

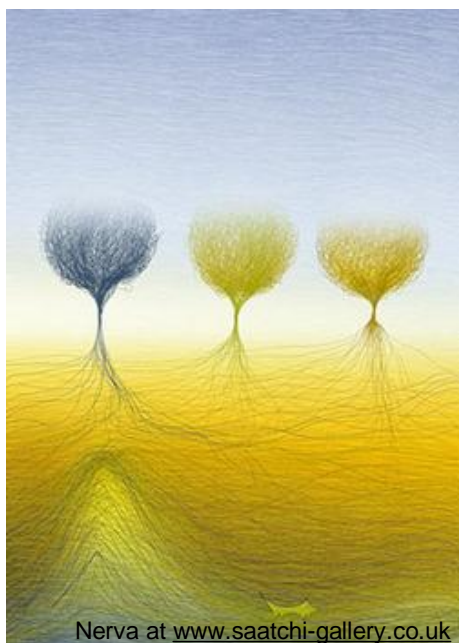
Homecoming Sunday Rally Day! September 12, 2010

"Let us covenant with one another to keep faith with the source of life knowing that we are not our own — Earth made us.

Let us covenant with one another to keep faith with the community of resistance, never to forget that life can be saved from that which threatens it by small bands of people choosing to put into practice an alternative way of life.

And, let us covenant with one another to seek for an ever-deeper awareness of that which springs up inwardly in us. Even when our hearts are broken by our own failure or the failure of others cutting into our lives, even when we have done all we can and life is still broken, there is a Universal Love that has never broken faith with us and never will."

Rebecca Parker



Nerva at www.saatchi-gallery.co.uk

The Other Evangelical Evangelical United Church of Christ

Following the God
made known in the life
and teachings of Jesus...

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELLS AND PRELUDE

GATHERING WORDS

One: A mother duck sits on eggs amidst the recently spread red-colored mulch. Shielding the un-hatched miracles from cool rains, she carries out ancient instincts.

Many: **So much at stake; such risk and possibility.**

One: What a web we weave — either one filled with illusions of separateness or that of impacting and life-giving intimacy.

Many: **Which would we choose to believe and promote?**

Bob Kleinhessel

source: Haugen

*HYMN

"Gather Us In"

Here in this place a new light is stream- ing,
We are the young, our lives are a mys - tery,
Not in the dark of build - ings con - fin - ing,
now is the dark - ness van - ished a - way,
we are the old who yearn for your face,
not in some heav - en, light - years a - way;
see in this space our fears and our dream - ings,
we have been sung through - out all of his - tory,
here in this place the new light is shin - ing,
brought here to you in the light of this day.
called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
now is the Kin - dom and now is the day.
Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en,
Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty,
Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er,
gath - er us in, the blind and the lame;
gath - er us in, the proud and the strong;
gath - er us in and make us your own;
call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
give us a heart so meek and so low - ly,
gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,
we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
fire - of love in our flesh and our bone.

Where do you see God?



Check out the display in the Narthex celebrating the many places EUCC folks have seen God this summer!

In a real sense all life is inter-related.

All persons are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny.

Whatever affects one directly affects all indirectly.

I can never be

what I ought to be

until you are what

you ought to be,

and you can never be

what you ought to be

until I am

what I ought to be.

This is the inter-related structure of reality.

Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.



*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: To bind, to be bound, to be bound with...
So many competing demands and expectations
Aging partners and parents
Unplanned expenses
Demands at work and home and school and church

Many: **May we be bound with love.**

*RESPONSE

"What Does the Lord Require?"

source: Strathdee

Written as a round, we sing each line through once and then return to the line that is most comfortable.

1. B^b F Gm Dm E^b B^b

What does the Lord re-quire of you? What does the Lord re-

Cm F B^b 2. B^b F/A Gm Dm/F E^b

quire of you? Jus - tice, kind - ness, walk

B^b/D Cm F B^b 3. B^b F/A Gm

hum-bly with your God. To seek jus-tice and love

Dm/F E^b B^b/D Cm⁷ F B^b

kind-ness, and walk hum-bly with your God.

READING FROM TRADITION

One: May we be struck by the wisdom of these words and marked by hearing them.

Many: **For within story lies meaning, and within meaning, the wisdom for which we seek.**

Gretta Vosper

One: From the ancient wisdom of Ecclesiastes, Again, I saw vanity under the sun: the case of solitary individuals, without sons or brothers; yet there is no end to all their toil, and their eyes are never satisfied with riches. "For whom am I toiling," they ask, "and depriving myself of pleasure?" This also is vanity and an unhappy business.

Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up the other; but woe to one who is alone and falls and does not have another to help. Again, if two lie together, they keep warm; but how can one keep warm alone?

And though one might prevail against another, two will withstand one.

A threefold cord is not quickly broken.

One: With words that illumine,

Many: **May we hear the Word.**

*RESPONSE

"Keep Your Lamps Trimmed"

source: traditional

Keep your lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your
We are one in God's spir - it, We are

lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your
 one in God's spir - it, We are

lamps trimmed and burn ing for this work's al-most done.
 one in God's spir - it, for the work's al-most done.

Sis-ters don't grow wear-y, broth-ers, don't grow wear - y, chil-dren

don't grow wear - y for this work's al - most done.

He alone sees truly
 who sees the Lord
 the same in every creature...
 seeing the same Lord
 everywhere,
 he does not harm himself
 or others.

Krishna quotes from The Bhagavad Gita

FAMILY MESSAGE

GATHERING ON THE STEPS

Children are invited to come to the Chancel Steps to share a story.

EXPLORING A COVENANT "God Sightings" Katherine Hawker

HYMN "Weave, Weave Us Together" source: R. Crow
the congregation sings the following refrain:

**Weave, weave, weave us together,
 Weave us together in unity and love.
 Weave, weave, weave us together,
 Weave us together, together in love.**

SHARING A COVENANT

One: *The threads we bring this day are unique and precious.
 We offer them with courage and timidity, pride and humility.*

Many: **May these threads be woven together with love.**

One: *We are students and teachers,
 bringing threads of questions, community, and commitment.*

Many: **May these threads be woven together with love.**

One: *We are choir members and instrumentalists,
 bringing threads alive with music.*

Many: **May these threads be woven together with love.**

One: *We are members of the staff, the Council, and the Committees,
 bringing threads of administration, service and vision.*

Many: **May these threads be woven together with love.**

One: *We are members and friends of Evangelical United Church of Christ,
 bringing colorful threads with rich textures,
 offering what we have to this tapestry called church.*

Many: **May these threads be woven together with love.**

SPECIAL MUSIC 8:30AM "We are Built Together" Ford
 Folk Ensemble

11:00AM "Canticle of Faithfulness" Bird, Runyan
 Chancel Choir, Instrumentalists



http://www.wrekinforum.org/wrekin_forum/images/pebbles_in_water.jpg

Life is a chain.

All things are related.

When any link is harmed,
 the other links are affected.

We should think of the
 environment as our mother. There
 is no crime worse
 than harming one's mother.

Daisaku Ikeda, Buddhist Philosopher

IN OUR PRAYERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Believing that each joy and/or concern expressed is indeed a prayer,
After each expression, the worship leader will say: Lord in your Mercy.
And the people may respond: **Hear our prayer.***

**Blessed One, our Father and our Mother,
Holy is your name.
May your love be enacted in the world.
May your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread ,
And forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us in the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For all that we do in your love,
and all that your love brings to birth,
and the fullness of love that will be yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Richard D. McCall

TABLE PRAYER AND PROCESSION TO THE TABLE

INVITATION, REMEMBRANCE, BLESSING

Many: **Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Bless this bread and bless this fruit of the vine.

Bless all of us in our eating and drinking

that our eyes might be opened,

that we might recognize the risen Christ in our midst

indeed, in one another. Come, Holy Spirit, come.

*The Congregation is invited to come forward by the center aisle...
partaking of the bread and cup, lighting a candle in prayer, and placing an
offering in the plates beside the table.*

*COMMUNION SONG

"Woyaya"

source: Osibisi

We are go - ing, hea - ven knows
We will get there, hea - ven knows
where we are go - ing, We'll know we're there.
how we will get there, We know we will.
It will be hard we
know, and the road will be mud - dy and rough,
but we'll get there hea - ven knows how we will
get there, We know we will. Repeat

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

source: EUCC Mission, Vision and Values

One: As a community, we celebrate the values embodied in the life and teachings of Jesus:

Many: **Inclusiveness**

One: in our diversity,

Many: **Intentionality**

One: in our commitment to social justice,

Many: **Intimacy**

One: in our fellowship together,

Many: **Inspiration**

One: in our communal worship and

Many: **Inquisitiveness**

One: in our personal spiritual growth.

***HYMN**

"You Are Called to Tell the Story"

tune: Haugen

words: Duck



You are called to tell the sto—ry, Passing
You are called to teach the rhy—thm Of the
May the One whose love is broad—er Than the



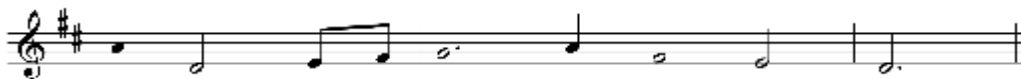
words of life a— long, Then to
dance that nev— er ends, Then to
meas— ure of all space Give us



blend your voice with oth— ers ... As you
move with— in the cir— cle, Hand in
words to sing the sto—ry, Move a—



sing the sa—cred song. Ho—ly One in all our
hand with stran—gers, friends. Ho—ly One in all our
mong us in this place. Ho—ly One in all our



sing—ing, Fill—ing all with songs of love.
danc—ing, Touch—ing all with hands of love.
liv—ing, Fill—ing all with gifts of love.

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Bulletin recycling: Though we invite you to take your bulletin home to review the prayers and opportunities throughout the week, if you choose to leave your bulletin after the 8:30am service place it in the blue box and we will use it again!

**SEPTEMBER MISSION MO-
MENT: SHANNONDALE**

Located near Salem, Missouri, Shannondale Community Center is a Mission project of the MO Mid-South Conference UCC. It serves as a church and strives to meet the spiritual, educational and economic needs of Shannon and the surrounding counties. Shannon County residents are among the poorest in the state.

The Community Center is available for rental to church and other groups for retreats and recreation activities. Located at Shannondale is the Bucher Memorial Tree Farm, the oldest continuing tree farm in the state. EUCC members have for years made annual trips to Shannondale for family outings, which include float trips.

We invite you to make a donation to Shannondale in support of its mission to serve the communities of Shannon and the surrounding counties. Make checks out to EUCC and on the memo line write Shannondale. We appreciate your support.

SHARING OUR GIFTS

During our Procession to the Table (8:30am) and Celebration of Giving (11:00am), we are invited to consider our offerings. The easiest way to make a financial offering is to drop check or money, marked clearly for EUCC or for special offerings, in the basket during worship. You can also set up electronic giving, which saves paper—and you never need your checkbook. Please contact the church office for more information.

FYI

CALLING ARTIST EYES

Sunday, Sept 12 at 9:45am

With the new electric service entering through the Memorial Garden, we need some beauty! A screen? or perhaps a fence? or some really tall bushes? If you would like to help us create a plan, join us the 12th. Contact Deborah McBride if you'd like to be involved: rubbylu-na228@yahoo.com.

SEPTEMBER 2010 REPORT FROM THE EUCC FOUNDATION TRUSTEES

The EUCC Endowment Fund was established to receive gifts of cash, property, stocks, life insurance proceeds, trusts, retirement accounts, annuity, endowment policies or contracts. These gifts may be made in remembrance of an individual, a family, in recognition or appreciation of any living person, or may be the result of a directed Will of a member or friend of EUCC. As of June 30, 2010 the Foundation's assets were \$161,350 an \$11,596 decline from the \$172,946 balance the end of March.

The funds are invested in a Balanced Fund account with the United Church Funds. 5% of the total annual return is allocated to the General Fund of the church. This year's General Fund Budget is projected to receive \$7500. The amount received to date is \$3800. The Foundation is managed by 5 trustees elected by the congregation and each trustee serves a three year term. In 2008 the Foundation was re-organized and by-laws were approved by the congregation. Persons wishing more information can contact one of the Trustees; Don Hubatka, Bob Karr, Nick Gilham, Loretta Haggard (Secretary) or Doug Cormack (Chairman). The Endowment Trustees encourage any church member or friends to make gifts to the Foundation's Endowment Fund.

FALL EVENTS AND PROGRAMMING

CHURCH SCHOOL BEGINS

Sunday, September 19th

Classes begin for 3 year olds through Adults with nursery care provided during the hour. We have the need for teachers for an ADDITIONAL Pre-K classroom this year!! Please be in contact with Katy if you are interested in helping.

Our Fall Programming Brochure including complete information about the upcoming season is online (<http://evangelicalucc.org/files/Program2010.pdf>). Printed copies are available at church or upon request for mailing.

NEW MEMBER SESSIONS

SUNDAYS, SEPTEMBER 26TH, OCT 3RD AND OCT 10TH.

If you are interested in joining EUCC or simply want to know more about us, you are invited to attend our New Members Sessions at 9:45am in the Still Speaking Center. We will be welcoming new members on Sunday, October 17th. If you have any questions, you may contact Kathy Cormack.

EUCC CHOIRS HAVE BEGUN!

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday evening at 7:30pm in the Choir Room on the lower level. If you would like further information about Chancel Choir contact Donita Bauer.

Children's Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday from 6:30pm-7:30pm in the Choir Room on the lower level. All children in Pre-K-6th grade are welcome to come and sing in the choir. Please contact Darcy Swanson at 314-729-0251 if you have any questions.

Folk Choir: Rehearsal/Performance

Beginning Sunday, October 3rd, Folk Choir will return to their usual schedule of rehearsing the first Sunday of each month and performing the second Sunday. If you have further questions about Folk Choir, contact Jill Thompson.

SAVE THE DATE FOR EUCC MEN'S RETREAT

Make sure that you keep Friday evening October 22 and Saturday October 23 open on your calendar for the EUCC Men's Retreat. More details will be coming shortly, but it is sure to be an event you won't want to miss.

ADVENT FAIR

The heat has broken so Advent must be right around the corner! The Servant Team is already preparing for the annual Alternative Advent Fair, which will have several changes this year. The fair will be bigger than ever and will take place on just ONE SUNDAY: December 5, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The Alternative Advent Fair allows us to shop for gifts from local charitable agencies such as Plowsharing Crafts and local artists such as those in our congregation. Our emphasis is on gifts that truly support others. Artists and crafters, do you have something you'd like to sell? Share your art with the congregation and help folks avoid the mall and do their Christmas shopping at church!

FELLOWSHIP AND MINISTRY GROUPS

CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN WRITINGS GROUP September 17 6:30pm

Book: With or Without God by Gretta Vosper

Discussion Leader: Marty Holland

Location: Still Speaking Ctr

October 15 6:30pm

Book: Body Theology* by Lisa Isherwood and Elizabeth Stuart.

Discussion Leader: Marilyn Stavenger

Location: 514 Angenette, 63122

EUCC MOMS' GROUP

September 17

Moms' group will meet Friday Sept 17 from 9:30-11. Our topic will be balancing life, work, and family...or is that all just LIFE? If you need child care please call ahead to Dee Ban 965-1191.

WIDER COMMUNITY EVENTS & NEWS

STL ASSOC WOMEN UCC'S FALL GATHERING

Thursday, September 20th

You are cordially invited to Every Child's Hope (Evangelical Children's Home) 8240 St. Charles Rock Road for the St. Louis Association Women, UCC Fall Gathering on Thursday, September 30, 2010. Registration begins at 9:30am with Closing Worship at 1:00pm. Come hear the story of Every Child's Hope presented by Michael Brennan, Executive Director and Julie Jennings, Chaplain. An optional tour of the facilities will be available following the Closing Worship. Registration deadline is September 15th. \$10 per person including lunch. A sign up sheet is located in the Narthex. Call Marge Engelsdorfer to car pool.

STL FALL ASSOCIATION MEETING

September 25th

Our annual fall meeting of UCC churches in the St. Louis area is held in conjunction with the "Widening our Welcome" conference of the UCC Mental Illness and Disability Awareness ministries.

MO-VAL BENEFIT CONCERT

Sunday, September 26th

This is a concert you won't want to miss. Sheltered Reality will be playing a benefit concert for Camp Mo-Val on Sunday, September 26 at 6:30 p.m. The concert will take place at the Kirkwood Park Amphitheater, 111 S. Geyer, Kirkwood, MO. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under.

For a complete, up to date calendar visit our website:

THIS WEEK AT EUCC **Sunday, September 12th**

Homecoming Sunday

8:30am—Worship

9:30am—Pancake Breakfast

11:00am—Worship

12:00pm—Youth Band

3:00pm—Community Drumming Circle

4:00pm—Youth Group

5:15pm—Castlewood Support Group (Fireside Room)

Monday, September 13th

Tuesday, September 14th

6:30pm—Phase 1 Bldg Committee (Still Speaking Ctr)

Wednesday, September 15th

6:00pm—Huppert Music Lessons (Still Speaking Ctr)

6:30pm—Children's Choir

6:30pm—GB Meeting (Still Speaking Ctr)

Thursday, September 16th

Friday, September 17th

9:30am—EUCC Mom's Group (Fireside Room)

7:00pm—Contemporary Writing Group (Still Speaking Ctr)

Saturday, September 18th

10:00am—Huppert Music Lessons (Still Speaking Ctr)

11:15am—Worship Team Mtg (Fireside Rm)

MINISTRY		TODAY	NEXT WEEK
LITURGISTS	Read the Morning Scripture and Prayers	Lucy Allen (8:30) Laura Bardelmeier (11:00)	Wynn Miller Jonah Schnell
SHEPHERDS	Help Carolyn play with our preschoolers	Mia Ulmer & Julianne Smutz	Melinda Love Elaine Branding
CRIB ROOM ASSISTANTS	Help Carole play with our babies (two shifts)	Amy Soell	Kris Lewis
USHERS	Greet worshipers and (at 11:00am) collect offering	Fran & Jerry Lamont Sean Bryant Bob & Jean Karr Stacey Morris	Teri Hillen Linda Kolley Jan Ittner Joe Kelly Paul Huppert
COFFEE HOUR	Provide finger foods and greet community between services	Warne-Griggs Family Sanchez Family	Teri Hillen Al Schon and Roger Bridgewater
MONEY COUNTERS	Count the weekly offerings and enter into database	Bob Risk & Ray Mulligan	Bob and Gigi Hill

EUCC STAFF

Pastoral Team: Katherine Hawker,
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Darcy Swanson
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WELCOME!

A WORD ABOUT DIVERSITY:

We strive to be a safe place for all people to worship regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, political perspective, sexual orientation or gender identity.

A WORD ABOUT CHILDREN:

We love children, babies, and teens and we welcome all ages to share worship with us. Professional child-care is available throughout the morning for those who prefer. Activity folders (available in the Narthex) allow children of all ages to respond creatively to worship. A playtime for preschool age children is offered after the Chancel Steps at the 11:00 a.m. service.



A WORD ABOUT SPECIAL NEEDS:

We are committed to making our worship service as accessible as possible. We offer special hearing devices, accessible seating, and other services as requested. Please let us know how we can help make this worship experience more accessible.

Contact us:

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