

Thinking of coming to the Fall Gathering at N Sid Sen? Just hearing about it for the first time?

It's not too late to register and join in the fellowship and conversations around VITALITY and purpose in this season of our lives.

Main Gathering – Saturday, September 30, with events* on Friday and Sunday worship as well. Register at www.n-sid-sen.org

*see attachment for the full schedule

This would be the ideal time to gather if...

You are a leader in your congregation and/or the Pacific Northwest Conference of the UCC

These particular conversations may be of interest to you –

Are you seeking ways to make a difference – locally and globally? Wondering how you might have an impact? Several conversations with members of the conference **Justice and Witness** ministries will facilitate conversations on divestment, environmental and economic justice, and more!

Is your congregation looking at how to faithfully and fairly work with church staff? David Anderson, Business Administrator at UCUC is facilitating a conversation around **Personnel** issues.

Does your Christian Education team spend time each season adapting curriculum and finding new ways to meet the needs of children and families? If you have a passion for **faith formation for children**, join Sharry Nyberg and others from across the conference to share ideas and find ways to support one another.

Are you dealing with financial challenges, having folks who struggle to read a budget sheet, or are you looking for new ways to raise funds? A conversation with **Stewardship** Chair Ann Lev and conference **Accounting** Manager Michelle Doherty might be the place for you!

What does **leadership** look like in this time? How do lay and ordained, staff and volunteers live into their best gifts for service? What a great conversation, facilitated by conference vice-Moderator Wendy Blight.

Have you begun to engage in the **anti-racist/white privilege conversations** happening in many of our churches? Are you thinking about addressing racism, but don't quite know how? Come join the group that Diane Schmitz will facilitate, and gather with other churches doing this work.

How about **lay pastoral care**? Or finding ways to **deepen faith and nurture relationships** in our churches? Or maybe you are trying to **engage with your community** in new ways. Yes, there will be groups for you to join, too. Able facilitators will guide these conversations.

Plus, our staff will lead conversations on **Search and Call, Overcoming Obstacles to Change, Best Practices in Service/Mission Trips, Hospitality as a Spiritual Practice**, and **Healthy Conversations** for your congregations.

You'll see in the schedule that there will be three times to engage in these topical conversations, plus time to be fed by our new Minister for Church Vitality, worship together, explore the camp, and connect with one another.

Come early for Board, Committee, and Task Force Meetings, Celebrate Courtney's Installation Friday night, and stay through the weekend for sustenance and renewal. See you at N Sid Sen!