

Learning Community e-News



Sunday, February 25, 2024

Dear Ones,

Here is a gentle note that RE classes run until noon. Your RE staff (ahem, that's me and this is a reminder to myself) will keep the door to the RE stairs closed until noon to help teachers and students focus during their classroom time. Thank you for waiting in the Buchan Atrium until noon. (Exceptions always apply if your family ever needs to leave a little early.)

See you Sunday,

Leah



K-1 Open House in Room A200

After the service, come visit the K-1st grade class to check out the cardboard community they created by constructing houses.

4th, 5th, and 6th Grade Families:

GET READY FOR SPRING 4-6 GRADE OWL!
Click [here](#) for more information.



February 25th RE 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Nursery/Toddlers (A103): A loving, playful, and supportive space for little ones 6 months to 3 years old. Drop off and pick up anytime. (Rhionne, Milena, & Kay)

Preschool (A106): Peace, fairness, freedom, and INTERRUPTING. You know you're curious. (Mindy & Jody)

K-1st Grade (A200): *Hope to see families at the 9 am OWL meeting. Our box community is finished! High school YRUUers will come for a tour and interview children about their creations. Open house after the service!* (Evie, Sharon, & Kris)

2nd-3rd-4th Grade (B202 & B203): Drawing on UU ideas about the harmony of nature and sacred circle of life, this session connects love with the question "What happens when we die?" When we remember people we love, they live on in our hearts and minds. Love lives long after death. *For those in Joachim's class, please be sure to say goodbye as he and his family head off on an adventure that involves relocating. Thanks, Joachim!* (Robert & Robin, Miranda & Joachim)

5th-6th Grade (B201): Feast, a short film about a dog that raises questions about how we can best express love. (Christa & Joel)

7th-8th Grade OWL (B302 & B303): Consent Education: Explore forms of sexual violation. Gain strategies to prevent or handle it. The workshop emphasizes that we each have the right to consent or not consent, and we have the responsibility to be on our own and others' side if there is harassment, coercion, or assault. (Sierra & Summer, Vivien & Christopher)

YRUU (A108): Wrap up our justice focus and then head upstairs to the K-1 classroom to interview kids about their box house creations. Looking ahead: *Please read about our plans for the upcoming youth service.* (Faith & Victoria)

Calling All Rising 10th Graders

Interested in a Civil Rights pilgrimage to the US South this summer? We're gathering potential participants as we explore costs, itineraries, and dates.

Contact Bryn if your teen might like to attend and/or if you'd like to help plan.

ALSO NEEDED: UNRELATED ADULT CHAPERONES



Love Your Mother: An Earth Fair for All Ages
Save the Date: After church on April 28th

Our Earth Fair Team invites families to learn, share, teach, and participate in From Farm to Food to All Living Things Fair. Understanding and exploring where our food comes from is a powerful practice that helps us enjoy and conserve places, plants, and animals.

Children/youth whose families fill out this form can visit a forest, interview a farmer, cook, contribute art, and lead in other ways. For questions or to get involved, contact Victoria.

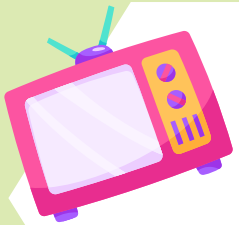


Our neighbors at Shoreline UU in Seattle
are hosting a Youth Con for high school aged youth.
Find out more [here](#).



DOLL HOUSE NEEDED

Our preschool room is in need of a dollhouse upgrade
and would appreciate a donation of a new or gently loved one
large enough for a classroom community.
Please contact Leah if you might have one to gift.



Good Links to Know

Please sign up to bring snacks a few times this year
Get the Front Steps, the all church weekly newsletter
Watch the worship service live or during the week



Monthly spiritual theme:
JUSTICE



Keep in touch!

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