

# IFC meeting of November 11<sup>th</sup>

## Attended:

- Davida Talcove, Judy Maller (by phone), Judy Miller, Joel Miller, Michele Epstein, Rabbi Callie Schulman, Nancy Schneider, & Dan Sharoni

## Introductions all around

## Update on our IFC friends

- Judy Miller talked about visiting Florence Beier in Bend, OR
- Hope that Florence could attend BEW's tea event next spring along with women from Pacifica Institute.

## Succoth Event at PTBE on Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>

- 75 – 80 attended.
- Representation from all 3 Congregational Churches attended.
- Full but not jam packed.
- Would have been nice to have Pacifica, but they couldn't attend
- Multiple lasagna's and salads and desserts.
- Rev. Penny, Rev. Kristi and Rabbi Callie spoke.
- Will have again next year

## Neilah Service with faith house clergy partners

- Rabbi Callie invited Rev Connie and her husband who also is a minister
- Rob & Bonnie Rambob; Matthew Wordward from Transfiguration Church and Father Mike from St. Bart's all attended.
- Faith leaders were really touched and fully enjoyed the service.
- Open up "Intro to Machzor" (new prayer book) service to other faith leaders was suggested.

## Future Exchanges

- Friday, Dec 11 PTBE will host a pulpit exchange with Rev. Penny Nixon from Cong Church of San Mateo giving the sermon.
- Preceded by lighting of the Hanukah candles followed by the empty nester dinner.
- Pastor Benford and others could be invited.
- The event will be publicized in the email blast.
- Arleigh met today with Ted Pecot of Hillsdale Methodist Church and Rev. Michael from College Heights Church along with Rev. Kristi this morning/ Possible interactions with these.
- We are scheduled to visit St. Paul's in Burlingame on Jan 24<sup>th</sup> at 10AM.
- We could come early at 9 to attend discussion group.
- Social interaction at 11AM

## Peace Village

- Peace Village postponed again due to lack of signups.
- New date is week of July 24<sup>th</sup> (5 full days for children 8 – 13)
- Conflict resolution & media interpretation and literacy and religious education are just some of the many topics.
- How do we promote Peace Camp?
- Rabbi Callie and Raj Rambob to speak to promote this event.

- \$225 is projected cost for the 5 day sessions.
- Maybe a small ad in a local magazine or the “J” would help promote event.

### **2016 Budget**

- need to submit by January
- Encourage IFC members to donate in honor of IFC.
- Michele will ask for volunteers for subcommittee for Budget
- PMC wants us to donate \$750 (based on congregation size) and this was discussed.
- Budget should be further discussed by the budget subcommittee.
- Michele will contact Eric for more budget clarification re fiscal year and other funding sources, etc.

### **MLK Jr. Day of Service**

- The MLK Jr. Day of Service was discussed by Joel & Judy Miller & Michele (as they had all attended the recent PMC meeting)
- Event is January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016 with 28 different projects and plans for over 500 volunteers.
- Event flyer has already gone out.
- Online signups will start shortly after Thanksgiving.
- 2015 Event had 80 – 90 PTBE members.

### **Next meeting**

- In January – possibly the 31<sup>st</sup>.
- We will send out a Save the Date