



July 29, 2020

THIS SUNDAY

August 2, 2020

10:30 a.m. Desert Places

The Revs. Anne Marsh and Wade Wheelock

Click here for instructions on how to join virtual worship on Sunday

CHURCH NEWS

August Newsletter: Click **here** to find out what's happening this month!

Pastoral Care this summer: As James mentioned in the newsletter, he will be away for vacation and study leave in July and August. If you have pastoral care needs, please reach out to our trained team leads: Valerie Ingram from July 21- August 2 and Claire Gardam from August 3-25.

Expanding Our Reach: Would you like to be part of team that helps guide Council with technology and equipment recommendations for the future? If so, please **email Jenn Whittaker** to learn more.

Soft Re-Opening: Church Council recently approved a soft re-opening of the church building which allows members and staff to use the building on an individual basis if all safety precautions are followed and the use is pre-approved. Please **email** to arrange a time for quiet personal reflection in the sanctuary or to use the library.

Coffee: Just before we closed the building for Covid, we had ordered more local, fresh ground coffee for social hour. **Contact Sara** in the office if you would be interested in purchasing some of our supply before it gets old in storage.

Grace House: Is seeking towels, dressers, pillows, and bookshelves, as well as an air conditioner and an 8 seater van for transportation to events. If you have questions, or would like the complete list of items needed, you can **email Sara** in the office.

Campus Kitchens: If you can help prepare or distribute the free to-go meals on Monday nights, please **sign up for a shift online**. If you know someone who could use a free meal, please send them to the church parking lot at 5 p.m. on Monday nights. We have seen a drop in volunteers so please help if you can.

Church and Community Program has moved! Both the Pantry and Thrift Store are now located at 30 Court Street, formerly the Freihofer Outlet Store. Visit [their website](#) for more information.

THE WEEK AHEAD

NOTE: The church building remains closed. All gatherings will take place virtually. Links and instructions to participate below.

Sunday, August 2

10:30 a.m., Worship

Monday, August 3

Noon, Mindfulness Meditation

Wednesday, August 4

6:30 p.m., Church Council Meeting

FAITH ENGAGEMENT NEWS

Faith Engagement at Home

Books and Cooks - Enjoy the classic story "Blueberries for Sal," the story of a little girl in Maine who goes blackberry picking with her mother. Make blueberry pancakes together. While eating, listen to a reading of the modern classic "If You Give a Pig a Pancake." Try not to get too sticky! Check it out on our [Facebook Event page](#) for all the details and links. You don't need a Facebook account to access it.



Youth Events - Our 8th-12th graders will meet again [via Zoom](#) on Sunday, August 2. We will be checking in, discussing racial justice and playing a game of Reverse Charades (again)!



It's Easy Being Green!

Most of us know that vinegar is an effective cleaning agent. Half vinegar and half water can be used to clean the toilet as well as the sink drain and as the best window cleaner-then use newspaper to dry-no need to buy special cleaning agents for those. And, of course, treat yourself to a good salad dressing by mixing vinegar with olive oil.

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