

# Christian Education & Formation Newsletter

New Hampshire Conference - United Church of Christ

August 2013

#### Editor's Corner

Before we jump too quickly into the back to school routine, take a moment to pause and reflect with this Prayer Video



Summer Prayer

Under the warmth of the summer sun the world awakes and blossoms into every imaginable colour.

Creator God who breathed this world into being, who is discernible within the harmony of nature, the perfection of a butterfly's wing, the grandeur of a mountain range, the soaring eagle and humming bird, thank you for this world which you have created. Thank you for summer sun, which reminds us that your creative breath is still alive and active. Thank you for the warmth of your love, sustaining this world, your garden

Source: <a href="http://www.faithandworship.com">http://www.faithandworship.com</a>

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The August newsletter features Intergenerational Faith Formation as I "wrap-up" my summer series sharing insights from the 2013 New England Association of United Church Educators (NEAUCE) Conference.

# NHCUCC Confirmation Retreat - Registration is OPEN!



7:00 p.m. Fri. Oct. 4 - 4:30 p.m. Sat. Oct. 5
At the Wanakee United Methodist Conference
Center, Meredith NH

Registration forms are NOW available online. Please click here to download the forms.

Note: they are due back no later than September 20, 2013.

For additional information please contact Ann Desrochers, NHCUCC Specialist in Christian Education. *Thank you!* Email: adesrochers@nhcucc.org

#### Intentionally Intergenerational

On his website, <u>Faith Formation 2020</u>, John Roberto (LifelongFaith Associates & Vibrant Faith Ministries) describes Intergenerational Faith Formation in the following manner.

"Most churches are intergenerational or multi-generational by membership. Some churches are intentionally intergenerational. They make their intergenerational character a defining feature of their community life, ministries, and programming. These churches make it a priority to foster intergenerational relationships, faith sharing, and storytelling; to incorporate all generations in worship; to develop service projects that involve all ages, and to engage all generations in learning together. For these churches, being intergenerational is a way of life. It is an integral element of their culture. It is who they are!"

#### Learn more at:

http://www.faithformation2020.net/intergenerational.html

## **Intergenerational Faith Formation Resources**



Are you looking for one resource that encourages children, youth, young adults and adults to practice their faith as a group?

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#### **Resource Center**

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#### "The Guide"

Called To Educational and Formational Ministries: A Guide for Local Churches, Educators, and Youth Workers

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#### **Quick Links**

The Association of United Church Educators (AUCE)

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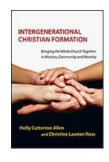
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AUCE: A membership organization, of and for lay and ordained, paid and volunteer educators and youth workers, which provides advocacy and support for church education and educators in the United Church of Christ.



Faith Practices - Intergenerational is your answer.

Do you want more background information on the how's and why's of intergenerational ministry and formation. Check out this comprehensive text, <a href="Intergenerational Christian Formation: Bringing the Whole Church Together in Ministry, Community and Worship">Worship</a>, by Holly Catterton Allen and Christine Lawton Ross.



# Northeast Training Opportunities



Godly Play® Training September 26 - 28, 2013 All Saint's Episcopal Church, Belmont, MA

On the same weekend in the same location both new and experienced teachers will have an opportunity to participate in a hands-on training event where you can practice and improve teaching skills and leave spiritually renewed.

#### **CORE Training**

Jenn Sanborn + Linda Clapp, Godly Play Foundation Trainers Registration Brochure

#### LEVEL II CORE Training

The Rev. Cheryl Minor, Ph.D. + Nancy St. John Godly Play Foundation Trainers
Registration Brochure



FREE Workshop for Faith Formation Leaders November 7, 2013 9:30 am - Noon

#### St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Parish, Acton, MA

Designed to give leaders strategies and tools to empower families to grow in faith at home, this half-day workshop is:

**Aligned** with recent research on family assets and strengths. **Anchored** in decades of experience in family ministry. **Built** on the practical resources of Vibrant Faith @ Home.

Topics Include: Using Digital Media to Connect at Home.

Events Details and Registration Information at Eventbrite.

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