



# April 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>Sundays</b> 8:30am <b>Choir Rehearsal</b> Fellowship Hall 10:00am <b>Worship Service</b> Sanctuary	<b>Mondays and Wednesdays</b> 10-11am <b>Growing Stronger</b> Fellowship Hall				1	2
3 3:00pm <b>Harpichord Recorder Concert</b> GUCC	4	5	6 4:30pm <b>Pleasants Fund</b> Church Library	7	8	9
10	11 7:00pm <b>Pastoral Search Committee</b> Church Library	12	13	14	15	16
17 <b>JUDY WAIBLE</b> Preaching	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 7:00pm <b>Craftsbury Chamber Players</b> Pre-Season Concert	26	27	28	29	30

## *FROM THE PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE*

This is being shared to familiarize our congregation with the process of searching for a new pastor for The Greensboro United Church of Christ. There are two main components: people and procedures.

The people are the congregation, our pastor, Rev. Kinsley, Conference Minister, Lynn Bujnak, and the Search Committee.

The committee members are Susan Coffey, Nancy Hill, Shelly Jungwirth, Jeff Pierpont, Janet Travers, Roger Waible, John Hewett (by phone - 757-220-5865) and Rona Kinsley, interim minister, ex-officio.

The search committee had its organizational meeting on March 7<sup>th</sup> to start on its mission to look for a settled pastor for the Greensboro Church. The meeting was used to select a committee Chair (Roger Waible), Secretary (Jan Travers), and Chaplain (Jeff Pierpont) and to learn more about each other as we will be working very closely together for the next several months

In a nut shell, the procedure entails:

Defining a church profile... Identifying where we are theologically, socially and culturally, where we want to go, what we love, what we excel at and what our growth buds are that may need some tending to blossom... The entire congregation will be asked to participate in this with questionnaires and meetings.

Defining Leadership Expectations of the pastor we seek. Identifying what skills, strengths and passions coincide with our church profile and preferences. Again, the entire congregation will be asked to participate in this with questionnaires and meetings.

Submitting our church profile to the conference .

The conference will have our Church Profile listed nationally.

Interested pastors will submit their profiles.

Discernment leads to selection and appointment.

Rev. Kinsley will offer her guidance and experience in how to implement the process. Only the Search committee will take part in selection of candidates, interviewing and selecting the new pastor.

Rev. Bujnak will work with us in reviewing our church profile, submitting it to the UCC National Office, coordinating with the conference ministers of pastors we are interested in and reviewing the profiles of interested candidates with the Search Committee.

The congregation will be asked to participate in determining our church profile and expectations of a pastor via questionnaires and meetings.

The Search Committee will solicit input from the congregation, keep the congregation in touch with our progress, and use the work we all have done to call a pastor.

Our next meeting will be Monday, April 11. The committee members will read section 4 in "Pilgrimage Through Transitions" from the United Church of Christ SEARCH AND CALL manual and give thought to assigning responsibilities to our members.

If you have questions or concerns about the process or its progress, please bring them to a committee member or Rev. Kinsley.

The UCC THE SEARCH AND CALL PROCESS manual quotes Philippians 1:6a –

"I am confident of this,  
that the one who began a good work among  
you will bring it to completion...."

Let us *all pray* for that confidence, assurance and completion.

**Roger Waible**  
Chair, Search Committee

### *Milestones*

#### *Happy April Birthday to*

Bill Alley, Tracy Collier, Rosita and Jeff Durbin, Patti and Abigail Foster, Stuart Hill, Gina Jenkins and Tom Anastasio, Rev. Rona Kinsley, Ernest Lapierre, Ainsley Launer, Jackie and Richard Lovett, Jeanette Ruffle, Jan Travers, John and Marianne Weaver, Alyssa Wheeler, **AND** a Happy Anniversary to Sara and Joel Behrsing.

*Is your birthday listed this month when it shouldn't be? Have we missed you in our celebrations? Contact the church office and let us know if your birthday is listed incorrectly or has been missed.*

***FROM THE MISSION BOARD — CHURCH WORLD SERVICE KITS***

This year, Church World Service is requesting school and hygiene kits for people throughout the world. Over time, requests for baby care kits have decreased and they have a generous supply of those on hand. The CWS kit program makes a tremendous difference in the lives of many people both here at home and around the world. Each kit represents a person whose life will be changed because of the simple items contained within. You can provide the supplies for an entire kit, or a number of similar items (such as rulers or toothbrushes) to be made into kits in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, May 1. Items for the kits may be put into boxes in Fellowship Hall prior to May 1. We will also need money to complete and send these kits. Thank you for your generosity! Here is what is needed:

**CWS School Kit (value \$15)**

One pair of blunt scissors (rounded tip only)  
Three 70-count bound notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages (no loose-leaf or filler paper)  
One 12" ruler  
One hand-held pencil sharpener  
One large eraser (no pencil cap erasers)  
Six new, unsharpened pencils with erasers  
One box of 24 crayons (only 24)

**CWS Hygiene Kit (value \$15)**

One hand towel - approximately 15" x 28" to 15" x 32"  
One washcloth  
One wide-tooth comb  
One finger nail or toe nail clipper  
One bath-size bar of soap in the wrapper  
One toothbrush in the package  
Ten standard-size Band-aids  
(a tube of extended expiration date toothpaste will be added to each kit prior to its journey)

***Gina Jenkins***  
For The Mission Board



## THE MUSIC CORNER

We are grateful to Bronwyn, Tom and Gina for the delightful Easter prelude of early music of harpsichord and recorders. We thank Cara for sharing her musical gifts with her beautiful voice during the introit and offertory. We have planned a lovely variety of music for April to continue to *Serve God Through Music*:

3<sup>rd</sup>: Jay Althouse is a prolific composer of sacred music, and we bring you his *With This Communion, We Thank You*, a modern anthem with beautiful piano arpeggios and sustained amen.

10<sup>th</sup>: *Seek Ye the Lord* has a text based on Is. 55: 6-7. With a medium voice solo the text and music combine together to offer a dramatic rendition of sacred music at its' best. The soloist and choir trade the music back and forth in a slow, lyrical style.

17<sup>th</sup>: We use what is called "block harmony" in this Sunday's anthem titled *Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace*. Block harmony has a hymn-like sound and uses a legato, lyrical style that is very smooth and comforting to both sing and listen to.

24<sup>th</sup>: Antonio Lotti ( 1667-1740) was a Italian Baroque composer and from his *Mass in D minor* we will bring you the "Sanctus and Benedictus." It starts in the fugal style and incorporates suspensions with long, flowing phrases. We will sing it in Latin (the choir loves to sing in Latin!) and interpret the music as authentically as possible with superb pitch and blend. Our Consort will offer a prelude by Giovanni Battista Bononcini (1670-ca. 1750) for recorder, viola da gamba and harpsichord.

**Hal Parker**  
Music Director

## Craftsbury Chamber Players 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season Concert

Greensboro United Church of Christ

Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 7PM

By donation

Reception to follow to meet the artists



### *From Byrd to Bach: Music for Harpsichord and Recorder*

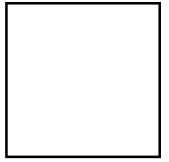
On Sunday, April 3, Diane Huling and Sara Lisniansky present a concert of music for harpsichord and recorder at the United Church of Christ in Greensboro. The performance begins at 3:00, with a suggested donation of \$20.

The program spans the entire Baroque era and includes a wide range of styles - from Elizabeth virginal music to a prelude and fugue by Bach; and from French dances to a Dutch recorder virtuoso's variations on a popular Italian song; to ornately embellished works by Handel, Telemann, and Scarlatti. Both Huling and Lisniansky will play solo works as well as pieces performed together.

For more information, please contact:  
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***Upcoming Lectionary Readings***

Apr. 3 ~Acts 5:27-32 ~Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150  
~Revelation 1:4-8 ~John 20:19-31

Apr. 10 ~Acts 9:1-6, (7-20) ~Psalm 30 ~Revelation  
5:11-14 ~John 21:1-19

Apr. 17 ~Acts 9:36-43 ~Psalm 23 ~Revelation 7:9-17  
~John 10:22-30

Apr. 24 ~Acts 11:1-18 ~Psalm 148 ~Revelation 21:1-6  
~John 13:31-35

