

KEEPING *Current*

With The Union Church in Waban

DECEMBER 2012

FROM THE PASTOR

It was late in the day. The shadows of evening were beginning to yawn and stretch their long arms across the yard. I was at my desk, finishing up a few thoughts.

I was thinking about the ending of the liturgical year. Of how each year, on the last Sunday in November, we celebrate the cosmic reach of God's goodness and our place in the great unfolding of God's re-creation.

And then, on the first Sunday in December, it is Advent and we begin again. The paraments are changed from green to purple and we prepare to make our way to the manger, again. The services we love and know so well are all lined up: The Hanging of the Greens; The Festival of the Lights; The Christmas Pageant; Christmas Sunday; and finally Christmas Eve with the Manger Tableau.

And at home we start dusting off and polishing up the Christmas dishes. We bring down the ornaments from the attic. We hang the wreath on the nail on the front door, the nail that

has been waiting for almost a year now to fulfill its task again.

How easily we slide into the rituals and repetition we know so well in this circle of the seasons. And if we pause to consider in the midst of all our doing, it may be for a moment's sigh for those changes this year has brought. Twelve months have again slipped by. The kids are older. Loved ones who were with us last year have passed on. That pain in the left knee has gotten just a touch more bothersome.

So I was thinking about all this and feeling a bit resigned to repetition, and maybe even a bit sad as the afternoon shadows yawned and stretched their arms across the yard...

Then out of nowhere, there was a flash of color and movement just outside my window. I turned and was startled by an enormous hawk arrested in flight right outside my study window. For split second, it hovered there with wings spread wide, gazing straight at me. Then it dropped to the ground under the tree, but its great

yellow, clear and unblinking eyes never left mine. It was magnificent. Fierce. Powerful. It stomped the ground once, and then twice. And then spreading its great wings, in a swoosh color and motion, it was gone.

"Did that just happen?" I asked myself. If it were not for my pounding heart and the claw marks I could still so clearly see in the mulch beside the tree outside my window, I would not have believed my eyes. What was *that* about?

In Bible Study we were wondering the other day why it is that the Biblical story is so full of angelic messengers. From Genesis to Revelations there are countless angels swooping into peoples' lives – telling them not to be afraid; telling them to expect a miracle; telling them to go see the miracle that has happened; assuring them that God's will be done on earth as it is in heaven. And we wondered why there seems to be so few winged

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Keeping Current is the monthly newsletter covering the activities within and surrounding The Union Church in Waban. **Submissions are due on the 20th of each month.** The preferred method of submission is via email to the Church Office. All articles should include the author's name and phone number and should be submitted in their entirety.

Items for the church's Sunday Bulletin may also be submitted in the same fashion as *Keeping Current*. **The deadline for the weekly bulletin is Wednesday morning at 10 a.m.**

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A Note from Your Moderators

Why Council and Why Me??

You may be reading this thinking, "*Church Council? I'm not a committee chair. That's a meeting I can surely skip! There are so many other things I would much rather do with my time.*"

Well, it's true there are a host of other things you could dive into at UCW and I'm not here to discourage you from doing so, but I did want to take a moment to share a few NEW things that are going on at Council each month — and to invite your participation.

Historically we've thought of Council as the monthly business meeting of the church where committees come together and exchange information. These meetings are informative and help to keep the overall church running smoothly. But there's been thinking as of late, that maybe more overarching and strategic discussions can also be had during this time, which can help us as a congregation. Stacy encouraged us to think of our corporate life together in terms of ministry areas: ministry of worship, ministry of life in the world, ministry of spiritual formation, and the education and ministry of each other. Rather than committees looking at their individual work, we could all begin to look at our work and how it fits into these four ministry domains.

So, you might still be reading this and thinking, "*what does this have to do with me?*" Here's how it has to do with each of us.

You may not have the inclination or time to serve on a committee this year, but you may have ideas you want to share regarding the worship service. What's working? Where are there voids? You could come just to the Council meeting where the topic of ministry of worship is being explored and share your thoughts and ideas. Maybe the larger topic of ministry of education is where you'd like to give some input— whether it is about youth, children, or adult ministry, we'd love to hear what is stirring within you.

Council meets the first Wednesday of the month from 6:30-8:00 p.m. We make every effort to publicize what the topic of the month will be. If you can't attend but would like to share your thoughts please contact Kent or me. This is a new format, and we recognize it will take time to see it evolve and adjust, but we look forward to working with everyone in facilitating meaningful conversations that help guide us as a congregation.

Why Council and why me?? Council can be a place for all — be it monthly or once a year. Know you are welcome and your voice is valued and heard.

Blessings to you all this holiday season!

Molly and Kent

December Council Meeting

Wednesday, December 5 6:30-8:00 p.m. Reception Room

Question for Discussion:

“How do we continue to be a vibrant and vital place, and how do we help all people have a stake in our church community?”

(From the Pastor, continued)

messengers these days?

Now I am not saying that this magnificent bird was straight out of the heavenly court, but I did feel strangely indicted by its piercing gaze. And I could not help but wonder at an invitation perhaps to start again in this liturgical year, to start again this Advent season not resigned to repetition, but instead with the expectation of being startled, surprised, awoken to new insights, to deeper faith, to purer love.

Perhaps the gift of the liturgical year, this repetition of the familiar, is because if God's revelation came to us in one sweeping blast, we would be blown away. Perhaps we need the gentle circling of time to take in each year something new, something deeper, until perhaps God willing we can get to that place of really arriving at the manger, where to borrow words from T.S. Eliot, we can "arrive where we started and know the place for the first time."

So, what will you hear for the first time in our ancient and familiar story that begins again this Advent? What birth will happen in the manger of your heart this year? What promise will take on flesh and walk with you so that you will know fullness of life in the months to come?

Walk with me into Advent with your eyes wide open, expecting to be startled, will you?

Peace to you — Stacy

Russell School News

Thank you for your generous donations of warm, new coats to the Russell School for the CMS Coat Drive!

Nancy Laste, Nancy Zollers and Frank Laski were pleased to be a part of the distribution event at Russell last month.



Blue Christmas and Epiphany

Blue Christmas Prayer Service on Wednesday, December 19 at 7:00 p.m. While many greet the Advent and Christmas season with great expectation and joy, it is not the case for everyone. For those who are going through difficult times (whether that is due to the loss of a loved one, illness, financial worry or simply the stress of busyness of the season) the holidays can leave one feeling particularly isolated and discouraged. This year, we will gather for a mid week service of song, candle lighting and blessing. We will have a chance to set down that which burdens us, and take up the light and love of God to help us find our way through even the most difficult of times.

Epiphany Service on Thursday, January 10th. Did you know that the celebration of Epiphany is one of the oldest services in the Christian tradition? During this intergenerational service we will remember how the three wise ones from the east followed the light of the star to the manger in Bethlehem. We will marvel at the light to the world, made manifest in Jesus, and consider how we are to shine forth God's promise as we grow in hope, faith and love. We will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the vestry with a potluck meal. From there we have a procession bringing the light throughout the church before ending up in the sanctuary for the culmination of the service.

Christian Education and Formation for Adults

Bible Study

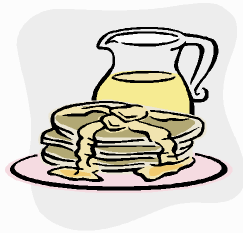
Bible Study continues this month with our study of the book of Genesis. We meet on Sunday mornings at 8:00 a.m. in Stacy's office.

Bible Study is a great way to not only help us grow in our own understanding of who God is for each of us personally, but it also enlivens our experience of worship and helps us to be more curious and engaged in our faith throughout the week.

Please join us; the study is open to everyone. Biblical literacy or previous study is not needed. Come when you can; there is no commitment to attend every Sunday.

Java Gents

Java Gents is an informal monthly breakfast hour for the men of the UCW congregation. It provides friendly fellowship and mutual support to the men. Java Gents meet the third Friday of each month in the church reception room at 7:00 a.m. Buz Bedford cooks up a full, hot breakfast of sausage, eggs, bagels, fresh fruit salad, and hot coffee. Jay O'Beirne usually hosts the lively discussion of timely topics, and personal goings on among the men. This month's meeting will be on December 21st.



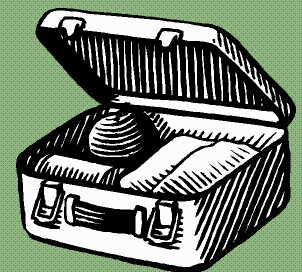
The Waban Health

Nursing and Rehabilitation Center: Taking Worship Beyond Our Sanctuary's Walls

On the second Thursday of the month at 10:30 a.m., Stacy is joined by others in the church to lead a monthly protestant worship service for our neighbors, the residents of the Waban Health, the nursing and rehabilitation center located in Waban Square just behind the Waban Market. Waban Health provides short-term rehabilitation, long-term dementia and respite care to 90 residents. Hearing God's word and sharing communion with people who we may not have any other opportunity to know is tremendously enriching. If you are interested in sharing in this ministry, please let Stacy know by either emailing her at Stacy@ucw.org or by calling at 617-965-3893. This month's visit will be on December 13th.

From the Lunch Bunch

November's meeting of Lunch Bunch will be on Tuesday, December 11th at noon. Please consider joining us for Lunch Bunch. Each month we catch up on the happenings in our lives, and then discuss a topic of interest. If you need a ride, please give Stacy a call at 617-965-3893.



Christian Education and Formation for Adults (continued)

“Finding the Sacred in Our Own Life Experiences”

Beginning Monday evening, January 7 and running every Monday evening for the next six weeks, Tom Vawter and Stacy Swain will be leading a course in which we will take a look at different moments [or times] in our lives. Through group exercises and opportunities for sharing our unique stories, we will look at and listen for how we experienced ourselves and the world around us during early childhood, elementary years, adolescence, young adulthood and wherever we may now be. And along the way, we will look and listen for God’s presence – or absence – in our life’s journey. It is our hope that by the end of this six week course, we will have found a way to come together and bond in a meaningful way (that may survive and continue on after the course is over), to open doors for each participant to new ideas, new connections to themselves, others and God, and for each participant to have written part of their life story to share within the group, and maybe about which there is the surprise of self-revelation, or coming to a new slant of understanding about an important event or time in their lives.

The dates for the course are January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4 and 11. We will meet in the Reception Room at church from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Understanding that unexpected complications do arise, we are asking that participants make every effort to attend all six sessions since each will build upon the other. If you are interested in participating, please speak with either Tom or Stacy. For planning purposes, if you are interested in participating in the course, please rsvp to Tom or Stacy by December 15th.

Book Group

Book Group will not meet during December. The next meeting is planned for January 22 at 7:30 p.m. We will continue reading *Somewhere in Germany* by Stefanie Zweig. The book is the sequel to the acclaimed *Nowhere in Africa*, which was turned into the Oscar-winning film of the same name. This novel traces the return of the Redlich family to Germany after their nine-year exile in Kenya during World War II.



Meditation Workshop: Preparing for Advent



How do you feel when you think about Advent approaching? Is it a time you look forward to, when you are able to make the gifts of this season part of your life? Or do you feel a bit stressed just mentioning that time of year, which is also often the most busy and emotionally demanding? Regardless of where you are on the spectrum of feelings about Advent, we invite you to come discover some ways that will help you live the season rather than feeling like you are blasting through it.

Whether you’ve never practiced meditation, have had a practice for years, or have started and stopped many times, this is a time to discover some user-friendly techniques that can help your mind, body, and spirit feel more in sync. And we’ll look at some simple but meaningful devotional forms that individuals or families and children can practice to live more deeply into the season.

The last session of this series will be held on Saturday morning, December 15 from 9 to 10 a.m. Please contact Kathryn at Kathryn@ucw.org for further information.

Christian Education and Formation for Adults (continued)



Wellspring Women's Group ~~~ Reception Room

Women's Wellspring meets throughout the year, usually on the third Wednesday of the month. Due to our Blue Christmas service, this month we will meet earlier, on December 12th. Mark your calendars for this monthly gathering time when you are invited out of the demands of your days and into a place of peace. You are invited to set down that which burdens you and pick up laughter, love and learning. You are invited to fill places of hunger with good food and fellowship. Women of the church, you are invited.

Come every month or come when you can. It will be good to be together!

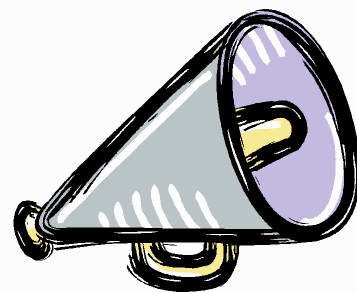
Living Waters Prayer Group

Living Waters Prayer Group meets each Wednesday morning in the side chapel from 7:30 to 8:15 a.m. You are invited to gather with others in the chapel off the sanctuary for a time of silent contemplation, meditation on scripture, and prayer. Steeping ourselves in the peace and presence of God in the quiet of prayer makes a qualitative difference in how we experience what the week brings. Again, if you are interested in this time of prayer, but mornings just are not convenient for your schedule, please see Stacy about exploring a weekday evening offering. Stacy@ucw.org

“Conversations along the Way”

Grab your coffee and curiosity and continue the conversation that was begun over two thousand years ago on that road to Emmaus (Luke 21:13). We will join those two disciples in frank and honest conversation as we engage our questions, our doubts and skepticism about what exactly this Christian faith is all about. We will talk candidly about how and if the ancient story of Scripture has relevance for our living today and how we are to understand what it means to “love kindness, do justice and walk humbly with our God” (Micah 6:8) in this time and place. The agenda for this time is not to try to get each other to believe in a certain way or to try to rid us of our questions. Quite the opposite is true! The agenda for this time which is consistent with the spirit of the Union Church community is to simply welcome all, wherever we may be on our spiritual journeys and to engage our questions honestly and openly, without judgment and with love.

This month we will meet on Wednesday morning, December 5th at 9:00 a.m. at Starbucks in Waban Square. Although we ordinarily meet on the last Sunday of the month after worship, we will not meet on December 30 due to the holidays.



Another Successful Thanksgiving Dinner

The Union Church hosted its fourth annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner on Saturday, November 17th. Nearly 30 guests joined us for a delicious Thanksgiving meal and fun activities for the kids. The night before, our 4th and 5th graders created “marshmallow catapults” that our young guests aimed at a huge styrofoam cup pyramid constructed by Masie Abbiati. More than 20 other UCW members volunteered to set up, decorate, shop, cook, serve, clean up and supervise kids’ activities, all of which made the dinner a huge success. Our guests were grateful and gracious, and they all went home with yummy leftovers. If you didn’t get a chance to join us this year, please consider taking part in this special event next year.



Union Church 4th and 5th graders made marshmallows catapults for our younger guests to aim at this huge pyramid.



Two young guests decorate cookies baked by Cindy Spertner and Kathy Malone.



Molly Kiritsy and Kent Wittler enjoy dinner with some of our guests.

Christian Education News for Children and Youth

by Kathy Malone

Early Release Thursday Cookie Decorating

Come join the Mission and CE Committees after school on Thursday, December 6 to decorate Christmas cookies for the Newton Food Pantry.

We'll get to sample some cookies, too. Bring a bag lunch to eat. Bring your friends too!



Youth Group

Friday Night Fun for 4th -5th graders

Both groups combine for a Christmas-themed December event.

We'll see how much holiday food, game time, service and group building we can cram into one evening.

Friday December 14, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at church.

December Sunday School Schedule

December 2: Hanging of the Greens, Communion. Children will remain in worship for the entire service.

December 9: Sunday School Classes

December 16: Christmas Pageant during worship

December 23: One Room Church School

December 30: One Room Church School

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Christian Education News (continued)

Christmas Pageant 2012

*The annual Christmas pageant will be held during worship on December 16.
Titled, "A Christmas News Broadcast," the pageant reports live from Bethlehem around the day that Jesus was born.
There's a part for everyone who wants one!
Please contact Kathy to sign up your child to participate. Here's our preparation schedule:*

Sunday, December 2

*After worship/Sunday school:
Costuming in the Reception Room*

Sunday, December 9

*After worship/Sunday School:
Costuming on the Stage continues
Script Reading for all speaking parts*

Saturday, December 15

*9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Dress Rehearsal at the Church Sanctuary
All speaking parts*

Sunday, December 16

*9:00 a.m.
Last walk-through rehearsal
All parts, speaking and non-speaking
10:00 a.m. The Pageant!*

Music News

from William Merrill, Music Director

A Stable Lamp is Lighted

We begin our Advent Season this year on Sunday, December 2nd. The choir will sing the festive carol, "People, Look East" as the Offertory Anthem. This is a 17th century French carol tune with a text by Eleanor Farjeon (1861-1965).

On Sunday, December 9th, we will celebrate different traditions of the "Festival of Light." Luana Jøsvold and guest musicians will join us in observing the Swedish holiday of Sankta Lucia. The lighting of the Menorah will honor the celebration of Hanukkah, which begins on December 8th. The choir will contribute an anthem by K. Lee Scott, "Arise, Shine; for Your Light Has Come."

The Christmas Pageant on December 16th will feature the children of Union Church presenting "The Christmas Nativity 2012." Interwoven with the play will be congregational carols and music from the adult choir, and a medieval French carol, "Masters in this Hall." We will be joined by percussion and by our Bell Choir.

On Christmas Sunday, December 23, we will have a special music service, featuring our Adult and Children's Choirs, soloists, and guest Flutist, Michelle Nover. You will hear the compelling Cantata by Mark Hayes, "Come To The Manger." The Cantata is in two parts, the first celebrating the birth of the Christ child, and the shepherds at the manger in Bethlehem; the second, the arrival of the Magi and their worship of God's son. The Cantata concludes with an exciting spiritual, "The Little Cradle Rocks in Glory."

On Christmas Eve, we will hear our two marvelous soloists Sue Ellen Kuzma, soprano, and Emil Lancea, tenor, sing an excerpt from the Vivaldi "Magnificat." The choir will sing a number of anthems, including "A Babe Is Born" by British composer Anthony Baldwin, and the beautiful spiritual, "Mary's Little Boy Child", arranged by Ed Lojeski. We will conclude our service with Adam's "O Holy Night" sung by Ms. Kuzma.

A Circle of Love

The word "Carol" in Medieval times was of French origin, and referred to a circle dance. Later in the 16th century it began to be part of liturgical music. Most of the Carols that we sing today originated in England during the 18th century.



On Sunday afternoon, December 16th, at 2:00 p.m. the choir of The Union Church in Waban, joined by members of the congregation, will participate in a Carol Sing at Waban Health Center. This will be an enjoyable occasion, in which you may share your voice in lifting people's spirits and offering them the joy of the Christmas Season. We will meet at the church at 1:15 for a brief rehearsal, before going to Waban Health. Music and word sheets will be provided, and no music reading ability is required. Children are welcome to join us. We hope to make this a yearly tradition!

Advent Schedule

December 2 Hanging of the Greens 10:00 a.m.
Advent Fair 11:00 a.m.

December 9 Festival of Lights 10:00 a.m.

December 16 Christmas Pageant 10:00 a.m.
Carol Sing at Waban Health 2:00 p.m.

December 19 Blue Christmas 7:00 p.m.

December 23 Christmas Sunday
Special Music Cantata 10:00 a.m.

December 24 Christmas Eve with Children's Tableau
worship service 6:00 p.m.

Union Church Mitten Tree:

Take a Mitten, Give a Gift, Share Christmas with a Man in Need

Every December, The Union Church in Waban works with Project Care and Concern in Dorchester to create a mitten tree that extends the spirit of Christmas giving to those easily forgotten. Each mitten on the tree includes the name of a man living in transitional housing and a description of the specific gift he has requested. Having experienced homelessness, these men are often without family or networks of friends, and they ask for practical items--such as sweaters, jeans, fleece pullovers, hats, and gloves. The gifts we offer are likely to be the only gifts these men will receive this Christmas. The mittens, decorated by the church's children, will be available on Sunday, December 2. Bring your wrapped gift, with the mitten securely attached, to church by December 16. If you have any questions, please contact Joanie Kelly, 617-584-3934 (joan.kelly@aya.yale.edu), or Annie Gatewood, 617-283-5798 (agatewood@gmail.com).



This Christmas, please take a mitten from our tree and give a gift to let one man know that he has not been forgotten.

Advent Fair



On Sunday, December 2, we will be holding the second week of our **Alternative Gift Fair** featuring handcrafts, photo note cards, and other gifts. New to the fair this year, we will have coffee and hot chocolate from Equal Exchange available for purchase. We will have materials available for families to make their own Advent wreaths using real greens. Suggested donation is \$20. We'll also have stations with other Christmas crafts. Plan to stay after worship to enjoy these fun events and get ready for the Advent season.

Deacons' Corner

Within the reformed, Protestant tradition there are many ways that Communion can be served, and no one way is the right way. For years, we have celebrated Communion by "small cups" meaning that the Deacons have served the people in the pews, passing trays of bread and juice.

Last month, we tried something new. We celebrated Communion by intinction. Intinction comes from the Latin word *in - tingere* meaning "to dip into," and that is exactly what we did. Once the table is prepared, the people are invited to come forward as they are able (those preferring to remain in the pew are served by a Deacon who brings the element out to the congregant). We approached the table in two lines coming up the center aisle and returning to our pews by the side aisles. When we approached the table, we were given a piece of the bread "the body of Christ, the bread of heaven" and then dipped the bread in the cup "the blood of Christ, the cup of salvation."

Many commented how moving taking Communion in this way was for them. Some said how much they liked being invited forward -- to get out of their seats and walk to the table reminded them of how Jesus calls us up out of where we may be and into a life of discipleship. Some said they liked the experience of community as the whole congregation approached the table together. Some said it felt more personal and more intimate to take the elements face to face with the one serving.

And so on December 2nd we will again celebrate Communion by intinction. We will again have two stations on either side of the Communion table and one Deacon serving those who prefer to remain in the pews. There will also be a plate of rice crackers for those who need a gluten free option.

As we move into this season of Advent, may our Communion meal fortify and inspire us as together we begin the walk to the manger.

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Merry Christmas
from the
Union Church staff

