



THE LIGHTED CHALICE WEEKLY



Sunday Forum 9:00 a.m.; Sunday Service & Religious Exploration Classes 10:30 a.m. Nursery & Childcare Available.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH, WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA 2 FEBRUARY 2014

SUNDAY MORNING FORUM

- **FEBRUARY 2:** UU Church member Randy Myer presents *Consider the Conversation, A Video*, <http://www.considertheconversation.org/about>. This remarkable, thought-provoking film describes many of the issues we all face at the end-of-life. It opens the floodgates of thought and conversation on this most difficult and often taboo subject, illustrating many areas of improvement in our health care system. Everyone is encouraged to watch this important film including physicians, healthcare workers, patients and families. *This film will help us to be better physicians, better nurses, better patients and better people*—James Roberts, M.D., Medical Director, Mayo Clinic Health System-Home Health & Hospice. Forum co-Chairs are Jim Anderson, Tom McConville, and Bill Welge.
- **FEBRUARY 9:** Rev. Daniel Charles Davis, minister of our church, discusses *End of Life Issues*.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

- **FEBRUARY 2:** Worship Leader Rev. Daniel Charles Davis presents “Living Democracy.” Worship Associate, Bill Welge. Pianist, Richard Maddux. Sound Technician, Mike Marsh. Sanctuary Preparation, Robin Poindexter. Fellowship Team Leaders, Alice Pawley, Steve Hoffmann, Randy & Loraine Myer.
 - Please be sure to join use for **Potluck** in the Fellowship Hall each **first Sunday**, immediately following service.
 - **Exploring Membership Class Meets Feb. 2:** Participating at UUC, West Lafayette meets this Sunday, February 2, following service. Learn more about the history of our UU church and what it means to be a member. This course is intended for visitors who are interested in learning more about membership.
- **FEBRUARY 9:** Worship Leader Ellen Germann presents *Playing Above What We Know*. Miles Davis told his band to play what they know and then play above that. It is easy for all of us to play what we know. When we play above what we know, great things can happen. We will hear about people and congregations that have played above - and be challenged to think about what "playing above" might mean for each of us and for our congregation. Worship Associate, Janice Thiel. Pianist, Richard Maddux. Sanctuary Preparation, tbd. Fellowship Team Leader, Mark VanMeeter. Sound Technician, Gary Mueller.
 - **Talk & Tour 2nd Sundays After Service:** Please join us immediately following service each 2nd Sunday, next on February 9, for “Talk and Tour.” This 15 minute guided walk through the building is designed to familiarize newcomers with our congregation and facilities. Participants do not need to sign up in advance—simply gather at the Newcomers’ Table outside the Fellowship Hall at 11:45. Thanks!

CHILD AND YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION **Childcare:** If anyone requires childcare for an event other than regular Sunday forum and services, they must contact Nursery Administrator Liz Cohen by phone or email (631-935-8229 or ecohen928@gmail.com) at least two weeks in advance. Thank you.

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CHILD AND YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

- **Sunday, Feb 2nd**- Spirit Circle and Valentine making party for preschool- 8th grade in the forum. Extra adult hands needed today. Please let Kathy or Sheila know if you can help out.
- **Feb 9th & 16th**- The theme this month is democracy. Because it's a shorter month, 3rd and 4th grades will meet together and there will only be two workshops. Please see the monthly version of the Lighted Chalice for more detailed information.
- **February 23rd**- All ages service lead by our high school youth.

Please contact Sheila (dresheila@gmail.com) or a member of the R.E. council (Kathy Coder, Cheryl Fowler, Frank Arnold, Beth Hoffmann, Kirsten Reynolds, or Rae Schnapp) if you are interested in helping in any of these areas, or if you have something else that you would like to help out in with R.E.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION: A Saturday, Feb. 22nd event at UUC will bring extra visitors to Forum and Sunday service on Sunday, Feb. 23rd. The amazing organization, *Cultural Connections: Women Weaving Worlds*, founded and directed by Deanna Brown, invites you to experience the wisdom of Beena Sebastian, founder and chairperson of *Cultural Academy for Peace*, Kerala India.

Cultural Connections is instrumental in bringing Beena to the United States to share her story and vision for our world.

Opportunities open to the public include:

- Feb. 19 Film screening of "*Girl Rising*," 6-8:30 pm, Lawson Hall, Purdue University
- Feb. 22 *Women Spirit Rising: An evening of storytelling and music*, 6:30-8:30 pm Unitarian Universalist Church, West Lafayette
- Feb. 23 "*Being the Change: from Indian to Indiana*," 9-10 am, Unitarian Universalist Church Adult Forum, West Lafayette

Several women who have traveled to India and know Beena Sebastian will be at the Saturday retreat and have indicated that they will come on Sunday for Forum when Beena is speaking...some may stay for the service as well. (Thanks Bill Welge, for working closely with Deanna on the arrangements for Forum). Those of us from UUC (Kris Taylor, Lisa Pantea, Denise Wilson, Cheryl Fowler, Nina Kirkpatrick, me) who have been on Cultural Connection trips are all quite excited to see Beena again and for her to share her stories, wisdom and inspiration with so many others in the US. *Thank you for passing this information on to others especially the Fellowship team that is "on duty" that day so they know why there may be more visitors than usual!* Suzan Windnagel.

THE SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE There is much to be done in the social justice arena; if you are interested in becoming involved in our activities, please join us at our next meeting--Wednesday, March 12 at 7:00 pm in room 101-103. If you have questions, concerns, or ideas, contact co-chairs Joan Marshall, jmarshall900@yahoo.com, & Tom McConville, tmconville1200@comcast.net.

- **CHANGE FOR CHANGE:** The theme for 2014 is "Helping Our Community." In January & February, UU Church C-4-C will contribute funds to provide bus tokens for Lafayette Urban Ministry (LUM) clients.
- **CONGREGATIONAL FOOD DRIVE, LUM/ST. JOHN'S FOOD PANTRY** During the month of February, the Social Justice Committee will sponsor a food drive in coordination with Lafayette Urban Ministry. Please drop food items off in Fellowship Hall or office area entrance in the boxes labeled thusly. Office entrance doorway open 9-5, Monday-Thursday, Fridays variable. Thank you.
- **WOMEN'S SHELTER COLLECTION** The local Women's Shelter is always in need of soaps, toothbrushes and tooth paste, personal items, clean socks, items for small children (baby shampoo, powder, baby lotions, children's socks, diapers). Thank you.
- **MINIMUM WAGE CAMPAIGN** UU Social Justice will be co-sponsoring the following programs related to the Minimum Wage Campaign along with: Rebuild the Dream Coalition—Greater Lafayette Chapter; Lafayette/West Lafayette Branch 3056 of the NAACP; the Northwest Central Labor Council; Tippecanoe Building Trades and the UAW-CAP Council:
 - **Sunday, February 2, 2014:** Documentary film, "*American Winter*," which follows the personal stories of 8 families caught in the daily struggle to survive.
 - **February 16, "Hard Work Deserves Fair Pay: Raise the Minimum Wage,"** a panel discussion on the plight of Hoosiers. Derek Thomas, Senior Policy Analyst at the Indiana Institute for Working Families, and Joe Micon, Director of LUM, will lead discussion.
 - **Sunday, March 2, 2014:** R. Reich's documentary film, "*Inequality for All*." The film endeavors to show through a non-partisan perspective why extreme income inequality is such an important topic for our citizens today and for the future of America. **More info at:** www.inequalityforall.com.

All events are free and open to the public, meet from 3:00 - 5:00 pm, are co-sponsored by UU Church Social Justice Committee and will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 333 Meridian Street, Rms. 101/103. These events are part of the work being done by the participating groups along with other partner organizations in mobilizing to get the state of Indiana and the US Congress to raise the minimum wage. Our activities are part of labor, civil rights, women's rights, and human rights groups around the country who believe "Hard Work Deserves Fair Pay." For more information: targ@purdue.edu, (765) 743-0416

PLANNED GIVING AT UUC It is often difficult to think about planning for death, but it is one of those things that makes life easier for friends and family dealing with an emotional time. If you would like to include UUC in your will or living trust, please use our full legal name, Unitarian Universalist Church. Your attorney may find the following language helpful:

I hereby give, devise and bequeath \$ _____ (a dollar amount, percentage, remainder) of my estate to the Unitarian Universalist Church. Now or formerly at 333 Meridian, West Lafayette, Indiana, for its general purposes.

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February 2014 Calendar



January 31, Friday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

February 1, Saturday
8:00 AM Zen M

February 2, Sunday

UU Membership Class: Exploring Membership: Participating at UUC, West Lafayette (104)

9:00 AM Forum (101/103):

10:30 AM Worship & RE

11:45 AM POTLUCK FOLLOWING SERVICE

12:00 PM UU Membership Class: Exploring Membership: Participating at UUC, West Lafayette (104)

12:30-5:00PM, Lafayette Chamber Singers Rehearsal Sanctuary

3:00 PM "American Winter" DVD (101/103)

7:30 PM Lafayette Area Peace Coalition 101/103

February 3, Monday

Rev. Charlie on Study Leave Feb. 3-8

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

1:30 PM Writers' Group 101/103

5:30 PM Strolling Singers Rehearsal (S)

7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101/103)

February 4, Tuesday

1:00 PM Buddhist Study Group (101/103)

6:30 PM Program Council (101/103)

7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S)

February 5, Wednesday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

12:00 PM "The Principled Group" Noon Discussion (101/103)

2:30 PM Girl Scout Troop (FH)

7:00 PM Choir (S)

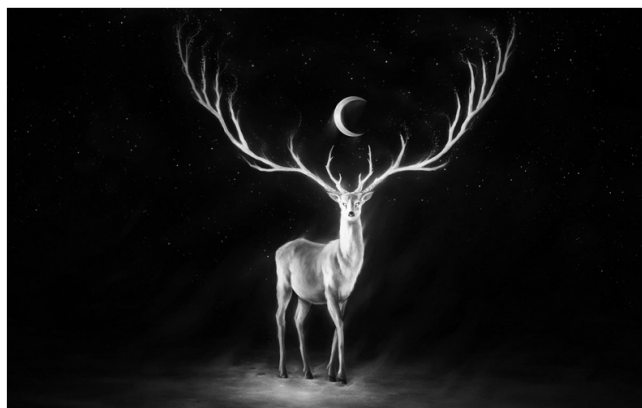
February 6, Thursday

5:30 PM Zazen Sitting, Chanting & Reading (M)

6:30 PM PFLAG meets at PRIDE Now on First Thursdays

7:30 PM SHM (Spontaneous Hopeful Monster) House Band (S)

1st and 3rd Thursdays



February 7, Friday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

6:30 PM PRYSM (102)

February 8, Saturday

8:00 AM Zen M

6:00 PM IRN (Inter-Religious Network) Conversation Circle of the Abrahamic Faith Traditions: All Church Invitation, 101/103. Double Click for More Information.

February 9, Sunday

9:00 AM Forum (101/103):

10:30 AM Worship & RE

11:30 AM UU Talk and Tour following service!

12:00 PM UU Fiberarts Quilting Bee (101/103)

February 10, Monday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

5:30 PM Strolling Singers Rehearsal (S)

7:00 PM Meeting (anon FH)

7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101/103)

February 11, Tuesday

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

1:00 PM Buddhist Study Group (101/103)

5:30 PM Pastoral Care 104

6:00 PM RE Council (Youth Room)

7:00 PM ACLU-IN BOARD (American Civil Liberties Union) (212 2nd Tues. ea. month)

7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S)

7:30 PM Drumming Circle (101/103), 2nd Tuesdays each month

It has been said that democracy is the worst form of government except all the others that have been tried.
-Winston Churchill, 1874-1965
former Prime Minister of UK