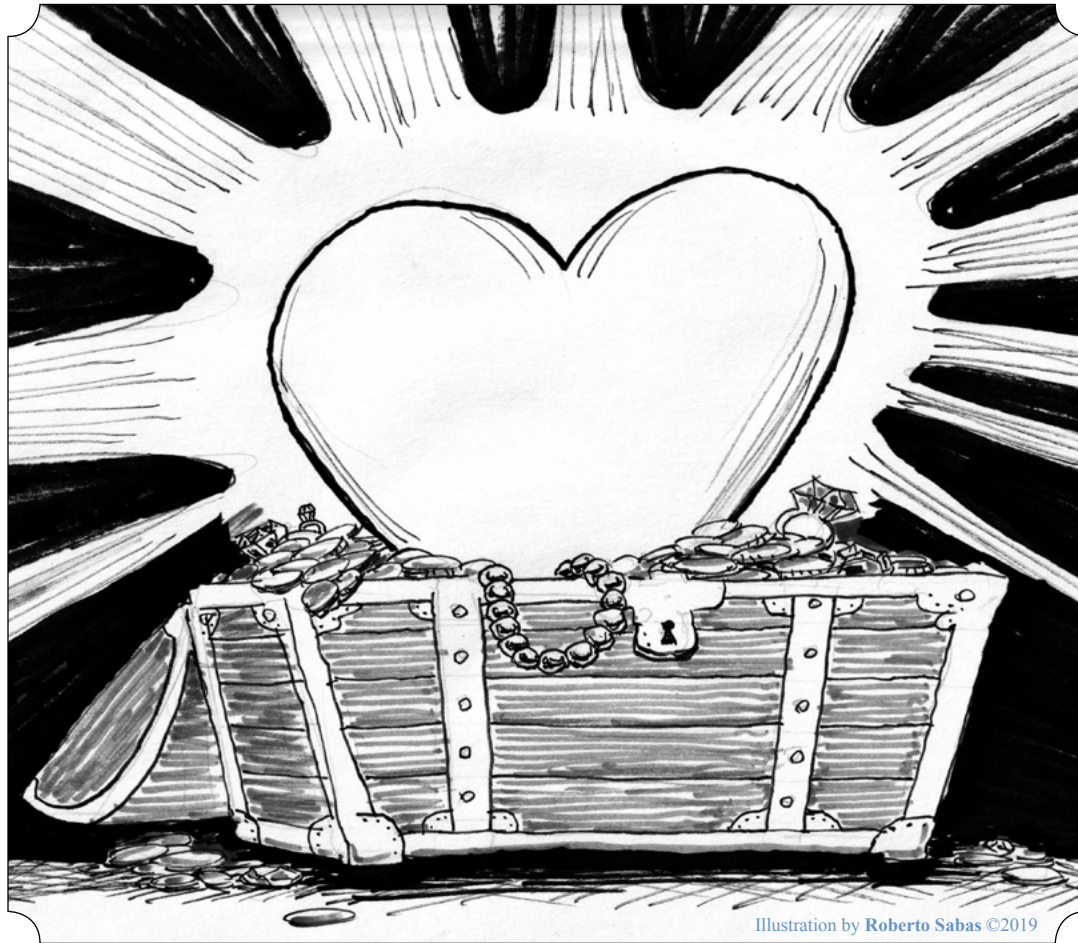


New Covenant Fellowship

March 5, 2023

“Jesus Is Creatively Consistent
About Our Resources”
by Ron Simkins



Instead, collect treasures for yourselves in heaven, where moth and rust don't eat them and where thieves don't break in and steal them. Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

—Matthew 6:20-21

ORDER OF SERVICE

Jesus Said

Welcome (Valerie Hoffman)

All in All

Luke 19:1-10 (Pastor Renée)

Create in me a Clean Heart

Teaching (Ron Simkins)

Blessing (Arlene Rappaport)

As the Deer

We Declare

Benediction (Bob Husband)

The Zacchaeus Song



BENEDICTION

God of the covenant,
you call us to be fruitful servants
within creation,
and to offer our lives
as the foundation of your realm.
Grant, O God, that the prayers we offer
may be your channel for new and
abundant life
not only hoped for, but worked for,
through faithful word and deed.
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leadership Team—Jason, Walt, and Carolyn joined our Feb 27th meeting to welcome Jackson Courter to serve on the LT for the remainder of Roberto's term. While Renée focuses on Lent and Easter, Caroline Helton will chair meetings to complete organizational tasks.

In Memory—Rev. Thomas Neuffer Emswiler, 81, died Tuesday, Feb. 21, surrounded by his loving family. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Fellowship Events—Games, pizza, and trivia together was fun! Next event: Saturday, March 25, at 7:30 pm. Kristin Tennant and Jason Berg will host an evening spent reading aloud from our favorite books. Those who wish to read will have five minutes to share anything that makes you think, laugh, cry, change your life, or change the world. (You're also welcome to just come and listen.) More details soon!

Reparations Award—The NCF Reparations Committee dispensed honorariums of \$500 each to the award winners honored at the MLK event for their work in our community: Rev. Terrance Thomas, Dawn Blackman, and Anthony Sullers. Jeff Trask explains in the News-Gazette.

Online Calendar—Did you know NCF maintains an online calendar for building use and events? You can view it from your google account! For scheduling,

email calendar@ncf-cu.com; a volunteer will respond to you promptly.

Earth Champion—Faith in Place awards NCF the Earth Champion Award for our partnership in caring for the Earth. -Rev. Cindy Shepherd

Clueless about Climate Change? Thursday March 9th, the NCF Green Team invites you to be inspired by Katherine Hayhoe, enjoy some treats and discuss our stewardship of the earth. 7-8:30pm either in person (Kellys @ 1010 W. Park Ave) or online ([click here](#)).

Insurrection Play—A video recording of Homegrown is available for streaming at home for \$5 charge (until Feb. 26) and for free at First Mennonite Church (902 W. Springfield, Urbana) on Friday, March 3 at 7 pm plus a discussion with Dr. Anderson Cobb on Sunday afternoon, March 5 at 3 pm. “We expect this to be a most fruitful engagement with the themes of her play and the issues facing churches in these polarized times. All are welcome.”

Finance Webinars— All webinars on Wednesdays at 1 and 7 pm (Central)

March 8 *Everence 101*

March 15 *Invest in a better world*

March 22 *What will your final statement be?*

March 29 *Understanding Medicare*

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February tithes: \$10,191; Family fund: \$325.24; Thank you!