



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 12 JANUARY 2014

26 JANUARY 2014 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Motion was made at the December 15 Congregational Meeting to defer voting on the budget. With the current level of pledges and non-pledge income projected there will be a short fall in revenue for 2014. The estimated \$6357.00 would have to come from the remaining capital funds.

Suggestions for generating non-pledge revenue include:

- Form a group to generate ideas for increasing non-pledge and building use revenue. Mark VanMeeter, Board President, agreed to be the point person; Beth Misner has agreed to be on the committee.
- There will be a brainstorming session in mid-January to explore revenue sources

A congregational meeting will be held Sunday, January 26 to approve the revised budget.

Mark VanMeeter, President, Board of Trustees

JANUARY 12 SUNDAY MORNING FORUM Sara & April Proffitt: *The Story of a Lesbian Couple and Their Family in HJR-6 Indiana*. Sara and April will tell their story of partnership, foster parenting and adopting two young siblings, getting married and being a family. Pictures on the flat screen will help tell their story. Sara Proffitt was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and raised in Lafayette, Indiana. She has a background in Elementary Education and Instructional Design. She lives with her wife April and their 2 children. April Proffitt was born and raised in Pendleton, Indiana. She has a background in Youth Development and Law and Society. She is a Supply Sergeant in the National Guard. April lives with her wife Sara and their two children.

JANUARY 19 SUNDAY MORNING FORUM UU members Jim & Marilyn Anderson will discuss their trip to *Papua, New Guinea*. Jim Anderson is a Professor of Medical Sociology and Health Communication at Purdue. He teaches courses on health care organization & bioethical issues in the U.S. and other countries. Marilyn Anderson is with "Anderson Consulting" a global management and technological consulting organization that employs numerous employees in 48 countries. Forum co-Chairs are Jim Anderson, Tom McConville, and Bill Welge.

JANUARY 12 SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE FOR ALL AGES Worship Leader Rev. Daniel Charles Davis presents "Tattoos." Tattoos have been used in many cultures throughout history. What is their significance in modern life? Worship Associate, Dianna Poindexter. Pianist, Richard Maddux. Fellowship Team Leaders, Beth Misner & Barny Dunning. Sanctuary Preparation, Robin Poindexter. Sound Technician, Dan Noland.

JANUARY 19 SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE Rev. Daniel Charles Davis presents *Bayard Rustin & Civil Rights*. When Martin Luther King, Jr planned the 1963 March on Washington, Bayard Rustin was his Chief Strategist. This openly gay man has largely been forgotten in the civil rights struggle. What is his legacy to day? Worship Associate, Kris Taylor. Pianist, Richard Maddux. Sanctuary Preparation, Michael Lewis. Fellowship Team Leader, Cheryl Fowler. Sound Technician, Jerry Hunley.

TALK AND TOUR ON SECOND SUNDAYS AFTER SERVICE Please join us immediately following service TODAY and each 2nd Sunday 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!

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CHILD AND YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

DRE Sheila Garrett is recovering from knee surgery. RE council members Cheryl Fowler (cherylafowler@gmail.com), Kathy Coder, Rae Schnapp, Frank Arnold, Kirsten Reynolds, and Rev Charlie Davis maybe contacted if you have any questions.

Attention Preschool/ Kindergarten Parents: *The Spirit Play orientation meeting on January 12 right after church has been postponed until next Sunday.* Please join us in the preschool room for about an hour, beginning at noon on Sunday, January 19th . Childcare available and light snacks be provided. Thank you!!

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.

RE Has Volunteer Opportunities for the Spring!

Classroom guides help create the structure for their 1-4th grade class. They begin each period leading the chalice lighting, an optional check-in, and lighting the chalice. They share a short biography of a notable UU and introduce the workshop teacher. After that, they are on hand to help as needed to help out with the workshop. Guide teams for each class work out a schedule on a rotating basis, optimally serving about once per month. Right now, we could use one extra guide in the 1st-2nd grade class. We also need 2-3 helpers for the middle school classroom to be a second adult presence in the room each week.

Workshop rotation teachers share a passion or something they have knowledge about with our 1st-4th graders. Optimally, teachers will volunteer for three weeks, rotating between the three classes (1st-2nd grades meet together). Please let us know if there's something you would like to share, or, if a member of the R.E. council approaches you to teach a workshop, please consider sharing a little of yourself with our kids!

Special Projects: *Clean, re-organize, and help inventory our supplies in the R.E. closets and classrooms *Create Spirit Play story baskets for the preschool room *drive and/or chaperon youth for overnight lock-ins and events sponsored by the district *Help out on Spirit Circle Sundays- extra adult participation and guidance is always welcome *supervise youth volunteering at Family Promise (more info on this exciting new opportunity coming soon!)

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.

January Workshop Rotation Teachers (notable UU's):

Della Willmann- photography (Charles Bierdstadt)
Cindy Gerlach- journalism (Frank Gannett & Margaret Fuller)
Tony Pawli- cartooning (Hans Deutsch & Beatrix Potter)

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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, January 9 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 or .

•**CHANGE FOR CHANGE:** The theme for 2014 is “*Helping Our Community.*” In January& February, UU Church C-4-C will provide funds for bus tokens provided to Lafayette Urban Ministry (LUM) clients.

•**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.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE 2014: ABUNDANT HEARTS, ABUNDANT LIVING Our total is presently \$214,304, with 76% of members' pledge cards having been returned. We are \$6400 short of our proposed budget for 2014. Please, consider filling out a pledge card today—they are located outside the church office. Thank you.

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.

The IRS recognizes the Unitarian Universalist Church as a tax-exempt not-for-profit organization. Our federal tax ID number is 35-6023509.

UU CHURCH OUTDOOR GROUP WINTER ACTIVITIES!

- **Eagle Viewing Trip** - The hot water discharged by the Duke Energy power plant in Cayuga provides a year-round feeding ground for eagles. On Sunday, January 26 Duke opens its doors to visitors for its annual Eagle Viewing Day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. We will carpool to Cayuga after church that day. Please contact Rae Schnapp at [765-714-4829](tel:765-714-4829) if you plan to attend.

Rae Schnapp, Ph.D., Wabash Riverkeeper, [765-714-4829](tel:765-714-4829)

We know what we are, but not what we may be.
-William Shakespeare

He allowed himself to be swayed by his conviction that human beings are not born once and for all on the day their mothers give birth to them, but that life obliges them over and over again to give birth to themselves.

-Gabriel Garcia Márquez, *Love in the Time of Cholera*



January 2014 Calendar



January 10, Friday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson
7:00 PM Joe Peters CD Release Concert! "Last Gasp" by the joedai zombies. Sanctuary & FH reserved

January 11, Saturday

8:00 AM Zen M

January 12, 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)

January 13, Monday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson
 7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101/103)

January 14, Tuesday

1:00 PM Buddhist Study Group (101/103)
 5:30 PM Pastoral Care 106
 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

January 15, Wednesday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson
 12:00 PM "The Principled Group," 101/103
 2:30 PM Girl Scout Troop (FH)
 7:00 PM Choir (S)

January 16, Thursday

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE!
 5:30 PM Zazen Sitting, Chanting & Reading (M)
 7:30 PM SHM (Spontaneous Hopeful Monster) House Band (S) 1st and 3rd Thursdays

January 17, Friday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson
 6:30 PM PRYSM (102)

January 18, Saturday

8:00 AM Zen M
5:30 PM Traveler's Dream Coffee House Concert!

January 19, Sunday

9:00 AM Forum (101/103):
 10:30 AM Worship & RE
4:00 PM Building Your Own Theology: Series of 9 Classes Sundays 4-6pm (101/103)
 4:00 PM UU Photo Group (101/103)

January 20, Monday

PURDUE'S Martin Luther King Day of Service
 7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson
 1:30 PM Writers' Group 106
 5:30 PM Strolling Singers Rehearsal (S)
 7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101/103)

January 21, Tuesday

1:00 PM Buddhist Study Group (101/103)
 6:30 PM BOARD MEETING (3rd Tuesdays, 101/103)
 7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S)

January 22, Wednesday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson
 12:00 PM "The Principled Group," 101/103
 2:30 PM Girl Scout Troop (FH)
6:00 PM A-REC Program: "Journey to Mecca" 45' movie about young Ibn Battutah, 14th c. Muslim Explorer. Discussion to follow lead by Ahmed Idrissi Alami, Director of Purdue's Arabic Program (101/103)
 7:00 PM Choir (S)

January 23, Thursday

5:30 PM A-REC Gathering at Suzan's House
 5:30 PM Zazen Sitting, Chanting & Reading (M)

January 24, Friday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson
 12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

January 25, Saturday

4:00 AM Private Rental, Ugadi Telugu Group 25th Anniversary (FH, K)
 8:00 AM Zen M

We experience ourselves our thoughts and feelings as something separate from the rest. A kind of optical delusion of consciousness. This delusion is a kind of prison for us, restricting us to our personal desires and to affection for a few persons nearest to us.

-Albert Einstein