

# THE LIGHTED CHALICE

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH, WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA

JULY 2016

## SUNDAY FORUM

*Forum meets at 9 am in Room 101/103.*

*Everyone is welcome. Childcare is provided.*

*Co-chairs: Jim Anderson, Tom McConville, Bill Welge*

### JULY 3

Frank Lloyd Wright, Innovator and Architect  
Kat Braz

An overview of Wright's seven-decade career covering his evolution of architectural style; the five major influences; and the principles of organic architecture that govern his life's work.

### JULY 10

Twice a Refugee; From Danzig to West Lafayette

Ingrid Cleaver & Denise Laussade  
Long-time member, Ingrid Cleaver, shares her story and experience in World War II through the eyes of a child refugee inside Germany, and ultimately as an adult moving to the U.S. after the war.

### JULY 17

The Learning Center and the World Foods & Cultures Program of LSC  
Bruce Hall

The Learning Center is an off-campus, self-contained special education program. Students are junior high school aged children with mental health disorders and educational disabilities. Our World Foods & Cultures program provides introductory skills required in fast food and full-service restaurant settings. Skills taught focus on listening and following directions, working cooperatively with others, basic kitchen safety, purchasing, managing a budget, food preparation and service. In addition, students are expanding their global horizons and culinary palates.

### JULY 24

Stephen Caskey  
ReNEW house Project

Talk will cover three separate phases of work to retrofit an existing house in order to reach net-zero energy, water, and waste.

### JULY 31

Marianne Rose  
President & CEO Community Foundation of Greater Lafayette

## A MONTH OF SUNDAYS

*Sunday Service & Religious Exploration Classes 10:30 a.m.*

*Nursery and childcare available.*

### July 3

#### **BRAIN HEALTH: "Mastery of Mind"**

The study of neuroplasticity reveals that our brains physically change in response to novel experiences and focused leaning exercises. This has strong implications for both free will and healing.

Preacher: Bill Welge

Worship Associate: Dianna Poindexter

Music: Richard Madux, Spontaneous Hopeful

Sound: Gary Mueller

Pulpit prep: Nina Kirkpatrick

Children begin in room 101/103

### July 10

#### **WADING IN THE WATER**

Volunteer burnout is a concern in all churches and agencies that rely on members or a group of faithful, dedicated volunteers. What can we do to ensure sharing our time and talents are life giving rather than draining and exhausting? Dorothy will detail her journey from quiet "invisible" member to board president and what kept her motivated to be more deeply involved the church.

Preacher: Dorothy Hughes

Worship Associate: Kris Taylor

Music: Janine Cochran

Sound: Carl Seese

Pulpit prep: Nina Kirkpatrick

Children begin in room 101/103

### July 17

#### **INFINITUDE AND SPIRITUALITY**

How do you understand infinity? Is your relationship with infinity personal or impersonal? Is infinity a friend or an enemy? Is the infinite authoritarian or egalitarian? Infinitude is what we believe is out there. Spirituality is how we practice infinitude in our life.

Preacher: Rev. Charlie Davis

Worship Associate: Dorothy Hughes

Music: Janice Thiel

Sound: Gary Fowler

Pulpit prep: Nina Kirkpatrick

Children begin in room 101/103

### July 24

#### **SENSUAL EMOTIONS**

Sensual emotions are tied to the pleasure and pain centers of the brain. To experience pleasure is to be glad. To lose pleasure or experience pain is to be sad. To anticipate pleasure is desire. Our ability to recognize and manage these emotions is a spiritual challenge.

Preacher: Rev. Charlie Davis

Worship Associate: Bill Welge

Music: Janine Cochran

Sound: Mary Finley

Pulpit prep: Bill Welge

Children begin in room 101/103

### July 31

#### **MORAL EMOTIONS**

Moral emotions are tied to our sense of justice. When we experience injustice we feel angry. When we do not expect justice we experience nihilism. Hope is the expectation of justice. When we experience justice we are grateful and gracious. Sensual emotion are about how we feel personally. Moral emotions are dependent upon our empathy for groups larger than ourselves.

Preacher: Rev. Charlie Davis

Worship Associate: Don Gresham

Music: Janine Cochran

Sound: Dan Lybrook

#### **Celebrating Karin Bergman's Many Years as Office Administrator!**

During July we are collecting donations from congregants and friends to be given to Karin at a reception which is being planned in her honor. This will be our farewell gift to Karin.

Envelopes labeled with her name will be in the pews each Sunday in July. You may place a donation in the envelope, and put it into the collection plate. Donations may also be given to Dianna Poindexter who is organizing the reception. A Thank You card will be available also.

If you have questions, or would like to help with the reception, please contact Dianna at diannalynn@outlook.com or 765-427-4015.

## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Dorothy Hughes, Board President  
[djhughesLMHC@gmail.com](mailto:djhughesLMHC@gmail.com)  
765-237-7652

First, I want to thank our board members who completed their terms on May 31, 2016. Gale Charlotte, past president; Kim Smith, treasurer; and Tim Martinez, trustee. They all shared their unique gifts in ways that improved our church. Randy Myer moved from assistant treasurer to president elect and Jean Herr moved from secretary to trustee. Beth Misner moved off nominating committee and Denise Laussade finished her term on endowment. Kim Smith agreed to chair the Stewardship Campaign. My heart felt thanks to them for their continued dedication to our congregation. Please take a moment to thank them for their years of dedicated service to our congregation.

### Updates on initiatives:

#### **Committees:**

I thank the current chairs and members of all the active committees in our church. We currently have openings for chair of Adult Religious Council and Membership. Please contact me or Rev. Davis if you are interested to learn more about these positions.

#### **Board:**

Our elected assistant treasurer is unable to fulfill the duties of that position. Kirsten Reynolds has graciously agreed to serve in an interim capacity through December 2016. The nominating committee will be working to find a replacement to serve out the remainder of the two year term. If you are detail oriented and would like to know more about what this position entails, feel free to contact me, Randy Myer, or Rev. Davis.

#### **Building Use:**

Five months into the year, building use revenue is over 100% of its budgeted revenue. Please let your family, friends, and colleagues know about the availability of our meeting rooms, sanctuary and fellowship hall, all at costs very competitive to other venues. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

#### **One Stop Shop for Church PR:**

Alice Pawley and Steve Moss have reformatted the PR notification system on our website to make it more user friendly. If you have any church related announcement, please take advantage of this online tool. It allows you to select multiple venues for your announcement with ease. If you would like a quick demonstration of this feature, I will be happy to walk you through it. [https://purdue.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_6xvNpToLTqql2sJ](https://purdue.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6xvNpToLTqql2sJ)

#### **Cleaning Crew Update:**

Bill Welge reports from April 1 through mid-June the Cleaning Crew:

Had 15 people participate in cleaning the church for a total of 80 hours

The crew spent \$440 for a vacuum cleaner and cleaning supplies

This initiative saves our church about \$900 each month

The board will review the viability of continuing with the Cleaning Crew for another quarter of the year at the July board 12 board meeting.

Reminder: Board meetings are open to all members of the church. Please notify me in advance so I can assure sufficient seating.

## MINISTER'S MUSING

Infinitude.

What do you think about infinity? Do you call it God or the universe or something else? Is it benevolent, hostile or neutral? These are big questions. It can affect how one approaches life. I have created the following handy dandy chart to help determine one's Infinitude. Circle one statement in each column which most closely reflects your belief. Then draw a line between the two statements.

Infinity is benevolent. Infinity is personal.

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| A. I can change the mind of the infinite.    | 1. Blessings surround us forever.        |
| B. I can send energy to help or harm others. | 2. Everything will turn out okay.        |
| C. I seek harmony with infinity.             | 3. I take the good with the bad.         |
| D. Infinity mystifies me.                    | 4. Life's a battle, then you die.        |
| E. It is what it is.                         | 5. We are meaningless pawns of infinity. |

Infinity is hostile. Infinity is impersonal.

The following lines represent the five basic infinitudes

1--A

Theophilic you believe in a loving God(dess) that answers prayer represented by Matthew 7:7 "Ask and you shall receive. Seek and you shall find. Knock and the door shall opened."

5--A

Thephobic God(dess) fearing as preached by Jonathan Edwards in his 1741 sermon Sinners in the hands of an Angry God "The God that holds you over the pit of Hell, much as one holds a spider or some other loathsome insect over the fire, abhors you and is dreadfully provoked." However, one can beg for forgiveness to change the mind of God.

1--E

Cosmophilic It is a blessing to be alive as represented by this writing from Carl Sagan's 1980 Book Cosmos. "The size and age of the Cosmos are beyond ordinary human understanding. Lost somewhere between immensity and eternity is our tiny planetary home. In a cosmic perspective, most human concerns seem insignificant, even petty. And yet our species is young and curious and brave and shows much promise."

5--E

Cosmophobic Belief that the universe is hostile and life has no purpose.

Every existing thing is born without reason, prolongs itself out of weakness and dies by chance." Jean Paul Sartre.

3--C

Centered. Aristotle's Golden mean. Buddha's Middle path. The Taoist way. The acceptance of paradox and walking between extremes. An open agnosticism, a willingness to test hypotheses.

What connections did you make? How would you define your infinitude?

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Looking Back:

In June, we began our summer workshop series. The students shared their favorite books, made hula hoops, tie-dyed t-shirts, learned about flower identification, and created art masterpieces.

### Looking Forward:

In July, the students will be continue with our summer workshop series as they learn improvisation, drumming, Bollywood, yoga, and participate in a bike rodeo.

### July Workshops:

#### July 3- Improv

When/Where: 10:30-11:30 in room 101

Other Information: Kat Braz will teach us improvisational skills.

#### July 10- Drumming

When/Where: 10:30-11:45 in room 101

Other Information: Adam Rice, and other members of CircAfrique, will lead us in a drumming circle.

#### July 17- Bollywood

When/Where: 10:30-11:45 in room 101

Other Information: Neelu Chawla will teach us some Bollywood moves.

#### July 24- Yoga (Lynn assisting)

When/Where: 10:30-11:45 in room 101

Other Information: Crystal Rose will help us relax with some yoga.

#### July 31- Bike Rodeo

When/Where: 10:30-11:45 outside (weather permitting)

Other Information: Bicycle Lafayette will teach us about bicycle safety and we'll complete an obstacle course. Please bring your bikes and helmets.

### Important Reminders and Upcoming Events:

Volunteering for RE is a fun and rewarding way to serve the church. If you haven't yet, please let me know if you'd like to volunteer for RE for next semester. Remember that training is provided. I will also provide weekly lesson plans/packets and you will always be teaching with a buddy, so you'll meet new friends. Here's the most current information. I am still in need of three shadows and several volunteers. Training will be held on August 14 and 21 from 9-10am or 12-1pm. Please choose one session.

Please see the RE bulletin board in the fellowship hall and <http://regluu.wordpress.com/> for important RE information and announcements. You can also e-mail me at [dreni-colerice@gmail.com](mailto:dreni-colerice@gmail.com).

Feel free to donate a book to the RE library. You can find the link here: <http://tinyurl.com/pt329cy>. Donations are much appreciated to help us build our RE library.

RE Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/pgspcsb>

### JULY FUN RAISER

Need a hairstyle for a special occasion, back to school haircut, or a fresh summer color?

UUCTC will receive 20% of all services rendered (excluding dry haircuts) for the entire month of August when you mention this fundraiser. Services include cuts, colors, highlights, and more!!! Don't forget to mention UU when you book your appointment and remind them when paying for services. Flyers available at UUCTC.

To book appointments: [www.geneveesstudio.com](http://www.geneveesstudio.com) or 765-423-4393.

### JULY CAKE/DESSERT AUCTION

Sunday, July 3, after Potluck

Please bring a cake or dessert to auction off, proceeds will help supplement Outfest and the BLM Open House: Continuing the Discussion September 26. Auction will take place shortly after potluck. Please contact Jada Haughey if you have any questions [ladyjada@hotmail.com](mailto:ladyjada@hotmail.com) or 765-430-3214.

### DOOR CODE CHANGES

Safe Congregation Committee

Robin Poindexter: [rpoindexter@hotmail.com](mailto:rpoindexter@hotmail.com)

As part of its ongoing mission to keep our UU church safe, the Safe Congregation Committee is planning to delete most of the codes that open doors to the church (office wing and Fellowship Hall).

Codes for outside groups that rent or use our space will be changed every year.

However, we do not intend to delete codes currently being used by congregants. If you have a code and still have a need for it (for volunteer work, committee service, etc), please contact Robin Poindexter. He needs to know your name, the code(s) you are using, and why you need it/them.

After August 1, any codes not so claimed will be disabled.

### END OF RAMADAN EID AL-FITR POTLUCK DINNER

July 15th from 7 pm - 10 pm

Eid Mubarak! Join us for the holiday festivities of Eid Al-Fitr to commemorate the end of the fasting month of Ramadan. Eid Al-Fitr is the larger of the two Islamic holidays, and is traditionally spent with family and friends. Favorite dishes and desserts are shared, and children are given small gifts.

We invite you to come celebrate with your Muslim neighbors on Friday, July 15 at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for an all-church potluck dinner. Please bring the favorite foods you love to share with your families, or your favorite Ramadan/Eid recipes. (Please keep your dishes pork-free for our Muslim friends.) Amie Mullikin, [aemullikin@gmail.com](mailto:aemullikin@gmail.com) 765-543-0733.

### UNDER OUR ROOF

Joan Jurich was a regular member of our church until the family moved to Ohio. She was a professor of Child Development and Family Services during her time here at Purdue. Joan sang in church and community choirs. Her daughter, Fran, was active in the UU High School group. Joan passed away May 22, 2016, of cancer.

### ALL-CHURCH RETREAT

This year's All-Church Retreat will take place August 5-7 at Ross Camp. It's We rent out the A-frame, share meals together, take part in workshops. We share a worship service on Sunday morning, enjoy a bonfire, dance, and have plenty of opportunities to just sit and chat. You can come for the day, stay overnight in the A-frame, or set up your tent and camp. **Registration forms due by July 25.**

### SAMPLE CHALICE CIRCLE AT THE UU RETREAT

Chalice circles serve the dual functions of helping people to develop their spirituality while getting to know those in their group on a deeper level. Having completed our first season of Chalice Circles, we will start again in the fall. You can sample the experience of a Chalice Circle at the UU All Church Retreat on Saturday, Aug. 6. Bill Welge, [oxygenphilosophy@gmail.com](mailto:oxygenphilosophy@gmail.com).



# JULY 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>26</b> 9:00 AM Forum (101) 9:45 AM DRE: Office Hours 10:30 AM Worship & RE 6:30 PM Summer Sings UU Fun(d)Raiser (Fellowship Hall)	<b>27</b> 7:30 AM Taiji Qigong (FH) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 7:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (anon FH) 7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101)	<b>28</b> 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S)	<b>29</b> 7:30 AM Taiji Qigong (FH) 9:30 AM Old Tippetcanoe Quilt Guild (FH)	<b>30</b> 5:00 PM Zazen Sitting, Chanting & Reading (M) 5:40 PM Dinner @MCL	<b>1</b> 7:30 AM Taiji Qigong (FH) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH)	<b>2</b> 7:30 AM Zen Meditation (M) 3:00 PM August Vavrus Memorial (S)
<b>3</b> 9:00 AM Forum (101) 9:45 AM DRE: Office Hours 10:30 AM Worship & RE 11:45 AM <b>POTLUCK SUNDAY!</b> 7:30 PM Lafayette Area Peace Coalition (101)	<b>4</b> <b>Independence Day</b> 7:30 AM Taiji Qigong (FH) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 1:30 PM Writers' Group meets (Westminster C-3 Lounge) 7:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (anon FH) 7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101)	<b>5</b> 5:00 PM President's Meeting (Rev. Charlie's Office) 6:00 PM <b>Program Council</b> (First Tuesdays, 101) 7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S)	<b>6</b> 7:30 AM Taiji Qigong (FH)	<b>7</b> 5:00 PM Zazen Sitting, Chanting & Reading (M) 5:40 PM Dinner @MCL 6:00 PM Finance Committee (104)	<b>8</b> 7:30 AM Taiji Qigong (FH) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 2:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal for Carlsen/Corwin Wedding	<b>9</b> 7:30 AM Zen Meditation (M) 10:00 AM Wedding for Carlsen/Corwin Wedding (S)
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