



DuPage
Unitarian
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Church

October's Theme:
Belonging

October 2019

Newsletter



The Wayside Pulpit:

So, Now What?

Rev. Michael Walker

Dear friends,

Last month, I was asked to lead a forum about Interim Ministry that was called, “*So, we have an Interim Minister. Now what?*” We talked about the nature of interim work and how that has evolved in the UUA. To be clear, the work of interim ministry is not about just keeping a seat warm until the next settled minister arrives! It’s about coming to terms with the past, assessing how we are in the present, and developing shared aspirations for the future. At its core, interim work is about organizational change – which is scary for many people. But it is a given, as nothing continues without change – it’s the nature of all things, is it not? So, one might ask: What’s going to change? Is this new minister just going to mess up everything we have built? And why is he talking about change in the church, when there is so much injustice in the rest of the world – why isn’t he focused on that?!

It may feel like stating the obvious, but the mere presence of a new minister constitutes change. In my work, I have found it unhelpful to make major changes in

congregational life in the beginning – this is really my time to get to know folks and observe how things are going. In the process of observing, it is my job to keep the board and the congregation informed about what I am observing, especially if it might be something that has contributed to a pattern of unsatisfactory ministries. (To be clear, here I am using *ministries* in the broadest sense of the word, as a church's shared ministry that includes everyone, not just the minister.) It's easy to say, 'oh, we had a bad minister,' or 'the minister was not well,' when in fact there are always multiple reasons for every unsatisfactory conclusion.

My primary goal is to help this congregation develop a system that works for the congregation-as-a-whole (even though some individual may be less satisfied), and will work for your next settled minister. The goal is to set this church up for success, so your next ministry is long, productive, and fulfilling for you all. My scope is broad, looking at the whole congregation as a system, and then I dial in the focus on the minute, examining particular facets of the congregation. It's a major undertaking, and it will take all of my time and energy to do this focused work with the congregation.

For this reason, it should come as no surprise that interim ministers do not, as a rule, do work in the broader community. We simply cannot be focused on numerous other agencies or organizations, and do justice to the congregation we serve. This is one of those things – being a church in transition – that really needs 'all hands on deck.' This is why the board and I came to the agreement that I will give my all to the congregation, itself. And I'm looking forward to spending the time with you all!

May it ever be so and blessed be you all!

– Rev. Mike

Rev. Michael Walker is the Interim Minister for the DuPage Unitarian Universalist Church. He is interested in connecting with you! You may email him with questions and concerns at revmike@dupageuuchurch.org. If you need an appointment with our minister, you may schedule one by calling the office at (630) 505-9408 or emailing office@dupageuuchurch.org.

Interim Ministry Goals for 2019-20

Developed by the Board of Trustees
and Rev. Michael Walker
August 24, 2019

We, the DuPage UU Church Board of Trustees and our Interim Minister, Rev. Michael Walker, set the intention that our work together will be a collaborative ministry that values the voices of all DuPage UU Church members. We have developed a number of goals, in which the congregants, trustees, staff and Rev. Mike, may all have roles to play. In large part, these goals are also meant to help Rev. Mike focus his work with us in ways that will be most helpful to our continued healing and growth. We have spent much time in consideration of responsibility and accountability, and the Board feels confident in the leadership of our interim minister to help us unify around a shared vision. This vision will be one that we, the whole congregation, co-create in the coming months.

Worship, Spirituality and Liturgical Leadership

We desire quality in our Sunday services, with germane messages, focused on our shared progressive values and Unitarian Universalist principles. In this time of transition, as we concentrate internally, we also feel it is important to strengthen our connections to the wider UU movement and wish our services to reflect our UU identity. Celebrating our

convanant faith, we seek to bring right relations to the fore of our work and our words within this church family. Finally, proud of our church and all of its historical accomplishments, we would like to explore how the long-term care – the stewardship – of our faith, campus and community, can become a central theme around which we can congregate.

Pastoral Care

This congregation has also weathered some difficult storms. Healing from past hurts is going to take time and care, and work to encourage healing will be a priority in the coming year. Some healing may happen in one-on-one dialogue between congregants, board members, staff and Rev. Mike, in any combination. And, some healing may happen in group events that are to be hosted from time to time in the coming year. We are also cognizant that there has been so much change in recent months at DuPage UU Church, and that future change is inevitable. We have asked Rev. Mike to approach any necessary changes in a gentle manner, as many of us are still healing from past hurts.

Social Action and Justice

Being a congregation that wants to make a positive difference in our world, we will engage in a process this year to determine our collective, congregational priorities regarding justice work in the surrounding community. By contemplating issues we might choose as our priorities by the end of this year, supported by updates from our current projects, we hope we will have built a collective sense of mission. We believe this process will strengthen our church and embolden us in living out our values in the world.

Religious Education

We wish to continue growing our family ministry and religious education programs for children, youth and families. Likewise, we plan to pull together various groups in the congregation under a cohesive Adult RE umbrella, so that we can better support each other.

Daily Operations, Personnel and Administration

Rev. Mike has been charged with reviewing the staff needs and roles, to determine if we are structured in the best way to meet our congregational mission. We will also look at *ex officio* roles, wondering if staff roles on various committees and the board is a good practice, and whether that creates a sense of a two-tiered system among the staff. It will be important to look at all staffing issues with an eye on our budgetary limitations. Speaking of budget, we will be looking closely at our financial operations in conjunction with overall stewardship noted above, to ensure the financial security of our church.

Board and Congregational/Systemic Interests

We commit to creating opportunities to share and learn together, as a congregation and as a board. The board has decided to take this year to study good governance, and develop a system that better meets the needs of the congregation. This will include a review of our overall committee structure, which is unwieldy and conflict-prone, and not in alignment with policy governance. This will be a challenging time, but also the right time, to take a new look at those things that work well and those that do not. In other areas of congregational life, we want to assess our Whole Church program. It's been in place for a year, and it seems a good time to take a fresh look at how we working to bring everyone together. Finally, we will be forming a Transition Team to advise Rev. Mike in his work with us.

Fellowship and Fun

We all want to have fun – a big part of what people want in a community. We want to create more small group activities and events that are free and fun. We also want to create an atmosphere of fun congregation-wide.

Sunday Services @ 10:30 a.m.

Nursery Care available from 9:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Sunday, October 6, 2019

Belonging and Not Belonging

By Steve Cooper, Director of Religious Education

October begins our month of reflecting on what does it mean to be a people of belonging. Who belongs here? We want to be welcoming to all, but sometimes in our actions and words, we create a sense of non-belonging. The average adult moves about 11 times in their lifetime, sometimes for opportunity or other circumstance, but also from a sense of restlessness. The temptation to cut ties and move on is strong, at every age. It comes from a sense of not belonging, of not feeling safe, included, accepted, known, celebrated, cherished, loved. Connection with others is crucial to our wellbeing, and yet, we cannot look to others to fulfill our sense of self. That is the paradox of belonging no place / every place, of belonging to all humankind / to self. In this month of belonging, may we work hard to make our actions and words reflect our hope and promise that all are welcome.

This is a service for all ages.

Sunday, October 13, 2019

Love is the Spirit of this Church

By Reverend Michael Walker

In recent weeks, we have been speaking the words of an affirmation, "Love is the Spirit of this Church," just as many UU churches do every week. One might say that this affirmation encapsulates UU theology, so today we will take some time to examine the affirmation and discuss just what is it we say we believe.

Sunday, October 20, 2019

The Magic of Belonging

By Becky Trombly-Freytag

Whether you value bravery, knowledge, power, or kindness, we all want a place to belong and be accepted for who we are. Join us as we use Harry Potter as the lens to examine Unitarian Universalism, civil resistance, and human nature. What does protesting injustice look like to a Hufflepuff with an anxiety disorder? What is the difference between belonging and elitism? What do the Hogwarts Houses have to do with the Seven Principles? In a world of Muggles and magic folk, what's a Squib to do? Bring your robes, your wands, and turn to page 394 in your hymnals as we dive into the magic of using fiction to learn more about ourselves and our place in the world.

Prior knowledge of Harry Potter not required!

Sunday, October 27, 2019

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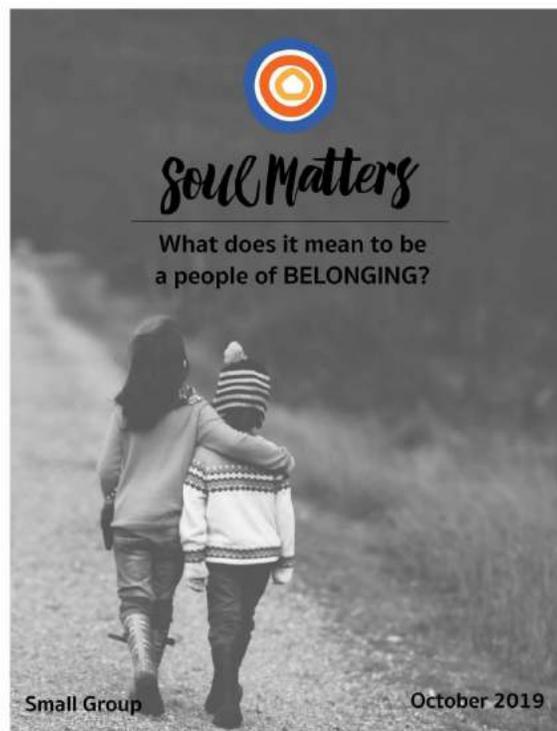
Rev. Mary Katherine Morn, Executive Director, UU Service Committee

Join us for service with a national leader in Unitarian Universalism and social justice. The mission of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee is to "advance human rights through grassroots collaborations." More details will be shared in the weekly DUUC Connections.

A Special Collection will benefit the **Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC)**. The UUSC is an organization that seeks to advance human rights and social justice by partnering with existing grassroots efforts groups. Through advocacy and partnered action, justice education and leadership development, the UUSC empowers these groups to further the impact of their work. The mission of UUSC is grounded in the belief that all people have inherent power and dignity. Just a few of the areas where they have made impacts are working with displaced peoples and migrant groups, as well as responding to humanitarian crises. If donating by check, please make payable to DUUC, with UUSC noted on the memo line. Thank you for giving generously! <https://www.uusc.org>

Can't join us on Sunday?

[Livestream](#) our Sunday services on YouTube or listen later, when you're able!



What does it mean to be a people of BELONGING? Click [HERE](#) to find out!

Sunday Morning Forums @ 9:15 a.m.

Sunday, October 6, 2019

Science Sunday - The Return of the Killer Mosquito

Mike Winter will tell us more about the deadliest animal on Earth - the mosquito. He'll cover more stories about the intersection of mosquitos and humans in history, as well as talk about some of the underlying biological issues. He'll also dwell on human efforts to control mosquitos and the existential threat they and their attendant diseases pose.

Sunday, October 13, 2019

The Green Sanctuary committee will present this forum.

Sunday, October 20, 2019

Science Sunday - Plant-based Diets and Cardiological Health

Dr. Steven Lome, an esteemed cardiologist from Rush-Copley hospital talks to us about heart disease, plant-based nutrition and total health.

Sunday, October 27, 2019

Small Groups. What are they and why you should join one. Learn all about the small groups that DuPage UU Church has to offer. From Chalice Circles to all the affinity groups come learn more about them on October 27th at 9:15 am.

NEWS & EVENTS



Ministry Start-up Workshop

with the Reverend Lisa Presley, UUA Congregational Life Staff

October 13, 2019, at 12pm in the Sanctuary

Join us to reclaim DUUC's storied past, lifting up golden moments and healing past hurts.

Understand how DUUC can be force for good in your life and lives of others, in the here and now. And begin to dream about how DUUC can move into the future with intentionality and hopefulness.

This workshop is intended to help the congregation moved forward together, while also providing information to your new Interim Minister, the Reverend Michael Walker, to help him direct his work with you in the most helpful manner. Come and co-create the congregation you yearn to be!

If you will need childcare, please contact Steve Cooper at dre@dupageuuchurch.org.

The church will provide lunch (sandwiches, beverages) for a **\$6.00**.

Deadline to RSVP for lunch is this Sunday, October 6th.



Announcement from the Board of Trustees

The "Ask Me Anything!" (AMA) with the Board will not be held on October 13, and instead the Board invites you to join the Ministry Start Up Workshop being led by Lisa Presley and Rev. Mike after the service in the Sanctuary on that day. We hope to see you there, and look forward to seeing you on November 10 at the next AMA with the Board, held after the Service.



Rock n Roll Concert for SMILE!

The Sound of MUU^sic will be Live in our Sanctuary Saturday night October 5th at 7:00

for one night only! Experience this awesome night of Rock n Roll that will have you dancing in the aisles! Listen to the sounds of the Eagles, Beatles, Jackson 5, The Who, The Monkees and more! Bring your family, your friends, your neighbors, don't miss it! No advanced tickets necessary, as all are welcome to this Free-Will Concert with donations going to support the SMILE Project.

The SMILE Project (Students, Mentors, Internship with Local Employers) is an outreach mentoring program of DUUC's Social Justice Committee on Racial Equity. SMILE matches high school students with mentors in the workplace, giving them an invaluable opportunity to experience success in the work world, and inspire them to make positive choices in the future. Enjoy the concert while supporting the youth of the SMILE Project 2020.

**Spend a Day in Chicago with Local UUs
to Learn about Behavior, Boundaries,
Handling Deep Differences of Opinion, and More!**

Dear DuPage UU Church Community,

Our beloved past Interim Minister, Lisa Presley, invites all interested to attend a MidAmerica Region UUA Behavioral Covenant Workshop. Lisa is hosting the workshop with First Unitarian Church of Chicago. Churches are encouraged to send multiple people who can work together during the workshop. You will have the option to share what you learned with our church Board and Members.

Date: Saturday, October 5, 2019

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Place: University Church, 5655 S University, Chicago, IL

**Cost: \$15.00, includes lunch
(For scholarship information-see below)**

Essential in any community, religious or otherwise, is to know what behavior is appropriate, and how the community will deal with behavior that is not. We will talk about behavior in congregations, and address questions like these:

- * What are the boundaries that we want in our congregation?
- * How do we set those boundaries?
- * How do we change the culture in our congregations around behavior?
- * What's the difference between disruptive and destructive behavior?
- * How do we address stepping outside of the boundaries we've set?
- * How do we "hold the space" for deep differences of opinion, and respecting behavioral guidelines?

To register and for more information on the workshop, please go to: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/behavioral-covenant-workshop-in-chicago-registration-72104349049>

Scholarship information: The Board is offering two scholarships. Please email Jenny Hobbs at president@dupageuuchurch.org if you require a scholarship or if you wish to sponsor an attendee. Please let Jenny know if you have registered so we can put attendees in contact with one another. Hope you can attend! Registration is capped at sixty.

NOTE: Some email programs may "clip" emails

that have a large message size, and will hide the full content behind a "[View entire message](#)" link at the bottom of the email. You may see this when reading the church newsletter. If so, please click on it to read ALL of DUUC's news and events!

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Clean Styrofoam is being collected October 6th for recycling.



Leave it in the foyer 10/6 only. Bag peanuts, food use & packaging foam separately.

No other packing material please.



Coffee with our Guests

Have you noticed that Coffee in Kreves Hall can be crowded and, well, maybe a little intimidating? Starting October 6th, grab your cup of coffee and come down to the Lower Annex to meet other visitors and a couple of people from the Congregational Life Committee. We can answer questions you might have or just get to know each. And there will be snacks! Looking forward to seeing you there!



Did you miss the September 29th Forum that kicked off the DUUC AIM (Accessible and Inclusive Ministry) Social Justice Project "Affordable Housing for People with Disabilities"? There will be further opportunities to learn about the lack of affordable housing in Naperville as well as in DuPage County which effects a growing number of residents: senior citizens, lower income families, and people with disabilities. There will also be opportunities to take action including a postcard/letter writing campaign and public meeting

2019  Harry Potter and the Ministry of UUs

GOODS *and* SERVICES

AUCTION



November 2, 2019 Goods & Services Auction
Harry Potter and the Ministry of UUs
Thank you! And One Extra Week

If you have already donated to the Saturday, November 2, 2019 Goods and Services Auction, *Harry Potter and the Ministry of UUs*, the Ministry thanks you!

Due to the excessively rainy weather (mishap in the Charms class called for excessive precipitation instead of excessive permission to misbehave) Owl Delivery was slowed and multiple donations are missing. The Ministry, therefore, grants Wizards **one extra week** to get your donations (MORE PARTIES!) to the Auction team.

All donations are due **MONDAY, OCTOBER 7th**.

Contact Beth Johnson-Kueny at emkueny@gmail.com or Lyndi Sprietsma at lrsprietsma@gmail.com if you need help getting your Owl delivery to the Door of Acquisitions (website home page):
<https://dupageuuchurch.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/GoodsServiceAuction2019/tabid/1089223/Default.aspx>

Please make sure to **purchase your event and dinner tickets** online OR buy your ticket from the Wizard in Kreves Hall after Sunday's service and SAVE the service fee if you pay with cash or check.

The Potions Professor assures us there will indeed be a Wall of Wine (or Craft Beer). **Please donate a bottle (\$10.00 value or more)** to a Wizard in Kreves Hall. (Please note: The House Elves warn *against* leaving any unattended potions in the office.)

Thank you!
The Auction Team



Pathways to Membership
Saturday, October 26
@ 9:15am - Noon
Want to learn more about Unitarian
Universalism & what it is to be a



DUUC Library October Featured
Book of the Month
DUUC Library: *Lost Cat* by Danielle
Gordon. In this children's book, Luca
the cat has to work harder than most
animals to find a good home. His

member at DuPage UU Church?
These two classes are required to
take to be a member. Contact Mary
Law, Congregational Life
Coordinator with any questions
at membershipduuc@gmail.com .
Sign Up Sheet will be located on the
kiosk in Kreves Hall.

journey to find the place he belongs
takes him from an alley, to a farm, to
a zoo with a polar bear, to an animal
shelter, and then finally to the loving
family who adopts him.



A Day of Mindfulness AWAKE & AWARE: A Path to Truth, Peace & Happiness

Saturday, November 9, 2019, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

DuPage Unitarian Universalist Church 1828 Old Naperville Rd. Naperville, IL

This is an opportunity to learn, understand and experience Mindfulness Meditation and the many benefits that it can bring into your day-to-day life. Both new and seasoned meditators are welcome.

Details: The day begins promptly at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 9. Please arrive no later than 8:45. The day ends at 4:00 p.m. Wear comfortable clothing. If you use a meditation cushion or bench, please bring it. Chairs are provided. Note that much of the day will be conducted in *Noble Silence*. Bring a healthy lunch to enjoy over the lunch hour, as we will be engaging in mindful eating. Tea and water will be provided.

Facilitator: Mary Kullman, Certified Meditation Teacher, has practiced meditation since 1996 and is co-founder and co-facilitator for the past nine years of *Present Moment Sangha* in Naperville. She has completed a two-year Mindfulness Meditation Teacher Certification Program with nationally recognized teachers, Tara Brach and Jack Kornfield.

Registration: While this event is free-of-charge, a free-will collection in the Buddhist *Dana* tradition will be taken. Sign up at the church on the posted sign-up sheet or contact Mary Kullman by email/phone at spiritmk7@gmail.com /630-388-9409

Sign-up for Sunday Flowers! If you have a special occasion or person you would like honor, please consider providing flowers for a Sunday Service during the 2019-20 church year. There are three ways to donate flowers:

1. Have Sunday Flowers order flowers for you. The cost to reimburse DUUC for a standard 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 10:15 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 service. Please contact Kristen Tang at flowers@dupageuuchurch.org for more information and to request a date. Thanks!



The Wider Circle is a support group for parents, family members, and caregivers of those with special needs. Join us as we support one another by sharing our joys, challenges and, when possible, information and resources. We meet the first Friday of the month at 7:30 in Whitney Young. Contact Kristen Tang at fivetangs@sbcglobal.net for more information.

OCTOBER PADS at Homeless Shelter in Naperville

(First Congregational UCC Church)

Wednesday/Thursday October 23/24

VOLUNTEER With Your Community



Signup during coffee hour or use link below. Look for more details in future email blasts!

- Set up pads
- Bring food
- Serve food
- Monitor in the evening
- Cook breakfast & serve
- Cleanup



Volunteer at volunteersignup.org/WPXQ7
for more information email: pads@dupageuuchurch.org



ANNUAL FALL ADULT RETREAT

October 18-20.

This year our retreat content is taken from the book **Thoreau As Spiritual Guide** by UU Minister Rev. Barry M. Andrews who has led many study groups on Thoreau and Emerson. This topic was a hit during a forum led earlier this year by Robert Skrocki and participants in

the forum suggested the book be used for the retreat. According to Robert, (The book) "focuses on connection to nature and other secular spiritual practices like journaling, reading, deep conversations, sauntering in nature, mindfulness contemplation, and simplifying our lives; (practices) that are often parts of our retreats." During the retreat, there will be time for consideration of discussion questions from the book, sharing of life stories, private journaling and self-reflection as well as singing, music, drumming, walks in the woods and meditation. Spending several days together allows us to connect and learn about each other in a deeper way than our usual more limited exchanges. The location is Pilgrim Park Conference Center, in a pretty and hilly area near Princeton, IL. The cost is still only \$155 for DUUC members and \$175 for non-members and includes 2 nights lodging and 6 meals! Flyers with additional information and registration forms are in the office, on the greeter's table and available through a link in the Weekly Updates.

Questions? Contact Caroline Bailey at 630-851-5044 or cjbbailey@comcast.net or Bev Becker at 630 886-5622 or tovah04@yahoo.com. Your Retreat Committee includes Caroline Bailey, Bev Becker, Mollie Hibbard and Pat Lichtman.



Sacred Origins: Egypt And the First Time Sunday, October 20 @ 3PM

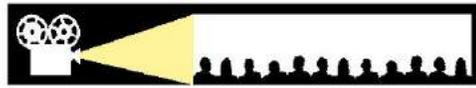
Ancient Egypt has long been a source of fascination for many. While the Egyptians were focused on death and surviving it, they had several stories of how the world came to be. Join us as we discuss Egypt's origin. Please note that all forums are self contained and you need not have attended before to appreciate.

**JUST VIEWS: Free & Open Film &
Discussion Program: Friday, October 11,
2019 at 7:20 pm:**

A Bold Peace: Costa Rica's Demilitarization

Another way to live beacons to the world: "The money other countries spend on arms, here (in this little Central American republic) it's spent on roads, running water, electricity, hospitals, schools." Oscar Arias. In 1948, after a civil war, Costa Rica dismantled its military establishment and intentionally cultivated security relationships through treaties, international laws and organizations. And for more than six decades it has survived serious threats -- including from the USA. This moving documentary has won 15 awards for outstanding presentation of principles and history that teach and inspire. For more information about the film, go to <http://aboldpeace.com/>.

Following the screening, we'll discuss film, USA/global cost of militarization and war, and the benefits of living in peace. Joining us for discussion will be Rory Fanning, author of *Worth Fighting For: An Army Ranger's Journey Out of the Military and Across America* and co-author of *Long Shot: The Triumphs and Struggles of an NBA Freedom Fighter*. Rory also writes for The Guardian, The Nation, and Tom Dispatch. We'll learn about Rory's background and activism for education (vs. militarization). We'll offer ways to get involved with World Beyond War and Immigrant Solidarity DuPage, which are organizing this event with us. We welcome active participation and all points of view for civil multilogue. Join us! Just Views Director is Stephanie Hughes 630-420-4233; Associate Director is Carol Tritschler 630-961-0106.



Film & Discussion



Humanist Group program

**Wednesday, October 9th at 7:30pm @ DuPage UU
Church**

Prioritizing our Priorities: AHA advocacy and activism in the current climate

Kids in cages, lies about the Johnson Amendment, foster parents being turned away because of their religion, a religious liberty task force, humanists living in fear of blasphemy laws in Pakistan, discrimination in public schools, Project Blitz, the Muslim Ban...

The list of high priority issues demanding our time and resources seems to be growing every day. Yet, prioritize we must. How do we build a 'humanist' issue portfolio? Which issues can and should AHA activate on? How do we activate? And how can we do this work better?

This conversation will focus on AHA's public policy priorities, productive advocacy and activism tactics, and opportunities to engage more strategically in the future.

Questions? Please contact Scott Thompson at tscott65@gmail.com.



2019-20 DUUC Children's Choir

Director: Jim Wharton

Administration: Jenny Hobbs

Performances & General Info

- The **Children's Choir** will sing on **November 3, 2019, February 2, 2020, and May 3, 2020**. You do not need to commit to all three dates, come to one, two or all three. If your kids are interested in joining or if you have questions, please e-mail Jenny Hobbs at jenny.hobbs8@gmail.com to be added to the mailing list.
- Children will need to commit to attend at **least TWO of the THREE rehearsals**, in addition to **arriving at church a little early** the day they are singing in the service for a final rehearsal and **singing in the service**.
- Rehearsals will be in the Sanctuary before the service, beginning promptly at 9:45 a.m. running no later than 10:15 a.m. On 5/3 the Children will be singing with the Adult Choir, so they will need to attend at least 2 (short) rehearsals with the Adult Choir. These rehearsals will be held 4/19 and 4/26 on Sunday nights from 6:45 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Rehearsal Dates

- 10/13, 10/20, 10/27 (for 11/3 service)
- 1/12, 1/19, 1/26 (for 2/2 service)
- 4/5 (time TBD - probably after the service), and 4/19 & 4/26 from 6:45 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. (for 5/3 service with Adult Choir)



The Comparative Religion Discussion Club focuses on the examination and discussion of historical and contemporary religious texts and essays to understand their meaning and value. For the month of October, we are meeting on the third **Sunday or October 20, at 1:00 pm** at the church. We will finish up our discussion on the

Ancient Egyptian religion and what ceremonies and traditions were associated with the dead. As a follow-up to our discussion on sin, we will begin our discussion on "Values and Moral Character" and why is it an important concept in religion. This group is open to all and attendance at prior sessions is not necessary. Drinks will be provided. For further information please contact: Bob Wunderlich at rcwunderlich@comcast.net or Michael Martin at seraphmichael@hotmail.com.

ELDER CIRCLE. Our church sponsors an Elder Circle, which meets each month on the fourth Wednesday from 10am—Noon in the Founders Room. This informal group exists to explore all aspects of aging, and to offer mutual support to its members. As each person is comfortable, we share what is going on in our lives, followed by a discussion of a short film, lecture or something we have



all read. It's a great way not only to learn and get support about aging, but also to get to know each other in a friendly, relaxed, and more personal way. Some people bring lunch to eat after it concludes at noon. All people are welcome, including non- church members, so whether you consider yourself an elder or not come join us! Contact Bob Harris at oofyprosser@outlook.com to be put on the email list for notifications.



On Sunday, September 22, 2019, **\$1,250.00** was collected for *Holiday Meals on Wheels*. Thank you! In an effort to foster collaboration, please send an email to communityoutreach@dupageuuchurch.org if there is something the Community Outreach Committee can do to help in the work of your committee.

The deadline for the **November 2019** newsletter is **Monday, October 28, 2019 @ 9:00am**. Please email your submissions to office@dupageuuchurch.org.



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