FROM OUR MODERATOR

Thank you to all who attended the Congregational Meeting after church on September 23rd. There were two key decisions made at that meeting that I want to update you on:

1. By unanimous vote (78-0), the congregation voted to proceed with a $1 million capacity building campaign designed to:
   
   A) Pay off our existing mortgage.
   B) Seed our Maintenance Reserve Fund to care for the ministry of our historic building, and
   C) Seed a fund to help us fully pay for an Associate Pastor out of our operating budget within 3 years.

The capacity campaign will be led by two incredibly talented co-chairs: Laura Grit and Glenn Seaverns. The theme of the campaign is “Here For Good.” You are all invited to attend a campaign kickoff event after church on October 28th. Look for more details about that event in the coming weeks.

2. By unanimous vote (78-0), the congregation voted to form an Associate Pastor Search Committee comprised of the following individuals:

   • Jenny Mandt (Chair)
   • Sarah Bjornson
   • Terry Burgess
   • Bob Embrey
   • Clayton Hamill
   • Cindy Lavoie
   • Carolyn Tucker
   • Leah Atkinson Bilinski (Ex-Officio)

It’s an exciting time at Fauntleroy Church! In an era when many churches are struggling to survive, we are blessed to confront questions about how we can best grow our ministry and live out our mission. We have just taken two great steps forward in answering those questions. We should all be excited about what the future holds for our church.

If you have questions about either the capacity campaign or the Associate Pastor search process, you are welcome to reach out to me directly.

Faithfully,
Zack Hill, Moderator
As an open and affirming congregation, the members and staff of Fauntleroy Church are committed to fostering community among people of all races, cultures and sexual orientation.

It's a short but lovely book with wonderful lessons for our walk of faith. I hope you'll join us!

Please sign up at the "Get Involved" table. We’re asking you to secure your own book rather than trying to orchestrate a group order. Thank you! -Leah

**VOTING FROM A PLACE OF FAITH**

Occasionally, churches are asked to support particular ballot initiatives that fall in line with our faith and mission as a church (the marriage equality initiative is an example from our past). At its September meeting, the church Council received a member request for Fauntleroy Church to consider taking a public stand on I-1631, as the initiative does connect with the part of our mission aiming to "preserve justice, peace and the sanctity of God's world." The matter was tabled until October 30 so that three things might happen: 1) Council members might become better informed about the initiative, 2) a group of Council members might draft a process for faithfully and responsibly receiving these rare requests, and 3) this article might be put in the newsletter inviting the congregation to share your feelings about the initiative with the Council.

Your Council members are: Zack Hill, Moderator; Jenn Casillas, Vice-Moderator; Jeff VanGilder, Treasurer; Kathleen Steele, Clerk; Tim Hossner; Nancy Olson; Vicki Ellis; Sabrina Burgess-Garrett; Liann Sundquist, Bruce Gryniweski and Al Bernahl, members-at-large.

Feel free to contact these, your church representatives, if you have any questions or want to share your perspective on the Council endorsing this initiative on behalf of the congregation. If you don't have a directory, our Office Manager, Jackie Gould, can get you contact information. Thanks for your help. -Church Council

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**CALENDAR**

**Sunday – October 14**
Wreath Ordering Begins
9:00 Adult Bible Study – Library
9:15 Rainbow Bells Practice - SC
10:00 Worship – Karyn Frazier
10:30 Preaching
5:00 Sojourners – Code home

**Monday – October 15**
8:30 Altar Guild
7:00 Facilities Ministry – Library

**Tuesday – October 16**
3:30 LPS Teachers – 4th Flr CR
5:15 Homelessness T.F. - Library

**Wednesday – October 17**
9:45 Staff – Fish Bowl

**Thursday – October 18**
10:00 Knitters/Crafters - Library
6:30 Bells
7:30 Choir

**Sunday – October 21**
Children's Sabbath/Little Pilgrim
School Teacher Recognition
9:00 Adult Bible Study – Library
9:15 Rainbow Bells – Small Chapel
10:00 Worship – Karyn Frazier
2:50 Fauntleroy Fall Festival – Church/Y/Schoolhouse

**Monday – October 22**
8:30 Altar Guild
6:30 Sisters – Ranes home

**Tuesday – October 23**
9:30 Caring Ministry – Library

**Wednesday – October 24**
9:45 Staff – Fish Bowl

**Thursday – October 25**
No LPS Classes
10:00 Knitters/Crafters – Library
10:00 Sisters – Lounge
6:30 Ukulele Band Practice
7:30 Choir

**Friday – October 26**
No LPS Classes

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**SEASONAL ITEMS**

**ITEMS NEEDED FOR ADVENT**
Do you have…
- fake popcorn and cranberry strands
- 1-2 black top hats
- 2 artificial tabletop Christmas trees of the same size (between 2-4’ tall) and in decent shape?

Would you be willing to loan these items to the church for Advent decorating this year? If so, please let me know and bring them to the church office by November.

Thank you! –Leah

**HOLIDAY WREATHS**
The holidays are coming, and it’s time for wreaths! The 24” wreaths are made of beautiful evergreens and cones….great for decorating your own home and/or to give as a gift. Wreaths will be sold on Sundays Oct. 14 thru Nov. 12th – cost $25. Shipping boxes are available at $4 each. Wreaths must be picked up on Sun., Nov. 18th between 9:30–11:30 AM. Make checks payable to Fauntleroy Church UCC. Payment must be made when ordering.

Questions, call Sarah Ackers 206-762-1780 or during the week, you may call the church office, 206-932-5600.

**NOVEMBER BOOK STUDY: A CHRISTMAS CAROL BY CHARLES DICKENS**

I feel a tad obnoxious talking about Christmas in October, but here I go:

This year, our Advent theme will be “A Christmas Carol at Fauntleroy Church." I’ll give a full introduction on this theme in a November newsletter, but for now, I want to invite you to prepare for the season by coming to a book study of the Dickens’ beloved classic. We’ll meet on November 5, 12 and 19 from 7:00-8:30 in Fellowship Hall. Here’s what we’ll cover each night over dessert:

- Nov. 5 -- chapter 1 (p.1-28)
- Nov. 12 -- chapters 2&3 (p.29-88)
- Nov. 19 -- chapters 4&5 (p.89-122)
**MEET OUR NEAREST MEMBERS**

**A Warm Welcome**

The following people joined our church on August 19. As always, their contact information can be obtained by calling the church office or picking up a church directory.

**PATTY BODZIOCH**

Patty is an Organization Development Consultant, which she very much enjoys. Patty was a member of Fauntleroy Church many years ago and we’re so glad to have her back! She has lived in West Seattle for over 25 years; her daughter and grandson were born here. Patty loves singing and looks forward to singing in our choir this fall. She is very happy to be part of this community again.

**CESARIO (CB) BOSQUEZ, ERICK BOSQUEZ AND JANIE BOSQUEZ**

CB and Erick are the loving parents of Rowan Bosquez, 2-1/2 years old. Janie is CB’s mother. CB works as a Mail Carrier, Erick is a Recruiting Director and Janie is retired.

CB, who is ex-military, likes horses, skiing and softball. CB, Erick and Janie love hanging out with Rowan. They decided it was important for Rowan to grow up with a spiritual foundation and found that Fauntleroy was the place in which they felt comfortable.

We are so happy to welcome these wonderful folks to our church community!

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**COMING UP SOON!**

**Children’s Sabbath: All God’s Children!**

October 21 is our intergenerational worship for Children’s Sabbath Sunday. (Nursery care is available for children up to 4 years old.) On Children’s Sabbath Sunday, all ages worship together and we include the voices of our children and youth in the service. You’ll also have a front row seat for our Rainbow Bell Choir’s first performance ever! And we’ll thank the wonderful Little Pilgrim School staff for all they do for the children in our wider community: LPS Director Lorrie Cook, Leslie Minckler, Amanda Frame Wawro, Angela De Ita, and Anna Lynch.

Come to church on Oct. 21 and we’ll sing and pray our way towards God’s vision of a world where all God’s children are safe, loved, and well.

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Ben Ackers** will be taking individual portraits for the church directory on November 18, following worship for several hours. Please save the date on your calendar if you have never had your photo taken for the directory, feel like your photo is out of date, or would simply like to have a new photo taken. We highly encourage children to have new photos taken, as they change so quickly.

Membership at Fauntleroy Church is not a requirement for having your photo in the directory. If you feel that Fauntleroy Church is your church, we welcome you! A signup sheet will be on the Get Involved Calendar mid-October.

**ONLINE DIRECTORY**

Did you know our church has an online directory? Here’s what you need to know:

- The online directory is accessible to those in the congregation who are included in the printed directory and have an email address.
- The directory is password protected.
- Each household received an invitation via email in Sept. 2018 to the Family Editor, which allows each of you to update your contact information and see a giving summary.
- If you have misplaced your invitation to the Family Editor and the Online Directory or are new to the church in the past year, please contact Jackie Gould in the church office. She can resend the invitation along with details for how to access it.

**SOCKS TO FILL VERY LOCAL NEED**

With the rainy season upon us, clean, warm socks have never felt so good, especially on feet that are usually cold and often wet. That’s the reality for many of those who come to the Bartell’s parking lot in White Center for Saturday lunch.

For nearly three years, the Homelessness Task Force has been recruiting church volunteers to prepare and serve this local lunch every few weeks. If you’ve not been able to be part of this service project, giving socks is an easy way to do so.

Most of the scores of people who come for lunch every week are men so we emphasize donating a pair of new men’s athletic socks for every member of your household. Women in need also come and new, durable socks for them are welcome, too. Simply toss your donation in the bin in the narthex.

Our drive will run until **Sunday morning, Oct. 21.** That afternoon’s Fauntleroy Fall Festival will also be collecting socks and those will be destined for Operation Nightwatch.  

**Judy Pickens** for the Homelessness Task Force.
RECYCLE ROUNDUP
ONE OF BIGGEST

Despite its being a Seahawk Sunday, our Sept. 23 Recycle Roundup collected 13.5 tons of recyclables from 475 vehicles and brought in $1,814.74 in donations—all in the top three since we teamed with 1 Green Planet in 2010 for this twice-yearly stewardship event.

A big thanks is owed Isaak Friis-Alfers, backed by parents Cathy and Jeff, who recruited a cadre of other volunteers and coordinated hospitality for the crew. More good news: The family has offered to do it again in the spring!

THRIFTWAY 1% CASH BACK PROGRAM

We recently received a check in the amount of $174, representing sale receipts of $17,413. Fauntleroy Church participates in the 1% Thriftway program, sponsored by the California Ave and Morgan St Thriftway (only). Simply bring your receipts from that store and put them in the receptacle at the Donation Station in the entryway to the Church/Y offices.

Bonnie Beerman collects these receipts, adds them up and sends them on to the Thriftway Store. They, in turn, send us a check for 1% of the total. These funds are then given to the White Center/West Seattle Food Banks.

Thanks so much for saving and sharing your receipts...and thanks to Bonnie Beerman for her work on this project!  

Jackie

IN MEMORIAM

Joyce Carsten

November 21, 1930 – October 2, 2018

Long-time church member, Joyce Carsten, passed away suddenly on October 2. She had been living in the Judson Park Retirement Community for several years. Joyce and her husband, Walt (who pre-deceased her) joined the church in 1961 and were very active for the next 50 years. One of the activities in which they were involved was the ICYE Program (International Christian Youth Exchange) and hosted several youth. Most of those grown up youth kept in touch with Walt and Joyce over the years. Joyce was a lovely person and she will be missed. Please keep her family in your prayers during this difficult time.

FAUNTLEROY FALL FESTIVAL

The Fauntleroy Fall Festival is on Sunday, Oct. 21, 2-5 PM, in the church/YMCA/Schoolhouse triangle.

Bakers are Needed! The judging of decorated cakes and an old-fashioned cake walk are popular activities. Neither can happen without cakes and that's where you could help. Demonstrate your creativity by decorating a cake with a fall, Fauntleroy, or West Seattle theme; judging will be by level of difficulty and both adults and kids are encouraged to enter.

If decorating isn't your thing, simply bake and frost a donation for the cake walk; it can be just one layer, a small sheet cake, or a cluster of cupcakes. Plan to bring your creation to Fellowship Hall by 1:00 PM on festival Sunday.

Volunteers are also needed for the other various activities of the day. The fastest way to register as a volunteer is to do so at: https://tinyurl.com/FallFestVolunteers2018. Or, if you prefer, you can stop by the Get-Involved Table to sign up for a time slot, and I’ll assign you to an open position. Thanks!

Sarah
The 2nd Second Time Sale for 2018 is now history and the bottom line is that we made over $12,000 to go towards the mission of Fauquier Roy Church.

This year’s sale was unique in that we had such a large volume of early donations that Pat Gedney’s garage was full and had overflowed into her basement by early summer. We were also able to use the Garden Room to collect donations and it was more than full by the time we were getting ready to set up for the sale. On Tuesday, Sept. 4, a crew of 19 people and 12 vehicles began unloading Pat’s basement. Baiba & Phil Morris, Dean & Carolyn Tucker, Marilyn & Al Bernahl, Cathy Phillips, Mark Olson, Phil Sweetland, Charlie Perry, Jo Ann Anderson, Pat Gedney, Diana Hartwell, Bill Carroll, and Michelle & Chase Gaither, made up our crew and Sandie Snead, Jim Brewer and Barb Knudsen were at the church to help unpack the boxes. We had so many boxes that we had to stack a large number outside so that we had room to start the sorting process. That first day, we emptied around 150 boxes and began to sort and organize. Then on the evening of Sunday, Sept. 9, we unloaded the furniture, tools and books from Pat’s garage and the Garden Room. Cathy Phillips, Tami Schendel, Jane Leonard & Stark Shelby, Carolyn & Dean Tucker, Eric Wetzel, Robb Menaul, Phil Sweetland, Al & Marilyn Bernahl, Gordy Mandt, Karyn Frazier and a group of High School Youth, who happened to be meeting at the church, (Rees Holsberry, Charlie Perry, Oddam, Henry Boyer and Charity Hallmon) unloaded the vehicles and also the Garden Room. We worked from 5 to 8 PM, taking loads from the Garden Room up to the Narthex and Fellowship Hall via the elevator. All together we brought over 50 loads of donations from Pat Gedney’s home; Bill Carroll brought 4 loads of items from the Garden Room in his truck and then there were numerous trips to the Narthex and Fellowship Hall up the elevator on Sunday evening.

The loading, unloading, sorting, organizing and pricing takes the better part of two weeks. There is a team of people who come in every day from about 10 AM to 3 or 4 PM. Some people come in as early as 9, some work for a couple of hours and others work anywhere from 4-9 hours a day. Altogether, we put in over 700 combined hours just getting ready for the sale. Pat Gedney, Judy Pickens, Janice Menaul, Marilyn Bernahl, Carolyn Tucker, Sandie Snead, Baiba Morris, Meredith Maruyama, Cathy Phillips, Jo Ann Anderson, Terry Gaddis, Marie Sever, Lisa Fischer, Diana Hartwell, Robb Menaul, Bill Carroll, Dean Tucker, Mike Goldfine, Jim Brewer, Al Bernahl, Mark Olson, Phil Morris, Rita Gutterud, Bonnie Beerman, Tami Schendel, Dennie Carcelli, Barb Knudsen, Pam Ford, Bobbie Reeves, and Cindy VanGilder were the workers. We also had help from Rees Holsberry and Charity Hallmon this year. It takes a village!

Special thanks goes to Pat Gedney, who not only generously stores donations at her home but also gathers donations, makes signs used at the sale and gathers necessary supplies used in sale preparation as well as doing our merchandising and helps collect, counts and deposits money with Aimee Pinckney. Judy Pickens does all of our publicity, designs our receipts, signs, and she selects, organizes and prices everything in “A Cut Above”. Baiba Morris spends most of the late spring and summer checking out garage and estate sales, giving people a contact number so we can pick up items they do not sell. Vera Holte organizes, displays and sells our fine jewelry, which has become an important and profitable part of our sale. Monika Lidman comes every day, takes pictures and posts them on Facebook. She also does donation runs for us. Pam Ford and Nancy Barker run the Bake Sale. This year, Pam had the wonderful idea to sell coffee for a dollar a cup, which was very successful. We sold more of our baked goods with the coffee. Bill Carroll is our “go to” guy when donations need to be picked up throughout the year. He is very generous with his time and always does it with a smile.

Dean Tucker, Phil Sweetland, Mike Goldfine, Bill Carroll and Tami Schendel worked organizing, pricing and selling the furniture. Cathy Phillips is tireless. She picks up donations, did all the testing and cleaning of our appliances, helped the guys with the outdoor set up and works with Judy in A Cut Above. She also helped with clean up.
Marilynn Bernahl is the expert for our linens, blankets, etc., and spends hours getting that area set up and ready as well as getting the start-up money. Terry Gaddis organizes and runs the book area, along with Marie Sever, Lisa Fischer, Diana Hartwell and Robb Menaul. Sarah Ackers helps with getting workers, Billy McElroy is always ready to help us out and Jackie Gould coordinates pick-ups, purchases supplies, organizes cashiers and baggers and cashiers at the sale. Finally, Marilyn Whittendale was there every day to make sure that we had lunch. When she could not be there, Jo Ann Anderson took over. Sandie Snead also helped with keeping the kitchen cleaned and organized. So many people contribute in so many ways.

The early Saturday morning crew who started at 7 AM to set up and also to be there when the sale started at 9, included: Pat Gedney, Carolyn Tucker, Jan Menaul, Pam Ford and Meredith Maruyama – priced bake sale items Tim Hossner, Izzy Lewis, Greg Dirks, Cathy Phillips, Bill Carroll, Al Bernahl, Eric Wetzel, Gordy Mandt - outside set-up
Dean Tucker, Phil Sweetland, Tami Schendel and Mike Goldfine – furniture
Lisa Fischer, Diana Hartwell, Robb Menaul, Marie Sever and Debby Macom – books
Judy Pickens – A Cut Above
Vera Holte, Baiba Morris - jewelry
Lydia Shepherd – security
LeeAnne Beres, Jackie Gould, Tina Wright, Jenny Mandt, Cindi VanGilder, Dennie Carcelli, – cashiers
Joan Wieringa, Sarah Finney, Mitzi Carroll, Cindy Lavoie, Angela de Ita, Robin VanGilder, Josie Czeskleba – Baggers
Maggie Dickson, Pam Goldfine, Sandie Snead and Bonnie Beerman – sales
Nancy Barker and Pam Ford – Bake Sale
Marilynn Bernahl – linens and tools

Also working on Saturday were Jo Ann Anderson, Julie Huff and Zoe Zoellner, Robin Aikin. Marilyn Whittendale and Jo Ann Anderson did the lunch for the workers for Saturday’s Sale. We also had Mary Margaret Pruitt and two representatives from the West Seattle Women’s League of Voters who were there for voter registration.

Sunday workers included Pat Gedney, Carolyn Tucker, Janice Menaul, Judy Pickens, Vera Holte, Lydia Shepherd Baiba Morris, Dennie Carcelli, Vera Holte, Marilynn Bernahl, Cathy Phillips, Nancy Barker, Dean Tucker, Phil Sweetland, Al Bernahl, Bill Carroll, Tami Schendel, Sarah Finney, Jane Leonard, Charity Hallmon, Morgan and Rees Holsberry, Nancy Olson, Dennis Eaton and Deb Decker. After the sale, items were boxed to be donated to Discovery Shop, Ryther, Veteran’s Hospital, West Seattle Food Bank, The Little Library, WestSide Baby, Mary’s Place, Camp Second Chance and the Homelessness Task Force.

On Monday between 9 AM and 2 PM, Lisa Corbin led a group of volunteers who boxed the remaining merchandise and transported it to Goodwill, Salvation Army and Value Village. Helpers on Monday included Deb Kerns, Marilynn Bernahl, Monika Lidman, Cathy Phillips, Carolyn Tucker, Lisa Fischer, Tami Schendel and Grammie, Dean Tucker, Mike Goldfine, Phil Sweetland, Robb Menaul. Thanks to all of them, but especially to Robb, who took two loads of books to Half Price Books where he exchanged them for cash. He also took boxes of paperbacks to the Veteran’s Hospital

Thanks to those of you who:
- donated items for the sale
- donated baked goods
- worked at the sale
- purchased items from the sale

We appreciate your support. Keep us in mind throughout the year when you have items to donate or if you know someone who might have items to donate. Just call the church office and Jackie will tell you who to contact.

Mark your calendars for next year’s sale on September 14 and 15, 2019. Set up will begin on September 1.

Carolyn Tucker

Editor’s note: Thank you, Carolyn, for your hours and hours of work and leadership on this very successful sale!