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A Word from our Pastor

Dear Friends,

There is exciting news to share about our sister church, formerly known as North Raleigh United Church. Their pastor, Doug Long, announced at the September gathering of area UCC clergy that they have just received their Certificate of Occupancy and have moved into their new building to worship.

The building they purchased at 8208 Brownleigh Drive sits on 3 acres adjacent to the William B. Umstead State Park off Highway 70. They will share the building space with an architectural firm who drafted plans to renovate the space for a worship area, classroom space and offices. In the process North Raleigh UCC decided to change its name to reflect its new location. They voted unanimously to officially name themselves Umstead Park United Church of Christ.

Their first Sunday of worship in their new home was on August 26, 2007. Many of you will remember that they were a new church start back in 1999. An Open House celebration will be held on November 4, a Sunday afternoon, at 4 p.m. All area UCC churches are invited to attend. Please mark that date on your calendar so Community UCC will be well represented to share in this joyful occasion.

Blessings and Peace,

Steve Halsted

Church Council

CUCC Council meeting September 17, 2007

(excerpted by Vandy Bradow)

Attending: John Little, Moderator; Steve Halsted, Pastor; Ministry Chairs Sam Johnson, Joan McAllister, Gary Smith and Tom Young; Vandy Bradow, Immediate Past Moderator

John Little called the meeting to order and Steve Halsted opened it with prayer. Minutes were read and approved.

Lavon Page gave a status report on Vaughan Wing sound system and made a request for improvements. He recommends purchasing a 42 – 50” flat panel display and a DVD player (cost ~ \$1,000). Wall-mounting (~\$300) would eliminate concerns about theft. Lavon encouraged the Council to form a group comprising members of the Property and Religious Education Ministries and Council, and offered to facilitate the discussion. Council agreed. Vandy Bradow agreed to represent the Council, Joan McAllister is contacting Paul Kiel to represent Property, and John Little will contact the Religious Education Ministry regarding representation.

RICH Park Update—Tom Young presented a brief history of our affiliation with 5 other area churches to provide affordable housing at RICH Park for the last 38 years. This rental supplement program was funded through HUD; that program will be dropped in July 2008. Representatives from the board prepared a Letter of Recommitment and asked that the pastor and a lay leader from each church to sign it if they are willing to continue in the future. Three of the five churches have signed.

Joan McAllister made the motion to sign the letter on behalf of the church and Gary Smith 2nd. Motion passed. Steve Halsted and John Little will represent CUCC. Tom Young has agreed to mention to the Board that more energy be put into a “Residents’ Council” to encourage dialogue between the churches and the residents.

John Little distributed the Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual for January 1 through September 6,

2007, and read the report provided by Treasurer Mary Pruneau.

All ministries are reminded that budget requests are due at the October meeting so Stewardship can plan next year’s budget. Mary expressed strong concern for the overlapping pleas for contributions that the church has been experiencing.

There was thoughtful discussion regarding the process of support for the different causes that the church supports. The minutes from last month’s meeting were reviewed. “Ministry Moments should be limited to items that are missions of the church and be informative in nature—purpose of the organization and ways to volunteer; not to exceed 5 minutes.” These causes for support should probably be brought to the Community Outreach Ministry for action.

Vandy Bradow made a motion to have someone representing CROP Walk and Walk for Hope to present together a comparison of their missions, and explain ways the congregation might participate. Sam Johnson 2nd. Motion passed. Tom Young agreed to ask Mike Schafale and Suzette Roach to collaborate and present at the Sept. 30 worship service. John Little suggested that further discussion regarding various initiatives take place when Mary Pruneau returns next month.

Property Ministry--Joan McAllister provided and discussed a budget proposal for 2008, requesting an increase of \$8,000.

Sam Johnson asked what is entailed in the work of the grounds maintenance. Joan will check the statement of work. Atlantec Lighting has been selected to improve the sanctuary lighting. The Jani-King contract needs to be amended. The Vaughan Wing and bathrooms should get yearly strip-waxing (\$1000). Kurk Brewington will wax 6 months later.

CUCC accepted Thomas Littleton’s bid of \$950 for the maintenance contract, effective immediately. He will give a cut in price for the cost of filters. Steve Bass (B&E) looked at the sound system in the sanctuary and fixed some of the problems; they will explore feasibility of portable mike and remote replacement. Replacement of the doors at the back of the sanctuary and of the church sign are priorities.

Church Work Day has been set for November 17, 2007 from 9 – 12.

Deacons –Sam Johnson reported that there will be a pulpit exchange on World Communion Sunday. Steve is preaching at Covenant Church and David Mallory will be our speaker. October 28 will highlight Justice in Changing Climate initiatives. The Deacons will lead this event. Sam has agreed to speak with Linda Baker regarding the evaluations of Anne Moorman-Smith and Doug Barrick.

Community Outreach—Tom Young announced that Loaves and Fishes is the agency for October and FIGS for November.

Ann & Joe Retzer will be organizing the Stop Hunger Now project. Marketplace for Meaningful Gifts will take place on November 18 with 3 churches participating—CUCC, Fairmont and Pullen. The ministry has added ASP in the budget for 2008.

Tom announced that he would need to step down from his responsibilities. He will continue through the end of 2007 if needed. Nominating Committee will try to find a replacement before that date.

Social Justice—Gary Smith
(Please see the full report under the newsletter section on Social Justice.) Gary reported work of the Social Justice Ministry and of the “Justice in a Changing Climate” Steering Committee.

No reports from Welcoming, Fellowship and Growth and Stewardship Ministries.

Pastor’s Report—Steve reported for Religious Educations Ministry that Anne Bailey’s evaluation will be performed in late October or early November.

Council discussed the timing of the Stewardship campaign and set the Congregational Meeting for December 2. This led to discussion and setting dates for other significant CUCC events and activities through December (see list below).

October 7 World Communion Sunday
Pulpit Exchange

October 7 CROP Walk

October 7 Budget requests due

October 14 Walk for Hope

October 28 Justice In a Changing Climate
Service led by Deacons

Nov. 4 Environmental Sampler and Potluck

Nov. 17 Building and Grounds Workday 9-12

Nov. 18 Marketplace for Meaningful Gifts
STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Dec. 1 Family Advent party

**DECEMBER 2
CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING**

Dec. 4 or 5 Advent/Hanukkah evening event
(Tentative)

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting October 15

*Excerpted by Vandy Bradow from minutes
prepared by Jeanne Ledbetter, recorder.*

**A CALL TO SERVE: CHURCH CLERK
IMMEDIATE NEED**

Please prayerfully consider filling the vacancy of church clerk. Responsibilities: taking minutes of Church Council meetings and Congregational meetings and submitting them to the church secretary.

Contact **Jeanne Ledbetter** at 851-8824 or the church office. Thank you!

Deacons

**CUCC Deacons Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2007**

Attending: Jo Perry, Sam Johnson, Ann McLaughlin, Gary Smith, Steve Halsted, Margaret Osborne

Sam started the meeting with a prayer.

World Communion Sunday is October 7. Steve will not be here because of progressive church pulpit exchange – Steve is going to Covenant Christian Disciples of Christ in Cary, and David Mallory from Hillyer Memorial Disciples of Christ will preach at CUCC with Ann McLaughlin leading worship.

Memorials for **Kay Cope** will go into the reserve funds.

Nancy Callaham sent a note thanking us for the celebration of her ministry at CUCC this summer.

The **October 28 Service** will be a special service focus on a green church. Theme is “Justice in a Changing Climate.” Part of the focus is to put forth what we have already done and what is in progress or in plan.

Next Deacons meeting: October 11.

Religious Education

Adult Forum

The Forum meets on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. in the Vaughan fellowship hall.

Oct 7 - Clay Stalnaker –on Martin Luther King, Ghandi, and nonviolence.

October 14 – Elena Everette & Peter Gilbert – Militarism in North Carolina

October 21 – Ed Klemmer – Open forum by CUCC members on how to aid the people of Iraq in bringing peace to their country. ALL of CUCC should participate.

October 28 – Ed Klemmer – Continuing the open forum on peace – extended to the entire world. What are the fundamental realities – what agencies can be most effective – what is the role of religions - what is the role of CUCC?

Church School

The Church School had another hugely successful school supply drive for our friends in Guatemala. The donation will be used by the 200 girls at the orphanage. The supplies will be hand delivered by Mr. Rubio in November. The box includes, personal notes from the children along with: 1400 Sheets of loose leaf paper, 384 Crayons, 370 pencils, 165 markers, 72 colored pencils, 69 pens, 32 pieces of chalk, 16 spiral notebooks, 14 bottles of glue, 10 folders, 8 pencil sharpeners, 8 small tablets, 4 glitter glues, 3 scissors, 1 pack of dividers,

Church School Lessons

October 7: Food from Heaven
(Exodus 15:22-17:17)

October 14: 10 Commandments
(Exodus 19:1-20:21)

October 21: Covenant Broken and Renewed
(Exodus 24:12-18, 32-34)

October 28: Moving Toward Canaan
(Numbers 13-14)

Church School Meeting (Parents and Teachers) October 28th at 9:15

A meeting will be held to gather feedback and evaluate the Gather Round curriculum before ordering new materials for the winter/spring quarter. We will also discuss the upcoming advent events and Christmas Pageant. Coffee and snacks will be served!!!

Walk for Hope: The Church Youth will be participating in the Walk for Hope on October 14th. For more information contact Suzette Roach.

Submitted by Heather **Burkhardt**

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Please join us Sunday mornings at 9:15 in the Bradow Room as we "read the Bible again for the first time." There is no preparation and no homework.

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. Bring a bag supper. More information? Call **Mike Schafale**, 567-1098.

Saturday Men's Group

The group meets each Saturday at 9:00 a.m. in the library. The Saturday Men's Group book for reading and discussion for October is *The Rise and Fall of the Great Powers* by Paul Kennedy. For more information, call **Ed Klemmer**, 847-7992.

Monday Lunch Group

Bring lunch and join us in the Hoffmann Room Mondays at 12:15 p.m. October will begin with a visit from Ursula Schmidt-Pridik. We'll return for most of the month to our discussion of topics related to *Water For Elephants*, led by **Sue Cottle**.

Property

NEWS FLASH(LIGHT?)

David Whitney of Atlantec lighting consultants would like to meet with interested members of the congregation regarding what we would like to see in terms of sanctuary lighting. He will be taking measurements and doing some initial evaluation between now and the meeting so that he can give us some ideas about feasibility. If you are interested in talking with Mr. Whitney please plan to come to a meeting on Thursday, October 25 at 7:30 pm in the Vaughan Fellowship Hall. If you cannot attend the meeting and would like to submit ideas about lighting, please email Joan McAllister at phocas@mindspring.com prior to the meeting.

Property Ministry Meeting

Excerpts from the minutes taken by **Joan McAllister** at the September 9, 2007 meeting.

The property ministry chose Atlantec to work on our sanctuary lighting and Littleton for our HVAC maintenance contract.

Carol Clark was authorized to contact Roto Rooter or similar business to clean out the drain in the stairwell next to the furnace room, which has been stopped up for some time.

Doors leading from the narthex to the back parking lot were discussed – David Ledbetter advised the group about some of the options that are available. He will further research the issue and will work with Geraldine Bryan and Joan McAllister to bring to the group for decision. Mary Pruneau will be asked about possible funds for door replacement. There was some discussion about changing the location of the glass in the narthex to the outside of the wood, rather than exposing the wood to the dirt and elements.

The deteriorating condition of the brick sidewalk leading to the back entry and the memorial garden walkway were also discussed.

We need to schedule a church workday. The committee was asked to think about jobs that need to be done during the workday.

Memorial/Meditation Garden

Our thanks to **Sam Johnson** for tending our garden in September.

Caretakers for upcoming months:

October – **Grady McCallie & Fawn Pattison**

If you are interested in keeping our garden, please contact **Peg** to volunteer for a month: 833-7203.

Guidelines for upkeep tasks of the garden are in the office and will be mailed to those who volunteer.

Pictorial Directory

Life Touch photographers will be here:

Thursday, October 11, 2-9 p.m.

Friday, October 12, 2-9 p.m., and Saturday, October 13, ~10-3

Please be ON TIME for your appointment as the scheduling is **VERY TIGHT!**

Welcoming, Fellowship & Growth

Retirees Fellowship – (2nd Mondays, monthly)

The Retired Group will meet Monday, October 8, at 10:30 in the Vaughan fellowship hall. With Steve Halsted as tour guide, we will take a pictorial journey to the Umbria region of Italy. Bring a sandwich for lunch; drinks and dessert are provided. Everyone is welcome - come and enjoy the trip!

NEEDED NOW: Fellowship Hour Folk

We need many folk – a few at a time –to set out beverages and simple nibbles for fellowship hour after Sunday morning services during October and November. Contact Ed or Ruth Klemmer, phone 847-7992 or email erklemmer@earthlink.net.

Social Justice

Energy FAQ Sheet

As part of our “Justice in a Changing Climate” initiative, we are commencing a column to

answer questions and address day-to-day issues of reducing our energy footprint. If you have questions for the discussion, speak with any of the Steering Committee members.

Compact Fluorescent Lights: A good way to get started reducing your energy footprint.

Did you know... (From EPA Energy Star*)

If every home in America replaced just one incandescent light bulb with an ENERGY STAR qualified CFL, in one year it would save enough energy to light more than 3 million homes and prevent greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to those of more than 800,000 cars.

Lighting accounts for close to 20 percent of the average home's electric bill.

CFLs use up to 75 percent less energy than incandescent light bulbs, last up to 10 times longer, cost little up front, and provide a quick return on investment.

Fluorescent lights (including CFLs) contain mercury.

CFLs contain a very small amount of mercury sealed within the glass tubing – an average of 5 milligrams – about the amount that would cover the tip of a ballpoint pen. By comparison, older thermometers contain about 500 milligrams of mercury. It would take 100 CFLs to equal that amount.

Precautions when using CFLs at home.

CFLs are made of glass and can break if dropped or roughly handled. Always screw and unscrew the lamp by its base (not the glass), and never forcefully twist the CFL into a light socket. If any fluorescent light breaks in your home, follow the clean-up recommendations at the website below.

Disposal of CFL and other fluorescent lights when they burn out.

EPA recommends that consumers take advantage of available local recycling options for compact fluorescent light bulbs. (*http://energystar.gov/ia/partners/promotions/change_light/downloads/Fact_Sheet_Mercury.pdf)

In Wake County all fluorescent lights are recycled as **Household Hazardous Waste**. Web site info: <http://www.wakegov.com/NR/rdonlyres/423BAD7>

[E-768A-422D-B514-329CCC97F05C/0/2006recyclingguideFINAL.pdf](http://www.wakegov.com/NR/rdonlyres/423BAD7)

As a member of CUCC, you can bring old, unbroken fluorescent lights to church the 1st Sunday of each season (fall, winter...), and Jane and Gary Smith will take them to the disposal site.

Ministry Highlights Report

The following was presented at September's Church Council meeting.

Membership. Margaret announced that she'd like to take a leave of absence from SJM to focus more on the youth programs and on connecting the congregation better to the Congolese community. She agreed to help keep SJM informed about ways the ministry can help in the Congo.

Ministry moments.

- * Jane and Gary gave a ministry moment August 26 focused on children's issues, and inviting members of the congregation to join SJM to watch children's issues. Outcome - Frank Gailor joined the ministry to take on this focus.
- * Jane produced a handout for worship and gave ministry moment Sept 16 focused on 100,000 for peace. Signing the letter that the UCC leaders will carry to DC was offered at church in the computer lab. ~ 15 people signed after church, and we are aware of about 10-15 others who have signed outside of church.

Budget items. July was an active month for budget items. SJM agreed to fund the following groups: Peace Booth (\$50); American Friends Service Committee (\$200); Fellowship of Reconciliation (\$200); NC Peace Action (\$150); Bread for the World (\$250); FLOC-NC (\$100); National Farmworker Ministry (\$100); NC Fair Share (\$100); NC Justice Center (\$100); Democracy NC (\$170); Common Sense Foundation (\$100); Friends Committee on National Legislation (\$200); Resources Center for Women (\$200); Sojourners (\$100).

Literature: SJM receives a number of informative newsletters and journals from the groups we support. If the Communications ministry agrees, SJM will place the most interesting and substantive in the rack near the narthex, so the rest of the members of the congregation can see and take them. SJM will not post the junk mail we receive.

Smithfield Workers Support Initiative. SJM continues to support workers' rights to unionize the Tarheel plant. SJM members felt it would be worth asking union organizers how they will ensure that the card-election system avoids coercion of workers by other, pro-union workers. The question will be shared with the **union**.

Justice in a Changing Climate. The first meeting of the Steering team was on Sunday, July 15. The committee plans to put up a bulletin board. Mark Ginsburg and Alice Lloyd from Interfaith Power & Light visited in early August to share information about their 'cool congregations' campaign for churches. As an outcome, an Energy Audit are planned for CUCC. There seems to be great synergy between CUCC and NCIPL. Grady mentioned that the state legislative study commission of global warming will finalize recommendations in October, so there will likely be several policy proposals before the state legislature next summer that CUCC may want to support.

The meeting with Steve upon his return from sabbatical was highly productive. It is clear that CUCC and Steve are well aligned with desires and plans. Outcomes from the meeting include:

- * **climate change worship service Oct 28** to offer prayers for guidance, celebrate what people are already doing and our future plans.
- * **short survey for CUCC** to help us understand where individuals are and want to know about climate change.
- * **climate change education sampler and potluck for Nov 4** to which all CUCC members and possibly other congregations will be invited.

Hold Nov. 4, 4 - 6:30 pm, for Educational Sampler Potluck (ESP)

All CUCCers are invited
to a rollicking supper-time feast of food
and semi-seminars
for our **Justice** in a **Changing Climate** initiative.

Teens and adults will choose from a smorgasbord of videos, briefings, book discussions, and happenings. Children will play their way through "green justice"

activities; a nursery will be provided for the under-3 set. PLEASE BRING A POTLUCK DISH.



If you can, bring locally grown food to the potluck, because the biggest contribution we can make to slowing climate change is by driving fewer vehicles miles. Tell us where your food came from- make a label or a sign!

Dozens of helpers are needed for small tasks; call Jane Smith to volunteer or email smithjeg@mindspring.com

Our People

NEW MEMBERS New members will be **welcomed** on Sunday, November 4. If you are considering joining our congregation and have not already spoken to Steve, please give him a call or email (see first page).

Prayer Requests

Please write your 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, Al Matthews, Ruby Lamb, Lisa Marsh, Mamie Scott, Geri Bowen's mother, Nancy Cross' cousins Carolyn and Jean, David Ledbetter's father, Bill, June Bolton, Scottie Bell, Bobby Barnes, Rhonda Zingraff & Charlie Thomas, Dawn Pickett, Kerma Hazel, Joan Little, people of the DRC, and other victims of war and natural disaster across the globe.

Congratulations



Our Young Peoples' Birthdays

10/11/01 – Zenna Bryan
10/14/95 – Susie Binganisi
10/17/95 – Zack Cole
10/20/02 – Erik Burkhardt
10/21/95 – Ellen Milandu
11/8/97 – Erin Kiel

11/18/05 – Ian Burkhardt

11/26/98 – Hope Davis

Community Outreach

CUCC's Agency of the Month

Loaves and Fishes Ministry, Inc.

The Mission

To serve as an extended family to a group of at-risk children through long-term, individualized support so the children succeed in school and in society.

The Vision

Children will manage challenges and triumph over adverse circumstances.

The Foundation

- Well-trained staff and dedicated volunteers
- Embedded Christian values of love, sharing, faith and community
- Belief in every child's gifts and potential
- Value and affirm each child with patience, determination, flexibility, and compassion
- Belief in the possibility of expanding limited resources and achieving big results

Goals for Students

- Achieve academic success and high school graduation
- Develop social skills
- Experience opportunities for creative expression
- Prepare for the workforce
- Pursue physical well being
- Strengthen family units
- Become involved in the community
- Grow spiritually and develop a personal relationship with God
- Grow in cultural awareness

History

The organization was founded in 1982 as a summer enrichment program for twelve inner-city children living in Raleigh's Halifax Court Public Housing Project. In 1984, the decision was made to expand this summer program into a year-round ministry, as it became apparent that daily attention to the children's needs was making a difference, and that

individual help throughout the year would enhance their school performance. To be successful, every child needs support; for high-risk children, outside intervention is necessary at every stage of development.

The Program

Today 48 children are enrolled annually in this long-term youth intervention program. Children typically enter the program as kindergartners and remain throughout their school careers. All factors which place these children at risk of school failure are addressed through programs on-site at Loaves and Fishes during after-school hours. These include academic support, attention to special interests, social skills development, one-to-one mentoring, workforce preparedness, family support, counseling and advocacy. The staff works closely with school personnel and parents to help the children succeed.

What Makes Loaves and Fishes Unique?

- Long-term (students begin in kindergarten and stay involved through high school and college)
- Involvement with each student's school (teachers, guidance counselors, and administrators)
- Involvement with the families (commitment by the parent/guardian, monthly meetings)
- Holistic approach to the student's development which includes academics, enrichment activities, healthy living, character education, self-expression and much more!

(Ed. note: For those of you who are newcomers, Loaves and Fishes founders Betty Anne Ford and Nancy Newell were and are CUCC members.)

2007 Raleigh CROP WALK

CROP Walk: The CROP walk will be Sunday, October 7, starting at 2:00 from Exploris. This is an ecumenical event that raises money to help hungry people both locally and throughout the world. Every one is encouraged to support this long-time mission activity of our church, either by walking or by sponsoring a walker. See Mike Schafale for registration materials.

19th Annual Thad and Alice Eure Walk for Hope

The youth of CUCC will participate in the Walk for Hope again this year. The Walk for Hope raises money for research on and treatment of mental illness. This year's walk will be held on Sunday,

October 14 at 10 a.m. It begins at the Angus Barn, winds through Umstead Park, and concludes with a cookout celebration. The youth would love for walkers of all ages to join them. You can sign up by contacting Suzette Roach, 460-8678, or going to walkforhope.com. Our team code is CUCC. The youth will have a table set up after worship on September 30 and October 7.

STOP HUNGER NOW - EVENT POSTPONED

The October 20 date will be **RESCHEDULED** for a later time. Those interested in more information may call or email **Joe or Ann Retzer (847-1080; aretz46@aol.com)**.

What Happens to My Food Bag?

Marge Eckels whisks them away, but what happens next? Jane Smith just began volunteering at the Urban Ministries Food Pantry. You can read The Saga of Your Food Bag on the CUCC News and Chat blog <http://cuccinfo.blogspot.com/>.

Tips from Jane's first week:

* Urban Ministries tries to give low salt canned veggies to people with dietary restrictions. Consider buying these and MARK on your bag "low salt" so they know.

* One food pantry volunteer estimates that they use 1000 plastic grocery bags every month! Bring your extra bags (paper or plastic) to the food pantry cart in the Vaughan Fellowship Hall and Jane will take them to the food pantry.

Submitted by **Jane Smith**

condition. It really exists – and we can help to alleviate it by contributing food bags from our bounty.

Food bags are due **October 7** and every first Sunday of the month.

Submitted by **Marge Eckels**

Wider Community

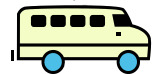
The United Nations Association Annual Dinner

will be Wednesday, October 24, 2007, at 6:30 p.m. at NC State University Club. Deborah Derrick will give a talk called: "Toward a Better, Safer World: What the UN Brings to the Table." Cost - \$27 adults, \$12 students. Register by October 19 and make checks payable to UNA-Wake and mail to UNA-Wake, 1307 Sycamore Dr., Garner, NC 27529. Questions: Call Wayne Bare at 772-5165. Each Sunday you can get a registration form for the dinner from **Sally Cook**, Chair of the UNA Annual Dinner.

Flower Shuttle Fall Open House & Art Fest

The Flower Shuttle, a Raleigh nonprofit effort begun in March 2006 to recycle fresh flowers, will host an Open House and Art Fest on Sunday, October 7, 2007, from 2-5 pm in the fellowship hall at Raleigh Moravian Church, 1816 Ridge Road.

In addition to providing information about the shuttle, Flower Shuttle volunteers who are



artists will display and sell their creations. Refreshments will be served. Flower Shuttle volunteers meet each Tuesday morning at 9:00 am in the church fellowship hall. These volunteers collect donated flowers, create arrangements, and deliver them

flowers. Several CUCC members are regular volunteer ; everyone is welcome to join! For more information, contact **Marcy Halsted**.

Raleigh GLBT Community Center Organizes

A core focus working committee is forming to establish a Raleigh Gay Lesbian Bi-Sexual Transgender Community Center (building and program). To attend the first business meeting October 14, 2-4 p.m. (near Five Points) email

HELP YOUR NEIGHBOR BY BRINGING FOOD BAGS!



For the last two months we have fallen far below our goal of 25 food bags per month (17 and 18, respectively). Let's make up for the shortfall in October! Remember that hunger is not a "virtual"

WillieD.Pilkington@att.net for more information, questions, and directions. The meeting is open to Raleigh/Wake individuals, organizations, service providers, business and professionals.

Wider Church

Southern Conference Calendar:

The Eastern North Carolina Association, of which CUCC is a member, will be holding its annual meeting on Saturday, October 13, 10 a.m. - 3p.m. at Mt. Calvary Church , 715 Athens Ave., Durham 27707 (919-688-5066). Pastor Steve Halsted plans to attend. All CUCC members are encouraged to attend. Call the office for registration information. Lunch is available; you can register the day of the meeting. Carpooling can be arranged. **See also “Southern Spirit” supplement to UCC News, and the Conference website, soc-ucc.org.**

DAY-TO-DAY CONTACTS AT CUCC

Pastor: Rev, Steve Halsted
Office Manager: Carol Clark
(Office hours: 9 a.m.- 1 p.m., Monday-Friday)
Moderator: John Little
Treasurer: Mary Pruneau
Asst. Treasurer: Carol Kepler

Ministry Chairs:
Deacons: Sam Johnson
Stewardship: Carol Kepler, Interim chair
Property: David Ledbetter and Joan McAllister
Religious Education: Marty Lamb
Social Justice: Gary Smith
Community Outreach: Tom Young

Organist: Doug Barrick
Choir Director: Anne Moorman-Smith

October 22nd

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The deadline for our November Newsletter is
The Newsletter can be found on our web page:
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A Month of Sundays

October 7 | Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time |
9:00 – 9:30 Taizé;
9:15 Adult Forum & Bible Study; 10:30 Worship (with Communion) & Church School, David Mallory, Hillyer Memorial, preaching Fellowship Time
Lectionary:
Lam 1:1-6;
Lam 3:19-26 or
Ps 137 or Hab 1:1-4, 2:1-4; Ps 37:1-9, 2 Tim 1:1-14;
Luke 17:5-10

October 14 | Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
9:00 – 9:30 Taizé;
9:15 Adult Forum & Bible Study; 10:30 Worship Service & Church School; Fellowship Time
Lectionary:
Jer 29:1, 4-7;
Ps 66:1-12 or
2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c;
Ps 111; 2 Tim 2:8-15;
Luke 17:11-19

October 21 | Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
9:00 Taizé with Communion; 9:15 Adult Forum & Bible Study; 10:30 Worship & Church School; Fellowship Time
Lectionary:
Jer 31:27-34;
Ps 119:97-104 or
Gen 32:22-31; Ps 121; 2 Tim 3:14-4:5;
Luke 18:1-8

October 28 | Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
9:00 – 9:30 Taizé;
9:15 Adult Forum & Bible Study; 10:30 Worship Service (Deacons lead) & Church School, Fellowship Time
Lectionary:
Joel 2:23-32; Ps 65 or
Sirach 35:12-17 or
Jer 14:7-10, 19-22;
Ps 84:1-7;
2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18;
Luke 18:9-14