

Sunday Worship Services and Religious Education Classes are held at the **Sapperton Pensioners' Hall**, **318 Keary Street**, New Westminster. Services start at 10:30 a.m.

### September Services: Family

We begin the first month of our new church year with the theme of Family. Families can be the greatest source of inspiration and love or they can be dark places of loneliness and pain. There are the families that you are born into and the ones that you create from your own choices and gather close around you. Beacon itself is considered a 'family' church, both for its size and for how we relate to each other.

### Sunday Sept 7, 10:30 a.m. *Circle of Life* **Rev. Debra Thorne**

Each year we re-gather after the summer hiatus using the symbol of water, and we call it the Water Ceremony. Our families are a source and water is the source of all life. Like water flowing back to its source we flow back into this community from our separate tributaries, our separate journeys. Please bring some water with you and be prepared to say how water and family inspire you. Followed by potluck lunch. Page 5

(Foodbank Collection will resume on October 5)

### Sunday Sept 14, 10:30 a.m. Sharing the Plate Susanna Walden

During this church year, we will be donating to *The New View Society*. This society provides many supportive services and a friendly, safe environment, for individuals of all ages affected by mental illness. Susanna Walden will speak about the many ways the society promotes recovery from mental illness in the Tri-Cities.

**Coordinator: Marilyn Medén** 

### Sunday Sept 21, 10:30 a.m. Family Matters

**Rev. Debra Thorne** Interfaith, blended, intercultural, multigenerational, single parent, two Dads or three Mums, our families look a whole lot different than what used to be understood as the nuclear family. No matter what your family looks like, or whether your family is a source of inspiration or a source of pain, 'family matters'. Growing up is what family is all about.

Choir sings today.

### Sunday Sept 28, 10:30 a.m. Grandmothers' Dreamings

**Rose Matovich, Joan Morris** As the song from our Teal songbook, "We Are", claims: "We are our grandmothers' prayers, We are our grandfathers' dreamings"... What is our role as grandparents with our grandchildren's spirituality? Is it enough to dream and pray for them or do we get more involved in their spiritual lives? And what does that look like? Rose Matovich and Joan Morris will explore their experience as grandmothers in the lives of their grandchildren. **Coordinator: Joan Morris** Choir sings today.



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## Beacon News

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From the Minister's Desk

As we begin Beacon's 32<sup>nd</sup> year and my third year there is a sense of anxiety and excitement in this community. Board member Peggy Lunderville at a recent Board

meeting described Beacon as a tidal pool, both beautiful in its life forms, movement and colour, and yet also vulnerable to the ebb and flow of external forces that we cannot control. It is an apt analogy. We are an eco-system with our colourful, tenacious life forms dancing, singing, and clinging hard to keep all the programs and services connected.

You'll see in this newsletter that as the thematic theology program enters its second year there are more groups and classes connecting to it. I am excited to offer Covenant Groups to deepen our understanding of the monthly themes. I am also looking forward to offering a ten-session class on prayer practices. I am

over the moon delighted that Rev. Amanda Aikman of the South Fraser Unitarian Congregation has joined me in presenting Theology Pub Nights. (Special thanks to Terry McComas for the research!)

Our greatest challenge this year is tackling membership and growth. I do hope you'll attend the workshop on September 6 called, "Focusing on what's Important!" Beacon has some fundamental decisions to make that will affect how the community moves forward. Be part of the change!

To some extent we cannot control the ebb and flow of the tides of social change, but this tidal pool is a beautiful home to many and there are many who, if they knew what we had to offer, would eagerly jump into the water.

I'm looking forward to another year of growth. Rev. Debra Thorne



### **Announcement** ANNUAL START-UP WORKSHOP 4 BEACON LEADERSHIP \*

DATE: SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> LOCATION: AMENITY ROOM at 235 GUILDFORD WAY, PORT MOODY (JEAN'S BUILDING) 9 to 12: BEACON BOARD – 'STRATEGIC GROWTH PLANS' 12 to 1: POTLUCK LUNCH (EVERYONE WELCOME) 1 to 4: LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP – 'FOCUSING ON WHAT'S IMPORTANT' \*Everyone is considered a 'leader' in the Beacon Congregation... therefore <u>everyone</u> is welcome to this day of reconnection and learning.

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## Board News

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## Board Bitz

From your Board Executive

The Board shares your anticipation as our new Church year approaches. Although we are confident that challenges will present themselves, we are equally confident that we will join

together and collectively work through them. Having our extended Beacon family gathering again weekly, with the inspirational music, the contemplative words and the caring friends will be absolutely delicious.

This Fall our regular accompanist, the well-loved and superbly talented David Hamilton, is taking a medical leave while receiving treatment for prostate cancer. In the meantime, we're pleased to welcome Leo Bae. Let me have Leo introduce himself. "I am originally from South Korea. My family came to Canada about 14 years ago, and it was entirely my mother's decision. I went to Pinetree Secondary where I had the first taste in Jazz Education, which led me to Capilano U to further my Jazz studies. My biggest inspiration in composition has been people. People I've met - and yes a good portion of songs are about girls - seem to inspire me the most among other things. My favourite musicians are Bill Evans, Maurice Ravel, Led Zeppelin, Beatles, and a few more but I can't remember at the moment! I am currently involved and active in a few bands: Mileoli, original jazz trio, Missingno, video game cover band, and Incarnadine Jazz Orchestra, it's my own original jazz big band which drains time and money like a black hole!"

Your Board is also in the midst of selecting a new Sound Technician, as Rowan has accepted the offer of a new, full-time position. Our first service of the Church Year, September 7, will be Rowan's last day. We wish him well.

Opportunities for congregants to help this season are springing up like tasty mushrooms. Volunteers are needed to:

- put on another of our hugely successful Sasamat camps

organize the Congregational Dinner for January 31
bring savoury goodies for our pot-luck lunch on September 7.

We are also seeking two delegates to represent Beacon at the Canadian Unitarian Council Annual General Meeting in May of 2015, which will be in Ottawa. Too, there is the Regional Fall Gathering, which will be from October 24 - 26, hosted by First Unitarian of Victoria.

The Board is focusing on growth strategies this year, starting with a workshop to help us clarify what growth means and the challenges we face, led by Rev. Debra Thorne. We hope you will consider attending the afternoon workshop, on Saturday September 6, as Beacon's growth will require all of us to make it successful.

Our Minister is implementing many new programs this year, from evening Theology Pub Nights, that she is organizing with Rev. Amanda Aikman, the Minister from South Fraser Unitarian, to a class on Meditation and Prayer, and Soul Matters Groups that will deepen our experiences of the monthly themes.

### **Getting to Know U!**

### Monday, September 29 at 7pm

This is an opportunity to meet others who are new to Beacon and perhaps new to Unitarianism in a relaxed evening of conversation and questions. 'Getting to Know U!', is just that, an opportunity to get to know both you and this U(nitarian) congregation.

If you are interested in attending please contact either Joan Morris (joanmorris@telus.net) or Rev. Debra Thorne (minister@beaconunitarian.org) for the location.



## Beacon R.E. News September 2014, page 4 Beacon's Religious Education Corner

### by Amber Strocel

Laura and I are really looking forward to the new church year. We'll be kicking it off on September 7 with our own Water Ingathering downstairs for the RE children. Don't fret if you haven't collected water, or you forget to bring it – we'll have extra on hand for all the children.

My own children and I collected our water in Osoyoos when we visited in July. We had a great time in the lake, so it was a natural choice for us. My son Jacob did some digging in the sand and wading in the water. My daughter Hannah and I were more adventurous, taking a wakeboarding lesson. It was the first time for both of us and my daughter was a natural, standing up on her first try. It took me four or five goes, but I finally managed to actually wakeboard. It was difficult, and I was sore, but it was a definite feeling of accomplishment. During our RE classes over the past year we invited the children to stretch themselves and try new things through our theatre curriculum. Wakeboarding offered me a chance to do that myself.

While my family was in Osoyoos we also had the chance to visit the Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre. It's an award-winning interpretive centre, and it highlights both the sensitive desert ecosystem and the rich history and living culture of the Okanagan people. It was an excellent chance for my own children to explore the UU principle we refer to as our violet, or purple, promise: value our home, Earth, that we share with all living beings. I was grateful to have the chance to share that experience with my children in such a beautiful setting. It's amazing just how diverse and beautiful our province is, and I'm always glad to learn more about it, and how I can be a good environmental steward.

This year in RE we will be continuing our theatrebased curriculum with a few changes, to keep it fresh and accessible for the children. We are looking forward to seeing where the year takes us. If you would like to stay up-to-date on what's happening each week in RE, or if you know a family who might like to know more, consider subscribing to our weekly newsletter at

http://beaconunitarian.org/education.html. We send out a quick note each week, filling you in on what's coming up that Sunday in church school.

See you in September! Amber



### **Mission Statement Nearing Completion**

"Connect – Inspire – Transform" is the vision statement that we created last spring. Now our mission statement is almost ready for your ratification. We will be welcoming your suggestions until September 28th, and we will celebrate the completion of this work on October 5th. To jog your memory and elicit your creative word-smithing, here is what we have to work with:

"Our Mission is to connect with each other in compassion and joy, inspire learning and personal growth and transform spiritual energy into social action.

We accomplish our Mission to live deeply by respecting the inherent worth and dignity of all peoples and practice living in conscious relationship with the earth. For inspiration, we draw on the world's great scientists, artists, humanists and religious minds, as well as our own personal experiences. So we are moved to create greater equality, greater justice and greater hope for our world. Please Join Us!"

peacon Things to Do

## Affinity Groups

Beacon's "Affinity Groups" include several small groups which are always equally welcoming to newcomers and seasoned Beaconites. So, if you'd like to meet with Beaconites in a warm and supportive environment, check out our small groups.

**Lunch Bunch** - meets every Thursday at noon; for information contact Ivy Hubbard 604-527-9990.

**Choir** - Choir will begin Tuesday, September, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Regular rehearsals are at Miller Park School. First rehearsal at Lundervilles'. 604-522-3001. For more choir info: call Charlene 604-464-3992.

**Book Club** - Meets on third Thursday each month from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. For meeting location, book being read, or other info, please call Bev Lock 604-525-6791.

### Lay Chaplain Report

Our Lay Chaplain, Marilyn Medén, has had the honour and the joy, on July 26, of marrying Simon Walkley and Bronwyn Schoner in Minnekhada Park, Coquitlam. As they included in their ceremony, "amongst the Douglas squirrel, the northern flicker, the black bear, and beneath the Douglas fir and the big leaf maple". It was a very meaningful and joyous occasion, including two pieces of music, live, by Chilliwack.

It truly is a wonderful thing to be part of particularly deep times in people's lives. Most often the event is a wedding, but memorials, house leaving, house warming, child naming, partnership celebrations, and other ceremonies may also be performed. Humanist Group Meeting -The next meeting will be September 28, 7:30 p.m. at Astoria House, Port Coquitlam. Marilyn Medén will talk about Restorative Justice. Background information, a short

role play, and description of the present use of Restorative Justice will lead us to a discussion. Questions we might consider are: Is the more appropriate aggrieved party the State or the victim? Are there limits to the application of the Restorative Justice model? More info, Marilyn Medén <u>m.j.meden@telus.net</u>

### **Potluck lunch**

After church on our first Sunday back - Sept 7. Please let Peggy Lunderville know what you will be bringing. 604-522-3001 or email <u>prlunder@gmail.com</u>

### **Beacon Youth**

There are exciting plans ahead for our Youth Group this year. The Youth Group will be attending the Fall Regional Youth Con in Victoria October 24 to 26. This is an opportunity for Beacon Youth to connect with Unitarian Youth from throughout BC, and is the first exciting step into the national Unitarian Youth community. In this large and diverse community the Beacon Youth will find peers who have similar values and commitments to social action, and possibly lifelong friendships.

First Youth Group Gathering is Friday, September 12 at 7 pm. Location TBA

### **Recognizing Unceded Traditional Territory**

Beginning this year Beacon Unitarian Church will recognize the unceded traditional territory of the Qayqayt, Musqueam and Kwantlen First Nations in the Sunday order of service. This is a small step in acknowledging that we gather each week on land that cannot be bought or sold because it was never given away by the people who have lived on it for many thousands of years. There is evidence of the Coast Salish People living on the west coast from 8,000 to 9,000 BCE.

The Qayqayt First Nation (qiqéyt) (pronounced Key-Kayt), also known as the New Westminster Indian Band, is the local <u>band government</u> located at <u>New Westminster</u>, <u>British Columbia</u>. The qiqéyt reserve was created for the Musqueam First Nation in what is now New Westminster. The Qayqayt First Nation is one of the smallest First Nations in Canada and the only one registered without a land base. You will see the following statement in the Sunday Order of Service: Beacon Unitarian Church acknowledges that we meet on the unceded lands of the Coast Salish people, including the Qayqat First Nation, the Kwantlen First Nation and the Musqueam First Nation.

# Beacon News September 2014, page 6 Mat's New This Year at Beacon?

### **Theology Pub Nights**

Drink a pint, nibble delicious food and discuss theology! What more could you want? Starting this fall Beacon and South Fraser Unitarian communities are hosting an evening called *Theology Pub* at Central City Brewing Pub and Restaurant (13450 102 Avenue Surrey). Theology Pub is an open discussion about things that have meaning and matter. In traditional Unitarian fashion we will question, explore, wonder and share in a stimulating atmosphere of curiousity and respect. We are not looking for the right answer but to deepen and broaden our thinking.

Circle your calendar the second Sunday of the month at 7pm. To shake up and stir the conversation, each evening will be hosted by Rev, Debra Thorne and Rev, Amanda Aikman. Come early for dinner, stay late to socialize.

September 14: Where is God in our lives? Anywhere, everywhere, none of the above? October 12: Is Wholeness the opposite of Sin? November 9: What saves you?

Here is a map to find the pub: https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Central+City+Brewing+Co

### **NEW! Soul Matters Groups at Beacon**

A Soul Matters Group is a small group format that offers an opportunity to go deeper with the monthly theological theme. Each group experience is designed to mentally and spiritually stretch us within a respectful group context. Led by Rev. Debra Thorne the Soul Matters Group experience supports three things:

\* It helps us to focus by concentrating on a subject which leads to deeper understanding.

\*It helps us learn how groups work by being conscious of how we act in a group, which leads to greater selfawareness.

\*It offers opportunity to deepen our spiritual friendships, which leads to a stronger community.

The Soul Matters Groups this year are different from the Chalice Circles last year. The small groups will meet only once a month, they will be led by Rev. Debra Thorne and the discussion topics will be connected to our monthly theme. The purpose of the Soul Matters Group is to deepen your spiritual life by asking "How does this theme enhance and deepen my life as a Unitarian?"

The first Soul Matters Group meets right away! Your choice will be Group One that meets the second Wednesday of the month from 1pm to 3pm, or Group Two which meets the second Thursday of the month from 7 to 9 pm. Group One's first meeting is Wednesday September 10 and Group Two first meets Thursday September 11. More groups may be added to accommodate all who are interested. You can sign up today by sending an email to Rev, Debra Thorne at minister@beaconunitarian.org or after the service on Sunday September 7.

### **New Class: Simply Pray**

The intent of this group is to deepen our sense of the holy through authentic prayer/meditation practise. We will use Unitarian minister Erik Walker Wilkstrom's book Simply Pray: a modern spiritual practice to deepen your life, to learn about the four fundamental forms of prayer shared by all major religions.

Class begins Wednesday September 17 at 7pm, and will meet the third Wednesday of the month for ten sessions, through June 2015. To sign-up for this group contact Rev. Debra Thorne (minister@beaconunitarian.org)

## The Wider UU World

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Mark your calendars! The **Canadian Unitarian Council's B.C. Regional Fall Gathering and Youth Con** will be hosted by the First Unitarian Church of Victoria in cahoots with Capital Congregation on October 24 to 26!

Whatever our spiritual perspective, certain paths in life seem to lead us to connect more deeply with that which to us matters most. Some of these paths have shifted and changed, and few have stayed the same. What path are you walking? Is it filled with music? Stories? Does your life path also bring end-of-life questions? How does your path lead you to depth and connection?

During the BC Regional Fall Gathering you are invited to explore and deepen a familiar path or chart a new course. While youth and children partake in specialized programming, adults are invited to participate in four streams:

- 1) 'Worship Leader Training' with Rev. Barbara ten Hove,
- 2) 'Storytelling' with Wedlidi Speck,
- 3) 'Choices in Dying, and Planning Your Own Memorial' with Galina Coffey-Lewis and Jasha Ramsay respectively, or
- 4) 'Ubuntu Singing with Spirit' with Barbara Slater and Kevin Wilkie.

There are many paths to connecting with the Spirit - come, let us walk them together!

### Friday, 6 – 8:30pm:

Ingathering for all ages **Friday, 9 pm – Sunday 9:30am: (Sat. evening @ FUCV)** BC Fall Youth Con at Lau,Welnew Tribal School **Saturday 9am – 9pm:** Adult and Children's Programs, CUC Town Hall, Dinner & Coffee House at First

Unitarian Church of Victoria Sunday 10:30am: Worship Service at First Unitarian Church

of Victoria

For more details and to register go to: cuc.ca/event/bc-regional-fall-gathering -

And if you would like more information from our Host Committee, please contact: Lorna Anthony at: 250-592-4831 or lranthony@shaw.ca.

#### Registration

Registration through the CUC website (at left) will be available until October. Price\* includes materials and the following meals: Friday reception, Saturday lunch and dinner.

\*Accommodation not included

### Regular – \$145

Youth Con – \$60 Children (6 to 12 years) – \$55

Childcare (under 6 years) - \$50

Saturday night Dinner & Coffee House only (no workshops) - \$50

For Saturday night's Coffee House, collaborative ventures with multiple talents and participants are encouraged!

Sunday service – everyone welcome!

\*\*Note: Subsidies are available. Apply at: cuc.ca/subsidies/

### **Registration Deadline:**

- October 17th for Adults and Youth
- October 10th for Children.

*Out of respect for our volunteers, late registrations will not be accepted.* 

Beacon News

## Sharing the Plate 2014-15

### Introducing our new Sharing the Plate recipient

### NEW VIEW SOCIETY, Port Coquitlam

(1<sup>st</sup> principle and 2<sup>nd</sup> principle) The New View Society was established in the Tri-Cities in August 1973 to cope with the de-institutionalization of patients from Riverview Psychiatric Hospital. Many previous patients were now living in the community, and needed social, recreational and work programs to assist them with community integration. New View Society was formed to meet that need.

Our vision is to promote recovery in a friendly, safe and supportive environment for individuals affected by mental illness in the Tri-Cities.

New View recognizes the essential worth, dignity and capability of every person with a mental illness, and supports them to achieve their potential. Each person is valued for who they are, not who they could be.

The New View Society provides services for persons affected by mental illness, including:

- persons living with a mental illness and/or addiction, including people whose work is impacted by their mental health;
- youth transitioning into adulthood with mental illness;
- adults and seniors with mental illness going through major changes or dislocation;
- families impacted by mental illness, and
- local employers and community groups and agencies interested in learning about mental illness.

New View Society provides subsidized accommodation and support. In addition, the newly opened Iris House offers a Young Adult Housing program for adults aged 19-35 with a primary mental health diagnosis who have experienced challenges in maintaining housing.

The New View Clubhouse is a cooperative community designed to create a healthy environment where individuals recovering from mental illness can achieve the confidence and skills necessary to reach personal goals.

Opportunity to perform!

### **Seniors Have Talent! II**

Sapperton Pensioners are having auditions on Sunday, September 14 at Sapperton Hall beginning at 1 pm. These auditions are to choose people to participate in the Seniors' Talent show, to be held Sunday Oct 19 at 1:30.

As you may be aware, two+ from our congregation were participants last year - Sue, who came in first for the show and Joyce, along with Twinkletoes, who were in the top 6. Tickets for the event will be available in mid September (\$20 for adults; \$15 for seniors [55+ yrs.] and students and children 5 & under free. All tickets at the door will be \$20.)

Looking Ahead

## **UUA GA in Portland 2015**

The Unitarian Universalist Association (our American sister association) is holding their annual General Meeting next June in Portland, Oregon. Already people are organizing transportation from BC. Are you interested in being part of a group taking the train down? Anna Issacs, a young adult from Victoria, is getting the process started and wants to know who is interested? Cost is \$96 return and Amtrak leaves Vancouver daily 6:20am and arrives in Portland 3:15pm (8 hours, return leaves Portland 2:45pm and arrives Vancouver 10:50pm (8 hours). If you are interested let Rev. Debra know and she'll give you contact information for Anna.

### The Right To Die with Dignity

Every once in a while we hear of another courageous yet desperate person choosing to end their lives with dignity and control. On August 18 Gillian Bennett of Bowen Island decided to end her life. Perhaps you saw the newspaper articles or heard her family interviewed in the media? If not, here is a link to a Globe article. http://globe2go.newspaperdirect.com/epaper/viewer.a spx

People like Gillian are extraordinarily strong individuals simply because they have the tenacity to make a choice alone and unsupported. The Unitarian Ministers of Canada are united in their concern that the Canadian Laws must change and released a public statement on the 'Right To De' last June. Here it is in full.

"The Unitarian Universalist Ministers of Canada affirm, as a matter of religious principle, the right of individuals who are terminally-ill to make choices for themselves in the manner and timing of their death. Only they can determine what level of pain or discomfort is tolerable. A just society will provide proper safeguards and realistic, compassionate options for both the terminally-ill patient and the assister. Such safeguards would include a clear request from a mentally competent patient. Such a society will support the mentally-competent terminally-ill patient in their decision to let go and will legally permit a willing physician to provide assistance if necessary. We therefore declare that the purpose of Canadian law is to support the autonomy of every terminally-ill Canadian to decide the way and the means of their own death. The Constitution of Canada upholds the right for the 'security of the person.' The right to choose our death stems from this when practiced with the principle of informed consent with compassion and dignity for the whole person.

We applaud the Supreme Court's decision to hear the case of Lee Carter vs. the Attorney General of Canada. A 2012 Angus Reid poll showed that 80% of Canadians support the right of terminally-ill patients to have medical assistance to die. We call upon the Supreme Court to come to a decision that upholds the right of the terminally-ill individual to choose the time of their own death, a decision that supports the wishes of the majority of Canadians."

## **Spiritual Ecologies and New Cosmologies Convergence 2014**

Check it out: http://holyscapes.wordpress.com/spiritual-ecologies-and-new-cosmologies-convergence/

### PRELIMINARY CONVERGENCE SCHEDULE

- Monday Sept. 22: Beginnings: Musqueam welcome; Beginnings Storytelling Circle with a diverse panel from spiritual and scientific backgrounds; discussion of the role of story/myth in society; welcome dinner. UBC First Nations Long House. 4:00 8:00 pm.
- Tuesday Sept. 23: Cosmologies: Screening the film 'Journey of the Universe' with Skype Introduction by the film's producer <u>Mary Evelyn Tucker</u>, a response by <u>Bruce Sanguin</u> and discussion; Cosmos Walking Meditation in the Courtyard presented by the <u>Earth Literacies Project</u>; Fall Equinox Celebration; Artist <u>Chuck Rounds</u> will then discuss spiritual ecology, art and shamanism for the Convergence Art Exhibit Opening. UBC <u>Liu Institute for Global Issues.</u> 4:00 – 8:00 pm.
- Wednesday Sept. 24: Ecologies: Two sessions with over ten speakers that will share a range of experience on spirituality and ecology with an emphasis on diversity and practice. Including <u>Chris</u> <u>Dierkes</u> and <u>Nikki Van Schyndel</u>. Liu Institute for Global Issues. 9:00 am- 1:00 pm and 2:00 5:00 pm. (End before sunset in observance of Rosh Hashanah).
- Monday Sept. 29: Convergences: What next? Discussion of projects and ideas for how to carry the themes forward. Location and time TBA

### ALL PROCEEDINGS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

However, please RSVP to jason.minton.brown@gmail.com

(*Rev. Meg Roberts is one of the presenters. Meg is the consulting minister with the Comox Valley Unitarian Fellowship, and has spoken at Beacon)* 

## September 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Fríday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Lunch Bunch	5	6 Potluck Lunch & Leadership Workshop
		Choir 7:30-9:30				
7 <i>Circle of Life</i> Debra Thorne	8	9	10	11 Lunch Bunch	12	13
Potluck lunch Foodbank collection		Choir 7:30-9:30	Soul Matters Group One 1 - 3	Soul Matters Group Two 7 - 9	Youth Group Meeting 7 pm	
14 Sharing the Plate	15	16	17	18 Lunch Bunch	19	20
Theology Pub		Choir 7:30-9:30	Simply Pray 7 - 9	Book Club 7 - 9		
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		Choir 7:30-9:30				
28 Grandmothers' Dreamings	29	30				
		Choir 7:30-9:30				