



# The Community News

March 2017

## OUR VISION

*We will become a dynamic and nurturing religious community that celebrates our human diversity, supports lifelong spiritual growth, and acts for compassion and justice in the larger community.*

### Our Journey to Now – Thoughts on Stewardship

Approaching my second year as a member of Community Church, when I think about stewardship, what comes to mind is my path from seeking and finding to joining and supporting this church, and my hopes that both those currently among us, and those yet to find us, will follow.

I moved across the country to Texas, alone, without a partner or a pet or even so much as a houseplant for company, and while my new coworkers were friendly and game for going out after work, the conversation was always about work and generally gossip, neither of which were welcoming or provided any comfort. I was invited to a happy hour here, a direct-sales home party there... I'd look around the room with a forced smile, and wonder if this was my life now. I'd go home unhappy.

But my first visit to Community Church, I was greeted with smiles at every turn, asked about my interests, and introduced to others who shared them. My second visit, it was more of the same! Even a hug or two. As a new member, I was invited to a wonderful and welcoming brunch, and when I looked around the room, I was so thrilled to have found company that was so smart, funny, and kind, and so engaged with the world and with each other. I'd found my people.

I enjoy my job as much as the average person, but my workplace is fast-paced, high-pressure, and very results-oriented. When I first moved here I struggled. There was no grace period for learning the ropes, no patience for questioning the status quo, and little tolerance for being human and having needs beyond promotions or benefits, such as mentorship, encouragement, or appreciation.

Meanwhile, here at Community as I started to interact more with members, I was approached to join the leadership development workshop series called Harvest the Power. It was supportive, inclusive, and inspirational, and it gave me a fresh perspective on challenges I already faced in the workplace, and might face as I engaged more and more with Community Church.

Like anyone, I've had personal challenges in the past few years: emergencies, illnesses, and deaths among friends and family. Like everyone, I watched in

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### March 2017

#### Sunday Services

#### Theme - Letting Go

March 5- "Let It Go!" -  
Rev. Patrick Price.

March 12 - "Messages from  
the Fifth United Parish of  
Perpetual Control Freaks,  
Reformed, Again" - Rev.  
Patrick Price.

March 19 - Harvest the Power  
- Guest Speakers Katie  
Eubanks and Karen Ditsch

March 26 - "Love,  
Compassion and Boundaries"  
Rev. Patrick Price.

#### Typical Sunday

10:30 - 11:45 a.m.: Worship,  
Religious Education for Children  
and Youth, and Nursery  
Childcare

11:45 a.m.: Coffee and  
Conversation

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**Daylight Saving Time Begins Sunday, March 12. Turn clocks  
AHEAD ONE HOUR Saturday, March 11.**

## *Patrick's Sabbatical Ponderings "Letting Go"*

With all of the chaos and confusion of our time, it is common for some to tell us "to just let it go," and for others to cry to "hold on, and never let go." When I see articles or columns on "Letting Go" they eventually bring up the Buddhist practice of non-attachment, which is a very important and valuable philosophy and practice. Central to this and most spiritual or religious practice is a heightened sense of awareness, of being "present" to the moment at hand. All of this sounds great and very "Zen" if you will. But the purpose of all of it is for us to be able to be aware of what our choices are in every moment, and the freedom to make the best possible choices we can.

Granted, our choices often become habituated into unthinking routine, but that is why we need more awareness. The power to "let go" is the power to make choices, to find liberation from the redundant, the outworn and the false. So often we focus on the "go" part of "letting go" when the powerful part is the recognition that it is a matter of choice whether we hold on to material things, or a grudge, or an out dated fantasy of what our lives should be. It is our choice what we embrace and what we let go of. Choose well.

The poet Mary Oliver offers us;

"To live in this world  
you must be able  
to do three things:

To love what is mortal;  
to hold it  
against your bones knowing  
your life depends on it;

And, when the time comes to let  
it go,  
to let it go."

Dear Ones, it is good to be back in your midst after what were four, short but extra-ordinary months in our world. I look forward to sharing what I experienced and gleaned during our time apart. See you in church. Blessings, Patrick

**(Continued from front page)** horror as tragedies unfolded in the wider world, from natural disasters to police brutality to large-scale violence perpetrated by individuals against entire communities. I didn't know what to do with the hurt, the confusion, or the fear I was feeling, the pain of loss, the not knowing what to do or how to help in the face of others' losses.

Here at Community, I found a place to express that grief and to release it. To share with others the pains of life and by doing so, lessen their burden. To see that there was a higher place to get to, an inner peace to aspire to, a safer and more just world to be created... and all around me, people willing to work together for it.

In short, Community has been here for me before I knew I needed it, time and time again, in so many ways. It's my sincerest hope that others come to discover the friendship, support, and love that we as a congregation have to offer, and that those of us already here can fully absorb all that we have to give... but as a church we can't pour from an empty vessel. It takes many hands and many hearts to commit to making Community's dreams a reality, but to speak plainly, it also takes funding. We can't overlook the basics of safe and secure facilities that are comfortable to gather in, or the compensation and benefits of those who devote themselves to service. Visitors may not give a thought to these things, they're simply wondering where to sit, if they'll know the hymns, and what sort of snacks will be available later. It's up to us as members to come together and support this church by pledging. With our needs ever increasing and as we seek to expand our vision, so do we need an increase in pledges from all of us, as far as we are able to stretch towards our common goals. As our stewardship campaign gets underway, I call upon each of you to consider what Community Church has meant, directly and personally, and to pledge your support accordingly.

Yours in faith, Alyssa Church

## *President's Column*

In the last several weeks, members of our congregation have shared their thoughts about what Community UU Church means to them and how our efforts to reach out to the wider community are needed now more than ever. "What the World Needs Now" is us, demonstrating our values through actions both within our church and beyond. The success of our 2017 Pledge Drive will impact our capacity to be effective. The world needs us and our church needs you.

Whether you are a long standing member or new to Community Church, I know that you have experienced the fellowship that exists here, have witnessed our commitment to support social justice, found likeminded people who share your values, and been given the opportunity to reach out to the wider community. I hope you have also found spiritual sustenance.

We are now asking you to support our efforts to continue our shared work. If our church is to be here for us, we need to be here for our church.

In order to meet our total projected budget of \$338,900 for 2017-2018, we must raise \$260,000. That is an 10% increase over current pledges. We can do this. As you consider how you can help, remember that in order to continue to support each other and to make a difference in our world we must be generous, both in spirit and in action.

Fondly,

Lexie

### **Rummage Sale Fundraiser**

Several of you have asked when you could bring your goodies. The answer is NOW! Would you like to contribute but don't know what we're looking for? Here are some ideas for places to look for things you're ready to pass along to someone else for a good cause! Check your bookshelves for books, CDs and DVDs. Your game closet for games or puzzles. Your children's' rooms for outgrown toys or clothes. Your closets for clothes that no longer fit your life. The kitchen cabinet for duplicates or hard-to-fit, seldom-used appliances. If it's still useable, we'd like to sell it! You can bring in one item or a whole van full - we're grateful for everything you donate. Pick-up is available if needed. **You can bring large items between March 5-9 and put them directly into the sanctuary. Mark your calendars for the date of the sale: March 10 and 11.** The proceeds of the rummage sale will help send our Coming of Age class on their Heritage Trip to Boston and our YRUU on their Service Trip to New Orleans. **If you have questions or would like to help, contact the DRE, Kathy Smith.**

# March, 2017

**Attention All Women: Save the date for a stress free weekend!** Too much stress in your life. Need a break!!! **Yes, it is time to sign up for the Women's Alliance Annual Retreat. This year it will be held April 7, 8 and 9 at Glen Lake Camp and Retreat Center in Glen Rose, TX.** This retreat is open to all women over the age of 18. It is a time for getting away from our daily lives for a few days, a time for rejuvenation of spirit and relaxation of mind. And it is reasonably priced!! Just \$100 for a bed in a deluxe cabin with 8 others or \$150 for a semi private room. All prices include meals. Come join us! **For more information contact Barb Salvo.**

**Simple Living Chalice Circle Meeting time and place** – The next meeting will be **Saturday morning March 11 at 11am.** **Theme/topic** – Learning together to live deliberately.

**Facilitator** – Contact Ona Tannehill at Email [simpleliving@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:simpleliving@communityuuchurch.org) for location.

**Friday Night Flicks - 7pm.**

**March 24 - Manchester By The Sea - 2016 - R - Showing in Room G.**

After the death of his brother Joe, Lee Chandler (Casey Affleck) is shocked that Joe has made him sole guardian of his teenage nephew Patrick (Ben O'Brien). He returns to the fishing village where he is forced to deal with a past that separated him from his wife Randi (Michelle Williams). Nominated for Oscars for Best Picture, Actor, Supporting Actor, Supporting Actress and Director.

**March 31 - Hacksaw Ridge - 2016 - R - Showing in Founders Hall.**

The true story of Desmond Doss, (Andrew Garfield) the conscientious objector who, at the Battle of Okinawa, won the Medal of Honor for his incredible bravery and regard for his fellow soldiers. Nominated for Oscars for Best Picture, Actor and Director.

**Deadline for the April newsletter is Friday, March 17. Email articles to newsletter@communityuuchurch.org.**

**Literary Ladies Book Club Upcoming Meeting**

Women members and friends of Community UU Church are welcome to join us on **the third Tuesday of the month from 7 – 9pm.**

**Date: March 21, 2017**

**Location: Mary Ann Owens' home. Contact Mary Ann by Friday, March 17 if you plan to attend.**

**Selection: The Little Paris Bookshop: A Novel by Nina George.**

*Monsieur Perdu calls himself a literary apothecary. From his floating bookstore in a barge on the Seine, he prescribes novels for the hardships of life. Using his intuitive feel for the exact book a reader needs, Perdu mends broken hearts and souls. The only person he can't seem to heal through literature is himself; he's still haunted by heartbreak after his great love disappeared. She left him with only a letter, which he has never opened.* Amazon

## **Rally Help Needed**

We are hosting approximately 75 teens from UU churches in Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana from **March 17 to 19.**

You can help by donating homemade desserts or volunteering to be a rover.

**Rovers:** Adults who are awake during sleeping hours (in shifts – 1-4 a.m. and 4-7 a.m.) on Friday and Saturday night. Choose a shift – we have six spaces left!

**Desserts:** We need 10-12 donations of family-size desserts for Saturday meals. Questions? Contact DRE Kathy Smith or YRUU advisor Danni Williams.

Thank you!

# Religious Education

*Quotes to Live By:*

***The future of society may depend  
on our ability to make sure our children have  
the capability for empathy and the inclination toward generosity.***

***Patricia O. Bjorhovde, author, Creating Tomorrow's Philanthropists***

*Note from the DRE: This month we are reprinting a timely article by Laurel Amibile, Annual Program Fund Director at the UUA. She says it better than I ever could! She writes:*

Religious teachings have been highly influential in the development of philanthropic culture and giving practices around the world. Throughout American history, religious philanthropy has prompted social change by addressing the major issues and ills facing society of the times.

Congregations and faith communities fill an important role in today's society by providing the worship and learning environments to convey the virtues and values of generosity, giving, stewardship and volunteer service. These communities provide a set of religious values and theological teachings to which young learners can link and reflect upon their daily lives. This is part of our faith formation process as human beings, continuing throughout our lifetimes.

There are three key ways that children learn about generosity and stewardship:

- Modeled voluntary behavior by a parent or trusted care-giver with the intention to help others. This begins in infancy, through the infant's experience of caring and sharing which leads to the development of empathy.
- Cognitive learning opportunities that include thinking, reflection, and discussion on the part of the learner. These stimulate understanding of the cause and effect of giving behavior.
- Experiential "learning by doing" on the part of the learner—opportunities to engage in giving and serving activities from which they can draw emotional satisfaction and meaning.

*How is this done?* Through an intentional educational process that includes:

- Presenting the concepts and stories that promote understanding of giving, generosity, and stewardship in the life of a community.
- Identifying the reasons why people choose to give and practicing generosity, and the methods for stewardship and the careful tending of resources.
- Providing the experiences and opportunities for individual and communal reflection.

Nathan Dungan, former financial advisor, marketing VP, author and creator of the *Share, Save, Spend* system for personal finance suggests that the marketing message directed at our children is "see money, spend money," with the emphasis on the **micro impact** of satisfying their own needs. They rarely get the **macro impact** message that balances their spending with saving and sharing in intentional ways: "The choices we make with our money can change the world." Dungan has devoted a website to teaching people of all ages to take responsibility for their money and their sharing, saving and spending choices.

There are a variety of helpful materials to help parents and educators create learning experiences and activities that nurture generosity and stewardship in their children and teenage youth. Games and stories, combined with experiential activities to learn these values by doing, are particularly effective teaching tools. The Stewardship Game and links to online resources **on the following page** offer a starting place for engaging this learning process.

Enjoy!

Laurel Amibile

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#### STEWARDSHIP RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES:

*Stewardship Game for Unitarian Universalist Children & Youth* created by Dr. Bobbie Poole, Credentialed Religious Educator, Master Level (shared with her permission). email: [bobbiepoole@comcast.net](mailto:bobbiepoole@comcast.net)

<http://www.givingspeaks.com/2013/03/06/nurturing-generosity-in-children/the-stewardship-game-rules/>

<http://www.givingspeaks.com/2013/03/06/nurturing-generosity-in-children/stewardship-game-board/>

<http://www.givingspeaks.com/2013/03/06/nurturing-generosity-in-children/stewardship-game-cards/>

*Share, Save, Spend* founded by Nathan Dungan <http://www.sharesavespend.com/>. The website features articles, tips, and resources for all ages, particularly useful for parents, educators, and organizations.

*Six Tips on Raising Philanthropic Children*, an online article featured in the Family Giving News (July 2005, Volume 5, Issue 7), <http://www.ncfp.org/FGN>

## Social Action News

### Welcoming Congregation Renewal Committee Notes

On February 7, 2017, the Welcoming Congregation Renewal Committee hosted our best-attended workshop to date, a panel "On Gender Identity and Expression" featuring speakers from the Cathedral of Hope's Transgender Council and from the Resource Center. In addition to updating our language using UUA resources, we learned to distinguish biological sex, gender identity, and gender expression. Our panelists shared from their experiences and helped us increase our sensitivity to ways we might help trans people feel more safe. Our evening concluded with invitations to action, including making Valentines for LGBTQ+ supportive individuals and signups for carpooling to an "Equality for All" lobby day in Austin on March 20. **Please contact Stephanie Dorman ([teacher@bestfx.net](mailto:teacher@bestfx.net)) if you're interested. Keep watching around the church and online for Welcoming Congregation activities this spring.**

### Hunger Initiative

God's Pantry's recent garage sale resulted in \$2,000. There are plans to have another sale in the Spring. The Pantry is working on an application for a City of Plano grant to fund purchase of perishable foods for distribution. The application is due March 1 and the winners are notified in June.

**If you would like a receipt for donations made to God's Pantry are available, see Linda Frank.**

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## UBarU Upcoming Events

On the **weekend of March 31 men** from UU churches across Texas gather for a **weekend retreat** at UBarU Camp & Retreat Center near Kerrville ([ubaru.org](http://ubaru.org)). Come and enjoy fellowship in the Texas Hill Country. Rest, relax, enjoy delicious meals and use the time as a break from your normal routines and schedules. The retreat will be facilitated by Rev. Mark Skrabacz. Mark will guide us in a thematic inquiry and processes of introspection to deepen our life's path and build community among our fellow UU men.

We will begin gathering Friday afternoon to share an evening meal and end mid-morning Sunday. Check out the web site for more details.

Don't forget to register for **kids summer camp** while there are still openings.

**Bill Daffinee, UBarU Trustee.**

## **"Great Decisions 2017": Discussions of U.S. Foreign Policy**

**Two discussion groups are meeting every other Friday thru April at 1:30pm.**

The 8 topics are found in a soft-cover book available from the Foreign Policy Association for a cost of about \$30 including postage/handling. **For questions about the group that meets in the church at 1:30pm in the annex room G, contact [donnabening@verizon.net](mailto:donnabening@verizon.net); for questions about the group that meets in various homes at 1:30pm, contact Grace Morrison ([morrisongrace286@gmail.com](mailto:morrisongrace286@gmail.com)). Dates and topics below.**

**March 3, "Saudi Arabia Transition". March 17, "U.S. Foreign Policy & Petroleum"**

**March 31, "Latin America's Political Pendulum"**

## **"Notes from the Garden"**

The Community Garden is a place where we work in harmony with the land to grow healthy organic produce that feeds our gardeners and their families, and benefits the wider community through donations of 50% of our harvest to local food pantries in Collin County. It is also a place where we work side by side, with our friends from the Sai Community. They join us on harvest days (every Saturday morning weather permitting), bring a large harvest team on their assigned harvest day, donate 100% of the produce grown in two plots to the wider community, and generously donate their time to repair and rebuild frames for garden plots in need of repair. Sai gardeners were also instrumental in building the keyhole garden. **If you would like to help harvest once in a while or have excess food from your garden to donate, you will find us in the garden on Saturday mornings at 8am.** Come out in the next few weeks and you'll find us busily planting potatoes, onions, beets, kale, spinach, and more. 'Tis the season. Spring is almost here! **For questions contact: [harvest@Communityuuchurch.org](mailto:harvest@Communityuuchurch.org).**

## ***Adult Religious Education Classes***

The Mission of the **Adult Religious Education Program** is to nurture and stimulate the religious and personal growth of the adult church community. We offer a varied and cohesive program within the context of the living Unitarian Universalist tradition and principles. **The church website has been updated with the latest classes and class descriptions - check it out at [www.CommunityUUChurch.org](http://www.CommunityUUChurch.org), under Adult Religious Education.** CHILDCARE is available for all classes, upon request. To reserve childcare call the church office (972-424-8989) at least 48 hours in advance.

### **Tuesday**

**Tibetan Buddhism – 7pm – in the sanctuary. Meditation and Mind Training.** Please join us for guided meditation and a skillful approach to developing mental peace and clarity. **Facilitated by the Ven. Tashi Nyima.**

### **Thursday**

**Humanist Group meets at 6pm in Room G.** The program is discussion-centered on Humanist-oriented topics led by various speakers.

**Exploring the Roots of Religion in Room G at 7pm. Facilitator Don Fielding. Lost Gods and Fallen Temples: March 2 – The Aten – Monotheism in Egypt March 9 – Deities of the Acropolis March 16 – Gods and Pyramids at Teotihuacan March 23 – Sacred City on the Mississippi March 30 – Sun and Shadow at Machu Picchu.**

## **Spring Campout!**

**April 28-30, 2017**

**Eisenhower State Park**



Sign up now!

Click [here](#) for more information

Click [here](#) for reservation form

[outdooradventure@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:outdooradventure@communityuuchurch.org)



## January Financial Report

### *Finance Report by Dick Hildenbrand, Treasurer*

The January financial summary for our operating accounts is listed below. We're about \$11,750 short of where we should be at this point in the year (+\$3,846 vs +\$15,604). Much of this gap will close and we currently see about a \$4,000 gap by the end of the year. Stay tuned on how we're looking at closing that gap.

**17-18 Budget:** The initial budget has been worked up for June 2017 – May 2018. To meet this budget, we need \$260k in pledges, up from \$235k this year. We know it's a steep jump (~10%), and we'll have several after-church workshops over the next couple of months so everyone can understand our financial situation and options.

**17-18 Pledge:** Pledge forms, both paper (in the foyer) and on-line (use Pledge Now button below), are available to make your pledge for the new church year (Jun 17 – May 18). Especially if you haven't increased your pledge over the past few years and you're not constrained by a fixed or limited income, please consider a generous increase.



### Upcoming Share the Plate Offerings

Date	Recipient
March 26, 2017	Texas UU Justice Ministry
April 30, 2017	New Orleans Initiative



*If you forget your checkbook on a Share the Plate Sunday, remember you can always donate on line.*

**January's Share the Plate netted \$330.21 for the Community Harvest Garden.**

**FREE MONEY!**

**Kroger:** Update your Kroger Plus card to link to organization 83309 at [www.kroger.com/communityrewards](http://www.kroger.com/communityrewards). NOTE: It's time to renew your Kroger Community Rewards - just follow this link: <https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards>

**Tom Thumb:** Link your Rewards card to charity 8089 at customer service.

**Amazon.com:** Use this link for purchases: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/75-1787256>

*The church will get a portion of all purchase amounts!*

## INCOME & EXPENSE January 2017

INCOME	Jan. 2017	Month Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget	% Annual Budget (FY 66.7% comp)
Total Offering Income	\$19,463	\$23,610	\$175,471	\$182,321	\$258,402	67.9%
Total Fund Raiser Income	\$ 2,052	\$ 1,190	\$ 19,272	\$ 22,175	\$ 24,900	77.4%
Total Building Usage	\$ 1,879	\$ 2,094	\$ 16,433	\$ 17,968	\$ 27,900	58.9%
Misc. Income	\$ 711	\$ 787	\$ 9,588	\$ 7,751	\$ 12,824	74.8%
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$24,105</b>	<b>\$27,681</b>	<b>\$220,765</b>	<b>\$230,215</b>	<b>\$324,026</b>	<b>68.1%</b>
EXPENSE						
Administration	\$ 4,592	\$ 4,545	\$ 37,912	\$ 38,296	\$ 54,929	69.0%
Programs	\$ 1,610	\$ 2,046	\$ 14,547	\$ 15,307	\$ 22,739	64.0%
Religious Education	\$ 4,653	\$ 5,354	\$ 44,055	\$ 42,138	\$ 63,552	69.3%
Facilities/Grounds	\$ 4,621	\$ 4,734	\$ 38,402	\$ 38,634	\$ 60,742	63.2%
Ministry	\$ 8,077	\$ 8,749	\$ 69,997	\$ 68,280	\$103,276	67.8%
Denomination	\$1,708	\$1,708	\$ 11,956	\$ 11,956	\$18,788	63.6%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$25,261</b>	<b>\$27,136</b>	<b>\$216,918</b>	<b>\$214,611</b>	<b>\$324,026</b>	<b>66.9%</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>-\$ 1,156</b>	<b>+\$ 545</b>	<b>+\$ 3,846</b>	<b>+\$ 15,059</b>	<b>\$0</b>	

# March 2017

For our March 2017 calendar, go to our website at:  
**CommunityUUChurch.org**

Events listed on the calendar are subject to change. For more information and confirmation of these events, please visit the church calendar at <http://www.communityuuchurch.org/pages/>

## Family Events at CUUC in March

- Sun. 3/5** – Worship/RE Games Day 10:30am.(no regular classes)
- Sun. 3/5** – NTX Rally Planning Meeting, 2-5pm.(at First Jefferson, Fort Worth)
- Thurs. 3/9** – Rummage Sale open to church members, 6pm.
- Fri. 3/10-Sat. 3/11** – Rummage Sale to benefit youth programming
- Sun. 3/12** – Worship/Religious Education classes, 10:30am.
- Sun. 3/12** – NTX Rally Planning Meeting, 4-8pm.(at CUUC in Annex)
- Fri. 3/17** – PDG (dinner at 6:30pm, games at 7:30pm)
- Fri. 3/17-Sun. 3/19** – NTX Rally (at CUUC)
- Sun. 3/19** – Worship/Religious Education classes, 10:30am.
- Sun. 3/26** – Worship/Religious Education classes, 10:30am.

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**[www.uusc.org](http://www.uusc.org)**

Southwest District (SWUUC): **[www.swuuc.org](http://www.swuuc.org)**

North Texas Unitarian Universalist Congregations (NTUUC):

**[www.ntuuc.org](http://www.ntuuc.org)**

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# Church Office Hours

**Monday:** church offices closed: **Tuesday:** 9 am to 3 pm  
**Wednesday:** 9 am to 2:30 pm: **Thursday:** 9 am to 2:30 pm  
**Friday:** 9 am to Noon: **Office Phone #:** 972-424-8989

## Reverend Patrick Price

**Monday:** Available for emergencies only.  
**Tuesday through Thursday:** Noon to 4 pm  
**Friday:** Available for emergencies only.  
Other times by appointment. Please contact Reverend Price for appointments and scheduling information.

**Director of Religious Education Kathy Smith Wednesday and Thursday:** 1pm to 5 pm, other times by appointment.

**Bookkeeper John Elder Tuesday & Thursday:** 10:30am - 2:30pm  
other times by appointment.

**Membership Coordinator Cindy Pilcher Friday:** 9:15am - 11:30am.

## Church Secretary Connie Meints

**Tuesday** 9am to 3pm, **Wednesday & Thursday** 9am to 2:30pm, **Friday** 9am to noon.

**Music Director Christopher Wolff**

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