

Council for Collaboration and Communication – notes from February 2024

Action Items

- The Council Approved a grant application to the Endowment fund by the Annual Pledge Campaign committee.
- The Council Approved the Touch of Class Chorale concert for Saturday, April 27th at 7pm with the conditions that two forms are completed (contract with TOC and the UUCV fundraiser form), volunteers are identified to run the event and that they clarify with the Board where/how food will be served. The CCC voted to send the proceeds to Southwest Equity Coalition.
- The Council Approved UUCV Youth group fundraiser after 11am worship on March 3rd in RE Main.

Calendaring items

- March 3 - Buttons and Baked Goods Youth Group Fundraiser
- March 24 - April 21 - Annual Pledge Campaign
- April 27 - Touch of Class Concert
- May 17 - Wagner & Kong Concert
- May 26 - Start of "Summer" Worship - 10:30 am only
- June 16 - 23 - Family Promise Hosting
- June 20 - 23 - General Assembly
- June 23 - Green Fair
- September 8 - Return to two worships at 9:15 and 11 am
- September 22-29 - Family Promise Hosting
- December 15-22 - Family Promise Hosting

Informational items

- **Administration** This month was filled with budget work to help give the board an accurate plan for the new church year's budget in 2024/2025. I prepared the personnel estimates as well as technology, janitorial, and office supply needs. I also completed the UUA's annual congregational certification process.
- **APC** - We are busy, busy planning for APC. See Grant request info above.
- **Beloved Community Work Group** Soup and event "What's Love Got To Do With It" discussing Love at the center of the proposed Article II revisions. At least three more events will be provided regarding the UUA Article II proposal.
- **Change for the World** We'd like to float the idea of shortening the period of time for each collection, so that we may assist more organizations. This is especially important given two (MLK Elementary and Family Promise) have been repeated each year and leave us no room for other local charities.
- **Denominational Affairs** Rain/Ice storm wiped out Chalice Lighter Sunday; back filled with personal email/contact. Promo available for the April Pacific Western

Region Assembly. It will be all virtual like GA in June, a test run in how to do remote assemblies.

- **Family Promise** June Sleep Outside Event with RE, date , TBD
- **Maplewood Moseley Community Garden** There will be a work party on Saturday, February 24th to move the remaining chips off the parking lot and spread them in the garden. **We need additional volunteers!** Join the fun anytime between 10-2 with a break at noon for Pizza lunch. Come for whatever time you are able and if possible, bring a wheelbarrow.
- **Membership** First quarter membership classes are underway. Attendance and enthusiasm both continue to be high. The committee would like to encourage people to talk to visitors and new members they don't know. We also would like greeters to greet all congregants, not just visitors. We are working on ideas for that. Please let us know if you have any suggestions. Membership met with Betty Montgomery from the Beloved Community Work Group to see if there are ways the 2 groups can work together on member engagement.
- **RE Program** Mystery Pals is happening Feb. 18th-March 17th, OWL 4-6th grade in March, Youth Group fundraiser March 3rd, Easter Sunday Velveteen Rabbit
- **Worship Associates** We held a Worship retreat more than a week ago and have recruited two more Worship Associates: Lacey Stokes and Autumn Ripplinger!