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UCCMA Virtual Choir Video Now Available

The first-ever UCC Musicians Association Virtual Choir video is now ready to share! The Composition Chair, Dr. Keith Hampton, created a Virtual Choir Video for UCCMA, using "Bring Us Peace" (SATB, a cappella) by Michele Hecht. This video is available for you to share with your congregation in worship. Michele gives full permission to share freely; contact Michele at **michele@fccge.org** for a free copy of the sheet music. If you signed up to sing in the choir for UCC General Synod, you will have another opportunity to sing this song.

For more information about the UCCMA, including how to register for their annual conference on July 8-10, use this link: https://uccma.wildapricot.org/

2021 ANNUAL SPRING MEETING Friday, June 4 – Saturday, June 5 "Deepening Our Journey – Deepening Our Connection" virtual meeting using the Whova platform



Register at: https:// psecannual21.eventbrite.com

A Tribute to Moms

Every Mother's Day, for the past 28 years, my mother wears a hat to church. Twenty-eight years ago my grandmother passed, and my mother honors her by wearing one of her hats to church for Mother's Day. Motherhood often involves the wearing of many hats. While this has been true since the days of Eve, it has been magnified significantly during the pandemic. Mother is now wearing the hat of teacher, the hat of lunch lady, the hat of school counselor, the hat of band director. I have watched my wife over the past year go so far as to even plan physical education activities for our children, not wanting them to miss even PE class because of the pandemic.

Mother's Day is meaningful every year, but this year, with all that we have been through, and with all the hats that mom is wearing in order to make things normal for her family, we salute you all the more.

To all the mothers, grandmothers, aunts, sisters, teachers, and foster and adoptive mothers; "your children rise and call you blessed!" ~ Proverbs 31:28

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