



## October 2023 Newsletter

Come as you are. No dress codes. No judgments. No discriminations. No distinctions.

So bring your doubts, questions, and busy kids. God does not reject people. Neither do we. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome to full participation in all areas of our congregational life and ministry.

At the Sunnyslope Church we do not put a period where God has placed a comma, because we believe God is still speaking, and we are still learning what it means to live in Jesus' realm of love, compassion, and justice.

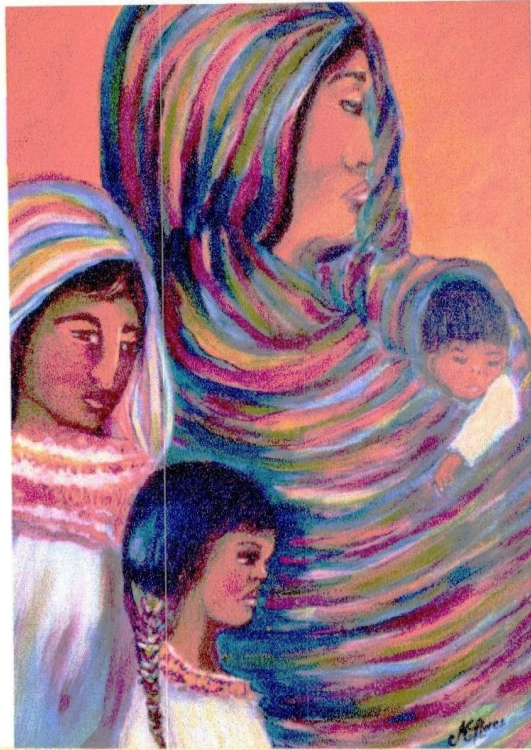
**Rev. Dane Breslin**

**Worship Services  
10:30 Sanctuary and Zoom**

**Office Hours  
Tuesday – Thursday  
9:00 am – 1:00 pm  
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[sunnyslopechurch@nwi.net](mailto:sunnyslopechurch@nwi.net)  
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**Minister available: Sun – Wed  
by appointment  
Office Hours: Tue & Wed  
10:15 am – 1:00 pm  
[Rev.dane.breslin@gmail.com](mailto:Rev.dane.breslin@gmail.com)**

## MARTHA FLORES



## FAMILIES BELONG TOGETHER

In honor of migrant justice, Martha Flores will share her collection of paintings and poetry focusing on the impact of U.S. immigration policies on families

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27 | 5PM TO 8PM  
Art show and poetry reading

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 | 10:30 AM  
Martha will be the guest speaker at  
Sunnyslope's church service

Both events will be held at  
SUNNYSLOPE CHURCH | 3330 SCHOOL ST., WENATCHEE

# INTERFAITH JUSTICE COALITION

North Central WA

Join us as we connect over coffee across different faith communities and explore how we can collectively be a unified voice of love, inclusion, and justice together.

This gathering will include a presentation about multifaith advocacy with Faith Action Network and upcoming opportunities to take action together in the Wenatchee valley. All are welcome!

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023**

**2 - 3:30 PM**

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**1408 WASHINGTON STREET**

**WENATCHEE**



**FAITH**  
**ACTION**  
**NETWORK**

*A Partnership for the Common Good*

**INTER-FAITH JUSTICE COALITION Update--** The Interfaith Justice Coalition met at Cascade Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on Saturday, September 16. There were about 30 people present from approximately 6 different faith communities. It feels like the momentum with the group is growing. They are hoping to go through the process of developing Vision and Mission Statements in the coming months.

### September 2023 Statistics

Date	Attendance	Offering	Special Offerings
9/3	44	\$769.00	T-Shirt fund \$75 THARS \$20
9/10	56	\$709.00	Garden Terrace \$50 Packing Friendship \$400
9/17	45	\$884.47	Hymnals \$1,700
9/24	37	\$756.00	Gaarden Terrace \$40

**Building Use: \$ 400**

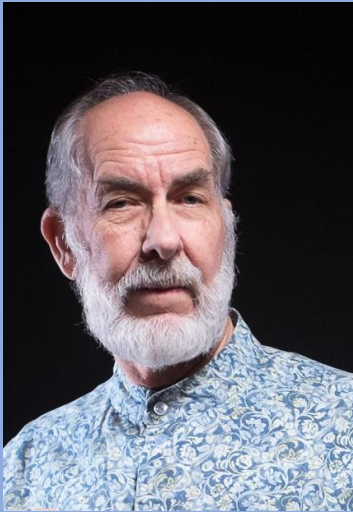
### *OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS*

4 Ed Byrd, Janie Countryman  
 7 Jane Sorenson  
 8 Stella Sherrill  
 14 Larry Holland  
 22 Kathryn Pfaltzgraff  
 28 Jodi Greene Harlow  
 29 Ernie Stutzman  
 30 Cheryl Hall  
 31 Jennifer Stutzman Troxler  
 31 Becca Hildum



### *OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES*

6 Kelly & Patty Gillin  
 18 Ed & Mary Katherine Deen



*Getting to Know.....*

*Ben Green*

*Question: Who are you and what do you love?*

I love food. I recently saw a little statement that is true of me. "Many people have eaten my cooking and have gone on to live normal lives." I am not afraid to try out a new recipe on friends and relatives. They are not afraid to offer tactful, helpful hints such as, "don't ever cook this dish again."

I honed my cooking skills as the breakfast cook when my kids were growing up - spaghetti pancakes, shrimp timbales - what's not to love? I think we can chalk up any tantrums to that 'early morning fuzziness of thinking' that plagues little children when they are invited to eat something they have never before seen. I am proud to say both children have outgrown their childhood nightmares and are presently living normal lives.

I am now into Thai and am having a great time. If anyone knows of a local source for galangal, let me know.

*Question: Why Sunnyslope Church?*

We find in our welcoming statement the phrase, "wherever you are on life's journey." It suggests that fundamental human concerns such as hope, anxieties, love, trust and faith present themselves to us in the nature of a journey. We don't aspire to think alike. Instead, we enjoy the company of fellow travelers. We learn from each other.

I have called Sunnyslope The Church of Expanding Horizons. Over the 20 years I have been at Sunnyslope I feel like my own horizon of thinking has been challenged in a good way. The journey is not over.

*Question: What do you dream of for this community?*

I hope that Sunnyslope continues to be a vibrant church for years to come. But if, God forbid, it were to disappear tomorrow it would live on by virtue of acts of love and kindness at home and abroad - building what we call the Kin-dom of God.

**Special Offering October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**Church of the Brethren- Ministry Assistance Fund**  
**And**  
**United Church of Christ- Veterans Fund**

Our October Special Offering goes to actively support our denominational ministers and their families. The UCC Veterans Fund, know as “The Christmas Fund”, helps to support low income and struggling retirees. (Especially around Christmastime). While the COB Ministry Assistance Fund goes to support eligible Ministers and their families who face professional or personal hardship and stress. Both programs are active “on the front lines” while supporting our leaders in ministry. Both provide support on an individual case by case basis. Now is the time to support our retired and struggling church leaders. This Special Offering will be split between the two denominational programs. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!



Kayla, Naomi, Isaiah, and Jude are making a salad using the fresh veggies from our church garden! Thanks for treating us all to your wonderful efforts!!



### **You're Invited!**

We will be marking our 50th wedding anniversary in October. As part of our celebration, we will be renewing our vows. We invite all of you to join us in person or via Zoom as we begin the next stage of our journey together. So, mark your calendars for our short and simple ceremony on:

**October 22, 2023  
9:30 a.m.  
Sunnyslope Church**

Coffee and cake to follow. Hope you can join us!

*Ed and Mary Katherine Deen*

## **Sunnyslope Church Shirts and Mug are now available online!**

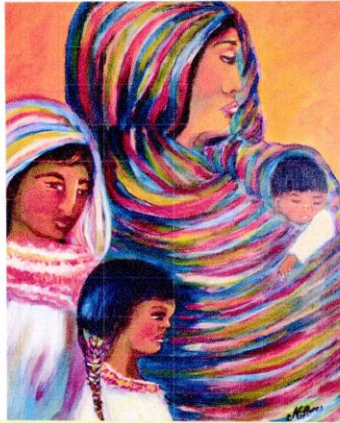


On behalf of Sunnyslope Church, Lori Nitchals has set up an online store to give congregants an opportunity to purchase Sunnyslope Church tee shirts, long sleeve shirts, and hoodies in a variety of colors for adults and youth, as well as mugs. You can choose to have the graphic on the front or on the back of your shirt. Your order will be shipped directly to you!

Here is the link to order- [The Sunnyslope Church | Official Merchandise | Bonfire](#)

All profits will be donated to the Sunnyslope church by Lori.

MARTHA FLORES



### LAS FAMILIAS PERTENECEN JUNTAS

En honor a la justicia migratoria, Martha Flores compartirá su colección de pinturas y poesía centradas en el impacto de políticas de inmigración de Estados Unidos sobre las familias

VIERNES 27 DE OCTUBRE | 5PM - 8PM  
Muestra de arte y lectura de poesía.

DOMINGO 29 DE OCTUBRE | 10:30 AM  
Martha será la oradora invitada  
en servicio de Iglesia de Sunnyslope

Ambos eventos se llevarán a cabo  
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## Sunnyslope Leadership Team

Name	Position	Term
Rev. Dane Breslin	Minister	
Sasha Sleiman	Chair	2024
Ken Neher	Moderator	2023
Mary Katherine Deen	Scribe	2024
Cyndi Garza- Interim	Treasurer	2023
Christina Davitt	Worship	2025
Ed Deen, Interim	Property	2023
Janet Stutzman	Social Action	2023
Lois Tate	Hospitality	2025
Lori Nitchals	Deacon Representative	
Sasha Sleiman	Christian Education	2025





# October 2023

October 2023						Sunday
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
						1 10:30 Worship
2	3 Spring of Life 7:00 pm	4 <b>Chit Chat 4:00 Zoom</b>	5	6 Spring of Life 6-8:30 pm	7	<b>8</b> 10:30 Worship Interfaith Justice Coalition 2- 3:30
9 Indigenous People's Day	10 Spring of Life 7:00 pm	11 <b>Chit Chat 4:00 Zoom</b>	12	13 Spring of Life 6-8:30 pm		15 10:30 Worship
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30	31					