

“Louder”

If the worst thing  
you can say about us  
is that we embrace everyone  
and are upfront about it

Then say it again  
say it over and over  
a refrain of reception  
offered to the masses

Your reason for leaving  
is our most desperate plea  
that all may know  
    without question  
        without exception  
they are welcome here

So say it again  
    louder this time  
        so everyone can hear

--Karen Kaiser

“Homecoming-Poetic Reflections of Grace Upon Grace”, 2023

## **Special Fundraising Opportunities**

Dear South Church Family,

When we count our blessings, we naturally think of you, our congregation: your love, dedication, energy, and support. Through your generosity this year, we have shrunk our budgeting shortfall to \$10,000. We continue to seek creative ways to keep South Church financially healthy in these uncertain times—ways that build on our shared foundation and employ our equally valuable time and talents.

The ad hoc fund-raising committee has put forth a list of fundraisers (and their volunteer roles) to bridge what remains of this year's fiscal gap. We hope you will look over what is being planned, and be inspired to join this community effort:

### **Tie-Dye Workshop w/ Pastor Beth (TBA)**

- Set up/Clean up
- Publicity

### **Book, Crafts and Bake Sale (Sat 9/19)**

- Set up/Clean up
- Publicity
- Baking
- Item disbursement
- Handiworks (4-5 craft sessions in July; contact Betsy Clardy)

### **Talent Auction (November; Online)**

- 2 Coordinators to oversee the auction
- Donated talents (baking, repairing, gardening, knitting...)

### **Winter Coffee House w/ CARA (Sat 1/16/27)**

- Coordinators (Coffee House/Refreshments/Misc. Logistics)
- Publicity

### **“Pi Day” Potluck of Pies (both savory & sweet!) (Sun. 3/14/27)**

Everyone will bring 2 pies; 1 to share and 1 to auction off.

- Coordinators
- Set up/Clean up
- Publicity

### **Themed Easter Baskets Sale (3/21/27; Palm Sunday)**

- Basket making
- Coordinators
- Publicity

Please reach out to us if you have a suggestion, question, or are interested in coordinating or volunteering for a task. We also welcome future fundraiser suggestions. Contact:

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