10,000 Howard University, Washington, DC to help support 205 students "alternative Spring Break" in the New Orleans area - served as volunteers to rebuild and repair homes for persons who are have no insurance or are under-insured.

\$14,000 Church World Service - (Hurricane Rita) to support distribution of blankets, health kits, and deployment of Disaster Response and Recovery Liaisons.

\$4,500 Plymouth Congregational UCC, Beaumont, TX (Hurricane Rita) to assist the community with relief and recovery needs.

\$20,000 Old First Church, Springfield, MA - support for books for Gulf Coast; church is working with school districts and local organizations to replace books through an ongoing book program. Shipments of 350,000 books have now been sent to schools, hospitals and libraries on the Gulf Coast (Louisiana and Mississippi).

\$15,000 New York Disaster Interfaith Services - support for resettlement of evacuees in New York City.

\$20,000 Louisiana Environmental Action Network to support an intern who will work in communities to address health and safety issues in the greater New Orleans area. The intern will attend meetings of recovery groups to discuss environmental aspects of this disaster; and to distribute fact sheets including environmental data.

\$30,000 Louisiana Environmental Action Network to assist with direct relief efforts for residents - providing "Re-entry Protection Kits" that contain protective clothing and eyewear, gloves, biohazard bags, and particulate respirators, as well as more bleach, and hopefully, if we can find them in time, buckets and detergents.

\$50,000 Into Afrika - Exodus Ministries to facilitate radio town hall meetings for the Diaspora to receive critical information and have a voice in plans for how to rebuild their communities.

\$20,000 UCC South Central Conference - support for new church start in Baton Rouge, Louisiana - Malcolm Richard, pastor.

