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The 15th each month

ast night I met with some of the members of our youth group to give them a little feedback as they prepared for their annual Youth Sunday service. For the most part they had it all worked out. They were clear about their theme and had a good sense of the message they wanted to share. They just needed some help thinking through details like transitions and logistics.

After practice we moved to the library for a conversation. Since the youth meet on Sunday mornings, I don't get the chance to talk with them as a group very often. I wanted to know how they are thinking and feeling about their experience at church these days. They shared lots of stories about meaningful experiences they have had together and expressed their sense that youth group isn't quite as vibrant this year. Their memories inform their vision for the future and they have hope that youth group can be great again. To realize their hopes, though, they are going to need more help. They told me that they don't think they are getting the leadership they need. This isn't a criticism of any individuals involved in youth work. But it is a charge to the congregation as a whole. Our youth need more from us than we are currently giving. In some ways it is kind of analogous to their preparation for worship. They have a pretty good idea about what they want youth group to be like and what kind of experiences they want to share. They just need help negotiating the details of making those experiences happen.

After our meeting I asked them if I could write about our conversation in this article. I told them I thought everyone needed to know what they are thinking. We are currently in the midst of our annual Stewardship Campaign. If you have had a chance to attend a dinner or speak with a canvasser, I hope you know that we are striving to increase our total pledge revenues for this next fiscal year. We have three clear priorities that require additional funding: we want to work toward paying our fair share in pledges to the Ohio Meadville District and the Unitarian Universalist Association, we want to give our staff cost of living adjustments and we want to increase our Director of Religious Education position from half time to three quarters time. The reality is that the job we want our professional religious educator to accomplish simply can't be done in 20 hours per week. Our youth know that. They haven't been getting the leadership they need in part because we haven't been able to fund that leadership. We can change that.

I know that times are hard and some of you will need to decrease your giving levels to the church in order to balance your own family budget. But some of us haven't been affected as much by the recession and we can do more. I am one of those people. I have made a significant increase in my pledge for the next fiscal year. I believe in our congregation. I believe in our mission and our vision and I want to help build the future we dream. If you are in a position to join me in increasing your own pledge, I hope you will. Giving to the church is a powerful way to let your love grow and make a meaningful difference. See you in church!

Melissa

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April Sermons

April 1–7:00 pm Vespers

Humor for hard times

Worship associate Marion Yeagler

We will explore some of the ways humor helps us through the day. Bring something funny to share.

Special quest musicians.....The Geezers

April 5

The Terrible Blessing of the Journey

Rev. Melissa Carvill-Ziemer and Worship Associate Marion Yeagler

The poet Pamela Sneed entitled a volume of her work "Imagine Being More Afraid of Freedom than Slavery." This morning we will explore some of the central themes of Passover. How can the wisdom of these sacred stories inform our own journeys through the wilderness?

April 12

Christ Redeemed, Christianity Reclaimed: An Easter Celebration

Rev. Melissa Carvill-Ziemer and Worship Associate Elaine Bowen

Christmas and Easter are important holidays here at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent. And yet as a congregation we seem to express ambivalence about our Christian roots. As we tell again the sacred story of Christ's redemption, we will consider how we might reclaim our Christian heritage.

Our first service this morning will be fully intergenerational and family friendly. We encourage all families with children to come for the first service and stay for coffee hour when our youth will organize an egg hunt for toddlers and elementary school aged kids. Our second service will be created with adults in mind. Children who remain at church for the second service will be invited to attend a special Easter celebration with our Director of Religious Education.

April 15–7:00 pm Vespers

Knowledge, Wisdom and Hope

Worship Associate Elaine Bowen

After reading an excerpt from The Foundling and Other Tales of Prydain by Lloyd Alexander, we ponder the notion that "at the end of knowledge, wisdom begins and at the end of wisdom, there is not grief, but hope."

April 19

Green Congregations, Green Lives

Rev. Melissa Carvill-Ziemer and Worship Associate Kristofer Sperry

This morning we will consider ways we can care for the earth by greening our congregation and greening our lives. Our celebration of Earth Day will feature special music, beautiful images and inspiring words. All are welcome!

April 26

Special needs, Special people

Worship Associate Elaine Bowen

If it takes a village to raise a child, it takes an educated, empathetic and caring world to raise, support and nurture children and adults with special needs. As a faith community, how well to we recognize, support and understand those with Autism Spectrum Disorder and other neurological disabilities? How welcoming and inclusive are we to people with developmental delays or cognitive impairments? What more can we do? In commemoration of National Autism Awareness Month, I offer my experiences, insight and life lessons learned as a parent of sons with ASD.

Addendum to Melissa's March article

In last month's article I wrote about the concern I and others are having about "Israel's occupation of Palestine." A member of our congregation has pointed out to me that those words have implications beyond my intention. It would be more accurate to speak of concern about Israel's occupation of parts of Palestine. The conflict between Israel and Palestine is complex and charged and it seems time that we explore this more fully as a congregation. I will be working with a member of our congregation to prepare a worship service on this concern for late summer or early fall.

Moderator's Message

There are many individuals and committees that do the important work of our church. One committee that reports directly to the Board is the Master Plan Committee. According to our by-laws (Article VIII, Section 1.), the Master Plan Committee "prepares and updates the vision statement, mission statement and long-range plan of the church, based on consensus reached through congregational dialogue." This year, the Master Plan Committee has taken up the task of drafting a five-year strategic plan based on the mission and vision statements that were approved by the congregation last May.

Key elements of the draft plan were shared with the Board at our March meeting and with members of the congregation at our April 1 informational meeting. Here is a summary of five major directions for the future of the U-U Church of Kent included in the draft strategic plan: 1) Plan for the restoration and expansion of our physical facilities; 2) Plan for the expansion of our paid staff; 3) Strengthen our district and associational connections; 4) Review and consider revising our plan for governance; 5)



Youth Track for UULTI

The UU Leadership Transformation Institute (UULTI) is very pleased to announce the addition of a Youth Track for youth and adult leaders for this year's institute. UULTI is a remarkable week-long residential learning experience for congregational leaders, staff, and youth. No matter the size, health, or current circumstances of your congregation, UULTI is for you! UULTI is the leadership school sponsored by the four districts of the Northeast Regional Group. Details and more information are available at the OMD website or at www.uulti.org

UU University Changes

The success of UU University has led to changes this year to make it even more available to all General Assembly participants. This year, the programming will be included during GA and all GA participants will be able to attend at no extra cost. Once again there will be several different tracks to match participant's interest areas. For details about this year's presenters and tracks, visit www.uua.org/qeneralassembly/uuuniversity

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Strengthen and develop our programmatic ministries. The current Board is excited about the possibilities for forward movement reflected in the draft plan. We will be studying and discussing the specifics during the next several months and will share with the congregation those emerging details as we move toward adopting a strategic plan that will enable the U-U Church of Kent to live out our shared mission and vision.

In her March 15 sermon, Rev. Joan Van Becelaere espoused the importance of looking toward the future with optimism even in anxious times. I believe we have much to look forward to, and the good work of our Master Plan Committee is pointing the way. I want to acknowledge the members of that committee for their commitment to our collective future: Jane Krimmer (Chairperson), Rod Mishler, Bailey Clegg, Mary Lou Holly, Bill Eldredge, Rev. Melissa Carvill-Ziemer (ex officio).

In optimism, Rhonda Richardson, Moderator

General Assembly Registration

General Assembly (GA), the annual meeting of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations, will be held June 24-28, 2009 in Salt Lake City, Utah. Early registration is now open. Go to www.uua.org/ga for detailed information and registration forms. Our UU Church of Kent is allotted five voting delegates for GA. If you plan to attend GA and would like to serve as a delegate, please contact the Moderator, Rhonda Richardson

Brad's Photo Show Closing Party

Brad Bolton will be hosting a closing party and "Tour de Photographie" for his current sanctuary photo exhibit on April 13 from 7-9 pm in the sanctuary. Every picture tells a story, and Brad will reveal the odd and interesting tales behind many of his photos. Includes special viewing of new photos too risqué for the general public!

Finance Committee Meeting

The Finance Committee will meet Wednesday, April 22 in the annex. At this meeting we will prepare a final budget for the congregation to consider, based on pledged stewardship. The meeting is open to anyone interested.

Opportunities to Volunteer in Hospice

Volunteers are the Heart of Hospice care and help in a variety of ways. It is not necessary to have experience in working with people who have a life-limiting illness to become a Hospice Volunteer. Volunteers uphold the basic hospice philosophy of enhancing the quality of life for our patients, while helping them maintain dignity. Compassion, reliability, and a non-judgmental approach are essential qualities. Our volunteers provide a wide variety of services based on each patient and families particular needs and desires.

We are seeking volunteers for companion respite care. Companion/respite volunteers provide relief time for the caregivers. Vigil volunteers who provide support to families when it appears death is imminent are also needed and special training is provided.

Other areas where volunteers are needed are: Nursing Home Team, Flower-Arranging, Special Events, Office Assistance, Professional Services (lawyer & accountants) Bereavement Support, and card makers.

Every volunteer is provided the necessary training, on going education and support. Spring Training will be held Saturday April 18 & 25 at Robinson Memorial Hospital so call soon.

PLEASE consider giving some of your valuable time to hospice. Call Bernadette Thomas/Coordinator @ Robinson Memorial Hospital Visiting Nurse & Hospice- (330) 297-8899 or bthomasrmh2.org.



Tai chi --

- a non-impact "meditation in motion." Although you can study it for a lifetime, by coming you do not make a commitment for any number of sessions -- come when you can. You are welcome to start any Monday night. Wear loose fitting clothing, as it is participatory. Questions? Contact Susan Goekler, certified tai chi instructor with the Tai Chi Association of Atlanta, GA

> 7:00 Advanced 7:30 Intermediate 8:00 Beginner

Committee on Ministry

Hello UU friends.

My name is Elaine Yehle Bowen and have been a member of the UU Church of Kent for 8 years. I've been involved in many activities and since 9/08, I'm the newest member of the UUCK Committee on Ministry. Along with veteran co-chairs, Kathie Slater and Saul Flanner, we meet monthly with our minister, Melissa Carvill-Ziemer, to discuss, support, evaluate and appreciate the multiple ministries of our church.

Ministry does not just refer to Melissa in her role as our minister and spiritual leader. It means all the programs and groups within the church including but not limited to Religious Education & Adult Religious Exploration, music/ choir, Small Group Ministry, Helping Hands, the Board of Trustees, Worship Associates, and so forth. We have grown so there are too many to mention!

In our faith, whenever and wherever two or more UUs are gathered, there is ministry. Ministry also refers to caring for each other and helping to meet the other's needs ~ emotional, spiritual, physical. Effective ministering involves active listening, respecting confidentiality and refraining from gossip. We minister best when we speak directly and lovingly to the person we care about rather than indirectly to a third party in hopes the message will be delivered as we intended. It takes practice and we are not always successful. We are human, after all. Sometimes we're uncomfortable, we may be embarrassed, shy or are afraid we won't say what we want to "the right way." Speaking from your heart to the heart you wish to touch, without detours or third parties is "the right way."

Blessings, Elaine Yehle Bowen

Share Your Dream

In her service on Feb 15, Kristina Spaude said that she hoped everyone would someday share their dreams for the church with her. She is formally inviting you now to do so. The stewardship campaign may happen once a year, but our church stewardship happens all year long, and it involves much more than money. Kristina looks forward to engaging in this conversation with you.

Kristina Spaude

Religious Education News

This past weekend I spent a day at the Ohio Meadville District Curriculum Fair sponsored by the Lifespan Faith Development Committee. Michelle Richards was the theme speaker and author of <u>Come Into the Circle: Worshiping with Children</u>. What an inspiring experience it was for me. Actually, my feelings of excitement, enthusiasm and the spark felt this past weekend were reminiscent of the Summer Institute experience. I mention SI as many of you will relate to the SI feelings and experience.

Ritual, liturgy, prayer, busy boxes, intergenerational worship, and children participating in worship were all topics discussed. Underneath each one of these components is an underlying message. The message is one of intentionally including children and youth in our lives and experiences as UU's.

Yet this can be a challenge as many of our UU beliefs and principles are abstract. Abstractions are difficult for our younger members. Some of us as adults prefer concrete experiences to abstractions. Our Sunday morning worship experiences speak to this human need through repetition or ritual. Ritual brings the abstract concepts into the concrete realm of experience. Lighting the chalice each week is a consistent ritual that brings comfort and creates a sense of shared identity. The words spoken while lighting the chalice set a tone for the shared Sunday morning experience as they call us to turn our attention to the NOW and into a shared community experience.

Spirit Play is a curriculum experienced by those 4 years of age thru 5th grade in our congregations on Sunday morn-

New Newsletter Font

The staff at Kent UU Newsletters, Inc., have changed the newsletter font for better readability. Please let the editor know if it's an improvement or not.

Easter Dinner at Church

The Out to Lunch Bunch will host a dinner at the church at 1:00 pm Easter Sunday for those who would like to share a meal with others. We will provide meat. The cost will be \$3 for adults, \$2 for children 2-12, children under 2 free (Maximum \$10/family) + a dish to share. No charge for vegetarians + a dish to share. There will be a sign up sheet on a bulletin board in Fessenden Hall. Please indicate what you will bring and how many in your group. If you have questions, contact Martha Kluth.

ings. Spirit Play includes ritual; an order of events occurring in generally the same manner each week. This consistency creates a space of knowing and a safe place from which to jump off and explore, the latter being an important part of the class shared experience. Creation of a safe place and the opportunity to jump off and explore, this is what we as adults experience during worship. No wonder we are so dedicated to the experience.

Religious Educators/teachers light a chalice each week in their classrooms, further evidence of a needed ritual, a touchstone for us as UU's. Recently, I had the opportunity to discuss with a group of youth the origin of the chalice symbol. The original use of the chalice is one that speaks to my heart. Yet, I wonder how many of us are aware of the gifts that emanated from the use of this symbol during World War II. The intentional use of the created image of chalice and flame gave help and hope to those who were in need. I believe that the image of the lit chalice still gives gifts to each of us. A lit chalice each Sunday is one way in which we come together as community and share a common experience. A lit chalice touches our senses and our mind. A lit chalice can bring comfort and learning.

Michelle Richards reminded me of the gifts inherent in the Sunday morning experiences for children and adults. Come into the circle and join the intentional sharing of being UU with our children and youth. We are the receivers and givers of these gifts. We are the touchstones for each other. Our intentional participation in the giving and receiving mean so much to our children and youth.

Diana VanWinkle, Director of Religious Education

Books in Your Church Library:

Full Circle: Fifteen Ways to Grow Lifelong UU's by Kate Tweedie Ersley from UUA, 2004. If everyone who had been raised UU was still affiliated with our faith, imagine how even more powerful a religious movement ours would be. Ersley interviewed 82 lifelong UU's, and she suggests how to make that dream a reality for the next generation..

Raising Children of Divorce by Philip Stahl, DVD from Paraclete Press, 2004. This was recommended for our collection by our minister. The biggest concern for almost all divorcing parents is how their children will be hurt by the breakup and what they should do to help their children. This video is an invaluable resource.

Martha Kluth

Financial Corner

February year-to-date results indicate we have about \$2000 less revenues than plan, but expenditures are nearly \$5000 less than planned to date, so we are OK for now. We expect expenditures to be higher in March. March Revenues so far are slightly below plan. Next month I'll share specific numbers for the first quarter 2009. Contact me if you want more information.

As you may have noticed in the Guide to Our Annual Stewardship Campaign, which is now available for the 2010 fiscal year, going from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010, nearly all [\$203,000 out of some \$231,000] of our revenues are planned to come from pledges. Unlike some other denominations, we do not get money from some higher entity in the denominational organization, we get services from them, but we also give to them, since the funding for their services comes from their member churches.

We would like to give our fair share, which corresponds to about \$78 per member, about \$16,000 for the year to the OMD District and the UUA national organization. In 2009, our present fiscal year, we were unable to do this, due to lack of revenues [i.e., lack of pledge income]. We also would like to give our R.E. Director more hours per month, and fund many committees that ended up with a \$0 budget in 2009.

Why can't we do more? Because we don't have the revenue [pledge income] to do more. What is a pledge, anyhow? It is simply an amount that each pledge unit [individual or family] plans to give to the church during the 2010 fiscal year. It is not a contract. We understand that these are difficult times, your circumstances may

change, and you may not be able to meet the amount plan to give, or you may decide to give more. In April, we must make plans for the year beginning July 1 2009, so that the congregation will have a budget to vote on at the May 31 meeting. We need to know what your plans are in order to put together our budget. If you don't give us a number representing your plans, we cannot include your donations in the plan. We will make the best use of it possible, in any case, but we'd like to include it in our plans.

So let us know what your plans are, even if you don't plan to give very much, even if your plans are a bit uncertain—you know better than we do what you would like to and plan to give for the coming year. The Stewardship Campaign is simply a way to communicate your plans, along with those of other pledge units, so we can put together a budget for everyone to vote on May 31 to help us reach our goals and achieve our mission and vision statements. It is not up to them....there is no them...its just up to us. Once all of US respond to the Stewardship Campaign, then the Finance Committee and your Board will do the best we can to achieve our goals given the results of the stewardship campaign. Be part of it. Join us- WE can do this.

I, or anyone on the Stewardship Team listed in the Brochure, or anyone on the Board will be happy to answer any specific questions you have about our finances, at any time.

Thank you for your generous contributions to our beloved church.

Bob Erdman, Trustee for Finance

Book Sale!

The annual book sale fundraiser for the church is on Saturday, April 18 from 9 am to noon. But before that, there's much to do.

- 1) DONATIONS: we need good quality books to sell. No texts or encyclopedias please. You may begin bringing donations on Sunday, April 12 Easter or drop them off in Fessenden Hall anytime during the week. If the yoga sign is out, please be very quiet and leave them in the kitchen. If you need a hand with pick-up, please contact Elaine @ eybrdld@yahoo.com.
- 2) SORTING: Wednesday night, 4/15, from 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm (with a break for Vespers at 7:00 pm because I'm leading it!) No, you don't have to stay the whole timecome for an hour or 2, we're delighted to have you!

3) SET-UP: Friday night, 4/17, from 6 pm until we're done ~ hopefully by 9 pm.

We need volunteers on Wednesday and Friday nights to help sort & set-up; the more who come, the faster we'll get done AND volunteers may pre-shop:)

Is your SGM looking for a service project? Do you love to read? Are books threatening to take over your home? This is your event!!! Clean out your bookshelves then come shop to restock.

Questions? Volunteering? Contact Elaine Bowen (evenings only, please)

All Church Pot Luck

The Stewardship Team will be hosting an all-church Pot Luck in celebration of the end of the 2009-2010 Stewardship Campaign on Sunday April 5, following the second service.

For you novices – A Pot Luck is also known as "bring your own dish to share." That way, there is plenty of food for all. Casseroles, Salads, Soups, Chicken, Chips, Desserts, Fruit, Cheese & crackers, are typical of Potluck Fare.

Traditionally, you bring enough to serve your family plus a little more. If you forget, please join us anyway. There is always enough for all.

To lighten the load on the kitchen crew, please try to bring your own table service.

There is a sign up sheet on the wall in Fessenden to the right of the coffee pot. See you on April 5! The Stewardship Team

Mark Twain, Love Letters on DVD and CD

Many thanks to the wonderful audience attending the Mark Twain and "Love Letters" performance March 13th. Harry, Nancy and I were overwhelmed by your numbers and your enthusiastic response. Quite a few people have expressed regrets that they were unable to attend, since there were several events scheduled in the area for the same evening. Our son Jim Voneida kindly recorded it on his television camera, and has converted it to a DVD, which came out very well. I have decided to make these available, as a further fundraiser for the church, for \$10.00 each. If you are interested in purchasing one, please notify me by no later than April 15th. Leave a message on my recorder if we happen to be out. Please spread the word, and thanks again for your interest in these performances.

The presentation of Mark Twain and Ted's and Nancy Warlop's rendition of Love Letters is also available on CD in the church library for borrowing. Sign it out from the black folder that contains audio of church services. You'll be glad you did.

Ted Voneida

Adult Religious Explorations for Spring

Topic: Spirituality and Science

Fellowship Hall, 9:30am – 10:30 am (during first service) This forum series explores the ways in which scientific thought is intertwined with spiritual thinking in western culture. We plan to cover specific branches of science and look at the ways each has influenced and has been influenced by religious and spiritual concepts. There will be exploration of the spiritual side of the physical sciences, the brain, chemistry, evolution and paleontology. It will allow you to develop new perspectives and new tools for exploring your own spirituality as well as adding a dimension to your interest in science. The series will be led by Cheryl Spoehr, with a number of other members of the congregation leading sessions also. Come and be part of all or some of the sessions (you can then attend second service) Be part of a fun and worthwhile discussion!

April 19	Searching for "Truth"
April 26	Science: Physics of Light
Мау 3	Alchemy to Chemistry
May 10	The Brain: We Are Music
May 17	Evolution: Darwin Was
	No Darwinist
May 24	Digging For Truth



Ted Voneida and Harry Noden prepare for "Mark Twain in Kent"

Keeping the Chancel

Last month, we received a beautiful gift. Our new piano looks beautiful in our church. We need some help in the chancel area (the area where the pulpit sits), keeping it "spruced" occasionally. This is usually a seasonal job and takes only an hour or so per season, then a quick once over on Sunday morning to be sure everything is straight and in place.

The Aesthetics committee takes care of the artwork on the walls in the sanctuary.

Please consider helping out. We are a skeleton crew right now. Church calendar-wise, Christmas is right around the corner. Please give Linda Mishler a call if you can help out.

Linda Mishler



Is the current economic anxiety causing you to limit your pledge? Then let it be known that the Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent pledges to YOU that if you lose your job, any PLEDGED CONTRIBUTIONS made for the period of July 1, 2009 thru June 30, 2010 will be refunded to you. Contact Bob Erdman, Trustee of Finance, in that eventuality.

Let's take a leap of faith together!

The Stewardship Team

Annual Talent Show

Singers, dancers, music players, Jugglers, funny ones, poetry sayers – Small ones big ones – old and young - come on out and have some fun!

Saturday May 16, 2009

Adults: \$5.00

Children under 10 - no charge Tickets go on sale Sunday May 3

Entertainers: Get your application from: Saunis or Linda Mishler or go to the websitehttp://www.kentuu.org/ Please notify us ASAP if you need babysitting



Max Grubb and Sophie

UU Niagara Falls Trip

Join UUs from around the country in Niagara Falls, July 19-22, 2009

Come experience the wonder of Niagara Falls including some great educational opportunities while being taken care of like royalty. The UU Church of Niagara is conducting a four day UU Niagara Experience which is a lifetime opportunity to encounter the Falls up close from every perspective. Spend four days with us exploring the rich history and natural beauty around the Falls. For information visit our web site: http://www.uunex.net/



Joan VanBecelaere spoke at Stewardship Sunday

April Church Events

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Tai Chi: 7:00 Advanced, 7:30 Intermediate, 8:00 Beginner - Yoga and Tai Chi are held in Fessenden Hall *EA- Eldredge Annex; FH- Fessenden Hall; FL- Founders' Lounge; L- Library; S-Sanctuary; N- Nursery Calendar does not reflect changes or additions after March 21

A complete and up-to-date church calendar can be viewed at http://www.localendar.com/public/uukent or through a link on our website at www.uukent.org.

Tracy Parsons, Alex Teagle, and Lauren Straubhaar, deep in thought (not)



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Celtic Clan

3/2/09 7 PM Woodlands at Robinson 3/9/09 7:30 Practice at Brad/Christie house 3/14/09 7PM Concert at the church 3/16/09 12:30 PM Portage County Senior Center 3/23/09 7 PM Stow Glenn Assisted Living 3/30/09 7 PM Tower 43 Kent

"Ask Me" Name Tags

You may have noticed a few people with "Ask Me" on their name tags. These are members of our Membership team, and are always happy to answer any questions about the life and work of our church.

Book Club News

Our Book Group meeting will be on Tuesday, April 14, at 7 pm at the home of Kathy Slater, 740 Governor's Circle in Kent. We will read Black Dogs by Ian McEwan. The story tells how two young Communist Party members fall in love and marry in London in 1946. The novel travels back in time to Europe after World War II and shows how that war changed the path of one family.

Out To Lunch Bunch

We meet at China City after second service for food and fun. We will not meet on Easter and when pancake breakfast or other church lunch is held after church.