



The Discoverer

First Unitarian Universalist Church of Columbus, August 26, 2012

MARKINGS

Rev. Mark Belletini, Senior Minister

Well, the furniture arrives this week. The old furniture goes to my friend Andrzej, who insists it really is better than what he has, despite the tears in the fabric and wobbly legs. The painter is due this afternoon. The transition of the summer restoration and repair is almost done.

For a while, of course. Just for a while.

The sermon listings are done for the fall and into January.

I am going through my office books, like I did my home books, and picking out books to offer later in the month to those who might be interested, through our bookstore. Simplify, simplify, simplify. Not easy for a naturally baroque guy like me.

The days are moving forward.

Remember to email me your water ceremony words. The water can be from where you say it's from, or even virtual water, but I do need to know so I can craft the Four Direction Prayer by Friday of the second week of September.

Be merciful and get it in as soon as you can.

Those of you who are new to the congregation, or visitors just reading about this, here's what we do. Throughout the year, folks collect water in a small vial to bring to the service on the Second Sunday in September to pour into a common bowl, based on the direction from which it was brought—east, south, west and north. The celebration that Sunday is intergenerational.

See you soon! Welcome back, those of you who were lucky enough to spend some time away this summer.

By the way, the two-service format, 9:15am and 11am, begins on the Water Ceremony Sunday, September 9. A reminder of what you already know, but reminders of what I already know come in handy all the time, I find.



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BOARD NEWS

Beth Jewell, Chair

Welcome to a new year in the life of First UU! Your 2012-13 Board of Trustees took office July 1, and we are working together to prioritize goals and our work for the coming year and beyond. This past Saturday, we gathered with our ministers, DRE, and Church Administrator for our “fall” Board Retreat. As Board Chair, I am deeply moved by the high level of commitment and enthusiasm demonstrated by your Board members. Your Board is a congenial, forward-looking, caring group of people eager to work together and with you as we continue working to fulfill our mission and vision within our walls and beyond into our greater community.

Much of the retreat centered on the results of the 2011 Strategic Planning (SP) survey. Several members of the SP Committee offered recommendations and reviewed Key Impressions from the survey, which were reported to the congregation in the June 2012 Annual Report.

Conversation focused on two of the SP Committee's Key Impressions. First, we reviewed the survey's indication that we need to attend to our governance and committee structure. We have not made the transition to a larger church organizational structure, although we have been a large congregation for quite some time. Under Past Board Chair Tim Hooks' guidance, work was begun in earnest last year on examining our organizational structure, and we will continue this work this year. Together with the SP Committee, church governance and organization will be one of Board Member Dan Baer's areas of focus this year. Dan will be co-chairing Program Council this year as well.

Our congregation's ongoing and future financial situation was at or near the top of many of the surveys, and was another Key Impression. In order to determine the best path forward, the Board felt it was best to hold a series of listening sessions with our members and friends. The Board has authorized the formation of a short-term Fiscal Sustainability Task Force to conduct the listening sessions, to mesh the results of those sessions with the results of the survey, and to make a recommendation to the Board on how truly best to move forward.

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Leading the task force will be Board Members David Douglass, Bill Keating, and Dan Baer, who will be joined by representatives from JAM and the Stewardship Committee. The task force hopes to hold the listening sessions in early October. Please watch for more information. We hope you will attend.

I am grateful to be working in community with you.

Beth Jewell, 2012-2013 Chair, Board of Trustees

LINKS

Rev. Eric Meter, Associate Minister

I have a friend who, as the end of August approaches each year, goes out to buy new pencils, pens and paper. In short, school supplies, although it has been years since she's been in school. Getting ready for the start of things, like she used to do as a student, is a ritual for her now, something she continues to do each year though there is no longer an objective need to it. She simply enjoys the anticipation of starting afresh toward the end of each summer.

I was thinking of her recently when talking to folks at First UU about a recent New York Times article (www.nytimes.com/2012/08/18/us/unitarians-shift-away-from-extended-time-off-in-summers.html) which reported that UUs aren't taking the summers off like we did in years past. Well, for anyone who's been around any of our churches in recent years, this is not news, though it is certainly true that in most of our congregations, things do slow down a bit during July and early August.

My summers are now times when, instead of loading up on school supplies (or I should say, instead of only loading up on school supplies) I'm getting ready for a new year in Coming of Age class, Covenant and Wellspring Groups, and our Pastoral Team. In fact, August through most of September is probably my busiest time of year.

Back in old New England, the Unitarians of the day who had the means to, would escape the summer heat of the cities by heading to more northerly lakes for the season. Schools would take the summer off so that the young ones in rural areas could help take in the harvest. I'm not sure if we have a harvest, per se, in our congregations any more, but the old adage that "no souls are saved after Easter" does come to mind.

In any case, this is a time of rich anticipation. Back in the smaller congregations I used to serve, folks would talk about wanting the church to be a "full service church." It was a fine goal, but I always wondered where folks expected to magically find all the people to do what they wanted to see the church doing.

Well, First UU Columbus is a "full service church." I hope you are reading our newsletters carefully, because there is no lack of great things to be involved in, and great people to get to know while doing so. Dig deep and enjoy, my friends. Dig deep and enjoy.

In peace,

Eric

CHURCH NEWS



First Friday Dinner and

Movie Please join us! The potluck begins at 6:30pm and the movie and other events will start at 7:30pm. A family movie will be showing in one

room and a documentary in another room each month. Please see the schedule for upcoming First Friday events. Childcare is provided for those who are too young to enjoy the activities for the evening.

Margaret Allen, allenhoyt@gmail.com.

September 7:

Family Movie: *Toy Story*

Documentary: *Northern Lights* (1978)

Multicultural Family Group

Forum: *Is it time to get serious about gun control?* Speaker: Marian Harris, Ohio Coalition Against Gun Violence (Contact Earl Wurdlow, 614-296-6304, earlword@yahoo.com, for information.)

October 5:

Family Movie: *Toy Story 2*

Documentary: *Forks Over Knives*

Multicultural Family Group

Poets and Artists UUinite!

Healthy Congregations The Leadership Development Committee is offering training, through Central East Regional Group (CERG) and facilitated by our own Debra Boyd and Amy Watson, in the ecumenical Healthy Congregations curriculum by Peter Steinke. This training will help leaders learn how to effectively: Accept differences, Focus on mission rather than just "getting along," Focus on strengths, Respond to anxiety and change, Respond to conflict, Act flexibly and creatively, and more. It will be offered the first Saturday morning of every month, October-April (skipping January). Registration is open to all who are interested, and current leaders are especially encouraged to attend. A commitment to all six sessions is asked for enrollment. Contact Amy Watson at amykaywat@gmail.com or 519-0737 for details and to register.

Bookbites will meet September 18, from 7 to 9 pm in Slowter Lounge. Topic: Biographies, Whoever you want to know more about! Questions, call Kathleen Boston, 262-4025.

Art of Hosting Have you attended a three-day *Art of Hosting*? If so, you have information in context that would be helpful to the core host team of First UU's *Meaningful Conversations* series. Whether or not you feel comfortable hosting, whether or not you are interested in increasing your involvement in the church, we'd like to hear from anyone who has had the three-day *Art of Hosting* training. Please contact Amy Watson at amykaywat@gmail.com or 614-519-0737.

Covenant Groups Have you heard good things about Covenant Groups? That Covenant Groups are a good way to get to know your fellow UU's in a more intimate setting? That Covenant Groups can deepen your spirituality? Sign-ups for the current church year will begin in a few weeks. Look for our table in Fellowship Hall after Sunday service. For info, contact Judy Fettman at judyfet375@gmail.com.

Labor Day Retreat September 1-3, intergenerational, all-congregation gathering in the beautiful Hocking Hills. Workshops, worship, fellowship, community, nature, hiking and relaxation. Wonderful for families, singles or couples. For more info and to register go to <http://www.firstuucolumbus.org/labor-day-retreat-registration>. Or register in Fellowship Hall after the service. Patricia Boughton, registrar, 467-9020, patkap@wowway.com

Women's Spirituality meets Wednesdays, 7:30 – 9pm.
September 5 Favorite Book (all)
September 12 Birthdays and Poetry and Sharing (all)
September 19 Favorite Book or Author (all)
September 26 Talking Circle...let's talk it over (all)
This month's theme is "What We Read."
Contact Jeanni Ray, 985-6176, jeanniray@gmail.com.

The **Free Plant Exchange** by the Garden Club continues on the first Sunday of each month through October. The next exchange will be Sunday morning, September 3. Plan on bringing any plants, seedlings, no-longer-wanted tools, extra flower pots etc. to Fellowship Hall. No need to bring something in order to take something. Questions? Contact Chris Hardin, chardin123@att.net.

Artists and Poets UUnite! Join us at First Friday, October 5, 7:30pm in the Worship Center. The art show is entitled *Still Life*. Poets choose a piece or pieces from the show and write a poem about it. Share the poem at First Friday. Contact Jeanni Ray, jeanniray@gmail.com,

614-985-6176, by Monday, October 1, with the following: your name, art piece or pieces, and artist/artists. Please, just one poem. Open mic, if time permits. The show will be on display soon. Also, bring a copy of your poem to First Friday, so we may hang it next to the art piece.

First UU Annual Picnic Sunday, September 23 at Thompson Park in Upper Arlington from 1-3pm. All are welcome. Potluck. Drinks, plates, cups, napkins and silverware provided by the Social Committee. Please contact Margaret Allen, Social Committee Chair with questions, allenhoyt@gmail.com.



UU Animal Ministry meets every second Tuesday of the month, 7pm, Room 8. The next meeting is September 11.

Note regarding Eric's birthday balloon ride: Those who contributed include: Steve Abbott, Patricia and Jeff Boughton, Lisa Daris, Paula Egbert, Cathy Elkins, Kathleen Fowler, Dave MacDonald, Jeanni Ray, and Susan and Chas Williams

FROM THE ARCHIVES TEAM

Linda Thompson, Historian

- Do you have some files from a committee or program in your closet, basement, car trunk? How about a choir poster, an old newsletter from decades ago? We would like to have them. Those items constitute our history. Bring it to the Archives. Please include your name.
- We will have a laptop loaned to us so we can get started on listing items that we have in the Archives. In the long run, we hope to get enough funds to buy one that is dedicated to the Archives. We have \$200 at this time. Little by little.
- We hope to have an email address at the church so we can receive reports, minutes and photos, plus have a website.
- Please note that the 75th anniversary is creeping up on us - 2015!
- The Archives Team includes Olwen Firestone, Nancy Morr, Jane Reisman, Linda Royalty, Jan Waters and me (the Historian), Linda Thompson. We meet Tuesday mornings in Room 6. We will be adding Wednesday afternoons after the church year gets started, 1-3pm. Want to join us? Leave your name in the Historian's mailbox or email me (lthompson35@columbus.rr.com).

DENOMINATIONAL CONCERNS



From the Ohio-Meadville District (OMD) office:

Leadership Day 2012 All congregational leaders are invited. Saturday, October 13, at First Unitarian Church of Cleveland in Shaker Heights, OH.

JUSTICE ACTION MINISTRY

Register to vote. Need to register to vote on November 6? Need to find out if you're already registered? Need to check or change your address at the Board of Elections? Want to apply for an absentee ballot, especially if you're going away to college? Then come to our new JAM Task Forces table in Fellowship Hall, so we can help you out. The final day for voter registration and applying for an absentee ballot is October 9. Since the congregation voted for our two new Task Forces during this and next year's fiscal years, this is our first major advocacy project for this year, because the most important thing you can do on November 6 is to vote!

Jane Larson & Ginnie Vogts, Co-Chairs of the Joint Task Force on Women's Health Issues Task Force



UPDATE from Noel Williams, BREAD Crime and Violence Committee (CVC):

In 2011, BREAD members selected **Diversion and Juvenile Justice** as crime and violence issues to tackle. The CVC researched and identified a proven diversion program, Restorative Justice.

The committee has targeted three communities for a pilot "Community Restorative Circles" (CRC) program, which has been shown to be effective in diverting first-time youth offenders from entering the court system. The CRC planning committee is now discussing issues around guilt, innocence, and "legal guilt" and when the CRC will intervene in the legal process.

Lead Juvenile Judge Elizabeth Gill, Chair of the CRC planning committee, will soon convene a marketing subcommittee for which volunteers will be needed.

If you have marketing experience and can assist with a quick, short-term assignment, please contact Amy Byler, Associate Organizer, at the BREAD Office. Judge Gill will introduce the CRC pilot program at the

October 13, 2012, Neighborhood Best Practices Conference.

As was reported during the 2012 Nehemiah Action, Franklin County has sent juveniles to state prison at higher rates than any other urban county in Ohio. Sending youth to prison typically makes our communities more dangerous and corrupts those young people because our prisons do not offer effective treatment.

The Franklin County CRC Restorative Justice program planning committee is made up of representatives from BREAD's Crime and Violence committee, other community organizations, and Judge Gill. CRCs will hold young offenders accountable, repair damaged communities, reduce the number of youth incarcerated, and "Stop Wasting Lives and Money."

BREAD (Building Responsibility, Equality, and Dignity, www.breadcolumbus.org) is First UU's local interfaith social justice organization. As part of the organization's annual support drive, First UU has so far raised \$7997.50 of our \$10,000 goal. Many thanks to our recent First UU donors for their support: Laura Adams, Barbara Avery and G. Courtney Chapman, Marcella Baird, Marilyn and Tom Beerman, Lester Jipp, Carlos Lugo, Jo E Miller, John and Jane Reisman, Kathleen and Francis Richardson, Doug and Rosemary Rossiter, Linda Thompson, Virginia Vogts, and Tien and Pei Hsing Wu.

Please make out your generous, tax-deductible check to BREAD (not First UU) and send/take it to the church in an envelope marked BREAD. To make your investment in installments or through your employer's matching gift plan, notify Alice Rathburn, eulala1905@me.com, 895-2109. BREAD is a 501(c)(3) tax-deductible corporation, tax ID number 31-1467082.

Issues Forum and Candidates Night at First UU.

Thursday, October 11, 6:30pm. Fellowship Hall. Issues include Redistricting, Statewide Constitutional Convention, and the Franklin County Senior Services Levy. The candidates are for Franklin County Sheriff and 24th Ohio House District. Call Cathy Elkins, 614-267-5884 to help and be involved in this event.

THE INNER FLAME

These words are by the Rev. Clarke Wells, a colleague who died six years ago, after a long set of ministries. He was famed among ministers for his writing skills.

I suppose I should write something institutional or churchly, but my heart isn't in it. Where my heart is these days is between me and whoever it is that lays the sun across the trees with that sudden and terrible beauty,

I've been taught all my life to believe that growing up meant to become less vulnerable, and that getting overwhelmed by life is what happens when you are young.

I am here to testify to the opposite. I was driving home yesterday afternoon on a country road, and I simply had to stop the car near a stone fence and go into the woods for an hour. It had nothing to do with practical matters, or theology. It had to do with trees against the blue and shattering light and where I am living. I report it to you on the chance that you are as odd as I...that it all gets more intense, no less...so that if you ever go through the same thing, like stopping your car for an hour, you will not feel crazy being torn apart that way.

CARING CORNER

We send healing wishes to **Don Jones**, who had a fall, and had back surgery at Dublin Methodist Hospital. Don is now recuperating at home.

We send condolences to members of the **Columbus Sikh community** as they mourn the loss of their kindred in Wisconsin.

Birthday greetings to **Rev. Eric Meter** who celebrates his birthday on August 29.

Healing wishes to: **Diane Abernathy**, who had back surgery on August 20; to **Gary Miller**, who had surgical repair of a ligament in his leg on August 21; and to **Nina Lewis**, who is recuperating from pneumonia.

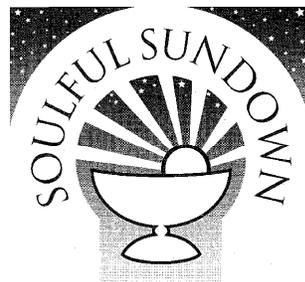
Our sympathy to the family of **Teena Price**, who died peacefully under hospice care on August 22.

The family of **Julie Reeves** and **Leigh Mamlin**. Julie's mother, Anne, passed away, suddenly and unexpectedly, on August 12. Anne was the grandmother of Charlie and Frannie Mamlin.

Red Cross Blood Drive Our next blood drive will be on Friday, September 7, from 3pm to 7pm. Please reserve this date on your calendars. Blood inventories are at an all-time low. This will be our first drive that will span the late afternoon and early evening hours on a Friday, which also coincides with September's First Friday potluck. The goal for our Church is to collect 16 units. Volunteers are needed for: staffing the registration table and providing snacks. Sign-up sheets for these along with an appointment sheet to reserve a time slot to donate blood will be at the Caring Table beginning this Sunday, August 5. Questions? Please contact Chris Hardin via chardin123@att.net. Thank you in advance for your help and participation.

Thank you to the following folks who generously helped with the memorial service and reception for Teena Price on August 25: Carol and Paul Brody, Jo-E. Miller, Marguerite Molk, Olwen Firestone, Paula Hook, Linda Weigelt, Mary Fetherston, Linda Thompson, and Becky Wolff.

Carole Wilhelm, co-coordinator.



THE FIRST UU COLUMBUS SOULFUL SUNDOWN

Sunday, September 30, 5:30pm.

Join us for a dynamic, interactive, contemporary worship in the Worship Center.

Drinks and snacks will follow, provided by the Soulful Sundown Committee.

Contact Ben Iten, theitens@gmail.com,
614-329-2915, with questions.

FAITH DEVELOPMENT FOR ALL AGES

Jolinda Stephens, Religious Education Director



Great Short Sunday School Registration Process

Please register for Sunday School now so we can make the special place for your children when **Sunday School begins on September 16**. We have a great short registration process for elementary and younger. Link for elementary and younger form: <http://bit.ly/OgfgVX>. Link for youth form: <http://bit.ly/P99jXe>. The youth form must be completed by both the youth and the parent.

If you are registering children for the first time, please use the same forms. Once you indicate that this is a first time registration, the form will ask the additional questions. Please check out the classes in the brochures at the Sunday School Table after service, or online at <http://www.firstuucolumbus.org/children/sunday-school-classes>.

Our Whole Lives (OWL) News is found at: <http://www.uua.org/re/owl/>

8th grade mandatory parent orientation Saturday, September 8 at 1 pm. The meeting will last two hours and is for adults only, so that we can have open and frank discussions. Toward the end we will show all the drawings used during the entire course. We require that a legal guardian view them prior to signing the permission that enrolls your youth in OWL. We will go over in some detail what the course covers. We are happy to answer any questions that you may have about the content of the course, the philosophy behind it, and any other concerns you may have.

For participants in a shared custody situation, both parents will need to take part in the orientation. Often, all parents want to be a part of orientation, and that's great - the more knowledge is shared the better - but within a household, only one legal guardian needs to attend.

1st Grade OWL is offered once: Parent & Child Orientation, Saturday, January 5. We have not yet decided whether to offer it at 9:15 or 11am. The time may be dictated by space constraints.

5th & 6th Grade OWL also begins with Parent (only) Orientation on January 5. Classes begin on January 6 at 9am, 15 minutes before the start of Sunday School. Please note that with this level you have a choice. If your child is in the 5th grade and not ready for OWL or the schedule doesn't work, s/he has the option of attending in the 6th grade. If your child has already attended, they should not attend again.

For both groups, the orientation is mandatory. At least one legal guardian from the household must attend. If you have shared custody, both parents must attend and sign.

We look forward to offering these outstanding classes next winter!

May all be well, Jolinda

The **Defense within Our Values (DOV) program** teaches our children self-defense from the Tae Kwon Do tradition, the principles of which share much with Unitarian Universalist principles. We ask our children to challenge prejudice, privilege, and injustice. We owe it to our children to help them acquire the confidence and competence to interact with the injustices of the world knowing they can protect their being, worth, and dignity.

Classes will be Tuesdays and Thursdays after school during the school year in Fellowship Hall. The projected start date is September 4, with up to 30 students, ages 6 – 18. There is an equipment fee of \$10 per month to cover mats, target paddles and breaking boards. We plan to make it possible for students for whom the fee is a barrier to participate. Students will need to purchase a uniform. New uniforms were found on line for \$24.95 (top, pants, and white belt). Contact Laurie Brown 614-246-0170 or Wesley Thompson, wthompson3233@hotmail.com.

AEP Committee Update

The only remaining class in our summer class is Dehydration and Intro to Preserving Meat, September 8, led by Alex Ballieul and Elaine Fujimura, 10 - noon, Kitchen.

To find out more, stop by the Greeters' Table near the front door and pick up our green flyer on the Summer Classes, check out the church's Facebook page for info or visit us at our table in Fellowship Hall on Sundays for a chat. Registration can be done either in person at our table or online through the church's website, firstuucolumbus.org.

Some plans are still in the works for the upcoming fall/winter schedule: Navigating Social Media, Ecology as a Spiritual Practice, and Menu for the Future.

A few of the classes are finalized and shown below are the dates and locations:

- Yoga: Fall Session – Linda Weigelt, Integral Yoga, September 12 - November 14;
Winter Session – Terry LeMaster, Kripalu Yoga, January 15 - March 20;
Spring Session – Terry LeMaster, March 27 - May 29
- Defense Within our Values: Laurie Brown & Wes Thompson – Fellowship Hall, Tuesdays & Thursdays starting September 4, 3:30 p.m.
- Moravian Paper Stars: Room 6, Thursday November 15 at 7 p.m.
- Mormonism: Worship Center, October 7, 1 to 3 p.m.
- Educational Policies: Worship Center, October 14, 12:45 p.m.

If you would like to be a member of our team, please stop by our table and chat. We meet on the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m.

Note: Expressive Collage has grown to full capacity and unfortunately we have to close our class for now. To future new collagers: stay tuned, because as soon as a new spot opens we will revisit new collagers. Contact Jeanni Ray with questions, at jeanniray@gmail.com or 614-985-6176.

Food and Fellowship

One suggestion for helping congregations get to know recent immigrants as individuals is to sponsor "Dinners with Guest Chefs" featuring recent immigrants, who teach a group how to make a meal from their country of origin. Afterward, the whole group sits down together to enjoy the meal and conversation. Before I begin to arrange Guest Chefs, I want to hear from you, if you are interested in participating.

I took an informal survey. The first responses were:

- Overwhelmingly, they were very interested.
- Most wanted a quarterly schedule - three times in the regular church year and one summer event, I assume.
- The sweet spot of what people were willing to pay was \$20.

If we average 20 participants, \$20 will be enough to allow for quality ingredients and a great meal.

I would like work with a small group on this. If it's successful, it would be good for it to continue past my time with you. Please email me if you'd like to help four times per year.

To get on an email information list for upcoming meals, please enter Guest Chef in the online AEP form.

<http://www.firstuucolumbus.org/adult-enrichment-class-registration-form>

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CALENDAR August 29 – September 12, 2012

Wednesday, August 29

- 8:00am UU Food Co-op
- 7:30pm Women's Spirituality
- 7:30pm Men's Spirituality

Thursday, August 30

- 9:30am Improvisational Dance
- 7:00pm BREAD Board Meeting
- 7:30pm Chalice Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30pm Healing Journey

Saturday, September 1

- 8:30am Zen Meditation
- 11:30am Dance Your Way

Sunday, September 2

- 10:00am Worship Service
- 11:00am Free Plant Exchange
- 11:15am Getting to Know UU

Monday, September 3

- 7:00pm UU Dance Fellowship

Tuesday, September 4

- 9:30am Archives Organizing
- 4:00pm Tae Kwon Do
- 7:00pm Zen Meditation
- 7:35pm Worship Committee

Wednesday, September 5

- 1:00pm Archives Organizing
- 7:30pm Women's Spirituality
- 7:30pm Men's Spirituality

Thursday, September 6

- 9:30am Improvisational Dance
- 3:30pm Tae Kwon Do
- 7:30pm Chalice Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30pm Healing Journey

Friday, September 7

- 12:00pm Cooking for Faith Mission
- 3:00pm Blood Drive at 3:00
- 6:30pm First Friday Potluck
- 7:30pm Forum: Gun Control in America
- 7:30pm Multicultural Families Meeting

Saturday, September 8

- 8:30am Zen Meditation
- 9:45am Zen Meditation Orientation
- 10:00am Food Preservation Class
- 11:00am Parents of Infants and Toddlers

Sunday, September 9

- 8:30am Leadership Development Committee
- 9:15am Worship Service
- 11:00am Worship Service
- 1:00pm Committee on Shared Ministry+
- 1:00pm Covenant Group Information Session.
- 1:00pm Green Team
- 1:00pm Enlightened Hippogriffs
- 5:00pm High School Senior Group

Monday, September 10

- 7:00pm UU Dance Fellowship
- 7:00pm Adult Enrichment Committee

Tuesday, September 11

- 9:30am Archives Organizing
- 9:30am Newsletter Folding
- 1:00pm Cancer Support Group
- 4:00pm Tae Kwon Do
- 7:00pm Feminism 3.0
- 7:00pm UU Animal Ministry
- 7:00pm This Month in Science
- 7:00pm Social Committee
- 7:00pm Zen Meditation

Wednesday, September 12

- 7:00pm Personnel Committee
- 7:00pm Small Group Ministry Steering Team
- 7:00pm Memoir Writing
- 7:30pm Women's Spirituality
- 7:30pm Yoga (Fall Session)
- 7:30pm Men's Spirituality

For information on COVENANT GROUPS,
contact Judy Fettman at judyfet375@gmail.com.

The deadline for the next issue of *The Discoverer* is Sunday, September 9. Please send articles to office@firstuucolumbus.org, or drop them off in the front office.



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WORSHIP SERVICES

Theme for September: At-One-Ment/Unity

September 2, 2012, 10:00 A.M.

Rev. Mark Belletini

“Hard Work: What I Learned Making Leaf Springs for Dodge Trucks”

This is the last Sunday of the Summer schedule. Starting Sunday, September 9, we will have two services, at 9:15am and at 11am.

Many members, and some staff, will be at the Labor Day Weekend Retreat.

September 9, 2012, 9:15 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Rev. Mark Belletini, Rev. Eric Meter, Jolinda Stephens

“The Waters of the World: One World, One Bowl”

An Intergenerational Celebration

Remember to gather your vial of water for the Water Ceremony on September 9 (two services at 9:15 and 11am.) Please let me know by email (marcobell@firstuucolumbus.org) ONE place you have brought water from, and what direction the source is from Columbus: North, South, East, West only. You may decide which cardinal direction it's closest to, or you can leave it up to me! Mark

September 16, 2012, 9:15 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Rev. Mark Belletini

“Beginners’ Fortune”

First day of Sunday School

► Hearing assisted devices, large print hymnals, and a few copies (in large print) of the Sunday readings and sermon are available at the rear of the Worship Center. Copies of CDs of our worship services will become available for sale at the bookstore. Audio and text of recent services can also be found on the church website.