Proposal for Use of Social Justice Funds for Reproductive Justice Efforts

From Rev. Sara

I have begun much organizing in our community with faith leaders and others around a collaborative response to Idaho's extreme abortion bans. As such, the invitation at this moment is to begin by stocking up on contraception (as available) and Plan B along with readiness to help someone procure abortion pills (or have some on hand). Plans are beginning to be discussed about provideing logistical, financial, and emotional support for those seeking out of state abortions.

To that end, I am requesting an earmark of up to \$5,000 of our Social Justice Fund to supply contraception and support logistical needs as they arise. This may include some of the following:

Condoms (we currently have a small supply and get them for free but this may change)

Plan B \$18 - \$22 per package

Financial & logistical support for accessing safe abortion (self managed & surgical out-of-state, specific costs TBD)

We are slowly building a network of churches who may also allocate funds to support this effort. Rev. Sara is leading that organizing effort with 15 - 20 additional faith leaders on board. She is also a part of a weekly community strategy group of leaders, lawyers and doctors all working to support each other and work through the needs and challenges this presents.

NOTE: The fund request is an estimate. Getting the word out and shoring up logistics is our next step. We may not be called upon to use all of these funds. Any unused funds should be reevaluated at the end of the program year to determine if earmark is still needed ro they can go back into the pool.