



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: 28 SEPTEMBER 2014

A MONTH OF SUNDAYS

Sunday Service & Religious Exploration Classes begin at 10:30 am;
Nursery & Childcare Available.

SEPTEMBER 28

"The Importance of Having a UU Church in the Lafayette Area"

Worship Leader:

Dianna Poindexter

Sound: Jason Dufair

Fellowship: Kat Braz

Pulpit Preparation:

Robin Poindexter

A few of the 25 year+ members who were honored earlier this month will share their thoughts.

OCTOBER 5

"Re-Membering"

Worship Leader:

Rev. Daniel Charles Davis

Worship Associate: Jan Thiel

Sound: Noemi Ybarra

Fellowship: Alice Hoffmann

Pulpit Preparation: Lola Straub

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

In September we remembered our past. Now is the time to rejoin our efforts. A pledge to support the church next year is essentially renewing your membership. This congregation is a partnership of people who share their time and resources to build an inclusive supportive religious community. Pledge cards will be available at Stewardship events throughout the month beginning after service October 12.

OCTOBER 12

"Stewardship"

Worship Leaders: tba

Worship Associate: Kat Braz

Sound: Mary Finley

Fellowship: The Prokopys

Pulpit Preparation: Lola Straub

OCTOBER 19

"Diwali"

Worship Leader:

Dianna Poindexter

Worship Associate:

Sound: Gary Fowler

Fellowship:

Susanne McConville

Pulpit Preparation:

Robin Poindexter

The 3rd source that our living tradition draws from is "wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life." This Sunday we will celebrate the meaningful and colorful Hindu holiday of Diwali.

OCTOBER 26

"The Beauty of Autumn"

Worship Leader:

Rev. Daniel Charles Davis

Worship Associate: Bill Welge

Sound: Dan Lybrook

Fellowship: The Burniskes

Pulpit Preparation:

Nina Kirkpatrick

The first source of the Unitarian Universalist living tradition, is "direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to renewal of the spirit and openness to the forces which create and uphold life." Fall colors make it easy for me to realize how wonderful it is to be alive.

MINISTER'S MUSINGS:

"RENEWAL"

"To retain membership status members are expected to make and fulfill an annual pledge to contribute financially and to help with one or more church tasks or activities. The Board may grant exceptions to these requirements." Unitarian Universalist Church Bylaws, Article II Section 3.

As a democracy of volunteers we have agreed to hold ourselves accountable. We expect everyone to contribute to the financial and social well being of the church. We are free to make exceptions for those people who need them while we encourage each member to do their best. We even welcome pledges from non-members. All gifts are welcome.

The way our bylaws are written, the annual pledge is a renewal of membership. When one pledges one is saying, "Yes, I still want to be here. I have harvested from this sacred field. I am willing to save some seed and work to plant it for next year." I have felt renewed and I want to contribute to further renewal. I will rejoin this congregation and rejoin my efforts to make it a welcoming place. By renewing my membership, I re-member all that this church means to me. Not only does one renew one's membership, the church is renewed.

For 65 years people have contributed to this church. Year after year it has been renewed. Tippecanoe County and the surrounding area needs the Unitarian Universalist Church. We have been a sanctuary for thoughtful people. We gather together to gather our thoughts. We have tried to create a refuge from the thoughtless oppressions of the world. We rely on one another to renew our strength. Thoughtful contemplation renews us and leads to thoughtful action. Think of your pledge as a conscious act of renewal. Remember how you have been renewed. Contribute to continued renewal. of yourself, of this church and of the larger community.

*With Gratitude and Hope,
Rev. Charlie*

SUNDAY MORNING FORUM

Sunday Morning Forum meets at 9:00 am in 101/103. Everyone is welcome! Childcare is provided. Co-chairs: Jim Anderson, Tom McConville, Bill Welge

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| SEPTEMBER 28 | Jim Anderson, Irene Stephens, Ruth Ann Ferris: <i>The American Disabilities Act</i> |
| OCTOBER 5 | Rev. Charlie Davis: <i>Moral Mondays and a Living Wage</i> |
| OCTOBER 12 | tba |
| OCTOBER 19 | Tom Hertel: <i>The Economics of Climate Change</i> |
| OCTOBER 26 | Sherri Lynn Dugger: <i>"Farm Indiana"</i> |

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Karin D. Bergman, Editor

FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

The theme of this year's Pledge Drive is "65 Years: Re-Membering". I remember the first time I walked into the church (located at that time on South 7th Street in Lafayette), two very small children in tow—it was about 24 years ago. I was looking for a church where my kids could learn about all kinds of religion and spiritual practices, without being told, as I had, that one was better than all the rest. Ruth Ann and Don Ferris greeted me warmly, and pointed me in the direction of the nursery and RE classes—at that time, everything RE-related took place in one big, heavily-partitioned room. I was nervous about leaving my children with strangers, and yet at the same time, I felt they were in good hands. I remember going upstairs and taking a chair at the back of the room (some things never change). There were only about 40 people there, and at the end of the service, we gathered at the back of the same room for coffee and conversation. I felt welcome, and though it took me a while to feel completely comfortable, I knew I had made some new friends.

I remember the first time I walked into an adult religious education class—I remember that I felt a new part of my brain had been opened! Not only that, I felt comfortable sharing my thoughts, which I thought others might find "subversive," and found that not only were those thoughts well-received by others, they were in fact quite "normal."

I remember being asked to donate to a Capital Campaign, to raise money to expand the existing building. I was happy to do it, because it meant that our children would actually have their own RE classrooms. I remember when we voted to purchase a grand piano, and the beautiful music that came out of it that first Sunday. I remember when our little church began to "bulge at the seams", and we began to look for "Future Space." I remember when we finally had to go to two services, because our little church just could not hold all of us at one time; I also remember how sad my kids were when their friends decided to go to a different RE session, and how I felt too—I missed seeing everyone in one place at one time. I remember that I stopped attending congregational meals, because there were just too many people in one place at one time!

I remember...FINALLY...finding "Future Space" for our church! I remember the feeling I had in the pit of my stomach as we all voted to make that "leap of faith" to raise money for our "Future Space." And, I remember how amazed I felt when the Capital Campaign was a success—amazed that we, all of us, contributed to make our dreams a reality.

I remember the dedication service of our Meridian Street home—all the dignitaries who attended, and all the work we put in to make our new home sparkle that weekend!

I remember, with great fondness, all those who have left our church home. Some have died, and I remember them with a mixture of laughter and tears. Some have moved on to other jobs, schools, adventures, and I remember them with a mixture of laughter and tears too! But mostly, as I remember each and every one of them, I feel enormous gratitude—I am so very grateful for the time and money they gave to our church over the years. If they had not given so generously, I would have had no place to go 24 years ago, and I realize my life would have been so very different.

This year, I will remember and re-member, because our Meridian Street home is so very important.

What do you remember about your time in our church home? What do your children remember about their time here? How do you want others to remember their time with us?

Is our Meridian Street home important to you? Will you remember and re-member too?

Best wishes, Gale Charlotte, President, Board of Trustees

SPOTLIGHT ON MEMBERSHIP: "WHY I GIVE TO UUC" & "WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!"



"We give to the UU Church for so many reasons: (1) we believe in the 7 principles and want to be a part of a strong and vibrant community that attracts others, (2) we want our children to learn about the world's religions and learn to be tolerant and thoughtful, and (3) we love the social interactions with others at the church both on Sunday mornings but also through the special interest groups like the feminist book club, the women's night out, men's night out, families with kids group, etc. and through special events like the service auction and the retreat." ~ Josh and Linda Prokopy

Why do you give?



NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE NEEDED

A number of years ago, the job of editing the newsletter was added to the duties of our Office Administrator, Karin Bergman. Since that time, the scope of the newsletter has expanded. This has made it difficult for Karin to complete other important tasks, and has added hours to her already packed work-week. Karin has gone "above and beyond," but the job of producing and editing the newsletter has become too much for just one person. It's now time to return to the practice of having volunteers produce our newsletter. Those interested in being on the newsletter team should contact Rev Charlie at uurevcharlie@aol.com.

Charles Davis, Minister

Gail K Charlotte, Board President

DAMON LINCOURT

Damon and his wife Elizabeth were raised in different faith traditions and had dabbled with several different churches. It was only in the UU church that they found unity through diversity, broad acceptance, and admirable people and principles. After testing out a few services at the Thomas Jefferson UU Chapel in Charlottesville, Virginia, they moved to the Roanoke area and joined the Unitarian Universalist Church of Roanoke in 2001.



Elizabeth and Damon have two children--Victoria (16) and Benjamin (15). Victoria is deeply into music and literature. Benjamin loves baseball and is quite engaged in robotics. They also share their home with two dogs (Cody and Angel), two cats (Tigger and Pierre), and one fish (Moon).

They live in West Lafayette, having moved here from Crawfordsville in 2013 so the kids could attend Westside. Before that, they lived in Salem, VA, Charlottesville, VA, and Oak Park, IL. Damon is one of the manufacturing managers at a book printing plant in Crawfordsville and has spent most of his career in the book printing industry, though he's also trained as an actor and loves to read aloud. Elizabeth is an artist and teaches art to private students, to groups at the Art Museum of Greater Lafayette, and at the Montessori School of Crawfordsville.

BRENT AND JULIE JESIEK

Brent is originally from Holland, Michigan, Julie from Schaumburg, Illinois. They met at Michigan Tech before moving to Blacksburg, Virginia for graduate school. Brent is now an Associate Professor in in Engineering Education at Purdue; Julie is an Academic Advisor in Civil Engineering.



They started attending the UU church in 2013 out of a desire to find a spiritual community that aligned with their progressive values and where their children could learn more about religion and spirituality without being force fed a particular creed. Once they started attending the UU church, they quickly realized it was the right community for them and became members in 2014.

Brent and Julie have two children. Preston, age 10, loves playing Minecraft, Legos, and swimming. Paige, age 4, likes coloring, playing with dollhouse or babies, and using the Kindle.

In their free time they like to travel. In the summer they enjoy biking, hiking, and going to the beach (especially Lake Michigan). In fact, one of Brent's favorite activities is surfing and body-boarding on the lake. In the winter they're into skiing and snowboarding. And they enjoy spending time with friends and family year around.

COMMITTEE AND GROUP NEWS: MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to the Unitarian Universalist Church Tippecanoe County

We are a vibrant and growing religious people building toward the future, yet mindful of the richness of the past.

We welcome diversity—race, gender, sexual orientation, vocation, class, religious origin, theology, political views, age—and we affirm that diversity enriches our community.

Therefore, we welcome you.
We believe that every person brings gifts into this community and that we create and sustain Its living spirit together—

We invite you to join us in membership— to develop and offer your gifts, to grow along with us, to bring your best visions and dreams into this place.

To contribute your strengths, to share your struggles, to share your path with us.

Welcome!



UU MEMBERSHIP CLASSES, FALL 2014/WINTER 2015 NOW ON SECOND SUNDAYS

UU Membership Classes presented by Rev. Charlie Davis and the Membership Committee, meet each second Sunday on a rotating basis after service and “Talk & Tour.” Sessions will be held in Rm. 101/103. Child care will be available if requested one week in advance. If you plan to attend, RSVP to Sallie Cooke, Membership Chair, sallie@frontier.com one week prior to class, so we have an accurate count for child care.

•**EXPLORING MEMBERSHIP: PARTICIPATING AT UUC, WEST LAFAYETTE 12 October.** 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.

•**DISCOVERING YOUR SPIRITUAL PATH 9 November .** What gifts have you kept from your religious heritage? What have you discarded? How do you wish to improve yourself and the world? Come explore and share your stories with others. By speaking our truth and listening to others, we can deepen the meaning of community. Intended for everyone.

•**UU HISTORY 14 December.** This class will cover topics such as: How did this denomination get to where it is today and how did Unitarian Christianity and Universalist Christianity evolve into the free religion we have today? By reviewing some of the controversies of the past we see how they shape our present. Intended for everyone new and old to UU congregations.

TALK AND TOUR ON SECOND SUNDAYS AFTER SERVICE

Please join us immediately following service each 2nd Sunday for “Talk and Tour,” next on **October 12**. 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!

Membership Committee

The Membership Committee has a mission of nurturing and supporting members through all stages of their membership journey. The committee meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM. For questions about the committee, please contact Sallie Cooke, sallie@frontier.com.

The 2014 Member Directory is available in print copy. The printing cost is \$3.00 so donations will be most welcome to help defray the expense. Many thanks to Rosemary Leary, who has donated countless hours of her time to photograph individuals and families and to compile the print copies.

COMMITTEE AND GROUP NEWS: SOCIAL JUSTICE

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--**Thursday, October 9 at 7:00 pm in Room 104**. If you have questions, concerns, or ideas, contact co-chairs Joan Marshall, jmarshall900@yahoo.com, & Tom McConville, tmccconville1200@comcast.net.

CHANGE FOR CHANGE

*The theme for Change for Change 2014 is "Helping Our Community." All loose coins in the 2014 Sunday Offering will go to organizations striving to address social justice issues in this area. Our **September/October C4C recipient is Food Finders Food Bank**, a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization. Food Finders is raising funds to build a Food Resource and Education Center which will include a pantry that is open evenings and weekends. In addition to the pantry a curriculum including classes on meal planning, cooking on a budget, and wise shopping will be offered. Healthy eating will be emphasized. In addition to the Food Resource and Education Center, Food Finders must expand their warehouse space so that they are able accept and process more food.*

LAFAYETTE AREA PEACE COALITION (LAPC)

The next meeting of the LAPC (co-sponsored by UU Social Justice) will take place on **Sunday, 5 October, 2014 at 7:30 pm at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 333 Meridian Street in West Lafayette Room 101/103**.

LAFAYETTE URBAN MINISTRY HUNGER HIKE 2014

This year's Hunger Hike raised more money to date than all past Hunger Hike events. Hunger Hike 2014 this past weekend was filled with excitement, energy and good will. The weather was perfect for both the HH5K Run on Saturday and the Hunger Hike Kick-off event and 3K Walk on Sunday. Hundreds of caring individuals walked, ran, hiked, and donated funds to the Fight Against Hunger. **Thus far approximately \$95,000 has been pledged and donated to Hunger Hike — which exceeds ALL past years for the amount of money raised.** The crowd gathered together in Riehle Plaza with one goal in mind — Fighting Hunger. The event this year was special from beginning to end

FILM: *RISE ABOVE THE MARK*

Sunday, October 26, Unitarian Universalist Church, 333 Meridian St., West Lafayette, 4pm. A showing of the film *Rise Above the Mark*, a documentary narrated by Peter Coyote that brings to light the heartbreaking realities of public education. Enter building thru double glass doors off Smiley St. See graphic on pg. 6.

STUDY ON BEING "MARGINALIZED" BY FAMILY

Adults ages 25-35 who have at least one sibling and who feel like the "black sheep" of their family are needed for a study on family relationships.

In some societies, marginalized family members are called "black sheep" because they stand out from the rest of the group. Being marginalized refers to feeling different, not included, or not approved of by family. Everyone feels marginalized by family at one time or another but participants must have been made to feel this way by multiple family members from their family of origin (the family they grew up with) and have felt this way for at least one year at any point during the past ten years.

Participants will complete a 30-40 minute survey. Participants who meet the eligibility criteria will be compensated for their time with a \$5 Starbucks gift card. Participation is voluntary and confidential. For more information contact Elizabeth Dorrance Hall in the Brian Lamb School of Communication at edorranc@purdue.edu or 269-370-7454 or follow this link to participate: <http://tinyurl.com/PurdueFamily>



RISE ABOVE THE MARK

It's time to make a difference in **public** education.

Narrated by: Peter Coyote

RiseAboveTheMark.com

Rise Above the Mark is a documentary narrated by Peter Coyote that brings to light the heartbreaking realities of public education.

It's the story of what happens when politics enters the classroom.

Public schools are boxed in by current corporate reforms. Rules and regulations restrict vision, depreciate funding, demoralize teachers, and turn students into test-taking machines, robbing them of time to foster creativity.

Rise Above the Mark focuses on Indiana's struggles with public school reforms—the same types of struggles experienced in schools throughout the United States.

Experts Diane Ravitch, Linda Darling-Hammond, Pasi Sahlberg and others discuss how America can make positive changes to provide an exceptional public school system for all children.

Return trust, decision-making, and responsibility to public schools.

Unitarian Universalist Church

333 Meridian St., West Lafayette, Sunday, October 26, 4pm
Room 101/103, Free & open to the public, \$\$Donations accepted
Enter the building thru double glass doors off Smiley St.

Presented by the WL Schools Education Foundation and JackLink Productions. Writer, Angie Klink

STEWARDSHIP & CHURCH-RELATED COMMUNITYEVENTS

FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE



Hello All,

Our annual Stewardship Drive kicks off October 5 and continues until November 2. The theme for this year is 65 Year Anniversary: Re-membering. Our goal is for 100% of members and friends to "re-member," that is, renew their commitment to our church. Pledge cards will be available after Forum and before and after service starting October 12, as well as at the Lead Donor Dinner and the Rising Member Cocktail Event (see dates below). Before you receive your card, please take time to reflect on your commitment to the church and the role the church plays in your life. As most of you know, 2015 brings unique financial challenges to our congregation. Our roof is in need of major repair. We are in the process of hiring a new DRE as well as a new choir director. Another cold winter means increased utility and grounds maintenance costs. With these challenges come opportunities for growth and improvement. This all hinges on our personal and cumulative vows to our church. We cannot afford to pledge as we have in the past and expect that someone else will make up the difference. We are the someone else. We are the difference.

All the best,

*Sherry Tripodi,
Stewardship Committee Chair*

Stewardship Event Dates

- October 5, 10:30 Stewardship Kick-off Service
- October, 8 6-8pm Lead Donor Dinner
- October, 10 5:30-7 Rising Member Cocktail Hour (for members who pledged for the first time in 2014 and/or increased their pledge in 2014)
- October 12, 10:30 Stewardship Sermon
- November 2, Stewardship Wrap-Up
- Pledge cards available after forum and before and after service October 12, 19, 26; raffle for those who turn in their cards on those dates.

GREATER LAFAYETTE AREA INTER-RELIGIOUS NETWORK 2014-2015 CONVERSATION CIRCLES

The Unitarian Universalist Church of West Lafayette will once again host an Inter-Religious Network (IRN) Conversation Circle for the 2014-2015 Calendar year on Saturday, November 1, 2014, 6 pm, 101/103.

6pm events will include a full meal, typically Turkish cuisine. 7pm events will be less formal on the meal, and we'll have pizza. UU Members and friends are encouraged to attend and participate. UU will provide the table service; everything else will be brought in. Questions can be directed to Rev. Charlie Davis, uurevcharlie@aol.com. These dinners will also take place at Congress St. UMC, 2010 Congress St.; Lafayette, IN 47905, Rev. Clarinda Crawford. Use west parking lot and doors, go down the stairs.



INTERFAITH SERVICE & ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MEAL SUNDAY NOV. 23 2014 4-5PM ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CENTER AT PURDUE SANCTUARY

We are seeking diversity in thought, word, and music for participation. If your faith community is interested, please contact Rev. Charlie Davis, uurevcharlie@aol.com.

Following the service, St. Tom's Annual Thanksgiving meal takes place. All are invited to attend. To plan appropriately, please RSVP to this invitation or stay tuned to: www.facebook.com/interreligiousnetwork for the event invitation.

There will be a special time for collection of non-perishable items and financial donations for Food Finders Food Bank. Thank you!!

ADULT RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION (A-REC) & OTHER CHURCH EVENTS

BUDDHISM DISCUSSION GROUP

If you are interested in exploring Buddhist topics with a newly forming group led by someone who has studied Tibetan Buddhism for 25 years, now is your chance! Monica Ward is offering a Buddhism discussion group on the 1st and 3rd Mondays each month. The meetings are from 6 pm to 6:55 pm in Room 101/103 (before Monday Meditation begins at 7 pm). As Monica states: "The intention for this study group is for a coming together of individuals who want to explore Buddhist topics and learn from one another through readings, videos and discussions. Brief experiential practices such as chanting, guided imagery, music, etc. may also be shared with one another. The topics, materials and practices will be decided upon by group consensus. Participants are free to drop in at any time and should not feel the need to prepare or have read ahead of time. Everyone is welcome to bring materials to share or ideas and questions to explore." For more information, contact Monica: strongflower13@yahoo.com. This free discussion group is sponsored by the Adult Religious Exploration Council.

MONDAY MEDITATION

Have you wondered what it might be like to meditate with a group? Here's an easy way to test the waters - come and give it a try with the friendly group that gathers on Monday nights at 7 pm in room 101/103. Monday Meditation is sponsored by the Adult Religious Exploration Council. You'll find more information on the Monday Meditation Facebook page and also at <http://www.meetup.com/west-lafayette-Buddhist-study/>. Contact person is jrschust@gmail.com.

WEST LAFAYETTE ZEN GROUP

We meet each Thursday in the Unitarian Universalist Church Meditation Room at 5:30 p.m. for Zazen sitting, chanting and reading, also Saturday mornings at 8:00 a.m.

"YOU CAN'T PUT GOD IN A BOX: THOUGHTFUL SPIRITUALITY IN A RATIONAL AGE" AUTHOR VISIT BY KELLY BESECKE! SUNDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER 2014 12:30 PM, ROOM 101/103

Please join us for a discussion of "You Can't Put God in a Box" with author Kelly Besecke, **Sept. 28 at 12:30 pm in room 101/103**. With the loss of religious certainty which prevailed in pre-modern times, some people embraced religious fundamentalism and others shunned religion altogether. This book focuses on those spiritual seekers who found a "middle way" which draws equally on religious traditions and traditions of reason. They prefer metaphor to literalism and spiritual experience to doctrinal belief. Bring your lunch! You don't have to have read the book to attend and enjoy her talk!

THE TWENTY MINUTE TUNE-UP CONTINUES!

Please join us for this Taoist Immortal Internal Exercise 8 Week Class taught by Master Jason Argos. The next session **begins Thursday, 2 October 2014, 6:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m., through Thursday, 13 November, UUC Room 101/103. \$55 for 8 classes, to be paid at first class.** Exercise level set for seniors; all ages welcome. During the first 20 minutes Master Argos will guide you through 16 exercises from the book, "Xing Yi Nei Gong" by Tim Cartmell (book is recommended but not required). During the last 10 minutes of each session Jason will share a powerful form of a technique known as bone marrow washing which is performed while standing still; this is thought to deter arthritis. As you become familiar with the 16 movements Jason will share more Nei Gong from his decades of Xing Yi study. Xing Yi and bone marrow washing, brought to China by Bodhidharma, has been passed down from ancient times. Possible benefits of this practice include:

- Improved kidney function
- Removes toxins and increases bone mineral density
- Eases arthritis symptoms
- Improved cardiopulmonary fitness
- Normalizes blood pressure
- Deeper, more restorative sleep
- Maximizes digestion, reduces appetite, reduces waistline
- Improves balance and reduction of falls
- Improves immunity
- Builds core strength and speeds recovery time
- Improves whole body-mind coordination

DRUMMING & DANCE WORKSHOPS

DRUMMING SESSIONS in the West African style facilitated by Sundeep Rao and Robin Pickett of *circaAfrique*! Drumming meets each 2nd Monday at 7:30. **The next regular A-REC Drumming Session: Monday, October 13, 7:30 pm in 101/103.** Bring your drum, bells, shakers, and other percussive instruments. **\$10 donation is requested per session.** RSVP & details: <http://goo.gl/2gw2l>. For information email info@circafrigue.com or call Suzan Windnagel, 765-714-6173 ;or visit Facebook pages for UUC or *CircaAfrique*!



ADULT RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION (A-REC)

FOOTBALL PARKING: AVAILABLE MONEY MAKER!

The Purdue football season has already started. As usual we are parking cars on our property as a way of making money for the church. As we have done for a number of years, groups and committees within the church can volunteer to do the work on a given football Saturday and get part of the proceeds – typically half of that week's take (the other half goes to the church's general treasury). We anticipate large crowds for some games and smaller crowds for others. So the income earned varies, but so does the work load. Two-three people can handle the job on the days when we anticipate a small crowd, while 4-6 people are necessary for some of the larger crowds. Typically someone needs to show up around 9 am to put out signs and the traffic cones. Parking starts in earnest around 10 am and continues through noon (the usual start time for the games; if the game is moved to a later time slot then all start times need to be similarly adjusted). You don't need to be present after the start of the game – drivers are on their own after the game. Typically we park about 10+ cars on a slow day and up to 60 for the biggest games. Parking is \$10.

If you have a group that would like to make some extra money for church activities this fall, contact either Amanda Estes (amandamestes@gmail.com) or Barny Dunning (jdunning@purdue.edu). In the past, game days were allotted on a strictly "first come, first served" basis. To be a bit fairer, we will collect offers to volunteer for specific games through Sept 24 and then assign groups to games as fairly as possible (flipping a coin?). Groups that want to do one of the bigger games need to show they have the "person-power" for the task.

Remaining games include: Sept 27 Iowa (Homecoming, possible large crowd), Oct 11 Michigan State (large crowd, possible later time), Nov 8 Wisconsin (large crowd), Nov 22 Northwestern (small crowd).

Building Your Own Theology

Back by Popular Demand

An Eight - Week Exploration Of Your Personal Belief System

BYOT is a program developed by Rev. Richard Gilbert to "provide some tools for building a theology based on materials of individual life experiences". Each person who participates in this exploration will come away with a deeper understanding of what the basis is for her or his beliefs.

Facilitator: Ellen Germann

Where: Unitarian Universalist Church

333 Meridian St, West Lafayette

Room 101/103

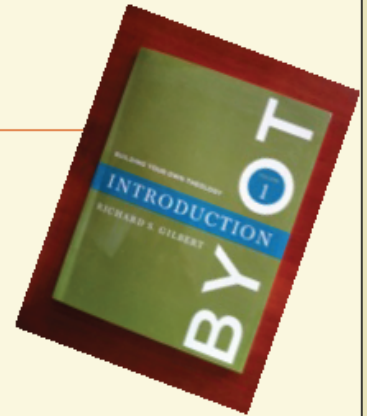
Times: Sundays from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Starting September 21, 2014

Other: Each participant can purchase (\$20) or borrow a copy of the BYOT book.

Attending is free!

Register: Call or email Ellen Germann at (765) 838-2838 or ecgermann@earthlink.net



*Limited to 12 participants.
So register soon!*

BUILDING YOUR OWN THEOLOGY EIGHT WEEKLY SESSIONS

Began Sunday September 21, 2014, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Register with Ellen Germann, ecgermann@earthlink.net

Join us for this exciting and thought-provoking course based on the work of Richard Gilbert and facilitated by Ellen Germann. Focused on the assumption that everyone is their own theologian, this classic Unitarian Universalist adult education program invites participants to develop their personal credos, fundamental religious beliefs, values and convictions that inform and direct the living of their lives. Purchase the BYOT workbook for \$20 or borrow a copy. Location is Room 101/103 at UUC. Limited to 12 participants so register soon!



BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, 14 OCTOBER, 2014

Board Meetings take place each second Tuesday at 6:30 pm in Conference Room 101/103, next on **Tuesday, 14 October 2014**. Church members are welcome to attend and are encouraged to speak with members of the Board of Trustees regarding congregational questions and concerns.



September - October Calendar 2014

September 26, Friday

Rosh Hashana (ends sunset)

Strolling Singers (S)

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

27, Saturday

8:00 AM Zen M

28, Sunday

9:00 AM Forum (101/103):

10:30 AM Worship & RE

12:30 PM A-REC : Author Kelly Besecke visits: "You Can't Put God in a Box: Thoughtful Spirituality in a Rational

Age."(101/103) Bring bag lunch, munchies provided! (101/103)

4:00 PM A-REC: BUILDING YOUR OWN THEOLOGY PART I (9.21-11.09; 101/103)

29, Monday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

7:00 PM Meeting (anon FH)

7:00 PM Strolling Singers (S)

30, Tuesday

1:00 PM Old Path White Clouds (101/103)

7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S)

October 1, Wednesday

Rev. Davis Study Leave TBA

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)

6:00 PM Meeting (anon.), 101/103

2, Thursday

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

6:00 PM Finance Committee (104)

6:15 PM "The Twenty Minute Tune-Up" Taoist Immortal Internal Exercise based on Xing Yi Nei Gong Movements; taught by Master Jason Argos 6:15-6:45 PM (101/103)

7:00 PM Strolling Singers (S)

3, Friday

Feast of Hunters' Moon Weekend Begins Tomorrow

Yom Kippur/Day of Atonement (begins sunset)

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

6:30 PM PRYSM (102)

7:00 PM Strolling Singers (S)

4, Saturday

Feast of Hunters' Moon

Yom Kippur/Day of Atonement (ends sunset)

8:00 AM Caring Paws Evaluations (Office Wing)

8:00 AM West Lafayette Puja Society Durga Puja (FH, S, Kitchen; all day event)

8:00 AM Zen M

5, Sunday

Feast of Hunters' Moon

9:00 AM Forum (101/103):

10:30 AM Worship & RE

11:45 AM POTLUCK SUNDAY!

12:00 PM UU Membership Class: Exploring Membership:

Participating at UUC, West Lafayette (104)

4:00 PM A-REC: BUILDING YOUR OWN THEOLOGY PART I (9.21-11.09; 101/103)

7:30 PM Lafayette Area Peace Coalition 101/103

6, Monday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

1:30 PM Writers' Group 101/103

6:00 PM Buddhism Discussion Group with Monica Ward (101/103, First & third Mondays)

7:00 PM Meeting (anon FH)

7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101/103)

7:00 PM Strolling Singers (S)

7, Tuesday

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

1:00 PM Old Path White Clouds (101/103)

6:00 PM Program Council (101/103)

7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S)

8, Wednesday

Sukkot (begins sunset)

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

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

6:00 PM Meeting (anon.), 101/103

6:00 PM Stewardship: Leadership Dinner (FH)

9, Thursday

5:30 PM Worship Committee (106)

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

6:15 PM "The Twenty Minute Tune-Up" Taoist Immortal Internal Exercise based on Xing Yi Nei Gong Movements; taught by Master Jason Argos 6:15-6:45 PM (101/103)

7:00 PM Social Justice Committee Meeting (104)

7:00 PM Strolling Singers (S)

10, Friday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

5:30 PM Stewardship: Rising Members Cocktail Hour (Playground, weather permitting, or FH)

7:00 PM Strolling Singers (S)

*"Eye of newt, and toe of frog,
Wool of bat, and tongue of dog,
Adder's fork, and blind-worm's sting,
Lizard's leg, and owlet's wing, —
For a charm of powerful trouble,
Like a hell-broth boil and bubble.
Double, double toil and trouble
Fire burn, and caldron bubble."*

~ William Shakespeare

1564-1616

