

No matter who
you are
or where
you are
on life's journey,
you are
welcome here.

May 10, 2010

Dear Eden Friends,

This year's stewardship campaign theme, "Big Trees," reflects the strength and beauty of the Eden forest and the vital, interdependent roles that we play in the ecosystem in which we are planted. Every member at Eden plays a distinct role in our forest, and every gift matters.

Our campaign culminates with a **picnic celebration** in Oliver Hall this Sunday, **May 16**, when we celebrate the vital gifts that every congregant contributes to the well-being of our Eden forest.

We hope that you can join us for the festivities which will include an assortment of finger foods and live folk music provided by the Stewardship Committee.

A special effort is being made this year to encourage every household to return commitment cards and Time & Talent surveys by May 16, indicating members' and friends' intentions to contribute for the coming year.


During the picnic, the Stewardship Committee will draw the names of two more members or families who have made their pledges by Sunday, May 16.

If you haven't yet completed your pledge for the 2010–2011 year (July 1, 2010–June 30, 2011) we encourage you to use the enclosed forms for that purpose, and to bring those with you to worship this Sunday and place them in the offering plate.

If you are unable to attend worship on May 16, please mail your pledges to the church, so that we may include your name in the drawing for the prizes.

Thank you for prayerfully considering our invitation, and for being such an important part of the Eden forest. We couldn't be who we are, or do what we do without you.

Looking forward to seeing you soon.


Holly Bowers Guier
Stewardship Chairperson


The Rev. Dr. Arlene K. Nehring
Senior Minister

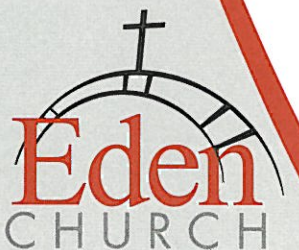
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