



# Lighted Chalice

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## Beginning the Big Year!

**Rosemary Morrison, Interim Minister**

This is it: this is a very big year in the life of UUCTC! Very shortly, a search committee will be struck, and they will be tasked with the job of finding your new settled minister. This is a most holy and privileged position, one that will need each and every one of you to be supportive of.

First, though, let's take a look at where we are in this time in the life of UUCTC. The interim period is a time of reflection, of healing, and of anticipation. There are five essential tasks the congregation must undertake in order for a search to be successful. By successful, I mean by May of 2021, UUCTC will have a signed contract with a minister everyone is feeling great about. During the interim period, a congregation has work to do. It is the congregation's work, not the interim minister's work, not any one individual's work. It is the congregation's work to do *together*. They boil down to the following five essential tasks:

1. Claiming and honoring its past and healing its griefs and conflicts.
2. Illuminating the congregation's unique identity, its strengths, its needs, and its challenges.
3. Clarifying the multiple dimensions of leadership, both ordained and lay, and navigating the shifts in leadership that accompany times of transition.
4. Renewing connections with available resources within and beyond the UUA.

5. Enabling the congregation to renew its vision, strengthen its stewardship, prepare for new professional leadership, and engage its future with anticipation and zest.



Over the next year, there will be many opportunities for each and every one of you to engage with these tasks. My job is to create the opportunities, while the job of each member and friend is to participate as fully as they are able.

May we work together over the coming year to create a healthy, trusting, and vibrant community. My prayer for this congregation is that you will be blessed in 2021 with an amazing and dynamic new minister. The work is set before us, let us take up this mantle together.

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# BOARD NEWS

Submitted by **Linda Prokopy, Board President**

Happy New Year to all of us here at the Unitarian Universalist Church. It's going to be a great year!

We start off with Rosemary's momentous ordination celebration on January 4th, after which we can start calling her Reverend Morrison! On February 29th, we have our annual service auction, also known as a super fun all-church party! Also, in the spring, we'll start forming our search committee for our new settled minister so stay tuned for lots more information about that! We're hopeful that our experiment with the Change for Change program will lead to more funds for both the church *and* organizations in our community furthering our social justice work.

The Board of Trustees has been very pleased with the town halls we initiated three months ago, and we plan to continue them on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month from noon to one PM**. The first town hall of the year on January 19 will be focused on the church bylaws. While this may sound boring, it

is actually incredibly important work. Our church bylaws are in serious need of an overhaul and I am grateful to Christine Schertz, our parliamentarian, for heading up the committee taking a deep dive into what they could look like. Come to the town hall to hear about changes



they're considering and contribute your ideas about how Board officers should be elected, how long Board officer terms should be, how we handle our finances, and so many more exciting topics. :)

The number one complaint I have heard over the last seven months as Board president has been about the grounds. At the town hall focused on the grounds back in

October, there was a consensus that whatever was done with the grounds should be consistent with our values. Ideally, we would use native species and the grounds would be self-sustainable and low maintenance. It was stressed that how we take care of our grounds reflects on how we take care of ourselves and we would like everyone to contribute in some way. We have an exciting opportunity to get a matching grant from the Center for Congregations to have help creating a concrete vision for the grounds. If you would like to join a task force to help with this process, and the future of the grounds in general, please let me know.

Of course, all the pedantic work of a church board continues – we're working on revising leases for our tenants, working with the personnel committee on a position description for the next office administrator, evaluating Rosemary's performance, worrying about money, etc. As always, if you have concerns about anything, please don't hesitate to let me know at [boardpresident@uuctc.org](mailto:boardpresident@uuctc.org).





<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Meeting Type (Room)</b>
Jan. 9	7:00 PM	Social Justice (101/103)
Jan. 14	6:30 PM	Board Meeting (101)
Jan. 19	12:00 PM	Town Hall (101/103)

If you have questions or concerns regarding these meetings, please contact Linda Prokopy, Board President at [boardpresident@uuctc.org](mailto:boardpresident@uuctc.org).

Childcare will be available for all meetings noted above.



# POSSIBILITY

## A Preview of Forum and Worship

### FORUM

**January 5th at 9:00 AM**

Speaker: Josh Prokopy

Topic: LUM Free Tax Program

**January 12th at 9:00 AM**

Speaker: Gary Burniske

Topic: Sustainable Natural Resources Challenges

**January 19th at 9:00 AM**

Speaker: Karen H Moyars, Roberta Shonemann, Dave Bangert, Eric Waltenburg and Harry Targ

Topic: *Not announced.*

**January 26th at 9:00 AM**

*No forum announced.*

### WORSHIP

**January 5th at 10:30 AM**

Speaker: Rosemary Morrison and Friends

Topic: The Gift of New Beginnings

**January 12th at 10:30 AM**

Speaker: Randy Myer

Topic: Spiritual Journey

**January 19th at 10:30 AM**

Speaker: Rosemary Morrison

Topic: Dreams as Possibility

**January 26th at 10:30 AM**

Speaker: Rosemary Morrison

Topic: What's Possible?: The Search Begins





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 7:30 AM Tai Chi Qi Gong (FH & K)	2 5:50 PM West Lafayette Zen Group (M)	3 7:30 AM Tai Chi Qi Gong (FH & K) 12:00 PM Meridian AA (FH) 2:00 PM Ordination Staging (FH, K, S)	4 8:20 AM West Lafayette Zen Group (M) 2:00 PM <b>Interim Minister Ordination, Rosemary Morrison ( Entire Church)</b>
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# Feature Story

## Religious Exploration (RE) Director, Nicole McCabe

Our holiday program, “Celebrating the Gifts of the World,” was a huge success. Thanks so much to all of our talented youth, musicians, and volunteers for making it possible. Special thanks to Denise Wilson, Larry Guentert, Julia Sibley, Richard Maddux, Lisa Pantea, Walter Murphy, Noemi Ybarra, Kevin Bump, Michael Lewis, Michele Miller, Eric Thiel, Rosemary Morrison, Amanda Estes, Kathy Coder, Beth Misner, and our talented youth. See below for photo highlights.



**W**ith the new year approaching, we begin to think of new goals and aspirations. Let us first look back and realize how far we've come.

In the nursery, the growth is quite noticeable. We have new walkers, talkers, potty users. Way to grow, little ones!

“Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory.” — Theodore Seuss Geisel

— Christina Wright, Nursery Coordinator



Unitarian Universalist Church  
333 Meridian Street  
West Lafayette, IN 47906-1319

December 19, 2019

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your participation in, and generous gift of \$370, to the Lafayette Urban Ministry's 39th Jubilee Christmas!

Jubilee Christmas is a different kind of Christmas assistance program. Rather than sponsoring a group party, or delivering gifts directly to a needy child's home, we encourage the family celebration of Christmas by enabling mom and dad to be the heroes with their children. Low-income parents are invited to "shop" at one of the Jubilee Christmas toy shops set up at various churches & organizations throughout our community. They select the gifts they know their children need and will enjoy the most. Parents are helped with gift-wrapping, and then take everything home to share with their children on Christmas morning. For all their children know, the gifts come from mom and dad — or Santa!

Jubilee Christmas makes a difference in the lives of parents and children, both during and after the holiday season. Because of Jubilee Christmas, the Lafayette Urban Ministry will serve significantly fewer families with emergency financial needs in January and February. Parents participating in Jubilee Christmas don't over-extend their December budgets, leaving enough money for rent, utilities, and food.

The Lafayette Urban Ministry is one of our community's most respected charities. This year 1,831 children were impacted, from more than 640 families. On behalf of each child touched by your generosity, please accept my sincere and heartfelt thanks.



Merry Christmas,

*Joe*  
Joe Micon  
Executive Director

*Happy Holidays - And deepest thanks - to all!*



# the Up-and-Coming



**REIKI**  
& MORE

**JANUARY 12, 2020**  
**2-4PM**

**R**eiki is a form of alternative medicine called energy healing. Reiki practitioners use a technique called palm healing or hands-on healing through which a “universal energy” is said to be transferred through the palms of the practitioner to the patient in order to encourage emotional or physical healing. This will be a group experience. Bring your healing intentions.

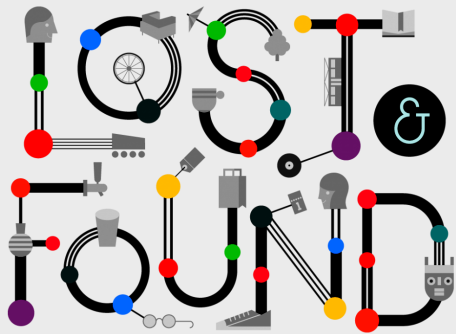


## CHILD DEDICATIONS

Sunday, January 5th during service.  
Contact Rosemary Morrison, Interim  
Minister if you are interested!

[minister@uuctc.org](mailto:minister@uuctc.org)





Are you missing a pair of shoes?

Can't find your scarf or jacket?

Do you know where your umbrella is?

Did you bring a dish to a potluck and go home without it?



Visit the Lost and Found  
Located in the closet  
areas in the  
Admin Wing.



## OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR MINUTE



**H**owdy, everyone! Some of you have probably already met me, but my name is Maxwell Starkey, and I'm serving as the temporary office administrator here at UUCTC. My pronouns are he/him/his. I started in early December to fill in for the busy holiday season.

To tell you all a little about me, I grew up in Dayton, Indiana, and graduated high school in 2015 from McCutcheon High School, so I'm quite familiar with our com-

munity. My father works at Purdue, and my mother is in charge of communications at the Tippecanoe Arts Federation. I am a passionate writer, reader, gamer, and artist with an eclectic music taste you might get a sample of if you swing by the office, now that the holidays are over! (Electroswing, anyone?) What little free time I have is spent writing a high fantasy novel series I've been working on and playing with my roommates' cats, Sirius Kitten Black and Andariel "Sweet Pea."

While I am passionate about design and art, I am planning on attending college in the fall of 2020 to finish my major in English Education. Teaching has historically been my family's profession, and I want to teach high schoolers to be as excited about stories and writing as I am!



I have been a friend of the UUCTC for about seven years. I've learned a lot in my time here — starting with RE when I was a sophomore in high school. I describe my faith as spiritual, and it falls somewhere in between Baha'i and paganism. Like with most UUs, it's as unique as I am. I'm really excited to be helping out — serving as the office admin here is a job that makes me smile in the morning when I get up to go to work. It truly is a joy to be working for the UUCTC!



# ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

## What's New in the Pew?

Connection cards, that's what! These cards are for newcomers and long time members alike. Fill it in to express a need, if you're wondering about something, or if you are wanting to get more involved. You can drop the filled-in card into the collection plate or in the basket provided on the Newcomers Table by the stairs to the balcony.



CONNECTION		You are <i>loved</i> here	
<input type="checkbox"/> UPDATING INFO <input type="checkbox"/> PASTORAL CARE REQUEST <input type="checkbox"/> FIRST TIME CONNECTING		How can we grow together?	
DATE / /	HE / SHE / ZHE / THEY	PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:	
NAME _____		I am interested in....	
ADDRESS _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Serving the congregation	
CITY, STATE & ZIPCODE _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Small Groups	
EMAIL _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Our Whole Lives (OWL)	
PHONE _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Planned giving	
FAMILY		<input type="checkbox"/> Membership	
NAME	Age group	Pronoun	Relationship
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		I would like information about:	
		<small>(please specify)</small>	
			
<a href="http://uuctc.org">uuctc.org</a> 765.743.8812		333 Meridian St West Lafayette, IN	

## Name Tags: What's the Deal?

We're working on updating their format! The original format for name tags was quite plain, and we'd like to spruce them up a little for the new year. The minister and office staff are working on it — but don't let that stop you from signing up to receive a name tag regardless of the up-and-coming changes! Just contact us!



# UUCTC Has Gone Digital!

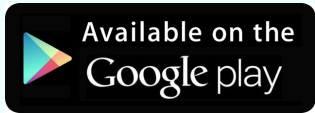
Did you know our church hosts a podcast of sermons? You can subscribe through iTunes/Apple Podcasts <https://apple.co/2BZZPhL>



or Google Play <https://bit.ly/2WGhnZO>

We tend to batch our uploads, so it might take us a little while and then we'll upload a bunch at a time.

However, you can always go back and listen to our archive of sermons through your favorite podcast device. We hope you enjoy this opportunity to connect with us in spirit!



## Change for Change is Changing!

First, thank you, everyone, for your generous contributions to our Change for Change project! We raised \$155.16 for the Group Home For Children and \$271.32 for Hartford House! In an effort to raise *even more* money for our chosen Change for Change charities, Change for Change is changing starting in January for a four-month trial period.

Instead of only the *change* in the collection plates going to our charities, half of all uncommitted cash will go to our designated charitable organization. This means any dollar bills or coins not in labeled envelopes, or loose in the plate, will be divided between the charitable organization and our church donations. This means if you put in a ten-dollar bill, five dollars will go to our Change for Change recipient, and five dollars will go to the general revenue of our church. You can still write a check if you would like to, just put it in an envelope, and mark it Change For Change (or C4C, its abbreviation). Please also note C4C on the memo line of your check.



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JOIN US FOR  
*Rosemary's*  
ORDINATION

formal reception  
after the service

*Saturday, January 4th, 2020*  
*2:00 pm*



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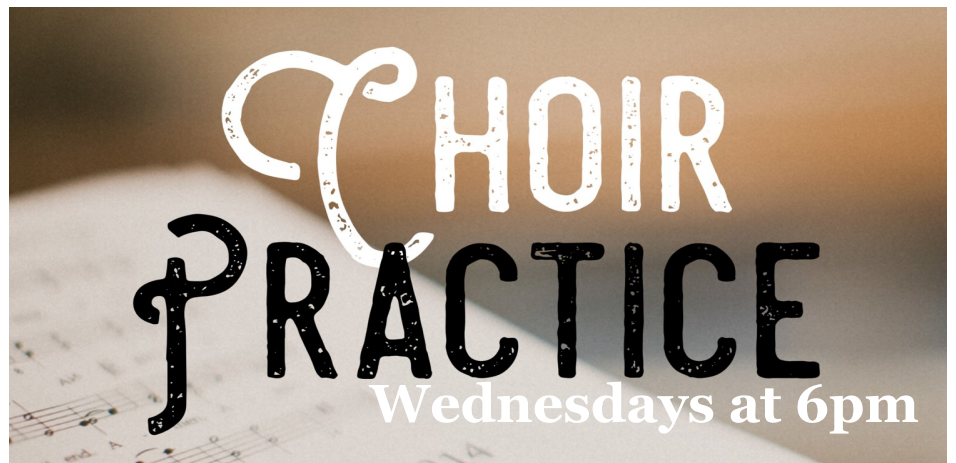
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Email submissions to

[lightedchalice@uuctc.org](mailto:lightedchalice@uuctc.org)

Submission Deadline is the

15th of month



We have a variety of sensitive financial and other files that we post on our website. To make sure they're read exclusively by congregants and not the world at large, we use a password drawn from our closing benediction. With Rosemary as our interim minister, and a frequent benediction she offers, the password is currently "goinpeacegentlepeople." Please record it somewhere safe for your reference. Thank you!

— Alice Pawley, Communications Committee  
[communications@uuctc.org](mailto:communications@uuctc.org)

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Lafayette Transitional Housing