

## SERMON TOPICS:

- May 3—An Abiding Love
- May 10—Mother's Day
- May 17—A Balanced Faith
- May 24—Ethics with Non-Humans
- May 31—Imam Omar Atia

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Please join us Sunday, May 17 at 6:00pm for our Annual Congregational Meeting.

At that time, we will elect officers for the coming year, adopt a budget based on the responses to our Pledge Drive, hear reports from the Committee Chairs, and evaluate the past year. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

Dinner will be provided by the Board of Directors. **RSVP by May 8<sup>th</sup>** to let us know if you will be in attendance so we know how much food to prepare. RSVP can be sent to [aoa@uuevansville.org](mailto:aoa@uuevansville.org).

**\*Note that only church members are eligible to vote during the congregational meeting, but all members and friends are invited and encouraged to attend.\***

## Religious Exploration Summer Sundays: Dr. Seuss and UUs

Join us in Children's Religious Exploration this Summer with "Dr. Seuss and Unitarian Universalists" written by Reverend Helen Zidowecki.

Why use the stories of Dr. Seuss in a Unitarian Universalist congregation?

Dr. Seuss stories are fun and engaging! Even more important, they are based on life situations and experiences and give us a way to reflect, to talk about things that are part of our lives.

This year, the Religious Exploration Committee and Staff have chosen eight Dr. Seuss books that we feel show a range of Unitarian Universalist principles and ideas.

We are still looking for volunteers from adult church members and friends to assist our RE teachers with these Summer Sundays so if you are drawn to storytelling, Dr. Seuss, or just want to help, please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board

just outside the church nursery in the foyer.

June 14—*The 500 Hats of Bartholomew Cubbins*: Focuses on taking responsibility for your own actions

June 28—*And To Think That I Saw It On Mulberry Street*: Sometimes we find extraordinary things in usual places!

July 12—*Horton Hatches the Egg*: Stick with something you think is right

July 19—*How The Grinch Stole Christmas*: Meaning of Christmas

July 26—*Yertle the Turtle*: Power and having a say

August 9—*The Lorax*: Conservation

August 16—*Green Eggs and Ham*: Celebrating diversity

August 23—*Oh, The Places You'll Go!*: Adventure

For details, contact Nancy Higgs, Ashley Perkins, or Mary Helen Weldy.

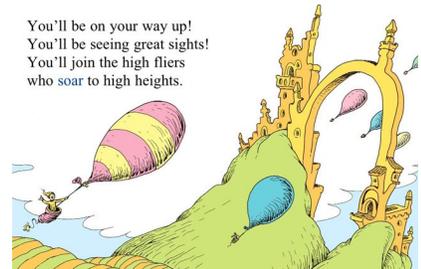
Dr. Seuss and UUs curriculum: <http://www.hzmre.com/seuss/>

Dr. Seuss and UUs session plans: <http://www.hzmre.com/seuss/sessions.htm>

Thank you, and we hope to see you this Summer!

-Ashley Perkins, Director of RE

You'll be on your way up!  
You'll be seeing great sights!  
You'll join the high fliers  
who soar to high heights.



## Sermon Topics



May 3—Reverend Forrest Gilmore returns to preach on **An Abiding Love**; Shelley Woodward worship associate

May 10—**Mother’s Day** multi-generational service; Tom Moor worship leader. No children’s Religious Exploration classes today.

May 17—Reverend Julia Corbett-Hemeyer will speak on **A Balanced Faith**; Brian Sturgill worship associate

May 24—Lisa Kretz returns to speak on **Ethics with Non-Humans**. Ed Howard worship associate. *Potluck lunch following service.*

May 31—The Imam Omar Atia will be joining us from the Islamic Center Mosque; Tom Moor worship associate

## Please Take Note!

**Our Administrative Office Assistant, Ashley Perkins, will be taking a two-month maternity leave beginning May 5.** A few church members will be devoting some of their time to keep up with the demands of the church office (returning phone and email messages, updating the church website and Facebook page, sorting mail, putting together the weekly order of service, etc.).

Specifically:

- Chris Norrington will be covering many of these tasks and will be in and out of the office during the week with no set hours, but phone calls and emails will be returned as soon as possible during this time.
- Tina Sizemore will be taking all Compass Newsletter submissions during May and June and putting together the following months’ editions. During these months, please send all Compass submissions before the 20th of the month to [tina5652@yahoo.com](mailto:tina5652@yahoo.com).
- Jasmine Sturgill will be taking all weekly news submissions May 4 through July 3 and putting together the UUCE weekly news. During this time, please send all weekly news submissions by noon each Monday with a subject line referring to **“UUCE Weekly News Submission”** to [jasminemichelle@gmail.com](mailto:jasminemichelle@gmail.com).



## Welcome New Members!

Photo courtesy of Sharon Dennis.

From left: Danielle Arrigo, Marcia Ballard, Tom Ballard, Erin Bradley, Mark Bradley, Shawn Ackman, Jennifer Willett, Carol Hill, Dain Hill, David Brown, and Alexia Wolfe.

Pictured with Board President Tina Sizemore (right) and Congregational Life Committee member Bev Tonso (in front).

New members not pictured: M’Lee Ackman and Laci Tucker.

## Welcome New Members!

M'LEE ACKMAN and SHAWN ACKMAN

DANIELLE ARRIGO is the mother of Jaclynne and the fiancé of Jason Schapker. Danielle came to UUCE to work in the nursery and decided to make it her church home. She says that she has found a family here and that if she left, she would have a hole in her heart. Danielle is currently studying at USI to become a teacher—she hopes to get her bachelor's degree soon.

MARCIA BALLARD grew up in Boonville, IN, as one of 6 children. She attended the University of Evansville, where she received her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Mathematics Education. She enjoyed teaching Mathematics for 31 years, but it was Marcia's good fortune to be able to retire early to help her parents in their final years. She and Tom have two sons and three grandchildren, who they visit a couple of times a year on the West Coast. Marcia is active with Habitat for Humanity, CAJE, cooking, sewing, reading, making flower arrangements, and playing tennis.

TOM BALLARD was born and raised in Evansville. He attended University of Evansville and then received a second degree in Math and Computer Science from Indi-

ana University in Bloomington. He moved back to Evansville where he worked as a computer programmer and computer software engineer for over 30 years. Most of those years, Tom commuted to work by bicycle. He is now partially retired and loves nature, enjoys riding bicycles, hiking, backpacking, camping, canoeing, and feeding the birds in his backyard.

ERIN BRADLEY grew up in the Chicago area, but came to Evansville to attend UoE where she met Mark. After Erin graduated, they moved to Chicago where they stayed for 8 years before returning. Erin has always worked in the social service field. She currently works for IPMG as a case manager providing services to individuals with developmental disabilities.

MARK BRADLEY was born and raised in Evansville and was in the last graduating class of Rex Mundi High School in 1972. Mark graduated from UoE with a BS in Biology. He has always worked in the Quality Assurance field, either in manufacturing or the service area. He is currently the Corporate Director of Quality Assurance at AmeriQual Group.

MARK and ERIN have three children (two sons and a daughter). Mark has always

loved animals and he and Erin share a love of zoos. They are going to try their hand at beekeeping this summer. They have volunteered as Docents at the zoo and are new Master Gardeners. They have many hobbies and interests from woodworking to ballroom dancing.

DAVID BROWN grew up in Evansville, has a degree in Health Services Administration, and currently works at AT&T. He has five children, the oldest is 22 and the youngest is almost one.

CAROL HILL was born and raised in southwestern Kentucky. Carol went to Murray State and got her Masters in Education. She has two daughters. After retirement from teaching, Carol was a volunteer tutor in the Literacy Center and also taught a semester at USI in a similar capacity. She has been married to Dain for 35 years.

(MICHAEL) DAIN HILL was raised in Belle Plaine, Iowa by his grandparents. He received an Associates Degree from Muscatine Community College and graduated from Southern Illinois University Communication Dept. with a BS in Cinema and Photography major and a minor in Radio and Television. Dain was drafted into the U.S. Army and served from 1968 to 1969. He is a current member of Veterans

for Peace. Dain helped to create the Tri-State Cinema Society 20 years ago, serving as Executive Director and its Treasurer for 6 years. He is the current host of the Film Movement Club at the Central Library. Dain has two step-daughters with Carol.

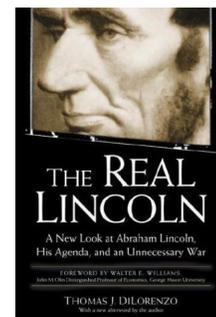
LACI TUCKER is a 29-year-old graphic artist and web designer as well as a belly-dance instructor and performer. She is a self-starting woman who runs both businesses out of her home in Oakland City. Laci is a single mother to her son Desmond, who is 2. Laci is a pagan who believes that every person has a spark of the divine, and when we come together, that is when real magic happens.

JENNIFER WILLETT was born and raised in Evansville, but lived away since the 1990's. She has lived in Terre Haute, IN; Columbus, OH; Rochester, NY; and for the last 15 years in Buffalo, NY—where she joined the Unitarian Universalist Church. Fifteen years of Catholic education and feminist learning drew her slowly to Unitarian Universalism.

ALEXIA WOLFE has been married to David Brown for 23 years. She is a stay at home mom and homeschools her younger children.

## May Brown Bag Book Club

Join us at the church for the UUCE book club on Tuesday, May 26 from 11:30am to 1:00pm. Bring your lunch to eat while we discuss the book of the month, *The Real Lincoln: A New Look at Abraham Lincoln, His Agenda, and an Unnecessary War* by Thomas J. DiLorenzo. All members and friends welcome!



## Volunteer Opportunities: How Can You Help?

This is your opportunity to excel! Believe it or not, plans are already underway for this year's West Side Nut Club Fall Festival. For those who don't know, our Fall Festival booth is UUCE's largest fundraiser of the year. There are several projects around our church that we hope to accomplish (roofing the Chalice House, and remodeling the church restrooms to make them gender neutral and handicapped accessible, for examples). Unfortunately, the church budget doesn't include money for these projects. That's where you get your chance to excel.

To show a profit at our Fall Festival booth, we must keep expenses low and sales high. There are several ways you can help. Donations of cash and/or supplies will help us keep expenses low. If you are able to donate, you can get a list of supplies needed for our Fall Festival menu (black-bean soup, bacon brownies, frozen lemonade, iced tea, and bottled water) from Tina Sizemore, Chris Norrington, or Ben Sizemore. Or if it's easier to donate cash, the Fall Festival committee can purchase the necessary supplies.

If you're not able to donate sup-

plies or money, we need volunteers in several capacities. The booth will need to be manned for a total of about 80 hours during the week, and two or three people are needed at all times in the booth, so we'll need many helpers. There are also opportunities to help besides working in the booth. We have to clean the booth before and after it goes to Franklin Street. Several people will need to help move it there and return it back to the church. We need people who are willing to solicit donations from various stores around town. We will need helpers to bake brownies, fry bacon for the brownies, and prepare the soup. (This will be done in August at Bethel United Church of Christ.) Several people will be needed to package the brownies for sale.

This is a partial list of all the tasks that need to be accomplished in order to make our Fall Festival a success. It sounds like a lot of work, and it is, but there are surprising benefits. Helping with the Fall Festival preparations is an opportunity to make new friends and get to know old friends better. Volunteering im-

pacts the whole community – the more money our booth brings in, the more we can accomplish in our church and the more the West Side Nut Club gives back to our community.

Volunteering provides a great example to children and young people. It shows them how volunteering, even in small ways, can make a difference. Volunteering also helps us stay fit both physically and mentally. Studies show that helping others kindles happiness. For young people, volunteering can provide career experience – in sales, in working as a team, in communication and organizational skills, in problem solving, and it can garner professional contacts.

For more information on donating and/or volunteering, please contact Tina Sizemore at [tina5652@yahoo.com](mailto:tina5652@yahoo.com) or talk to her at church. Then when those new bathrooms are completed or that new roof goes up on the Chalice House, you'll know that you helped in a big way.

Thanks for helping in any way you can.

-Tina Sizemore, Board President

### UUCE Picnic is Just Around the Corner!

Our annual picnic will take place on Sunday, June 7 at 10am at the Newburgh Indian Hill Overlook Park. There will be no worship service that day. Meat, iced tea, lemonade, plates, utensils, and napkins will be provided. Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish, and a drink of their choice if they don't want iced tea or lemonade. Also, please bring chairs for everyone in your party as seating is limited.

There will be an Open Mic for those wishing to perform!

The Congregational Life Committee is currently requesting donations of cases of bottled water for the picnic. These can be placed in the church office labeled for the picnic. Thank you!

## Upcoming Events & Activities

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| Fri., May 1: 7pm Drum Circle   | Mon., May 18: 6pm Congregational Life Committee meeting                       |
| Sun., May 3: 9am Adult Discussion Group                              | Wed., May 20: COMPASS Submissions due for June                                |
| Mon., May 4: 6pm Down to Earth                                       | Sun., May 24: Religious Exploration committee meeting following potluck lunch |
| Mon., May 4: 7pm Board meeting                                       | Mon., May 25: 6pm Down to Earth   |
| Mon., May 11: 6pm Down to Earth                                      | Tues., May 26: 11:30am Book Club  |
| Fri., May 15: 3:30pm United Caring Shelter Dinner (sign-up in foyer) | Tues., May 26: 6:30pm Spirit of Life Workshop 7                               |
| Sun., May 17: 9am Adult Discussion Group                             | Sun., May 31: 9am Adult Discussion Group                                      |
| Sun., May 17: 6pm Annual Congregational Meeting and Dinner           | Sun., May 31: 3pm Goddess Circle  |



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Service on Sundays at 10:00am  
Youth RE on Sundays at 10:30am



## UU Summer Camp July 5-11, 2015

Consider joining fellow UUs this summer in the Missouri Ozarks at the annual Midwest Unitarian Universalist Summer Assembly (MUUSA). The weeklong camp offers many workshops and activities for families, couples, and singles of all ages. This year Reverend Doctor Tony Larsen will lead the daily Morning Celebration service on this year's theme: "Can We Talk?"

Come gather in the beautiful forests and rolling hills of the Missouri Ozarks at YMCA Trout Lodge, where you can connect with old friends, make new ones, and participate in a wide variety of activities. Get all the details at [muusa.org](http://muusa.org).



### Coffee Order

Place your order for Equal Exchange Fair Trade chocolate, cocoa and coffee by the 15th of the month. Coffee prices average \$8-\$10 per 10oz package plus shipping. Your purchase supports the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee. Contact Chris Norrington for details [cnorrington@hotmail.com](mailto:cnorrington@hotmail.com).

### Board of Directors:

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## Support Teams

UUCE now has support teams in place to assist those members who need assistance with activities of daily living, such as grocery shopping, lawn care, meal preparation, etc., due to illness, death in the family, or other circumstance. If you or someone else needs such help, please notify Sharon Dennis at 431-9148 or [sdenisl.sd@gmail.com](mailto:sdenisl.sd@gmail.com), Bev Tonso at 476-9235 or [btonso44@att.net](mailto:btonso44@att.net), or Teddy Thompson at 402-2744 or [t.thompson@wowway.com](mailto:t.thompson@wowway.com)

### Other Volunteers:

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