



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2014

Please join us in the sanctuary immediately following service on Sunday, May 18 for the Spring Congregational Meeting. Quorum of 25% total membership is necessary to pass vote.

The Congregational Meeting will be followed at 2:00 pm by a Memorial Service in the Sanctuary for Frederick (Fritz) Smith, past President, Board of Trustees. A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you.

SUNDAY 20 APRIL

- **FORUM, 9 AM** Jennifer Oden describes "The Home With Hope," the only facility of its kind in the Lafayette area that provides a continuum of care, often following primary treatment or detox for alcoholism and other drug addictions, for men and women age 18 and older. Clients learn how to live their lives as acceptable members of their communities, free from addiction and substance abuse, by providing an environment conducive to recovery. Provided are strict monitoring and structure, case management, random drug and alcohol screening, and the opportunity to seek employment and work in the community. Daily 12-step meeting attendance, acquiring a 12-step sponsor and "home group" within their first 30 days of residency, as well as daily accountability are required. Home With Hope is the May/June beneficiary for "Change for Change."
- **SERVICE, 10:30 AM** Please join us for our Easter Sunday service as Rev. Daniel Charles Davis presents "Resurrection Stories." Easter is one of the many stories of new life in the spring. How can we renew our lives over and over again? Worship Associate, Dianna Poindexter. Pianist, Richard Maddux. Sanctuary Preparation, Robin Poindexter. Fellowship Team Leader, Christine Schertz. Sound Technician, Dan Noland.

SUNDAY 27 APRIL

- **FORUM, 9 AM** Gail Brock presents "Tree Lafayette." Tree Lafayette promotes a healthy community by providing education, leadership, and inspiration in planting and caring for trees. Tree Lafayette's vision is a green and beautiful urban landscape in our community. Gail Brock is President of the organization, which began as "The Lafayette Tree Fund" in 1993, and received 501(c)3 status in 1994.
- **SERVICE, 10:30 AM** Please join us for "Our Internal Web." Worship Leader Michael Lewis looks at the creative process and why, as humans, we feel the need to create. Worship Associate, Kat Braz. Pianist, Richard Maddux. Sound Technician, Gary Mueller. Sanctuary Preparation, Nina Kirkpatrick. Fellowship Team Leader, Suzanne McConville.

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CHILD AND YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

April's Theme: Interdependent Web.

- *Preschool and kindergarten* will be doing Spirit Play. They now have a sand tray as a potential choice for their work!
- *Grade School, 1-4:* Our featured UUs/workshop rotation/rotation order this month:
 - **Transplanting Seedlings- Wabash Riverkeeper, Rae Schnapp** (notable UU: Tim DeChristopher)
 - April 6- grades 1-2, room 110 April 13- 3rd grade, room 112
 - April 20- Spirit Circle/ Canned Food Hunt (**collecting donations in the foyer now!)
 - April 27- 4th grade, room 114
 - **Decorating Pots (potentially for the plant sale)- Tony Pawli**
 - April 6-3rd grade, room 112
 - April 13-4th grade, room 114
 - April 20- Spirit Circle/ Canned Food Hunt (**collecting donations in the foyer now!) April 27- grades 1-2, room 110
 - **Signs of Spring Hike (*dress for the weather!!)- Barny Dunning**
 - April 6- 4th grade, room 114
 - April 13- grades 1-2, room 110
 - April 20- Spirit Circle/ Canned Food Hunt (**collecting donations in the foyer now!) April 27- 3rd grade, room 112
- ** Please dress appropriately for activities. In the event of inclement weather conditions, an alternate activity will be substituted for Barny's nature hike*
- ****Donations for the canned food hunt will go to Food Finders Community Pantry**
 - *Youth 5-8:* will continue with Questing Year
 - *High School Youth:* will be discussing a variety of self chosen topics and painting a table
 - *All youth:* We still need volunteers for Family Promise through June 1st. Contact Sheila dresheila@gmail.com if you can help!!
- *****Save the Date***** RE Council is sponsoring a parent coffee for parents of preschool- 4th grade aged children on Sunday, April 27th from 9:30-10:15 in the "re corner" of the fellowship hall near the playground. Childcare workers will be on hand to supervise kids on the playground. There will be a pizza lunch and meeting for middle school students, grades 5-8, and their parents immediately after church at noon in 101-03. Please try to come if you can—we need your feedback and in return, we have information for you!

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, May 8 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 March and April, all coins in the collection plate will be donated to the YWCA's *"Domestic Violence Intervention and Prevention Program."* Domestic violence can take many forms: verbal, emotional, intimidations, threats, isolation, economic, sexual, physical, and the abuse of neglect. The YWCA's 501(c)3 Domestic Violence Program operates with assistance from both public and private funds.

•**WOMEN'S SHELTER COLLECTION** The UU Church at all times has a bin located in the Fellowship Hall to collect items for the local Women's Shelter. Please consider donating new underwear for women and children (all sizes), shirts for women (all sizes), pens, hand sanitizer, small pocket memo pads. Thank you.

DE-TRASH THE WABASH SATURDAY APRIL 19, 2014, 9 A.M-1 P.M Meet at Riverside Skate Center in Tapawingo Park. There is FREE PARKING in the Wabash Landing Garage. Volunteers get a FREE T-SHIRT! New this year – Photo Contest! Volunteers should wear long pants, long sleeves and sturdy shoes or boots. Bring your own refillable water bottle. **Who Can Participate? EVERYONE! Neighborhoods, Businesses, Schools, Girl & Boy Scouts, 4-H Groups, Churches, Families, Individuals, Fraternities, Sororities...** Pizza Party at NOON at the Riverside Skate Center! For more information, **visit the website at:** www.De-TrashtheWabash.us, call the Wabash Riverkeeper at 765-714-4829 or find us [on Facebook](#). **Thanks for your help in getting the word out!** Rae Schnapp, Ph.D., Wabash Riverkeeper, 765-714-4829.

RUMMAGE SALE COMING SATURDAY MAY 10! The youth will begin accepting donations of gently used baby and toddler clothes, toys, books, power tools, sporting equipment, bicycles, electronics, jewelry, furniture, household items, and unused beauty products for the UU Rummage Sale beginning Sunday, April 13. We will be storing donations in the attic room above the Fellowship Hall in preparation for the sale. **If you need assistance unloading anything from your vehicle, youth will be on hand to help immediately following service on April 13, 27, and May 4. Deadline for donations is Wednesday, May 7.** If you have more valuable items or larger items/furniture to donate, please make arrangements with Kat Braz before dropping it off at the church. We hope to see everyone at the sale in the UU **Fellowship Hall on Saturday May 10 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.!** If you would like to help sort and price items, set-up, work the sale, tear-down, and/or haul away please contact Kat Braz at kat@purdue.edu or 532-9678.

THE PRINCIPLED GROUP: NEW BOOK OFFERED FOR DISCUSSION The Principled Group will be starting a new book discussion on Wednesday, April 30 and consecutive Wednesdays subsequent to that at noon in Room 101/103. The new selection is, "A Brief History of Everything" by modern philosopher, Ken Wilber. This "is an altogether friendly and accessible account of men and women's place in a universe of sex, soul and spirit, written by an author of which New York Times reporter Tony Schwartz says: *'No one has described the path to wisdom better than Ken Wilber.'* " If you would like to join us for discussions of this book, please contact Peggy Martin at OLDCROW2643@yahoo.com to **register no later than April 16th.** Peggy can also order a copy of the book for you for \$14.

UU FLAMES SOFTBALL TEAM! Now that Spring has finally arrived, it's time to start thinking about softball! If you are interested in joining the UU Flames co-ed softball team, please contact Mark VanMeeter (765-448-9807 or mvanmeeter@comcast.net). The League play will begin on May 5th. Last season the UU Flames finished an exciting run in 4th place, winning 4 games as well as 2 in the closing tournament! Come help start this season out right with an **exciting tie-dye party Sunday, April 27 immediately after church in the Fellowship Hall!** For further information about the tie-dye party, contact team artist Cindy Krulitz, ckrulitz@gmail.com.

ALL CHURCH SPRING CLEANING WORK DAY SUNDAY MAY 4! This will mainly be an outdoor activity, taking place after potluck **Sunday May 4 from noon until 3pm or thereabouts**. We want the grounds to be as attractive as possible before the plant sale so that our visitors will be extra impressed. We will clean up and spruce up the church grounds and do some building maintenance as well. Please bring or wear old clothes and work gloves if you can. **We can use: rakes, leaf blowers, trowels, paint brushes, paint rollers, hacksaw, drill, and caulk guns.** For further information, contact Exteriors Committee Chairperson, Rae Schnapp, Ph.D., Wabash Riverkeeper at raeschnapp@gmail.com, 765-714-4829.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

- **THE CONVERSATION PROJECT: MAKING OUR WISHES KNOWN - GIVE A GIFT TO YOUR LOVED ONES!** What would you want if all of the sudden you were taken to the Intensive Care Unit of the hospital? Does your family know? Does anyone know? If you were headed into major surgery and someone would need to “speak” for you afterward even for part of a day...or longer...would s/he know what to say?

There are a million reasons to avoid having the conversation. “I’m not sick!” “I’m too young to think about things like this.” “I’m living to 100!” or, “I just don’t know how to get the conversation started...it’s uncomfortable.”

We can help with this last one! Join us for The Conversation Project.

Part I	May 8th	10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Or 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Part II	May 15th	10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Or 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Limited to 30 participants so register by calling Karin Bergman at 765-743-8812 or email her at uuc@uulafayette.org.

We’ll have documents to lead the process, a facilitator from A-REC to manage the time, a couple of short videos, personal stories, activities to help identify our wishes and time to share (if we wish) our thoughts, ideas and questions.

The Conversation Project was started by Ellen Goodman (Pulitzer Prize winning columnist) and colleagues after experiencing the confusion, pain and grief of trying to help a family member or friend during a critical time....not knowing what the person really wanted. They vowed to let someone know their wishes so the same thing wouldn’t happen to others they loved. In doing so they decided to share what they learned and tools for having much needed conversation. They (and we) believe that the place for this to begin is at the kitchen table (or on a walk, or wherever) with the people we love, before it’s too late. Hope you join us on May 8th and 15th. *Suzan Windnagel. Sponsored and facilitated by UUC’s Adult Religious Exploration Council.*

- **DRUMMING SESSIONS** in the West African style are facilitated by Sundeep Rao and Robin Pickett of circAfrique, each 2nd Tuesday of the month. The next session will be held **May 13, 2014 from 7:30-9:00 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> or information email info@circafrique.com or call Suzan Windnagel, 765-714-6173 or via Facebook pages for UUC or CircAfrique!

THE UUC PLANT SALE will be **Saturday, May 17 from 9am-noon**, in the front yard of the UUC. We will have vegetables, herbs and flowers. This is a total church effort that relies on church members donating plants from their gardens, or seeds that have been started indoors. Please begin planning for your donations, so we have a successful fundraiser. Please pass the word to friends and family. Plants are to be dropped off the week before the sale. Pots will be available in the playground area. More details to follow as we get closer to the date. We will need volunteers the day of the sale and a few days before to help sort and price plants. Contact Lisa Pantea, lisapantea@gmail.com, or Beth Misner, misner13@frontier.com.

UU CHURCH PICNIC HAPPY HOLLOW PARK SHELTER #1, JUNE 1 AFTER CHURCH! Come join us immediately following service on Sunday, June 1 at the Happy Hollow Park, Shelter #1 for the annual all church picnic (in lieu of the potluck regularly scheduled for first Sundays). Bring dish to pass, we will supply drinks and hot dogs, cutlery, plates. Bring friends, family, dogs, Frisbees, balls, bats, croquet, whatever to help us have fun! Fellowship group that Sunday will be asked to help at the picnic. The picnic will disperse at 3pm. For further information contact Lisa Pantea, event coordinator, at Lisapantea@gmail.com. Thanks—hope to see you there!

UU GOODWILL CLOTHING DRIVE Spring cleaning is the annual ritual of cleaning our homes top to bottom. As Unitarian Universalists, this ritual also means sharing our abundance with those in need. As you sort through your closets and drawers this spring, put your gently used garments aside for the UU Goodwill Clothing Drive, held this year from **JUNE 1 to JUNE 8**. The vouchers we receive for each bag of clothing go to LUM, Carey Home for Children, the YWCA Woman's Shelter, and Family Promise. For more information contact Susanne McConville, 765-477-0344 or mconville1200@comcast.net.

MONDAY MEDITATION The Monday Meditation group meets each Monday evening at the UU Church from 7pm until 8:15ish. Details of the current “routine,” which includes a 40 minute group meditation in silence, are available. The group ranges from 3 to 20 attendees. Many thanks to Jody Tishmack for stepping forth to become a new Meditation Group Leader. Thanks also to Janice Schuster and Larry Hicks, who have facilitated the group for years and continue to serve as mentors, as well as to others, most recently Joe Peters, who have volunteered as leaders as well. Further information is available from jrschust@gmail.com.

“The first peace, which is the most important, is that which comes within the souls of people when they realize their relationship, their oneness with the universe and all its powers, and when they realize at the center of the universe dwells the Great Spirit, and that its center is really everywhere, it is within each of us.” ~Black Elk, Oglala Sioux

“Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song.” Pope John Paul II

“Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.” John 11:25.

“You were born a child of light’s wonderful secret— you return to the beauty you have always been.”~Aberjhani, Visions of a Skylark Dressed in Black

April-May 2014

April 18, GOOD FRIDAY

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

6:30 PM PRYSM (102)

19, Saturday

8:00 AM Zen M

10:00 AM Meditation Workshop with Jason Kniola (101/103)

20, EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 AM Forum (101/103):

10:30 AM Worship & RE

4:00 PM UU Photo Group (101/103)

21, Monday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

1:30 PM Writers' Group 101/103

5:30 PM Strolling Singers Rehearsal (S)

6:00 PM Summer Planning Group (102)

7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101/103)

22, Tuesday

Passover/Pesach (ends at sunset)

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

6:30 PM Committee on Ministry (101/103)

7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S)

23, Wednesday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

10:00 AM A-REC Meeting (101/103)

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

2:30 PM Girl Scout Troop (FH)

7:00 PM Choir (S)

24, Thursday

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

6:00 PM Membership Committee Meeting: Sallie Cooke, Chairperson (104)

25, Friday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

26, Saturday

Possible Young Adult Coffeehouse/Open house (Playground & 210)

8:00 AM Zen M

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

27, Sunday

UU FLAMES SOFT-BALL TEAM TIE-DYE PARTY following service (FH)

9:00 AM Forum (101/103):

10:30 AM Worship & RE

1:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers Rehearsal (S)

28, Monday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

5:30 PM Hold for possible Qi Gong session, 5:30-7:00 pm 101/103

5:30 PM Strolling Singers Rehearsal (S)

7:00 PM Monday Meditation MEETS TONIGHT (101/103)!

29, Tuesday

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

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

30, 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)

May 1, 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

2, Friday

7:30 AM Taiji Qigong with Lisa Peterson

12:00 PM Meeting (FH)

5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal

6:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers Rehearsal (S)

6:30 PM PRYSM (102)

3, Saturday

8:00 AM Zen M

2:00 PM Emily Grey WEDDING

6:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers Rehearsal

8:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers Concert (S);
Rehearsal at 1pm, concert at 3, reception in Fellowship Hall and Kitchen

4, Sunday

UU GROUNDS CLEAN-UP DAY DURING & AFTER POTLUCK!

9:00 AM Forum (101/103):

10:30 AM Worship & **RE SUNDAY**

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

7:30 PM Lafayette Area Peace Coalition 101/103

"The death of a dream can in fact serve as the vehicle that endows it with new form, with reinvigorated substance, a fresh flow of ideas, and splendidly revitalized color. In short, the power of a certain kind of dream is such that death need not indicate finality at all but rather signify a metaphysical and metaphorical leap forward."

~Aberjhani, *The River of Winged Dreams*