Sunday Programs

June 3

9:15 Adult Religious Education: "Justice, Equity and Compassion" (MH)

10:15 Coffee and Conversation

10:45 Program: Reverend Ed Helton

Title: "Suggestions for a Living in a World That Doesn't Make Sense"

Service Leader: Bill Harlan Opener: Linda Hagberg

Closers: Volunteer Closing Team

Greeters: Robert Burnham and Bill Edwards

June 10

9:15 Adult Religious Education: "Acceptance and Spiritual Growth" (MH)

10:15 Coffee and Conversation

10:45 Program: Rick Spradlin *Title:* "Sights That Stir the Soul"

Service Leader: Rick Spradlin Opener: Connie Ussery

Closers: Volunteer Closing Team

Greeters: Orm Burnham and Justine Wade

June 17

9:15 Adult Religious Education: "Conscience and the Democratic Process" (MH)

10:15 Coffee and Conversation

10:45 Program: Ken Sizemore

Title: ""Music for Father's Day"

Service Leader: Ellen Harlan Opener: Michelle Midgette Closers: Volunteer Closing Team Greeters: Judy Barnett and Jeff Gordon **GATP: Grace House of Columbus**

June 24

Adult Religious Education: "The Goal of World Community" (MH) 9:15

Coffee and Conversation 10:15

10:45 Program: John Land

"Social Darwinism" Title:

Service Leader: John Land

Opener: Chris Nix

Closers: Volunteer Closing Team

Greeters: Maureen Humphries and Patricia Lassiter

Childcare is provided every Sunday from 9:30 until noon

Thanks to Joyce Hickson and Connie Ussery for coordinating the programs this month.



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A Welcoming Congregation







You do not need to be a member of the Fellowship to attend any of these activities

Activities

Wednesday Night Discussion Group

This group meets every Wednesday night in the Meeting House at 7 p.m. 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 usually 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 we are meeting on Thursday evening, June 14th at 6:30 p.m. for a pot luck at the Fellowship. Please come with future program ideas.

Women's Book Club

A monthly meeting is held on the fourth Tuesday evening of each month at 5 p.m. in the Meeting House. The current book is announced a month in advance, giving everyone a chance to read it. The next meeting will be on June 26th to discuss "Before We Were Yours" by Lisa Wingate. The discussion will be led by Michelle Midgette.

UU Singers

If you are interested in music or singing, please consider joining our UU Singers. Rehearsals are held every Wednesday night at 6 p.m. and on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. before the service. (GFH)

Friday Lunch Group

This group meets at the Mandarin Cafe each Friday at 12:30 to have fun and discuss current events. All members and friends of the Fellowship are invited to join the group for a lively discussion.

Exploring Spirituality

This group meets on the third Thursday in the Meeting House at 7 p.m. The purpose of this group is to explore and grow in our own spirituality and to learn how our own spirituality expresses itself in our daily lives.. On June 21st we will discuss the book, "The God We Never Knew" by Marcus Borg.

Caregivers Support Group

This group meets on the first and third Thursday mornings of each month at 10:30 a.m. in the Meeting House.

Calm Abiding Meditation at 9:45 followed by Buddhist Studies at 10:30

The group has a free and open format (come for some or all sessions) and is led by Joan Andras. The public is welcome.

Committee Meetings

Congregational Care—Tuesday, June 12 at 10:30 in the Meeting House

Design Team — Fourth Tuesday of each month at 3:30 in the Meeting House

Fundraising — Thursday, June 14 at 10:30 in the Meeting House

Social Action — Wednesday, June 13 at 10;00 in the Meeting House

Chíldren's Religious Education



June 3 Ask Questions

June 10 Speak Out

June 17 Get Involved

June 24 Make Peace

Bits and Pieces...

- GATP this month goes to Grace House of Columbus, a transitional placement for men released from jail.
- If anyone has a copy of "Building Your Own Theology", John Kamisky requests that you consider donating it to the library.
- Please contact Rick Spradlin if you would be willing to help with childcare on a rotating basis.
- Our deepest sympathies are extended to the family of Marge Hall who died on April 28, 2018. Marge had been a member of this Fellowship since May, 1988.

Last Wishes

A few years ago, UUFC developed *Last Wishes*, a repository for your words and your wishes that can be kept in the office files and given to your family upon your passing. We developed a questionnaire that prompts you to describe the type of funeral or memorial service you want, what you'd like in terms of music, poems, etc. It can be brief or lengthy. Information like this is helpful to the family, and to anyone helping to plan a service, even if the service is not held here. If you'd like to find out more about *Last Wishes*, ask our office administrator, Brenda Stevens.



A Message from the Design Committee

What in the world is this a picture of? If you were attending the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Columbus just 3 or 4 years ago, you know all too well what this is and a cold shudder may have traveled up your spine just thinking of it. For those of you who were not here then, this is the very Fellowship Hall and Meeting House that we use today. When we decided to buy this building it resembled a giant shoebox with a weird duckbill plastered to the front. And trust me the interior was even worse. Sometimes it's good to look back and reflect. Just as you may not notice day to day how much your child has changed and grown until you look back at old pictures, it is easy to forget how far we have come, until we look back at the startling contrast between then and now.

But how did we make this amazing transformation? It took a whole community, a collective leap of faith, real commitment both personal and financial, and a tremendous amount of work to get from there to the beautiful, inviting building we fellowship in today. Everyone pulling together got us this far and no one person's contribution was more important than anyone else's. However, before the first nail could be driven or the first paintbrush lifted there had to be a plan. Planning the peaceful and functional space we enjoy today required extensive thought and a massive amount of attention to detail. Creating that plan was the purview of the Design Team under the most able and diligent leadership of Brenda Stevens. Though our buildings and grounds have undergone a wonderful metamorphosis, not everything is complete. There are still needed improvements and the Design Team continues to function today according to its mission. The mission of the Design Team is to ensure that the visual design of our fellowship conveys a positive, peaceful, aesthetically pleasing, harmonious environment consistent with our values. Thankfully, Brenda still plays a major role as a member of the Design Team, even though she has asked to take a break from being head of the team. Currently, Elaine Chambless is chair of the Design Team and those serving on the team include Brenda Stevens, Connie Ussery, Joyce Hickson, Linda Hagberg, Michelle Midgette, and Sidney Wilson. We are working to make the visual impact of our buildings and grounds pleasing and inviting and we are happy to hear your comments and concerns related to the visual appearance of our fellowship. Look back to where we were. See the progress we've made. Imagine where we can go from here.



The annual Fan Project continues. This project is our annual effort to help those who need relief from the summertime heat. Please look for the Fan Project table and be generous in your donation. Monies collected will be donated to the Area Agency on Aging who will purchase fans for their clients who need them.



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 5 Florence Wakoko Studstill
- 25 Joanna Walker
- 28 Claudia Wade
- 28 Phillip Wade



Plan to join us in the Meditation Garden on Wednesday night, June 20, when we will gather to celebrate "Lithia" or the Summer Solstice.

The grill will be available from 6-7 p.m. Bring your own food and beverage and bring some to share if you wish.

This is a time for great fellowship. Songs will be sung to celebrate the beginning of Summer.

July 1, after church

You are cordially invited To our annual Independence Day celebration,

UU will furnish hot dogs and hamburgers. Please bring a salad, casserole or dessert to share.

We will eat in the pavilion by the creek, or move inside in case of inclement weather.