

# Soundings



THE NEWSLETTER FOR SHORELINE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH, SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

**November 2011**

**Worship Services Sunday 10:30 a.m.**



**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS** November 6; turn your clocks back 1 hour Saturday night.

Nov. 6

**“The Beloved Stranger” Rev. Craig Rennebohm**

SUUC welcomes as our pulpit guest Rev. Rennebohm, of the Mental Health Chaplaincy (an outreach mission of the Prospect Congregational United Church of Christ in Seattle). His 25-year ministry with the homeless and mentally ill on the streets of Seattle inspired his book, *Souls in the Hands of a Tender God*. Rev. Rennebohm has spent his career challenging himself and congregations of many faiths to be companions to all people, inclusive and supportive, welcoming the stranger and the estranged.

*Join us after the service for an informal conversation with Craig for those who have interest in mental health issues and the role of the faith community.*

Nov. 13

**“The Gift of NOW”**

**The Rev. Heather Lynn Hanson, Interim Minister**

We explore the philosophy of living taught by Eckhart Tolle, author of several recent books on spiritual consciousness. We consider how “effective” it is or could be in contemporary, daily life, and whether it supports, counters, or is irrelevant to the values generally espoused by Unitarian Universalists.

♫ Spirit Hand plays.

Nov. 20

**“Think Globally, Act Locally”**

**The Rev. Heather Lynn Hanson, Interim Minister**

Part of Shoreline’s mission/vision statement says that we want to “act locally, while thinking regionally, nationally, globally.” Millions of causes need concerted attention to correct, repair, heal, or bring to justice. Another quotation says: “Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.” What has captured your treasure?

All-church Potluck following the service (see page 4).

Nov 27

**“What Difference Does it Make?”**

**Lex Voorhoeve, Guest Speaker**

Assuming there is consciousness underlying what we experience as reality, what difference does it make that in that case WE ARE THAT CONSCIOUSNESS?

Children’s story will be about member-supported children in the ANSWER project in Nepal.

Today’s Plate Share is for ANSWER. (See page 8 for more information)

## MINISTER'S REPORT

**THE REV. HEATHER LYNN HANSON**

### *The Interim Passage — Leaping from the Rut*



Sometimes it takes an unforeseen act to make me pull my attention from my usual routine, and look around with eyes wide open. Lex Voorhoeve and Anne Martin surprised me when they bought a sermon at last spring's auction. They wanted me to preach about Eckhart Tolle. Who?? Well, that was the beginning of a whole fresh look at what I believe and practice, as I read Tolle's books, listened to tapes and thought about how his philosophy fits in the "real" world.

It happened again when I learned what Mim Collins wanted done for her memorial service—and I saw it come to life in a remarkable Celebration of Life. As my cousin used to say in amazement: "Who'da thunk?"

Again and again I get buried in a task, a deadline, a duty, a necessary activity. Then something or someone insists that I look up. Scratch the schedule! Dump the ToDo list. There's more in the world than my narrow focus. Drat! Or Yay! Or Whew!

Some times the "unusual" is a welcome diversion. Other times it feels like a loss of predictability and control amid an overly busy schedule. I've found that frequently the new awareness outweighs the inconvenience of disruption, and I'm grateful. But, even those interruptions and changes of plans I resist, resent or fear are potential lessons and gifts — if I'll let them be. Do you have these "out of rut" experiences?

#### **The Uses of Sorrow (Mary Oliver)**

*(In my sleep I dreamed this poem)*

*Someone I loved once gave me  
a box full of darkness.*

*It took me years to understand  
that this, too, was a gift.*

As November cold sets in and invites us to get comfortable, let us not reject those gifts that rouse us from our "ruts." Let us welcome whatever life presents as opportunity for spiritual growth and self understanding, and may we be grateful.

Wishing you a warm and happy Thanksgiving,

Heather Lynn

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### **We Care!!**

Are you going through a tough time in your life when a little help could ease your burden? You are part of our caring community, so don't hesitate to ask for help! Our Care Team is ready to provide support services, including transportation, brief respite care, support for caregivers, light housecleaning, and meals during a crisis. If you need assistance, you may call the monthly Care Team Coordinator directly or contact the church: 206-363-7994 / [office@shorelineuu.org](mailto:office@shorelineuu.org). You will be referred to a Care Team Coordinator who will listen to you and match your needs to someone who will provide the appropriate help. Your request is confidential. The Care Team Contact for November is Fran Campbell, 206-417-0663; the backup is Joyce Allison, 425-424-8711.

## **Summary of Board Retreat Discussion on the Provocative Propositions**

The seven Provocative Propositions which had the greatest support among the congregation formed the basis for the Board retreat in September. The staff and some members of the IMST joined us for part of the discussion; thank you! The 7 are listed below, each with the letter that has identified it during the whole process, and organized generally from internal focus (for church and for members) to external focus:

- H. Create and utilize 5-year plans
- K. Stabilize financial health and fair compensation
- J. Develop volunteers and paid leadership & staff
- D. Develop program coordination, lifelong learning, spiritual development
- E. Engage Joys & Sorrows and other discussions
- C. Support SUUC young adult & campus ministries
- L. Reach beyond our walls

The Board's roles and duties include a vision for the church consistent with its mission and the direction its members want it to go. The 7 Provocative Propositions are grouped below by broad theme, with an overview of our discussion from the retreat in each area. Overall, a key need identified was development of approaches to move from interests & discussion to action, including leadership training and a more organized approach to continuity (for example, in committees).

Long-range planning & stability: The propositions "Create and utilize 5-year plans" and "Stabilize financial health and fair compensation" are part of the Board's duties and have been areas of ongoing discussion this year at our meetings. Long-range planning might best be readdressed when we have a settled minister, and the Bylaws already allow for an ad-hoc long-range planning committee when needed. The Board is currently clarifying and further developing the church's financial policies. Having Stewardship Committee members carry over from one year to the next would also be quite useful for continuity in this area.

Personnel development & personal development: The propositions "Develop volunteers and paid leadership & staff" and "Develop program coordination, lifelong learning, spiritual development" seek to expand adult education and development beyond the traditional Adult Religious Education and may benefit from point group or point person. We discussed some ideas for setting up training in areas such as leadership, communication, starting groups, and developing adult RE classes, and plan to have more regular ARE offerings, starting with a basic UU curriculum for those who haven't had that before or would like a refresher.

Connections between people (and families) in our community and with the larger community: The propositions "Engage Joys & Sorrows and other discussions," "Support SUUC young adult & campus ministries" and "Reach beyond our walls" raise questions of when, where, and how people can connect, share their areas of passion and things that are meaningful in their lives, and plan activities. We talked about having a roadmap of activities & groups to help let people know what's already going on and how to get involved. It's powerful when people share the successes their group has had, particularly on social justice issues, or hear specific calls to action. We talked about approaches for reaching and connecting different age groups, including young adults families. "Social media" (web-based and mobile technologies) is a rapidly growing format but of course not everyone can access it, or wants to.

These Provocative Propositions form the basis of an ongoing dialog and for big picture planning for SUUC. Thank you so much for your contribution to the process and your contributions to this church community!

— *Eliza Sutton*

## MEMBERSHIP

### KRISTA TENNEY — MEMBER ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR

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*“We should notice that we are already supported at every moment. There is the earth below our feet, and there is the air, filling our lungs and emptying them. We should begin from this when we need support.”*

~Natalie Goldberg, *Writing Down the Bones*

Our SUUC activities and events support and connect us to each other, but I wanted to take just a moment to share some ways that you can also connect with the larger UU community.

On October 22, Julie Houff, Sid Collins and I attended the first Annual Northwest UU Justice Summit that was hosted by Edmonds UUC and sponsored by several congregations along with the UUs for Just Economic Community, Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC), and Washington UU Voices for Justice. Seventy-seven attendees represented seventeen UU congregations and fellowships. The day-long summit began with an early-bird panel discussion between Afghan Youth Peace Volunteers and youth from the Middle East and the Americas, followed by panel discussions on economic justice, immigration and peace, and open space sessions that included campaign reform, Doctrine of Discovery, marriage equality, immigration reform, UUSC programs and support, homelessness, and more. If you are interested in finding out more or want to be involved in future events, you can visit their website: [www.trunity.net/UUsConnect](http://www.trunity.net/UUsConnect) or just see Julie!

For many of us, as the temperatures begin to drop and the leaves turn color and fall to the ground, it will be time to put on a coat or sweater, turn up the heat and have a hot bowl of soup for dinner. For others in the community, the colder weather brings the knowledge that they will be spending the winter on the street, or in a park or a car with little or no food or support. On **Wednesday, November 9** from 6:30 -8:30 p.m., the Homeless and Affordable Housing Stakeholders Group will sponsor a community forum on ways that our SUUC community can support homeless people on the road to being housed. It will be held at the Shoreline City Hall, (175th and Midvale N) and is sponsored by the North Urban Human Services Alliance, Housing Development Consortium, Interfaith Task Force on Homelessness, United Way of King County, and the North King County Affordable Housing and Homelessness Stakeholders Group. This is a great opportunity to put your networking skills to great use to help those less fortunate in our community.

Last, but certainly not least, on **Saturday, November 12**, the Washington State Unitarian Universalist Voices for Justice will be holding a workshop from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at East Shore UU in Bellevue. For more information, please visit their website: <http://www.uuvoiceswa.org/> If you are interested in attending, please contact Julie Houff or me and perhaps we can set up a carpool!

— Krista Tenney, Membership Activities Coordinator, [tenney@shorelineuu.org](mailto:tenney@shorelineuu.org)



## Thanksgiving Potluck Sunday, November 20!

The annual Thanksgiving Potluck Lunch is coming up and we hope you will stay after the service for both the food and the conversation. Bring your favorite casserole, breads, side dish, or dessert; the turkey will be provided. Volunteers for set up or clean up is kindly appreciated. Please see Jennifer Brock or Krista Tenney to sign up. In order to conserve water and time, this year we are asking everyone to take their serving dishes back to home base to be washed. Compostable plates and cups will be used to keep the cleanup to a minimum!

Hello everyone! November is shaping up to be a month of many opportunities to join together over food and community at SUUC, to reflect on the blessings we have experienced, and to share our blessings with those around us. The Guest At Your Table program will be kicking off this month. Guest at Your Table is an annual tradition in which congregation members take home a box featuring people that UUSC has worked with recently. These people are your “guests,” and you are asked to share your blessings with them. It’s a great way for kids and families to change mealtimes from a quick, utilitarian refueling into an opportunity to nurture a spirit of gratitude and “justice, equity, and compassion in human relations.” Please pick up a box on November 13 when the program is starting; if you aren’t going to be present that day, let me know and I’ll give you a box the week before.



Instead of a Friday night family potluck this month, there will be a congregation-wide feast on Sunday, November 20 directly following the church service. The event is being organized by the Membership Committee, the RE Committee, and our resident turkey master, Rick Wilson. There will be games and activities for kids available – if you are available to help out with set-up, clean-up, or would like to offer an activity for the kids, please give me a call or an email.

Finally, the Youth Group will be having its annual pie sale starting this month, with the usual choices of apple and pumpkin available. The last day to order pies at church will be Sunday, November 13 and pies will be ready the following Sunday, November 20. If it is within your means this year, please consider ordering an extra pie to donate to Tent City; we’ll even drive it over for you. Thanks to Laura “FoodBanks” for helping to enact this great idea!

Once again, may your soups be hearty and your upcoming holidays be meaningful and memorable!

### **Upcoming Events**

**Sunday, November 13 – Last day to order pies from the youth group!**

**Sunday, November 13 – RE Committee Meeting, 12-1:30 p.m., East Portable (2nd Sundays)**

Stop in to learn about what’s going on in RE now, in the future, and to let us know what you’d like to see happen in the future of the RE program. Teachers and parents are especially encouraged to attend one or more meetings a year. Childcare is available; please contact me a week or more in advance if you plan on attending with children in tow.

**Sunday, November 20 – Potluck / pie pick up, 12 p.m.**

Our annual pre-Thanksgiving potluck takes place right after church. Also, remember to pick up your pie (or pies, as the case may be!) after church this day.

**Sunday, November 27 – Children’s Church**

Kids age 4-13 will join together in the Chrysalis for an activity on the theme of giving thanks and food.

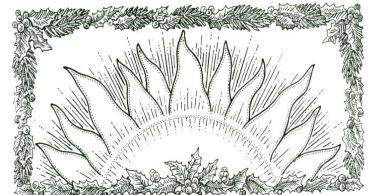
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## **Winter Solstice Celebration**

**Wednesday, December 21, 2011 – 7:00 p.m. In the Sanctuary**

A group of members are preparing a special service to celebrate the shortest day of the year and the return of the sun. A time for reflection, resolution, and renewal, we will appreciate the balance of dark and light, bid adieu to the darkness and welcome the light that warms our spirits, rejuvenates our bodies, and illuminates our journeys. There will be a planning meeting; if you would like to be involved, please contact the event coordinator, Peggy Williams Scott at [pegwilliams3@aol.com](mailto:pegwilliams3@aol.com) or 206-331-2729.



### Board Highlights for October 11 Board Meeting

1. Quanah Spencer was appointed to fill the vacant Board position. Welcome, Quanah, and thank you!
2. Salary range for Ministerial Search was approved, at \$50,000 – 62,500.
3. Paul Borrmann and Rick Wilson presented a summary of the responses to the Congregational Survey and an update on the Congregational Record, which will be made available by UUA to ministerial candidates in early November.
4. United Nations Resolution on the Rights of Indigenous People. Board will vote at the November Board meeting whether to bring this to the congregation for a vote at next Congregational Meeting. Quanah has offered to speak about it and lead Q&A.
5. VP Finance, Laura McCarty, presented a draft of SUUC Financial Policies and will consult with a tax advisor and a CPA on a few specific questions.
6. Technology requests. The office laptop and phone system are old and under-functional. We would like a small task force to start looking at technology issues in the administrative offices (phone, networking computers).
7. Congregational Budget meeting will be on Sunday January, 22, 2012.
8. Family Outreach: The Congregational Survey and Provocative Propositions show this to be an important long-range plan; the Board concurs and has empowered Heather Lynn to plan & put together a Family Outreach task force.
9. Thank you! to: Laura Westbrook for the grounds work project with Plant Amnesty; Barbara Cornell, Bill Norton, and Chris Poole for the Mental Health Workshop; and Joyce Allison for her benefit concert.
10. Next Board meeting: Tuesday November 8.

— *Eliza Sutton, Board Secretary*

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### Welcome New Members!



The fall membership orientation sessions were held September 28 and October 5. SUUC Membership Committee members Sallianne Davis and Anne Skutt assisted Heather Lynn and Krista with making our “visitors” feel welcome as their questions about Unitarian Universalists were answered. Two members were welcomed into SUUC on Sunday, October 16: JoDee Creighton and Lew Witham. We are delighted that they have chosen SUUC!

JoDee was a member of a UU congregation in Maine for many years before she moved to Seattle to be closer to her son and grandchildren. She was very active with her congregation, and served on the board and in several committee chair positions. She also played the carillons, and we encourage you to ask her about that the next time you see her! She has joined the SUUC choir and will be helping to plan the upcoming Solstice celebration.

Lew has been an active “visitor” at SUUC since early February. You may have seen him in the spring Reader’s Theatre Group “Whitney Young” production or heard him speak this summer as a guest speaker in the pulpit. He is married, recently retired from an administrative position at the Ballard Locks, and has three grandchildren. He had been active in another church for many years before coming to SUUC.

The next orientation sessions will be coming up in January and information will be in the December Soundings and on the SUUC website.

*(Photo above, left to right: Krista Tenney, Karen Thompson, Lew Witham, JoDee Creighton, Jennifer Brock, Clint McMahan)*

## Ministerial Search Committee Update for November

As of this writing, we are busily editing the Congregational Record based on many valuable comments and questions that were submitted to us in October. Once we have finished revising the document, it will be sent to the UUA, who will also review it and give us suggestions. Once those have been incorporated, the Congregational Record will be posted on the UUA search webpage in mid-November, so that prospective ministers can view it and begin contacting us. Developing the Congregational Record has been quite an intensive process, and involved describing our congregation as well as what we're looking for in a minister.

The next task for the Search Committee is to create an informational "packet," including pictures of our church and church events, samples of orders of worship and Soundings, information about the Seattle/Shoreline area, etc. to share with the ministers who contact us.

We really value your questions and concerns, so don't hesitate to share them with us. At any time during this search process, we encourage you to speak with us (by mail, phone, fax, text, email or in person) to share your ideas or concerns. Each of you has valuable opinions about who we are, where we want to go, and what kind of ministerial presence will be most fulfilling. We want to hear from each of you!!

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## First Annual Justice Summit a HUGE Success!

77 UUs from 17 UU organizations attended the First Annual NW UU Justice Summit, held at Edmonds UU Church. This was a Saturday very well spent! Networks and support systems grew. Inspiration and creativity overflowed everywhere and from everyone. Sharing of projects and interests led to reasonably concrete action plans that inevitably will add more momentum to handling the most critical issues of our time.



## Storytelling: Yesterday and Today

For thousands of years, the role of the storyteller has been to educate, entertain, and enchant listeners, young and old. Storytelling celebrates the wisdom and diversity of human experience. Storytellers may use music, puppetry, and humor to engage their listeners. This most ancient of the human arts captures and heals the human heart. Storytelling is a powerful art form that includes folktales, myths, legends, tall tales, religious stories, and personal stories.

**The Seattle Storytelling Guild**, founded in 1982, is a nonprofit organization of tellers and story enthusiasts who actively promote the art of storytelling for adults as well as children. The guild provides a forum for traditional storytelling, sponsors professional events, and provides training opportunities for tellers at all levels. The Guild membership includes professional storytellers, writers, folklorists, traditional storytellers, oral historians, speakers, musicians, elders, ministers, health professionals, librarians, and teachers. The Guild hosts a monthly program, "Tales for a Thursday Evening," every second Thursday at Haller Lake Community Club and also hosts a Story Swap (listeners and tellers welcome!) at the Bridge Coffee House, 2150 N. 122nd St., (the Haller Lake area) from 7-9 p.m. on the first Friday of every month.

*May the stories never end*



### **Board Discussion on an SUUC Resolution on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples**

On July 31, many of you attended the Sunday service that highlighted the possibility of SUUC adding itself to a list of UU church endorsements of the UU Resolution on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Many of you also have petitioned the Board to support a process at SUUC that would allow for SUUC to endorse this. This is a document with the goals of repudiating the Doctrine of Discovery, and also implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. The Declaration on its own cannot be upheld legally. We would be pushing towards making that so, by supporting the creation of a commission made up of representatives of both indigenous and non indigenous persons who are willing to take on the task of creating more just laws. Yes, believe it or not, the old DOD law principle is still very active today, and has been ever since it was created by the Christian church and royalty back in the 15th century. Of course, right now with all of the Big Corporate abuse and take over of land, water, and other resources that impact everyone's and everything's health, we need all hands on deck to stand up for all human rights, which in turn will make a stand for ecological health, simultaneously. We need all Earth-caring persons, cultural groups, populations, etc. to have the right to self determination, clean water, clean air, wholesome food, and certainly spiritual freedom. The Board invites you to sit in on the Board discussion of this topic. This Board meeting will start Tuesday, November 8, at 7 p.m. This meeting agenda item will be one of the first, so that you may leave if there is nothing else you want to stay for, and in case the meeting room gets a bit full, and if there's no larger one available. This is also general election day, so please vote early.

—Julie Houff, Board Member & Justice group lead

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### **November Plate Share is with ANSWER-NEPAL**

ANSWER stands for American-Nepali Student's and Women's Educational Relief. It was founded in 2001 by Earle Canfield, a member of the Church of the Larger Fellowship. It is a non-profit, non-partisan, non-religious organization that believes in empowering low caste children by introducing them to quality education. Six years after its foundation the organization has over 400 children in 100 schools and colleges all over Nepal.

UU congregations throughout the United States are participating in ANSWER's programs by sponsoring students. Several members of SUUC are sponsors. The full sponsoring amount is invested in the child. During the November 27 worship two ANSWER students will be presented to the congregation through a slide show.

Learn more at: [www.answernepal.org](http://www.answernepal.org) .

### **Like OLD Stuff?**

SUUC needs one or two librarian/archivists who would help organize, preserve and file recent history of SUUC, articles, pictures, etc. Our 50th anniversary is coming in 2013. Time to get organized. SUUC needs your help.

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### **Sunday Dream Group**

Meets second Sunday of the month, facilitated by Tricia Davis. We will be meeting November 13 right after the service, 12 to 2 p.m. in the East Chrysalis Room. New members are welcome. Please come to share your own dreams or simply participate in the group, searching cooperatively for the meanings in the dreams shared by others. Sharing dreams in a group this way strengthens the fabric of community and helps to meet our desire for belonging and connection. For information please contact Tricia at [pmdavis500@aol.com](mailto:pmdavis500@aol.com).

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### **Stewardship Committee Update**

As of October 24, we have received 66 pledges from households of SUUC Members and Friends. The dollar amount is 62% of our goal.

The intent of the Stewardship Committee is to finish this campaign by October 31. We are delighted with the 62% and expect to complete our goal as close to the deadline as possible.

Thank you for your wonderful response!

## Addictions and Recovery Ministries

The SUUC Addictions and Recovery Ministry started in August 2004 as a response to the article in the Summer 2004 issue of UU World on the Addictions Ministry created by Rev. Denis Meacham in his church in Massachusetts and his book, *The Addictions Ministry Handbook* published by Skinner Press in 2004.

Since that time, the Ministry has led worship services, held adult education programs, and provided leadership for the Connectors' Chalice Circle. The Ministry has expanded—beyond a focus on addiction issues--to embrace Recovery related to a broad spectrum of physical and mental challenges.

Our October 1 workshop with Rev. Barbara Meyers was important in that we began to educate ourselves about key issues in a mental health ministry; issues like accessibility, basic information about mental illness and how congregations can be a part of the healing process for a family or individual trying to deal with a mental illness.

The November 6 worship service will continue to inform and encourage us in our mental health ministry efforts. Our **Guest Speaker** will be **Rev. Craig Rennebohm of the Mental Health Chaplaincy** (an outreach mission of the Prospect Congregational United Church of Christ in Seattle). His 25 year ministry with the homeless and mentally ill on the streets of Seattle inspired his book, *Souls in the Hands of a Tender God*. We have a box of these books we'd like to offer for sale. They are available for \$18; please make the check out to Mental Health Chaplaincy. In this book, Craig recounts the story of his own life experience with a mental illness, how he was 'loved' into recovery. From there, he found his ministry with the homeless and mentally ill street people. Rev. Rennebohm found that many of the street people he interacted with described a vengeful, judgmental God. Interestingly, many of the individuals that interacted with these mentally ill street people also acted in this way. Reacting out of fear, shame or guilt, people come across as judgmental and cruel. Craig came to realize that the only God image that would offer healing to these wounded souls was a God image of the opposite type of God, a tender God. The sections in the book describing this tender God of love are so very beautiful. As I read this book, I found that whether I believe in God or not, I do believe in Love. This Greater Love he describes is a beautiful idea of how we would like to be to the wounded ones in our midst.

There will be a special time after the service during which we can have a conversation with Rev. Rennebohm. So, bring your questions and come and hear a remarkable man talk about his passion.

— Submitted by the Addictions and Recovery Ministry of SUUC:  
Chris Poole, Bill Norton, and Barbara Cornell.

## Mystery Dinner Theater: "Trouble in the Gallery!"

The mystery dinner theater, previously scheduled for the end of October, has been moved to Saturday, February 4, 7 p.m. This will be a fundraiser for the church, so mark your calendars now!

The Sanctuary will be transformed into a fictional setting: an art gallery in Pratt Falls, WA, somewhere on the Olympic Peninsula. The occasion: a dinner reception, hosted by the gallery board of trustees, for their first one-man show featuring local-boy-made-good, artist Rockwell Norman. Fictional characters will interact with guests throughout the evening.

There will be a crime. There will be accusations made and aspersions cast. Guests will have the opportunity to solve the mystery. Who dunnit? Come and help us find out!

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS! There are still opportunities to get involved as cast and crew. Contact Peggy Williams Scott at [pegwilliams3@aol.com](mailto:pegwilliams3@aol.com) or 206-331-2729 to become a part of this fun event.



The SUUC Book Group will meet Tuesday, Nov 15th at 10:30 a.m. in the Nursery. We will discuss *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Hosseini. The Seattle Public Library has many copies. Call the church office or 206-417-0663 if interested .

## COMMUNITY PAGES

### SUUC Service Project at Food Lifeline

Since November is the month of Thanksgiving, please bring Thanksgiving foods for the box—yams or potatoes, gravy, cranberries, green beans or other vegetables, pumpkin, etc. Let’s see if we can fill up the box to overflowing and share Thanksgiving! Please also feel encouraged to order an extra pie made by the Youth Group that can be sent to Food Lifeline as well.

**November Date: Tuesday, November 15.** The project begins promptly at 6 p.m. and ends at 8 (Please don’t arrive after 6:05 because the doors lock and we won’t be able to hear you knock.) Everyone is welcome. Please remember to wear closed-toe shoes.

**Address:** Food Lifeline at 1702 NE 150th Street (near the former Fircrest School area). Turn east on NE 150th off 15th Avenue NE in Shoreline. Drive a short distance and watch for the driveway into the Food Lifeline parking lot and warehouse on the left. There’s a small Food Lifeline sign to mark the turn.

**Next month’s date is Tuesday, December 20. Please sign up at the Welcome Table or by contacting Laura “FoodBanks” ([laurabanks1@comcast.net](mailto:laurabanks1@comcast.net) or 206-235-3611).**

### November Schedule of Sunday Volunteers

	<b>Greeters:</b>	<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>Coffee Servers:</b>
Nov. 6:	Sallianne Davis & Jan Soderling	Molly Holmes & Tracy Monaghan	Marilyn Thompson & Sharon Maynard
Nov. 13:	Barbara Stilson, Julie & Trevor Houff	Paul Borrmann & Nancy Curtis	Julie Campbell & Carol June
Nov. 20:	Marilyn Thompson & Lex Voorhoeve	Barbara Stilson & Christina Horst	Bill Hayes & Carolyn Brenner
Nov .27:	Roseanne, Maxwell, & Sylvia London	Homer Henderson & Marge Hampton	Julie Houff & Mel Habel

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# November 2011

## Tuesday, November 1

1-3 p.m..... Worship Planning, Conference Room

## Wednesday, November 2

6:30-8 p.m..... Care Team Meeting, Conference Room

7-9 p.m..... A Chosen Faith, Conference Room

## Thursday, November 3

6-7:30 p.m..... Choir Practice, Sanctuary

7:30-9 p.m..... Connector's Chalice Circle, Conf. Room

7:30-9 p.m..... Sine Nomine Chalice Circle, N. Portable

## Friday, November 4

10:15-11:30 a.m..... Friday Meditation, Nursery

3-5 p.m..... Search Committee, off site

## Saturday, November 5

10 a.m.-12:30 p.m... Women's Circle, Chrysalis

**Daylight Saving Time Ends Sunday: Turn your clocks back**

## Sunday, November 6

10:30-11:30 a.m..... Worship Service, Sanctuary

12-12:30 p.m..... Mental Health Discussion, Sanctuary

## Tuesday, November 8

7-9 p.m..... Board Meeting, Conference Room

7-9 pm..... Women's Group, East Chrysalis Room

## Wednesday, November 9

11 a.m.-12:30 p.m... Music Committee, Conference Room

7-9 p.m..... A Chosen Faith, Conference Room

## Thursday, November 10

9:30-11 a.m..... Food for Soul, Forster Residence

6:30-7:30 p.m..... Choir Practice, Sanctuary

## Friday, November 11

10:15-11:30 a.m..... Meditation, Nursery

3-5 p.m..... Search Committee, off site

## Sunday, November 13

9:15-10:15 a.m..... Membership Committee, Conference Room

10:30-11:30 a.m..... Worship Service, Sanctuary

12-2 p.m..... Dream Group, East Chrysalis

12-1:30 p.m..... RE Committee, Chrysalis

## Monday, November 14

1:30—3 p.m. .... Monday Chalice Circle, Nursery

## Tuesday, November 15

10:30 a.m.-noon..... Book Group, Nursery

## Wednesday, November 16

7-9 p.m..... A Chosen Faith, Conference Room

## Thursday, November 17

9:30-11 a.m..... Food for Soul, Forster Residence

6-7:30 p.m..... Choir Practice, Sanctuary

7:30-9 p.m..... Sine Nomine Chalice Circle, N. Portable

## Friday, November 18

10:15-11:30 a.m..... Meditation, Nursery

12-1 p.m..... Senior Brown Bag Lunch, Conference Room

3-5 p.m..... Search Committee, off site

## Saturday, November 19

10 a.m.-4 p.m..... Youth Pie Baking, Sanctuary & Chrysalis Kitchens

## Sunday, November 20

10 a.m..... Soundings Deadline

10:30-11:30 a.m..... Worship Service, Sanctuary

12-1 p.m..... Turkey Potluck, Sanctuary

## Thursday, November 24

Thanksgiving Holiday

## Friday, November 25

10:15-11:30 a.m..... Meditation, Nursery

3-5 p.m..... Search Committee, off site

## Sunday, November 27

10:30-11:30 a.m..... Worship Service, Sanctuary

## Monday, November 28

1:30—3 p.m. .... Monday Chalice Circle, Nursery



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