



North Shore Unitarian Church

BELONG WITH HEART. THRIVE IN SPIRIT. ACT IN SERVICE

October 2016

Annual Canvass Campaign: October 16th-November 13th

In the spirit of fall harvest and gratitude for the abundant gifts of summer, your Canvass Committee has been working with Revs. Emily and Marcus on laying the foundation for the most successful Canvass ever.

Some key dates to note in your calendar:

- October 16th Canvass Sermon & Canvass Lunch
- October 17th Canvass letter mailed out
- November 13th Canvass ends
- November 18th Canvass Celebration at 6pm
- November 30th Canvass results reported to the Board

During Canvass month, a member of the Canvass team will contact you to offer a personal meeting or telephone call to hear about how being a member of our beloved community is working for you and to discuss how much you would like to pledge this year.

Thanks to all who gave so generously to the June mini-Canvass. We raised an additional \$14,500 bringing the total pledges for 2016 to \$224,000 (up 6% from the 2015 Canvass total).



All are invited to a Town Hall meeting at noon on Sunday, October 30th. The Task Force on Governance and Organization presented their report to the Board of Trustees and were asked to receive further input from the congregation.



From the Act in Service Team: September's Corn Roast A Success!

The Act in Service Team name comes from the last line of our Mission Statement: "... and inspire action in the service of life."

Thanks to these inspired volunteers, we had a successful BBQ and Corn Roast to celebrate Rev. Marcus' first Sunday Service with us and to greet our new church year: Chef Dennis Cooper and some of his Men's Group, Romney Copping, John Duffy, Anne Dyer, Lynda Fownes, Lesley Giroday, Susan Hart, Malcolm Mallory, Carla Mandy, Trisha Mason, Mark Pizarro, Melissa Picher Kelly, Blair Thompson, Sonya & Moordryd Wachowski. Please thank these valiant volunteers when you see them!

The weather was great, the mood was merry, and the food was delicious and *almost* enough ... (we ran out of food and plates).

We hope to bring lunches to ALL of our Sundays — perhaps light ones that are quick to prepare and serve, and with minimal clean up. If you have suggestions, please send them to me. For October, we'll serve lunch on these three Sundays: the 2nd, 9th, and 16th.

~ Pat Meyer, Chair of Act in Service

Upcoming Sunday Services

October 2nd, 10:30 am / “Feast of Trumpets”

Speaker: Rev. Marcus Hartlief / Coordinator: Kerry Burke

What can we learn about beginnings from the rituals of the Jewish New Year? Children will begin the service upstairs.

October 9th, 10:30 am / “Grateful for Ugly”

Speaker: Rev. Emily Hartlief / Coordinator: John Slattery

How can we be grateful for the present moment, even when it includes challenges and difficulties? Children will begin the service downstairs.

October 16th, 10:30 am / “Flow From Me Like a River”

Speaker: Rev. Marcus Hartlief / Coordinator: Leslie Gibbons

What gets in the way of aligning our resources — such as our time, attention and money — with our deepest values? NOTE: This Sunday is our Canvass kickoff! Plan to stay for a Canvass luncheon after the service. We will also host UU101 after the service, a brief monthly information session for visitors to meet our ministers and ask questions about our congregation. Children will begin the service upstairs.

October 23rd, 10:30 am / “How the Environmental Movement Has Changed the Way We Think”

Speaker: Bruce Howlett / Coordinator: Mark Pezarro

The Environmental Movement, which started in 1970, has completely changed how society and Nature get along. From something treated as unimportant, impacts to Nature now dominate how humanity progresses. That understanding, which evolved over the past thirty to forty years, has grown into a world-wide phenomenon and is starting to move into religious views. Children will begin the service downstairs.

October 30th, 10:30 am / “The Twilight of the Year”

Speakers: Revs. Emily & Marcus Hartlief / Coordinator: Sue Forbes

What do we honour when we embrace the mystery and magic of this spooky, silly, and sacred time of the year? NOTE: This Sunday the entire service will be intergenerational with a story told throughout the service replacing the sermon. Come in costume if you are so moved!

Seeking Visual Artists

After many years and countless hours of beautiful service, Jasha Ramsay-Latter is ready for some rest from providing weekly chancel décor. Revs. Emily and Marcus are gathering a roster of folks who could help provide aesthetics for Sunday services. From simply bringing flowers or other objects of focus, to creating a mood that spans the front wall, the sanctuary is your canvas! Would you be interested in providing this visual ministry, even just once every month or two? Contact Rev. Marcus at marcus@northshoreunitarians.ca



Special Invitation for Visitors:

On October 16th, visitors are welcome to stay after the service to meet Revs. Emily & Marcus in their office, and ask questions about our congregation.

Stay tuned and watch the church calendar for future UU101 sessions!

CUC Tip #11 for Intentionally Inclusive Congregations: “Family Friendly”

Churches with a child-friendly culture are more likely to attract — and keep — families. This involves the whole congregation, not just the Children’s Program staff and volunteers. Read more about what you can do to promote a kid-friendly church at <http://crossleadership.com/is-yours-a-kid-friendly-church/>.

Our Seven Principles

Our congregation affirms and promotes the seven Unitarian Universalist Principles: <http://northshoreunitarians.ca/principles-and-sources/>

As we continue to focus on ingathering and tell the story of turning to one another, our Sunday services this month turn to the question, “How do we *Begin* together?”

Do you know the concept of Beginner’s Mind that is taught in some Buddhist traditions? Those who watch the workings of the mind notice that there is a tendency in humans to want to *know*. We want certainty, trusting that the best wisdom, and hence the best results, will come from experience and expertise. But what if that’s not the case?

To embrace Beginner’s Mind is to remember what it was like to experience the world

before we knew so much. It’s an open state, where we are ready to receive what is, rather than focus on what we expect will be. It’s this state that Socrates often held up as he claimed, “I know nothing except the fact of my ignorance.” It’s this state that Dylan was in when he sang, “I was so much older then, I’m younger than that now.”

We’ve heard from many of you appreciation for the fresh eyes that we have brought to the look and feel of church. In our first couple of months here it’s been easy to approach with Beginner’s Mind because we truly are just beginning. But soon enough, we will be

used to things as they are. The new ways that we are just starting now will eventually feel like The Way Things Have Always Been. Soon, we will lose our natural beginner’s minds.

The good news is that Beginner’s Mind is always available to us, we simply have to practice it. These days, watching Henry is a daily opportunity for us to practice. Everything is still fresh and new for him. Babies and children have natural Beginner’s Mind, unburdened by expectations that they should already know how

things work. But even if you don’t have a baby handy to watch, you can still practice Beginner’s Mind. Zen teacher

“NEXT TIME YOU COME TO CHURCH,
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FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME.
WHAT DO YOU NOTICE?”

Mary Jaksch shares 11 ways to practice on her blog, Goodlife Zen: <http://goodlifezen.com/beginners-mind/>

Here’s our invitation for a way we can all practice together this month. Next time you come to church, imagine you’re walking in for the very first time. What do you notice? What values do you see lifted up? What’s missing or invisible? Let your imagination take you on the beginner’s journey into our sanctuary. See if you can notice five implicit messages about our congregation before the service even starts. Then share what you notice with a friend! You may be tempted to focus on things



Revs. Marcus & Emily Hartlief

that need to be changed or fixed—resist! Let’s simply cultivate our Beginner’s Mind as a community, working to see ourselves with fresh eyes.

With you on the journey,

Revs. Emily and Marcus

Contacting Us

We are generally available for appointments Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Phone or text us for an appointment, or email us (note that we may not reply to weekend emails until Tuesday).

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Rev. Marcus

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Discussion: Defying the Nazis

On September 20th, PBS aired the Ken Burns documentary "Defying the Nazis, the Sharps' War". Waitsall Sharp, a Unitarian Minister, and his wife, Martha, went to Prague in the late 1930's to rescue those who would be targeted for the death camps by the Nazis. They were credited with saving thousands of lives, many of them children. A follow-up discussion of this documentary will be held at the church on October 11th at 7 pm in the Fireside Area.



We're organizing carpools to selected Vancouver Institute lectures at UBC on Saturdays, with discussion at a pub or coffee bar afterwards. We will meet at the church at 6:45 pm, arriving at UBC prior the 8:15 start time. Lectures are free, but annual members get in earlier to claim the best seats. One option is a lecture on October 22nd by the Science Journalism professor Ellen Ruppel Shell on "Cheap: the High Cost of Discount Culture." On the following Saturday, October 29th, UBC Immunology Professor Brett Finlay will discuss "Let them Eat Dirt: Raising Children with their Microbes." Sign-up sheets for drivers/passengers are on the HMS bulletin board downstairs.



"Citizenfour"

October 26th at 7pm

Citizenfour won the Academy Award for Best Documentary Feature at the 2015 Oscars. Part real-life thriller, part sobering examination of 21st century civil liberties, this film documents whistleblower Edward Snowden's efforts to lift the lid on the intrusive post-9/11 US eavesdropping industry. We'll view the film together, and discuss it afterwards.

Nonviolent COMMUNICATION

Nonviolent Communication (NVC) is a tool for creating greater understanding, clarity and deeper relationships. It is also a mindfulness exercise, a spiritual practice, and a foundation for improving social justice. Catherine Strickland will lead a 1-hour introduction to NVC on Sunday, October 9th at 12:30 in the Sanctuary, after soup. The purpose is to provide more information and gauge the level of interest in our community to learn and practice NVC.



New Women's Groups

Interested in joining a Women's Group? Leave your name with

Janni in the church office. Marcia will contact you when we have enough people to do an intro meeting.



John Slattery is again leading a series of Theologians' Café sessions at the West

Vancouver Senior's Centre on the second Thursday of each month, 2-4pm. The theme for October 13th is "What is God?" Click [HERE](#) for more information.



Stories with Soul

Our day-time series *Stories with*

Soul is on hold while we find a new coordinator. If one or more people would enjoy sharing leadership of this program, please contact Marcia or the church office.

Yes, just as we hoped and expected, September came in with a bang, with lots of excitement and activities — beginning with a great Sunday service on September 11th. Kicking off the new church year, Rev. Marcus gave his first sermon for us as a settled Co-Minister. It was an inspiring and thought-provoking look at what he calls our “200 Year Presence” — roughly the period starting with the birth of the oldest relatives we

knew and ending with our grandchildren reaching old age. The sanctuary was packed, the choir was in fine voice, and after the service we all went downstairs to our renovated social hall to enjoy a barbecue and our annual Corn Roast. What a start to the year!

This coming Sunday (as of the time of this writing), Rev. Emily is scheduled to take her first turn at the pulpit as a settled Co-Minister, asking us to think about the question how do we belong -- in the widest sense of the universe, and in the most intimate. I’m sure it, too, will be an inspiring and thought-provoking look at something fundamental in our lives that we don’t normally take the time to think about. But, speaking for myself at least, that’s just what I want our Sunday services to make me do.

To help put me in the mood for fundamental thinking about my own life, your Board will have spent the day before (Saturday, September 17th) in deep thought about our church life. On that day the Board is holding its annual Board Retreat,

a rare and welcome time for us on the Board to spend a full Saturday doing our best to ponder the most important things we, as a Board, can do for NSUC — like putting things in perspective, setting priorities, and deciding on what the Board should most try to accomplish this church year. In short, it is a day devoted to the long view, the big picture. And

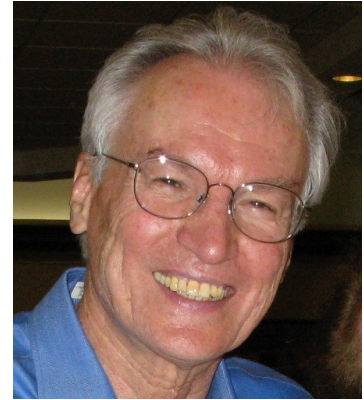
though it is always energizing to think deeply about

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the important things that will shape our future, doing so will be especially energizing this year, with our new Co-Ministers aboard and so many new possibilities awaiting us.

But thinking is not all we’ve been doing this September (despite what some people say about UUs). There’s been action. As you who came to Rev. Marcus’s September 11th service noticed as soon as you walked into the building, gone were truckloads (literally) of “stuff” that had accumulated over the years. Thanks to a crew of B&G and other volunteers, all that stuff had been removed and toted away. The foyer, now totally decluttered, seemed twice as large. Far fewer things were hanging on walls, stuffed into shelves, parked in the stairwell, or blocking windows in the social hall. (A big thanks to all the volunteers who came to “decluttering day”).

And those who came on September 11th also saw changes of a different type already underway



John Biasucci, Board President

— like a revised form of order of service, a streamlined way of handling announcements, changes to the closing song, etc. Not everyone will agree with or be happy about every change, of course, nor agree on the pace of change. As Rev. Marcus pointed out in his sermon, what is barely scratching the surface of change for some, may be way too much for others. But too fast or too slow, change is exciting, can be inspiring, and can lead to renewal and growth. I’m glad that our change agents Emily and Marcus are now here with us, and that September was a great start into our future.

Mission Statement

THE MISSION
OF NORTH SHORE
UNITARIAN CHURCH
IS TO EMPOWER PEOPLE
TO LIVE WITH GREATER DEPTH,
MEANING AND PURPOSE.
WE WELCOME ALL
TO OUR CARING COMMUNITY,
FOSTER SPIRITUAL GROWTH
FREE OF DOGMA,
AND INSPIRE ACTIONS
IN THE SERVICE OF LIFE.

Children's Program



Lynn Sabourin, DRE

Fall is such an incredibly busy time for parents with school starting back, sports resuming, and regular activities getting back into a rhythm, with all the attendant filling out of forms (including church registration forms). I know it is not always possible for families to be present every Sunday and yet, parents are the primary spiritual teachers for their children. This can feel daunting in an already too-busy world. In an effort to be supportive to parents, I send out an email for each class describing what the children and their adult guides have done that morning. For the kids who have been at church, this can be a way of extending the lesson and for those who were not able to come, it is an opportunity to hear about what we have covered. There are often suggestions for things families can do to live out our Unitarian Universalist principles. There are also recommended resources for parents should they have need of them.

We are very fortunate to have the dedicated, caring teachers we do, who also support families each Sunday. I encourage parents to meet the teachers and assistants who are with their children each

week. Come into the classroom and say hi. At our Teachers' Retreat on the Labour Day weekend, I heard from teachers that they don't always get a chance to meet parents. This connection is important to them.

While we were not big in numbers, those teachers, youth advisors and committee members who attended the Teachers' Retreat had an uplifting weekend. We shared ideas of how to create a more multigenerational community, how to practice "Conscious Discipline" (more on this next month) and shared our common wisdom in dealing with issues that arise in working with children and youth. It was a bonding experience and, for most of us, it was a re-charging of the batteries in preparation for the new program year. Thanks to all of you in the congregation who support us by buying soup on the first Sunday of each month and thanks to the parents who prepare and serve those lunches.

In all of our classes children were getting re-acquainted with each other after the summer break and establishing their class covenants.

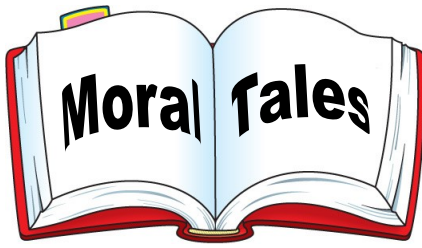


3-6 Year Olds

The Spirit Play class focused on the symbol of our UU faith, the Flaming Chalice, and how it can represent community. Joy talked about how it holds the spirit of love, fairness and truth or maybe the spirit of love and mystery which some people call God. They also heard how when we come together at church we are in community.



Children in Spirit Play class



7-8 Year Olds

The Primary class of 7-8 year olds were introduced to a visual aid, the "Moral Compass" poster. In each session of Moral Tales, children explore a different direction one can go, or a virtue one can

tap, to act with goodness and justice. They talked about remembering the interdependence of every living being on Earth as virtue that can lead us to decide and act with goodness and justice. They heard a Buddhist story about conscience, or inner voice, in which a child recognizes that no matter what he does, or who else is watching, he always sees his own actions; one's conscience or inner voice helps us find direction.

9-10 Year Olds

The Middle group of 9-10 year olds in the Toolbox of Faith program used a ruler in their first session to illustrate rules and promises that are decided together, and talked about the nature of our faith as something we build together. The next session used a magnifying glass to symbolize questioning and looking deeper. The children heard the story of Unitarian astronomer, Maria (pronounced "ma-RYE-ah") Mitchell (1818-1889), the first woman to discover a comet and have it named after her and the first professor of astronomy at Vassar College. Maria Mitchell embodied the truth-seeking quality of Unitarian faith in both her spiritual and scientific life. Her story also illuminates the value of questioning gender stereotypes.



11-12 Year Olds

The 11-12 year olds in Inquiring Souls have generated some beginning questions to start off their year of exploration. These include: How many solar systems are there? What is real? Are there other planets with life? Why do people like PokemonGo? How do the Simpsons predict the future? How deep can you go underground unassisted? Why are people afraid of black cats? Amazingly, no matter how simple the question starts, the "answers" are never few and hardly ever, simple.

This group had their annual "sleepover" and I think it is the first time we have ever had to wake kids up in the morning. Thanks to Gwen Bird for staying overnight with us!

Halloween Potluck and Haunted House Sunday, October 30th 5-7:30 pm

Don your costume and join us for our annual Halloween evening here at the church. Bring a potluck dinner dish and beverage to share and join your church family for some seasonal fun. Our Youth Group will set up a haunted house in the sanctuary and will have the scare-o-metre set low to start for those of us who are a little more timid and then they will ramp it up as they go along. Families can carve a jack-o-lantern and kids can bob for doughnuts. It will be spooktacular!



News & Events



Children and Families Art Workshop

**Sunday October 2nd 12:30pm
in the Fireside Room**

Let's create together! This year's topic will be "FAMILIES". The Artarians will provide materials, supplies, and guidance as needed. Hope to see you there!



Two Children's Choirs Begin

Contact Alison Nixon at 778-688-2912 if your children would like to join one of our two children's choirs: **Allegra** (ages 12-14) rehearses on Sundays October 16th through December 18th from noon to 1pm. Our **Thursday Children's Choir** (ages 9-11) rehearses from 4-5 pm beginning October 6th.



Jammin' With the Band

All are invited to join us on Friday, October 14th at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary for a musical session. All ages and skill levels are welcome! Bring an instrument or sing along. The focus is on having fun.
~Paul Jaffe

Office Closures

The Church Office will be closed

on Monday, October 10th for Thanksgiving. The office will also be closed on Friday, October 21st and Monday, October 24th while Janni is away and Lynn is at her professional organization's yearly conference. Revs. Emily and Marcus are available by phone for emergencies.



Art Show in the Sanctuary

During October, we'll display paintings by several of our own Artarians: Beverly Grice, Vivian Himbeault, Marguerite Mahy and Meghan Sharir. Although some of them also work in other mediums, this display will feature watercolours. Artist biographies can be found in the notebook in the stairwell. For information about joining the Artarians, contact Margerite Mahy or the Church office.

Cronies

Falling leaves means it is time to

watch for the awesome October Moon. Come and report any sightings at the Cronies Meetings at 12:30pm on October 13th and 27th in the Fireside Room. We meet for lively check ins and council among friends. See you there!



Outreach/Inreach

During August, we collected \$26.50 for the Pacific Northwest UU Growth Fund. In October, half of our Outreach/Inreach collections will be given to [Rainbow Refugee Society](#), which supports people seeking refugee protection because of persecution based on sexual orientation, gender identity, or HIV status.

From the Library



This new book for the children collection needs a sponsor: *The Cloud Spinner* by Michael Catchpool. We are also adding these anonymous donations: *What Is God's Name* illustrated by Sandy Eisenberg Sasso, and *Wabi Sabi* by Mark Reibstein. We received from Anne Dyer, Blair and Jason Thompson the following books: *A Child's Book of Blessings and Prayers* collected by Eliza Blanchard, *Bat's Big Game* by Margaret Reid MacDonald, *What's a Penguin to Think When He Turns Pink* by Lynne Rickards, *Because I Love You* by Max Lucado, and *A Quiet Place* by Douglas Wood. Alice McSherry and Trish and Lauren Edgar respectively gave: *Awareness Is Your Shield* by Marie Faulds Resmer, and *Big Momma Makes the World* by Phyllis Root. Thank you to the donors.

2017 Choir Tour to Hungary - Transylvania

We're planning a trip to Hungary/Transylvania in 2017, and you're invited! In 2010, twenty-five mostly NSU people (including 16 singers and Alison) enjoyed a truly life-affirming trip to Hungary and Transylvania. It's time for another one!

For 22 years, we've had a special relationship with our Partner Church in Hungary. Their Minister (Mihaly Kiss) is retiring next June and we'd like to be there to sing him our best wishes for a happy and well deserved retirement.

The dates are set for May 26 to June 5, 2017. Costs will likely range from \$1,400 USD to \$1,500 USD for the basic tour with transportation, accommodations, and most meals included from the time of arrival in Budapest. Airfare to and from Budapest is not included.

It's not that far off, so start planning/saving now for the trip of a lifetime! Contact Brian Welwood (604-988-1135) or Alison Nixon (604-947-0120) if you're interested. For more info, click [HERE](#).



B&G

Building & Grounds

- We've been busy decluttering, envisioning how we can make our building and services more attractive and up-to-date.
- Our TV needs expensive repairs; please let me know if you can donate a functioning flat screen TV, larger than 48".
- A wasp nest will be sealed off once the queen flies.
- We have plans for a recycling cart; meanwhile, please remove organics and recyclables from the garbage bins.
- We need help at two work parties: one for B&G maintenance on October 22nd, and one for leaves on November 19th. Let me know if you can help.

~Brian McConnell

Request from the CUC

The CUC is collecting data from congregations regarding member involvement at the national and regional level. Please email Janni (info@northshoreunitarians.ca) if you have been involved with any of the following, past or present:

- CUC Board members
- CUC Nominating Committee members
- CUUL (Canadiann UU Leadership School) graduates
- CanUUdle staff members
- Similar roles with the UUA.

Refugee Update

The family we helped Beacon sponsor is settling into life in Canada. They've been getting to know their sponsors and their neighbourhood, figuring out shopping, visiting dentists and health clinics for checkups and immunizations, and learning English. Both children have started school: Mohammed is in Kindergarten at Howay Elementary, and Raneem in Grade 8 at Glenbrook Middle School. Mom, Taghreed, joined a women's conversation group run through Immigrant Services Society; and Dad, Nader, hopes to attend government-provided English language training soon.



The family standing in front of a Canadian flag

Youth Group



Meike Schieb
Youth Program Coordinator

The youth program is up and running! We had our first Youth Group on Sunday, September 11th, and it was a great one. All the youth were very excited to see each other again and to be back in their familiar and safe space.

A new year often means a new set of youth in our youth group. This year, we welcome in 7 new youth who are attending the Coming of Age program, and most of them are also attending Youth Group regularly. Two of our Grade 12 youth, Teya and Liana, already stepped into their leadership roles during the first youth group by giving a presentation on the youth program and everything that is available for UU youth.

Coming in October

October 2 nd	2-5pm	Outing with UCV Youth
October 8-9 th	5pm	UCV Youth Event
October 9 th	—	Thanksgiving weekend: No YG
October 16 th	12:30-2pm	Youth Ministry Team Meeting
	5:30-7pm	YAC Meeting
	7-9pm	Youth Group
October 23 rd	4:30-6:30pm	Coming of Age Meeting
	7-9pm	Youth Group
October 21-23 rd	—	PNWD Fall Conference (in USA)
October 30 th	1-5pm	Halloween Haunted House Set-Up
	5-7:30pm	Intergenerational Halloween Potluck
	7:30-9pm	Youth Group/Clean Up

As part of the Grade 12 program, the three Grade 12 youth embraced a day of silence during the Silent Retreat to reflect and go deeper in their understanding of themselves and the world. It was a fantastic experience facilitating this retreat and witnessing the discussions and insights that were brought to life afterwards. The Grade 12 program is a truly important and very deep program at a pivotal moment in a person's life. We look forward to the insights that will flow from here as we see these three youth grow over the year.

As a reminder, Youth Group meets on Sunday nights from 7-9pm unless otherwise noted (Movie nights, in particular, start earlier). Thanks to Paul Symons, Bruce Grierson, Sacha Wassick and Kit To for serving as the Youth Advisor team this year. We could not run the youth group and all the sub-programs without them.

I am thankful to be surrounded by such energy and opportunity, a great group of youth, as well as supporting coworkers and parents as I grow and continue to learn in my role as Youth Program Coordinator.



Rev. Marcus with the Youth Group: Liana, Chloe, Sian, Jasmine, Jason, Zoë, Teya, River

October 2016 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 10:30am Sunday Service 11:45am Soup 12:30pm All Ages Art Workshop 2pm Youth Group	3 7:30pm Meditation	4 5pm G12 Mtg (offsite) 7pm Sanctuary Rental	5 7pm Coordinating Council Mtg. 7:30pm Canvass Training	6 4pm Child. Choir 6:15pm Chamber Choir Practice 7pm Choir Practice	7 7pm FF Organizing Seminar	8 2:30 FF Sing Along Set-Up 7pm FF Sing Along
9 10:30am Sunday Service 11:45 Soup 12:30pm Nonviolent Communication Intro	10 THANKSGIVING: OFFICE CLOSED 7:30pm Meditation	11 7pm Discussion: Defying the Nazis 7pm Sanctuary Rental	12 9:30am Fireside Rental 9:45am HMS Mtg 7pm Board Mtg	13 10am Meditation 12:30pm Cronies 1:30pm Staff Mtg 4pm Child. Choir 6:15pm Chamber Choir Practice 7pm Choir Practice	14 7:30pm Jammin' with the Band	15 1pm FF Rummy-cub Newsletter Deadline
16 10:30am Sunday Service 11:45am Lunch Noon—Allegra Rh.s. 12:30pm Youth Ministry Team Mtg 1pm Canvass Mtg 5:30pm YAC Mtg 7pm Youth Group	17 7:30pm Meditation	18 7pm Sanctuary Rental	19 Noon—Cares & Concerns Mtg 4:30 Lay Chaplain Mtg	20 10am Book Group 4pm Child. Choir 6:15pm Chamber Choir Practice 7pm Choir Practice	21 OFFICE CLOSED 3pm FF Guatemala set-up 6pm FF Guatemala Slide Show OFFICE CLOSED—Janni Away Lynn at LREDA Conference	22 9am B&G work pty 8:30am FF TED Talks Set-Up 6pm FF TED Talks 6:15pm UBC Lecture (offsite)
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30 10:30am Sunday Service Noon—Town Hall Noon—Allegra Rh.s. 1pm Haunted House Set-up 5pm Potluck 7pm Youth Group	31 HALLOWEEN 7:30pm Meditation	<p>Calendar events often change without notice. See our most up-to-date calendar on our website HERE.</p>				

THANK YOU

1. Thank you, **Cynthia Becker**, for donating a microwave and toaster oven to the church kitchen! (If you have a donation you think we might be able to use, please contact the Church Office or Building & Grounds chair, Brian McConnell).

2. Thanks to the team who did our recent foyer clean-up project: **Brian McConnell, Barrie & Sue Forbes, Jasha Ramsay-Latter, Roy Brand, Joanna Vaughan**, and staffers **Rev. Marcus, Lynn, & Janni**.

Soup Continues on the Second Sunday of the Month

Last spring, the Moore family sold soup to raise money for Callia's trip to South America to do social justice work. Thanks to your generosity, she raised nearly \$1100 of her \$3500 target. The Moores will continue to sell soup once each month for the rest of the program year. Thanks to all who support and contribute to this fundraising project.



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*... meeting in Squamish
and Tsleil-Waututh
traditional territory*

Lay Chaplains

Our Lay Chaplains perform Rite of Passage and Life Transition Ceremonies to mark important milestones.

For more information, call us at 604-926-1621

or email us at

info@northshoreunitarians.ca.

We're happy to help!

Organizing Workshop

Join Janni Kretlow at 7pm on Friday, October 7th for an inspiring FundFest Organizing Seminar in the Sanctuary. Janni will explain why it's not your fault if you're disorganized — and what you can do about it. Learn tried-and-true concepts that help people of all ages tackle the clutter and confusion in their homes and work spaces. You've seen Janni organize our church office; come learn her secrets! Cost is only \$12 (all proceeds to go NSUC).



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