

Upcoming Programs & Special Events

The following list includes descriptions of our regular programs and upcoming special events, listed in chronological order. This list is updated monthly. For more information about any of these events, contact the Church Administrator or the contact person listed for the event.

Souper Sunday Schedule

Souper Sundays are a new all-church educational and spiritual development program that will include a variety of activities, including worship, lunch, fellowship, church school for all, and intergenerational music. The 2007-08 schedule is below. For more information, contact the Church Administrator at office@edenucc.com or 510-582-9533.

September 16, 2007, Open House/Souper Sunday
October 21, 2007, Souper Sunday
November 18, 2007, Souper Sunday – “Holiday Preparations”
December 16, 2007, Souper Sunday (pageant, Happy Birthday Jesus, lunch)
January 20, 2008, Souper Sunday – “Dreams”
February 17, 2008, Souper Sunday – “Journeys”
March 16, 2008, Souper Sunday – “Holy Week”
April 20, 2008, Souper Sunday – “Gifts”
June 1, 2008, Souper Sunday – “Bravo!”
(Summer *Souper Sundays* on hiatus)
September 14, 2008, Open House/Souper Sunday
October 19, 2008, Souper Sunday
November 16, 2008, Souper Sunday
December 21, 2008, Souper Sunday

Church School Schedule

During the school year (September through mid-June) **Church School classes for grades K-7** meet in our newly renovated West Wing. Classes are dismissed at 11:15 AM, a bit later than the end of the worship service. Parents and others are invited to have some coffee and refreshments, and the children will be escorted to Oliver Hall after class. **Youth Group for grades 8-12** follows the same schedule, except that the youth remain in worship on the first Sunday of each month. **Infant and toddler care** is offered by our Loving Arms ministry in the Nursery. Parents are asked to rejoin these little ones immediately after worship each week. For more information, please contact Jeanne Strauss, Lay Associate for Children and Youth at jeanne@edenucc.com or 510-582-9533.

Music Making @ Midweek

Music Making @ Midweek presents: “Time Warp” a 7-week after-school program on Wednesday afternoons January 30–March 12, 2008. Fliers and registration forms will become available in January. If you would like to register or to ask questions or to offer your time or snacks, please contact Mark Unbehagen at mark@edenucc.com or 510-582-9533.

Choir Schedule

Our Chancel Choir rehearses September through May and sings most Sundays during those months. All who enjoy singing are welcome to join, regardless of musical experience. Contact our Minister of Music and Outreach, Mark Unbehagen, at mark@edenucc.com or 510-582-9533, or just show up for rehearsal!

Thursday Evenings 7:30–9:00 p.m.

Sunday Mornings 9:00–9:45 a.m.

Labyrinth Info

Walk our seven-circuit labyrinth any time the church office is open (M-F, 9-5). You may also wish to coordinate a quiet time for your visit or inquire about scheduling a group labyrinth retreat led by our labyrinth coordinator. For more information, contact the Church Administrator at office@edenucc.com or 510-582-9533

The Seekers' Schedule

The Seekers is an adult book group that meets every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. in our Community Room. The Seekers explore progressive Christian theology written for a popular audience from such authors as Marcus J. Borg, John Shelby Spong, Elaine Pagels, and Karen Armstrong. Newcomers are welcome! For more information, contact the Church Administrator at office@edenucc.com or 510-582-9533

Advent & Christmas Festivities

12/2 First Sunday of Advent

Worship 10:00am

12/9 Second Sunday of Advent

Worship 10:00am

Candlelight Carols: Global *Posadas* 7:00pm

12/12 FESCO Christmas Luncheon 12 noon

12/15 Pageant Rehearsal 9:00am-noon

12/16 Third Sunday of Advent

Worship 10:00am, including the Christmas Pageant

Souper Sunday Luncheon/Happy Birthday Jesus Gift-Giving (for families in the Family Emergency Shelter program)

12/23 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Worship 10:00am

12/24 Christmas Eve Service 7:30pm

Spirit In Action Events

Spirit In Action events provide ways for us to put our spiritual beliefs into action through service-learning opportunities. The Board of Community Ministries announces new opportunities throughout the year. The 18-Months at a Glance list below includes a few upcoming Spirit In Action opportunities. For more information, please contact the Church Administrator at office@edenucc.com or 510-582-9533.

18 Months at a Glance

Below is a brief list of major events and programs scheduled for the 18 months from the Fall of 2007 through December 2008. More details for each event will be added on a monthly basis. For further information on any of these events, please contact the Church Administrator at office@edenucc.com or 510-582-9533.

2007:

Souper Sundays in 2007: Sept 16, Oct 21, Nov 18, Dec 16

September 8, 2007, Choir Retreat

September 9, Church School Parent Teacher Gathering

September 16, 2007, Open House Art Show

September 22, 2007, Leadership Retreat

September 29, 2007, NCNC UCC Women's Retreat

September 30, 2007, Spirit in Action Worship

Wednesdays, Oct 3–Nov 14, Music Making @ Midweek

October 20, 2007, FESCO dinner & auction fundraiser

November 3–4, NCNC UCC Fall Youth Event

November 4, 2007, All Saints Sunday

November 11, Congregational Meeting

December 2, Inquirers' Gathering

December 9, 2007, Candlelight Carols in Pioneer Chapel

December 12, 2007, FESCO Christmas Luncheon

December 16, 2007, Souper Sunday (Pageant, Happy Birthday Jesus, Lunch)

December 24, 2007, Christmas Eve Service

2008:

Souper Sundays in 2008: Jan 20, Feb 17, Mar 16, Apr 20, June 1, Sept 14, Oct. 21, Nov 16, Dec 21

January 27, 2008, Church School Parent Teacher Gathering

Wednesdays, January 30–March 12, 2008, Music Making @ Midweek

February 9, 2008, Lenten Retreat

March 2, 2008, Inquirers' Gathering

March 16–23, 2008, Holy Week (Palm Sunday–Easter)

April 27, 2008, Inquirers' Gathering

May 4, 2008, Stewardship Sunday

May 10, 2008, Spirit in Action: FESCO Shelter Shuffle

May 15–18, 2008, NCNC UCC Annual Meeting, Asilomar
June 1, 2008, Finale Sunday (Church School, Music, Graduation, Lunch)
June 22, 2008, Eden UCC Annual Meeting
July 14-18 or 21-25, 2008 SAAM Camp
July 24–28, 2008, UCC National Youth Event
August 23, 2008, Choir Retreat
September 14, 2008, Open House/Souper Sunday
October 1-November 19, 2008, Music Making at Midweek
October 19, 2008, Souper Sunday
November 16, 2008, Souper Sunday
December 21, 2008, Souper Sunday
December 24, 2008, Christmas Eve