



BRANCHES



PAINT BRANCH UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Affirming and promoting the inherent worth and dignity of every person since 1954

AUGUST 2010

AUGUST 2010 SUNDAY SERVICES AT 10:00 AM

Services are followed by Fellowship

and then Enrichment Hour from 11:45-12:45 for which child care is provided

AUGUST 1

SIGNIFICANCE OF PLACE

*Led by Tricia Most, Co-chair, Diversity/Anti-Racism Transformation Team,
with Don Henderson, Worship Associate*

As Paint Branch considers our relationship with the surrounding community, Tricia Most, Brenda Anna and Kweli Powell explore "Significance of Place," of being here at this time.

AUGUST 8

WHO OWNS THE WATER?

*Led by Penny O'Brien and Shantida, Green Sanctuary Team,
with Donald Mitchell, Worship Associate*

Penny O'Brien explores the ethical use of an essential resource asking, "Who owns the water? Is it a public commodity or a human right?"

AUGUST 15

ON OUR WAY TO YES: ANNUAL POETRY SERVICE

John Bartoli, with Shantida, Worship Associate

Some say we are who we are because of the decisions we make in our lives. Whether they were "good" or "bad" decisions can be a subject of much internal debate. One thing we can agree on is that the sum total of all those decisions has brought us to where we are right here, right now. And there is no other place or time for us to be. Join the Paint Branch poets as they describe in their own verse this process of self-determination, acceptance, and renewal.

AUGUST 22

WHAT'S FOR DINNER?

*Becky Hedin, Jennifer Robinson, Bruce Baker, Don Gerson and Penny O'Brien,
with Marilyn Pearl, Worship Associate*

How are our own food choices related to social justice, health, even climate change and environmental degradation? Paint Branch's *Green Team* focuses on ways we might interpret and practice Ethical Eating. Discussion continues during Reverberations following the service. Then, on Saturday, August 28, take a first step toward Ethical Eating by attending the Ethnic Dinner, Green Team, and RE Committees' *Maryland "Leaning Local" Dinner*.

AUGUST 29

SUMMER MUSIC

with Tish Hall and Donald Mitchell, Worship Associates

Worship Associates Donald Mitchell and Tish Hall lead a showcase of Paint Branch's musical talent. Please note that we will be closing the doors to the Meeting House during the performance of the prelude and seating late-comers during the announcements. Come to church a little bit early so you don't miss a note!

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Look for her column in the September issue.



Notes from the Board Co-Chairs

NEW YEAR BEGINS FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A new Board of Trustees (BOT) was elected at the June Congregational Meeting, and a new year began for the BOT on July 1. We are delighted to have all nine Board Member positions filled this year, for the first time in several years. There are four returning and five new Board Members.

Board Members for 2010-2011 are:

Susannah Schiller - Co-Chair
Bettie Young – Co-Chair
Don Henderson – Vice Chair
Michael Leger – Vice Chair
Patty Daukantas
Tim Illig
Rene McDonald
Mark Shute
Peter Wathen-Dunn

As newly elected Co-Chairs, we (Susannah and Bettie) intend to try a model of shared leadership, which we hope will extend throughout the Board and also to other organizations within the church. Many positions of leadership at PBUUC are traditionally held by one person at a time, and sometimes result in overwhelming demands on the person. This can lead to burn-out and makes it more difficult to recruit new volunteers for the position. By sharing the traditional responsibilities of the Board Chair across the full Board, we hope to equalize the workload, capitalize on individual skills, improve knowledge-sharing, and develop new leaders. Please wish us luck!

In other news:

- Newly appointed Treasurer Mike Stark will be on a work assignment out-of-state for six weeks beginning the end of July. Retiring Treasurer Ellen Cotts has graciously agreed to act as Assistant Treasurer temporarily while Mike is away, to keep the wheels turning. Many thanks, Ellen.
- In the “Reclaiming Our Space” project, wonderful progress has been made due to the dedicated effort of the “Move Out” (headed by Muriel Morisey) and “Move In” (headed by Peter Dowling and Polly Pettit) Task Forces. Three cheers for the hard work of all who have helped with this summer’s efforts. If you haven’t yet admired the spacious, open rooms of our newly reclaimed RE Building, please take a look!
- The new Board traditionally holds a retreat soon after being formed, for the purpose of orienting new members and doing some team building. Due to the complicated schedules of nine busy people, this year’s retreat will take place in early September.
- Board Meetings are generally held on the 4th Wednesday of each month and are always open to everyone. Exact time and location will be announced in the monthly newsletter (Branches) and the Sunday Bulletin.

See you in church!

Susannah Schiller

Bettie Young

Financial Notes

By the time you read this, I will be in Florida, and Ellen Cotts will be minding the store and I will be watching by e-mail. A lot has been happening this month finance-wise, I will give only a brief overview.

First, the mortgage reduction has been completed, and our payment is now approximately \$3500 a month instead of just over \$5000. This, as they say, is the good news. We have reduced this external debt by taking on an internal debt to the Roland Bequest. We used just over \$100,000 from the bequest money market fund, and we are on the hook to pay this back. The first year will be an interest-only payment, but in the long run we will need a payment plan that addresses the principal as well.

Second, we have simplified the Legacy Fund by removing money from several money market funds to consolidate under the Unitarian Universalist Association's Common Endowment Fund (CEF). This serves two purposes. First, the CEF has a better financial record than the funds we used to be in. Secondly, the CEF is managed according to UU ideas of socially responsible investing.

Third, Ellen is still working on closing the books on FY 2010, which ended on June 30. However, the current deficit estimate of \$16,500 is not likely to change substantially. This deficit was largely due to pledge income that was well below our estimates.



The current budget is planned as a balanced budget, but there are a couple of assumptions about how the church operates that helped balance it. One is that

we are careful to minimize heating and cooling empty buildings. In particular, Enrichment Hour groups in the summer months should turn the thermostat up to 80 degrees or so when they leave the building. And as I prepare the deposit on Sunday afternoons, I will be watching!

The other assumption the Budget Leadership Team made was that we would be substantially reducing postage expenses by using e-mail more, especially for our newsletter. So if you haven't already sent the office your e-mail address, please send it on to churchadmin@pbuuc.org. Mine is mstark@pbuuc.org -- office, if you don't already have that on the record for Branches please make it so.

Mike Stark, Treasurer

JOIN THE PBUUC LIST SERV



Would you like another easier way of keeping abreast of activities and news here at PBUUC? You are encouraged to join the PBUUC list serv, a low volume email service that allows you to receive information and updates on a regular basis. Send an email to Ken Montville, the list serv moderator, at ken.montville@remax.net. You will then receive an invitation to join the list serv group. Follow the directions and you will soon be getting all the latest information about PBUUC activities.

AVAILABILITY SCHEDULE FOR PASTORAL CARE

Rev. Teichert will be on vacation and study leave through Sunday, August 15. She will resume office hours on Monday, August 16. Pastoral Care Associates, members of the congregation trained in listening and providing support, will be available on the schedule provided below.. A UU minister will be on call in the event of a death in the congregation while Diane is out of town, reachable through the Pastoral Care Associate.

August 2-8 Theresa Meeks
Before 10 pm 301-774-8151

August 9-16 Deb Rubenstein
Before 9 pm 301-891-2071

***Diversity/Anti-Racism
Transformation Team (DARTT)
News & Events***

**THOUGHTS ON RACISM:
MY JOURNEY,
MY STUDENTS' JOURNEYS**

When I began teaching high school students last fall, I went in with the notion that racism in our youth and in our schools today was pretty much a thing of the past. After all, I reasoned, children of the current generation didn't grow up with the same attitudes that my generation did. I thought that racism existed for teens and youth on the fringes of their consciousness, a blight on their parents' and grandparents' generations, and it didn't seep into their consciousness anymore. But that was not exactly the case. And the truth for me in my personal journey has also been an evolving issue, and continues to change as I find out more about myself and my relationships with others.



Growing up in Indiana in a mostly white town, I look back now and think how hard it must have been for those few people of color (were there even any Latino or Asian people in Fort Wayne Indiana in the 1970s?-I don't remember) to live in such

a homogenously white city. There were a handful of African American students at my high school, but I have to admit that I wasn't friends with them, though not through any overt planning on my part. I do know that my family, particularly my father, is a product of white Mid-west America in the 1920s and 30s, and held (and still holds) some racist views. He continues to use the term 'Negro' when referring to African Americans. While my sister and I were growing up he would say things like 'They (referring to African Americans) smile a lot', or, again referring to African Americans, 'The older ones are more friendly than the younger ones.' We thus grew up with an 'us versus them' attitude. And in the 1990s and 00s I would hear him say that "the Hispanics are taking over. You just watch. They're taking our jobs." My sister and I grew up hearing that 'they' were something to be watched and perhaps not trusted, perhaps feared.

Life has happened since then. I've had many friends, including black, white, disabled, gay, Latino, Asian, older, younger, African, etc. I've lived in Germany and Thailand. My sister is gay, and I know no one with more integrity or more wonderful in the world than she.

Unfortunately, even with time and exposure to many different thoughts and ways of living, racism still occasionally raises its ugly head in my sub-consciousness. When I see a dark-skinned teen with baggy pants and a backwards baseball cap, I sometimes assume the worst. When that happens, I resent it deeply that I have to have a conversation with myself and remember that we're all people first, instead of white or black or disabled or whatever. I want desperately for all of society to transform into one where we all automatically recognize the inherent worth and dignity of everyone before we look at anything else about a person. We've all come a long way, but my own personal journey continues.

I also want to relate my experience with youth and racism in the public high schools today. I would say from my rather limited experience as a second year high school teacher that racism does indeed still exist, and more so at a rural high school in Damascus (Northwest Montgomery County) where I taught than at down-county schools. At Damascus High School, the student population is predominately White (75%), followed by 11% Hispanic, 9% African American, and a smattering of other ethnicities. It was an everyday thing last year to see students self-segregate into racial/ethnic groups in the hallways, classrooms and cafeteria. When my government class talked about immigration, there were a couple of white students in my class who said that Hispanics should 'go home', and that Blacks and Whites should still be segregated. I was astonished – didn't know what to say at first, but somehow tried to steer the conversation toward more positive ground without denying anyone the right to their opinion. It was not easy to have a conversation about such a delicate topic without tempers flaring, including my own. I'm not sure how successful I was at changing anyone's attitude, but I was and am determined to have conversations about race and ethnicity with our students.

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Sadly, not all teachers agree that it is a critical topic for classroom discussion, for various reasons. I had a similar experience in my US History class during our unit on civil rights. During that unit I showed *Race The Power of an Illusion: The Difference Between Us* from the 'Journey Toward Wholeness' series screened at Paint Branch. We didn't have adequate time in the class to discuss it, and my students were reluctant to really talk about their feelings about it. But I will continue to work on discussing racism openly in the classroom. I'm convinced it's the only way for change to happen. And even though discussing racism is not part of the state or county-mandated curriculum, I feel it's important enough to risk rocking the boat and letting the conversations happen.

Whether in my classes or on a personal level, dealing with racism continues. On some level, I hate to admit, there are remnants of racism on the edges of my consciousness, and I have to keep on with the internal and external discussions in order to change it. One day, we're going to have a world free of racism, sexism, disability-ism, and other stigmatizing themes. Meanwhile, I will continue to work on discussing racism openly.

Amy Parrish

AUGUST DIVERSITY DIALOGUES

Sunday, August 8, during Enrichment Hour
Kelley Room

As we near the fifth anniversary of Hurricane Katrina, New Orleans and the region has yet to be restored, and now the Gulf area suffers from additional calamity due to the BP oil spill. This month we will explore the challenges of environmental discrimination and the opportunities for environmental justice for poor and minority communities that are disproportionately affected by sitting decisions or neglect in enforcement of environmental laws.

Our discussion will be held in the Kelley Room during Enrichment Hour, starting at 11:45 am. Please join us as we explore how we may better understand, embrace, and celebrate diversity in our own lives, our congregation, our communities, and across national boundaries. For more information please contact the Diversity Dialogues co-leaders: Theresa Brown Shute at tbshute@gmail.com or Cynthia Robinson at crr@pipeline.com.

DIVERSITY/ANTI-RACISM TRANSFORMATION (DARTT) TEAM MEETS TUESDAY, AUGUST 3

All are welcome at the DARTT meeting on Tuesday, August 3, at 7:30 pm in Room 1, Religious Exploration Building. DARTT meets on the first Tuesday of each month, including the summer months, to plan activities for personal and institutional transformation. This is your opportunity to share feedback and new ideas. If you can't join us, please send your input to dartt@pbuuc.org.

JOURNEY TOWARD WHOLENESS FILM SERIES CONTINUES:

The Story We Tell will be shown
Sunday, August 29, in
an Extended Enrichment Hour.

The September 14, 2009 Newsweek article, *See Baby Discriminate* reported research indicating that the goal of "color-blindness" actually promotes racism. Indeed, racism exists in the air we breathe and cannot be dismantled with Pollyanna approaches. *The Story We Tell* from *Race: the Power of an Illusion* explains how racial propaganda, including 19th century 'science,' deliberately promoted racial animosity that still permeates our culture. On August 29, you can support the leftover ethnic dinner sales, bring your lunch to the Kelley Room, to view and discuss a re-showing of *The Story We Tell*, sponsored by the Diversity Anti-Racism Transformation Team. Tricia Most will facilitate this Journey Toward Wholeness film discussion beginning at about 11:45 am to allow you time to get your lunch.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
DIVERSITY ANTI RACISM
TRANSFORMATION TEAM
FOR BEING AWARDED THE
JOURNEY TOWARDS WHOLENESS
AWARD FROM
THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS
FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE.
More details about this honor
in the September Branches.**

In and Around Paint Branch

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR RANDALL WREN

Long time members of PBUUC will remember one of our founders, Randall Wren. His wife, Almeda, has invited anyone who knew Randall to attend a memorial service for him to be held Saturday, August 7, at 3:00 pm at Vantage House in Columbia, where the Wrens have lived for the past three years. The address is 5400 Vantage Point Road, Columbia, MD 21044, for those who will drive or those who would like to send Almeda a card. The Wrens lived in Kitty Hawk, NC, for many years and the minister of their UU church there will conduct the service preceding a reception. To arrange a car pool, contact Marge Owens at lowellowens@comcast.net or 301-345-1572.

ETHNIC DINNERS – MARYLAND LOCAVORE

Yes, Paint Branch UU Church is a religious community; it's where you come for spiritual experience, exploration and guidance. Got that! But, 'fess up, isn't it also where you come for Fun, Fellowship and Food (FFF)? If so, you do not want to miss the FFF event of the summer (maybe the year?), so BIG, that THREE different groups are combining forces to pull this one off.

Ethnic Dinners is drawing on 22 years and 53 dinners of experience to produce the ultimate Regional American Dinner – Maryland. The Green Sanctuary Team is venturing into dinner prep to show you how enticing Locavore eating can be, and RE is making this not only the most kid-friendly dinner yet, but offering them several ways to participate. To accommodate kids and their parents, we will begin this dinner at 5:30 pm.

Put Saturday, August 28, on your calendar *now* for the perfect way to wind up the summer and get reacquainted with fellow Paint Branchers before Ingathering. This may also be the perfect event at which to introduce some friends to PBUUC. Also, put Sunday, Aug. 22 on your calendar. Green Team's service that day, entitled "What's For Dinner" will discuss the concept of Ethical Eating, including what constitutes Locavore eating (choosing locally raised foods such as we will be featuring at the dinner).

Tickets, \$15 per adult, half price for kids 3 - 11, will be available on Sundays, August 8 through 22 (same day as the service), as will the menu and volunteer sign-up sheet. You may call to make reservations through August 24. New members, who have received *free dinner coupons*, if this is the dinner you want to use them for, please bring them to our table on any of those 3 Sundays to exchange for your tickets.

Maryland food isn't just from the Bay area. We'll have crabs, but this is *not* a crab fest, so don't expect a lot. Other entrees being discussed include Maryland fried chicken and Southern Maryland stuffed ham. Foods in season at the end of August are corn, squash, beans, peaches, melons and many more, so there will be plenty for vegetarians, even vegans. Ever heard of or tried Smith Island cake or Mannings hominy? Did you know maple syrup and bison are produced in Maryland, as well as a lot of good wine, or that the University of Maryland makes their own ice cream? All good, all local!

BIG means lots of work. Many volunteers means not so much work for any one person. Different tasks need different skill sets – something for everyone. Obtain food from farmers' markets or the Bay, cook from provided recipes (no strange, foreign stuff), assist cooks to reheat and plate food in the kitchen, help organize, cook with or entertain kids, set up tables and chairs, help with the bar, take pictures, tend the door, make coffee, provide CDs of Maryland music or bunches of Black-eyed Susans, or help clean up. How's your garden doing? If you expect an abundance of any produce you can donate, let us know *now* so we can plan for it. If you are reading this early in August and have ideas for anything else we could do, please feel free to let us know. For questions, to make reservations or suggestions, to volunteer, or offer CDs, contact me at 301-805-1218 or buffalo_gal@verizon.net. See you there!

Marilyn Pearl



GREEN SANCTUARY TEAM NEWS

You may remember we have 12 project areas in our application for Green Sanctuary status in which we promised some action. Yet to do, a workshop on energy efficiency that can be applied in our own homes; and stewardship of the Paint Branch stream is an ongoing project.

Come to our meeting during Enrichment Hour August 8, and get in on the glorious finish. And you can learn more about the value of practicing sustainable living.

Some of our successes include the use of alternative forms of energy. Thank you to those who could select Clean Currents.

To learn more about eating and serving energy-efficient food that is locally produced and low on the food chain, don't miss the August 22nd service at Paint Branch.

To do:

- Reduce the use of manufactured goods that become waste.
- Switch to Clean Currents as an alternative form of energy.
- Commit to a life of simplicity and Earth stewardship, by joining our Simplicity Circle in the Fall.
- And as always – reuse and recycle wherever you can, and encourage others to do the same.

PBUUC T-SHIRTS



Have you found yourself looking at someone wearing the new PBUUC t-shirt and wondered, “How can I get one of those for myself?” Well, here’s your chance! Orders are being taken this

month through August 15. The shirts cost \$15 each and are available in a variety of colors. Contact Kathy Kearns at kkearns@hotmail.com or 301-277-3211.

ART GALLERY NEWS

We are delighted to be showing the work of Richard Neff this month and until September 13. He is a fellow UU from Fairfax and has been painting for 40 years. He especially enjoys working in “plein aire.” Take a look at his work next time you are in the Meeting House. If you want to buy one of his paintings, you need to contact him at 703 938-2546. His email is anef19@verizon.net.

Keeping the Meeting House supplied with new and exciting things to look at is sometimes a challenge. If you know of an artist whose work would show off well and who might be interested in exhibiting at our church, please contact Jane Trout at 301 572-2898 or jd_trout@msn.com. Our exhibits last about 6 to 8 weeks and we allow the artist to have a reception although they do need to provide the refreshments. If any sales are made the artist pays a commission of 20% to the church.

CLEAN-UP DAY SUCCESS

Armed with buckets, cleansers and trash bags, a crew of energetic folks came out to clean our RE Building on July 10. Reclaiming Our Space volunteers got down to the nitty-gritty in every room. Many thanks to Alice Tyler, Ron Cotts, Muriel Morisey, Susannah Schiller, Abby Crowley, Jennifer Grant, Celeste Hall, Will Snyder, Tish Hall, Liam Brennan, Conor Brennan, Marj Donn, Sandy Roberts, and Mark Shute for pitching in. Thanks to Bettie Young and Paul Young for keeping us stocked with cool water and lunch. There are many other ways to be part of this vital transition. Contact Polly Pettit at pjpettit@erols.com or Peter Dowling at dowtit@gmail.com.



OUR NEW WEBMASTER, MARK SHUTE,

has a new email address – webmaster@pbuuc.org. If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions about the web, please feel free to send an email to Mark.

GET YOUR LIFE IN GOOD SHAPE! EXERCISE YOUR RESILIENCY!

Spirituality Circle is sponsoring a covenant style workshop, *HEROES 101: Resiliency Fitness Paradigm* this Fall to support PBUUC members and friends in their spiritual journeys and personal growth. Developed by member Vanessa Landau, this course will help us to:

- Learn to respond with integrity to people and situations in your daily life and to the throes of fortune over time amid favorable or unfavorable circumstances.
- Learn to understand and utilize your skills and experience so that you may adjust to change even as you keep a keen focus on your goals.
- Learn to interpret lessons that allow you to avoid or lessen negative consequences, affording acceptance, gratitude, and command of your choices.
- Learn to cultivate resiliency—become equipped to better cope with distress, establish your vision and live more intentionally in order to **realize your heroic nature!**

If you wish
to discover just how
heroic you are,
exercise your resiliency!
~
Take the HEROES 101
challenge and make the
possible probable!

~ PARTICIPATE IN A LOW-COST PILOT PROGRAM ~

HEROES 101: Resiliency Fitness Paradigm

- **Participants:** Minimum 8, ages 15 and older.
- **Attendance:** Covenant-style group—once-weekly for 12 weeks—**begins September 2010.**
 - **Day and time:** TBD by preference of the majority of registrants.
 - **Fees:** Free to the PBUUC Family.

~ REGISTRATION BEGINS IN AUGUST 2010 ~

The pilot course, based on Vanessa's master's thesis, is sponsored by Spirituality Circle and is offered at low cost in order to evaluate its merits and deficiencies. To learn about the course and the **HEROES Project**, visit <http://heroesprojectusa.com>. For further information and registration, please contact Vanessa Landau by telephone at **301-742-2084** or by email at resiliencyexpert@yahoo.com.

This Summer in Administration

This Summer, in Administration, several new acquisitions have been made that will enable both staff and volunteers to make better use of their time. Administration has also been able to contribute to the large effort being mounted by the Move-In Committee and the continual maintenance efforts of the Building and Grounds Committee.

First, drop by both the RE Building and the Meeting House and you will note **a new shine on the vinyl tile** floors, due to a recent stripping and waxing by our new cleaning service CleanNetUSA who started with us in July. In 2009, we were only able to strip and wax the Kelley Room, Rooms 2-5, the lower level classrooms in the RE Building and the Meeting House Kitchen and right side corridor. This year, we were able to add on Rooms 1 and 6 and all the church offices, as well as the Sound Room / David Chapman's office. As a result we have a brighter, cleaner atmosphere for everyone. CleanNet will also be performing the routine weekly cleanings that take place on Friday in the Meeting House and Sunday evenings in the RE Building. CleanNet has shown taken a very active role in accessing the quality of their workers, having sent quality control representatives to inspect the work of the cleaning team after their first run through. There is renewed confidence that buildings will be cleaned and maintained to a higher standard and stay within our cleaning budget.

A phone land line was installed in the Meeting House Kitchen (thanks to Ron Cotts) so that there is a phone that can be used in an emergency. (It has been set to not ring so as to avoid disturbing services and events in the Meeting House). Also, new phone sets were purchased for the church administrator, the administrative assistant so that all phone sets now match. This allows us to make use of the many helpful features on each of the phones, (intercom, paging, Do Not Disturb, conference calls, volume adjustment that does not conflict with hearing aids). Should the need for future telephone lines arise, the new phone sets can easily accommodate two additional lines.

A new computer central processing unit has been purchased from Dell for the church office, featuring Windows 7, and Microsoft Office Basic. This will provide a functioning computer station for both office volunteers and congregational leadership who need to have work space available for church business. The new unit has arrived and is now up and running.

Church Windows, the database management software that was spoken of in the July edition of Branches, **has been installed** and we are awaiting the conversion of our previous data base (Membership Plus, version 11) over to the new software program. We expect the data to arrive and be downloaded during the first week of August, after which we will begin verifying accuracy of transferred contact information; enter in non-transferable pledge data well as learn the new system and its features. We hope to better manage contact information (you can expect a new look to the congregational directory this year), update congregational directories with greater ease, maintain contribution records, as well as create contact lists for the various committees, groups and events. This package also has professional IT help for the period of one year, for any hand holding that might be needed while learning the new system.

A last word about the **'Branches Going Green'** project that was begun a few months ago...we have been able to reduce the number of printed newsletters by almost half, cutting our use of paper, toner, electricity and thus reducing our environmental foot print significantly. Teaming this with our switch to wind power derived electricity helps us go a long way towards having a greener congregation. Reducing our production and postage costs also helps us stay in the confines of this year's tight budget. Anyone wishing to switch over to an emailed version of the newsletter is encouraged to send a noteto me at churchadmin@pbuuc.org.

It is hoped that all the new changes and additions will help to make administration work more effectively in promoting congregational life. Thanks to everyone for their support! *Daniel Everitt, Church Administrator*

PBUUC LEADERSHIP DIRECTORY

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❧ BRANCHES ❧

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❧ COMMITTEES ❧

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