
ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAYS USHERS ARE: Jim Dauchy, Captain; Ann Benson, Mike Phillips and Tom Wascher

GREETERS: Shannon Hawkins, Christine Chesnut, Pat Beck and Jana Wascher

WORSHIP ASSOCIATE: David Rodriguez

WELCOMER: Diane Duesterhoeft

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 208

PLAYGROUND MONITORS: Aloise Miller, Stacy Barnwell, Catherine Von Dohlen, Becca Smith

SUNDAY MORNING SEXTON: Loyce Journey

SOUND TECHNICIAN: Bill Pridgen

UPCOMING SERMONS: 12/9 *Heroes of Imperfection*; 12/16 *Our Second-Century "Origin"*; 12/23 *The "No Rehearsal" Christmas Pageant*;
12/24 Christmas Eve candlelight service

The flowers this morning are in celebration of my son Benjamin's 4th birthday from mom Tess Bobo.

Members and visitors are invited to use the green comment cards in the hymnal holders to communicate with the **Worship Committee**. Completed cards should be deposited in the basket in the foyer. In addition, members are always invited to attend the first half hour of the monthly **Committee on Ministry** meeting as listed in the announcements.

THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

SUNDAY 12/02 – 9:30a **Forum – Under the Bridge** in the Jefferson Bldg.; Religious Explorations in the Thoreau Bldg., Spiritual Seekers in the Sanctuary classroom; Family Worship in the Fellowship Hall; 11:00a **Worship- Advent for Buddha** by Rev. Bret Lortie; 11:00a – 12:00p OWL K1 in the Jefferson; 11:00a – 2:00p OWL in the Thoreau Bldg; **FUUnd lunch**; 12:30p -1:00p UU Bereavement Support Group in the Sophia Fahs room; **12:30p – 2:00p New UU Orientation Part 2** in the Jefferson Bldg.; 12:30p – 2:00p YRE Council in the Mary Shelley room; Social Action committee meeting in the office conference room; 4:00p – 7:00p Spirit of Peace Church in the Fellowship Hall, kitchen & library; 6:30p – 8:00p UU Philosophy class in the Thoreau; 6:30p – 8:15p Buddhist Study Group in the sanctuary classroom.

MONDAY 12/03– 7:00p Insight Meditation Group in the Jefferson;

TUESDAY 12/04– 7:00p Codependents Anonymous in the Jefferson Bldg.; Young Adults meeting in the library.

WEDNESDAY 12/05 9:00a – 2:00p Quilting in the library; 2:30p – 6:00p Piano lesson by Dana in the Fellowship Hall; Guitar lessons by Kevin in the library; Worship committee meeting in the minister's office.

THURSDAY 12/06 – **12:00n** Senior LUUnch in the library; 7:00p – 9:00p Faith & Reason Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall, Choir practice in the sanctuary followed by fellowship in the library. Maintenance and Repair on campus.

FRIDAY 12/07– 6:00p – 9:00p Beth Am in the Jefferson Bldg.; 7:00p – 12:00a Middle School Retreat in the Fellowship Hall, kitchen, library.

SATURDAY 12/08 – 8:00a – 1:00p Beth Am in the Fellowship Hall, kitchen & library; Grounds Workday all campus outside 7:00p "Music for Life Concert – Sharing Conversation on the Death Penalty in the Sanctuary.

SUNDAY 12/09 – 9:30a -10:30a Religious Explorations in the Fellowship Hall; Spiritual Seekers in the Sanctuary classroom; Parenting Trilogy in the Mary Shelley room; 11:00a **Worship- Heroes of Imperfection** by Aaron White, intern minister; 11:00a – 12:00p OWL K1 in the Jefferson; **Congregational meeting in the Fellowship Hall**; 12:30p -1:00p UU Bereavement Support Group in the Jefferson bldg; 4:00p – 7:00p Spirit of Peace Church in the Fellowship Hall, kitchen & library.

AROUND THE CHURCH:

The **Music for Life concert** and dialog, co-sponsored by 19 San Antonio organizations, featuring **Sara Hickman** (<http://www.sarahickmanUU.com/>) and **Shelley King**--the **2008 Official Texas State Musician**--and benefiting the **Texas Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty** (<http://www.tcadp.org/>), will be held in San Antonio on **Saturday, December 8, 2007** beginning at **7 PM** in the **sanctuary** at First Unitarian Universalist Church. Speakers will include **Joan Cheever**, **Sam Millsap**, and **Roger Barnes**. Tickets are \$10 for Adults and \$5 for Students and will be sold on the patio Nov. 25 and Dec. 2. Contact: Debbie Curtis, debbiecurtis@satx.ruu.com or SeePrint or Julie Lusk, fuucs@sbglobalUU.net or SeePrint.

The December Semiannual Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, **December 9th, 2007** at 12:35 PM in the Fellowship Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to approve our 2008 Congregational Budget. Please contact Allan Kropp (akropp@macUU.com or SeePrint) if you wish to receive the eight page version of the Budget or if you have any questions about the 2008 Budget.

HAVE YOU THOUGHT about joining the Choir? We always practice music six weeks in advance so we have plenty of time to learn it. Rehearsal is **Thursday evening**, 7-8:15, followed by a fellowship. Won't you become a new member and experience the energy of great music and the warmth of terrific fellowship

NEW UU - Our next New UU Orientation Class Part 2 in the Jefferson Bldg. Sunday, December 2nd at 12:30p. Contact Shannon Hawkins for information Shannon7@satx.ruu.com or SeePrint.

COUPON BOOKS ARE HERE! \$20.00 investment for the entire year for 2 for 1's on restaurants, movies, dry cleaning, car washes, etc. See Jim Dauchy on the patio most Sundays or at SeePrint.

FUUnd Lunches are the THIRD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH. To schedule a **FUUnd Lunch** for your church committee, contact **Julie Lusk at the church office.**

Emerson Bookshop has started an inventory reduction book sale. All books other than hymnals are now \$10 or less. The bookshop also has full size fair trade organic chocolate bars, UU flaming chalice window decals, designer coloring books, and more new t-shirts with a variety of designs. We expect to soon have UUSC holiday cards. The bookshop is open in the sanctuary classroom after the morning service on most Sundays.

New UUSC holiday cards have arrived at our Emerson Bookshop. Your purchase supports our Unitarian Universalist Service Committee's work for human rights worldwide. \$12/package of 10

SPIRITUAL SEEKERS group is doing in-depth study of world religions. The approach will be to focus significant time on a religion then

move on to the next. Emphasis will be given to relevance to our lives today and the commonalities that link each religion. Contact Jeff at SeePrint or jladdington@satx.rrUU.com. Meets every **Sunday** at 9:30 a.m.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EXPLORATIONS –meets on **Sunday** at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. For more information contact Mark Ackerman at SeePrint or markackerman@141UU.com **Next meeting on Dec. 2 in the Thoreau Bldg.**

YOUNG ADULTS - The Young Adult group meets every Tuesday evening at the church at 7pm-ish in the Library in Fellowship Hall. For more information, email Steve at feinstei@swbellUU.net or visit us at http://www.myspaceUU.com/youngadults_sa

FAITH & REASON FELLOWSHIP: Please join us Thursday, November 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for our monthly worship service. The sermon is entitled "The Grinch Who Caused Christmas." For more information contact Jim Chesnut at SeePrint or jim@chesnutproductionsUU.com.

THE BUDDHIST STUDY GROUP meets the **first Sunday** of every month at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary Classroom. All our meetings begin with a discussion period followed by meditation. All are welcome, newcomers are encouraged. Contact Dale Moore at SeePrint.

THE UU PHILOSOPHY CLASS meets the **1ST & 3rd SUNDAY** each month from 6:45 to 8:00 p.m. in the Thoreau Bldg. We are continuing our research into 'happiness' by studying Daniel Gilbert's book, "Stumbling on Happiness". We will only meet the 1st Sunday in December, but will pickup again meeting twice per month beginning the 1st Sunday in January 2008. All are welcome. If you wish to attend or need more information, please contact Bruce Beck (210) SeePrint or brucehbeck@yahooUU.com.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY meets every **fourth Wednesday** from **6:45p - 8:45p** in the minister's office. The first 30 minutes are reserved for members of the congregation who wish to speak to the committee. Contact Mike Brand at SeePrint or moon@moontrailUU.com.

Honor a loved one and help fill the pews with *Singing the Journey*—our hymnal supplement! A few years ago individuals began contributing copies of our turquoise hymnal supplement, *Singing the Journey*, to our sanctuary's pew holders. However, we need more. Won't you consider contributing a copy of *Singing the Journey* to the sanctuary? They are available for purchase at our Emerson Bookshop in the sanctuary classroom for \$16 each. A form is available to have a bookplate added where you can honor or memorialize loved ones.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

NURSERY -- *WE REALLY, REALLY, REALLY* want to hire two more child care workers. *If you know someone who is skilled and experienced at caring for infants through pre-school, and who can be at church each Sunday from 9:15 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., please have him/her contact Polly Noel at polly.noel@sbcglobalUU.net.* We would prefer to hire non-members, so that all members will be able to attend our social events and business meetings.

PARENT RE is offered the 2nd and 3rd Sundays of each month at 9:35 a.m. in the Mary Shelley room in the Thoreau Building. We're continuing our exploration of the UUA curriculum "The Parent Trilogy," currently covering "Parents as Social Justice Educators." All parents, grandparents, and care givers are welcome! Questions? Please contact: Dawn Byars at (210) SeePrint or byars78154@yahooUU.com.

GREETING GUESTS WITH CHILDREN Our YRE bulletin board on the NW corner of the patio (exterior library wall) has brochures, registration forms, schedules, and visitor registration forms. We try to greet everyone, but are sometimes unable to remain on the patio during youth RE. If you notice a family looking lost, please direct them to this bulletin board and help them find the information they need.

REGISTRATION FORMS for the 2SeePrint youth religious education year are now available on the RE bulletin board on the patio. Please return your family's form as soon as possible. Forms may be returned to RE teachers or to the Director of

YRUU - High school RE is on the **2nd and 3rd Sundays** of each month at 12:30 in the Wade Richmond room . All high school students are welcome. We expect to finish RE around 1:30. There will also be a meeting for YRUU (our high school youth group) immediately following high school RE. We expect to finish the meeting about the same time YRUU would normally end. Youth may of course attend RE without also staying for the YRUU meeting.

FINANCE

- **Put your pledge payments on auto-pilot!** Automated pre-authorized bank debit payments can now be made from your bank to the church. Forms to start the process are on the pledge brochure, available in the sanctuary foyer, or the church office. This form of monthly payment offers you one less thing to worry about.

MEMBER CARE:

Scarlett King, grew up in this church and is the daughter of Ernie and Jan King. She's going through a difficult time health-wise and would appreciate your thoughts and prayers. Cards may be sent to 14395 Anson Rd., Atascosa, TX 78002.

Edith Speert shared the news that **Rev. H. Paul Osborne** (93) died on Monday, Nov. 12. A memorial has been established at St. James Episcopal Church in Wichita, KS. An online guest book is available at www.cochranmortuaryUU.com. Please send cards of condolence to Mrs. Gladys Osborne & family at 600 N. 127th St. E #404, Wichita, KS 67206. Rev. Osborne was the honored speaker at our 50th celebration. He also was instrumental in helping our small group move from Pershing Ave. and building the "church on the hill".

Our **Miss Peggy (Lippert)** is recovering at home with the help of two different therapists that come daily. Please feel free to call her and schedule a visit (SeePrint). She can't drive for six weeks, so offers of rides as needed will be appreciated. Also, if you're in the mood to make a salad or soup, those are her favorite foods. We hope you'll be able to join us on **Thursday evening, Dec. 6th**, when we go **caroling** at Peggy's home. She's inviting her neighbors, and it's going to be lots of fun for everyone!

And, just a reminder that **Marianne Ross** will be facilitating a **bereavement support group** from 12:30-1:30 in the Jefferson bldg. Please call Marianne at SeePrint if you're planning to attend. This is an open group, meaning that participants do not have to attend all the meetings but may come whenever they wish; the group will meet each Sunday through Dec. 16th and longer, if needed

SHARE THE PLATE:

Ellen Ott, a founder of **Under the Bridge** (www.underthebridgesa.org), our **December Share the Plate** recipient, will present at the Forum at **9:30 AM on Sunday, December 2** in the **Jefferson Building**. For additional information, contact Bill Holler at billholler@satx.rrUU.com or SeePrint.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:

Circle Dinners: If you haven't signed up yet, but would like to participate for the rest of the year, now is the time! Circle Dinners will begin again in January (2nd weekend of the month, Friday, Saturday or Sunday – host preference) and continue through May unless other church priorities preclude. Circle Dinners is a round robin group where participants get together in people's homes (usually) for dinner once a month. The host normally provides the main dish and the guest the accompaniments. For those who do not have room in their home, the church library is usually available and works well. You can also sign up as a substitute, in which case you will only be called when a regular participant cannot attend. Volunteer hosts for January would be appreciated. When you agree to host, you will be given a list of names and contact information for your dinner. **This is a great way to get acquainted!** Contact Susanne Rupp, sbrupp@hughesUU.net or Arlis Olson, arlisolson@attUU.net SeePrint..

SOCIAL ACTION:

The **Social Action Committee** will meet at **12:30 PM** in the **office conference room** on **Sunday, December 2..** Contact Diane Duesterhoeft, [dduesterhoeft @ gmailUU, com](mailto:dduesterhoeft@gmailUU.com) or SeePrint.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

GROUNDS WORK DAY will be the **second Saturday** morning of each month starting at 8:00 AM and will end before noon. Bring work clothing, gloves, and garden implements if you have them. Please contact Doug Yost (210-SeePrint) or Devin Zimmerman ([ddzimm @ hotmailUU, com](mailto:ddzimm@hotmailUU.com)) if you are willing and able to help.

MAINTENANCE & REPAIR - The scheduled time for work projects is the **first Thursday** of the month in the afternoon.. If you can volunteer please contact - Jack Melton – [jemel @ sbcglobalUU, net](mailto:jemel@sbcglobalUU.net); Robert Kadanka [kadankar @ gvtcUU, net](mailto:kadankar@gvtcUU.net), or Bill Pridgen – [npridgen @ satx.rrUU, com](mailto:npridgen@satx.rrUU.com) . Welcome Dave Stafford and thank you for volunteering!

THE LARGER COMMUNITY:

U—U'nhurried Family Time in The Country: U-Bar-U December 26 – January 4 - The intergenerational kick-back and comfort zone for the whole person, whole life, and the whole family! Re-Create It and Do It Yourself - Come as who you are – Come when you can -- for the best old fashioned simple good times with families and friends. Games, music, hiking, puzzles & poker, campfires: s'mores, songs and storytelling, labyrinth, wildlife, cooking out, treehouse, bocce, biking and bookgroup. Every day is "nap/read/do-what-you-want/all you want" day. Led by world class UU kick-backers and veteran U-Bar-U'ers, Rita and Bil Cusak of Houston, TX. To register and ask questions, contact U-Bar-U director, Mike Schwab, at [michael.lee.schwab @ gmailUU, com](mailto:michael.lee.schwab@gmailUU.com) or (c) 651-SeePrint or (office) 830-SeePrint. 277 U-Bar-U Drive, Ingram, TX 78025

Save the Date: **Monday, January 21, 2008** -MLK March Join thousands of San Antonio families from many faiths, including ours, as we march to celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and his legacy of nonviolent justice. There will be more details later, but please consider joining us at this "family friendly" event. Questions? Contact Robin Gara at [robinboyle @ earthlinkUU, net](mailto:robinboyle@earthlinkUU.net) or SeePrint.

KITCHEN:

Eva Gonzalez wants to resign as kitchen coordinator. We urgently need a few people who will take on the responsibility for the kitchen. For more information please call Eva at SeePrint or the church office.