



The Congregator

Fauntleroy Church United Church of Christ

June 21, 2010

KRATZ'S SCRATCHES...

"A Summer of Stories"

Summer is a great time to read a book and let your imagination fly. Recently, I began lining up, really stacking up, a bunch of books I want to read. A couple of thrillers, a novel called "Cutting for Stone", a book on "spiritual theology" by Eugene Peterson, "A Hidden Wholeness" by Parker Palmer, the biblical book of Ecclesiastes and there will be more before I even begin. Getting into a story or a new thought offers a new experience and, often, a new perspective on my life and time.

Summer is also a great time for telling biblical stories. The assigned texts for this summer offer a potpourri of different kinds of stories. Some of them, like the one I told on the 13th, are fascinating in and of themselves. We discover people acting much like people act today and we discover a "word of God" coming in challenging ways to them and us. These stories are long enough and, with a little imagination, tell themselves.

There is the story of the Good Samaritan. You've probably read it a hundred times. It is a parable, not simply an illustration. It is a kind of story that is designed to turn our perceptions upside down. For instance, did you notice that the conversation, out of which the parable is told, begins with the question: "What must I do to be saved?" The story, which comes after an answer and response, leads to an injunction: "Go and do likewise", i.e., like the Samaritan. I suspect it was not the answer the questioner wanted, but then maybe salvation isn't what we want so much as the healing to be done.

We will also revisit the oft told, oft misrepresented, story of Sodom and Gomorrah. This one also begins in a conversation--here between Abraham and God. It ends with consequences that Abraham wanted God to spare. But what brought on the unwelcome consequence? Was it the common interpretation, that of homosexuality, or as you may suspect, another possibility?

We will also explore a miracle story, actually two stories. One has economic outcomes that trouble the community. The other troubles the leaders of the faith community. We often question whether miracles really happen. But perhaps it would help to look at our own resistance. Who knows, we might wonder whether it really happened.

This coming Sunday, I'll tell the tale of Elijah, his worn out mantle, and Elisha, the reluctant disciple, and the challenge of following a prophet. It is a tale of miracle and fear, of passing on power and keeping the "word of God" heard in the land. It's quite a ride, chariots of fire and all.

Stories are fun and pique our imagination, which, after all, is one of most useful vehicles God's spirit loves to drive.

Along the way,

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

WORSHIP
SUMMER CHURCH
SCHOOL
10:00 AM

JUNE 27, 2010

I Kings 19:19-21,

II Kings 1:1-14

*"The Prophet's Mantle:
A Story of Succession"*

David Kratz Preaching

JULY 4, 2010



Special Music

The Fear of Healing"

Luke 8:26-39

David Kratz Preaching

Communion

JULY 11, 2010

*"Once there was a Certain
Man...Another Walk with the
Good Samaritan"*

Luke 10:25-37

David Kratz Preaching

JULY 18, 2010

Worship with

"The Just for Fun Singers"

AFTER WORSHIP

Church Picnic - Lincoln Park



CALENDAR

Saturday – June 26

10:30 Global Peace & Justice Task Force – Hansen's home Crock Pots??

Sunday – June 27

9:00 Adult Study
10:00 Worship
11:00 Eco-Friendly Coffee Sold

Monday – June 28

9:30 Altar Guild

Tuesday – June 29

8:00 Construction Meeting – FH
9:30 Staff Meeting – BRR

Wednesday – June 30

6-9 Ugandan Children's Choir – Fellowship Hall (open to all)

Thursday – June 24

5:00 Fauntleroy Fall Festival Planning – BRR

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Sunday – Happy 4th of July!



Monday – July 5
Office Closed

Tuesday – July 6

Office Hours – Mon-Fri. – 9 AM-2 PM
8:00 Construction Meeting – F.Hall
9:30 Staff – BRR

As an open and affirming congregation, the members and staff of Fauntleroy Church are committed to fostering community among people of all races, cultures and sexual orientations.

OUTREACH

NEW RESIDENT WELCOME

Gift Baskets



BASKETS

We're helping Plymouth Housing Group with the bare necessities. Plymouth

Housing Group provides affordable housing for formerly homeless adults. When a new resident moves into Plymouth, they have very few possessions. Our intent is to provide the bare necessities they will need to sleep, eat and bathe in their new home, by giving them a welcome basket when they first move in.

Please consider donating new or slightly used household items for a resident's welcome basket. In turn, you will be creating a sense of home for the new resident. Here are items they need: **twin sheet set, pillow, bath towel and washcloth, toothbrush, tooth-paste, soap, shampoo, trash can, broom and dustpan, mop and bucket, pots and pans, can opener, cooking utensils, set of dishes, drinking cup or glass, fork, knife and spoon, Tupperware bowl, dishtowel, dish soap, dishcloth or sponge, laundry basket, laundry soap, toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, pen, notepad and hangers.**

Boxes to receive your donation are in Fellowship Hall and the narthex. Please have them here by July 25. Thanks! Outreach Ministry

BUILDING REMODEL

HELP CELEBRATE!



While we don't know the exact date we will walk into the remodeled parts of the building, we want to begin planning for how we can celebrate its opening! Now, that's faith, eh?

If you would like to help plan how to open the building with grace and panache, with joy and purpose, please contact either **Joel Groen** or **David Kratz**. The Council has authorized them to start a planning group. If you have an idea but don't want to actually be on the planning task force, call them and drop off your idea into their brain. Thanks. David

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

WE NEED TEACHERS!

Over the past two 2 years, CE has been doing some very exciting things with curriculum and children's programs. The PreK-K class is using *Seasons of the Spirit*, a curriculum written with the collaboration of the UCC. It incorporates puppets, Bible stories and crafts each week with a predictable routine for young children. The elementary classes are using *Potters Publishing* curriculum, which was new to us this year. The children learn about a story or book of the Bible for 5-6 weeks using video, art, dance, music, media production, cooking and many others. The lessons are a fun and engaging way for the children to learn about the Christian faith.

These classes are doing some fun and exciting things and they need adults in our community to engage with them and help them learn! So many people say that they love to teach because they learn so much about their own faith in the process. Please consider teaching either with the PreK or elementary children. We'd like to have a big enough teaching team that we don't overwhelm any of our teachers with the teaching load. Email Karen@fauntleroyucc.org if you would like to know more. Thanks!

Karen



FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

SOJOURNERS



Sojourners will be taking the summer off. Due to busy schedules and vacations, it's hard for people to commit during these summer months. The group will resume on Sep. 25 with the fourth Saturday of each month.

If one get-together gets scheduled during the summer, all will be notified. In the meantime, have a wonderful and safe summer!

Sarah Ackers

ALL-CHURCH PICNIC

This summer's All-Church Picnic will be on Sunday, July 18, immediately following worship, at Shelter #1 in Lincoln Park.



We'll be dining on **Bryce**

Caldwell's fabulous pulled pork sandwiches again this year. Please bring a salad or side dish to share. Water and birthday cake will be provided.

Carpooling from the church parking lot is recommended. If you have a game you'd like to play in the grass, please feel free to bring it.

Allison Wetzel, Parish Life Ministry

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

"GOD'S PAINTBRUSH"

June 28 – July 1, 9 AM - Noon

Who: Children and Youth, ages 5 and older

When: Money – Thursday

Where: Admiral UCC
4320 SW Hill St.
Seattle
206-932-2928

What: We'll learn about the word of God through music, movement, drama, art, crafts and recreation.

Cost: \$25/child or \$35/family for the week

Registration and medical release forms must be submitted to Admiral Church by June 18. Forms are available in the Fauntleroy Church office.



TIME & TALENT

Time & Talent Committee

As we welcomed folks into the Church Council and Ministries at our Annual Meeting June 13th, we would like, again, to remember to thank those who have served this past year. **Klem Daniels/Dan Clements/Klem Clements** who is our outgoing Vice-Moderator, **Lynn Caldwell**, the outgoing Clerk, **Randy Sleight**, outgoing Facilities Ministry Chair, **Meredith Maruyama and Bryce Caldwell**, co-Chairs of Parish Life Ministry, **Zach Hill**, Chair of Outreach Ministry, and **Lucy Gaskill-Gaddis**, Chair of Finance Ministry. I would especially like to recognize and thank **Phil Sweetland**, whose term as Treasurer was up and who agreed to continue for another two years. He gives our church a lot of his time, more than many of us know, and we really appreciate him.

We also need to thank **Yvonne Miles, Nora Scully, Tami Schendel, Pete Olson, Lyn Kratz, Peg Jones, Betty Olson, Dorothy Winship, Evelyn Norsen** and **Mike Wall**, some of whom are completing their terms on their Ministry and some as Council Members-at-Large. These folks all put in many, many hours on behalf of us, the congregation, and we thank them.

Terry Clements, Time & Talent Coordinator/Chair of Time & Talent Committee

Committee Members: **Rog Bjorklund, Jackie Gould, Mary Margaret Pruitt, Marilyn Whittendale, and David Kratz**, ex-officio

CHURCH LEADERSHIP 2010-2011

COUNCIL

Joel Groen, Moderator
John Bjornson, Vice Moderator
Sandie Snead, Clerk
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Bob Code, Member-at-Large
Anita Macpherson, Member-at-Large
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Larry Pierce
Pat Gedney, Council Liaison



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Sunday Worship &
 Church School: 10 AM

Fauntleroy Church UCC
 9140 California Avenue SW
 Seattle WA 98136-2556
 June 21, 2010

Office Hours: 8:30-3:30 PM Mon.-Thurs. 8:30-2:30 Fri.

TIME DATED MATERIAL

Senior Pastor	David Kratz
Director of Music	Bronwyn Edwards Cryer
Parish Nurse	Bobbie Reeves
Church Educator	Karen Kennell
Youth Director	Brandon Adams
Little Pilgrim School Dir.	Lorrie Cook
Time & Talent/Wedding Coordinator	Terry Clements
Nursery Supervisor	Yessika Yoncee Czeskleba
Custodian	Ruben Figueroa
Office Manager	Jackie Gould

CONGREGATOR DEADLINE: TUESDAYS, 1 PM.

OVER THE FENCE

GRADUATES – WAY TO GO!



Lauren

Fox graduated summa cum laude from the UW with a

Degree in Linguistics and a Degree in French. Lauren is the daughter of **Peggy & Bill Fox** and the granddaughter of **Dick** (deceased) and **Marie Sever**.

Caitlin Clements graduated from Vashon High School last weekend. She plans to attend South Seattle Community College in the fall.

THRIFTWAY RECEIPT PROGRAM

A check in the amount of \$226.24 was received in the office last week. This represents 1% of the total receipts for a month of shopping at the Morgan & California Thriftway. It's easy to participate in this fundraiser. Just bring or mail in your receipts from this Thriftway and put them in the can marked "Thriftway Receipts" in the lounge. **Randy Sleight** totals these receipts and then sends that amount into Thriftway who, in turn, sends us a check! See, it's easy. Thanks so much for participating!

SEATTLE STORM

"FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT"

On Saturday, August 21, at 7 PM, in the Arena, the Seattle Storm will play the LA Sparks. We have been invited by the Storm, to purchase \$28 tickets for \$20, enjoy a postgame inspirational talk by one of the Storm players and (if among the first 3,000) receive a free "Beat L.A." Storm T-shirt. The only requirement is that we have a minimum of 10 persons participating. If you are interested, please call the church office by August 1.

NO JULY CALENDAR



No July calendar will be sent out. Here are the vital statistics for July.

JULY GREETERS

7/4 Yvonne Belshaw & Ruby Olson
 7/11 Earl Cruzen & Adah Rhodes Cruzen
 7/18 Terry Gaddis & Lucy Gaskill Gaddis
 7/25 Marcia Wallace & Janet Bakke

JULY LITURGISTS

7/4 Marcia Wallace
 7/11 Klem Clements
 7/18 Jan Richmond
 7/25 Greg Dirks

JULY BIRTHDAYS

7/3 Beth Mortimer
 7/4 Leslee O'Reilley, Mary Code, Lucy Gaskill-Gaddis
 7/6 Meredith Maruyama, Mark Tabbutt
 7/7 Kathy Beery, Whit Seaverns
 7/8 Sam Tabbutt
 7/10 Bea Cruchon, Al Bernahl,
 7/11 Alexander Hines, Jolayne Houtz
 7/12 Debbie Marbet
 7/13 Gabriel Clark
 7/16 Steve Sundquist
 7/17 Joel Groen
 7/18 Kitty Clark
 7/20 Barbara Lither
 7/21 Pat Auringer
 7/23 Carolynn Jensen
 7/28 Charlie Perry
 7/29 Claire Wesselhoeft
 7/30 Jason Code, Adam Kratz
 7/31 Scarlet Dahl, Carolyn Tucker, Tristan Addington-Ferris

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

7/1 Glenn & Molly Seaverns
 7/4 Jeff & Carrie Bruton
 7/5 Fritz & Reiko Tonn
 7/7 Mike & Debbie Kerns
 7/12 Ken Strong & Diane McGinn
 7/21 Steve Garrett & Terry Burgess
 7/31 Chad & Kelli Lewis

Congratulations to you all!