Pennies from Heaven - Support Jamaa Letu

The basket in the back of the sanctuary where we collect all that loose change weighing you down and wearing holes in your pocket or purse is being used to collect monies for Jamaa Letu, the orphanages supported by this Conference in the Congo. Joanne and Ellen will take our collective donations with them to conference so be generous. Monies will be collected for this purpose through June 15. After that, pennies from heaven go back to supporting the work of this local church.

Seattle Pride

Seattle Pride is June 29th. This year we will join a number of other churches in marching as a contingent of Reconciling churches in the Parade and in staffing a joint booth. If you are interested in doing any of these things, please talk to Joanne. She’ll even give you special dispensation to miss church that Sunday to march in the parade. Let’s show our Pride in being a welcoming, open, and affirming church.

Mary’s Place Rotating Shelter comes to Tibbetts!

It is with great pleasure that the Welcoming and Outreach Committee announces that Tibbett’s has partnered with Mary’s Place, a division of the Seattle Union Gospel Mission, to host a group of families at our church for a week this coming August 19-26th. This program is similar to Family Promise, which Tibbett’s has participated in the past. This partnership is Tibbett’s primary homeless outreach effort for 2014.

We’ll be looking for volunteers to help in the following ways: afternoon drivers, evening host, prepare dinner, overnight host, and morning drivers.

More information coming soon, including a date for an all church training in early August put on by Mary’s Place to help prepare us to be the awesome hosts that we can be.

Ready to sign up now? Contact Sean and Margaret Gill or the church office.

Sign ups will also be available in July after church services.

Triathlon for Revitalization

The Conference is taking a three pronged approach to get people off their collective bottoms and move and raise money and awareness for the Bishop Jack and Marjorie Tuell Center for Leadership Excellence, New Faith Communities and Imagine No Malaria. There are three components to the drive: revitalize local churches around the Conference; Launch exciting new churches; Eradicate Malaria around the world. Some folks will be running/walking a 5k at Annual Conference. Ellen Johanson is one of them, please sign up on her pledge sheet in the entry way to support her in this. Some will be biking to Annual Conference from around the Conference and some will be swimming or some combination of all. Joanne will of course participate in the Swim-a-thon. The Board of Pensions will match every dollar Joanne raises in self-propelled water-related activities between Annual Conference and August 31. There will be a pledge sheet up in the entryway to indicate your support of Joanne and this wonderful Conference initiative. It won’t be by mile like the last time but will be for each time she is in the water moving. Pledge/give whatever you can and keep track of Joanne’s progress each week. Please don’t make her swim in vain (though there are fringe benefits for her regardless).
Tibbetts is on Facebook and the Web
How YOU can Help Spread the Word!

Maybe you’ve seen our updated web site – if you haven’t - please do! It’s pretty great! www.TibbettsUMChurch.org. We’ve got a bigger area for scrolling pictures now so we’ve been sharing more photos of our Faith Community, and will continue to add more and update frequently.

Are you a Facebook user? Even if you aren’t, you can view Tibbetts Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/TibbettsUMChurch

There are a bunch of pictures (of all of us!), articles and events that are on our Facebook page that you can see even if you’re not a Facebook user.

If you use Facebook you can help stimulate Tibbetts presence on the web & increase the number of people who see who we are and what we do. **Here’s how:**

1. **“Like”** the Tibbetts Facebook page so that it appears in your newsfeed.
2. **Encourage others to do the same**; the more people that “like” our page, the broader and deeper our reach.
3. When there are pictures or videos posted, “like” them – or better yet – **make a comment on them.** The more you do this, the more frequently Tibbetts will appear in the newsfeed for anyone who likes us.
   a. Interesting fact: when we post pictures or video our viewership skyrockets! Imagine what will happen if we intentionally boost it with comments and likes!
4. If you are in a picture or video we’ve posted, **Tag yourself** so that your friends see what you’re up to. We’ve made it a policy not to tag anyone other than ourselves, and ask that you do the same. Tag yourself and encourage others to tag themselves too!
5. Sharing is good, right? **Share things you see on the Tibbetts Facebook page!** The more you share with others, the broader our reach.
6. **When you see an Event** (like the one for the Kolze Circle Book Sale on May 17th), **Join it** because it’ll appear on the newsfeed when you do. We don’t use the join function as an RSVP, so even if you’re not able to come, when you join an event it encourages others.
7. After you’ve Joined an Event, you can **Invite your friends!** Click on the event after you’ve joined and it’ll give you the option to invite others. When you invite people it expands our reach.

**If you’d like to share pictures you’ve taken** that would be appropriate to share on the Tibbetts website or Facebook page, please write your name and email address on a slip of paper, note that it’s for the website & Facebook photos & place it in the Thanksgiving plate on Sunday. We’ll get it to the Welcome & Outreach Ministry Area so we can be in touch!

If you’re a **Facebook user and would like to help contribute content** or other material, please send a Facebook email/message to Tibbetts Facebook account and we’ll be in touch!

**Thank you for supporting Tibbetts in our effort to welcome everyone in & around the community!**