

Small is BEAUTIFUL!

Workshop for Smaller Congregations

May 21, 2005

Community Church of NY in Manhattan, NY

Saturday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm



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Unitarian Universalist District
of Metropolitan New York

Just the Facts

- What:** A day-long workshop on life in the smaller congregation (less than 150 members). It will focus not just on growth, but on the health of small congregations, as well as the unique challenges they face.
- Who:** Ministers, DREs, Presidents and other Congregational Leaders are all welcome. Registration is limited, so sign up early!!
- When:** May 21, 2005 9am-4pm
- Where:** Community Church of New York Unitarian Universalist, 40 E 35th St, Manhattan, NY.
- Cost:** \$30 for first person from a congregation. Includes breakfast and lunch.
\$20 for each additional person from the same congregation.
- Bring:** Paper and pen, your concerns and questions.
- Leaders:** Jane Dwinell and Cindy Spring

Jane Dwinell:

Reverend Jane Dwinell is the Small Congregation Specialist for the Northeast District of the UUA. She served the Derby Line, VT congregation for 8 years, which went from 20 to 70 members, and completed a quarter-million dollar addition to their historic church building. Jane lives in Montpelier, VT with her partner, Sky, and their two homeschooling children, Dana and Sayer.

Cindy Spring:

Cindy Spring served as the Religious Education Consultant for the New Hampshire/Vermont District for 15 years. She is currently the RE Committee Chair for the UU Congregation in Plymouth, NH, (125 adult members, 15-25 children and youth) and lives in Meredith, NH.

Tell Me More!

9:00 Registration, Coffee & Continental Breakfast
9:30 Ingathering Worship
10:00 Introduction of Leaders
10:15 Keynote - The Beauty of Small Congregations
10:45 Questions, Comments
11:00 Small Group Process - Challenges and Gifts
11:40 Sharing in Large Group
11:55 Announcements as needed
12:00 Lunch break

1:00 Afternoon Workshops
Workshop A: Religious Education Programming in Small Congregations with Cindy Spring
Workshop B: The Gifts and Challenges of Growth and Change with Jane Dwinell
3:00 Return to small groups for reflection
3:30 Evaluations
3:45 Closing Worship

Registration Form Small is Beautiful Workshop May 21, 2005

Name _____ Street Address _____

Phone: Home () _____ - _____ City, State _____ Zip _____

Alternate () _____ - _____ E-mail _____

Congregation _____ City, State _____

Your title: Minister _____ DRE _____ President _____ Other: _____

Diet: omnivore _____ vegetarian _____ vegan _____

COST:

Registration (\$30 for first person from a congregation, \$20 for second or more) \$ _____

SPECIAL NEEDS (dietary or accessibility) _____

Second Registrant: (please copy this sheet as needed to cover all attendees from your congregation)

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Phone: Home () _____ - _____ City, State _____ Zip _____

Alternate () _____ - _____ E-mail _____

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Please send this form by **May 9th** with your registration fee (payable to UU District of Metro NY) to:

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