



Sunday Services

September 3, 2017 @ 9:30 and 11:15 AM

Life's Transitions by Reverend Tom Capo

Life is full of transitions. Moving from infant to childhood to adulthood... from one job/career to another... from one home to another... from one change to another in our lives. How do we face them? What can we learn from each change in our lives? There will a time in the service to share Joys and Concerns.

Sunday Morning Forum, 9:30am, Learning Center

Science Sunday will discuss Life On Earth- An Overview. One emphasis of Science Sunday this year will be to look more closely at the amazing means by which life developed on our planet, and how some of the organisms living today specialized in finding and exploiting niches in our interdependent web of life. Why do some mammals lay eggs? How did bats develop sonar? What demonstrates the means by which living beings left the "safety" of the sea and colonized the land? September's forum will be an overview of How Life Came to Be!

September 10, 2017 @ 9:30 and 11:15 AM

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Journey

(Service theme chosen by auction winner Becky Trombly-Freytag)

By Gemma Guenther, Ministerial Intern

Join us in a search for truth and meaning in Harry Potter's world! This Sunday, we will follow the path of an Earth-based service while focusing on HP's characters and themes. Let's celebrate imagination and the magical power that fiction has in shaping our lives. This is an all ages service. Please feel free to dress up if you would like. Expecto Patronum! There will be a Special Collection for **Holiday Meals on Wheels** during the service.

Sunday Morning Forum—9:30am, Learning Center

Social Justice Forum: Please join us as we welcome Illinois State Senator Michael Connelly (R) for the 21st District to our September 10th Forum. Senator Connelly will lead us in a discussion about the legislative process, writing a bill and the steps needed to getting it passed, Civics 101. He will discuss the opportunities in our community to make your voices heard and become more civically engaged. We are looking forward to Senator Connelly's visit and hope that you will take this opportunity to listen and become involved in the important issues facing this state today.

September 17, 2017 @ 9:30 and 11:15 AM

Unitarian Universalism in Transition by Reverend Tom Capo

There are a number of changes going on in Unitarian Universalism. We will consider them and their repercussions on our church community. There will a time in the service to share Joys and Concerns.

Sunday Morning Forum—9:30am, Learning Center. Science

Sunday: Critical Thinking is defined as the conjunction of knowledge, skills and strategies that promotes improved problem solving, rational decision making and enhanced creativity. In the first of three lectures on Critical Thinking, Dr. Joanne Reid will discuss the performance of Human senses in the acquisition of information.

September 24, 2017 @ 9:30 and 11:15 AM

Eldering Ritual by Reverend Tom Capo

Our American culture doesn't seem to value the knowledge and experience of those who have reached a certain age. Eldering is a vision for growing older, which embraces the many opportunities to have the rest of life be richer and more rewarding than we can imagine. This Service will consider the values of the elders in our church and provide them an elder ritual.

Sunday Morning Forum—9:30am, Learning Center

Spiritual Formation: Screening of "A Journey Through Time - Life of the Prophets" - Islamic Center of Naperville

Yousuf Siddiqui from the The Islamic Center of Naperville is planning to do a special screening of a multimedia presentation they produced called "A Journey Through Time - Life of the Prophets". This presentation highlights the prominent messengers of Islam - Adam, Noah, Moses, Abraham, Jesus and Muhammad, Peace be upon all of them, with direct references in the Quran on each of them. It is a fascinating insight as to the message they conveyed, how it was linked between them, and as to how the Quranic view is similar and sometimes different from the biblical narrative of the messengers of God. It is an excellent opportunity to understand how Muslims view Jesus, Moses etc and their respective position and status. The presentation will be approximately 25 mins with time for questions and answers afterwards.



From Reverend Tom Capo

March on. Do not tarry. To go forward is to move toward perfection. March on, and fear not the thorns, or the sharp stones on life's path. ~ Khalil Gibran

Unitarian Universalism continues to march on. At General Assembly this summer, more people of color attended than has since the 1960s. And there are increasing numbers of LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer or Questioning) people in our denomination and in our churches. Transgender and Gender Fluid individuals are now finding a home in our churches. And this is true of our church as well.

The question for me is: "Is our congregation as welcoming as we can be to our transgender and gender fluid visitors?" Well, to assess this, I looked for the paperwork for the last time this congregation recertified as a Welcoming Congregation. I couldn't find it. I did hear that about 5 or 6 years ago we held some classes from the Welcoming Congregation curriculum, but I could find no evidence that DUUC (DuPage Unitarian Universalist Church) followed through with the actual re-certification process. What is a Welcoming Congregation Certification? (Here is a link: [UUA Welcoming Congregation](#)). This is from the site: "In the 1980s and 90s, when the word "welcoming" became a code word for lesbian, gay, and bisexual people, the Unitarian Universalist Association launched a Welcoming Congregation Program to help us learn how to undo homophobia—and later, transphobia (prejudice against transgender people)—in our hearts and minds, our congregations, and our communities." To be certified a congregation educate a significant percentage of its membership on the issues facing the LGBTQ community, understand specific ways of making this population feel welcome, and implement those ways congregation-wide.

Each congregation must recertify every five years, updating their education and understanding of the needs and issues of the LGBTQ every population. We recertify because our culture is not static, and no population's needs are static either.

Last church year, I led a service that included members of Youth Outlook (a support system for LGBTQ youth). This group meets in our church. We learned that some of the LGBTQ community, particularly those who are gender fluid or transgender, want to be referred to by the pronouns that are specific to their gender identity.

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Minster's Article continued...

And one other major issue for the LGBTQ community in the United States—and I know you have been hearing about it on the news—is the issue of bathrooms. The Unitarian Universalist Association has been at the forefront of this issue, advocating for needs of the transgender and gender fluid community. For the past 5 plus years, General Assembly has requested that gender-neutral and self-identified bathrooms be available in the convention centers where we meet. While there is resistance in many states for self-identified gender bathrooms, many museums as well as churches (not just UU) are beginning to put these signs outside their restrooms. This sign below is posted outside bathrooms in the Museum of Modern Art in New York City.



Our church needs to move forward in getting our re-certification as a Welcoming Congregation and we need to re-examine just exactly how welcoming we truly are to the LGBTQ community. We are starting by offering pronoun stickers for your nametags. You will find them by the nametag racks. You are encouraged to put a sticker on your nametag. And we will be putting up a sign in front of the bathroom in the Founders Room that identifies this bathroom as open to all gender identities. The next step will be putting "Self-Identified" under the Men's and Women's Restrooms outside the Sanctuary.

I want to leave you with two experiences. Not too long ago a transgender person approached a member of our congregation and asked if it was okay to use a bathroom in our church. What would you say to this transgender person? A few people in our church express concerns about the safety of our children if we let people self-identify which bathroom to use. What would you say to a member of our church who expresses this concern?

The re-certification of the Welcoming Congregation designation is essential for our congregation right now. I say this without hesitation and also with the understanding that there will be emotions that will be brought to the surface as we deeply examine what being radically welcoming might look like. If you have questions or concerns about these issues, please come and talk to me.

Blessings, Rev. Tom



I find that when I'm ready for something to end, I transition quickly. But when something ends before its time, I find it hard to move on. ~Emma Caulfield, actress

CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS



ADULT FALL RETREAT
Friday, October 20 -
Sunday, October 22 at
Pilgrim Park Conference
Center, Princeton, IL

Homeward bound, I wish I was Homeward Bound...

Do you hear this song coming from your bookcase or piano bench? Is the hymnal you borrowed or accidentally took home crying to be returned to its loved ones? Please listen to its pleas and return any that may have followed you home. For a limited time only, there will be amnesty for borrowers. After this offer expires, the Hymnal police will be called!

Hymnals at the Door! We are experimenting with a new way to distribute hymnals. For the next several months, you may pick up hymnals on the cart as you enter the sanctuary instead of having to hunt around several seats to find them, and possibly not having the correct hymnal near you. The words to all hymns and congregational readings will continue to be projected, so everyone may join in. We also have large print gray hymnals available - just ask a steward.

Corruption of Our Democracy Study/Action Group

We will not hold a September meeting. In lieu of the meeting we recommend you sign up for the September 7th Monthly Volunteer Introductory Call for Represent.Us. These calls provide information on the Represent.Us campaign to build a grassroots movement that will end government corruption. You can rsvp at the link below:

http://volunteer.represent.us/movement_building/



Time to Sign-up for Sunday Flowers!

If you have a special occasion or person you would like honor, please consider providing flowers for Sunday Services during the 2017-18 church year. There are three ways to

donate flowers:

1. Have Sunday Flowers order flowers for you. The cost to reimburse DUUC for an arrangement from Phillip's Flowers is \$35. (Please write "flowers" in the memo line.)
2. Bring in your own arrangement from your garden or favorite flower shop. Flowers must be brought to the sanctuary by 9:15 a.m.
3. On select dates in September and May only, Pat Clancy will make an arrangement for you with flowers from the church grounds. \$20 minimum donation to DUUC is required. (Please write "flowers by Pat" in the memo line.)

In all cases, your dedication will be printed in the order of service, and the flowers are yours to take home after the second service. Please contact Kristen Tang at flowers@dupageuuchurch.org for more information and to request a date. Thanks!

Beginningless Mind: An Exploration of Tibetan Buddhism in the Mahayana Tradition of the Dalai Lama Lineage

The Tibetan Buddhism Study Group will start on October 5, weekly on Thursdays, 7-9 p.m., in the Founders Room on the 1st, 2nd, 4th Thursdays, and in the Learning Center on the 3rd Thursday.

The focus of this Study Group will be to explore the teachings and meditation practices of Tibetan Buddhism in the Mahayana Tradition, of Dalai Lama lineage, using the text of the Lam-Rim as translated from the original Tibetan, and related readings, to engage in Analytical Meditation, which the Lam-Rim describes as "the exercise of eliciting experiential realizations by contemplating a particular topic from every standpoint using sharp reasoning and dharma teachings.

Contact: Mary O'Brien Glatz tel: 720-205 8944

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Worship Themes for 2017-2018

September: Transition
October: Living in the Tension
November: Humility
December: Mystery
January: Contemplation
February: Belonging
March: Justice
April: Art and Music
May: Play



Selfie Directory!

Last Call - Please send your selfies to us by **September 15th!** We are busy working on the selfie directory but we are still missing Your picture. Please send your photo to selfie@dupageuuchurch.org.

THE WIDER CIRCLE

Please join us on the **first Friday** of the month from **7:30 to 9:00pm** for a support group for parents and caregivers of those with special needs. We are a small meeting of parents available to hear your stories and give you a safe place to share. There are no age or diagnosis requirements. There is room at our table for everyone. Cookies provided depending on how our days went, train delays and random life events. Questions? Please contact Karen (karen@karenworks.com) or Lori (Imelhart@yahoo.com)

CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

Congressman Bill Foster Speaks about
Life as a Scientist in Congress
Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at 7:30 pm
1828 Old Naperville Road in Naperville
(Off 88 at Naperville Road & Diehl)

Congressman Foster will share his experience as the only scientist currently serving in the U.S. Congress. He'll speak about his background in science, and how and why he left the laboratory to pursue public office. Q & A will follow.

Free and Open to the Public. Free parking adjacent and across from the Venue: the DuPage Unitarian Church. Directions at [630/505-9408](tel:6305059408). Sponsored by Humanists of West Suburban Chicagoland -- [630/420-4233](tel:6304204233). More on Meetup, Facebook and HumanistsWestOfChicago.org.

Jesus Seminar Book Club will meet on **September 17 at 3 PM**. Please read the last two chapters of *Re-Imagine the World: An Introduction to the Parables of Jesus* by Bernard Brandon Scott. We will finish this book. You can find it at Westar Institute's Polebridge Press or Barnes and Noble or Amazon.

Conscious Aging

Conscious Aging will meet **Thursday, September 21, 7 PM**. We continue to explore the psychological, emotional, and spiritual aspects of aging. During this first meeting of the church year, we will consider the "Awkwardness of Aging".

Unitarian Universalist Bible Study

Reverend Tom wants to gather with members of DUUC who are interested in a Bible Study. If you are interested in reading, studying, and reflecting on books and passages from the Christian Bible from a UU point of view, join Reverend Tom on **Sunday, September 24th at 3 PM**. Bring your preferred Bible.

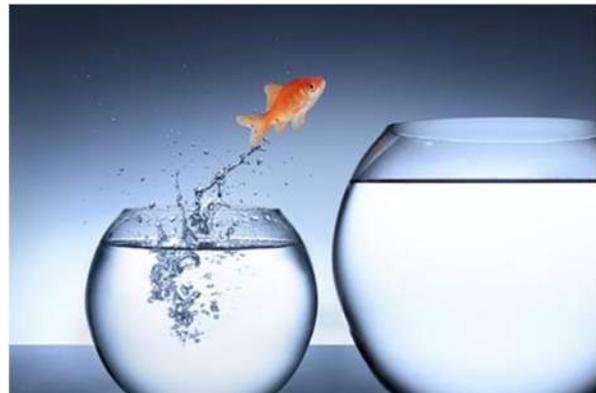
The Humanist group regularly meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month @ 7:30pm in the Learning Center. Occasionally we meet at other times (TBA). For more information, please contact Jack Sechrest abm9@comcast.net.

TAI CHI will not be held on the following dates: Sept. 5, 12 & 19. Class will resume on Sept. 26th.

A lot of people resist transition and therefore never allow themselves to enjoy who they are. Embrace the change, no matter what it is; once you do, you can learn about the new world you're in and take advantage of it.
~Nikki Giovanni, American poet

We Need You!

- ♦ Will you be willing to stand up for your church?
 - ♦ Would you be willing to come 15 minutes early to one service per month?
 - ♦ Would you be a welcoming face to people entering the sanctuary?
 - ♦ Do you like giving things away? (and do a few other simple tasks)
 - ♦ Would you consider being a Steward.
- We need you!! Please ask a steward at any Sunday Service for more information about this opportunity and /or contact Chris Walton (cwalton3655@hotmail.com)



The deadline for the **OCTOBER** newsletter is **Monday, September 18th @ 9:00am**. Please email

your submissions to Sheri Regalado at office@dupageuuchurch.org.

What goes in the Newsletter? What goes in the Weekly Update? Church related events will be included in the Newsletter and Weekly Updates. Any non-church sponsored community events will be included in the newsletter, if spacing permit. Please email your submissions to Sheri at office@dupageuuchurch.org

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The Goods and Services Auction is just around the corner! The theme this year is Dr. Who, so get ready to board our TARDIS and have some fun! The event will be on **November 4th** this year and begins at 4:30pm. Dinner will be served and childcare is provided.

Buy your tickets and get your donations in early! [Click here](#) or go to: <https://dupageuuchurch.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/GoodsServicesAuction2017/tabid/881727/Default.aspx> to visit the website to purchase your tickets and enter your donations. If you are donating an event or party, make sure to check out the online calendar to find out a good date for your event. And the sooner you enter your donation, the sooner you will have that date locked in for your event, so donate early and often! Questions? Email: auction@dupageuuchurch.org

Youth Mental Health First Aid Class to be held at DUUC on Saturday Dec 2, 2017.

Youth Mental Health First Aid USA is an 8 hour public education program which introduces participants to the unique risk factors and warning signs of mental health problems in adolescents, builds understanding of the importance of early intervention, and teaches individuals how to help an adolescent or young adult in crisis or experiencing a mental health challenge. Mental Health First Aid uses role-playing and simulations to demonstrate how to assess a mental health crisis; select interventions and provide initial help; and connect young people to professional, peer, social, and self-help care.

This course will be hosted at DuPage Unitarian Universalist Church, Learning Center from 8:30 am to 5:30 pm. Coffee and bagels, and box lunches will be provided. Cost is \$30 per person for books, food, and beverages. Send your name, address, phone, email to Sheri Regalado along with a \$30 check payable to DUUC with "Dec 2 YMHA" in the memo line to hold a place in the class. If you have any questions, contact: Robert Skrocki at bpskrocki@comcast.net or **630.802.0769**. Scholarships are available in case of financial need.

DUUCKIES Harvest Moon Celebration Wednesday 09/06, 6:30pm

In the backyard (inside if the weather is inclement) Join DUUC's Kindred In Earth-centered Spirituality as we celebrate the Harvest moon, which is the full moon occurring closest to the autumn equinox. Bring a snack to share for fellowship and Tarot after the Ritual. Questions? Contact Martha Capo, marthakirbycapo@gmail.com, or Andrea Gustafson, qcacupuncture@yahoo.com.

DUUCKIES Mabon (Autumnal Equinox) Celebration—Saturday 09/16, 6:30pm

In the backyard (inside if the weather is inclement) Mabon is the second of the three Harvest Festivals. As the Autumnal Equinox, it offers an opportunity to reflect on balance and the completion of projects. Bring a potluck-type item to share as part of our festivities! Questions? Contact Martha Capo, marthakirbycapo@gmail.com, or Andrea Gustafson, qcacupuncture@yahoo.com.



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Fall Membership Classes

Interested in learning more about becoming a member of DuPage UU Church? Our

Fall classes will be on **Oct. 8th and Oct 15th from 12:40-3:00pm**. Lunch and childcare will be provided. Sign-up sheet located on the kiosk in Kreves Hall. If you have any questions see Mary Law or email at membership@dupageuuchurch.org.



Contact Information. Do you have a new email address, phone number or mailing address? Please be sure that the church office has your current contact information for inclusion in the next printed church directory. Please email your updates to Sheri at

office@dupageuuchurch.org by **September 30th**.

Thank you!

When I realized I was transgender I was so afraid of what my transition would do to everyone else in my life and how they would react to it and would I be rejected?
~ Chaz Bono, American advocate, writer, musician and actor



DRUM CIRCLE— THURSDAY 09/07

Meets in the Sanctuary, 7pm
BYODrum (there will be extras on hand to borrow)

Info: Martha Capo, marthakirbycapo@gmail.com

Meditation or Prayer

Reverend Tom offers this meditation/prayer by Unitarian Universalist minister, Reverend Elizabeth Tarbox for your reflection.

"Dukkha," they say. The Buddhists say, "All is dukkha." It is hard to translate, they tell us. It means literally "suffering" but the feeling of dukkha is closer to impermanence. The fact of impermanence is central to the Buddhist path to nirvana, enlightenment.

Dukkha. All is impermanence. Nothing lasts. I thought of that yesterday, watching leaves come down in a shower, and the smell of the rotting ones going back into the earth. Leaf to humus and back to earth to nourish the roots of the mother tree. The crows crying as the leaves fall and their nests are exposed: dukkha...all is impermanence.

And life goes on, and people who were with us last year at this time have died, all souls pass on, all is dukkha, nothing lasts.

The path to enlightenment is understanding, accepting impermanence to the point where we no longer struggle against it. That is the way of the Buddha. But here in the West we search for that which is permanent, even as we live with the death of all things, all people. We search for a sure footing on the path strewn with fallen leaves; we notice the buds of next year's growth tight-curved and waiting; we hold on to the things we can count on—our church, our community, our memories of those who died before us, our love and hope, and the search for certainty in a world that is dukkha.

God of creation, God of today—let us find each other in a changing world; let us experience love as something which exists, a possibility which is. Let us know that we are alive and being renewed miraculously each second; that the impermanence gives to life its freshness and surprise; that our memories of yesterday and our expectations of tomorrow make now a cherished, precious, eternal moment.

Spiritual Practice

Pick a mundane activity you do each day, washing dishes, taking a shower, brushing your teeth, sweeping the floor (for example). Before beginning the activity take a deep slow breath. Then keep your mind focused solely on the activity. Notice each sensation, emotion, thought you experience in as much detail as you can. Train yourself to notice details. It is through the mundane and the familiar that we discover a world of ceaseless wonders. Try to keep this up daily for at least one week.



NON-CHURCH SPONSORED COMMUNITY EVENTS

JUST VIEWS Film & Discussion: Friday, September 8 at 7:20 pm: *Making Our Justice System More Just*. Issues we will examine tonight include: * Profiling minorities and detaining them more frequently than the mainstream. *Cash bail bond practices that penalize the poor disproportionately. *Suspending from school and jailing youths for minor infractions. *Imprisoning inappropriately drug addicts and the mentally and emotionally unstable – without rehabilitation. *Incarcerating nonviolent offenders with the violent. *Widespread use of solitary confinement. With us for our post-viewing discussion will be members of the DUUC Social Justice Committee for Restorative Justice and Racial Equity. Our focus will be upon corrective, constructive actions. Join us and bring others! The public and all points of view are welcome. For more information, contact: Stephanie Hughes at [630-420-4233](tel:630-420-4233), or Carol Tritschler at [630-961-0106](tel:630-961-0106), or go to <http://www.meetup.com/dupagepeacethroughjustice/>.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Fri Sep 1

6:30pm AIM Task Force
7:30pm The Wider Circle

Sat Sep 2

10am Genealogy group
2pm Covenant Group

Sun Sep 3

9:30am Science Sunday Forum
9:30am Sunday Service
11:15am Sunday Service
12:45pm Companions

Mon Sep 4

Labor Day—OFFICE CLOSED
12pm UUWA Brown Bag Lunch
7pm Mindfulness Meditation

Tue Sep 5

7pm COM

Wed Sep 6

6:30pm DUUCKIES Harvest
Moon Celebration
7pm Visitor Relations Committee

Thu Sep 7

7pm Congregational Life
Committee
7pm Drumming Circle
7pm Sunday Services
Committee

Sun Sep 10,

All Ages Worship
9:30am Social Justice Forum
9:30am Sunday Service
11:15am Sunday Service
12:15pm Public Ministry
Committee
12:30pm TLC
12:30pm Fellowship Committee
12:30pm Trio Rehearsal

Mon Sep 11

6:30pm Covenant Group
7pm Mindfulness
Meditation

Wed Sep 13

7:30pm Humanist Group

Thu Sep 14

7:30pm Men's Growth
Group

Fri Sep 15

7pm FIRE/Spark
7:30pm Jesus Seminar on
the Road

Sat Sep 16

8am Facilitators' Council
9am Work Session
9:30am Jesus Seminar on
the Road
10am Bookstore
Committee
6:30pm DUUCKIES Mabon
(Autumn Equinox)
Celebration

Sun Sep 17

9:30am Science Sunday
Forum
9:30am Sunday Service
11:15am Sunday Service
12:30pm Trio Rehearsal
12:45pm Companions

Mon Sep 18

12pm UUWA Brown Bag
Lunch
7pm Mindfulness
Meditation

Tue Sep 19

6:30pm Board Meeting -
Executive Session
7pm Board Meeting
7pm Bridge Team

Wed Sep 20

6:30pm Facilities
Enhancement Committee

Thu Sep 21

7pm Conscious Aging

Fri Sep 22

7pm Coming of Age Retreat

Sat Sep 23

12am Coming of Age Retreat
10am Humanist Board

Sun Sep 24

9:30am Spiritual Formation
Forum
9:30am Sunday Service
11:15am Sunday Service
12:30pm Social Justice
Committee
12:30pm Trio Rehearsal
7pm Choir Rehearsal

Mon Sep 25

7pm Mindfulness Meditation

Tue Sep 26

4:30pm Tai Chi Chuan
7pm Covenant group
7pm Pastoral Ministry
Associates

Wed Sep 27

10am Elder Circle
6pm Covenant group

Thu Sep 28

7:30pm Mens Growth Group

Social Justice Committee - SMILE Project

Students, Mentors, Internship with Local Employers

Coming Summer 2018

Beginning June 2018 DUUC will kick-off our SMILE Project, a summer youth mentoring initiative. This program is meant to enhance our community, and empower our youth by helping them develop a good work ethic, teach responsibility, acquire money management skills, and give them a taste of success. We are committed to meeting a need in DuPage County and Kane County, that of mentoring high school students in need of a break, or who may be on the brink of success but not quite there yet. This project matches students with mentors in a work place environment where the student has the opportunity to learn from their mentors, and the mentors are given the opportunity to give back to the community. This can be done by following the 4x4x4 PLAN.

The SMILE Project consists of a 4x4x4 Plan. 4 weeks work experience x 4 days per week x 4 hours a day. The project is self funding with the support of local churches, business partners and the generosity of individuals and the community.

How you can help:

- 1) You can sponsor one student for 1 week with a donation of \$128.00, or 1 student for 4 weeks for \$512.00.
- 2) Speak with your local pastor or community group or organization about starting a SMILE Project Fund to help raise money to sponsor 1 or more students.
- 3) Submit your business as a mentoring/job site for 4 weeks.
- 4) Recommend a student who you think would benefit in participating in this project.
- 5) Attend fundraisers in support of the SMILE Project.

If you are interested in partnering with us as a sponsor, or by becoming a mentoring/job site, or to request a student internship application, please contact Maggie Kivisto via email at DUUCSMILEPROJECT@GMAIL.COM . We appreciate the support!

The Social Justice Committee of the DuPage Unitarian Universalist Church puts into action our mission of transforming the world toward fairness, love, and compassion by working together to realize positive social change in our community and in society at large.

SMILE PROJECT

Rev Tom Capo Minister, Cheryl Clayton Co-Chair and Ken Koresch Co-Chair DUUC Social Justice Committee.



Reverend Myriam Renaud Imam Sheikh Hassan Aly Rabbi Frederick Kamil Pastor Jeanne Davies

Religion and Compassion in the 21st Century

On Thursday, September 7th, from 7:00-8:30 PM,
Congregation Etz Chaim cordially invites you to learn and
to engage with our panelists and with each other.

Refreshments will be served.

Babysitting provided at no charge. Please indicate number and age of
child(ren).

Hosted by the Interfaith Outreach Committee
Congregation Etz Chaim
1710 S. Highland, Lombard 60148.

RSVP strongly encouraged.

Please email Barbara Margolis/Barbara Turner at
cec.io@congetzchaim.org
or phone the synagogue office, 630.627.3912.

Jesus Seminar



on the Road

All Events at

DuPage Unitarian Universalist Church
1828 Old Naperville Road
Naperville, IL 60563

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Registration

All Sessions

Pre-registration (by Sept 1, 2017)	\$60
Registration (after Sept 1, 2017)	\$75
Student Registration	\$50

Single Sessions

Friday Evening, 7:30–9 PM	\$20
Saturday Morning, 9:30 AM–noon	\$30
Saturday Afternoon, 1:30–4 PM	\$30

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September 15–16, 2017

God, Process, and Politics

Karen Bray & Hollis Phelps

Western thought and political actions once rested on a three-tiered universe: a powerful God above, humans on earth, and spirits in the underworld.

That universe has been replaced with relativity, string theory, and quantum leaps. We need new language about God that is consistent with our universe. With an emphasis on science, on a deity of limited power, and on an unfolding universe, process theology can change our language about God and the way we understand God and politics.



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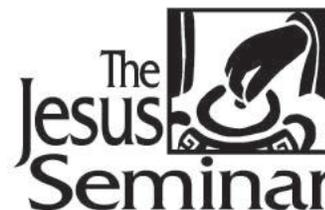
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*Understanding Islam in a Challenging
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In order to be able to work effectively with one another across faiths, we need to not only understand Islam, we need to be able to understand religions in its social/political environment. The purpose of this **two session workshop** is to provide strategies for engaging in deep, meaningful interfaith dialogue.

Azam Nizamuddin will facilitate this workshop. Mr. Nizamuddin is an attorney and Adjunct Professor in the Department of Theology at Loyola University Chicago where he teaches courses on Islam, and History of Islamic Thought. Mr. Nizamuddin has lectured extensively on Islamic theology and law, and on Islamic civilization to churches, synagogues, civic organizations, and federal agencies across the country. After September 11, he has attended conferences in Denmark, Germany, India, Indonesia, Israel, Jordan, and Turkey to discuss East-West relations, and inter-religious dialogue.

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-Nancy Levin



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