

## Sunday Programs

### June 5

9:30 Adult Religious Education. Leader: Rick Spradlin (MH)

10:40 Program: Robert Arnett, acclaimed author and lecturer  
Title: ***"India Unveiled: Spirit, Tradition, People"***

Service Leader: Dave Walker  
Opener: Chris Nix  
Closer: Paul Lee  
Greeters: Kirstin Mix and Ursula King

12:00 First Sunday Potluck Lunch  
Bring donated food or donation for Feeding the Valley Food Bank  
Bring a Friend Day

### June 12

9:30 Adult Religious Education. Leader: Rick Spradlin (MH)

10:40 Program: Reverend Marti Keller  
Title: ***"A Short History of Snarkers and Curmudgeons: the Rise of Rude, Crude and Attitude ( and ways we might save civility for a more polite planet)"***

Service Leader: Paul Lee  
Opener: Paul Lee  
Closer: Rick Spradlin  
Greeters: Bill Edwards and Elaine Lupo

### June 19

9:30 Adult Religious Education. Leader: Rick Spradlin (MH)

10:40 Program: Dave Hudson, from UU Metro Atlanta North  
Title: ***"A Legacy of Meaning"***

Service Leader: Mark Lupo  
Opener: Rick Spradlin  
Closer: John Kamisky  
Greeters: Patricia Lassiter and Robert Burnham  
***GATP: Open Door (for fans)***

12:00 Social Justice Committee meeting

### June 26

9:30 Adult Religious Education. Leader: Rick Spradlin (MH)

10:40 Program: Amanda Moore, Acting Director for Koinonia Farm  
Title: ***"Feeding the Hungry, Physically and Spiritually"***

Service Leader: Rick Spradlin  
Opener: John Kamisky  
Closer: Emily Jones  
Greeters: Robert Burnham and Mark Berger

Thanks to ***Michelle Midgette*** for coordinating programs this month

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***A Welcoming Congregation***



## Activities

### Wednesday Night Discussion Group

This group meets every Wednesday night at 7 pm and is open to everyone. The topic to be discussed is announced on the website calendar a few days in advance of the next meeting. (MH)

### UU Women

The Women's Group meets monthly on the second Thursday. The time of day and the specific plans vary from month to month. The details are usually announced a month in advance and are found in the newsletter and on the website. This month the group will take a tour of the Richland Rum distillery on June 9th. We will meet at Ruby Tuesday on Veterans Parkway and have lunch at 11:30, then carpool from there to Richland, a 40 minute trip, where we will take a 60 minute free tour of the distillery. Please call the Fellowship office and let Brenda know if you plan to join us.

### Women's Book Club

A monthly meeting is held on the fourth Tuesday evening of each month at 5 pm in the Meeting House. The current book is announced a month in advance, giving everyone a chance to read it before the meeting. We will meet on June 28 and review the book, "All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr. We welcome new members!

### UU Singers

If you are interested in music or singing, please consider joining our UU Singers. Rehearsals are held every Wednesday night at 6 pm. (GFH)

### Yoga

Sonya Saxton, group fitness instructor and personal trainer will continue a beginner's yoga class on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 in the Meeting House. There is a \$5 per week drop in charge.

### Media Lunch Group

This group meets at a different restaurant each Friday at 12:30 to have fun and discuss current events. It was formed by Don Nahley, Bill Harlan, Dick McMichael and Ed Wilson to discuss their experiences as newsmen. It has evolved to inviting all members and friends of the Fellowship to join them for a lively discussion. Please call Bill Harlan at 605.390.0590 to see where they will be meeting this month.

## *Joys and Concerns*

- \* In May, we contributed \$40.00 and 76 pounds of food to Feeding the Valley.
- \* Our May GATP donation of \$190.00 went to the Ferst Foundation.
- \* Our June GATP charity is **Open Door** which will use our donation for table fans.
- \* A joy to hear that Kayla Spradlin will be teaching Special Education at Arnold Middle School in the fall.
- \* Steve Ellis is in the Cancer Centers of America Hospital in Newnan. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers
- \* Please remember Rick Spradlin's sister in law in your thoughts and prayers also.

**Save the Date**

**July 3, 2016**

**Second Annual Picnic**

**in the Pavillion**

## THE CHILDREN'S PAGE



### Children's RE Programs

June 5	Favorites	Nate and Molly Gross
June 12	Courage	Kayla Spradlin
June 19	Art Project	Paul Lee
June 26	Loyalty	Rick Spradlin

For the summer months, the children will be doing a journaling series that can be continued each week. This is a project that is ongoing, but is also one that the children can skip around.



### Children's Story

June 5	Kirstin Mix
June 12	Elaine Lupo
June 19	Maureen Humphries
June 26	Emily Jones



Brad Griffin	June 3
Mary Farmer	June 9
Michelle Midgette	June 10
Emily Jones	June 12
Matt Williams	June 14
Bill Hurst	June 22

## *Bits and Pieces:*

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If you haven't done so, please take a look at the Meditation Garden which is under construction in the back of GFH. Hal Midgette and helpers have been hard at work planting and constructing walkways. Thanks to all who are helping!

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The children had a lesson about social action and have decided to gather items for Ronald McDonald House here in Columbus. The following items are needed: aluminum cans, used printer cartridges and old cell phones. The proceeds from the Ronald McDonald recycling project are used to pay utility costs. There is a poster and bin for items in the main building. Thanks everyone!

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Board meetings are held the third Tuesday evening of every month at 7 pm at GFH. Meetings are open to everyone.

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Donations for Feeding the Valley Food Bank should be non-perishable food in unbreakable containers (no glass). Checks made out to Feeding the Valley and cash are also welcome.

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On the third Sunday of each month our Social Justice Committee designates a local charity to be the recipient of our Give Away the Plate (GATP) offering. The money collected in the offering which is not pledged for the operations of the Fellowship is donated to the charity.

## *June Activities at the Mountain*

June 12-July 23...Mountain Camp

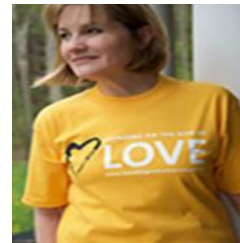
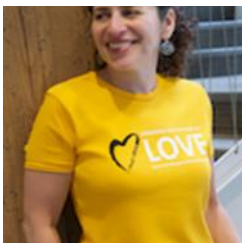
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## Social Justice Committee News

The Social Justice Committee is exploring ways for the Fellowship to be more active in the community in the following months.

- They will collect and deliver household and personal care items to the residents of Hope Harbour, the local shelter for abused and battered women. The Hope Harbour wish list includes new towels and wash cloths, underwear and socks for women and children, diapers, wipes, pacifiers and personal hygiene products. Gas cards are also a needed item. There is a bin near the library to collect these items. It will be an ongoing project.
- On **June 4**, the Fellowship will have a table at the Columbus Pride event in Uptown. We will furnish bottled water and have information on the Fellowship available. Please consider helping by volunteering at the table or by donating water. This event helps the Fellowship to be more visible in the community and supports the LGBT event.
- The Social Justice Committee plans a work session on Saturday, June 25 at 10 am in the Meeting House. Please bring a sack lunch and drink.
- Orders are being taken for “Standing on the Side of Love” T shirts. They have Adult Tees \$20-\$22, Women’s cut Tees (run very small) \$20-\$22 and Youth Tees, \$15. Adult sizes run Small through 5XL. Youth sizes run XS-M. Youth Large is on backorder. For more info, click on bookstore at [www.uua.org](http://www.uua.org). There is a 20% discount if we order 10 or more of the same style.
- Please see Maureen Humphries or Linda Hagberg to place your order.



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