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A Word from the Pastor

Dear Friends,

In my sermon on Sunday, September 11, 2005, I spoke about the still-painful memory of the national tragedy we now refer to as "9 -11" and how we are yet again in the middle of another national tragedy from Hurricane Katrina. As I sit to write for our October newsletter we are told that another Category 5 storm approaches the Gulf Coast in the form of Hurricane Rita. One can only wonder how many more lives will be lost and how many more people will be displaced and how our various levels of government relief efforts will respond? Much in life is unknown and also beyond our control. Yet we do know ourselves and we do have control over our responses to tragedy. We can choose to be compassionate in thought, word and deed to those who need our response because our faith moves us to do so.

As I mentioned in my sermon, our National UCC Office in Cleveland has issued an invitation to all its members across the country to join in a Covenant of Compassion called "*Hope Shall Bloom*." In a letter of introduction it speaks about compassion in this way:

"In recent days we have been reminded by Hurricane Katrina that Christian compassion is not an occasional activity, but a spiritual discipline that seeks each day to bear the burdens of others. Prayer, financial generosity, hands-on volunteer work, witnessing for justice are all part of a demanding discipline called forth by the urgency of human need in the face of disaster and by the constancy of love we see in the Cross. Compassion is a demanding discipline.

"Because my faith and conscience call me to respond with prayer and action on behalf of hurricane survivors and others impacted by disaster, I offer my personal promise – in partnership with thousands of United Church of Christ members – to take the following five steps during the next three years to alleviate suffering.

1. I promise to pray for victims and survivors of Hurricane Katrina, for those still recovering from other disasters and for victims and survivors from natural and human-caused disasters that will occur in the future.
2. I promise to contribute to the UCC's One Great Hour of Sharing special mission offering, especially its "Hope Shall Bloom" hurricane recovery initiative as well as other One Great Hour of Sharing special appeals created to respond to the needs of survivors.
3. I promise to participate in and/or support locally based efforts to temporarily house survivors of Hurricane Katrina or other disasters, support an initiative to assist in resettlement of Hurricane Katrina evacuees which is being pursued by Church World Service, and participate in the UCC's ongoing refugee resettlement program for those fleeing civil war, famine, or ethnic violence around the world.
4. I promise to participate in and/or support mission trips now available through the Florida UCC Disaster Response Ministry or available in the future for Hurricane Katrina recovery or other disasters, as well as involvement through service in my local

community, UCC Mission Trip Opportunities and/or Global Ministries' People-to-People Pilgrimages.

5. I promise to support the UCC's Neighbors in Need special mission offering and other justice initiatives that work to ensure that our government adequately serves all people, including the most vulnerable, the disabled, the poor and the elderly."

Please consider lending your support to this covenant and the UCC will assist all those who do so into a future where compassion can make active difference in helping relief efforts. For more information go to:
http://www.ucc.org/disaster/covenant.htm

Blessings and Peace,

Steve

Deacons

At the September meeting, the Deacons decided to dedicate their next meeting (October 11) to an assessment of worship: what processes do we like? what do we want to discontinue? what do we want to improve? This will include: how do we like the mix of persons in the pulpit? the readers? the children's sermons? and also, how do we like the messages from the pulpit? We want to review the worship experience from beginning to end ... alpha to omega, so to speak. If you want your opinions and voice included in our deliberations regarding this important aspect of our church life, before the next meeting talk to a deacon (**Bill & Marty Lamb, Peg & Mac Hulslander, Nancy Callaham, Marge Eckels, I.T. Littleton, Mary Matthews, Robert Parrish, N'Sumbu Puati, Edith Sylla and Jo Perry)** . You can also send a message via email to the church office, cucc@ipass.net, and ask to have it forwarded to the deacons for our consideration.

Submitted by **Bill Lamb**

Arts and Worship

One of the reasons that we come to church is to carry out the faith of our ancestors into this generation and the next. On October 30th, we will be having a special service to honor those persons from our past, and to share a little about those lives with others in our church. It should help us to learn of some of these important persons of influence in our lives and may help sort out just what qualities we wish to see continued in our world. Watch for more details about the service from Mac Hulslander in coming weeks, but for now, put the evening of October 30th on your calendar, consider setting up a small altar to someone from your heritage who may no longer be with us in bodily form but who leaps in your heart and out into the world through you. Did they cook or have a favorite recipe? Then you might bring that dish to share at a potluck following the service. Perhaps you do not have a particular person to honor from your family yourself, but are interested in learning from others. That's O.K., too. Let's explore this mystery together on **October 30th, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m**.at our "Day of the Dead" service.

Submitted by **Marty Lamb**

Art Wall

Our thanks to brothers **Zack and Ben Cole** for their contributions to our art wall. The wall is located outside the Bradow and Hoffmann rooms.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Memorial Meditation Gardeners

For those who love to putter in the garden, the church could use some willing hands to either be responsible for tending to the garden and/or finding help to work with you for a month, or simply by helping occasionally when asked to do specific jobs. So that we can confirm our list of volunteers, many who signed up last year, please contact either **Carol Clark** in the office (787-6422) or **Peg Hulslander** (833-7203). The Hulslanders will keep us informed as to necessary tasks outside of general weeding and watering as they arise. We plan to develop a sketch of the layout of the plantings to assist us in our work.

Thanks to **Vandy Bradow** for the loving care she's given to our garden recently.

Sacraments and Chancel Committee

We are always open to talented, creative people who would love to show off flowers from their yard or from 'nature' by doing an arrangement for the Communion table or elsewhere. It is always a pleasure to see the work of others. If you would like to contribute in any way, or perhaps with the decorations at Christmas-time, please contact any

committee member, or **Carol Kepler** (787-7420) or **Carol Clark** in the office.

Submitted by **Carol Kepler**

New Members

Welcome to new members **Pat and Tom Young, Lynn Davis, and Gretchen Aycock**.

Pat and Tom married in 1953 after meeting at Dickenson College in Carlisle, PA. They have four daughters, one of whom, Sue Young, previously was a member here. They lived for 20 years in Connecticut and were very active members at Greenfarm UCC in Westport. Pat taught English and Social Studies at the high school and middle school level. Tom worked in Human Resources for GTE Corp. In retirement Pat has enjoyed being a docent at a History Museum and a Victorian Home and enjoys knitting and needlepoint. Tom is now volunteering as Exec. Director of Executive Service Corps Network with 33 affiliates in the non-profit world. He also enjoys reading and sports. You might like to ask them about their time spent in Kuwait in 1998. They are happy to have found our church, which feels to them just the right size and very friendly!

Lynn Davis lives in Garner with her husband Ken and three children, Jessica (14), Hope (6) and Faith (3). Lynn is a former Baptist who found us through our UCC God is Still Speaking national advertising campaign. She looks forward to working with our Sunday School program as a member of the Rotation Steering Committee and occasionally teaching.

Gretchen Aycock is originally from Chapel Hill. There she attended the historic "The Chapel of the Cross" Episcopal church. Gretchen is living in Raleigh with her covenanted partner Lynn Jarvis. They are both attorneys and Gretchen is employed by the State of North Carolina. She is quite knowledgeable about theological issues and enjoys sharing her progressive viewpoints.

Church Council

Put on your social calendar NOW to participate in the most engaging gala fund raising event of the season! On Saturday, October 15th, we will hold the **CUCC Auction of gifts, talents, and services**. Join us at 6:30 for wine, cheese and fellowship. The bidding will start at 7 in the Vaughan fellowship hall after registering at the door for your $3.00 "bidding number".

AUCTION ACTION

What Happens When You Purchase Something at the Church Auction?

Here's One Example…

For those of you who have wished to hear a report of the joys experienced from cashing in on a church auction purchase, here is your opportunity to hear about one example: the August 27, 2005 play day at Lake Gaston offered by **Carol and Jack Kepler**. In attendance were **Linda Baker and Vann Waddell, Bill and Marty Lamb, Lisa and Richard Leiser- Banks and John and Joan Little**. Lisa demonstrated her water skiing capabilities, staying upright for 35 minutes, as John, Vann and Joan went out on kayaks to commune with the lake. Linda, Marty, and Carol engaged more deeply, swimming in the 10-foot deep water while chatting about the Ya Ya Sisterhood and sons' girlfriends. Joan, Linda, and Marty played croquet with Linda emerging as the winner due to her color-coordinated orange ball and mallet to accompany her orange bathing suit, water shoes, and towel.

Chemist Jack Kepler cooked the hamburgers and sausages, checking their temperature on a regular basis for "doneness." Any compulsion to serve us food in petri dishes was averted. Hot dogs, chips, beans, cheese, tomatoes, Grandma Osmond's potato salad with eggs and grape tomatoes rounded out the menu, with merlot wine. And then DESSERT! A warm blue berry cobbler was a delight with ice cream. And, in addition, to celebrate Linda's birthday, we had a huge chocolate Texas sheet cake with one large candle in the middle, which made for easy blowing by Ms. Baker.

The sun was warming, but not steamy during the day. Birds twittered in the bird feeders as ducks floated on the water. A gold finch stayed with the group all day and milkweed flourished on the walk to the dock. There were boating choices of a jet ski, kayak, motor or pontoon boat. Conversation came easily after dinner with Vann and John speaking knowledgably about beach erosion. Lisa's discussion topics included lifestyles at Louisburg Junior College, Pop Century in Orlando, and her crush on Barney Fife. Lisa made the parrot jams

that adorned Richard from material purchased from Hawaii. (Ask her about Poochy!) Bill recommended that everyone see *March of the Penguins*. John and Joan Little panned the movie *Broken Flowers*. Marty showed off her Judy Holliday expertise as we discussed the Hepburn-Tracy movie *Adam's Rib.*

As the day came to a close, Jack suggested going out in the pontoon boat to see the sunset. What luxury and beauty to behold as we rode through the breeze under gathering clouds out into the lake and back again. How cute we looked in our yellow life preservers! All in all, a fine time was had by all. Customer satisfaction was assured. We wonder with bated breath if there'll be another play day on the auction block this year on **Saturday, October 15th**. Hmmmmmm. I expect there will be that and many more surprises.

Consider what you'd like to bid on this year and let the church office know what you might wish to donate (edible and inedible objects, walks, activities, dinners, and other inspirations welcomed). Pledge forms can be found on the back table in the sanctuary.

Submitted by **Marty Lamb & Lisa Leiser-Banks**

Stewardship

Our pledge drive begins October 23rd and concludes November 13th on Stewardship Sunday.

Religious Education

Church School

Preschool – 3rd Grade

October 9 – November 13, 2005 – the children will be studying Parable of the Talents. We will be learning about our own individual talents as well as talents of some of our church members as they share with us during Sunday school. Our theme – God helps us use our gifts to do God's work.

November 6 – the children will lead our worship service.

November 19, 9:30-11:45 a.m. – Annual Advent Workshop for preschool through elementary children and their families. All of the children must be accompanied by an adult. There will be caroling, crafts, fellowship and more.

November 20 – we will have a special Thanksgiving lesson.

November 27, 2005 – January 15, 2006 – the children will be learning about Jesus as a child. Our theme will b e, Jesus was a child just like me!

December 18 – the children will present their Christmas Pageant as their Christmas gift to the church during worship service.

December 25 – Christmas Day, there will be no Sunday school class.

The Rotation Steering Committee is grateful to all church members who share their time, talents and knowledge with our children. The children love getting to know our adult members. If you are interested in participating in the truly rewarding ministry, please contact Jane Smith, Suzette Roach of Judy Kiel.

Anne Bailey Zschau

Appalachian Service Project – Summer 2005

On September 18 after worship, several CUCC youth reported on this summer's Appalachian Service Project (ASP) trip to Kentucky. Below is another report from Jessica Alcorn, who participated in this summer's mission trip. She is now is away at college.

"This year on Appalachian Service Project, just like the previous ones, our team did 'something beautiful for God.' In Floyd County, Kentucky our team of youth and adults met a wonderful man named Garold. He has Parkinson's disease and has trouble getting around his house. He lives in a house that he said is 150 years old, and his bathroom is more than 30 years old. As part of repairing his house, we rebuilt an entire shower including installing the plumbing. Our team also worked on installing insulation in his bathroom walls. We encountered many problems, especially with cutting and fitting the shower walls. (Garold told us that he thought all the workers who built his bathroom must have been drunk at the time, because none of the walls were square.)

"Garold loves to talk and tell stories. He made us feel completely at home by offering us sodas and food. He always wanted me to make sure I took lots of breaks, and I always talked to him when I wasn't working. He told me many stories about the

bats that lived in his house, how they attacked him at night, and how he shot at them with his BB gun. Garold also had a dog named Leroy who was his best friend.

"We worked very hard through the entire week and on the last day, we sat around talking to Garold about his memories. Sitting there, I felt like I was at home and talking to a good friend. Garold told us on that last day that no matter what happened to the home, good or bad, it still had a lot of memories and no one could take that away. Hopefully, our work crew created a memory for Garold that he can take with him in his new home."

Adult Forum - Join us at 9:15 -10:15 in the Vaughan Fellowship Hall. Upcoming speakers include:

October 2nd – A representative from the Farm Labor Organizing Committee, FLOC, will be with us to discuss the situation for migrant workers after the three-way contract.

October 9th – Bill Bryan, CEO of Mt. Olive Pickle Company will be with us to discuss the three-way contract from Mt. Olive's perspective.

October 16th – Y.H. Patt, who recently returned from Palestine where she has been working with the Israeli Committee Against House Demolition, will furnish us with an update on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. (See more information about this in the "Social Action" section of the newsletter).

October 23rd – Dr. Ed Klemmer is planning a program recognizing United Nations Day.

October 30th – Dr. Joe Burton, President of N.C. Peace Action, will talk on "What we can do for Peace."

Submitted by **Cy King**

Sunday Bible Study
The group meets Sundays at 9:15 in the Bradow Room. Everyone is welcome!

Wednesday Bible Study
This group meets at Pilgrim House at 6:30 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays to discuss the next week's Lectionary selections. For more information, contact **Mike Schafale**, 567-1098. Bring a bag supper.

Saturday Men's Group
The group meets at 9:00 a.m. in the library. More information? Contact **Ed Klemmer, 847-7992**.

***The Women's Group**
The Women's Group will meet on Thursday, October 20th at 7:00 for a pumpkin carving party in the Hoffmann Room. Please bring a pumpkin of any size, carving tools (kitchen knives, etc.) and your favorite story of the Harvest or Halloween. Call **Lynn Jarvis** at 782-3443 with questions.

Women's Beach Retreat

A dozen of CUCC's women gathered in Surf City over the weekend of September 23-25. The clear sunny weather was perfect for combing the beach for sea fans and "rentstones" (Marty Lamb only asks donations in the form of smooth round stones in return for hosting the retreat.) There was plenty of wonderful talent, fellowship and food to share.

*After the Sunday morning service, the group considered a long list of innovative suggestions to rename the group. On the second ballot, **the "Women's Support Group" became "S.I.S. – Sisters in Spirituality."** Expect to see more of SIS on CUCC's calendar!

Monday Lunch Group
Bring lunch and join us in the Hoffmann Room Mondays at 12:15 p.m. More information? Call **Geraldine Bryan**.

Retirees Fellowship
The group will meet Monday, October 10th in the Vaughan Fellowship Hall, at 10:30 AM rather than the customary eleven o'clock. Mr. Ricky Barbour, a Wake County beekeeper, will present a program on bees and beekeeping. Bees play a vital role in the production of many agricultural crops, fruits, vegetables and flowers. Come, bring a sandwich, and learn about the importance of bee culture. Drinks and dessert will be provided.

Social Action

The current fight over the future of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge constitutes the third major conflict between the forces of economic development and the protectors of sublime natural

areas in the past 100 years. In the early 20th century, the dam builders prevailed over the preservationists in California's Hetch Hetchy Valley and inundated a valley that many compared to Yosemite. Not even the great environmentalist John Muir himself could stop this act of so-called progress. In the 1950s, the preservationists had their turn at victory when they stopped another dam proposal at Echo Park on the Green River in the central Rockies. The Echo Park dam would have flooded the Dinosaur National Monument, a site of both rare natural beauty and significant scientific value. The third battle of this type is currently being waged in the northeast corner of Alaska between the forces of energy development and those who would protect the birthing ground of the largest wild caribou herd on the North American continent.

The oil industry casts this conflict as one between the needs of humans and those of caribou. It is much more complex than that. First, the amount of petroleum available is a matter of uncertainty. What is definite, however, is that even if the drilling started today, it would not increase the amount of gasoline available for at least eight years and then the best estimates are that it would reduce the price of gasoline by roughly a penny. Nor would drilling lead to national energy independence. The U.S. total oil reserves constitute just three percent of the world's total untapped petroleum. In other words, the nation will always have to rely on foreign oil.

Secondly, the Old Crow Caribou herd, consisting of at least 1,230,000 animals, conducts an annual round trip migration of 800 miles between northwestern Canada and the coastal plain of the Arctic Ocean in the refuge where more than sixty percent of their annual births take place. The migration of these animals is superseded only by herds of Tanzania. For this reason, the region is called the "North American Serengiti."

Thirdly, the Gwich'In Indians, one of the last tribes of Native People to earn their living by subsistence hunting, rely on the caribou for their livelihood. The Gwich'In refer to themselves as "the people of the caribou." Drilling in the Refuge would destroy their way of life—a way of life that most do not want changed.

Finally, the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge is a place of nearly pure wildness. There is no other place like it on the continent. Virtually every naturalist who has ever visited it agrees that it has no peer among American landscapes.

The Republican Congress recognizes that a majority of Americans want to preserve the refuge from petroleum production. So they resorted to tacking a drilling proposal into a current budget measure where it is hidden from public scrutiny and protest. The Social Action Ministry urges you to contact Senators Elizabeth Dole and Richard Burr and Congressman Brad Miller to ask that they oppose the destruction of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. If you would like additional information, please contact John Little at 781-0829 or jlittle17@nc.rr.com.

Submitted by **John Little**

Always the Middle East

On October 16th Y.H. Patt will give a first hand report to the Forum on what is going on in the Middle East based on her recent experience of living and working in Palestine. To supplement her report the Social Concerns Ministry has ordered a copy of the August *Sojourners* Magazine for each family in the church. The entire issue entitled "Reality Check" is devoted to facts on the ground in Israel and Palestine. Why do we need to put this on our agenda when we have hurricanes, a war in Iraq, a new lottery in North Carolina and so much more to worry about. Jim Wallis, editor of *Sojourners* writes: "In a private, off-the record meeting one of the most respected Western leaders said, 'I believe up to 70 percent of the conflicts in the world today stem from the still-unresolved Israel-Palestinian conflict.' That amazing insight must become the focus of our attention." And that is why the Social Concerns Ministry thinks that we must try to inform ourselves so that we can be part of the ongoing discussion and, hopefully, solution. Attend the Forum on the 16th and read your copy of *Sojourners.*

Submitted by **Cy King**

Our People

Prayer Requests

Please write prayer requests on a slip of paper and place it in the offering plate or in one of the prayer jars (Narthex or in Pilgrim House.) Our prayers are

solicited for **Jo Lemons, Jo Banks, Carolyn King, Al Matthews, Al's grandson Blake, Ruby Lamb, John Little, Ed Zschau, Millie & Americo Scapicchio, Ann Scott, and Willie Foggie's wife Nelda.**

Let us remember in our prayers the **victims of the recent Hurricanes.**

We join our **Congolese community and the Universal Church of the Twelve Apostles (EUDA**) in praying for peace in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and for the people, especially EUDA family members still at risk there.

Church Directory

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Sue Rogge - 4422 Antique Lane, Raleigh, NC 27616, 878-5858, surogy1@yahoo.com

Our Young People's Birthdays

10/05/91 – Ferline Milandu
10/11/01 – Zenna Bryan
10/14/95 – Susie Binganisi-Matuzola
10/14/00 – Isaac Mambueni
10/17/95 – Zack Cole
10/17/99 – Sophia Hase
10/20/02 – Erik Burkhardt
10/21/95 – Ellen Milandu
11/8/97 – Erin Kiel
11/29/93 – Colton Flick

We send special congratulations to **Scottie Bell**, who celebrated a big birthday on September 26. Hope it was a very happy day, Scottie!

Community Outreach

Food Bags will be collected on **Sunday, October 2,** and every **first Sunday** of the month.

In September we contributed 17 emergency food bags. That's pretty far below our goal of 25 each month. Are we forgetful, absent-minded, indifferent?? Maybe a little of each! Let's try to fill our "quota" this month and bring in 25 complete emergency food bags. Use your list and provide each item. It helps Urban Ministries immensely if we follow their list. Thanks for your response to this request.

CROP WALK
CUCC has a long tradition of supporting the **CROP WALK**. This year let's do even more than ever! We want whole families to turn out, individual walkers too, and lots of supporters.
Get involved! Sign up to be a walker. Ask friends to sponsor your walking. Collect all the money you can to reach the goal of $100 per walker.

On **October 2** walkers will gather in the Vaughan Fellowship Hall after worship. We will all bring a brown bag lunch. Drinks and a dessert will be provided. We'll join walkers from around the city at Exploris at 2 p.m., walk the prescribed route (behind a CUCC banner, we hope!), and finish our day with gratitude that we are able to walk to combat hunger.

SIGN UP with **Adrienne Talbot** or **Marge Eckels**. Meet the challenge!! Call Marge for further details at 787-5552.

Wider Church

CUCC has received over $7,000 for Neighbors in Need and Hurricane Katrina relief, and the money is still coming in! **UCC**, the denomination, has contributed $25,000 to Hurricane Katrina relief and they too expect to contribute more.

Marketplace of Meaningful Gifts is Coming!!!

Mark your calendars! We are happy to announce that Marketplace of Meaningful Gifts will be held on Sunday, November 13, from 11:30 – 2:00. It will take place in the Vaughan Fellowship Wing of our church.

There are 11 Agencies that have been invited to participate. They are:

- The Alliance of AIDS Services/Carolina
- Church of the 12 Apostles
- Friends of Residents in Long Term Care
- Haven House
- Interact
- Koinonia Partners
- Loaves and Fishes
- Wake Federation of the Blind
- North Carolina Peace Action
- 10,000 Villages
- Women's Center of Wake County

There are three ways to participate in the Marketplace. First, you can contribute to one of these worthwhile organizations in the name of a friend, relative or for yourself. In return, you'll receive a gift card to give to your loved one. Second, you'll also find an exciting array of beautiful crafts, cards, jewelry, books, ornaments and other gift items to purchase. Third, you can learn about the work these agencies are performing simply by visiting the various exhibits.
There will be a Marketplace Café where you can purchase snacks and beverages for a nominal cost.

Plan to attend! We promise it will be a heart-warming and worthwhile event!

Submitted by **June Bolton**

ADULT FELLOWSHIP RETREAT

Blowing Rock Conference Center

Are you looking for an adult retreat experience to recharge your spiritual batteries?? Or maybe you would like to get away from the busyness of everyday life and appreciate the peacefulness available in Blowing Rock? Either way, you are invited to attend our annual Adult Fall Fellowship event October 17-20 (Monday 4 pm – Thursday breakfast); for a cost of $185 you receive 3 nights and 8 meals, plus program, fellowship, worship and music! Leadership is provided by Rev. Steve Halsted and Lee Mahan Evans.

The theme is "Creation Spirituality in the New Millennium"

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A Month of Sundays

October 2, Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 – 9:30 Taizé; 9:15 Adult Forum; 10:30 Worship Service with Communion & Church School; Fellowship Time
Lectionary: Exod 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Ps 19 OR Isa 5:1-7; Ps 80:7-15; Phil 3:4b-14; Matt 21:33-46

October 9, Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 – 9:30 Taizé; 9:00 newcomers' breakfast???? **9:15 Adult Forum & Bible Study; 10:30 Worship Service & Church School; Fellowship Time**
Lectionary: Exod 32:1-14; Ps 106:1-6, 19-23 OR Isa 25:1-9; Ps 23; Phil 4:1-9; Matt 22:1-14

October 16, Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 – 9:30 Taizé with Communion; 9:15 Adult Forum & Bible Study; 10:30 Worship Service featuring Helen Crisp's playreading group "The Crooked Town" & Church School; Fellowship Time
Lectionary: Exod 33:12-23; Ps 99 OR Isa 45:1-7; Ps 96:1-9, (10-13) 1 Thess 1:1-10; Matt 22:15-22

October 23, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 – 9:30 Taizé; 9:15 Adult Forum & Bible Study; 10:30 Worship Service & Church School; Fellowship Time
Lectionary: Deut 34:1-12; Ps 90:1-6, 13-17 OR Lev 19:1-2, 15-18; Ps 1; 1 Thess 2:1-8; Matt 22:34-46

October 30, Tthirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 – 9:30 Taizé; 9:15 Adult Forum & Bible Study; 10:30 Worship Service & Church School; Fellowship Time
Lectionary:
Josh 3:7-17; Ps 107:1-7, 33-37 OR Mic 3:5-12; Ps 43; 1 Thess 2:9-13; Matt 23:1-12