

Dear members and friends of Normandy Park United Church of Christ – here is your Friday Food for Thought for July 15:

OUTDOOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

- This Sunday, July 17, Worship will be held outside on our Courtyard.
- Please dress for the weather – you may need a hat, sweater, and/or umbrella!
- Zoom Worship will also be offered. A separate invitation will be sent.

DONA COSTELLO MEMORIAL SERVICE

The service will be held on Wednesday, July 20, 1:00 pm at the Bonney-Watson chapel, 16445 International Blvd, SeaTac, WA 98188.

COMMUNITY MEAL ~ TUESDAY, JULY 26, 4:30 – 6:00 PM ON THE COURTYARD

- It's back and ALL are welcome to come eat and enjoy the fellowship!
- The grill will be fired up and we'll be serving hamburgers and other picnic fare, including Madeleine's famous coleslaw.
- All of our volunteer positions are filled except we could use a few more servers. If you're interested, please contact Alice and plan to be at church by 4:00 pm.

COLORING PAGE

Coloring page from Illustrated Ministries – Luke 10: 38-42 *Do you feel more like Mary or Martha?* – can be found on our website: www.npucc.org. Go to Connect, then Sermons and Worship Resources in the drop-down menu.

SPECIAL SPEAKERS COMING UP

- On Sunday, July 24, Worship will be on ZOOM ONLY. Our guest preacher is Andrew Larsen from Global Ministries.
- On Sunday, July 31, our guest speakers are Kris Van Gasken and Barb Shimizu from the Des Moines Area Food Bank. They'll be giving us an update about the Food Bank and thoughts about combatting hunger in our community.

LEAFCUTTER BEES HELP FARMERS

- Honeybees often receive a celebrity status, but leafcutter bees are some of the hardest working bees on our farms.
- Due to their tiny size and hairy bodies, they can easily pollinate the smallest flowers and help us grow many crops that are the backbone of our food system.
- To read full article, click [here](#).

FADING SYMBOLS ~ THESE FIVE STATE BIRDS ARE IN TROUBLE

- Kathryn Stonich | June 30, 2022
- U.S. grasslands that once resounded with the boisterous song of the Western Meadowlark are growing silent as numbers of the famed singer decline.

- This situation, distressing as it is, isn't unique: A number of state birds have experienced major population losses over the last 50 years, challenging assumptions that these common, well-known birds would remain largely unaffected by the declines threatening other species.
- To read full article, click [here](#).