

As Carmyn Stanko said so appropriately...

“I guess when we say all are welcome we really mean "all".



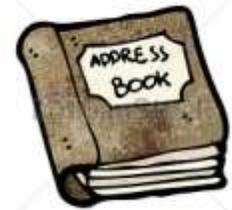
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Carol Burbank**

The 2019 Pictorial Directory is Ready

The long awaited pictorial directory is now complete. Many thanks to everyone who was photographed or submitted a photo; to Eli Thurston who went above & beyond as our in house photographer; to Sally Nowotarski, the church office manager, for printing the directories; to Carmyn Stanko

& Heather Lewis for contributing some great candid photos of folks and activities and to Pastor Paul for writing an introduction. The directory will be available after church beginning Oct. 6th. If you prefer, you may pick yours up in the church office Tuesday-Friday 9:30-2:30.

Your directory will be labeled with your name. Please only one copy per family. Questions: contact Carol Bouchard.



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Thanksgiving Baskets for Williston Families

The Missions and Social Concerns Committee is soliciting donations for Thanksgiving baskets for about 20 needy families in the community.

As in the past, we will be asking for \$15.00 gift cards from Hannaford to cover



the cost of a frozen turkey as well as all the other "fixings," including potatoes, stuffing, cranberries, and pie ingredients, for a real Thanksgiving feast.

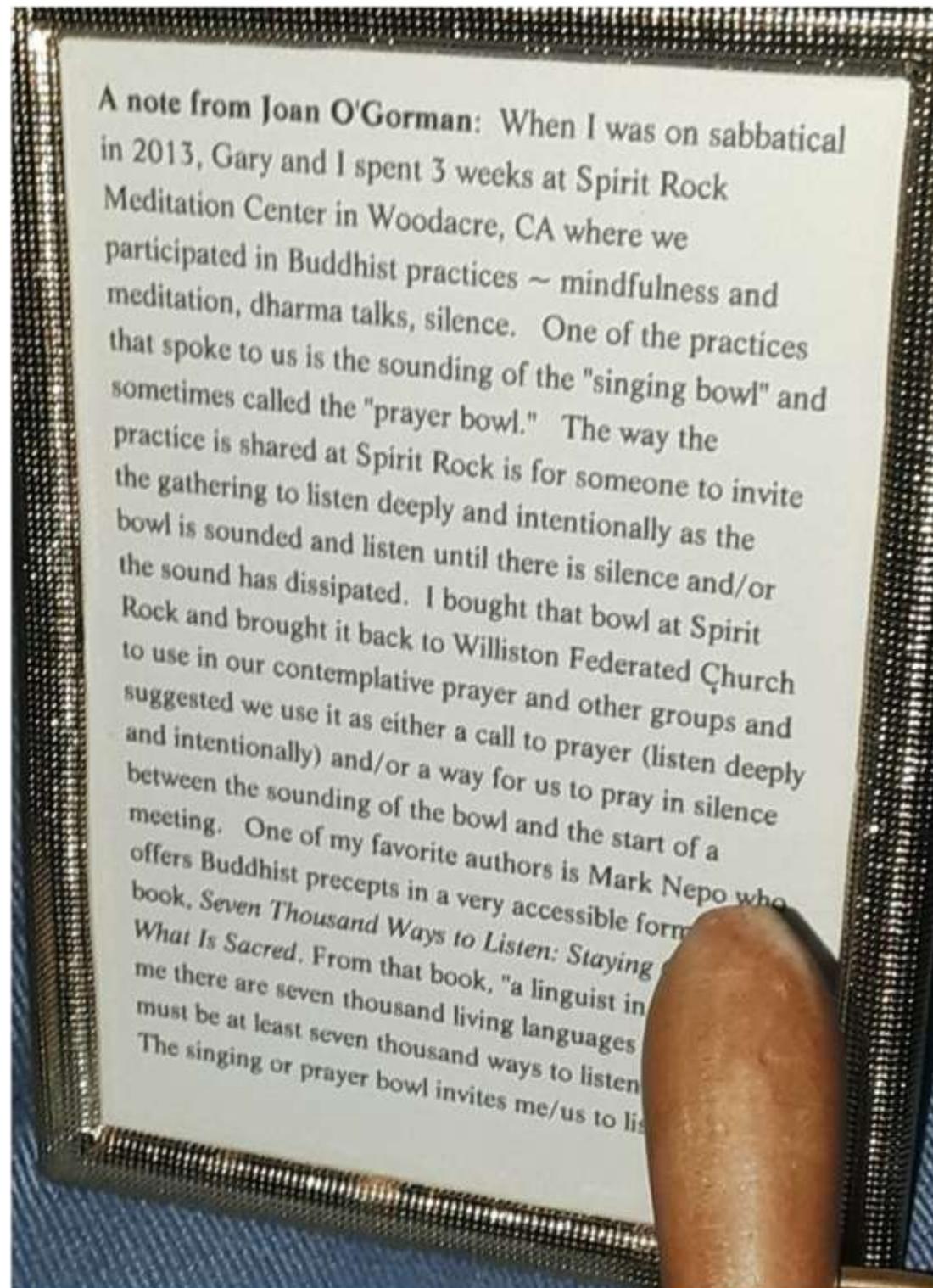
We are also collecting additional food items to help these families with their daily food needs during the weeklong Thanksgiving break when their children do not receive breakfast or lunch at school.

Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board downstairs in the hallway. All food items need to be brought to church by **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17** and placed in the boxes on the tables.

Once again, we appreciate your generosity and willingness to support those who struggle to feed their children in Williston.



THE STORY OF THE SINGING BOWL



Red Friendship Books 101 - A Reminder from the Membership

Hospitality is at the core of the Gospel. 40% of visitors make up their mind about a church before they even see the pastor, according to Barna Research. Within two minutes of the beginning of a service, visitors have formed an opinion about whether the congregation is friendly.

Are we at WFC friendly and welcoming to our guests? The Red Friendship Books we pass on Sunday morning are one tool we use to welcome guests. They are a way of purposely identifying guests in worship so that we might greet them that morning and follow up during the week with a note of welcome and thanks for choosing WFC as their place of worship that Sunday.

Therefore, here are some **Friendship Book guidelines**: Set an example by writing your name, address and email, in the Red Friendship Book, so that guests will be prompted to do the same, and pass the book down the row. Once the Friendship Book reaches the far end of that row, please pass it back, taking time to read the names of your fellow pew sitters, so that you might greet them by name after worship. If you are not sure if the person next to you is a member or a guest, say,

Guests tend not to linger after worship. Here are two suggestions: Adopt the “rule of three,” which says members will not talk to other members in the first three minutes following the service—

typically how long it takes guests to exit. Speak to guests before greeting friends. **Enact the “circle of ten” rule** — that each member will greet anyone, member or guest, who comes within ten feet of them.

There are gifts of note cards for first time guests on the table near the woman's rest room & in the entry by the front door. If you have the opportunity to welcome a guest, you can hand them a gift, along with the church brochure and say, Thank you for worshipping with us. We're glad you're here. We have a gift of welcome for you. Matthew 25:35 “I was a Stranger and You Welcomed Me”



Enjoy a photo of the Thursday Exercise Group. Can you guess who's who???