

B. J. Beu

Biographical Sketch:

B. J. Beu serves as pastor of Neighborhood Congregational Church in Laguna Beach, CA, where he lives with his wife, Mary Scifres, and their son, Michael. Before coming to Laguna in 2008, Beu spent 13 years as pastor in the Pacific Northwest Conference. For the past eight years, Beu and Scifres have been the authors and editors of "The Abingdon Worship Annual."



Mary J. Scifres

Biographical Sketch:

Mary J. Scifres, United Methodist Pastor and Abingdon Press Author, has been a national consultant, preacher, teacher, and coach in worship, visioning, leadership, and church growth for more than two decades. Having served churches across the nation, Mary brings a broad perspective and diverse understanding of both church and culture. Mary is author of "Just In Time: Special Sundays," "Searching for Seekers:

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