



The Congregator

Fauntleroy Church United Church of Christ

July 6, 2010

KRATZ'S SCRATCHES...

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

“And the Truth Goes Marching On”

June 17th was a hard day for the language of responsibility. According to the Seattle Times, an oil company executive and a US Congressman managed to both apologize and deny personal responsibility in the same breath, a technique that was both inelegant and a moral failure.

Tony Hayward, the Chief Executive for the British Petroleum Company, makes a good deal of money because he bears a good deal of responsibility for what his company does. He said, “I am deeply sorry” that the Deepwater Horizon rig in the Gulf of Mexico exploded and for the fire that resulted. That explosion and the resulting gusher killed eleven people, and continues to kill animals, plants and the livelihood of people whose habitat is being ruined. But he took no “personal responsibility” for the tragedy. His testimony suggests that “personal” is limited to a) he was not there when it happened; b) he did not know how the oil well was drilled; and c) he’s not a drilling engineer or an oceanographic scientist. What he misses is that he is the CEO! And if he is not, then no one is morally and practically responsible for what BP does! Isn’t it ironic that the Supreme Court now considers a corporation, with its innumerable ways of evading responsibility, a PERSON? But then if Hayward is any indication, “personal responsibility” is almost nowhere to be found. Legality aside from the moment, what is ruined is the fiber of morality that holds us together as civil society. His apology is meaningless and accomplishes only disdain if he does not assume responsibility.

Texas Congressman Joe Barton also apologized on Thursday. Prior to his own “apology”, he demanded that President Obama apologize for “shaking down” (extorting) BP for \$20 million to create an escrow fund to repay victims of the BP disaster. The Vice President called him “insensitive, out of touch”. His Republican colleagues stripped him of committee leadership. Then Barton with obfuscation that would make the French Chef Muppet proud, said that he wanted to make it clear that BP was responsible “and if anything I have said this morning has been misconstrued in the opposite effect, I want to apologize for that misconstruction.” So, he wasn’t apologizing for what he said, so much as for the way other people misunderstood his “shakedown” remark. Is it helpful in any way for him to apologize for what others think he said rather than clearly taking responsibility for what he does say?

The whole purpose of an apology is to clear the air and ask for forgiveness. Obviously, these two leaders did not want forgiveness. They wanted to be relieved of responsibility. Hayward wanted to be irresponsible for his actions and the actions of his company. Barton wanted to be irresponsible for what he said. Truth and forgiveness were not served, language became meaningless and moral leadership was nowhere to be found.

Along the way,

WORSHIP SUMMER CHURCH SCHOOL 10:00 AM

JULY 11, 2010

Luke 10:25-37

“Once there was a certain man...a Lawyer, the Good Samaritan and Eternal Life”

David Kratz Preaching

JULY 18, 2010

Worship with
“The Just for Fun Singers”
Baptism of Ci Hossner

AFTER WORSHIP
Church Picnic – Lincoln Park



JULY 25, 2010
LAST DAY FOR THE
WELCOME BASKETS FOR
THE NEW APARTMENTS
FOR FOLKS MOVING OFF
THE STREETS.

Genesis 18:22 and following
*“A Prayer, A Visitation of
Angels and The Violence:
Revisiting Sodom & Gomorrah”*
David Kratz Preaching

CALENDAR

Sunday – July 11

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

Monday – July 12

9:30 Altar Guild

Tuesday – July 13

8:00 Construction Meeting – FH
9:30 Staff Meeting – BRR
10:30 SISTERS
11:00 Fundraising Calendar _ BRR
1:45 Church Y Committee - BRR

Saturday – July 17

830 First Avenue Service Center
Lunch Prep

Sunday – July 18

9:00 Adult Study
10:00 Worship Special Music
After Worship – All Church
Picnic

Monday – July 19

9:30 Altar Guild

Tuesday – July 20

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.

BUILDING UPDATE

THIS IS A VERY BUSY PLACE

The new three phase power unit has been installed—it is located west of the kitchen—it's big, you can't miss it. While it has not been hooked up as of today installation was necessary to be able to operate our new elevator.

Speaking of the elevator, the shaft is complete. The elevator materials have been delivered. It will take several weeks to complete the installation.

We have a serious sanitary drainage problem. It has been with us for awhile but it threatens to become dangerous, if not corrected. In addition, a new pipe will need to be



connected with the city water line for the sprinkler system which will be installed in the sanctuary from June 23 through the July 2 (Not on Saturday or Sunday), Both projects require significant digging in front of the church entrance. Because it is more efficient to do them in concert with one another, the sanctuary will be off limits during the week, but not on Sundays. There will be a steel plate over the walkway allowing us to walk up to the sanctuary and fellowship hall. The work should begin this week.

When digging for the entrance for the elevator through Little Pilgrim School, we ran into a disintegrating drainage system. It will need to be replaced before further work can be done. Though unforeseen, in the long run the repair will allow for better drainage.

There will be a new cyclone fence temporarily installed in the courtyard between the sanctuary and the YMCA wing. This will provide some security while the new addition is framed up and the exterior installed. The glass is being installed in the new addition, the concrete slab has been installed for the patio (it will also be tiled), a concrete bench is being created at the south end of the patio.

The stairway between the Church office/Y lobby and the fourth floor classrooms is being framed (as this is written). It will take a couple of weeks to finish that project.

The current target date for completion is August 18, but that is a moving target. We expect it will be later.

OUTREACH

THANKS TO ALL

The lunch prep and service for the Family Service Center on Saturday June 19th was a success. I had a great set of volunteers **Geoff Higgs,**



Nancy Barker, Rita Gutterud, Carrie Burton, Chris Chrisman and the lovely **Shellie Moomey** who made it fun. We also had additional help from others who provided the following; **Ruth Naccarato** provided carrots and celery sticks, **Bobbie Reeves** and the **SISTERS** group provided cookies. We served 110+ at the center. **Adam Moomey**

FAMILY PROMISE BEGINS JULY 25TH

Once again, it is time to sign up to help out with families from **Family Promise**. From July 25th through the morning of August 1st, Fauntleroy Church will provide dinner and overnight hosting at **Peace Lutheran**. Our next scheduled time is September 18th and we hope we can be back in our newly remodeled church at that time. At this point in June, we still have the same two families that we served in April – 4 adults and 4 children (one in diapers).

There are two times to sign up:

- From 5:30pm-8:30pm, the hosts make the dinner and help out when needed with the guests. At Peace Lutheran, all the rooms are on one floor which makes it easy for everyone.
- From 8:30pm – 7:30am, hosts sleep overnight at the church to ensure safety overnight. Hosts have their own rooms. Generally we advise overnight hosts to bring their own sleeping bag and pillow cover although there are linens for them. Before the guests leave they are provided with a quick breakfast.

The church provides food for lunch and breakfast. Hosts can seek reimbursements for their costs if they like. **We need to keep track of all hours that volunteers spend, so keep track of what you do at home to prepare the meal. There will be a place on the schedule for volunteers to write down their total hours.**

If this is your first time to volunteer, we will provide some training and also put you with an experienced volunteer. Either **Terry** or **Lucy** is at the church at the beginning of each evening to let volunteers in and go over some basic rules.

To sign up contact **Terry Gaddis** or **Lucy Gaskill-Gaddis** at 206-938-3040 or terrylucy2u@comcast.net.

THE HOME STRETCH

We are helping **Plymouth Housing Group** turn a facility into a home for homeless folks. On August 1st they will be opening a new apartment building specifically designed for single folks

who are moving off the street into a permanent home. They have invited churches in Seattle to help stock the apartment with a "Welcome Basket"—really they would like



anything which would help these folks have a home:

Twin sheet sets, toothpaste and other personal care products, kitchen utensils, pots and pans, clothes hangers, paper towels, dustpans and mops, laundry baskets. Think of things you use every week—they'll need something like it.

BRING IN YOUR VEGGIES

Fauntleroy UCC will be participating this summer in a fresh food collection program called "Lettuce Pray", which



mobilizes home gardeners through local churches to grow and donate fresh produce for the West Seattle and White Center Food Banks. Every Sunday from July 4 – October 3, church members can bring produce from their gardens (or purchased) to church. There will be a Lettuce Pray collection box in the narthex. The produce will be picked up just after the start of the service and taken directly to cold storage at the Food Banks.

Fauntleroy UCC joins these West Seattle congregations in this effort:

- Alki UCC
- Congregation Kol Hanashema
- St John the Baptist Episcopal
- Tibbets Methodist
- WestSide Presbyterian
- First Lutheran
- Holy Rosary
- West Side Universalist Unitarian
- Our Lady of Guadalupe

In its beginning year, 2008, Lettuce Pray collected 350 pound of fresh produce during the summer. Last summer it collected 2,000 pounds of fresh produce. This summer the goal is 3,000 pounds.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ANIMALS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Over the last several months our church school classes have collected offering money each Sunday to the sum of \$1450 to purchase animals for

JULY 18 DOUBLE YOUR PLEASURE

WORSHIP AT 10 Music in the Sanctuary

The worship service will be kind of like Music Sunday, only a different choir will be leading us. The Just For Fun Singers are from the Portland Area in Oregon. They are mature adults who love to sing. Under the direction of Jane Dyer, they've performed from nursing homes to country fairs to the state capital rotunda to local churches. Every year they take tour and this year, through the connection to the Hossner-Lewis family, they found us! They sing a variety of music interpreting different psalms.

We will also have the privilege of baptizing Tim and Izzy's daughter Ci.

AFTER WORSHIP A Picnic in the Park

After singing and listening we'll get a chance to eat and chat and play games and walk the loving contours of Lincoln Park. Like last year, we will gather at Shelter One, just north of the south parking lot. Bryce Caldwell will once more make those spectacular pulled pork sandwiches. We'll celebrate birthdays with cake. And we'll provide water to drink. After that it's up to culinary imagination, everything from the proverbial "soup to nuts" and anything in between. Plan to linger over the food long enough to chat and meet some new friends or kibitz with some old ones. Brandon Adams and Karen Kennel will lead games and activities for children and youth. It's a picnic, enjoy!

Heifer International. On June 22 I sent the money to Heifer on behalf of church school classes and purchased 2 heifers, 1 llama, rabbits, chicks, ducks and a lot of honeybees. One of Heifer's representatives echoed the sentiments of my own heart when she wrote in an email, "We are so amazed by the generosity displayed by these young people." The kids have shown me in so many ways that they understand the positive impact that they have on others when they earn money and donate it to this cause. We will be receiving a certificate in the mail from Heifer International, for the church school classes of Fauntleroy Church, to recognize their efforts. Karen



after Hurricane Katrina) and WCM National Disaster Ministries are working together to provide updated information and resources to our local churches. Loey Powell and I are gathering from many sources what we currently think might be of assistance to UCC members and friends. The information will change as we all move through this disaster that is impacting health; the economic situation of any involved in the fishing and processing industry, and the restaurant industry; the emotional and spiritual health of people living on the Gulf Coast; and the needs of children, all of which is within an already fragile environment.

I was privileged to travel with Loey Powell, Alan Coe, Bonnie Vollmering (CWS), and a few other people from Mennonite Disaster Services to Southern Louisiana and spend a day listening to local residents. Story after story from fisher-people and local church pastors revealed to us a great many needs that are already known. There will likely be many more before this is resolved. There are many more stories to hear from Mississippi, Alabama and Florida.

Please continue to keep all impacted by this disaster in your prayers; Peace,
Florence and Loey

UCC NEWS

A UCC PERSPECTIVE ON THE DISASTER IN THE GULF

Link to UCC web page on Gulf Oil Spill:

<http://www.ucc.org/gulf-oil-spill/>

Greetings Friends,

As we continue to monitor or live with, in some cases, the continuing oil spill in the Gulf, I wanted to share with you the new web page created by Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) and Wider Church Ministries (WCM). The JWM Gulf Coast Team (created



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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	Terry Clements
Coordinator	
Nursery Supervisor	Yessika Yoncee Czeskleba
Custodian	Ruben Figueroa
Office Manager	Jackie Gould

CONGREGATOR DEADLINE: TUESDAYS, 1 PM.

OVER THE FENCE

GRADUATES – WAY TO GO!



Sam
 Jones, son of
 David Jones
 and Vicki
 Weeks,

graduated from Wesleyan University in Connecticut with a major in film studies. He plans to move to New York or Los Angeles in the fall to pursue a career in film.

CONGRATULATIONS

Kelly and Adrian Diaz are the proud parents of twins as of Sunday morning, June 27th. The little girl weighed 5 lbs. 15oz. and she is named **Gabriella**. The little boy weighed 5 lbs. even and his name is **Zachary**. They join big brother **Alex**. Everyone is doing well. The delighted grandparents are **Bobbie** and **Jay Reeves**. Great grandmother **Clare Peterson**, and aunt and uncle **Kurt** and **Hilary Reeves** and cousin **Esme**.

Also, congratulations are in order for **Carolyn Smith**, daughter of **Irene Stewart**. She was named Student of the Year from Chief Sealth High School by the Rotary Club of West Seattle. Congratulations Carolyn

CORRECTION

In the last Congregator the Worship Ministry and the CE Ministry headings

were switched. Please note the change.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

CROCK POTS

Crock Pots 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.

NEW SCHEDULE

Aiki UCC has a new summer worship schedule. They are no longer having Sunday services in the summer. On **Wednesday** evenings they will serve a light dinner at 6pm and then worship at 7pm. Feel free to join them.

SPORTS NIGHTS

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.

FAUNTLEROY AT THE MARINERS

Go cheer on the Mariners when they play the Boston Red Sox on Friday, July 23rd at 7:10 pm. Tickets are \$16.00 and will be in Section 316 rows 10, 11, and 12. Randy Sleight will sell the tickets the next two Sundays. Terry Gaddis.



THANK YOU

THANKS FROM WEST SEATTLE HI-YU

Thank you so much for letting West Seattle Hi-Yu use your facility for the White Rose Ceremony. We are very grateful for the use of Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your generosity!

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