“Here for Good”
Capacity Building Campaign Kickoff Event, October 28

On September 23, 2018, the congregation voted for the Fauntleroy Church Capacity Building Campaign, “Here for Good”. We will kick off the Here for Good campaign at an event immediately following the church service on October 28, with a light lunch and other festivities. This is the beginning of the formal pledging for the campaign that will culminate with the Campaign Pledge Sunday on December 2.

The campaign will provide funding for Steeple Repair ($105,000), seed money for a new Associate Pastor Position ($90,000), long-term building Maintenance Reserve ($150,000), and Mortgage debt reduction from our 2008 remodel ($655,000). Pledges can be paid over a 3-year period. The total funds required to accomplish our goals is $1,000,000.

Over a year ago, as co-chair for a potential Capacity Campaign, I began a search for information about why we needed a campaign. Repairing the rotting steeple is important, our growing church needs an Associate Pastor and seeding of a Maintenance Reserve Fund is something I have been wanting for over 25 years. I needed to investigate the mortgage more thoroughly. Interest rates are on the rise (1.75% in the past 2 years) cramping our ability to continue all of our operating budget programs. My investigation convinced me our church leaders have researched all financial aspects of the mortgage to decide we should undertake a Capacity Building Campaign to eliminate the mortgage and I’m excited that we, the congregation, agreed with a vote to proceed.

I love our remodel with the elevator, large narthex, sprinkler system and new church window. I believe our congregation is entering an exciting time. To be able to maximize our potential, we need to be able to consider new possibilities but also pay for new ideas. Removing ourselves from our debt and enabling our Church Ministries to provide for our needs creates that path for us to look with excitement into our future. Together, I feel we can accomplish our goal of raising $1,000,000. Here for Good means we will preserve the legacy of our church in the future and by preserving our legacy we will be here to do good for our congregation and community. We all need to pledge (small and large) to the Here for Good Capacity Building Campaign.

Please join us immediately following the church service on October 28 for the Here for Good Capacity Building Campaign Kickoff Event.

Thank you very much,

Here for Good Co-Chair Glenn Seaverns
CALENDAR

Friday – October 26
No LPS Classes
1:00 Memorial Service for Joyce Carsten - Sanctuary

Sunday – October 28
9:00 Adult Bible Study – Library
9:15 Rainbow Bells Practice - SC
10:00 Worship – Karyn Frazier
Preaching/Costume Parade
Youth Service Sunday
11:30 Capacity Campaign Kick-Off
Event – Church Building
11:45 Executive Committee – Lib.
5:00 Salmon Drumming

Monday – October 29
8:30 Altar Guild

Tuesday – October 30
7:00 Council - BRR

Wednesday – October 31
Halloween
9:45 Staff – Fish Bowl

Thursday – November 1
10:00 Knitters/Crafters - Library
6:30 Bells
7:30 Choir

Sunday – November 4
Daylight Saving Time Ends (fall back one hour)
9:00 Adult Bible Study – Library
9:15 Rainbow Bells – Small Chapel
10:00 Worship - Communion
11:30 Worship Ministry – Library
11:30 Service & Outreach Min – Fish Bowl
4:45 SOAR Youth Group
5:00 Sojourners – Bjornson home

Monday – November 5
8:30 Altar Guild
7:30-8:30 All Church Book Study – F.H.

Tuesday – November 6
9:00 Fix-It Group
7:00 Personnel Com. - Library

Wednesday – November 7
9:45 Staff – Fish Bowl
6:30 Parish Life Ministry – Library
6:30 LPS Parent Night – Classes

Thursday – November 8
10:00 Knitters/Crafters – Library
10:00 Sisters – Lounge
6:30 Ukulele Band Practice
7:00 LPS Task Force – Fish Bowl
7:30 Choir

Friday – November 9
5:00-8:00 Fauntleroy Fine Art & Holiday Gift Fair- Fellowship Hall

Saturday – November 10
10-4:00 Art & Gift Fair – F. Hall

Sunday – November 11
Veteran’s Day
9:00 Adult Bible Study – Library
9:15 Rainbow Bells – Small Chapel
10:00 Worship
Pageant Practice – 4th Floor
11:20 Art & Gift Fair – F. Hall
11:30 Taste & See – Library
4-6:00 Campaign Conversation & Wine Reception – Lounge
6-8:00 Youth Preconfirmation Mtg. – Youth Room

Monday – November 12
No LPS Classes
6:30 Sisters – Reeves home
7-8:30 All-Church Book Study – F.H.

Tuesday – November 13
LPS Vision Screening All Day
6:30 Seaside Sisters – Room 416
7:00 LPS Standing Com.-4th Flr Conf. Room
7:00 Pastoral Rels. Com. – Library

Wednesday – November 14
9:45 Staff – Fish Bowl
1:00 Church/Y Com. – Library
6:30 Christian Ed Min. – Library
7:00 Finance Min – 4th Flr CR

Thursday – November 15
10:00 Knitters – Library
6:30 Bells
7:30 Choir

SEASONAL ITEMS

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

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 Nov. 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)
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 on Sundays. We're asking you to secure your own book rather than trying to orchestrate a group order. Thank you!  Leah

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 all about the 10 comfortable here.

The 10-foot rule: Greet someone you don’t know. The “10-foot rule” helps to create a heart habit of intentionally noticing and welcoming all to worship.

The 3-minute rule: Spend 3 minutes before and after worship greeting someone you don’t know. The “3 minute rule” helps to create a heart habit of intentionally noticing and welcoming all to worship.

It’s all about them: First time visitors want to visit—not feel like they are an answer to some need (“the church needs more teachers, volunteers, pledgers, ushers….”). Explore/listen for how the congregation might meet their needs. You might ask why they’ve come here and from where. Then, share why you love this church.

Help visitors to make connections: Two parts: Once you know a little about someone, help them make connections to people like them or who can assist them. Then, if someone is introduced to you, take time to receive them with a warm welcome.

Remember names and use them: Such a simple thing, but so powerful. We all want to feel like we belong. (And, wear your name tag!)

Don’t forget to show hospitality to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it! (Hebrews 13:2)

Sarah Ackers, Volunteer & Engagement Coordinator

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Michelle Aitken’s take on the shapes and patterns created by the sea reflects a childhood spent exploring beaches and tide pools. She began her career as a ceramic artist in Seattle, worked for 15 years in London and Edinburgh, and returned in 2015 to again draw inspiration from Washington and Puget Sound coastlines.

Expect to find several returning artists, as well, offering jewelry, textiles, soaps, spices and teas, carvings, shadow boxes, and outdoor art.

Show times in Fellowship Hall will be Friday, Nov. 9, 5 - 8 pm; Saturday, Nov. 10, 10 am - 4 pm; and Sunday, Nov. 11, 11 am - 2 pm. Judy Pickens

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A NOTE OF THANKS

Thank you to the following people who donated their time and energy to paint the parsonage. It looks so much better now, and you saved the church from having to hire professional painters. Although we weren’t able to complete it this season, we’ll be back at it come spring!

Angela de Ita
CB & Erick Bosquez
Dennis Eaton
Glenn Seaverns
Jane Leonard
Sarah Finney
Sue Haughton
Jenny & Gordy Mandt
Julie & Eric Shankland
Leah & Jamie Bilinski
Marilynn & Al Bernahl

Thank you, Kurt Reeves, Chair Facilities Ministry.

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PARISH LIFE MINISTRY

Here are highlights from the Parish Life Ministry meeting of 9/5/18.

- Written guidelines created for anyone hosting a Taste & See event.
- Ministry discussed ways to acknowledge church volunteers. A “recognition Sunday” was suggested. Another option was to do so during the Annual Meeting.
- Ministry exploring potential options for new fellowship event in Jan/Feb.
- Final arrangements/logistics for All-Church picnic were confirmed.
- New groups: knitting group is up and running. Ministry to inquire whether this group is interested in hosting a craft during Advent Festival.
- Wedding update: going forward receptions will only utilize paid staff, and no volunteers.

Vicky Ellis
Sunday Worship & Church School: 10 AM
Office Hours: 8:30-3:30 PM Mon.-Thurs. 8:30-2:30 Fri.
Senior Minister
Rev. Leah Bilinski
Music Director
Bronwyn Edwards
Acting Associate Pastor
Karyn Frazier
Little Pilgrim School Director
Rosina Geary
Volunteer & Engagement Coor.
Sarah Ackers
Youth Leader
Kristen Almgren
Nursery Supervisor
Carol Smith
Custodian
Bill McElroy
Financial Assistant
Aimee Pinckney
Financial Assistant
Pat Gedney
Office Manager
Jackie Gould

CONGREGATOR DEADLINE: TUESDAYS, 1 PM

PRAYER CHAIN
Please pray for...
Cancer: Ron Maynard, Donna (Finney), Jacqueline Thornton, Becky Skilling, Frances Loveless, Lauren Smith (Gimness), Louisa Wagner and Ernie.
Health Issues: Kevin Glandon, Bill Zoellner Sr., The Lane Family, Candice Wilson, Jack McBride, Bob & Vera Holte, Ev Eldridge, Kersti Muul, Jaesen Albritton, Barbara Lee, Huey Simmons, Rita Gutterud, Marilyn Whittendale, Jo Garrity.

ALSO pray for our divided country and the Seattle Public School teachers and students.

SALMON DUMMING
The Fauntleroy Watershed Council’s annual drumming to call in Coho spawners to Fauntleroy Creek will be Sunday, Oct. 28, 5 pm at the fish-ladder viewpoint (upper Fauntleroy Way SW and SW Director). Bring a drum of any kind and a fish joke(!) to this free, brief event for all-ages. Rain location will be the porch of the Pickens/Sweetland house below the viewpoint.

THANK YOU!
Jamie, Naomi and I would like to thank Facilities Ministry; Kurt Reeves, Facilities Chair; Sarah Ackers, Volunteer Coordinator; and all the wonderful volunteers who helped to repair, scrape, caulk, prime and paint the parsonage this fall. The west and south sides of the house (that required the greatest attention) are now well-protected, and the rest will be addressed this spring. I know how busy everyone is with your own projects and other needs of the church. Thank you for giving of your time to keep our church’s 65+ year-old parsonage in good shape for years to come! —Leah

This is Naomi’s artistic rendering of painters working on the house.

HARP CONCERT
On Nov. 4, 3 PM, in our sanctuary, Abigail Kent will be performing on her harp. The concert, “A Musical Journey from Bach to Faure” is free and all are invited.

COME TO THE JOB FAIR

IMMIGRANT MINISTRY
Our Lady of Guadalupe Immigrant Ministry invites you to a two-part series this November:
“Understanding Your Cultural Lens for our Multicultural Community” is Wed., Nov. 7, 7-9 PM.
“Detention Lottery Play” is Wed., Nov. 14, 7-9 PM.
For more information, go to Jennifer at jibach@olgseattle.org or call 206-935-0358 x120. There is also a flyer on the kiosk in our lobby.