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Sabbatical Planning Update "Creating Green Spaces"

While the theme for Sabbatical Time is still emerging, the above three words seem fit for both Jennie and our congregation. Sabbatical is a time of creativity, growth and space for pondering, listening, doing and becoming. This Sunday we'll hear more about Jennie's plans during Annual Meeting after church service.

LOUCC is a healthy congregation which is growing, active and engaged. Our vision of faithfulness-radical welcome, loving kindness to all creation (except for occasional ants in the building) and social justice keeps us focused and busy. Sabbatical Time can allow for new creativity, spiritual space, nourishment and growth individually and communally.

In light of this opportunity to do things a bit differently the Sabbatical Planning Team will be asking you to respond to three questions at Annual Meeting:

1. What do you hold dear that needs to be nurtured?
2. Thinking of space to try something new/old/different, what would make your heart sing?
3. What questions or concerns do you have about Sabbatical Time?

Your answers to these questions will begin to give direction for our Sabbatical Time and the Lilly Endowment Clergy Renewal Program grant application. Even though the Sabbatical is scheduled for summer 2017, our application deadline is the end of March.

If you are unable to attend either the Annual Meeting or the February 7, 9 a.m. Sabbatical Team meeting, your responses to these questions can be e-mailed to one of the following Sabbatical Planning Team members, to be tallied along with all responses: Pam Rossio (rossio4@comcast.net); Gary Tandy (gtandy@georgefox.edu); Bee Neufeld (bqneufeld@gmail.com); or Jennie Ott (pastor@loucc.org)

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