

# Campbell



## CONNECTIONS

NEWS AND VIEWS FROM CAMPBELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

DECEMBER, 2014

### Advent and Christmas Special Music

at

### Campbell United Methodist Church

#### Annual Christmas Concert

**Sunday, December 14 at 3:30 p.m.**

Featuring Chancel Choir and orchestra  
Handbell choirs - Carillon Choir, New A'Peal Ringers, Covenant  
Ringers and Discovery Ringers; plus congregational singing  
Reception following in Fellowship Hall

#### Lunchtime Organ Concerts

**Fridays, 12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

##### December 5

Carolyn Prior, organ solo  
Mary Ann Gee and Sibyl Snyder, piano duo

##### December 19

Linda Wilson, clarinet and saxophone  
Mary Ann Gee, organ and piano

#### Christmas Eve

**Wednesday, December 24, with candlelight singing**

5:00 p.m. \* Children's Pageant  
10:00 p.m. \* Lessons and Carols - *music starts 9:45 p.m.*

**New Year Watchnight Service, Wednesday, December 31,**

**at 10 p.m.** Come enter into the new year with singing, clapping  
and dancing. Dickson Beckley and the African fellowship  
will render melodious African Christian songs.

**African Epiphany Service, Sunday, January 4, 2015 at 10 a.m.**



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## Campbell Connections

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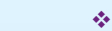
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**Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.**  
**Adult Sunday School: 8:50 a.m.**  
**Children's Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.**  
**African Ministry: 11:30 a.m.**  
**Quiet Communion: 6:00 p.m. Tuesday**

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## Kathi's Pastoral Reflections

*Amazingly, it is almost Christmas.*

*There is such a range of reactions to that realization! Some people greet the coming of the holiday season with great anticipation; others can't wait for it to be over. I recently heard someone ask, "Do we really have to have Christmas this year?"*

*Sometimes I think the main difference between the people who react at both ends of that spectrum is about their degree of tolerance for heightened levels of activity. The holiday season in this culture is full—of family reunions, gift-giving and receiving, shopping, parties, concerts, shared meals. It is also full of goodwill and generosity. All of these are good things...and all of them together can sometimes feel like too much.*

*This is why I think the Church's observance of Advent, the four weeks of preparation for Christmas, is such an important part of our tradition. It's a season of quiet, of waiting, of reflecting on what it is that God is trying to tell us by becoming human and coming to live alongside of us. It's an invitation to remember the voice inside of us that is not driven by the culture around us.*

*Most of us are not able to be fully immersed in an Advent-way-of-being, even if we wanted to be. But I hope you will let Advent's serenity be a consistent counter-melody that plays within you as you participate in everything else that is part of this season for you.*

*Instead of asking you to put one more spiritual growth meeting or activity in your schedule this Advent, we're inviting you to spend some time each day in the quiet of your own prayer and reflection about what the coming of Jesus this Christmas might mean for you. Each day we'll be sending out an e-mail with a Bible passage, a written reflection and a question for you to think about—all based on a book by Melissa Tidwell called Embodied Light.*

*If you'd like to receive this daily e-mail and you don't already receive the Mid-Week Message, you can sign up by sending your e-mail address to [info@campbellunited.org](mailto:info@campbellunited.org). If you don't have access to e-mail, you can pick up the next week's messages in printed form each Sunday.*

*I am hoping and praying for you an Advent season with pockets of quiet in it, so that you can greet the coming of God's presence at Christmas not with dread or with tiredness, but with a sense of wonder.*

*With blessings and love,*

*Kathi ❖*



# On the CAMPUS

## Book Club

At our **November 24** get together (4 p.m. in the Fireside Room), we will be discussing ... *The Monuments Men* by Robert Edsel. Whether you've had a chance to read the books or not, come join these lively discussions.

Lou Woodburycatcott ❖

## Gathering of Men

The Gathering of Men (GOM) met November 1 (first Saturday of the month) for fellowship, snacks and



discussion from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Fifteen guys, in small groups of 3 or 4, discussed the Saints in our lives. The topic, facilitated by retired Pastor Larry LaPierre, was appropriate since our meeting came on All Saints Day! We enjoyed deepening our connection with fellow attendees in the small groups and then convening as a group of the whole for comments from each small group. The "bill of fare" included coffee, fruit, bagels, juice and donuts. So, if you can get up on the first Saturdays at 8:00 a.m. you can breakfast with the GOM, enjoy a lively discussion and get to know some men you may not have a talking acquaintance with!

Our next meeting will be **December 6**. It will be announced in the Church Sunday Bulletin Blue Addendum on the prior Sunday. If you would like to receive e-mail notification or have questions, send an e-mail to Dave Sargent at [dnsargent@aol.com](mailto:dnsargent@aol.com) and you will be added to the e-mail distribution. The

December discussion topic will be disclosed in the e-mail notification. I hope to see some new faces at the December meeting.

Thanks, Dave Sargent ❖

## Elmwood Book Donations

CIC Ministries (Elmwood jail chaplains) is no longer collecting, sorting, and disseminating paperback fiction books. Another group is taking over this very time consuming, labor intensive job, which is greatly appreciated by the inmates. A very enthusiastic thank you to all who have donated books. CIC Ministries does appreciate Bibles (any translation and language - especially Spanish) and Christian books. Please leave your donations in the box in the lobby of Fellowship Hall.

Thank you and blessings,

Sue Foyle, Art & Spirit Jail Ministry ❖

## Christmas Eve Pot Luck



There is only one more newsletter before Christmas Eve, and by the time that one comes out it may be too late for you to plan. So this is just a little notice to let you know that there will be a pot luck dinner at the church on Christmas Eve. What time? Where?

I have not seen the Advent schedule yet, but the dinner will probably be after the children's service, and before the adult service. The location depends on how many people sign up. It will either be in the Fireside Room, or the Fellowship Hall.

When Advent begins, look for Ina Tanner or Elaine Hill with a sign up sheet. We want everyone who wants to come to have a chair and a place at the table, so signing up is important.

For more information call Ina Tanner 408-997-3981, or Elaine Hill 408-226-6801 ❖

## Alternative Gift Faire

This year, you will again have an opportunity to honor the people you love with gifts that do good for others at the same time. On each Sunday in Advent—beginning **November 30**—you can catalog shop in the Fellowship Hall for gifts to a large variety of good non-profit causes around the world. What a wonderful alternative to gifts that no one needs! ❖

## Women's Bible Study



The Women's Bible Study and Discussion group will begin a study of the book, *A Guide To Prayer For All Who Walk With God*, at our first meeting in 2015. We will meet at 10 a.m. in the Fireside Room on **Tuesday, January 6**.

If you're looking for a place to learn, study and discuss God's word along with friendship and fellowship, come join us.

For more information please contact Brenda Schirle at [schirle9238@yahoo.com](mailto:schirle9238@yahoo.com) or Jane Lapierre at [cirrider@att.net](mailto:cirrider@att.net).

Brenda Schirle ❖

## Holiday Family Event

### If You Take a Mouse to the Movies

Bright Days Preschools welcomes all to join in our holiday Family Event on Tuesday, December 16 at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We begin the evening with a variety of crafts for young children including making ornaments, Christmas pictures and joining in festive singing. After exploring these creative activities it's time to sit and enjoy a presentation by our teachers of children's author, Laura Numeroff's, Christmas story, "If You Take a Mouse to the Movies". It's an evening to remember for the young and old. Refreshments will be served. We hope to see you there.

May B. Smith, director ❖



# In the COMMUNITY

## Elmwood Advent Meditations are Here



*Partnership: God with Us*, an Advent booklet containing art and writing by Elmwood inmates is available for a donation of \$10. Your donation will also provide a copy of these meditations to an inmate. These booklets are sponsored and produced by Correctional

Institutions Chaplaincy (CIC) Ministries serving our county jails. Stop by the Art & Spirit Ministry table after worship service on Nov. 16, 23, & 30 to obtain these beautiful gifts. For more information, please contact Sue Foyle (suefoyle@sbcglobal.net). ❖

## The Gift of Life!

On **Monday, December 29**, give the best gift of all - the gift of life!

Donate blood during our annual holiday Blood Drive on Monday, December 29, between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The week between Christmas and New Year is the time when blood is in greatest demand and the lowest supply. Twenty minutes of your time can mean the difference between life and death for someone injured in an accident or natural disaster. Give blood - give life! ❖



## UMCOR SCHOOL KITS SHIPPED

In late October 61 School Kits were shipped to the UMCOR West Depot in Salt Lake City. These school kits were assembled this summer by women of the UMW. Jane LaPierre was instrumental in launching this activity. This shipment was timely because School Kits currently are a priority need item. Upon request, these kits are sent throughout the USA and internationally to Methodists who are working in areas that have suffered a disaster including flood, fire, volcano, war, famine, hurricanes, or tornados. If children are able to attend school, the whole community is given hope and relief. Many have no schoolrooms; classes are held in inadequate or half-destroyed buildings, tents, or even the open air. School kits may be these children's only educational resources, thus having the kits enables the children to return to a feeling of security.

Ina Tanner ❖

## The UMC v. Rev. Frank Schaefer: LOVE WINS!

In a decision released October 27, the Judicial Council of The United Methodist Church (UMC) has upheld the decision of the Committee on Appeals and Rev. Frank Schaefer will no longer have to fight for his ministerial status. In November 2013, a trial court of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the UMC found Rev. Frank Schaefer

guilty of officiating the marriage of his son, Tim, to another man in 2006. The penalty assessed to Rev. Schaefer, eventually leading to the loss of ministerial credentials, was indirect and convoluted. Earlier this year, upon appeal, the Committee on Appeals of the Northeastern Jurisdiction of The United Methodist Church overturned the penalty

assessed in the original trial. Last week in Memphis, TN, The United Methodist Church's highest judicial body, Judicial Council, heard a final appeal.

"At a time when the Church stands as a painful reminder that human institutions are more concerned with legalisms than with grace, the Judicial Council has noted the errors of a process based on retribution," states Chett Pritchett, Executive Director of the Methodist Federation for Social Action (MFSA). "The Methodist Federation for Social Action thanks the Judicial Council for their thoughtful and prayerful deliberation. We celebrate with the Schaefer family with this resolution - and all United Methodist families who seek to love their children, no matter their sexual orientation or gender identity."

"I couldn't be happier for Frank and his family with this result, but more importantly, this process has only served to strengthen the resolve of this movement," remarks Kevin Nelson, board member of MFSA. "No amount of persecution disguised as "discipline" will turn back the love of God; it always finds a way to break through." Nelson assisted Schaefer's counsel, Rev. Scott Campbell, in both appeals.

"It is important for us to recognize that the case of The United Methodist Church v. Schaefer isn't the beginning or the end of the work for LGBTQ inclusion," Pritchett reminds. "Indeed it is but a moment in an arc of a great movement for reform - in fact, it comes as no surprise to me that this announcement comes on the heels of Reformation Sunday, a day which Protestant churches celebrate the great Christian reformer, Martin Luther, and his call for institutional transformation almost five centuries ago. It is my prayer that faithful United Methodists continue to seek justice for their LGBTQ siblings in that transformational spirit."

Methodist Federation for Social Action ❖

# United Methodist Women

## Enchilada Sale

Campbell United Methodist Women made over 1,500 enchiladas filled with 97 pounds of chicken, 80 pounds of beef and 85 pounds of cheese on Nov. 1. We hope you have been enjoying yours! We appreciate everyone's support of this fundraiser that allows us to support mission work of UMW locally and around the world.

Janine Peyton ❖

## Join a UMW Circle

There is the Anna Circle whose leader is Linda Kropff. This Circle meets on the second Thursday of the month in the Fireside Room at 1 p.m. This is a caring, supportive group of women exploring the actions of UMW locally and globally.

Then we have the WAM Circle whose leader is Sue Lietz-Davis. They are a small group that meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. at the Breakfast Place restaurant on Winchester Boulevard. Join them for food and fellowship.

The Mary Elizabeth Circle meets on the second Thursday of the month at 9:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Melinda Knepp is their leader. These women have formed a study group surrounded with lots of caring and sharing.

And lastly there is Cereus Circle that meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 12:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room (starting in January). The leaders of this Circle are Pamela Eades and Lou Woodburycattott. These ladies focus on education and service. ❖



## Membership Tea

The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual United Methodist Women (UMW) Membership Tea was held on Sunday, November 2, in the Fellowship Hall. It was a lovely event filled with tea, tea sandwiches, scones, tea cookies and fellowship. The



purpose of the Tea is to introduce UMW to those who have not found a Circle to join, in hopes that they may find a warm and supportive group of women to share their talents and time.

As one of the goals of UMW is to educate about the concerns of the world and our community, we invited Leslie Peay from the Freedom House, an organization that helps to fight human trafficking, to speak to us. Ms. Peay spoke of what the face of human trafficking looks like, how individuals are lured or even kidnapped into the field, and what we can do if we suspect someone as a victim. The Freedom House has eight beds to house, support and reintroduce victims into a world where they are their own person and no longer held captive. She reminded us that with the Super Bowl coming to the Bay Area in 2016, human trafficking is sure to be around us.

In addition to a wonderful lunch and an informative speaker, there were 15 enticing baskets available for viewing and possibly taking home. The baskets included a chocolate basket, a couple of Christmas baskets, Peanuts character baby basket, Creative Memories basket, a Ben & Jerry's ice cream basket, even a basket with an apple theme, complete with fresh baked items. Through the generosity of those who attended the tea in hopes of taking home one of the baskets, we were able to raise \$781 to be given to the Freedom House, mentioned above.

For those of you who missed this year's Tea, we hope you are able to join us at the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual UMW Membership Tea.

Lou Woodburycattott ❖

## Women of the Manger

What is the true gift you want for yourself this Christmas? What gift will you take from the manger?

Come join the United Methodist Women on **Thursday, December 4, 2014, in the Fireside Room**, as we journey to the manger to renew our faith in the hope, joy, and love of Christmas. All are welcome!!

General Meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Refreshments at 10:30 a.m.

Program at 11:00 a.m.



# Methodist C.o.n.n.e.c.t.i.o.n

## NOMADS

From September 20 through October 9, Elaine and Eugene Hill joined a small Nomads work team at Storm Mountain United Methodist Camp and Retreat Center in the Black Hills of South Dakota. There were only five people to do the work as one couple had to drop out.

Nomads are a nationwide RV-based United Methodist organization that works on Methodist Church churches, camps, and other Church-owned properties.

We arrived Saturday afternoon in time to leave for Canyon Lake United Methodist Church in Rapid City for Saturday night church. This alternative church service is for those unable to attend Sunday morning Service.

Our job at Storm Mountain was to replace 8 single pane windows -- 4 down stairs, and 4 upstairs --with double pane windows, while the caretaker and his wife lived in the house. Since the new windows were a little smaller this included taking off some of the exterior siding, the interior oak base board, window trim, and rebuilding a part of the wall. We then had to wrap the exterior in Tyvek, caulk, put in the windows (ensuring that the window was level and worked smoothly) and apply the exterior siding. On the inside of the house we put in insulation, replaced wall board and painted, replaced base board, cut the window trim to fit, and installed new hardware on the windows.

The new windows had wood trim on the inside that needed to be stained. It rained several days so we took the windows and trim to the downstairs activity room across the road where we were able to leave the windows open without smelling up the home.

Groups came in to use the camp, and others came to assist our work. One special group who joined us is called the Mountain Men - from Canyon Lake UMC, who regularly work there doing jobs assigned by the camp maintenance director. One of the men was on chemotherapy. He said that the work, companionship, and beauty of the camp made him feel better and kept his mind off of the medication.

The minister at Canyon Lake UMC spends mornings meditating and getting exercise by piling slash and making burn piles on the hillsides. He takes loppers and clippers, but not a chain saw. The noise interrupts the solitude of the camp. This is an important part of fire prevention at the camp.

The most uplifting group that we met was a group of sixty Lakota youth from the Red Cloud School on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. These students were on their senior retreat. The school was established in 1887 by the Jesuits at the invitation of Chief Red Cloud. Today this academic school prepares students to attend colleges around the world. This was NOT a quiet group. They played football in the rain, hiked to the top of Storm Mountain, did wolf calls, played drums and took time to talk to us. Many of these students will return to the reservation as professionals to assist the Lakota people.

In the midst of all the activity we would see the deer, rabbit, chipmunks, and squirrels wandering through camp. The leaves were starting to change colors, turning from green when we arrived and then turned to yellow, orange and red. The Black Hills is a place Elaine read about as a child and this extremely beautiful place had been calling for a long time so now she was able to experience it for the entire month.

Elaine and Gene Hill

## UMCOR West Depot

Elaine and I attended the Girls Scout National Triennial Convention and then visited the UMCOR West Depot - after working at Storm Mountain. We were at the Depot on a Friday afternoon for the volunteer week closing ceremony conducted by director Rev. Brian Diggs. There were two teams, one from Oregon and one from Washington State, with two Methodist ministers each.

We saw big changes in the sewing room. Maika had made a large doorway between two offices creating a cutting room in one office, and a sewing room in the other. There are a lot of items sewed for the layette kits at the depot. Each team hangs the finished items on a clothesline along one wall. They now make diapers, jackets, and gowns. One of the ministers was using a Serger for the first time, and doing a good job.

We delivered the supplies Jan Grodeon had gathered and requested we deliver to the depot

Also delivered were many pounds of school supplies collected by the Campbell UMC Youth. We also delivered our last 100 Clean Birthing Kits, more pounds of school supplies, and 16 more knitted sweaters bringing the total Elaine has knitted to over a hundred.

The UMCOR West closing ceremony was a communion service conducted by five ordained ministers for about fifteen volunteers. We used the Pallet Prayer and the Sewing Room prayer as text for the service.

Gene Hill





# Annual Advent Giving at Campbell United Methodist Church

*Please join with Church & Society during this Advent season as we all work to spread God's love out to the community and the world. Each Sunday during Advent we will focus on a church ministry or local organization that we have the opportunity to support. Please bring your gifts to worship on the designated Sunday to the Narthex. One item will be brought forward during the offering and blessed with love by the church community.*

Remember those  
who are less  
fortunate



## November 30 - Rosemary School

**School supplies:** Plain white polo shirts (*all child sizes*); Crayola crayons (*any size*); #2 pencils; glue sticks; markers and dry erase markers; student dry erase white boards (9"x12")

**Monetary donations:** checks made payable to Rosemary School.

## December 7 - InnVision

Sheet sets/twin (*can be gently used*)  
Pillows (*need to be new*) (they encourage their clients to take the sheets and pillows with them when they leave)

Towels - regular shower size

Warm coats, rain gear (*incl. umbrellas, ponchos*) - can be gently used

Warm socks

Undergarments

Monetary donations are gladly accepted and checks can be made out to **InnVision Shelter Network** with Montgomery Street Inn added to the memo line.

## December 14 - Emergency Housing Consortium

New socks, hats, mittens, scarves and gloves - men, women and children's sizes.

## December 21 - Elmwood

## Jail Ministry

**Bibles:** Spanish & Vietnamese; study bibles; small concordances

**Sweatshirts and sweatpants:** new/gently used; men & women: Sizes L, XL and XXL. Note: inmates are released late at night with only clothes they came in with or given white paper "garments." Winter weight sweats are

needed!

**Plastic reading glasses** (no metal or wire)

Bus tokens

**Art supplies:** Michael's gift cards for supplies

**Monetary donations:** checks made payable to CUMC, add to the memo line: Art & Spirit Ministry. ❖

## CUMC SNAPSHOTS An Historical Skip Around Campus



### "Altar Flowers The Beauty of Our Chancel"

This headline in the August 18, 1989 "Church Works" newsletter announced the beginning of a plan to bring fresh flower arrangements to each Sunday's worship service. Until that time, altar flowers might be left from a wedding or memorial service, or donated for a special occasion, but usually a few silk flower arrangements were used. The article went on to say, "We are starting a flower calendar." Members were invited to celebrate an anniversary, birthday, or other special event, or to honor the memory of a loved one.

"The donation of an arrangement would cost \$25." (Yes, dear readers, the price has gone up. Today it is \$50.)

The article also stated that the new committee was looking for two or three more persons willing to be altar flower arrangers. If interested, the contact persons were Evelyn Buck and Linda Kropff.

2014 is the 25th year that lovely fresh flower arrangements have adorned our altar. At the present time, our flower arrangers are Linda Kropff, Karen Palmer, Heather Reynolds, Delia Shepherd, and Sheri Woodhouse. *Bouquets to our creative flower arrangers.*

Susan Sargent, Church Historian ❖

# Circuit Writer



## Alligators and the Church

Rev. Larry LaPierre

Our older son wrote a blog about the difficulty of coping with too many stressors at the same time. Jim quoted a saying (with one change in language) familiar to many: "When you are up to your (waist) in alligators, it's difficult to remember that your initial objective was to drain the swamp." I had a poster with this saying, complete with a drawing of an alligator, in my office 40 years ago when I was a scientist at Polaroid.

Pastors and church people alike would do well to remember that poster. Why? Well, just because we don't see rows of sharp teeth and a powerful tail swinging back and forth doesn't mean that there aren't any alligators around.

St. Paul seemed to realize how real the alligators were when he wrote Ephesians 6:10-11: "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Whether we understand the forces that contend with and within the Church as alligators, devils or just differences in opinions the struggle goes on. Even when our intent is to "make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world with love," we face forces and people who oppose accepting Jesus as Christ. They don't want anyone draining the swamp. They fear the spiritual growth that can occur when we are freed from the muck of spiritual confusion.

Sitting in church, joining in fellowship or taking part in a church-sponsored program, it's easy to focus on how all is going well at that moment—for us. We hardly hear the calls for help from people who are overwhelmed by an earthquake, an epidemic, poverty or a civil war. Most of us can't imagine the spiritual damage suffering people experience

especially when the trauma is either sudden and life-threatening or chronic and painful.

When we try to organize a response to a crisis, we face the alligators. We try to raise money, and we are reminded that "Charity begins at home." We hesitate as we worry about budgets (family and church). The alligators seem closer. We don't recognize that some battles happen because darker spiritual forces want to control or at least hinder the work God needs done. We try to organize a social action program, and we are paralyzed because there are five other equally deserving causes. We don't even think to pick up the armor of God (i.e., we don't ask God to guide our response as a church).

Sometimes it is even well-meaning people who block something good from happening. Are they alligators simply because they disagree with what we think God wants done? Hardly! On the other hand, I remember a third year seminary student telling me on my first day at the seminary, "Don't think that you left the 'world' behind you just because you're in here." He was right. Evil and Grace contend continually for control. With God's grace, however, we can overcome Evil (the alligators) and serve God.

Rev. Larry LaPierre ❖



## CUMC CARES

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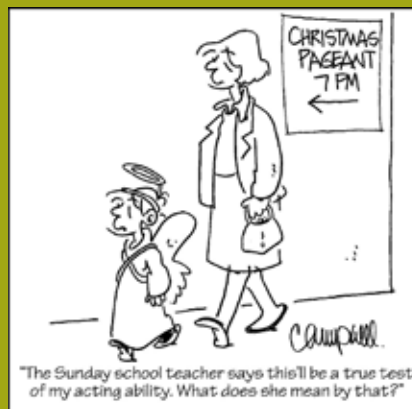
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## CARTOON CORNER





## Successful Halloween Concert

On October 31 at 7:00 p.m., while many were out busy trick or treating, 90 people gathered to hear David Hegarty's first downbeat on the organ which immediately plunged the sanctuary into darkness.

In the dark, he played the first pieces of his program featuring many movie themes specially those from Hitchcock films. A costume parade (participated in by 20 or so people) brought the audience into exciting applause as they finally chose "Black Widow" as the first prize winner and "Eyore" and "Ballerina" as the runners up. The concert ended with music from the Phantom of the Opera interspersed with the Bach Toccata in D Minor. Mr. Hegarty also performed the Toccata from Suite Gothique as an encore.

We know the evening was a success because quite a few people asked if we will have another Halloween concert next year! ❖



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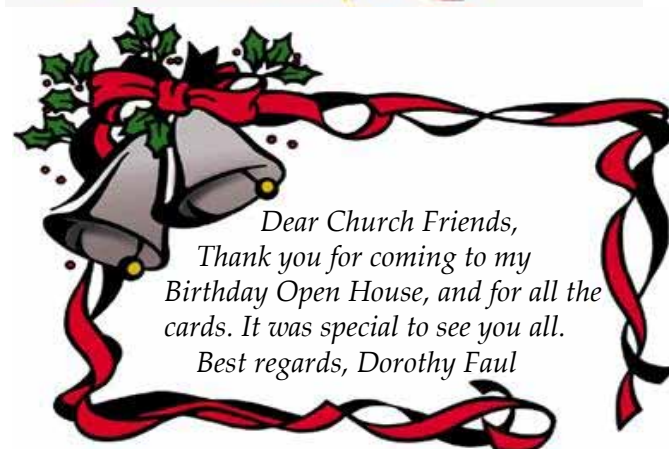
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### **Good News! Generous Bequest to CUMC**

The church has received a wonderful gift from the estate of longtime members Don and Helen Locke.

Their will included a \$25,000 bequest, which the Church Council has voted to put toward the cost of a new sound system for the sanctuary.

You'll be hearing more soon about the proposal to install that system; but in the meantime, we are grateful for this important way that the Locke family has remembered this church that they love.