



Lighted Chalice

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Human beings are a storytelling species. From our earliest evolution we separated our selves from other species by gathering around a fire. Listening to one another built community. Stories, songs, and dances around the fire gave us our humanity and the beginnings of religion. The words “religion” and “ligament” have the same Latin root which means to tie together. In recent months some have experienced our community as

coming apart. To help us reconnect the Committee on Ministry is forming “listening circles” This is to help us re-learn the art of listening.

We live in the age of streaming. We dip into the rapids as they rush by and fish

out some data, then consume it or throw it back. We also throw our data and our waste into the stream. Our relationship is to the stream of memes and not to each other.

Listening circles give us a chance to gather around our sacred chalice flame. We can practice being human again. Please take this opportunity to listen to one another and learn what is most important in life.

The Listening Circles are a one-off activity based on the Chalice Circle

model, where we will come together to engage in deep listening as we address questions like, what makes this congregation a welcoming place and what do I do to make others feel welcome, or what sustains me in this congregation and what do I do to sustain the congregation. Those who would like to take part in a Listening Circle will have three opportunities to participate: :

Sunday, May 13th at 12:00pm

Saturday, May 19th at 2:00pm

Wednesday, May 23rd at 7:00pm

Additional circles can be added as needed.

For those who would rather come together in movement than words, there will also be a Dancing Circle on Saturday, May 19th at 2:00.

Registration will take place in the Fellowship Hall after service, starting on Sunday, April 22nd.

Anyone who would like to know more can contact:

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Transparency and Access

To offer greater transparency to our church members and pledging friends, we have begun to make more documents, including the minutes from Board, Congregational, and Program Council meetings, financial reports, and minister and DRE reports, available on our website.

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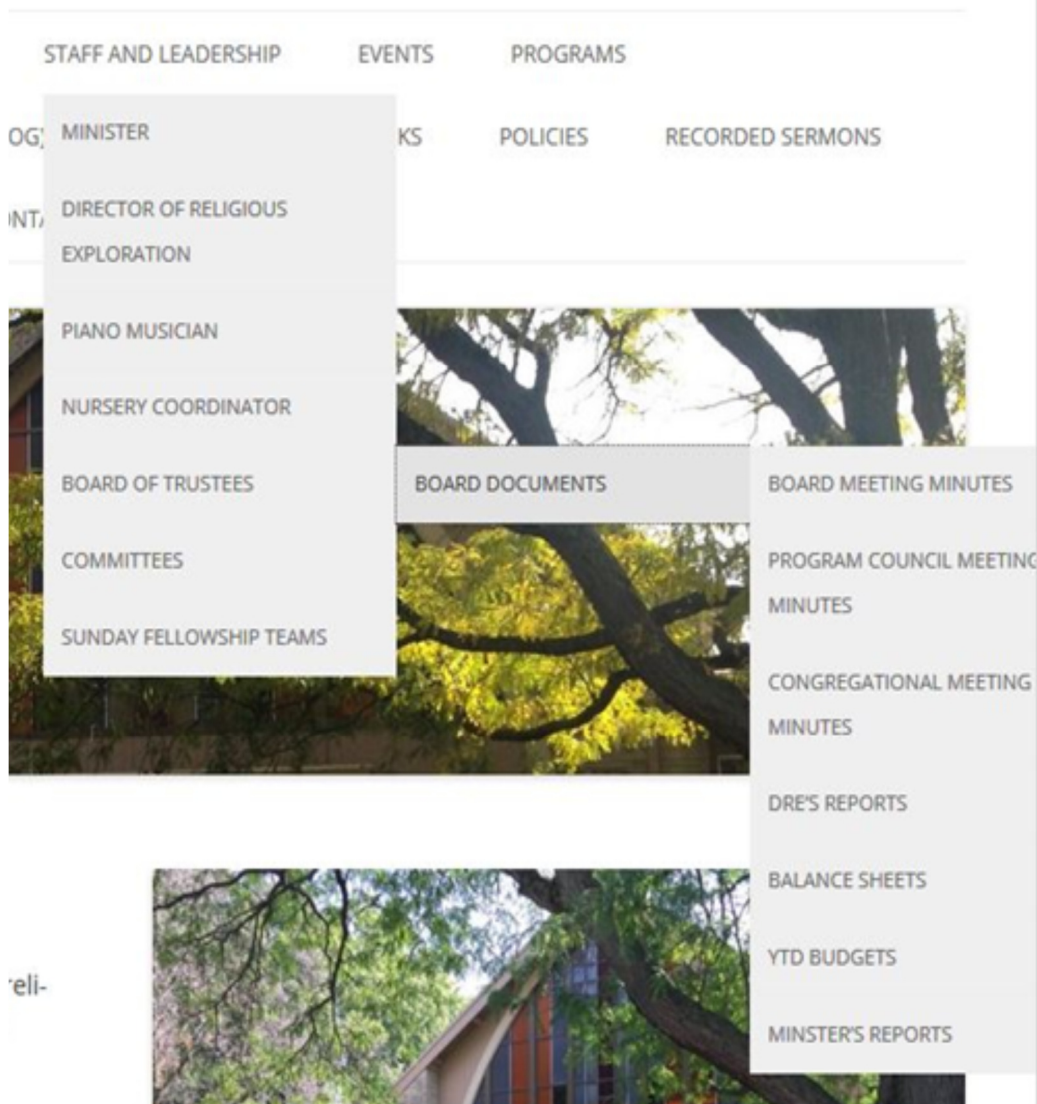
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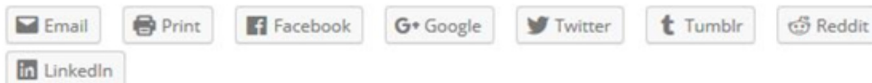
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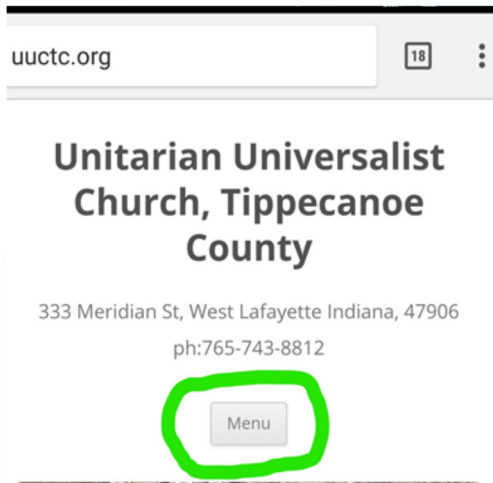


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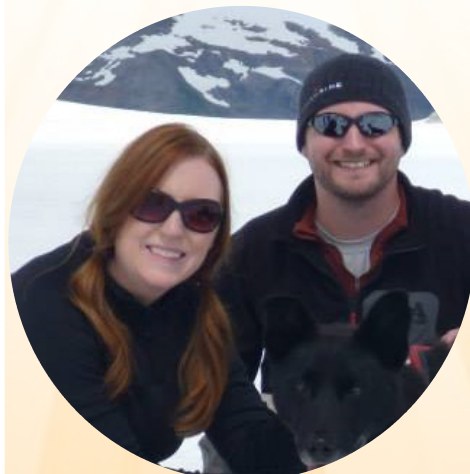
- May 8th UUCTC Board Meeting
- May 13th Listening Circles at 12:00pm
- May 19th Listening Circles at 2:00pm
Dancing Circle at 2:00pm
- May 20th Congregational Meeting
- May 23rd Listening Circles at 7:00pm

Mark Your Calendar!

Goodbye

To the people of UUC, I have been so honored to be a part of your community for the past few years. Although demands on my schedule have made it necessary for me to resign my position playing here for you, please know that it is with a heavy heart that I do so. I have appreciated so much those that have shared kind comments with me throughout the last few years and the generous support of the amazing musicians in this congregation. I have grown as a person and musician through the experience of spending time with the UUC community and have nothing but respect, gratitude and love for you all.

With my sincere appreciation,
Janine



Looking Through the Johari Window

The past year has been an exercise in poor communication, which has resulted in anger, sadness, and a lack of trust. When faced with such events, I find it helpful to review things I thought I knew but somehow let slip away. 35 years ago when I was in college, I was introduced to the concept of the Johari window.

This concept was developed in 1955 by Joseph Luft, "Jo" and Harrison Ingham, "Hari".

We often believe we are communicating directly with one another and fail to see that all the messages we give and receive are filtered by a Johari window.

We assume that all communication is in an open arena where everything is known to everybody. But we should always be aware of the other three quadrants in the window.

First is our own blind spot. There are things about ourselves that others perceive or know that interfere with our communication. By definition it is hard to see one's own blind spot. After a meeting, it might be good to

ask a trusted friend "How did I come across in the meeting?" You may have been trying to be clear and kind, but your actions and the words you said might have seemed opinionated and patronizing. You may have been confused and merely asking a clarifying question but your tone and your manner appeared to be

showing the work behind them. One must be willing to let people behind the facade if you wish them to understand how you came to your conclusions. If our facade is not supported by an underlying truth we are as false as a movie set that is only the facades.

Sometimes there are things that are unknown to everybody in a situation. In our case, there may be systematic flaws in the sabbatical system that enhance tensions between congregations and ministers. How were our personal conversations impacted by the national polarization, hostility and volatility? There may have been forces at play in our conflict

that were bigger than any of our actions or intentions.

Sometimes when we are going through a difficult time we are tempted to say, "It is what it is."

The Johari Window suggests that nothing ever is only what it is. Our actions require self examination. It is the only way we can learn from experience.

Blessings,
Rev. Charlie

Johari Window

	Known to self	Not known to self
Known to others	Arena	Blind Spot
Not Known to Others	Façade	Unknown

subversive and mean spirited. Finding one's blind spot requires being able to hear uncomfortable truths about oneself and having a friend brave enough to tell you .

Naturally, we always try to present our ideas in the best light. So there is always some information we leave out. There is always a facade. Sometimes its is just expressing our conclusions without

BUILDING SOLID RELATIONS FOR LASTING SUCCESS

Submitted By Committee of Ministry

Introducing your Healthy Communities Team in 2009, the church adopted the Covenant for a Healthy Community to help us better manage conflicts within the congregation. You can find a copy of the Covenant on the church website at www.uuctc.org/policies/conflict-management-procedures-and-guidelines.

The Covenant outlines a set of steps that we as UUs should follow whenever we find ourselves in conflict with other members of the congregation. The first step, of course, is direct dialogue, which at its essence means face-to-face communication. In other words, we should avoid trying to hash out problems via social media or by discussing them with third parties. If you have a conflict with someone, talk to them about it in person.

If that doesn't work, whether your conflict is with a fellow

congregant, a committee, or a member of the staff, then you should contact the Healthy Communities Team for assistance.

The Healthy Communities Team is a committee within the church



whose sole purpose is to help manage interpersonal conflicts between people in our congregation. The members of the committee are:

Mark VanMeeter

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The Committee on Ministry has recently formed the Healthy Communities Team to work on managing conflicts between congregants in the church. We're submitting an article to introduce the team to the rest of the congregation

If you find yourself in conflict, you can contact one of the Team members individually, or email them at (healthycommunities@uuctc.org).

The Healthy Communities Team will do their best to listen carefully to what you have to say, to try to understand the nature of the conflict, and to make recommendations on how they might be able to help. This could include helping you to clarify your own understanding of the conflict and helping you to prepare for a face-to-face meeting with the person or people you are in conflict with. Where appropriate, the Healthy Communities Team might also connect you with a neutral mediator to help manage the conflict.

So get to know your Healthy Communities Team, and please don't be afraid to approach them if you find yourself in conflict with someone else in the congregation.





education and career due to philosophical differences. She happily works at Family Express three days a week.

Lawrence, Crystal's husband, also grew up in Lafayette. He and Crystal married each other twice. He is very content with his career in trucking, especially because it allows him daily time with their infant daughter. The couple would like to eventually relocate to Nashville, TN.

Tom Smith has been married to his wife Sharon for 30 years. They took off several months recently to

He is considering starting an MBA program this fall.

Jessica Rush Leeker was raised in Atlanta by her widowed mother. She earned an MBA in 2011, has lived in Oakland, California and Louisville, Kentucky. While raising her infant son she is working on an MS in Industrial Engineering; she is also pursuing a PhD in Engineering Education. She is a published author of a children's book, "The World Is So Wide".

Our Director of Religious Education, Nicole Rice, provided an overview of religious education and volunteer opportunities for the RE program at UUCTC, followed by as the restaurant UUCTC fundraisers she organizes.

Facilitator, Dorothy Hughes, provided an overview of stewardship at UUCTC and the benefits of membership at UUCTC.

Kirsten Reynolds showed a video that provided the evolution



hike the entire Appalachian Trail. His primary career was as a librarian and he has also worked as a cook, kindergarten teacher and landscaper. They are parents to two grown children.

Eric Leeker grew up in Cincinnati; he came to the Lafayette area when he started college at Purdue in 2010. He was raised and educated as a Catholic. He and his wife Jessica are parents to a baby son, Mason. Eric works as an industrial engineer in Kokomo.

of **how Unitarian and Universalist becoming** "Unitarian Universalists". The speaker on the video gave a concise interpretation of Unitarian Universalism, "Love for All".

We closed the class with each member developing a concise catch phrase of what Unitarian Universalism is so that, when asked, they can give a capsule description to those who ask.

Please extend a warm welcome to the five newest members of our UUCTC family.

Five congregants braved the threat of heavy snows on March 24 to participate in a UUCTC membership class. After a structured getting-acquainted activity, they reviewed the 7 UU principles and were tasked to develop abbreviated phrases to summarize each principle. This was very helpful in anchoring their understanding of them.

The group was schooled on our various elected and open committees, interest groups, fellowship teams, social/fellowship opportunities and annual fundraisers. Long-term member Kathy Coder provided an overview of the UUCTC congregational history. Participants shared more of their personal histories, prior to a delicious lunch provided by Amy French.

Crystal McKinnis grew up in Lafayette, lived temporarily in Nashville, TN and in South Carolina only to return to the Greater Lafayette Area. She is married to Lawrence and they are the proud parents of 8-month-old Tatianna. Crystal walked away from her medical assisting

Religious Education (RE) Director, Nicole Rice

This summer, the RE classes will be creating bucket lists and earning camp badges for participating in weekly adventures and activities. See below for tentative schedule. Please note that the schedule may change.

Please contact Nicole Rice at dre@uuctc.org to: help with any of the below camp activities, serve as a DRE sub (plans provided), volunteer/donate as needed.

RE Camp Schedule:

Indicates DRE sub needed

May 27th- Welcome RE campers to *Bucket List Camp*.

They will create bucket lists of things they want to do/see/accomplish over the summer. We will also begin the playground project. (bucket list badge)

June 3rd- Campers will have a book and board game exchange. This is also the date of our annual UU picnic where we will tie dye shirts. RE yearbooks will be passed out. (tie dye badge)

June 10th- Campers will begin plans for a UU garden that they will work on over the summer months. (gardening badge)

June 11th-15th- Bahá'í *Camp* led by Caity Quinn (world religion

badge) More information about this special, 5-day camp coming soon!!!

June 17th- Campers who attended *Bahai Camp* will perform their skit in front of the congregation.

(acting badge)

June 24th- Campers will get the book and board game challenge and have a chance to design board games of their own. (reading badge and gaming badge)

July 1st- Campers will work on nature themed art projects. (art badge)

July 8th- Campers will complete a service project of some kind. (service badge)

July 15th- Campers will attend a magic carnival. (magic badge)

July 22nd- Campers will have the opportunity to fish and/or birdwatch, possibly at the nearby Celery Bog. (nature badge)

July 29th- Campers will get to participate in our annual Bike Rodeo and go on a group ride around the neighborhood. (bicycling badge)

August 5th- Campers will get to experience an overnight camping trip led by the DRE. (camping badge)



August 12th- This will be the RE meet/greet and volunteer training day. We will have a spirit circle to wrap up the playground project. We will also participate in icebreakers and “getting to know you” activities with the RE volunteers.

August 19th- This will be the second RE meet/greet and volunteer training day. We will have a spirit circle to wrap up the playground project. We will also participate in icebreakers and “getting to know you” activities with the RE volunteers.

August 26th- RE students will begin in RE classrooms and will begin community building.

Volunteer/Supply Needs:



VOLUNTEER

- I need youth to help maintain the gardens, work on the playground project, and help with RE camp activities as needed.
- I need volunteers to help with the above activities. If anybody has talents/resources/community connections in those areas, please contact me.
- I need someone to design camp badges for approximately 30 students in the following areas: bucket list, tie dye, gardening, world religion, acting, reading, gaming, art, service, magic, nature, bicycling, and camping.



**collect
& connect**
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May 12th

Bring your donation of gently used clothing to the Church.

For every 13-gallon bag of clothing donated, Unitarian Universalist Church will receive a Goodwill voucher to distribute to those in need.

Missing something you brought with you to church? Our annual clearing out Lost and Found is right around the corner: items unclaimed by **Monday, May 7** will go to the rummage sale!



UUCTC Community Picnic
June 3rd
Mark your calendars!

Contact Jada Haughey, Membership Chair
For volunteer opportunities,
Membership@uuctc.org

UUCTC May 2018 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 UUCTC Rummage Sale Collections (M) 12:00 PM A/A (FH) 3:30 PM Youth Homework Club 5:30 PM League of Women Voter's of Greater Lafayette Annual Meeting and Dinner (FH &K) 6:00 PM Program Council (First Tuesdays, 101) 7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers Rehearsal (S)	2 UUCTC Rummage Sale Collections (M) 7:30 AM Tai Chi Qi Gong (FH) 6:00 PM Blue Moon Rising Practice (S)	3 UUCTC Rummage Sale Collections (M) 3:30 PM Youth Homework Club 5:00 PM West Lafayette Zen Group (101/103) 6:00 PM Finance Committee (102) 6:00 PM UUCTC SJ--The Greater Lafayette Racial Reconciliation Spring 2018 Community Read 214	4 UUCTC Rummage Sale Collections (M) 7:30 AM Tai Chi Qi Gong (FH) 12:00 PM A/A (FH) 6:30 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S) 7:00 PM Beltane (101/103)	5 UUCTC Rummage Sale Collections (M) 7:30 AM West Lafayette Zen Group (101/103) 9:00 AM Lafayette Chamber Singers Rehearsals) 5:00 PM Blue Moon Rising Concert & Reception (FH, K, S) 6:00 PM Blue Moon Rising Practice (S)
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An Awakening...

A Preview of Forum and Worship

May 6th at 9:00AM

Speaker: **Bill Welge**

Topic: **Free Will**

Bill attended Ball State University and for 25 years held various positions in large power transformer manufacturing, including shop supervision, planning and purchasing.

May 13th at 9:00AM

Speaker: **Larry Guentert / M.S., M.B.A.**

Larry has 4 decades working in technology in higher ed, a couple of advanced degrees, and most importantly, certifications and training in cyber security.

May 20th at 9:00AM

Speaker: **Shahar Zach**

Topic: **The Palestinian Nakba: Israel War of Independence and its victims.**

The Palestinian Nakba: Israel War of Independence and its victims - An introduction to the Palestinian Nakba. In Arabic the word Nakba means catastrophe. It is also the term representing the expulsion, displacement and dispossession of the Palestinian people following the creation of the state of Israel.

May 27th at 9:00AM

Speaker: **Julie Alexander & Sarah Lucas**

Topic: A presentation for the Inclusive Philosophies conference at **Purdue on Martha Nussbaum's Capabilities Approach and the Social Model of Disability**

Within the area of Disability Studies, there are multiple approaches to understanding disability. The two most talked about and debated approaches are the medical and social models. These models tend to dominate the literature because they attempt to explain not only how society reacts to disability, but what in fact a disability is.

May 6th at 10:30AM

Speaker: **Rev. D. Charles Davis**

Topic: **What it means to be UU**

This All Ages service is designed to help all of us to be able to answer basic questions about our Tradition. How would you describe UU? What reason would you give for someone to attend our church? RE volunteers will be honored.

May 13th at 10:30AM

Speaker: **Rev. D. Charles Davis**

Topic: **Mothers Day Flower Communion**

Flowers represent new life. All of our lives began with our mothers. Bring a flower to share on our altar. Take a different flower home with you. Celebrate diversity.

May 20th at 10:30AM

Speaker: **Rev. D. Charles Davis**

Topic: **Indiana Memorials**

Over the past 8 years I have wandered around northern Indiana taking photographs. One of my favorite subjects has been cemeteries. They connect us with history and lives unknown. There is a lot one can learn from people one has never met.

May 27th at 10:30AM

Speaker: **Eric Thiel**

Topic: **Science Meets Animism: The "Web of Life" Enters Western Thought, 1801**

In the late 18th and throughout most of the 19th century, there was one name that stood out in the scientific world; a man who was friends with Goethe, Thomas Jefferson, Simon Bolivar, Charles Babbage, and Mary Somerville, and served as an inspiration for Charles Darwin, Thoreau, and John Muir. This is the man who first brought a scientifically sound notion of the web of life into western thought, and is at the foundation of ecological science; Alexander von Humboldt.

UU Coffee House Concert Left Everyone Smiling

UUCTC ushered in Spring with the third in a series of UU Coffee House Concerts on Saturday, April 14 with a great turnout. The Coffee House, coordinated by Larry Guentert, had us laughing, crying cheering and applauding. Our very own Sharon McKnight, with some of Lafayette's best musicians, shared their amazing vocal and instrumental talents for a fun Saturday night of music featuring a mix of genres. The Shar'n-Share-Alike Chorus, congregants borrowed from Denise Wilson's Blue Moon Rising choir, provided backup for a handful of songs.

"What fun! I am so glad I came out." Denise Laussade.

Sharon is so talented with providing the touching 'behind the scenes' story of the songs that, depending on the song, could have you laughing, crying or in awe if the writer's inspiration for the song. Her narration adds a meaningful personal touch to each song.

Whether singing a silly song, a ballad or a familiar tune, the audience was completely engaged. "As a first-time performer in a small group (the chorus), I see how engaging and fun

performing can be. What a joy to see a roomful of smiles enjoying the group's performance." remarked Dorothy Hughes.

As always, free coffee and tasty nibbles were provided.

Many fans stayed to help with clean up.

The Concert series, sponsored by the membership committee, is also a venue for

showcasing our church and its members as it draws an audience from the public as well as the congregation.

Thanks to Sharon McKnight for putting all this together along with [Noemi Ybarra](#) and [Larry Guentert](#). Thanks also to the other performers: Linda Hicks, Roger Barnhart (son of long term congregants Roy and Caroline), Chad Miller, and Heather Eicher-Miller.

Larry reports we should watch the Order of Service and UUCTC Facebook Discussion Page to stay informed as the June concert date is announced. You will want to add it to your "save the date" calendar.



Fellowship Teams

Submitted By Program Council

Christine Schertz has kept our Sunday morning coffee hours and pot-luck lunches organized for the last three years. Christine is stepping down as coordinator of Fellowship Teams. The church leadership is looking for an organized individual or couple to carry on the tradition and serve as our 4th Fellowship Team Coordinator. Christine will be happy to share all her planning materials with her successor!

UUCTC has ten Fellowship Teams that prepare coffee and snacks for before and after service, arrange tables and chairs, and provide cleanup of Fellowship Hall before and after Sunday service. The teams rotate, with each team being in charge about four times per year. In addition, they also are responsible for the monthly pot-luck if their team is on duty the week of pot-luck (usually the first Sunday of the month). The Coordinator develops the schedule, trains leaders, and keeps all informed of any changes in procedures that may impact fellowship teams.

Her predecessor, Sherry Tripodi, served as Fellowship Team Coordinator for two years. Sherry reports, "I

Celebration of *Life*



Alpha: 1923

Omega: 2018

Professor William Martin (“Marty”) Becker, age 94, passed away at Countryside Meadows in Indianapolis on March 30, 2018. Marty was born in 1923 in Philadelphia. His parents, Jacob and Annie Becker, were Jewish garment workers who immigrated from Ukraine to escape religious persecution. During the 1930s, the

family moved to Sunrise Cooperative Farming Community, a kibbutz near Saginaw, Michigan. After the closure of Sunrise, the family moved to Jersey Homesteads (later called Roosevelt, New Jersey), a farm and factory community created under the New Deal to resettle Jewish garment workers.

During World War II, Marty entered the U.S. Army, serving as a radio repairman in Northern France, Belgium, and Western Germany, and earning the Victory Medal and other honors. His military experience kindled Marty’s interest in science. Following the war, he earned a PhD in physics at Purdue, where he later became a faculty member. In addition to teaching Purdue students, Marty was one of the originators of the Physics Funfest, an annual show that introduces

thousands of children to physics. Marty retired from Purdue in 1990, but remained involved in physics education, performing science demonstrations at elementary schools throughout Indiana.

Marty was an active member of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tippecanoe County and a volunteer for numerous local organizations. He enjoyed fatherhood, opera, playing the piano, ballroom dancing, astronomy, long walks and scientific discovery. Marty is survived by his wife Barbara Becker, his children Jackie, Anna, David and Julie, and numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 5 at University Place, 1700 Lindberg Road, West Lafayette.



At the March Board of Trustees meeting, Eric Thiel proposed a modification to our Church’s weapons policy; see the policy below -the addition is the last line in red print.

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Tippecanoe County (“The

Church”) exercises its right under Indiana law to protect the safety and sacred solemnity of its spaces. The possession, use, or distribution of any explosives, guns, or other deadly or dangerous materials or weapons reasonably deemed capable to cause bodily injury are prohibited on the premises of The Church. Persons discovered to be in violation of this policy will be asked to leave the premises under criminal trespass provisions in Indiana State Law. **Exempted from this policy are sworn police officers and retired**

police officers who yearly qualify to meet the requirements of the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act passed by Congress in 2004.

Several congregants attended the March and April Board meetings voicing support for the revision and the Board received emails expressing support as well. The Board voted to approve the revision at their April meeting. The revised policy will be added to the policy page on the UU website.

Submitted by Joan Marshall
Trustee



UUCTC Rummage Sale



Saturday, May 12 7AM- 3PM

333 Meridian Street, West Lafayette, IN

Baby items, tools, electronics, furniture,
household goods, and lots more!



Flower Communion May 13th

Bring a Flower to Share

The Flower Communion has been an annual Spring ritual in UU Congregations since the 1920s. The communion celebrates Spring, beauty, human uniqueness, diversity, and community.

For this ceremony, each congregant brings a flower to share. Each person places his or her flower on the altar or in a shared vase. Often the congregation or the minister blesses the flowers. The flowers are then shared and each person takes home a flower that someone else brought for the ceremony. Please bring a flower or two to share!

Dianna Poindexter,
Worship Committee Chairperson



Labor Day Weekend –
All Church Retreat
Friday, August 31st to Sunday, September 2nd
Registration coming soon.

Please join us as we
Honor and Thank
Rev. D. Charles Davis
and his family

For their many years of service to our
congregation and community

June 2nd at 3pm

UUCTC Sanctuary

A reception will follow in Fellowship Hall



Contact the Committee on Ministry Josh Prokopy, joshuaprokopy@gmail.com, if you would like to assist .



UUUCTC

Congregational

Meeting

May 20, 2018

Please Join Us

Friends are encouraged to attend but voting is restricted to signed members

SAVE THE DATE

May 4th Beltane Service
May 6th Last day for rummage sale collection
May 7th Rummage Sale Setup & Large Item Donations

May 12th Rummage Sale
May 13th CoM Listening Circles
May 15th *Lighted Chalice* Submission deadline for June edition
May 19th CoM Listening Circles
May 20th Congregational Meeting
May 22nd Puccini fundraiser

May 23rd CoM Listening Circles
Jun. 2nd Charlie and Gail's Farewell Celebration
Jun. 3rd Church Picnic Happy Hollow Park
June 20-24 General Assembly, Kansas City
July 15-21 Midwest Leadership School:

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Lighted Chalice...

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**Submission Deadline is the
15th of month**

Fellowship Teams

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liked the job because it was a great way to get to know more people in the congregation, and because I enjoyed watching people work together and get to know each other better. I also like all the positive feedback I heard from people”.

Linda Prokopy brought the Fellowship Team idea to our congregation back in 2010, “I learned about them at the 2010 General Assembly in Minneapolis. I was chair of the Membership Committee at the time and there was a special day-long training for membership chairs at GA. The idea of fellowship teams came from another church that was there. At that time, at our church, there were 3-4 of us who were frequently in the kitchen and there was no established method to get volunteers. Before 2010, Mary Ann Foley and Sue Robinson used

to work in the kitchen on an almost weekly basis while others free-rode off their generous and loving gift of labor. So as soon as I heard about the fellowship team idea, I realized it was what we needed. I came back and talked to people about the idea, went to Program Council, etc. And I imagine it took us about a year to get it up and running. There have been some rocky spots along the way (as there are with anything!) but I think it's fantastic that we all are assigned to a team and we all have to help provide the gift of fellowship to our fellow congregants once every couple of months.”

Deepest gratitude to each of our former fellowship team coordinators. Are you gifted with organizational skills? Would you like to meet more of UUCTC's congregation? Do you like making a difference? If you are interested in serving as fellowship team coordinator, please contact Program Council chair, Dorothy Hughes:
djhugheslmhc@gmail.com or 765-237-7652.