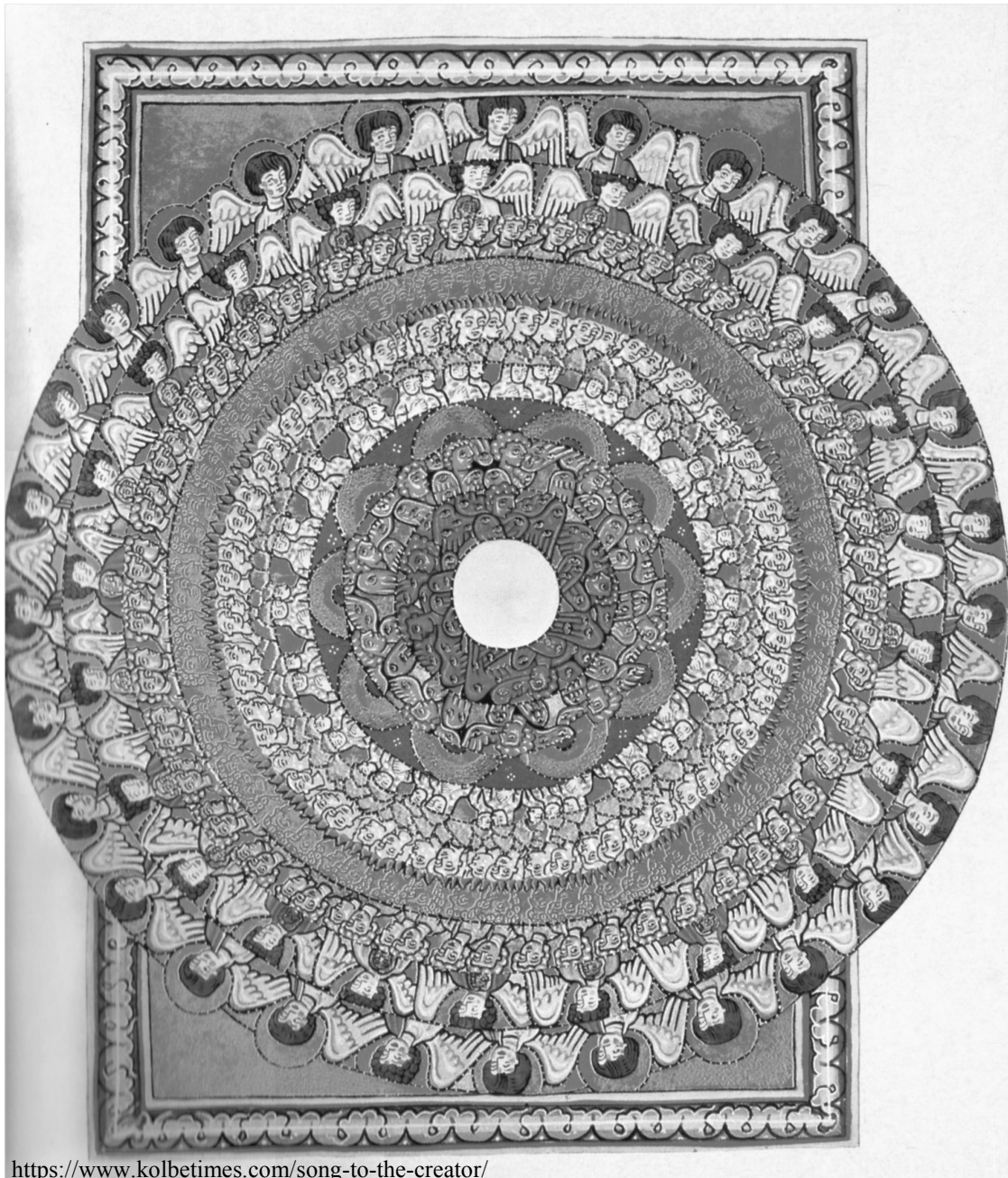




Unitarian Universalist Church of Tippecanoe County
333 Meridian Street - West Lafayette, Indiana 47906 - uuctc.org

September 8, 2019



<https://www.kolbetimes.com/song-to-the-creator/>

Speaker: Rosemary Morrison, Interim Minister

Associate: Don Gresham

Music: Janice Brennan

Order of Service for September 8, 2019

Gathering Music Little Star by Jim Brickman
(During the gathering music, you are invited to spend time in quiet reflection in the sanctuary.)

Welcome

Prelude Morning Light by Jon Schmidt

Opening Words

Chalice Lighting 'Glance at the sun. See the moon and the stars. Gaze at the beauty of earth's greenings. Now, think. What delight we are given with all these things. All nature is at the disposal of humankind. We are to work with it. For without we cannot survive.' Hildegard von Bingen

As we light our chalice this morning, let us remember we are part of nature also. We are part of the light of hope and love.

Opening Hymn 188, Come, Come, Whoever You Are

Our Covenant

Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its law.
This is our covenant:
To dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in love,
and to help one another.

Sharing Peace (In the spirit of peace, please turn and greet your neighbours.)

Time for All Ages Nicole McCabe

Sing the Children Out

Hymn 86, Blessed Spirit Of My Life

Offering

Offertory Dreamed a Dream
by Claude-Michel Schonberg

Candles of Joy and Concern

Meditation Hymn 1031, Filled With Loving Kindness

Silence

Music

Sermon A Wider Vision

Hymn 368, Now Let Us Sing

Chalice Extinguishing

We extinguish this chalice with the words of Hildegard von Bingen:
Love abounds in all things,
excels from the depths to beyond the stars,
is lovingly disposed to all things.
Love has given the kiss of peace
to all that have kindness in their hearts.

Benediction L.R. Knost

Postlude Love Changes Everything
Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber



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THE MERIDIAN UPDATE WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday Forum 9:00 a.m.; Sunday Service & Religious Exploration Classes 10:30 a.m. Nursery & Childcare Available.

September 8th at 9:00 AM, Forum

Speakers: Kelly Hampton

Topic: Domestic Violence

September 8th at 10:30 AM, Service

Speaker: Rosemary Morrison, Interim Minister

Topic: A Wider Vision

Thursday, September 12

5:30 PM West Lafayette Zen Group (M)

7:00 PM UUCTC Social Justice (101/103)

Friday, September 13

7:30 AM Tai Chi Qi Gong (FH & K)

Saturday, September 14

8:00 AM West Lafayette Zen Group (M)

2:00 PM Smoothie and game night fundraiser

CALENDAR

AUGUST 25TH—AUGUST 31ST

Sunday, September 8

- 9:00 AM Forum (101)
- 9:00 AM RE Volunteer Training
- 10:30 AM Worship & RE
- 10:30 AM Youth Meeting (6th-12th graders)
- 12:00 PM RE Volunteer Training
- 12:00 PM Register for Chalice Circles in Sept. (FH)
- 12:00 PM UUCTC New Member Orientation (101/103)
- 12:00 PM UUCTC Sacred Earth (210)
- 1:30 PM IGIST (FH,K)
- 5:00 PM 7th-9th grade OWL class

Monday, September 9

- 7:30 AM Tai Chi Qi Gong (FH & K)
- 7:00 PM AA Spiritual Experience (102)
- 7:00 PM LIMC (101/103)
- 7:00 PM Tibetan Monks Teaching & Mediation (S, FH, K)

Tuesday, September 10

- 6:30 PM BOARD MEETING (2nd Tuesdays, 101)
- 7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers Rehearsal (S)

Wednesday, September 11

- 7:30 AM Tai Chi Qi Gong (FH & K)
- 5:00 PM UUCTC Worship Committee (101)
- 7:00 PM Blue Moon Rising (FH)
- 7:30 PM Greater Lafayette ACLU (101/103)

Room Legend Key

S—Sanctuary, FH—Fellowship Hall,
M—Meditation Room

September 15th at 9:00 AM, Forum

Speaker (s): Annabel Prokopy

Topic: TBA

September 15th at 10:30 AM, Service

Speaker: Rosemary Morrison, Interim Minister

Topic: What's Possible?



Special events



September 9 at 7pm Tibetan Monks

CHILD AND YOUTH RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

Religious Exploration Nicole McCabe (dre@uuctc.org)
<https://regluu.wordpress.com>

All Water Is One Water
By Mel Hoover



Water unites us. All water is one water, shape-shifting as it goes on and on in its unending cycle. The stream we gather by unites

us with all the waters of the world, for all of life depends on water. That's why this common, everyday element on which our very lives depend is sacred. In our thankfulness for water, let us remember to honor, cherish, and care for it—for our own lives, for all life touched by water, and for those who come after us.

Last week was the annual UUCTC retreat and intergenerational water communion. It was a lovely time to have fun and reconnect as a community.



NURSERY

Christina Wright, Nursery@uuctc.org



The nighttime temperatures are getting cooler and pumpkin spice flavors are now available again. It is starting to feel like fall! I am actually sporting a hoodie as I type.

Advice from a campfire: Spark bright ideas. Radiate warmth. Kindle strong friendships.

Advice from a pumpkin: Be well rounded. Get plenty of sunshine. Be outstanding in your field.

Advice from the night sky: Expand your horizons. Stay full of wonder. Turn off the lights.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Register for Chalice Circles in Sept.

9/1/2019, 9/8/2019, and 9/15/2019
at 12:00 Noon in the Fellowship Hall

Chalice Circles— Small groups that come together to explore varied topics.

Chalice Circles provide opportunities for people to learn and grow through honest personal reflection and open-hearted listening.

Contact
Susanne McConville
suemconville1200@gmail.com
or 765-427-8733

Change
FOR
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September

OCTOBER

Recipient: Hartford House
Child Advocacy Center

Discover a place to Serve!

At the UUCTC Activities Fair

Sept. 15th in Fellowship Hall

Contact Gary Burniske if your group would like a table.

Email programcouncil@uuctc.org

WiFi
PASSWORD

7principles



For more information
Contact Barny Dunning at jdunning@purdue.edu



UUCTC Board Agenda

September 10, 2019

Gathering Time: 6:00-6:30

Start Time: 6:30; End Time: 8:30

Gathering (10 minutes)

- 1) Opening Words and Chalice Lighting
- 2) Identify Process Observer
- 3) Review agenda
- 4) Approve Minutes from August meeting **Action: vote**

Congregational Input (45 minutes)

- 5) Congregational Visitors
- 6) Pastoral Care Committee, Kathy Willowoode
- 7) Budgeting for Capital Expenses, Tom Smith

Standing Items (25 minutes)

- 8) Board reflection; discussion of reading
- 9) Questions about minister, DRE and program council reports
- 10) Discussion of Treasurer's report
- 11) Board President updates
- 12) Stewardship

Old Business (20 minutes)

- 13) Review action items from August meeting

Linda

- Draft policy for the Accessibility Fund.
- Follow up with Larry Guentert about sound dampening proposal for the fellowship hall.
- Follow up with Va'Linda McBride about the church Policies and Procedures documents.
- Contact Randy Myer to set up a time to train individuals on ICON CMO.
- Ask Va'Linda McBride to print 5 copies of the church directory for editing after services.
- Send out Non-disclosure agreement to staff and committee members.
- Place Minister Evaluation on the December Agenda.
- Reach out to individuals suggested for the Bylaws Task Force Committee.

Gary

Update committee and chair list.

Oesten

Work with Janice to reach out to groups on campus to gauge interest in possible Basketball Parking partnership.

Mike

Work on securing login information for utility accounts.

Julie

- Talk to Amanda Estes about a stewardship gathering for the 40 and under church members.
- Talk to Kim Smith about providing Rosemary a list of individuals/households that have pledged to the 2020 stewardship campaign.
- Contact The National Group for a quote on note cards.
- Talk to Amanda Estes and Tom McConville about donations during art fair checkout.

Rosemary

- Write thank you notes to anyone who makes a pledge for the 2020 stewardship campaign.
- Investigate what policies are in place at other congregations concerning weddings.

Janice

- Talk with Barney Dunning about the Football Parking Schedule.
- Work with Tamara to brainstorm Basketball Parking ideas.
- Work with Oesten to reach out to groups on campus to gauge interest in possible Basketball Parking partnership.

Tamara

Work with Janice to brainstorm Basketball Parking ideas.

Stephen

- Follow up with Alice Pawley about sending out links to board members for drop box.
- Continue working on the Grounds Committee.

14) Review items from board retreat

Linda

- Find out who at UUA will help with our search process for settled minister
- Schedule a parking day to raise money for Rosemary's ordination stole
- Work with Gale on a service in October focused on importance of ordination

Rosemary

- Find point person for ordination
- Talk to Kevin Bump about invitation for ordination
- Talk to worship committee about Linda and Gale's October service idea

15) Updating directory

16) Bylaws task force

17) Non-disclosure agreement for staff and board members **Action: discuss**

New Business (15 minutes)

18) Communication with congregation

- a. Staffing November potluck table **Action: board member identified**
- b. Writing November & December newsletter articles **Action: board member(s) identified**

- c. December town hall
- 19) Feast of the Hunters Moon
- 20) Other?

Closing (5 minutes)

- 21) Meeting Review, Process Observer
- 22) Closing words

Unitarian Universalist Church of Tippecanoe County Board of Trustees (BoT) – To Approve

August 13, 2019 – 6:30 pm

ACTION ITEMS:

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Stephen Follow up with Alice Pawley about sending out links to board members for drop box.

Continue working on the Grounds Committee.

ATTENDEES:

Board Members Present:

Linda Prokopy (President)

Oesten Nelson (President-Elect)

Mike Tripodi (Treasurer)

Janice Kritchevsky (Asst. Treasurer)

Julie Rubsam (Secretary)

Tamara Hazbun (Trustee)

Stephen Hoffmann (Trustee)

Gale Charlotte (Trustee)

Board Members Absent:

Gary Burniske (Past President)

Staff Present:

Nicole McCabe (DRE)

Interim Minister Rosemary Morrison

Congregants Present:

None

Gathering

1. Call to Order/Opening Words and Chalice Lighting – Linda Prokopy called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm., Quorum present. Interim Minister Rosemary Morrison lit the chalice and shared opening words.
2. Identify Process Observer – Nicole McCabe volunteered to be processed observer.
3. Review agenda –added Stewardship and Copier, removed Christina Wright/Nursery from agenda.
4. Approve Minutes from June meeting – Motion to approve minutes by Janice Kritchevsky. Gale Charlotte seconded. Passed.

Congregational Input

5. Congregational Visitors: None present.

Standing Items

6. Questions about minister, DRE and program council reports – Alice Pawley reminded the program council an Interest Fair should be planned.
7. Discussion of Treasurer's report –

With current income, projections are showing a possible \$17,000 budget shortage.
A new copier has been ordered and old copier will be sold.
Susan Wilson has offered to chair the Feast of the Hunter's Moon.
The Finance Committee is working to verify which income is taxable.
Currently securing quotes for the replacement of the air conditioning system.
Finance Committee working on accessing and updating utility accounts.

8. Board President updates –
Board Letters – Caroline Barnhart reached out to Linda Prokopy to get together after receiving letter. She shared she has recently begun attending services again because of the hearing loop but still avoids gatherings in the fellowship hall due to sound echoes. She asked if there is anything that can be done to dampen the sound in that area of the church. We have some money in an accessibility fund that could possibly used for this project. Larry Guentert is working on a project proposal for the board.
Personnel Manual – is currently being updated.
Football Parking – Barney Dunning was wondering if the money raised by football parking could be used for Rosemary's Ordination Ceremony. The available parking dates should be put out to the groups and committees first. If any available dates remain, we can mark those dates for ordination funds.
9. Stewardship – Review of 2020 stewardship letter for the congregation, a few edits were suggested to the format of the letter. Possible stewardship gathering for church members under 40 to encourage engagement. Online Facebook posts with stewardship reminder and link to online giving would be helpful. Interim Minister Rosemary Morrison will send a handwritten thank you to anyone who pledges.

Old Business

10. Review of action items from June meeting – completed.
 - 1) a. **Linda:**
 - Look into our Policies and Procedures. Check with Va'Linda, to see if we have updated policies located somewhere. They will likely need to be updated. – Made an inquiry, but still need to follow up.
 - Contact Randy Myer to set up a time to train individuals on ICON CMO. – Randy has been on vacation, still needs to set up a time to get training.
 - Talk to Tom Smith about coming to the September Meeting to present about building needs. – Can attend the September meeting.
 - Follow up with board members not present to see if August 16 and 17 works for the board retreat. – Retreat set for August 17th.
 - b. **Gary:** Update committee and chair list. – In progress.
 - c. **Mike:** Follow up with Cindy Krulitz and Va'Linda McBride about the copier. – New copier purchased.
 - d. **Julie:**
 - Investigate ICON CMO capabilities. – ICON CMO does have the capability to give members access to their own profile.
 - Ask NICHES about using Clegg on August 17th. – Yes
 - Contact the National Group about notecards. – Will follow up.

e. **Rosemary:** Talk with Va'Linda McBride about whether we should keep the current copier or try to sell.

f. **Stephen:**

- Ask Alice Pawley to add board members to drop box. – Will follow up with Alice about sending these links out.
- Follow up with on grounds committee. – Still working on getting this committee together. Reached out to Rae Schnapp – no response at this time.

11. Icon CMO – giving member ability to self-edit; discuss

Our system has this feature available and is part of our current package. Need to verify email addresses first. A directory will be printed and made available for corrections after service. An announcement about verifying email addresses will be made before service and be part of the next 'Board News' section of the *Lighted Chalice*.

12. Non-disclosure agreement for staff and board members **Action:** vote

Oesten Nelson moves to accept. Janice Kritchevsky seconded. Passed.

13. 501(c)3 status update **Action:** celebrate 😊 - **DONE!**

New Business

14. Communication with congregation

- a. Staffing September & October potluck tables **Action: board member(s) identified**
- September – Oesten Nelson (at retreat)
 - October – Gale Charlotte

Interim Minister Rosemary Morrison offered to make Board Box to use for setting up the table at the potlucks; however, the volunteer will be responsible for submitting through the online form to have an announcement made before service.

- b. Writing September & October newsletter articles **Action: board member(s) identified**
- Janice Kritchevsky will write (will include the information about the directory) – September
 - Gale Charlotte – October
 - Stephen Hoffmann – November

- c. Quarterly town halls **Action: Decision made**

Set topics for each town hall.

First one scheduled for 8th of December in the sanctuary. Will have the budget out in time for this to be discussed during the Town Hall.

15. Rosemary Morrison Evaluation; discuss

This evaluation needs to be completed by both the board and the transition team and be submitted to the Ministerial Fellowship Committee by the beginning of February 2020. Each group will submit one evaluation, collectively.

At the December board meeting, we will decide if we can complete the evaluation during the January board meeting or if a separate meeting date is needed.

16. Rosemary Morrison visa; discuss

Janice Kritchevsky shared an update - will wait for paperwork needed to complete the application. The forms needed, W2 and Ordination Certificate, will be ready in January.

17. Wedding policy; discuss

Currently, we do not require a face to face with the Minister about the ceremony and what would be included in the service. This type of meeting would allow for determining if their plans align with our beliefs. An investigation of what policies are in place at other congregations will help guide us on a possible next step.

18. Bylaws **Action: Decision re: moving forward with forming task force to propose revisions**

Task force members:

Current board members Linda Prokopy and Stephen Hoffman have volunteered.

Congregational member Christine Schertz has also volunteered.

Other possible members: Brent Jesiek, Joan Marshall, Cindy Gerlach and Gary Fowler.

Bylaws on the website need to be updated.

Interim Minister Rosemary Morrison will also attend these meetings.

Suggestions for revisions will be presented to the board.

19. Board retreat; discuss agenda

Discussed. We are meeting from 10 am – 2 pm at Clegg Memorial Garden.

20. Other?

It would be nice if we could provide an opportunity to 'round up' or make a set dollar amount contribution during art fair check out.

Eric Theil is interested in taking on the Web spinner Position.

Website Issues -

Needs updating in a lot of areas.

Many people do not know the password for the password section of the website.

Basketball Parking – Does it make sense to also provide parking during basketball games?

Perhaps. Details about what other nearby organizations are doing and if Purdue organizations would be interested will be investigated and presented to the board for further discussion.

CLOSING

21. Meeting review, Process Observer

Went great. Stayed on schedule. People were attentive and respectful

22. Closing words - by Rosemary Morrison and extinguishing the chalice.

A motion to adjourn was made by Janice Kritchevsky. Gale Charlotte seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Rubsam, Secretary.