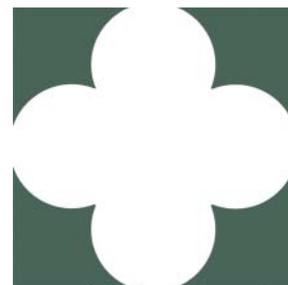


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The Stories We Belong To

BY Pastor Tim Phillips

During the Time with Children on September 16, our children were presented with their own Bibles. I have seen this done before but, this time, I found myself completely choked up. Patrick Green and Pastor Anita Peebles had framed this as the “sharing of our stories,” and each child was personally presented with a Bible by one of our older members. As I watched Dennis and Renna and Linda and Brooke kneel down, look each child in the eyes, speak quietly to each one, and then present the Bibles, I was overwhelmed with a profound sense of what it means to be entrusted with stories that we pass on to our children. It was beautiful and a little bracing. What a gift we have been given. And what a responsibility.

When children are dedicated, one of the things we promise, as a congregation, is to “tell the stories about our ancestors in faith;
about Abraham and Sarah who received a promise to bless the world;
about Moses and Miriam, who led our people out of slavery;
about Ruth and Naomi, whose faithful love created the promise of a new family;
about Mary and Joseph, whose openness to mystery brought Jesus into the world;
about Jesus, who was anointed by the Spirit to bring good news to the poor;
about all the world’s prophets and people who stand for love and justice and truth.”

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I used to think of this as a commitment to help the next generation hear these stories as something that belongs to them. And they do. And we should.

But I think there is something more profound. We, together, belong to these stories. We belong to the stories we tell about our ancestors, about our individual spiritual journeys, and about our life together. When Pastor Ned was writing his dissertation on narrative preaching he said:

Stories enable us to conceive and give birth to community. For listeners who find resonance with the storyteller's personal narrative, an opening can be revealed to link their stories with the teller's. As narratives bond one to another, they become larger than any one story that stands on its own. This 'something larger' can be described as holy, sacred, or set apart — a creative experience of the divine impressed upon a group of story-sharers because of the personal stories they hold in common. Community forms. And experience of belonging ensues.

What I saw happening on that Sunday morning was the sacred bonding that forms across generations when we recognize that we don't simply tell the stories that belong to us. We belong to the stories we tell. David Bloom's Adult Learning class on the separation of church and state reminded me that we belong to the stories of Anne Hutchinson and Roger Williams. We belong to the stories of May Jones and Harold Jensen. We belong to the stories of Dr. King and Anne Lamott and all the stories we tell about those who do the work of love and justice. We belong to our own stories and to the sacred bond of the stories we share.

It's always hard to know what children will remember. But I wonder if our children are likely to remember that one Sunday morning, someone they did not know very well or at all, knelt down, looked into their eyes, called them by name and entrusted to them a collection of stories. If they do remember, I hope it fills them with a sense of belonging that no struggle, challenge, loneliness, or hurt can shake. And they will know that's true because they belong to all those stories we tell about struggle, challenge, loneliness, hurt, healing, imagination, and hope.

May it be so.

Creativity and Costuming for Halloween

By Pastor Anita Peebles

Red Riding Hood, age 2. Dorothy from Wizard of Oz, ages 5 through 7. A cat, age 8. A pirate, ages 11 through 15. A shark, age ... 24. I have worn all of these costumes over the years, as I have practiced being someone else for Halloween. What costumes linger in your closet or simply only exist in memory? I grew up in a creative and artistic environment where my dad helped me plan and then sewed my elaborate costumes, even a full-body bunny costume made out of faux fur (age 5).



I was surprised to learn that this church invites people to wear Halloween costumes to Sunday worship service, but, upon further consideration, I shouldn't have been! Halloween, though arising out of various pagan rituals and carrying numerous cultural connotations, is also a time to play, something I am learning that this church embraces wholeheartedly. To try on being someone else, to pretend to live a life that is not your own and give your own spin on the story: these are ways of exploring that require imagination, respect for others and empathy! To wear clothes that perhaps represent a bold and unrealized dream or give your crafty self a chance to shine: this time is an invitation to play!

Sometimes we can talk about dressing up as if it's a bad thing, and there are definitely pitfalls of Halloween costuming: pretending to be something you're not so you gain some kind of cultural capital or so you can imagine yourself to have more power.

Think twice about this type of costuming: what are you hoping to gain by this? Does this costume disrespect another person's humanity? Why is this costume funny, and can you imagine a certain group of people not thinking it's funny and being harmed because of your representation?

Dressing in costume is meant to be playful. Though the ambiguity of this season between the autumn and winter solstices can be off-putting, as the daylight fades sooner and the nighttime lingers, invite yourself to experience your creativity in a new way. What would life be like as a shark? Will people treat me like Dorothy for the day? Pirates

look like they're having a lot of fun in the movies, so what would that be like, to fight the kraken? Costumes allow us to stretch our imaginations, shake up our understandings of the world to accommodate another way of being, and, hopefully, employ empathy as we take on the attributes and garb of a favorite character, animal, or historical figure. At their best, I think that's one gift of costumes and play: exercising our beautiful and empathic humanity.

So this Halloween season, join us for worship on October 28 in your costume! Remember that you are never too old to play and never too young to practice empathy in your costuming. So whether you are a wizard or a walrus, a jester or a jellyfish, a peacock or an expression of your favorite pun, you are welcome to dream, imagine, to prance and play. Lean into your creativity (and perhaps your DIY self) and join in the fun of a day that we dedicate to playing in a compassionate and inclusive community. I'll see you (in costume) in worship on October 28!

To add to the fun, children, youth, young adults and families are invited to a lunch and party hosted by the CFYA Commission after worship in the youth room and gymnasium, with yummys provided by Patrick Green, a bouncy house and other festivities.

Administrator's Corner

By Darren Hochstedler

Parking: We have received news that the Poly Clinic has sold the parking lot behind the church. This lot will be developed into an apartment building comprised of 8-22 floors and tenant parking. We have met with representatives of the developer and they expect we will be able to continue our current use of the lot for 18-24 months. Church staff along with the Executive Committee and Church Home Operations are working together to study several options. We feel confident that we will have the parking situation resolved by the time "our" current lot is no longer available to us.

Rest Stop: We are in the process of moving storage items out of our hallways and public areas and creating informal areas for rest, small meetings, prayer, teacher breaks, breast-feeding or whatever. Three areas are being worked on right now:

- Near the rear Fridell Lounge door
- The 2nd floor elevator Lobby near the choir room
- The Parlor couch area will be getting new end tables and lamps.

We'll be hanging art, adding elements and improving furniture as we have time and resources. Let me know if you think of items that would make these areas more functional.

Cleanup Day: Thank you to everyone who helped with our church-wide cleanup day. Much was accomplished and there was even time for fellowship and lunch. Volunteers are the backbone of our church and YOU are appreciated!

The Church Is Not Exempt From #MeToo

By Pastor Anita Peebles

A few weeks ago I preached a sermon called "Sticks and Stones" considering the challenging Scripture of James 3, which exhorts us (especially those of us in authority) to be mindful of our words ... because our words matter. That oft-used adage "sticks and stones may break our bones but words will never hurt us" is simply not true. And whether it is words, or more, we must be mindful of the collective pain that any community holds. A lesson from the author of James 3 is that we must be accountable for our own words and actions, as well as hold others accountable for their words and actions.

#metoo #churchtoo

Right now, our national community is holding a lot of pain, specifically related to sexual violence in the news. And within Washington and within Seattle and, yes, within our own congregation, there are surely far too many stories related to what we are receiving from national news media regarding the confirmation of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court and Dr. Christine Blasey Ford's personal experience. Though we as a congregation strive to be welcoming and inclusive and know no circles of exclusion, we also must recognize that the Church is not exempt from dangerous and violent behaviors. All too often, it is the site of violence. And far from providing respite, churches can even be places where survivors are dismissed from sharing their stories. We must be honest about this. I gained this wisdom from another young clergy woman recently: "Yes, all are welcome. But not all behaviors are welcome." And this is true, because harassment, assault, and violence of any type is not welcome here.

The past few weeks my heart has been breaking hundreds of times every day as I see the #metoo and #churchtoo and #whyididntreport hashtags in almost every post on my Facebook, Twitter and Instagram feeds. As a young woman in this world, I know what it means to be sexually harassed, to have my personal boundaries not respected, to have people look at my body for a little too long and catcall me on the street and force hugs on me, among other things. The experiences shared in thousands of #whyididntreport posts illustrate how survivors did not believe any action would be taken against the person who harmed them. And it breaks my heart. #believesurvivors #believewomen

It also breaks my heart to know so many (SO. MANY.) of my women-identifying and transgender and non-binary friends' stories of harassment, assault, and physical violence. I am holding these people in my heart every time I read that Senator Someone excused sexual violence as "boys being boys" (with no thought to how teenage boys of color are not given the same breaks as white teens). I am holding the stories of people in my own family, people who raised me in my home church, clergy women assaulted in the course of their work caring for their flocks. And I have to note that I am also holding the stories of men and boys who are survivors of abuse. Though they are often left out of the conversation about sexual violence because their experiences are different than those of women and transgender people who are targeted in systemic ways, they are no less important.

A post on Facebook recently said "Most of the women and survivors I know have been on the edge of crying or screaming for the past two weeks, and they probably will be in the weeks to come. So don't play devil's advocate, don't talk over people trying to tell you their experiences, don't minimize someone's hardship. Shut up and listen. We all have a lot to learn from these brave people who are sharing their stories." So friends, do what you need to do to take care of yourselves. It's OK to take a break from the news, from social media, from interactions with people that can be triggering. It's OK to cry. If you have people who form a safe(r) space for you to share your truth, access them.

At a recent meeting of Seattle-area clergy, I heard a local pastor talk about how hearts break. They can break by shattering, she said, so that a heart is unrecognizable and the parts are disparate and seem irreparable. Then she shared that her hope is that our hearts always break open, so that we do not shut ourselves off from the world in fear and apathy and weariness, but that we are open to receiving stories that help us stretch and learn and grow. It is my hope that our collective heart does not shatter under the pressure of all of the stories, because each story is unique and must be honored. I hope our hearts break open to teach us about our own behaviors and the ways we uphold systemic violence against women and nonbinary people, that we might repent and go forward in our lives as accomplices in the fight against sexual harassment, abuse and violence. I hope our hearts break open enough to maintain healthy boundaries and call out abusive behaviors. I hope our hearts break open to teach mutual consent to our children and respect children's physical boundaries. I hope that our hearts break open enough to take each other seriously, to listen with non-judgment and to respond with grace. I hope our hearts break open, so that we receive what we need in order to grow towards witnessing God's love and justice for all people. As the Sanctuary Choir sang in the moments before I preached on James 3, "we can do better." And better we must. There is no other way forward.

National Sexual Assault Hotline: 800-656-4673

National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233

Time to Sign Up for the Women's Retreat

By Joan Benner

Don't forget to sign up for the upcoming Women's Retreat, "A Time Apart." The beautiful Rainbow Lodge in North Bend is the perfect setting for personal renewal and connection. The retreat is planned, so there's something for everyone with lots of free time to enjoy the setting or foster friendships. Pastor Anita will be joining us and providing "sacred space" time. So, don't miss this opportunity coming up on October 26 through 28. Sign up soon. Rides and some scholarships are available. Information and registration forms are available at the Welcome Table.

The Place at the Table Dinners

By Joan Benner

The first SFBC 'Place at the Table' Dinner round of dinners was a huge success. Members from six homes around the city invited people to their homes for dinner. Roughly 40 people took part in the event. The positive feedback makes it clear we will definitely do this again. Most likely early in 2019. Here is what one of the hosts had to say:

"The opportunity to have guests in my home became a reality because of 'A Place at the Table,'" Catherine Fales said. "I have a small apartment. So I signed up for three guests. It was a delight to have my request fulfilled beyond what I had hoped. Everyone arrived at 6 p.m. Each person brought their food offering, but more than that, each one brought a caring and loving spirit. We shared so many stories, we laughed, and we had moments of serious thought. After the dinner, we sat in a circle



and continued our visit. Each time it seemed we were parting, someone remembered another topic. It was a most memorable evening ... ending at 10 p.m.! I look forward to being able to do this again. Thanks to the Membership and Engagement Commission for spearheading this great idea."

Adult Education in October

By Joanne Wright

Adult Education in October Presents American Baptist History

In October, Seattle First Baptist Member Bob Sittig will teach us about American Baptist History. Bob has attended SFBC since 1985 and has held several positions in the church, including Treasurer, President of the Congregation, and Church Administrator. He has also served in the Evergreen Baptist Association as Treasurer and Board Chair.

On October 14, Bob will present an overview of the development of the American Baptist Church starting in the 1500s through to the present day. Learn about the many faces of Baptist churches in America. Bob's discussion will include the impact of Henry VIII, Martin Luther, John Smyth, and Thomas Helwys on our denomination.

On October 21, Bob will discuss the history of Seattle Baptist Church. His presentation will include history of the congregation and of our building. Find out why we're not located where the new Whole Foods Store is on Madison and Broadway!

For October 28, the presenter is to be determined.

SFBC Donates to Treehouse



SFBC received a large amount of supplies during the back-to-school drive for Treehouse and Seattle World School. In addition to supplies, SFBC folks donated \$140 which helped purchase binders.

The church can still receive and deliver supplies and manage any cash donations to support Treehouse, which supports foster children, and Seattle World School, a culturally and linguistically diverse school.

American Baptists in India

By Pastor Tim Phillips

I asked Steve and Carol Calkins to send along a note about a new stamp being issued in India that honors the work of Carol's father among the "outcasts." Carol writes:

"A stamp in the honor of my dad is a surprising event given how the current national government in India is fundamentalist Hindu. As an example, the government is cracking down on things like the sale of beef, which is a great hardship on Muslim halal beef growers and butchers. So it is even more amazing that a modest American Baptist missionary should have such impact on the Christians of Kurnool that they would petition the government for a stamp in Dad's honor. And that the request would be granted!"

Carol's brother and his wife and two sons will be attending the Centennial Celebration of Cole's Memorial Church, Kurnool, India, honoring American Baptist work in the region.

"I'm sharing this with you as I don't think many people these days understand how the work of missionaries can transform the lives of a people," Carol writes, "the Christians in India (remember they were drawn from the Outcasts) are eternally grateful that they have been blessed for generations with the understanding that they are beloved souls of God." Carol continues: "Even growing up in India I had no idea, until his death, what my dad, Tracy Gipson's work meant to the Teleg of Andhra."



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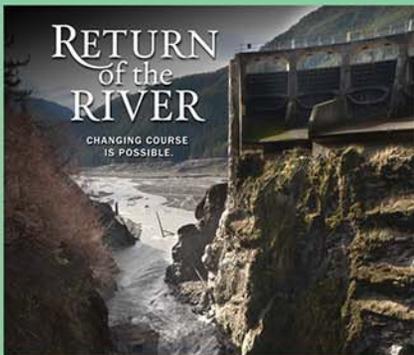
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SUSTAINABLE

October 11

A vital investigation of the economic and environmental instability of America's food system, from the agricultural issues we face - soil loss, water depletion, climate change, pesticide use - to the community of leaders who are determined to fix it. *Sustainable* is about the land and the people who work it.



RETURN OF THE RIVER

October 18

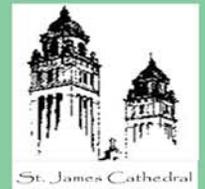
A group of strong-minded committed people attempt the impossible: to change the public opinion of a town and eventually the nation to bring a dam down. The community comes to a consensus, setting the Elwha River free and showing the way to more sustainable future.

Join us for this documentary discussion series on faith and the environment. We begin with a vegetarian supper at 6pm. Films start at 6:30pm, with discussion to follow. All showings are at the St. James Cathedral Pastoral Outreach Center (907 Columbia Street).

Information:

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206-382-4515)



2018 SFBC Stewardship Campaign

As we approach the 2018 SFBC Stewardship campaign, through which we will develop the budget and raise resources for our 2019 ministries, your Stewardship Commission has chosen the theme of "Gratitude" as our focus. As part of this campaign, which will begin on October 28th, we invite each of you to reflect on those things in your lives for which you are most grateful.

To help with our reflection, we are providing a "gratitude tree" that will be located in at various places throughout the church. We as members of this community will write our messages of gratitude on leaves that we will stick on the tree's branches. In that spirit we will make our commitments of time, talent and treasure for the next year.

There are many reasons to be grateful and to express our gratitude. Documented benefits include better relationships, improved physical and emotional health, better sleep, enhanced empathy and reduced aggression, and improved self esteem. While these practical reasons are enough in and of themselves, it is important in our community to remember the spiritual purposes and benefits of gratitude. . . "You are my God and I will give thanks to you... This is the day that our God has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!"

Welcome Our New Members

On Homecoming Sunday we welcomed six people into membership at Seattle First Baptist.

Megan Walker and Aaron Burkhalter introduced Pastor Anita Peebles as a new member. They also introduced Mary and Brooke Rolston, who have long been fixtures in the American Baptist community in Seattle. They were at University Baptist for many years. Brooke is a retired pastor, loved working with university students, and is delighted to be among children.

Sonia and Kendall Baker were introduced by Sue and Don Phillips. The Bakers come to us from Admiral Congregational United Church of Christ. Kendall is a retired UCC minister and was born in Iowa. Sonia is a native Seattleite and has lived in many parts of the United States. She has been very active in her churches and communities. The couple has been married for 42 years and have a total of eight children.

We also welcomed back John Malcomson, who reaffirmed his membership. Gary Davis introduced John, who currently is studying to be a chaplain. John plans to continue his studies at Seattle University School of Theology and Ministry beginning next fall, and looks forward to a career as a Christian Buddhist chaplain.



Aaron, Megan and Pastor Anita



Mary and Brook



John and Gary



Kendall and Sonia

For those interested in joining — or those who have joined but would like to take in the Explore series — gather with us on the first three Sundays in October as, together, we explore what it means to belong to each other and to follow the way of Jesus.

Sunday, October 7, 12:30 p.m. (following worship). A light lunch will be provided.

Sunday, October 14, 9:30 a.m. (before worship). Join the Adult Learning Baptist Principles and History gathering in the Parlor.

Sunday, October 21, 12:30 p.m. (following worship). A light lunch will be provided.

For more information, contact Pastor Tim Phillips.

The Installation of Rev. Anita Peebles

Seattle First Baptist Church invites you to the installation of Rev. Anita Peebles, on Sunday, September 30, at 4 p.m.

The Rev. Dr. Amy Mears, Anita's pastor and mentor from Glendale Baptist Church in Nashville, will be preaching.

Please join us as we gratefully celebrate Pastor Anita's call and the next generation of leadership here in Seattle.

A reception follows. Parking in the lot adjacent to the church is free.



"Y'all Come Music" on First Wednesdays

By Pastor Anita Peebles

How do we share the music of our faith tradition? Who teaches the next generations the songs that carried people through labor movements, the Civil Rights movement, the Vietnam era and countless other momentous times in history? What is the sacred and secular music of today that is shaping meaning with today's youth? What are the songs that made you who you are today?

We will be seeking answers to those questions as an intergenerational group of music-makers and music-enjoyers on our First Wednesdays Y'all Come Music Time. ALL are welcome to bring an instrument, bring a song, or just bring yourself to enjoy making melodies with our congregation. We will sing heritage hymns, explore traditional folk music from the Rise Up Singing collection, and explore many other things on the first Wednesdays of each month following church dinner. Those who gather to play and sing on first Wednesdays will be invited to share the following Sunday in worship. Join us for this fun and intergenerational time of sharing, starting Wednesday, October 3 at 6:30 p.m. See y'all there!

Time to Get Your Flu Vaccination

By Sue Ross

It is that time of the year when I hope everyone will get their flu vaccination. The flu can be deadly, even for a healthy person. Getting vaccinated not only protects yourself but helps protect those around us who are especially vulnerable to the flu. If you are not sure where you can get your vaccination, almost every pharmacy can provide you with a flu vaccination and they are covered by Medicare and most insurances. Bartell's pharmacy is within walking distance to our church and the pharmacy is providing flu vaccinations Mon-Fri 8 a.m.–9 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.–5p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m.–5 p.m. They take most insurance plans except Kaiser and Kaiser Medicare supplement. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the flu vaccination. Your Church Nurse!

Stephanie Porter at Seattle Jazz Vespers

October 7 at 6 p.m.

Seattle Jazz Vespers is launching its seventeenth season with a top tier talent.

Stephanie Porter – Vocals; **Steve Yusen** – Drums; **Michael Barnett** – Bass; **Bill Anschell** – Piano



Stephanie Porter is a premier jazz vocalist who lives to sing. Her recordings have charted on the top 10 nationally and internationally. Musically inspired at an early age. Stephanie found herself mesmerized by music and the many layers of interpretations of songs by both instrumentalists, as-well-as vocalists. Moved particularly by jazz and it's progression of energy combined with cool. A stylist that has been influenced by music ...music and its many styles. She says, "It's difficult to define a specific artist as my major influence... Music is like a painting or a garden. How do you choose a color or flower? I am inspired by individuality and love to hear different interpretations from creative artists. I strive to be true to the songs I sing, honest with the audiences listening and enveloped in creativity with my band."

October Calendar of Events

Wednesday, Oct. 3

- 6 p.m. Community Dinner - Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 p.m. Y'all Come Music Time - Fellowship Hall
- 6:45 p.m. Youth Group Meeting - Youth Lounge
- 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, Oct. 7 World Communion Sunday

- 9:30 a.m. Adult Learning - Parlor - *Religion and Politics* with David Bloom
- 10:15 a.m. Family Fellowship Breakfast in Youth Lounge, 3rd Floor
- 11 a.m. Worship with Pastor Tim Phillips preaching on Mark 10.13-16, plus a time of Communion including our children.
- 12:30 p.m. Explore Session 1. A light lunch will be provided. Contact Pastor Tim Phillips for information.
- 6:00 p.m. Seattle Jazz Vespers Presents: Stephanie Porter and her band.

Wednesday, Oct. 10

- 4 p.m. *Tending the Habitat of the Heart: A Contemplative Practice Series* led by Rev. Harriet Platts. Closed group.
- 6 p.m. Community Dinner - Fellowship Hall
- 6:45 p.m. Youth Group Meeting - Youth Lounge
- 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, Oct. 12 - Sunday, Oct. 14

Evergreen Annual Meeting in San Jose, CA. www.ea-abc.org/annual-meeting

Sunday, Oct. 14

- 9:30 a.m. Adult Learning - Parlor - *Baptist History* with Bob Sittig and Pastor Anita Peebles
- 9:30 a.m. Explore Session 2 - Join the Adult Learning session in the Parlor. Contact Pastor Tim Phillips for information.
- 10:15 a.m. Family Fellowship Breakfast in Youth Lounge, 3rd Floor
- 11 a.m. Worship with Theologian in Residence Patricia Hunter preaching on Mark 10.17-31

Wednesday, Oct. 17

- 4 p.m. *Tending the Habitat of the Heart: A Contemplative Practice Series* led by Rev. Harriet Platts. Closed group.
- 6 p.m. Community Dinner - Fellowship Hall
- 6:45 p.m. Youth Group Meeting - Youth Lounge
- 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Oct. 18

- 7 p.m. Diaconate - Parlor

Sunday, Oct. 21

- 9:30 a.m. Adult Learning - Parlor - *Baptist History* with Bob Sittig and Pastor Anita Peebles
- 10:15 a.m. Family Fellowship Breakfast in Youth Lounge, 3rd Floor
- 11 a.m. Worship with Pastor Anita Peebles preaching on Mark 10.35-45
- 12:30 p.m. Explore Session 3. A light lunch will be provided. Contact Pastor Tim Phillips for information.

Wednesday, Oct. 24

- 4 p.m. *Tending the Habitat of the Heart: A Contemplative Practice Series* led by Rev. Harriet Platts. Closed group.
- 6 p.m. Community Dinner - Fellowship Hall
- 6:45 p.m. Youth Group Meeting - Youth Lounge
- 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, Oct. 26 - Sunday, Oct. 28

Women's Retreat, Rainbow Lodge, North Bend, WA

Sunday, Oct. 28 - Stewardship Gratitude Series begins

- 9:30 a.m. Adult Learning - Parlor - *All Saints program* with Cherry Johnson
- 10:15 a.m. Family Fellowship Breakfast in Youth Lounge, 3rd Floor
- 11 a.m. Worship with Pastor Tim Phillips preaching on Mark 10.46-52
Following Worship - Halloween Lunch for families with children

Wednesday, Oct. 31

- 4 p.m. *Tending the Habitat of the Heart: A Contemplative Practice Series* led by Rev. Harriet Platts. Closed group.
- 6 p.m. Community Dinner - Fellowship Hall
- 6:45 p.m. Youth Group Meeting - Youth Lounge
- 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

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**OCT 26-28
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ALL WOMEN WELCOME!

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Online Extras

Interfaith Climate Action – First Hill has a new webpage that we are hosting on our website. It has lots of great information about the group and their mission. Take a look:

<http://www.seattlefirstbaptist.org/climate-action.html>

