

The Discoverer

First Unitarian Universalist Church of Columbus, June, 2013

Our Mission Statement

We are here:

To learn and practice true hospitality

To revere the reasoning mind and the generous heart

To claim our diversity as a source of our strength, and

To relinquish the safety of our unexamined privilege for the freedom to engage in transforming justice

MARKINGS

Rev. Mark Belletini, Senior Minister

For those of you who weren't at the Memorial Day service, I'd like to tell you about this month's *Atlantic Monthly*, a magazine which features a lengthy story about Rob Hardies, the remarkable minister of our great church in Washington, DC, All Souls. It's about his family...his partner Chris Nealon, and their son Nico. Worth getting.



It's also worth getting acquainted with the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, if you have not already heard about it. Responding to the humanitarian call rising from Oklahoma tornado's destruction, environmental issues like the pollution of higher and higher percentages of the world's water, the civil liberties of those tortured in other countries who are frequently detained in jail-like structures for months, the UUSC is well worth the \$100 I just sent in to support their excellent, exiting and well-coordinated work. This amount will be matched by a well-known UU charitable fund before the end of the fiscal year on June 30. Feel free to check out their website, UUSC.org, to find out more. The *Guest at Your Table Boxes* we pass out at Thanksgiving are certainly a charming way of supporting our Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, but their well organized work supports us too, by embodying the response we ourselves would offer if we were congregation of a hundred thousand members.

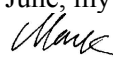
This *Discoverer* is the first monthly issue. There will be weekly email information about more urgent events, but the monthly format, now used by many of our cousin congregations, will enable us to offer more substantive and engaging articles. This month, do check out my memorial reflection on Jack Hayward, minister at our congregation from 1949-(OMG the year I was born!) to 1952.

Also, please read information about our annual congregational meeting on Sunday, June 9. I have suggested that we consider making this meeting earlier, say the third Sunday in May, since school schedules have changed a great deal since it was established.

This summer I am doing a portion of the ceremony of my godson Adam Rzepka in Gloucester (pronounced Glawster), as well as three other weddings for folks who have been associated with our congregation. I will be visiting Kelly Flood and Neil Chethik after General Assembly in Louisville (they live in Lexington, just an hour away). I will visit my sister in Detroit and see her new house which is making her jump-up-and-down blissful, as well as visiting my son up in Cleveland. I will be hosting here in Columbus my *Beyond the Call* group, 18 mid-career ministers who are deepening their preaching and worship skills in two retreats a year for two years. My fellow teachers are Kathleen Rolenz, co-minister at our West Shore congregation in Cleveland, and Abhi Janamanchi, newly called minister at our large Cedar Lane congregation in Bethesda Maryland (D.C.) Both of them will join me in the pulpit on my first Sunday back in the saddle, August 18th. At the end of the summer, a brief trip to the Manchester England area. The Unitarian ministers in the UK have asked me to come and teach a worship and preaching intensive, which will be a delight. I will bring water back for the Water Ceremony from the National Park where we are holding the retreat.

My book on grief for Skinner House has been approved by the panel there, and so I have that to work on this summer as well. My chapter in a book on UUism and Judaism is also in final edit, and I am still working on making decisions for the new *Readings for Worship* book that Skinner House is also producing.

Blessings...I'll be seeing you on the second Sunday in June, my last preaching time for a while.



(see THE INNER FLAME on page 5)

LINKS

Rev. Eric Meter, Associate Minister

Last October, Mark Belletini, I and over 20 colleagues walked to a West Virginia hillside overlook during a steady, gentle rain. Just beyond us was what used to be the top of one of the countless Appalachian mountains. (I hope the picture below does the scene justice.)



We were there as part of a study retreat, learning about energy and labor issues affecting both that area and beyond. If our youth are taking justice trips, we reasoned, we should, too.



I had only driven through West Virginia before, and only a couple times at that. What a beautiful, if damaged, state. I arrived in Charleston on a Sunday evening. Members of the UU congregation there welcomed us with a meal made from local foods and stories about some of those there who fought long and hard for fair labor practices. Two days later, a man from the Friends Service Committee talked with us about fracking along the Marcellus Shale, both passionate and chillingly informative. (You remember the earthquake that struck Youngstown, OH in December, 2011, don't you?). But the image that kept coming back to me during the recent presentation at First UU about using energy conservation and the possibility of solar panels to achieve (or at least approach) a carbon-neutral footprint, was the sight of what had been a full mountain, now reduced by hundreds of feet in height.

Now I'll be the first one to tell you that I'm no expert in mountaintop removal mining, and I know the arguments made about creating jobs versus protecting the environment. Still, there has got to be a better way than our status quo.

So I'm glad to know that the church is seriously looking at reducing its energy usage and even considering going solar. The list of other congregations, UU and in other denominations, doing the same is growing steadily. Given this, I was surprised that we might be able to

become the first Net-Zero Energy (producing as much energy as we consume) church in the state, even of one the first in the nation. And while that possibility excites me, any moves we make toward that goal will pay off in lower energy costs and by signaling that we are a community that walks its talk. And nothing is more inspiring than people coming together to live out their values.

In peace,

Eric

FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Beth Jewell, Chair

The Board of Trustees has asked the Choir Search Committee to suspend the search for Dee Keller's replacement. This is a budgetary decision the Board has reluctantly made. Because the church constitution requires a balanced budget, the Board recommends no salary increases for our current employees and that the choir director position Dee held remain vacant for fiscal year 2013-14. The increase in pledges was not sufficient to fund either Dee's position or salary increases for existing staff. These two items total approximately \$16,000 or just over two percent of our pledge budget. It is still possible, and indeed we hope, that additional pledge increases will come in. Representatives of the Board have met with Music Director Tony McDonald. The Board extends a special thanks to Tony for his willingness to work on a temporary solution to continue all of the choirs in the coming year.

Annual Congregational Meeting

June 9, 12:00pm
following the worship service

We will elect the Board of Trustees and the members of the Leadership Development Committee, vote to approve the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, and vote to authorize the Board to commence a Capital Campaign in fall 2013.

Finger foods will be shared in Fellowship Hall before the meeting. Please bring an item to share. Child care will be provided.

JUSTICE ACTION MINISTRY (JAM)



BREAD (Building Responsibility, Equality, and Dignity) is First UU's local interfaith social justice organization.

It is something of a miracle that more than 50 congregations from many different faiths and communities can actually come together and work on resolving community problems. Members of BREAD work to build the power necessary to fight for justice on a broad range of serious issues important to all parts of our community.

In 2012, BREAD voted to address issues related to health care access. When we investigated we found that many folks were using the emergency room as if it were their primary health care provider. Lack of access to routine health care due to lack of insurance or access to providers willing to serve low income folks forced many to delay care, and in some cases turn personal health care issues such as diabetes, high blood pressure and other health conditions, into life threatening situations.

We live in a society which values self sufficiency – “pull yourself up by your bootstraps” – so anytime this norm is challenged, we tend to blame the victim for making bad lifestyle choices and ignore the systemic and societal barriers to “self sufficiency” which are inherent in our community. The fact is that critically-ill people needing to rely on the emergency room is a very inefficient and expensive means of getting their health care needs met, and hospitals do little to change this, because they have given up on this segment of society.

BREAD members have been working to develop a new model of community health care worker known as the patient navigator to provide assistance to people needing access to health care. We now have three of these community-based health care workers stationed at three of our community clinics (East Central Columbus Neighborhood Health Center, Lower Lights Christian Health Center and Capital Park Health Care Center) serving more than 160 consumers with intensive case management services. This is a small but sensible start to addressing the issue of moving consumers out of a reliance on the ER and into a long-term relationship with a health care provider.

BREAD members have also been supporting the expansion of Medicaid for nearly 300,000 Ohioans who currently do not have health coverage. This lack of health insurance means that people do not get regular care, put off needed tests, and often must choose

between critically necessary medication and rent, food or other life essentials.

Your support of BREAD, through your contributions to First UU and through your involvement in the rally and Nehemiah Action are critical. First UU BREAD members will be reaching out to long time and potential supporters in the near future to discuss the next steps for the critical work we do in the community.

—David Maywhoor

Feed My Sheep Food Pantry needs nonperishable food and children's books. Bring your donations, and also aluminum beverage cans to Fellowship Hall on Sunday.

CHURCH NEWS

The **First UU Bookstore** is open every other Sunday during the summer, after the 10am service. August 11 is the next Free Book Exchange. Bring books, and take books, even if you don't bring books!

Book Bites meets every third Tuesday, from 7 to 9 pm. The next meeting is June 18. For relaxed summer reading, our June topic is Mysteries. Questions, call Kathleen Boston, 262-4025.

UU Animal Ministry meets every second Tuesday, at 7pm. Next meeting: June 11. Contact Rick Kritzer, 614-359-4035, rick94037@yahoo.com, for information.

Parents of Infants and Toddlers meets every second Saturday. Next meeting: Saturday, June 8, from 11am to 1pm. Nancy Powlick, lpowlick@columbus.rr.com.

Muslims for Progressive Values conducts an Islamic Prayer Service every Friday at 1pm, here at First UU. All Muslims and all friends of Islam are invited participate in this gender-neutral and LGBT-welcoming Jumma Prayer. For information, contact Frank Parmir, frankparmir@yahoo.com, 614-274-7330.

Women's Spirituality meets every Wednesday, from 7:30 – 9pm. Contact Jeanni Ray, 985-6176, jeanniray@gmail.com, for information.

Artists, start early for our UU September-October art show, *The Beauty of Your Dreams*. Any 2-D or 3-D media. Two works. Take-in will be in late August. Also, don't forget the poets' response to our art on First Friday, October 4. Questions? Contact Deb Baillieul debbsyc@yahoo.com, 447-1223.

**A MEMORIAL OF A MINISTER OF FIRST UU
REV. DR. JOHN (JACK) HAYWARD
SERVING HERE 1949-1952**

from Rev Mark Belletini, Senior Minister



Jack Hayward was minister of this congregation back when the congregation had about 40 members, and it met in a house by the OSU campus. He was fondly remembered by people like the late Ed Slowter, who kept up correspondence with him until he died.

Jack was born at the end of the First World War, 1918, and raised in a Congregationalist family in Wellesley, Massachusetts. His mother got him to like music by playing the upright piano, and his father, who went to church even though he was an atheist, influenced his interest in art, poetry and mythology. His father used to make up stories on Saturday nights, which instilled in young Jack an interest in storytelling.

After rebelling against the teaching style of the Congregational Church, Jack's parents transferred their membership to the Unitarian Church, where James Luther Adams was the minister. Adams was a very politically active minister, on the left side of things. The congregation was irritated with that part of his life, but they adored his kindness, warmth and great intellect. He influenced young Jack in the arts and music, and in social ethics.

Jack followed Adams when he left Wellesley Unitarian to take up teaching at Meadville Lombard Seminary in Chicago. There he helped perfect Adam's translations of the theologian Paulus Tillich, whose theology influenced many generations of liberal theologians. Jack remained a Tillichian theist with deep biblical rooting all of his life.

Jack married his wife Muriel while in seminary. When he graduated, he took up military chaplaincy in the Marines. While in Iwo Jima, he was digging a trench on a beach, and his spade hit a book. He lifted it up, and to his surprise, it was a copy of Ralph Waldo Emerson's essay *Nature*. Reading the essay kept him sane in the midst of the insanity of Iwo Jima.

When the war ended, he received his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago, studying under Bernie Loomer and Charles Hartshorne, both of whom are giants in twentieth century philosophy, and both of whom attended Unitarian churches.

After graduation, he accepted the call to serve as minister of our congregation. While here, he founded the Prairie Group, a study group of UU ministers that still meets. He met Carl Sandburg, which was an important event in his life, since he often read his poetry in services. (Sandburg was a member of the Asheville Unitarian Church.) Jack absolutely loved the people of this congregation, and this parish ministry, and on the 50th anniversary, in 1990, he

said to those gathered: "*Having to decide to leave this wonderful ministry to this piquant, varied, loving and laughing congregation for the work of a theological school professor was the hardest decision I have ever faced. What you gave me was so great a love for the ministry that I have always preached while teaching. To you, my everlasting thanks.*"

Jack is the minister who got (soon to be world famous and great television star and playwright) Rod Serling, then attending Antioch, to become an active Unitarian, which he was until his death. It was Jack who conducted his funeral and preached his eulogy, in upstate New York. They remained close all of their lives.

After three joyful years here, as I suggested, he left this congregation. He'd received a call from Bernie Loomer at the Divinity School of Chicago, to teach there. After some years there, he was approached to start a religious studies program at Southern Illinois University, in Carbondale. He and his wife Muriel were very active in the fellowship there, and he preached often. He and I also were in contact until a few years ago, when his health started to fail seriously. As I was preparing a sermon on the spiritual impact of Mr. Serling some years ago, Jack helped me out by sending the memorial service he'd conducted for Mr. Serling. He also sent me the plans of the Carbondale fellowship's new sanctuary, of which he was very proud, having served on the capital campaign committee.

Jack put me in touch with Serling's widow, Carol, the granddaughter of the Unitarian man who was the first president of OSU (commemorated in a plaque in Slowter Lounge), and Louise Taft Orton Caldwell, an important member of this congregation.

Jack wrote two books, both of which influenced me as a younger minister. *Through the Rose Window: Art, Myth and the Religious Imagination* (Skinner House, 1980), was a collection of sermons that spanned over 30 years. Earlier in his career, he also wrote *Existentialism and Religious Liberalism* (Beacon Press, 1962). Many ministers of my generation considered existentialism central to their theological thinking.

Ed Slowter used to tell me story after story about Jack, but when he died, he was one of the last members of this congregation who remembered him personally. Jack himself died at the beginning of our church year in September. At least for me, Jack's star rises over this congregation still after all these years, and I salute him and thank him now with this memorial.

There are two photos of Jack on the walls of this building. One, showing how he looked when serving this congregation, is set amid all the photos of our past ministers. One is found in the hallway leading to Slowter Lounge, named after his beloved friend. It shows a picture of him when he came here to celebrate our 50th anniversary.

OHIO-MEADVILLE DISTRICT

Chalice Lighters Would you like to reach beyond the walls of this congregation to help spread the Good News about UUism? Consider becoming a Chalice Lighters! This select group of folks promises to contribute \$10 on a quarterly basis to help our congregations or cluster with growth related projects. The last two quarters benefited those congregations and individuals affected by Hurricane Sandy and for those of you who contributed, know that your generosity made a great impact on the recipients. The call for this current four months will kick start growth of religious education for the small-but-growing Maumee Valley congregation in Bowling Green, Ohio.

The Maumee Valley congregation understands the deep importance of religious education and its ability to leave a legacy of the message of UUism, thus they seek to hire a part-time director of religious education. As well, the congregation has been fundraising so they can match the Chalice Lighter's grant money received. The new DRE in Maumee Valley will help UU children answer important life and faith questions—Who are you? What do you believe as a UU? How does being UU help you make decisions?

This congregation's intentional growing resulted in the hiring of their first settled minister, Rev. Lynn Kerr, in fall 2011. Won't you help them grow further? See www.ohiomeadville.org/challight/clgrants, or contact Rev. Kathleen Fowler at 263-4404.

General Assembly 2013

This year's General Assembly is in Louisville, KY. This year's theme is covenant, and the social justice focus will be environmental justice. We'll be electing a new moderator, as well as other positions. Learn more at www.uua.org/ga.

Rick Kritzer has generously volunteered to **compile a list of First UU folks attending GA** to help you make connections with each other and plan your time in Louisville. Rick shares that he thinks GA is valuable, rich and energizing, and he wants to help others have an enjoyable and productive experience!

Interested in serving First UU as a GA delegate? The Board will be appointing GA delegates at the May Board meeting. Rick is assisting the Board by reaching out to ascertain GA attendees who wish to serve as delegates. If interested, please email Rick, rick94037@yahoo.com, to let him know, or to ask for more information.

THE INNER FLAME

from Rev. Mark Belletini, Senior Minister

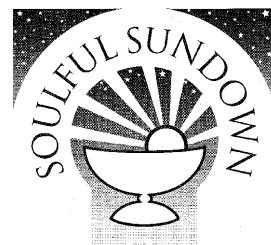
“Let us develop a kind of dangerous unselfishness.”

—Martin Luther King, April 3, 1968
(the day before he was assassinated)

I found this evocative quotation in *Racing to Justice* by jon a. powell. (Yes, like e.e. cummings, he never capitalizes his name.)

I cannot recommend this book enough. Powell used to head the Kirwin Institute, the greatest institution, by my lights, at all of OSU. He now lives and works in California. Eric and Jolinda and I have attended, when we could, the biannual conference he holds in Columbus on issues of ethnicity and race. With the utterly brilliant Vandana Shiva and Van Jones speaking at the last conference, it's hard to imagine spending a better three days in the winter.

The eighth chapter of Jones's book, *Lessons from Suffering*, has the subtitle *How Social Justice Informs Spirituality*, which excited me wonderfully. It's not always an easy book, but nevertheless, it's worth the difficulty, and I offer it for your meditation. Your inner flame will burn brighter when you are through.



Soulful Sundown Sunday, June 30, 5:00pm

Join us for a dynamic, interactive, contemporary service in the Worship Center. Drinks and snacks will follow.

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

CARING CORNER

Do you have a family member graduating this spring—high school, college, graduate degree? If so, the Caring Committee would like to send a Caring Card to that person. Please send the information to Jane Reisman (jnreisman@aol.com), or you can fill out a Caring Card request form yourself. This can be found on the church's website (firstuucolumbus.org). Please include your name and the school of the graduate.

Casey Elliott Lange, daughter of Kris Elliott and Shirley Lange, will graduate from Columbus Academy on June 6. She will attend Colgate University this fall.

There were three graduates on May 18 at the Methodist Theological School in Delaware Ohio: **Joe Pierce**, who was awarded his Master of Divinity degree; **Wesley Thompson**, who received combined Master's Degrees in Divinity and Counseling; and **Donna Jarrell**, who received her Master of Divinity degree (Donna is a former member of First UU and served as chair of the worship committee).

Thanks to the following folks who contributed to the memorial service and reception for Vera Toran May 18: Paul Brody, Art Holdford, Dave Richter, Jane Young, Olwen Firestone, Patty Monroe, Paula Hook, Karen Thimmes, and Bernice White.
—Tina Thonnings and Carole Wilhelm, co-coordinators

Congratulations to **Katherine Fiscus Waring**, daughter of Fluff Fiscus and Glenn Waring. Katherine, who attended First UU's preschool and Sunday School as a child, graduated from George Washington University Law School on May 19.

Congratulations to **Karen Dawson**, who was given a Micro Entrepreneur Award for her LeaderSpark Program by the Increase Community Development Corporation.

Healing thoughts are sent to **Bertina Povenmire**, who had hip replacement surgery on Tuesday, May 28.

Caring thoughts go out to **Deb McGuire**, our Religious Education Assistant, who is hospitalized to adjust her medication for a chronic condition.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

Wellspring I and II, Starting September, 2013

Part of the dedication to being Unitarian Universalist is a commitment to spiritual growth. But what exactly is that, and how does one engage in that? Beyond becoming involved with Covenant Groups and taking the class "Build Your Own Theology" (two excellent resources), First UU offers an opportunity to engage with a small group in a spiritual deepening curriculum, Wellspring, that meets—generally twice a month—throughout a nine-month period. It requires a commitment in several ways, but one that is well worth the effort.

In these groups, you will dialogue with yourself and others about what is spiritual, and where the nature of spirit may be found. You will explore a variety of sources—the beauty or power of nature, play and joy, your spiritual history or questioning, the history of the UU faith, where others have found sustenance, forgiveness, perspectives on death, our relationship to the plane, our Seven Principles, human nature, and the many definitions of prayer, just to name a few.

Beyond reading and preparation for each gathering, participants commit to a daily spiritual practice and a monthly meeting with a spiritual director. If these last two sound a bit daunting, let me reassure you that this is a course of discovery—your doubts and questions and fears are very welcome—and you will find that you are not alone. You can grow into and with these commitments, just as I and others have.

We are forming new groups now, to begin with a Wellspring Retreat on September 14, 2013, but we need to know your interest or commitment soon. If this journey sounds at all intriguing, feel free to talk to Rev. Eric Meter or me, or anyone who has engaged with this class.
—Rev. Kathleen Fowler, 263-4404

FAITH DEVELOPMENT FOR ALL AGES

Jolinda Stephens, Religious Education Director



Contemplating the Capital Campaign

Our Children Are Our Here and Now

We often speak of our children and teens as being our future, and what we do now for them truly does impact our congregational future and the future of the world. In many ways, however, they are the “here and now” of our congregation.

This year I had the privilege of co-facilitating 8th grade OWL (Our Whole Lives). Such a privilege. I learned so much of their daily lives and the ways that being a part of First UU has influenced them.

In every school they attend, whether it is a school that shares many of our values, or a typical school, our kids live our values and talk about them every day, spreading UUism. The 8th graders reported that in the past they had had fundamental disagreements with friends over religion, science, sexuality, and morality, and they report that friends are now telling them that they are coming around to our kids' ways of thinking and feeling.

They daily stand up to bullies, and discuss matters of gender identity or evolution or reproductive rights. They act to spread kindness rather than judgment, and information rather the prejudices.

When we asked the 8th graders at the beginning of the year what or who has been the strongest influence in shaping their values, more than 50% said First UU. For all, First UU and their parents were the strongest influences.

This Board and this congregation has an awe-inspiring responsibility to support this spiritual and moral development. But before we confront the responsibility, let's just take a moment to stand back and admire what we've accomplished, working hand-in-hand with the parents.

Impossible to Say an Adequate Thank You

Gratitude is when memory is stored in the heart and not in the mind. ~Lionel Hampton

My official farewell Sunday was so full and amazing. Thank you so much. All of you. Special thanks are due to those who planned the event: Eric Meter, Deb McGuire, Marla McMichael-Liston, Christine Davidson and Tony McDonald. And a very special thank you to all four choirs and directors Dee Keller and Brandon Moss and the orchestra. You have brought me such delight during my time here. As I contemplate selecting a congregation in the Tacoma area I know I'll never match the joy of First UU's music program.

I owe you a much more comprehensive thank you than that, however, for all that you have done for me over the years. In the beginning you took such tender care of me when I first arrived - advocating with the medical system, bringing me food, and moving me into my new space. I will never forget it. Throughout the years you have been generous with your time, ideas and encouragement. And, now you are so generous with your appreciation and farewells.

These past few days your new DRE, Lane Campbell, and I have worked together to make the transition as smooth as we can. She is amazing. You will do great things together. Be good to her, as you have been good to me.

In the words of the old Rod Stewart song: You're in my heart.

May all be well,

Jolinda

Register Now for Peace Camp

Weeks of July 29 and August 5

We'll be exploring peace within, among, and between. Through art, music, discussions, and interactions, we'll work on problem solving and negotiation skills. Both sessions are multi-age. Register at the Sunday School Table or at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ZBPV58T>. —Peace Camp Director Jenifer Bojanowski, greenness.com@prodigy.net

Outdoor Fun, Ecology and Native American Stories Featured in Summer Sundays at 10 am

Jen Bojanowski is once again the Coordinator of Summer Sunday School. She has a fun summer in store, with nature-based outdoor activities grounded in Native American spirituality and stories, to help our children connect with the natural world and our relationships with it, while honoring the enduring values of old.

Suzie Watkins-Martinez welcomes our youngest ones in the Toddler Room.



Next newsletter deadline: Sunday, June 23. Please send articles to marian@firstuucolumbus.org, or leave them in the Office Manager mailbox in the workroom.

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Highlights of Church Events, June, 2013

Saturday, June 1

6:00pm Coming of Age Dinner & Program

Sunday, June 2

8:30am Leadership Development Committee

5:00pm Wellspring

Monday, June 3

7:00pm Cultural History Behind the Arab Spring

7:00pm Program Council

Tuesday, June 4

7:00pm Caring Committee

8:00pm Worship Committee

Wednesday, June 5

8:00am UU Food Co-op

7:00pm Membership Committee

7:00pm Building & Grounds Committee

7:30pm Yoga (Spring Session)

Friday, June 7

6:30pm First Friday Potluck

7:30pm Multicultural Families Meeting

Saturday, June 8

11:00am Parents of Infants and Toddlers

Sunday, June 9

12:00pm Annual Congregational Meeting

Monday, June 10

7:00pm Adult Enrichment Committee

7:00pm Kaleidoscope Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 11

1:30pm Library Team

7:00pm UU Animal Ministry

7:00pm This Month in Science

7:00pm Social Committee

7:45pm Zen Discussion

Wednesday, June 12

7:00pm Personnel Committee

7:00pm Memoir Writing

Saturday, June 15

11:00am Sound Team

12:00pm Move to Amend

Sunday, June 16

11:15am Green Team

11:30am Garden Club

11:30am Strategic Planning

12:00pm Committee on Shared Ministry

6:30pm Time Bank Potluck Meeting

Monday, June 17

7:00pm BREAD Team

Tuesday, June 18

7:00pm Stewardship Committee

7:00pm Book Bites

7:30pm Finance Committee

Wednesday, June 19

7:00pm Executive Committee

Thursday, June 20

6:00pm Summer Work Session

Friday, June 21

6:30pm Solstice Elemental Peace Ritual for the Healing of the Earth

Saturday, June 22

7:30pm All Soles Contra Dance

Sunday, June 23

2:00pm PFLAG

4:00pm Community Drumming Circle

6:00pm Bridge Group (call 499-2434)

Monday, June 24

7:00pm Funeral Consumers Alliance

7:00pm Justice Action Ministry

Tuesday, June 25

7:00pm Goddesses in Training

7:00pm Being an Atheist or Agnostic

Wednesday, June 26

7:00pm Board of Trustees

Thursday, June 27

7:00pm Film: Do the Math

Saturday, June 29

4:00pm Pauline Alexander Memorial Service

Sunday, June 30

5:30pm Soulful Sundown Worship Service

Recurring Events:

- Worship Service: Sunday, 10:00am
- Getting to Know UU: Sunday, 11:15am
- Zen Meditation: Saturday, 8:30am; Tuesday, 7:00pm (orientation 2nd Saturday, 8:30am; discussion 2nd Tuesday, 7:45pm)
- Hispanohablantes Aspirantes: Saturday & Thursday, 11am
- Dance Your Way: 1st & 3rd Saturday, 11:30am
- Youth Group: 1st & 3rd Sunday, 12:00pm
- Art Journaling: Monday, 4:00pm
- AA Meeting: Monday, 4:00pm
- UU Dance Fellowship: Monday, 7:00pm
- Archives Organizing: Tuesday, 9:30am; 1st & 4th Wednesdays, 1:00pm
- Women's Spirituality: Wednesday, 7:30pm
- Men's Spirituality: Wednesday, 7:30pm
- Improvisational Dance: Thursday, 9:30am
- Central Ohio UU Walkers: Friday, 9:30am (offsite)
- Cooking for Faith Mission: 1st & 3rd Friday, 12:00pm
- Expressive Collage: 2nd & 4th Thursday, 7:00pm



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Theme for June: Gateway to the Summer

June 2, 2013, 10 a.m. Rev. Eric Meter, Jolinda Stephens
“Coming of Age Ceremony”

June 9, 2013, 10 a.m. Rev. Mark Belletini
**“The Spiritual and Yes, Neurological,
Effects of Stereotyping”**
Annual Meeting at 12:00

June 16, 2013, 10 a.m. Chaplain Dick Dawson
Pastoral Care

June 23, 2013, 10 a.m. Chaplain Ben Iten
**“Taste the Rainbow: Beyond the
Gay/Straight Dichotomy”**

June 30, 2013, 10 a.m.
**“Letting Go of the Rope: Reflections on
Relationships”**
Rev. Eric D. Dawson

Sign Language (ASL) interpretation is provided at the 10am service **on June 2 and June 9.**

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