

Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ

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Newsletter

October, 2017













I recently preached on forgiveness. Forgiveness can be a touchy subject. We all want, and I think expect, God to forgive us for our mistakes, for the ways we hurt God and harm others. But most of us struggle when it comes to forgiving others the hurt and harm they've caused us. At the very least, we want the one who hurt us to sincerely ask for our forgiveness, before we even consider giving it. We may feel like we deserve some kind of "pay-back", even if it only comes to us through the other person groveling and asking for us to forgive them. Yes, forgiveness can be hard, but it is very important to us as people who were created to live in relationship, in community, with one another. That's why I thought I would share another story about forgiveness that I couldn't fit into that sermon.

You all remember the story of Joseph. If not, here's a quick summary. Joseph was his father, Jacob's, favorite son, and his brothers hated him for that. They all feared that Joseph would take advantage of Jacob's love, and leave them all disinherited, or worse, dead. So, Joseph's brothers plotted to get rid of him. They threw Joseph in pit to let him die. But when pangs of conscience hit them, they decided to sell Joseph into slavery instead. That done, they went and told their father that Joseph had been killed by a wild animal. Jacob grieved his son, Joseph's 11 brothers went on with their lives, and Joseph lived as a slave in Egypt.

But Joseph had always been faithful to God, and God was with Joseph. After a series of ups and downs, he eventually became a powerful and trusted aid of the Pharaoh. When a famine came upon the land, only Egypt, thanks to Josephs careful administrative planning, had enough food to feed her people. And when Jacob and his clan came looking for food, Joseph saved his family, including the 11 brothers who once plotted his demise.

But then Jacob died. And after he was buried, Joseph's brothers began to worry. Now that their father was gone, what if the one they had picked on as a kid, the one they ostracized, the one they feared and hated, the one they plotted to kill, should decide to come after them in revenge for all they had done to him? They weren't just worried, they were downright afraid. So, what did they do? They went to Joseph with a story – Yes, a made-up story. You see, nowhere in the story of Joseph in our Bible does Jacob ever tell his other sons to ask Joseph for forgiveness. Considering their past behavior, they probably made up that story just to save their own skins.

So, what does Joseph do? What would you do if you were in Joseph's sandals? Joseph could only do what was in his true nature, in his heart:

Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them. Genesis 50: (NRSV)

Why did Joseph weep? Was it because he was relieved that his brothers finally recognized the wrong they'd done to him? Was it because his brothers never really knew him as a child, and even now, after all the help he'd given them, his own brothers still didn't know him, they were still afraid he'd do them harm?

The story doesn't tell us why Joseph wept. Yet clearly, Joseph forgives them, saying, "Am I in the place of God?" (I cannot judge you, that's God's place!) And adds, "So have no fear, I myself will provide for you and your little ones." (Don't be afraid of me, I love you, you are my brothers, and I WILL care for you and yours)

A lesson in forgiveness. 77 times forgiveness. After all they'd done to him, after failing to know who Joseph was at heart, Joseph still forgave his brothers. But why? Well, he didn't do it because they sincerely asked for forgiveness (they didn't), or because they really deserved it – they'd been lousy brothers. Joseph forgave them because he loved them and wanted to do what he could do to mend their relationships. It was the loving thing, the God-like thing, to do.

Over and over, the Hebrew people failed to live up to their part of The Covenant, over and over they failed at the mission God called them to fulfill – being a light to the nations. Over and over they turned away from God to worship idols, over and over they damaged their relationship with God. They were afraid of God, that God would disinherit them, that God would destroy them. And what was God's response? God sent them a Messiah to show them how to live as God intended them to live, how God intended for all people to live in relationship with God. God sent God's own son, Jesus. And the sons of Jacob still turned away, and they rejected the favorite Son, and together with the Roman authorities, they crucified him. And what did Jesus, the one who truly <u>was</u> "in the place of God", do to those who rejected him, ostracized him, and plotted to kill him?

He did the loving thing, the God-like thing. He did all he could do to mend the broken relationship between God and all God's people. As he hung on the cross, he said, "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do."

Two lessons in forgiveness. May the holy Spirit use them to heal and transform us. Amen.

Blessings and peace,

Pastor Mark

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back. (The words of Jesus, Luke 6:36-38)



Our Mission: Kendall County PADS is dedicated to providing, temporary, safe shelter and nourishing food to the men, women, and children within Kendall County who are homeless or in need.

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IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!

PADS will be starting again at our church on Monday, October 16th. We are extremely grateful to all the volunteers who have agreed to help serve the homeless again this year. However, we have several slots that still need to be filled. The program runs from mid-October to mid-April. A commitment of just 4 hours a month on a Monday during those 6 months is all that is needed. We could also use help mornings from 6 AM to 7AM.

A special opportunity is available on Tuesday, October 10th 6-9 PM at our church to hear Ryan Dowd, Director of Hesed House speak about understanding the homeless. Those of us who attended his visit last year highly recommend this a must come visit. You will be overwhelmed by his knowledge of ways to work with the homeless. Hope to see you there!

Any questions can be directed to Sandy Lindblom, Salli Walden or Kathy Farren.



A Stephen Minister will care, listen and encourage you.

Christ caring for people through people

Contact Pastor Mark, Becky Jerabek or Lou Ann Hoffman







THE FALL, YCUCC RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE WAS A HUGE SUCCESS - \$6,043.87!

A big thank you is extended to YCUCC membership who helped and donated to a hugely successful Rummage & Bake Sale on Friday, Sept. 15th and Saturday, Sept. 16th. Goldie Behrens, J.O.Y. Circle's Chairperson, and all circle members are extremely proud of the collaborative efforts of our church family.

An amazing number of people came together to form a Set-Up Crew for the Rummage & Bake Sale on Sunday, Sept. 10th. The powerful and mighty Tear-Down Crew on Saturday, Sept. 16th was a whirlwind of constant motion! Many people arrived at noon to pack up all left over items for the 1pm Wayside Cross pickup and returned all furniture to its correct position in preparation for the Sunday morning worship service. Thank you to both Set-up and Tear-Down Crews!!

Under the guidance of Sort & Price Chair Mary McCracken, the J.O.Y. Circle and other church volunteers worked endless hours from Monday thru Thursday arranging, sorting and pricing items in preparation for the sale. Andy Hamblin was at our beck and call throughout the week to lift and move larger, heavier items to accommodate the arrival of more donations. Norm Kuhman and Pat Dietz were also on hand to help when and where needed.

Many YCUCC members donated their time and energy baking a variety of desserts for the Bake Sale and brought them Thursday evening for Bake Sale Chair Mary Ellen Anderson and her creative crew to arrange donated items into enticing, decorative packaging. The Bake Sale alone generated \$581.40!

The newly named Collectibles/Jewelry section (formerly known as the "Boutique") also recognized a profitable sale, thanks to C/J Chair Regina Moe and her dedicated crew.

Without proper advertising, there would be no successful rummage sale, so thanks are extended to Ellie Gentile, Advertising/Marketing/Publicity Chair. 'Day of Sale' Work Crew Chair Pam Hamblin made sure all aspects of the sale were in place and ready to go!!

Proceeds from the YCUCC Fall Rummage & Bake Sale were decided by the J.O.Y. Circle and donated to the following organizations/charities: YCUCC, Wayside Cross, Open Door Rehabilitation Center, Feed My Starving Children, Chapel on the Green, AID, Suicide Prevention Services, Kendall County Food Pantry, 'Love Your Neighbor' Ministry, Mutual Ground, and UCC Disaster Relief Fund. Donations totaled \$5,558.75.

Thank you one and all for your contributions toward the success of the 2017 Fall Rummage & Bake Sale.

THE SPRING, YCUCC RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE FRIDAY, APRIL 27TH & SATURDAY, APRIL 28TH, 2018

~ Peg Trumble ~ Rummage & Bake Sale Chairperson

For ALL VOLUNTEERS OF KENDALL COUNTY PADS

"What I don't know and need to know about people living with homelessness"

Presenter: Ryan Dowd, Executive Director, Hesed House, Aurora

October 10, 2017 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ

409 Center Parkway, Yorkville (3 blocks NW of intersection of Rt 34 and Rt 47, Yorkville)

This FREE program is especially designed for PADS's volunteers

- to provide insights into the conditions of the very poor and people experiencing homelessness
- to help us learn how to practice kindness and respect as we interact with our guests
- to give us practical tips and tools to effectively manage challenging situations

Ryan Dowd, learned first-hand about the conditions of people living with homelessness, volunteering in PADS as a teenager & young adult. He expanded his scope of understanding through experiences as Director of the second largest shelter in the state of Illinois.

"We believe (Dowd) is the right leader who possesses the vision and experience to guide us as we move forward with the goal of becoming one of the premier anti-poverty organizations fighting to end homelessness in the Fox River Valley," said (Hesed House) Board Chairman John Ball.

When Ryan Dowd moved into his position as Direct of Hesed House in January 2016, Sister Rose Marie Lorentzen, who founded Hesed House, expressed how grateful she was for his return in helping to "build a world less rigid, more just ... indeed, a Hesed kind of place."

> Program – sponsored by Kendall County PADS www.kendallcountypads.org 630-553-5073

Building Manager

Mary Ellen Anderson



October is Fire Awareness month. This is the perfect time to replace the batteries in your smoke detectors. Families should talk about their home fire exit plan. At church, we should all take a moment to note where our exits are located and which one to use if there is a fire. We will have our Sunday School teachers do a practice drill so they know which exit to use and how to handle taking their class out of the building.

The Building and Grounds will be installing six new windows. If some of the glass panels from these six old

windows are still good, they will switch them out and use them in window that we cannot replace now.

B&G members are also installing a canopy over the south entrance door. We hope that the canopy will offer some protection from the weather when entering and exiting the building. The funds for the windows and canopy came from donations from JOY Circle and the Hornyak family. We want to thank JOY circle for their generous gift of \$1,000 from the fall rummage sale.

In keeping with our Church Safety Policy, ALL meetings and events need to be recorded on the church calendar. Confusion occurs when events or meetings are not known and we double book events. Your information is shared with several staff members because it has an impact on their jobs. Please take the time to call, text or email your information to Mary Ellen Anderson, your building manager, so we can have good communication.

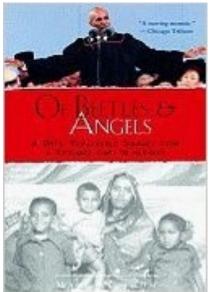
We also need to know who is in the building in case of a disaster, like a fire. We have a red binder that has completed emergency contact information. If you have not filled one of these forms out, please stop in the office and share this important information. In time of an emergency, we want to be prepared to know who you want us to contact for you. It just takes a moment, but it could be extremely helpful in a true emergency.

Mary Ellen Anderson Church: 630/553-7308 Cell: 630/674-4345 Email: bldmgr@yorkvilleucc.org



Book discussion: Sunday, October 22,11:30 a.m. after worship

Of Beetles and Angels: A Boy's Remarkable Journey from A Refugee Camp to Harvard by Mawi Asgedom



The book is a remarkable true story of a young boy's journey from civil war in east Africa to a refugee camp in Sudan, to a childhood on welfare in an affluent American suburb, and eventually to a full-tuition scholarship at Harvard University. The author's refugee experience incorporates themes of perseverance, discipline, sacrifice, helping others, bulling, racial prejudice, poverty, and family. *Of Beetles and Angels* is at once a harrowing survival story and a compelling examination of the refugee experience.

Anyone interested in reading the book and joining the discussion, please sign up at the 'Love Your Neighbor' Ministry table in the narthex. Six books have been donated by Yorkville School District #115 for YCUCC and are available to borrow. A book sign-out/return sheet will be posted at the display table.

Meet in Fellowship Hall at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, October 22, 2017

A light lunch for participants will be included

Discussion led by members of 'Love Your Neighbor' Ministry

You may have seen in the local paper that in Yorkville School District 115 students will be reading and talking about this book. Elementary student will have books of similar theme. Yorkville Public Library is hosting three different public book discussions as well.

After reading the book, you may want to participate in one of the community book events as well. The three "Community Book Discussion" opportunities hosted by the Yorkville Public Library include the following choices: Wednesday, October 11, at 7:00 p.m.; Sunday, October 15, at 2:00 p.m., and Thursday, October 26, at 11:00 a.m.

Watch for other events related to learning about refugees under the program titled "One Book, One Community, Yorkville Reads".







"RUN FOR YOUR LIFE" Simulation

Try to imagine what it would be like to have to run for your life, leaving everything known and familiar behind you, wondering where some of your family members are as you flee, entering a vast, unknown world outside your own country. It is difficult at best to conceive of such a reality for those of us who take so much for granted in these United States.

You are invited to learn more about what it's like for refugees around the world ... read on

The worldwide refugee crisis has reached epic proportions. Over 65 million people in the world are displaced from their homes, with 22 million exiled from their country. After exhaustive vetting, some refugees are invited by the United States Government to rebuild their lives in the USA. To better understand this global emergency, and the actual experience of the refugees, the Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ is sponsoring a "RUN FOR YOUR LIFE" simulation at 12:30pm on Sunday, October 29, 2017 at the church.



Led by the Exodus World Service staff, the "RUN FOR YOUR LIFE" simulation is an interactive hands-on simulation that engages participants physically and emotionally in the refugee experience. The simulation includes boats, tents and border security encounters adaptable to all levels of physical ability. This is a noncommittal educational experience that culminates in a reflection of participants' insights. It is an opportunity to expand our understanding of refugees beyond the hype, fear and prejudice so pervasive in today's media.

You will not want to miss this enlightening educational event. Sign up at the 'Love Your Neighbor' Ministry table in the Narthex (deadline is Oct 22nd).

Join others for a potluck style soup/salad lunch at 11:30am in Fellowship Hall. You will be asked to choose to share a soup, salad or dessert when you sign up. At 12:30pm, "RUN FOR YOUR LIFE" simulation begins and will 'capture' you for 60-90 minutes.

Gail Gaebler 'Love Your Neighbor' Ministry Team



Those Grieving:

The Heywood & Swickert Families

Those in Cancer Treatment:

Fred Anderson Dan Duus Sandy Lindblom Holly Mann

Olivia Mann Kathy Pearce Mary Ratos Cheryl Roberts Judy Schrand Sandy Veselka Debbie Vogel Bill Wallace

Health Concerns:

Bill Andersen Tina Andersen Lynn Belcher Michael Franciose Bob Freeman

General Concerns:

Tina Andersen Mary Freeman Karsjen Family Joe Hudgins Dale Keith Sandy Lindblom Joanne O'Brien John Patterson Ethel Perkins John Schneider Mary Lee Swickert Duncan Skogsberg

Dale Perkins Michelle Terri Marie Wayne

Homebound/Assisted Living:

Bob (Doc) Coleman Cindy Coleman Jim Follmer Ralph Ginger Andrea Prochaska Dorothy Sanderson



Capt. Alex Houle, son of Tony & Laurie Houle Marine Cpl. Christopher Johnson, son of Chris & Eva Schoenfielder Staff Sgt. Ryan Strong, son of Tim & Laurie Strong

October Birthdays				
Ashley Brown	4	Mary Ellen Anderso	n 14	"Liturgy after the Liturgy"
Roger Brooks	4	Diane Dillow	15	Taking our faith outside the church walls
Tim Andrus	4	Aimee List	16	Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Joanne Vitek	6	Alex McCauslin	16	GREEN
Melissa Myers	6	Jeff Corneils	19	Ex. 17:1-7 *Ps 78:1-4, 12-16 OR
Steven Redmon	6	Julie Gette	19	Ezek 18:1-4, 25-32 *Ps 25:1-9
Wendy Myers	6	Frank Yabsley	20	Phil 2:1-3
Melissa Lee	7	Lauren Vaclavik	21	Matt 21:23-32
John Morello	8	Michael Fahey	21	God's Sustaining Presence Neighbors in Need Offering/World Communion Sunday
Kyle Pratt	8	Bradley Brown	26	Neighbors in Need Offering/World Communion Sunday
Tony Campos	9	Dolores Cruise	26	Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Bob Kolowski	12	John Patterson	26	GREEN
Gail Fisher	12	Mary McCracken	28	Ex. 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 *Ps 19 OR Isa 5:1-7 *Ps 80:7-15
Michell Chauncey	/ 12	Rhonda Matlock	28	Phil 3:4b-14
Dakota Kolowski	13	Sondra Shatters	28	Matt 21:33-46
Lane Elleby	13	Lori Redmon	29	Wisdom for the Way
John Behrens	14	Bob Coleman	31	Access Sunday/Disabilities Awareness Week
				 Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time GREEN Ex 32:1-4 *Ps 106:16-, 19-23 OR Isa 25;1-9 *Ps 23 Phil 4:1-9 Matt 22:1-14
October Anniversaries				Praiseworthy Living Children's Sabbath/Laity Sunday
9Bret & Laurie Reifsteck24 years13Tim & Tracy Andrus16 years26Brad & Natalie Schroder4 years26Andy & Kristen Langston21 years26Gavin & Lori Redmon32 years30Jeff & Kathy Farren46 years				Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time GREEN Ex 33:12-23 *Ps 99 OR Isa 45:1-7 *Ps 96:1-9 (10-13) 1 Thess 1:1-10 Matt 22:15-22 Living Messages
				Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time RED Deut 34:1-12 *Ps 90:1-6, 13-17 OR Lev 19:1-2, 15-18 * ps 1 1 Thess 2:1-18 Matt 22:34-36 The Compassionate Life

Date	Greeters
October 1	Carl & Mary Ellen Bushnell
October 8	Rick & Carol Falato
October 15	The Andrus Family
October 22	Keith & Terri Frisk
October 29	Jan Essex and Joann Mohr



Huge Thank You for all the donated bake goods

The bake sale committee and I want to thank everyone who were so generous and baked delicious items for our Fall Bake Sale. We had 5 tables filled with bake items, 2 tables on stand-by with more items and several pews with additional items to put out for sale. Our customers were delighted with the choices. Our grand total from the sale was \$578.80

Proceeds will be used to cover the expense of the pumpkins we are giving away at our community outreach event YCC Fall Festival, Saturday, October 7th. We will be purchasing fleece material to make blankets for the Children's Ward at Central DuPage Hospital. We will also support the Food Pantry

Santa Shop.

Bake Sale Committee Members: Diane Dillow, Jan Essex, JoAnn Morr, Sandy Lindblom, Sue Frahm and Mary Ellen Anderson



Two rounds off antibiotics, two rounds of steroid tablets, two different cough suppressants and even a cough liquid. This is the best I can do at explaining what I was doing the past three plus weeks along with 4 visits to the doctor and/or urgent care. But as I write this I think I am recovering from Bronchitis.

Most important was all the phone calls I received from members of the congregation wishing me the best. I had offers of everything from chicken soup to complete dinners to liver and onions to get my iron level back up,

Thanks to everyone who called, sent cards or were just thinking of me. It was all appreciated. Thanks again I will see you in church.

Lee Kinkade

Shepherds Leadership Team

Kathy Farren

Our church has recently had a very generous offer- the donation of a vehicle.

Mary Moore, the mother of our Christian Education Director Barb Thurlby, has moved into an assisted living facility and no longer needs her vehicle. Through the Thurlby family, she has graciously offered to donate the van to the Yorkville Congregational Church.

The vehicle is a 2007 seven-passenger Dodge Caravan. This van was used on this year's trip to Bridger and could be used to transport the youth group to events or service projects. There could be other potential uses for the vehicle as well- such as driving people to worship on Sunday.

Although the van would come to us at no charge, there would be some cost to the church. Our insurance agent tells us the vehicle insurance would be \$861 annually, plus an additional \$200 on the church's liability insurance policy. We would also have to pay for annual licensing, and, of course, gas and maintenance.

After some discussion at the September Shepherds Leadership Team meeting, we decided to get input from the congregation. If you have any suggested uses for the vehicle, or concerns, we want to hear them. On Sunday, Oct. 1, we will be starting up the Coffee with the SLT in the Fellowship Hall after worship service. Come and talk to us. If you won't be there on Oct. 1, feel free to share your thoughts in an email (ednpub@earthlink.net) or come to the next SLT meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 12. All of our meetings are open to everyone and you are always welcome.

June Davis

Stewardship & Missions Ministry



5 for 5 Missions Mission Offering Neighbors in Need (NIN)

The Neighbors in Need offering, which we will receive on 10/8, supports the UCC's ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to fund an array of local and national justice initiatives, advocacy efforts and direct service projects. Through ucc.org/justice, our national Justice and Witness Ministries office offers resources, news updates and action alerts on a broad spectrum of justice issues. Working with members of the UCC Justice and Peace Action Network (a network of thousands of UCC justice and peace advocates), Justice and Witness continues its strong policy advocacy work on issues such as the federal budget, voting rights, immigration, health care, hate crimes, civil liberties and environmental justice. Neighbors in Need also supports our American Indian neighbors in the UCC. One-third of the offering supports the UCC's Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM). Historically, forebears of the UCC established churches and worked with Lakota, Dakota, Nakota, Mandan, Hidatsa, Arickara and Hocak in North and South Dakota, Wisconsin and northern Nebraska. Today there are 20 UCC congregations on reservations and one urban, multi-tribal UCC congregation in Minneapolis, MN. These churches and their pastors re supported by CAIM. CAIM is also an invaluable resource for more than 1,000 individuals from dozens of other tribes and nations who are members of other UCC congregations in the U.S.

Envelopes are included in this October Happenings. Please give generously on October 8th, 2017.



Well it's that time of year to start thinking about your annual pledge. As you know, pledges are very helpful in the budgeting process. This year the theme is "The Way of Jesus, Journey to Generosity". Starting October 22nd, inspiring bulletin inserts will be passed out in Church. Please take them home, read them and use them to guide you in considering your pledge. The ingathering for the pledge cards will be November 12th

Join us for some fun and fellowship at Yorkville Congregational Church's **FALL FEST** Pumpkin patch, face painting, games, hayrides....and so much more!!!!!

October 7th

11am - 1pm





Reel People News

Reel People movie lovers will meet on Friday, October 20, 2017 at the home of Gail and Fred Gaebler. (Note this one-time change from the normal schedule of the 2nd Friday of the month.) The movie we'll discuss is **FENCES**, a story of Troy Maxson played by Denzel Washington, a mid-century Pittsburgh sanitation worker who once dreamed of a baseball career, but was too old

when the major leagues began admitting black players. He tries to be a good husband and father, but his lost dream of glory eats at him, and causes him to make a decision that threatens to tear his family apart. His interaction with his son, his challenged brother and his enduring wife will surely make for a lively and meaningful discussion as we identify the Christian message in this film.

First timers are always welcome to our food loving group. Why not join us for an evening of interesting adult conversation sprinkled with lots of laughs? Remember, we're not movie critics but movie lovers who just enjoy finding the deeper message a story holds. Just view the movie beforehand, let the hosts know you will attend and bring a snack and/or a favorite beverage to share. See you there!

7:00PM on October 20th at The Gaebler's Home 202 Main Street Yorkville Home #: 630-553-5188 Fred's Cell #: 630-365-5823 gaebler3@sbcglobal.net

Future Movies 11/10/17.....GRAND CANYON 12/08/17.....HIDDEN FIGURES 01/12/18.....THE ZOO KEEPER'S WIFE 02/16/18.....THE SHACK 03/16/18.....THE CASE FOR CHRIST 04/13/18.....LOVING 05/11/18.....TANGERINE\1 **Our Vision** - YCUCC is an open and affirming congregation that seeks to meet each child of God—persons from the full diversity of creation including gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, physical and intellectual ability, age, race, nationality, economic and social status, faith background, marital standing and family structure—where they are on life's journey as together we seek to transform all our lives through Christ's Gospel.

Our Mission - To nurture the divine spark within all people so that together we can advance God's peace and justice, serve others and care for creation with open minds, generous hearts and willing hands.

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