



November 1, 2017

Announcing a Generosity Coordinator Staff Transition

Dear Friends,

In times of transition, it can seem like all we do is say Goodbye to one person and say Hello to someone else. **Our Generosity Coordinator, Debbie Spearman, announced her decision to retire to me earlier this fall.** Debbie has been a tremendous asset to the Southeast Conference doing so many things so effortlessly. We are going to miss her terribly.

However, the good news is that we have found someone just as talented to replace her. **So it is my great privilege to announce that Carrole Moss has been hired to be our new Generosity Coordinator.** As many of you already know, Carrole is an incredibly active member of the Southeast Conference and a minister at Victory for the World Church UCC in Stone Mountain, GA.

Debbie and Carrole will be working together through the month of November to ensure that the transition will be as seamless as possible. I invite you to thank Debbie and welcome Carrole.

Blessings and peace,
Marie

News from Around the Conference



Prayer List

We are continuing the process of praying for authorized ministers, congregations, and ministry groups throughout 2017. We encourage you to include these prayer requests in your local church newsletter, share them with your prayer circle, and include them in your own prayers. [Click here to download the entire 2017 prayer list.](#)

Week of October 29

- First United Church UCC; Belvidere, Tennessee
- Sankofa UCC-Atlanta, Georgia
- Kwan Hae Chi
- Charmaine Johnson
- Edward Schneider
- Dahron Johnson
- Ann Schoup
- Brynn White

Week of November 5

- Howard Congregational UCC; Nashville, Tennessee
- Kathy Clark

Week of November 12

- Covenant Community Church; Center Point, Alabama
- Lawrence Clark
- James Johnson
- Bruce Schoup
- Jan Whiteman

Conference Transitions

- A service of Ordination into Christian Ministry will be held for **Heather Fosburgh Bardole** on Sunday, November 12, 2017 at Kirkwood UCC in Atlanta.

Fairfield Glade Community Church Supports Hurricane Efforts

Being located on the Cumberland Plateau means that hurricane force winds and flooding are not something that affects the lives of the Fairfield Glade Community Church congregation. However, when this congregation sees others in need, they willingly come to the rescue. During this season of hurricane disasters Community Church has shown that they truly believe in helping others.



Over the past few months this Tennessee congregation provided over \$7,500 in direct monetary relief, in addition to hygiene supplies, to churches in Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico. [Learn how they did it on our website.](#)

Open House at Decatur UCC on Saturday, Nov 4

Decatur UCC is inviting everyone to an open house at their new location on Saturday Nov. 4 from 10 AM - 1 PM. Come as you are able to see their new space, learn more about Decatur UCC, enjoy light brunch hors d'oeuvres, and warm up with a hot chocolate bar. ALL are welcome. Call or text Kim Johnson @ 205-903-1361 with questions. For more information about Decatur UCC: [facebook.com/decatuucc](https://www.facebook.com/decatuucc) or www.decatuucc.org.

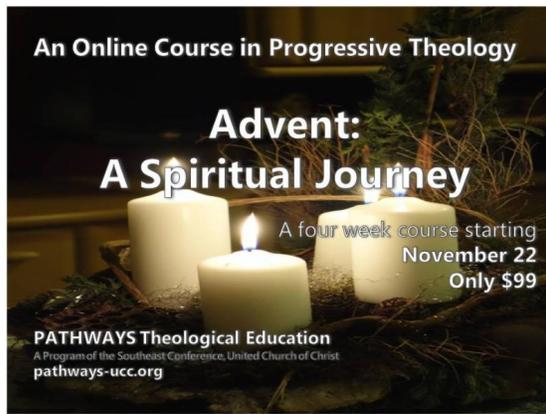
Training and Retreat Opportunities

(Still) Reforming Event Now Available for FREE to UCC Pastors

The Center for Progressive Renewal is pleased to announce that they received notice of a grant to make registration for their fall "(Stil) Reforming" event in Atlanta November 8-10 for UCC ministers at no charge. The conference will take place at First Congregational Church, 105 Courtland St NE, Atlanta, Georgia. Rooms are available at a discounted rate at the Sheraton Hotel, directly across the street from the conference location.

This will be a great opportunity to learn with great speakers including Rev. Dr Jacqui Lewis, Rev. Dr. Dwight Andrews, Rev. Rob Dalgliesh from the Edge ministries of the United Church of Canada, Casper ter Kuile and Angie Thurston on Millennial spirituality, Patrick Duggan, Kristian Lizardy -Hajbi, Chris Davies, and Toumi Forrest from Sacred Spaces.

- To register go to: [visit this link](#) and enter code: **UCCP astor2017**.
- More details and the full agenda visit: progressiverenewal.org/still-reforming/



PATHWAYS Advent Course

You are invited to participate in an Explorer Course – Advent: A Spiritual Journey – beginning November 22. In this four-week course, through video presentation, meditation and discussion, we'll explore major themes of Advent: Waiting . . . Illuminating . . . Preparing . . . Longing.

Register today: <https://tasc21.net/pathways-courses/es-c1-advent/>

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