

WANDERINGS

A newsletter for people on a journey together with a purpose

Redlands United Church of Christ *An Open and Affirming Church*

September 2007

Communion Sunday - Worship Service 10:30 a.m.,
Sunday, September 2

The office will be closed Monday, September 3, in observance of
Labor Day.

Covenant Choir will resume rehearsals on Thursday,
September 6, at 7:30 p.m.

Harry Potter Book Series discussion on Sunday,
September 9, at 12:00 p.m. in the office.

Church Board will meet Tuesday, September 11, 7:00 p.m.

Lectionary Discussions will begin on Sunday, September 16,
at 9:00 a.m. in Covenant Hall.

Five Wishes program and luncheon on Sunday,
September 16, at 12:00 p.m. in Covenant Hall.

The Sandwich Group will meet Tuesday, September 18,
at 12:00 p.m. in the Pastor's office.

Alpha Bible Study will meet on Tuesday, September 18,
at 7:00 p.m. at the Naftzger home.

Stewards will meet Tuesday, September 25, at 7:00 p.m.

Middle school and High school youth groups will meet at various times during
September. Please check The View for dates and times.

From your Pastor and Teacher, Sharon~

*"We have these gifts that differ according to the grace given to us:
prophecy, ministry, teaching, exhortation, generosity, leading, compassion..."
—Romans 12:6-8*

The Apostle Paul wrote these words to a particular group of Christians residing in Rome, and apparently meant them to apply to individual believers. But I wonder...could these gifts also apply to whole congregations? Could a congregation, for example, be a unified voice of compassion in their community? Could another congregation serve as a prophetic place? And could yet another be known as a place of abundant generosity?

If Paul's words are to be understood both individually and collectively, then it is fair to say that Redlands UCC has, among other gifts, the gift of teaching. For over 30 years, you have welcomed, shepherded, and then sent on their way, over 15 ministers-in-training. Some have come as youth directors or education leaders. Others have arrived from the nearby seminary in Claremont, and left as ordained ministers. Still others have simply come through the door, not intending to pursue ministry, but have caught the Spirit in your midst and subsequently responded to God's call in their lives.

Now we have another great opportunity to fulfill our calling as a teaching congregation by "adopting" a seminary student! His name is Patrick Ioakimedes and I encourage you to read his brief bio elsewhere in this newsletter. Patrick's first Sunday with RUCC will be September 9th, and he will continue here through the first part of May 2008. As per the seminary's request, our job will be to ensure that Patrick has experience in worship leadership, preaching, Christian education, pastoral care, administration, and outreach. He will bring gifts that are already formed and others that are in formation. All of us can become a blanket of affirmation and challenge to help him become the best he can be in ministry. His requirements include a weekly meeting with me, working with a small group within the congregation who will serve as his Parish Support Team, and participating in as many activities and meetings of this community of faith—all of this is to be accomplished in about 12-15 hours a week.

Whether or not you are part of the Parish Support Team, you play an important part in the effectiveness of this new spirit in our midst. Please join me in welcoming him warmly. Please join me in speaking words of encouragement and listening to his words of wisdom. Please join me in learning from Patrick and in praying for his ministry here at RUCC. For years, we have been given these gifts of teaching and learning from God...let us give thanks together!

Blessings,



SUMMER SERIES WRAP-UP

Thanks to the 50+ people who participated in our summer discussions which focused on the values we hold dear as UCC'ers: being open and affirming, caring about peace with justice, having a congregation and facility that is accessible to all, working toward creating a congregation that is multicultural and multiethnic, and being a body that is both united and uniting. Thanks, also, to leaders Sandy Peavler and Rev. John Walsh, who assisted Rev. Sharon Graff in facilitating these stimulating discussions. Special thanks to hosts who welcomed us all into their homes: Carol and Bill Buchanan, Valerie and Eric Naftzger, Sally and Paul Burton, and Chris and Fred Nicoloff...and to all who brought food and drink to nourish us. Keep alert...more evening series await us throughout this new year!

Thanks!

Dear Sharon:

I wanted to thank you and the congregation for the beautiful book and Barnes and Noble card. Opening up the book and seeing everyone's messages made me instantly weepy :) I am so excited to be here and it's great knowing I have such a great community to come back to! College has been...well, I've been getting very little sleep due to the vast amounts of fun I am having. Class starts on Monday and I can't wait. It really is wonderful up here. Thanks and love, Lauren Barton

Dear Rev. Graff and RUCC community:

Thank you guys so much for the special service and gifts you gave to all of us. It's good to know the community still has faith in the teen community. Thanks again so much for everything. Peace and Love, Doug Miller

We have also heard words of gratitude from Matthew Walsh who has started school at Shenandoah University in Virginia, from Adam Dewey who began classes at California State University-San Marcos, and from Chance Austin-Brecher who is studying at San Diego State University.

Bible Studies Galore!

For all of its life, RUCC has valued the study of the Bible. Beginning with weekday Bible study groups in which all members were encouraged to participate, and continuing with thought-provoking sermons and Sunday classes, the study of scripture helps form our lives individually and collectively. Now you have an opportunity to join this parade of Bible studiers as you are able. Two new opportunities begin soon!

Sunday mornings, 9:00-9:45 am, beginning September 16th a group will gather in Covenant Hall to study and discuss the lectionary passages for the day. (Hint: the lectionary is a 3-year cycle of readings, usually utilized by our pastor as the basis for her sermon/meditations.) Discussing the morning's passages before they are read in worship will enhance your worship experience, as well as deepen our shared understanding of scripture. Facilitated by Eric Naftzger. All are welcome!

Monday evenings, 7:00-8:00 pm, beginning in September – watch the VIEW for details – another Bible Study 101 will be led by Rev. Sharon Graff, using the Kerygma materials, "Your Bible: The Study Begins." This is a repeat of the series offered during the summer, and will be especially helpful for those who were unable to participate in the earlier series. RSVP to the church office by September 10th so materials may be ordered for you. All are welcome!

~ Questions? Please contact Eric Naftzger or Rev. Sharon Graff ~

“Make us to know your ways, O God...teach us your paths...” Psalm 25:4

September 2007

Worship – or in the Old English from which the word is derived: “weorth-scipe” – invites us to become participants with the Divine in a scene that highlights the worthiness of being and of relationships, both of and with God and of, with, and between humans. A liturgics professor I learned from in seminary used to refer to the weekly Sunday service as the “work” of the church (a thought which derives from both Greek and Latin phrases loosely translated as “the work of the people”). Whether we experience worship as “work” or as “play,” and ourselves as “worthy” or not, I am convinced that God looks forward to seeing our faces and dancing with our souls each Sunday...and even on weekdays, too! Come, for the table is set and all are welcome!

September 2 - “Etiquette, by God” – Communion Sunday

Jeremiah 2:4-13; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14

In God’s etiquette manual, dinner invitations are sent only to the poor, the lame, and the blind...and no one is to assume a place of honor by entitlement. When God is the gracious host, guests will be led to a plentiful land, eating fresh fruit and other good things along the way. By extension, when humans act according to God’s etiquette manual, we are to embody mutual love, show hospitality, visit prisoners, be faithful to our chosen life partners, be free from loving money, and be content with what we have, doing good by generously sharing what we have with others. Want to read more?

September 9 – “Shape-Shifters All Are We” – Education Sunday

Jeremiah 18:1-11; Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33

The prophet muses about a clay pot changing shapes on the potter’s wheel and God changing from destroyer to builder, while the apostle Paul writes of a slave becoming a “beloved brother in Christ” and a former slave-holder miraculously transforming into a person of love and forgiveness. Is it too much for us to believe that we, too, could shift shapes from angry to joyful...from sad to confident...from self-loathing to self-loving...from stuck in the past to hopeful about today and tomorrow? And what of the teachers and learners we honor this day? Are there ways for our God to work through each of us to bring transformation to the educational life of our local church family?

September 16 – “Mourning to Morning?”

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Luke 15:1-10; Pastoral Letter on the Iraq War

Today, in addition to our scripture lessons, we read the Pastoral Letter on the Iraq War, written by the five collegium officers of the United Church of Christ, and shared to a standing ovation audience at the General Synod in June 2007. Based on the words of the prophet Isaiah, “God expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry...” we will hear both harsh words of critique and hope-filled phrases of prophetic challenge. After hearing and reflecting on the letter’s content, we are invited by our UCC leaders to pray for them as they deliver this letter (along with 100,000 signatures) to Congressional leaders and Administration members during the first week of October. And, if you want to add your name to the growing list of endorsers, you may do so at http://ga3.org/campaign/iraq_petition.

September 23 – “Tough Questions”

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13

Universal salvation...a grieving God looking for health...a tear-stained prophet asking God why the people’s health has not yet been restored...and to top it all off, a liar and a cheat of a manager is praised by Jesus for his “shrewdness.” Today’s scriptures indeed pose some very pointed and difficult questions. How did these passages make the final cut...and why???

September 30 – “God Not Guns”

Genesis 1:26-27, 31; Exodus 20:1-5a; Deuteronomy 6:5; Psalm 3:1-4; Psalm 18:1-6; Psalm 27; Isaiah 2:1-5; Micah 6:8; Habakkuk 1:1-4; Matthew 5:9-12; Matthew 26:51-52; Luke 6:28; Romans 12:14-21

Following in the footsteps of The Riverside Church in New York City, today in worship we honor the national “God Not Guns Sabbath,” asking all who enter to reflect on the spiritual and moral ramifications of gun violence, and calling each worshiper to make real the Divine vision of a peaceable kingdom by creating non-violent and loving communities where everyone can live without fear of being cut down by gun violence. Come with an open heart and mind to hear God speaking through scripture, prayers, songs, and the words of our fellow humans.

Worship will be richer and deeper with your presence. Come and be refreshed for the journey...

Hello UCC Redlands congregation,

My name is Patrick Ioakimedes and I will be the incoming intern from Claremont School of Theology for the next two school semesters, as through Sharon's leadership, your church has graciously accepted me under your care for training in church ministry. To begin my relationship working with you, I want to thank you for allowing me to participate in the life of this church as I already see a church that reflects a creative, loving, committed, and discerning spirit. I also want to let you know a little bit about myself.

I grew up in the San Fernando Valley and went to church at the Disciples of Christ Church of the Valley. I began paying attention to possible ministerial work at the age of 17 in a response to "religious experiences" I began having at the time. Along those lines I also noticed a strong interest in the line of philosophical thought and inquiry that led me to get my undergrad degree at CSUN in religious studies and philosophy. I have now finished my first year in the Masters of Divinity program at Claremont School of Theology, and hope to continue this degree to completion and then transfer to another school to pursue a Doctorate in Philosophy of Religion. After my schooling I hope to find a situation in which I can work both as a professor and minister.

I have been heavily involved in the church life of the Church of the Valley that I came from, working on staff for several years in the youth department, and also being involved in a few different committees. I have a strong passion for social justice, am a co-leader of the Seminarians for Social Justice here at CST, and have a particular interest in combating the use of sweatshops. I love music and most all endeavors that seek to tap into the creative nature of self expression.

Having expressed a little bit about myself, I hope to be attentive to, respect, and learn from the unique expressions that the members of this church bring to our communal relationship together. Thank you again

Sincerely, Patrick Ioakimedes (Sounds like "I owe comedians money" without the "an" or the money)

Events at RUCC...



Covenant Choir

The Covenant Choir will resume rehearsals on September 6. Anyone who would like to join us, please see Peggy McMeans, or call 798-1474, or email Peggy at PGWMSing@aol.com.

Calling all Muggles

Join us Sunday, September 9, at 12:00 for a discussion of the Harry Potter Book Series. Bring a bag lunch and be ready to discuss the entire series. WARNING! If you haven't finished, all will be revealed. Questions? Call Barbie at 709-9073.

Alpha Bible Study

The Alpha Bible Study Group will return after their summer break on Tuesday, September 18, at 7 p.m. at the Naftzger home, 660 Walnut Ave., Redlands. The suggested summer reading material was the Gospel of Luke which the group will be studying. Newcomers are welcome!

To My Beloved Community~

As many of you know, I am pursuing a Master of Divinity Degree at Claremont School of Theology. As part of that quest, I will be doing a year of Field Education at First Congregational Church, UCC in San Bernardino, with Rev. Petra Malleis-Sternberg, from September through May of 2007. This is both a joy and a concern. The joy is that I know I will grow and learn a lot with Rev. Petra this school year. It is a warm and vibrant church. The concern is saying farewell to all of you, for a time. Thank you so much for all of the warmth and support that you have given me as a Student in Care. You will be in my thoughts, my heart and my prayers during these coming months.

With Love - Sally Burton

Five Wishes

What is *Five Wishes*?

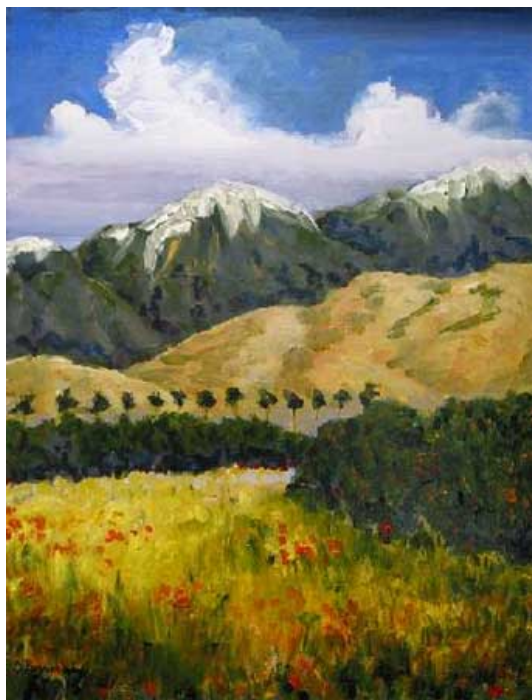
Five Wishes is the first living will that talks about your personal, emotional and spiritual needs as well as your medical wishes. It lets you choose the person you want to make health care decisions for you if you are not able to make them yourself. Five Wishes lets you say exactly how you wish to be treated if you get seriously ill. It was written with the help of The American Bar Association's Commission on the Legal Problems of the Elderly, and the nation's leading experts in end-of-life care. Please join Phil Robb for this informative program on Sunday, September 16, at noon in Covenant Hall. A luncheon will follow the program.

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP LEADERS

- 2 Sandy Peavler
- 9 Carole Beswick
- 16 Loring Fiske-Phillips
- 23 Julie Phillip
- 30 Eric Naftzger

Art for Heaven's Sake! Show and Sale –

The art show committee is already hard at work putting together the 2007 Art, for Heaven's Sake! Show and Sale which will take place October 12th, 13th, and 14th. This will be the 28th year that RUCC has put on this show for the community and, as always, it will be a very exciting experience for our church. But why *is* the art show such a special event for our church and community? The answer to this question has many parts so be sure to take a look in the *View* for a series of short articles that will discuss, *Art, for Heaven's Sake! Then and Now*.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Dee Hodson
Diane Richardson
- 2 Michael Dewey
- 3 Ian Naftzger
Katie Barton
- 7 Douglas Miller
- 12 Steve Chapman
- 16 Jo Dierdorff
- 17 Wendy Naftzger
- 19 Elizabeth Schuiling
- 20 John Sweeney
Jeanne Favreau-Sorvillo
Kent Taylor
- 21 Eric Goren
- 23 Mary Belle Carter
- 24 Matthew Walsh
- 25 Ryan Hughes
- 26 Sam Dickey
Noah Dewey
- 27 Robert Broadhead
Heather Shamp
- 30 Barb Lord

Camping Weekend

Chris and Fred Nicoloff have made reservations the weekend of October 19-22 at Dogwood in the San Bernardino National Forest. The campground is approximately a 45 minute drive from Redlands and is one of our favorites. We have 3 sites that are located together with plenty of room for tents and campers. Two sites have electrical hook ups. We invite anyone who is interested to call us at 792-6082. We have extra tents and sleeping bags if you need them.

...and around town

“Thanks!” from Camp

Hi, Everyone! I've had a great time at camp and I just wanted to say thank-you for allowing me to go to Pilgrim Pines. I have made a bunch of new friends there and I've participated in lots of fun activities. I appreciate your efforts that allowed me to go. THANK YOU!

Sincerely, Kire Hawley-Zechlin



News from Loch Leven

I am pleased to let you know that Tina Carter is the new manager for Loch Leven Christian Camp and Conference Center. Tine began her position June 18, 2007. We were there, when Bob Carter, my husband, was the Associate Regional Minister in charge of Camp and Conference for the Disciples of Southern California from 1964 to 1969. I am very happy that she is following the Carter tradition of working for Loch Leven.

~ Mary Belle Carter

FFLAG Meeting

Families & Friends of Lesbians and Gays (FFLAG) meet on the first Wednesday of every month at the First United Methodist Church on the corner of Cajon and Olive at 7:30 p.m. Mary Belle Carter represents RUCC. For more information please contact Mary Belle at (909) 795-6369.

Citizens' Action for Peace Fourth Annual Peace Awards

Please join us on Wednesday, September 19, at 6:00 p.m. for a special evening honoring peacemakers. The guest speakers will be Blasé Bonpane and Joshua Harris. Vicki Wilson and Eric Goren, M.D. will be recognized for their peace and justice activities. The awards banquet will be held at the historic Mitten Building and the cost is \$25 per person. For reservations please call (909) 798-3240.

Center for Process Studies

John B. Cobb, Jr. will lecture on Why Faith Needs Process Philosophy on Tuesday, September 11, from 4:10-6:00 p.m. at the Mudd Theatre, Claremont School of Theology. The lecture is free and open to the public. For further information, please call 909.621.5330.

Ordination Celebration

You are cordially invited to the ordination and installation of Mark Lewis McAnlis, D.Min. on Sunday, September 23, at 3:00 at Highland Congregational Church, 3606 E. Atlantic Ave., Highland.

Art for Heaven's Sake! Show and Sale – Help Needed!

Can you spare some time October 12, 13, and/or 14? Would you like to meet new people and greet old friends and have some fun while you're at it? If so, the art show committee needs your help! Whether it's one hour or the whole weekend, you have a great opportunity to get involved in this wonderful church and community activity. Below you'll find the descriptions and approximate time commitments for the numerous tasks that must be done in order to continue to make this the premier art show in the Inland Empire. During the next few weeks, art show committee members will be asking for people to sign up for the various jobs listed below. Please consider saying "yes" when asked and you'll be sure to have an enjoyable experience!

Prior to the show

- * Tasty Treats - Tea cookies and hors d'oeuvres are needed for the Friday night gala reception. These can be made ahead of time and frozen or you can make them a day or two ahead. See Bonnie Kilpatrick for more information.

Friday, October 12

- * General Set up Friday morning - Help is needed to move furniture, set up temporary fencing, erect pop-up tents, string lights, put up banners and signs etc. Whether you can come for one or two hours or all day, your help will be greatly appreciated!
- * Set up Artist's Lounge Friday morning – We provide sandwiches and snacks for the artists on Friday night and coffee and snacks all weekend. Help is needed to prepare these sandwiches and snacks.
- * Assist artists Friday afternoon - Starting at 2:00 pm the artists begin setting up their exhibits. Many appreciate help with carrying things from their cars and it's a great way to meet the artists.
- * Monitor the Artist's Lounge late Friday afternoon and early evening – Help is needed to make sure the food and coffee for the artists is available.
- * Serve food and drinks Friday evening - Starting at 7:00 pm hors d'oeuvres, cookies, coffee and punch are served at the gala reception. Help is needed carrying trays of food throughout the show, filling the coffee pot and punch bowls, and serving coffee and punch. This is a great opportunity to mix with the artists and guests. This job can be done in shifts so if you only have an hour to spare that's ok.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

- * Monitor the guest book and greet guests – Greet guests and invite them to sign the guest book. This job is also done in shifts – volunteer for an hour or more.
- * Cashier Friday, Saturday and Sunday – If you're experienced with retail sales or good at handling monetary transactions, help is needed to cashier at the checkout table
- * Breaks for artists Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday – People are needed to sit at the artists' booths for short periods of time in order to give them breaks. You can sign up for one, two or more hours for this job.
- * Monitor the Artist's Lounge Saturday and Sunday – Help is needed to make sure the food and coffee for the artists is available.

Sunday Evening 5:00 pm

- * Clean up! – Clean up must be done quickly in order to get the church back in order for the Indonesian church service later this evening. Any and all help is greatly appreciated for helping artists carry their things, taking down the temporary fence and pop-ups, removing signs lights, moving furniture back in place, cleaning up the artist's lounge etc.

Questions?? Contact Sondra Hodson at (909) 633-3210 or slhodson@eee.org .

Visit the Art For Heaven's Sake! Website

at www.artforheavenssake.org for more information on the artists and pictures of last year's show.

The Class of 1943 by Betty Jacobs

One of our Jr. Highers was very surprised when she mentioned an appliance we all have now and when I told her that there was no such thing when I grew up in the early 1930's.

So Hear Ye, Hear Ye those born in the last few decades. This is a very edited and shortened version of an article called "The Class of 1938" by Nardi Reed Cameron. These were her memories as well as mine from the class of 1943.

We were before television, penicillin, polio shots, antibiotics, credit cards, frozen foods, nylon and synthetics, zerox, radar, and ballpoint pens. Time sharing meant togetherness, not condos. A chip was a piece of wood, hardware was hardware, software wasn't even a word. Telephones were just becoming common. They had 4 digit numbers and there was one per family. We were before commercial air travel. Transatlantic flights belonged to Lindberg and Amelia Earhart. Before La Guardia. O'Hare and J.F.K. airports, most tunnels and nuclear fission.

Before clothes dryers, personal hair dryers and electric blankets. Before Alaska and Hawaii were states. Before men wore long hair and earrings and women wore pants. Before Ann Landers, plastics, disposable diapers, the Jefferson Memorial and nickel. Before McDonald's, pizzas, M&M's, FM radio, tape recorders, electric typewriters, day care centers, dual careers. Elementary school teachers were almost 100 percent women.

5 and 10 cent stores sold thing for five and 10 cents. A nickel would buy a coke or stamps for a letter and two postcards. In 1938 a Chevy Coupe was \$659.00 but few could afford it. Gas was 11 cents a gallon.

We had milk delivered daily and drank it every meal. It was in glass bottles and had cream at the top and a cardboard top for a closure. There was mail delivery twice a day by a walking mailman. We had the Big Bands of Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey, Artie Shaw and Benny Goodman. It was melodic music and we knew all of the words.

It was the days of unlocked homes and cars, freedom to play kick-the-can, hide and seek and other games in each other's yards, more quiet times for reading and thinking, and a sense of safety.

So be appreciative of our modern inventions, use them wisely and keep the environment in mind.

Resolutions from General Synod 26

General Synod 26 considered 17 proposed resolutions during plenary sessions on June 25 and June 26. The full text of the resolutions may be read online at www.ucc.org/synod/resolutions

Against Depleted Uranium Weapons

Status: Adopted, as amended by committee, on Tuesday afternoon, June 26, 2007.

Call For A More Humane United States Immigration Policy

Status: Combined with similar resolutions into new motion, adopted Tuesday afternoon, June 26, 2007.

Legalization of Physician Aid in Dying

Status: Adopted, as amended by committee, on Tuesday afternoon, June 26, 2007, calling for a churchwide study on the issue.

Reaffirming our Faith to Retain our Churches *renamed*

Reaffirming our Commitment to Covenantal Relationships

Status: Adopted, with amendments, on Tuesday afternoon, June 26, 2007.

Regarding the Tar Creek Superfund Site

Status: Approved by delegates at the afternoon session on Monday, June 25, 2007.

Renewing the Covenant with the Rural Church

Status: Approved by delegates at the morning session on Tuesday, June 26, 2007.

A Resolution on Climate Change

Status: Approved by delegates, with an amendment, at the afternoon session on Monday, June 25, 2007.

A Resolution to Recognize 2007 as a Sabbath Year

Status: Approved by delegates at the morning session on Tuesday, June 25, 2007.

A Call for Solidarity with the Persecuted in the Philippines

Status: Approved by delegates on Tuesday, June 26, 2007.

A Resolution on Worker Justice at Smithfield

Status: Approved by delegates at the afternoon session on Monday, June 25, 2007.

General Synod took no action on three proposed resolutions: A Reaffirmation of Marriage Based on the Word of God, A Reaffirmation of the Historic and Ecumenical Christian Perspective on Marriage, and Returning to Unity and Diversity in the United Church of Christ. The proposed resolution called In Support of a Renewed and Balanced Study and Response to the Conflict Between Palestine and Israel was sent to an Implementing Body, as was a Substitute Motion replacing the proposed resolution called Changing the Composition of the General Synod. The three proposed resolutions dealing with immigration were amended and combined into the one resolution shown above.

Due to the expressed interest of members and friends of RUCC, our board will be discussing the immigration resolution at the September board meeting (9/11), and proposing ways that our congregation can implement some of its good suggestions.

September Scripture Readings

September 2: *Jeremiah 2:4-13; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14*
September 9: *Jeremiah 18:1-11; Philemon 1_21; Luke 14:25-33*
September 16: *Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Luke 15:1-10*
September 23: *Jeremiah 8:18-9:1; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13*
September 30: *Genesis 1:26-27, 31; Exodus 20:1-5a; Deuteronomy 6:5; Psalm 3:1-4; Psalm 18:1-6;
Psalm 27; Isaiah 2:1-5; Micah 6:8; Habakkuk 1:1-4; Matthew 5:9-12; Matthew 26:51-52;
Luke 6:28; Romans 12:14-21*

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