

Flash 10/6/16
UU President's Corner

As promised, the spotlight this week is on the Memorial Services Committee. The purpose of this committee is to provide the refreshments required for gatherings to honor the passing of our members.

Until this past year this committee was a subgroup of the former Pastoral Care Committee. However, because the size of our congregation grew, so did the number of required memorial services. Additionally, the size of the numbers attending also expanded...sometimes reaching into the 300+ range. As a result, for ease of financial accounting this group became a stand-alone committee.

Sandra McDonald and Lauren Keinath served as the two standing committee members and they have been assisted on an as-needed basis by the Congregational Care Team and the congregation at large. Due to a significant illness, Lauren resigned from the committee this summer, so Sandra is the only person in charge of this important congregational function. She is in need of at least one more member and several others to serve as volunteers in stand-by capacity.



Sandra McDonald

This unsung committee provides nourishment for the body and conversation over a bite to eat that helps to soothe the grieving souls of family and friends. Their work is sporadic and cannot be projected on a calendar like a regular committee, but when the need arises, their services are a non-negotiable imperative. Even though their efforts often go unnoticed they are a crucial part of this congregation's ministry to each other. So...if you want to be involved in some way, but don't care to be visible and have somewhat of a flexible schedule, please connect with Sandra to learn about becoming a committee member or an on-call volunteer.

On another note, the Healthy Reconciliation Team thanks all who have participated in the listening project. They also report that the requests for listening sessions have not ceased and therefore listening will continue until everyone who wishes to speak has been heard.

Next week we will be taking a look at Sunday Services Committee.

Peace in your hearts,
Linda