

Seminary dean to lead Lenten Renewal Weekend

The Rev. Dr. Jana Childers, Dean of the Seminary, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Professor of Homiletics at San Francisco Theological Seminary, will lead the 22nd annual Ecumenical Lenten Renewal Weekend today, Feb. 17, and tomorrow, Feb. 18, at the Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw, 3996 Highway 101.

The theme of the weekend will be "Creative Wellsprings of Lent."

Childers will give three 60-minute lectures today titled: "Future Perfect" at 10:30 a.m.; "Creativity: God's Way with Us" at 1 p.m.; and "Managing the Life of Faith" at 2:30 p.m.

Childers also will preach at a multi-denominational worship service on Sunday, at 10:30 a.m., at the Presbyterian Church (the site of the lectures) on the topic "Loving the Art in Yourself."

An ecumenical choir, under the direction Sylvia Hartman, will perform at Sunday's combined service.

Childers, a Presbyterian minister who has served congregations in Kansas and New Jersey, is past president of the Academy of Homiletics. A popular conference speaker nationally and internationally, she appeared regularly on a television program produced by the Chicago Sunday Evening Club, was co-host of the San Francisco CBS affiliate's television program Mosaic, and was featured on the Hallmark Channel's Great Preachers series.

Childers holds a Ph.D. from the Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA; a Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary; and a B.A. in Speech Communication and Rhetoric from Wheaton College.

Spirituali-Tea to discuss virtues

This Monday, Feb. 19, at 6:30 p.m., all are invited to join Spirituali-Tea, a group of that enjoys finding the common grounds in diverse spiritual thoughts and paths. The group's goal is to trust one's own path enough to be open to the value of the thoughts and paths of others.

Spirituali-Tea meets at 875 Seventh St.

The topic for this Monday's gathering is the "Foundation of All Virtues."

The Baha'i Writings say, "Beautify your tongues, O people, with truthfulness, and adorn your souls with the ornament of honesty. Beware, O' people, that ye deal not treacherously with any one.

Be ye the trustees of God amongst His creatures, and the emblems of His generosity amidst Honesty, the Foundation of All Virtues."

Honesty and trustworthiness underpin all virtue — and all economic activity, as well. No more self-evident, yet intricately complicated, principle exists.

The business environment can serve as a great test to this capacity for the individual soul. The merchant constantly communicates a perception of value — the worth of his merchandise, the history of the car, the condition and history of a house, the potential development of a piece of land, or the

likely appreciation of a stock.

Dishonesty often seems very easy, and often in one's apparent self-interest.

To overcome the temptations of dishonesty, the merchant must detach from short-term self-interest, and focus on the lasting value of long-term relationships.

Bring your thoughts on the subject for open discussion.

The gathering will end at 8 p.m. with prayers for the requests left in the Prayer Pole in the garden of the Florence Playhouse and those shared by the group.

For more information, call Suzanne Mann-Heintz at 541-590-0779.

Unitarians take a look at identity, self

On Sunday, Feb. 18, at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Pip Cole will share a message titled, "Identity: Self and Selflessness."

The meeting will be from 10 to 11 a.m.

Cole will talk about how people identify themselves, as well as look at what keeps people from seeing who they really are.

He says, "People go to a presentation, or lecture with the expectation that they will get something out of it; gain some knowledge.

"Meditation, which is the spiritual practice I am most familiar with, is not like that. In fact, in meditation you lose something, or shed something when you do it. So it is less and less fortifying of a 'self' and who we

think we are."

FUUF is located at 87738 Highway 101, at Heceta Beach Road, and is wheelchair accessible.

Each service concludes with refreshments and a dialogue circle to explore the questions that come up during each worship service.

For more information, visit www.florenceuuf.org.

Churches join for weekly Lenten services

Beginning on Tuesday, Feb. 20, the community is invited to join Pastor Lori Blake, Vicar Carroll Marohl and members of New Life Lutheran Church and St. Andrew's Episcopal Church for a series of short contem-

plative services based on the discipline of Lent.

Come in for a simple meal at 5 p.m. followed by worship at 6 p.m.

Locations are St. Andrew's at 2135 19th St. and New Life Lutheran at 2100 Spruce St., both in Florence.

The services are on the following Tuesdays:

• Feb. 20 at St. Andrew's Episcopal with the theme of

Ember Day

• Feb. 27 at New Life Lutheran with the theme of Confession

• March 6 at St. Andrew's Episcopal with the theme of Fasting Prayer

• March 13 at New Life Lutheran with the theme of Love/Charity

• March 20 at St. Andrew's Episcopal with the theme of Sacrifice of Christ.

Health Care For All to hold free lunch meeting Monday

People who want to learn about healthcare for everyone are invited to lunch at a historic location in Old Town Florence on Monday, Feb. 19 at noon.

Get acquainted with members of Health Care for All

Oregon (Florence group) and learn what is happening in the movement. Lunch will be delicious and free of charge. To reserve a place, call 541-997-2997 or 541-590-3598.

You will be given directions to the location.

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