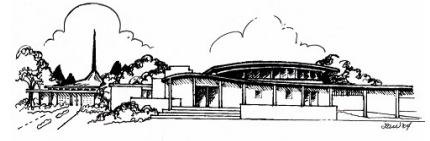


# REPORTER

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## Minister's Musings...

Rev. Tim Temerson

One of the great privileges of being a Unitarian Universalist minister is the opportunity it provides me to listen and to learn from all of you. I can't begin to describe how much I have benefited from hearing your stories, witnessing your journeys, and listening as you share your most deeply held beliefs, values, and hopes.

Over the last month, I have been working with the youth in our Coming of Age program to reflect on their beliefs and to craft a credo statement. Unlike a creed, which is a collective statement of belief that one must accept in order to be a member of a faith tradition or community, a credo is a personal statement of beliefs. A credo is not meant to convert or to compel beliefs one does not hold. In essence, a credo is an individual's "This I Believe" statement and reflects one's most deeply held values and convictions about the meaning of life and the nature of the universe.

Listening to our youth as they develop their credos has been a wonderful learning experience for me. I have been so impressed and inspired by their curiosity, their passion, their wisdom, and their commitment to exploring and reflecting on what matters most in their lives. During the Coming of Age service on Sunday, May 8, the youth will share their credos and that's one service you won't want to miss!

As I've listened to the youth develop their credos, I've come to the conclusion that reflecting on and then writing a personal credo is something we should all be doing. For one thing, the process of creating a credo can be a very powerful and I would even say spiritual experience. Reflecting on our beliefs and values can take us on an amazing spiritual journey through our own stories and experiences. In addition, crafting a credo can also lead us in new and surprising directions as we ask important questions about what we value and believe.

So I invite you to think about and then write your own credo statement. Take some time to reflect on your spiritual journey. Does your story have a common theme or themes? What matters most to you in your life? What ideals or values command your loyalty and are, for you, non-negotiable?

As you answer these questions, see if you can translate those answers into a brief "This I Believe" statement. Your statement can take many forms but it should be brief. And don't worry about making it perfect. Your credo is a reflection of what you believe at this point in your life. It is not final, absolute, or unchanging.

I have one final request. If you write a credo, don't keep it to yourself. Share it with a friend, a fellow church member, and with your minister! I hope you will mail or email me your credo so I can learn and be inspired by your beliefs and values just as I have been by our youth!

Many Blessings,

*Rev. Tim*

[revtim@uuakron.org](mailto:revtim@uuakron.org)



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DRE Richard Roberts

May means both the “wrapping up,” and transitioning parts of the church school year. Regular RE classes end, we celebrate with youth who complete the Coming of Age program, and we bridge our graduating seniors into the young adult group. It's the beginning of the summer schedule – with activities for children in June and July and UU Summer Camp sessions in August. Our church school teaching teams have all done such excellent work this year; please offer them a personal thank you whenever you have the opportunity.

I want to mention our kids, yes *our kids*, because we, are raising them in a religious community of shared values, vision and commitment. Why am I so proud of our children and youth? Because when I speak with a visiting family, I always tell them how they can expect their children to be welcomed and included by our children; graciously, kindly, with interest in – and respect for – who they are. I say this with absolute confidence that it will be so.

We have succeeded in creating a culture of kindness here among our children and youth. Time and again, I see visiting children enter what is, for them, a strange new environment; and coming away feeling happy, comfortable and accepted. For many this is their first experience of a church community. This, my friends, is priceless. And, in a world so often defined by competition and conflict, why we are such an important place for the nurture of youthful spirits.

Author Willa Cather wrote:

*"People will forget what you say.  
People will forget what you did.  
But people will never forget  
how you made them feel."*

So, thank you teachers, thank you parents, thank you kids, thank you elders, thank you friends...for you are the creators of this culture of kindness.

In faith ,

*Rich*

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## SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR KIDS



### *Your Help is Needed!*

Our Sunday morning summer programs depend on the participation of adult volunteers. Parents, grandparents, non-parents, young adults, all are welcome! Volunteers receive clear guidance and staff support. And, it's fun! Please sign up for a session by contacting **Pauline Tomechko at 330-665-0864 or [ptomechko@yahoo.com](mailto:ptomechko@yahoo.com)**.

### **UU Fun and Friends**

**May 22, 29 and Sundays in June and July**

UU Fun and Friends brings children together for games and activities. It's relaxed, easy, and helps sustain the multi-generational church we all love. Grades K-5. Youth welcome too!

### **Preschool**

Parents are welcome to use the Nursery for their preschoolers during summer programming.

### **UU Summer Camp**

**Sundays in August**

It's back!! UU Summer Camp is a program of theme-based activities for children in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday in August. Each session is led by a guest presenter bringing their passion and their expertise to present engaging activities for children in grades K-5. The full schedule with session descriptions will be available in July.

### **May RE Calendar**

- 1 - Regular Classes
- 8 - Last Day of RE Classes  
Coming of Age Service
- 15 - Teacher Appreciation  
Senior Bridging  
Flower Communion
- 22 - Fun and Friends activities
- 29 - Fun and Friends activities

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE & NEW MEMBER NEWS

Jann Miller

As I wrote this in mid-April, we were just a little over a week away from our annual New Member Recognition Service and Reception, designed this year to honor the 22 persons who have signed the book and become members of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Akron since the service and reception in April 2010.

If you have not already done so, I hope you will take the time to get to know these wonderful people. Many of them are already involved in church activities, but some may benefit from learning what ways you have found to become involved, get to know people, serve the church and the world, and find more meaning in your life.

This church can provide members, new and longer term, with tangible and intangible benefits. We get these benefits by attending services and becoming involved in the activities that suit our personalities, skills, interests, and values. It takes longer for some of us than for others to discover those activities for ourselves. Please introduce yourselves to our newer members, befriend them, and make yourselves available to answer their questions.

**To our newer members, please read this article and know that your involvement and contributions are encouraged and valued. We look forward to getting to know you better, working with you, and being there for you when you need us.**

### WELCOME UUCA "CLASS" OF 2010-2011!

Lynn Kindsvatter, 4-29-10

Kathy Durnes, 5-25-10

Ron Gelleny, 6-1-10

Sharon Gelleny, 6-1-10

Ed Durnes, 8-15-10

Lisa Blayney, 9-7-10

Gail Lindsay, 10-6-10

Nathan Hurd, 10-16-10

Pam Shell, 10-16-10

Brenda Whitmore, 10-16-10

Jerri Yospur, 10-16-10

Akrista L'Bert, 11-2-10

Cir L'Bert, 11-2-10

Elaine Fisher, 11-10-10

Austen Petersen, 12-16-10

Tom Beck, 1-2-11

Linda Carabell, 1-6-11

Cir L'Bert II, 1-22-11

Beverly Hurd, 1-22-11

Kim Evangelisti, 1-22-11

Mathew Force, 1-22-11

Maureen Sullivan, 4-12-11

### NEWCOMERS' WELCOMING CIRCLE

**Sunday, May 8 Noon – 12:30 p.m.**

The Membership committee invites you to join us for a Newcomers' Welcoming Circle! Rev. Tim Temerson and several lay leaders will be available to discuss Unitarian Universalism and our church community, and to answer your questions. No sign-up is required, just drop in for 30 minutes of fellowship and conversation.

### AKRON YOUNG ADUULTS



Austen Petersen

Spring is here, and so are some wonderful activity opportunities. We had a Mystery Science Theater 3000 movie night with pizza on April 16. Rev. Tim came as our special guest during dinner for some enlightening conversation! MST3K, as the show is affectionately known, provoked much laughter. A good time was had by all! We're also having Game Night on Friday April 29 here at the church and always welcome newcomers. The March Game Night saw euchre, poker, and some new card games like Jericho. Come to the April 29 Game Night to see what other tricks are up our sleeves! We're all looking forward to the bridging ceremony on May 15 when we will welcome youth from the COYA program into our Akron Young AdUULTs group!

# ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON MAY 1

Please plan on attending our May 1 Annual Meeting where we will take the next step in living our mission by adopting our new strategic plan: **“Words Into Action!”** At its regular meeting on April 20, the Board voted unanimously to recommend adoption of the Plan as submitted by the Strategic Planning Team. It is an extraordinary document and impressive work! The Plan collects our best ideas and aspirations, and provides us with a framework for making strategic decisions about how to set priorities and focus our actions over the coming years to live out every aspect of our mission and our vision.

Remember, to be a voting member you must have signed the book and pledged for 2011. If you are uncertain of your status, please contact our membership coordinator Allan Michelson.. **If you would like to pledge now and attain voting status, please contact Reverend Tim Temerson for a pledge form at [revtim@uuakron.org](mailto:revtim@uuakron.org).**

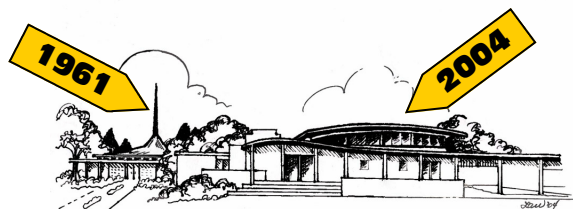
**COFFEE WILL BE SERVED  
IN THE MCKEEMAN ROOM  
AND CHILDCARE IS  
AVAILABLE DURING THE  
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.**

During the Congregational Meeting, children and youth are encouraged to celebrate Beltaine, with a short ceremony and weaving of the Maypole. Beltaine, one of the eight sacred holy days, or Sabbats of the Celtic Wheel of the Year, marks the beginning of the greening of the Earth. It is the time that the Goddess reigns over the Earth and brings forth renewal, regrowth, rebirth and abundance! All are invited. Musicians are needed.

**Contact Rebekah Benner..**

## UUCA 50TH ANNIVERSARY!

# 50 YEARS: 1961-2011



We, the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Committee, want **YOU** to be part of it. We want your stories. Write a brief description of anything interesting, comic, stimulating, etc. that you have experienced concerning your involvement at UUCA. It does not matter if you are new here or have been around for a while. To make it even easier, if you do not want to write your story, let me know and I will arrange for a listener so you can tell your tale. **Email Norma or place in the Treasurer's box in the office wing of the church.**

Committee members are **The Reverend Tim Temerson, Dick Hull, Lori Marker, Liz Nelson, Margaret Olds, Norma Rios, Susan Wynn, and Elaine Young.** So far, I have only received one story and we know there are many more out there. Be a part of this reliving of our last 50 years!

## FAMILY NETWORK

**The UUCA Family Network will be meeting for fun and socializing at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 15 at the Copley Community Park in Copley.**

Please join us, don't be shy!!! There are playgrounds, paved and unpaved hiking/biking trails, a pond and stream. Pack a lunch and bring bikes, balls, frisbees, kites, etc. for the children to enjoy. We will meet at the first playground (turn right at the first parking lot nearest the entrance).

**Address to Copley Park:  
Copley Community Park  
3232 Copley Road  
Copley, Ohio 44321**

<http://www.copley.oh.us/community-programs-and-services/parks/copley-community-park.html>

In case of rain, we will meet for roller skating at Fun-n-Stuff in Macedonia (about 20 minutes away at 661 Highland Road East, Macedonia, OH 44056). For more information on this event or how to get more involved in the Family Network at the UUCA, **contact Jenni Papp.**

## CARING COMMUNITY UPDATE:

**JANE DURBIN** is improving as she recovers from knee surgery and expects to return home from rehabilitation soon. She appreciates your love and support and welcomes cards, calls, and visits. Please keep Jane in your thoughts and prayers.

# WORSHIP & SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

## 10:30 A.M. SUNDAY SERVICES

**Sunday, May 1 at 10:30 a.m.**

***Memory, Responsibility, and Hope: Holocaust Remembrance Day***

**Rev. Tim Temerson & Sarah Culver**

Today is Yom Ha'Shoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day. As we remember and honor the victims of the Holocaust, we will explore some of the profound questions raised by this unimaginable act of evil. How could it have happened? What implications does the murder of six million human beings have for our understanding of the divine, of humankind, and of religion? And how must we as people of faith respond today and in the future to build a world free from hatred, genocide, and fear.

**Sunday, May 8 at 10:30 a.m.**

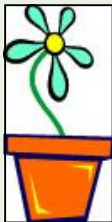
***Coming of Age Sunday***

Please join us as we affirm our youth as they come of age. Coming of Age is a semi-annual program that takes our youth on a journey in search of truth, meaning and their authentic spiritual selves. Hear their music and credo statements as we honor their transition from childhood to young adulthood.

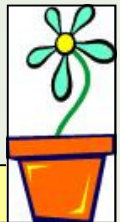
**Sunday May 15 at 10:30 a.m.**

***Giving, Receiving, & Growing: Flower Communion Sunday***

**Rev. Tim Temerson & Rich Roberts, DRE**



Religious community is a place where we come to give, to receive, and to grow together. As we celebrate important transitions in the life of our community (bridging our high school seniors into young adulthood and honoring our RE teachers), we will explore these themes through ritual, song, and reflection. Today's service is intergenerational, the UU Band will be playing.



**Everyone is invited to bring a flower to share during our flower communion.**

**Sunday, May 22 at 10:30 a.m.**

***"Building Spirit:***

***Where Do I Start, Where Do I Go?"***

**Rev. Dr. Tom Bodie, UU Ministerial Candidate**

What can the phrase "spiritual development" mean in a religion as diverse as Unitarian Universalism? Is spiritual development something we do individually or together as a community? And do the spiritual leaders of the past, ranging from Jesus of Nazareth to Parker Palmer, have something to teach us about our spiritual lives?

**Sunday May 29 at 10:30 a.m. ~ Pulpit Exchange Sunday**

***Images, Symbols, Reality***

**Rev. Matt Alspaugh**

**Minister, First Unitarian Universalist Church of Youngstown**

Symbols and icons are central to many religions, though Unitarian Universalism has few beyond the flaming chalice. What makes symbols, icons and images valuable? Are there universal themes in such symbols?

### **PULPIT EXCHANGE SUNDAY**

Pulpit exchanges are an old New England congregationalist tradition that date back to colonial times. As a part of renewing our inter-congregation relationships, the ministers in our cluster (Akron, Wooster, Kent, Canton, and Youngstown) have revived the tradition so that each church will get a chance to hear a minister from a neighboring UU congregation. And since we often provide emergency pastoral care for each other's congregations during vacations and study leaves, this practice will help you to get to know the other ministers in the area. Rev. Tim will be preaching in Wooster and the UU Church of Akron is very pleased to welcome the Rev. Matt Alspaugh from the First UU Church of Youngstown to lead worship on May 29.

# MORE WORSHIP & SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

## BUBBLING HEART SANGHA

### Big News from the Bubbling Hearts Sangha!

The Bubbling Hearts Sangha is adding a Dharma talk on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of every month from 6-7 pm. Everyone is lovingly invited and drop-ins are encouraged.

#### Talks we've shared so far:

**February** – Tara Brach, "Radical Acceptance"

**March** – Jack Kornfield, "The Joys of the Awakened Heart"

**April** – Krista Tippett's *Speaking of Faith* interview with Thich Nhat Hanh.

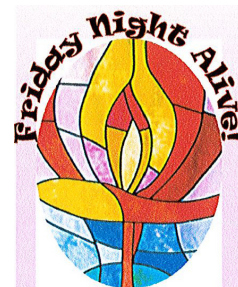
We will continue our Sunday evening meetings for shared sitting and walking meditation from 7-8 pm. If you have questions, please contact **Elaine Fisher**.



**Date:** May 20, 2011

**Picnic Dinner:** 6:00 pm

**Service:** 7:00 pm



## THE ETHICAL HUMANIST SOCIETY OF AKRON



### SECOND FRIDAYS OF EVERY MONTH

**Friday, May 13 at 7:00 p.m.**

Join us for an hour of music, thought-provoking message and discussion, plus a period of socializing over refreshments. All are welcome to the Ethical Humanist Society! For more info, contact **Susan Davis**.

Join us Friday, May 20 for Friday Night Alive. This month we are pleased to offer The Dances of Universal Peace. The Dances of Universal Peace are spiritual practice in motion. Drawing on the sacred phrases, scripture, and poetry of many spiritual traditions of the earth, the Dances blend chant, live music and movement into a living experience of unity, peace and integration. This taste of our true nature - as Universal Peace - opens to the possibility of a deep spiritual revolution within the person.

For this month, we ask you to bring a picnic dinner for yourselves and families. We will eat from 6:00-7:00 p.m., outdoors if the weather is fine. The Dances will follow the picnic at 7:00 p.m., outdoors as well. In the event of rain, we will direct people to Plan B locations. Dress comfortably and come to dance, eat, chant, or even to be part of it all from the sidelines. Childcare will be provided. Kids who are old enough to learn the dances and chants and to hold sacred the space are welcome to join us.

## LOOKING AHEAD....

This year's All-church Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 5 at the Mingo Shelter in Sand Run Park. Please watch for more details!



## FIRST FRIDAY DRUM CIRCLE!

FRIDAY, MAY 6 AT 7:00 P.M.

The First Friday Intergenerational Drum Circle is energizing, relaxing, fun and great for all ages. Drums, rattles, and other percussion toys are available to share. Drum, dance, chant or just sit and groove out to the beat!! No experience needed. **Discover your inner drummer!**



## HAPPENINGS

### ♥ The heART of a woman ♥ Mother's Day SALE AND CELEBRATION ♥

Saturday, May 7, 2011 at the UU Church of Akron

11-4pm ART SALE by local women artists ♥ 7-9pm INTERACTIVE DRUM AND CHANT  
Drumming and performance \$20 per person at the door. Spend \$25 or more at the Art Sale, bring your receipt and save \$10 on your ticket! For more info, contact Rebekah Benner or Deb Lemire.

#### ► TAI CHI CLASS

EVERY MONDAY AT 6:00 P.M.

Taught by our own Diana Pawloski!

Yang Style Tai Chi is used to gently stimulate the internal organs, exercise the body, calm the nervous system and loosen the joints. It may be done standing or sitting. Tai Chi is for people of any age, requires no special equipment and can be performed in ordinary street clothes. An art for peace of mind. For more information, contact Diana Pawloski.

#### ► YOGA 4 YOU LLC

THURSDAYS IN MAY TO BE DECIDED

6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

Gentle/Moderate Hatha Yoga Class for the body and mind. The class format includes using proper breathing techniques along with stretching and balancing poses with a focus on core alignment. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat for the class. \$8 per class. For specific dates, contact Niki at [Yoga4you@live.com](mailto:Yoga4you@live.com).

#### ► WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

AT 7:00 P.M.

The Women's Book Group meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Church. For more information, contact Margaret Olds.

May 4: *Away*

June 1: *The Life of Henrietta Lacks*

July 6: *Freedom*

#### ► UUWA PLANT SALE

SUNDAY, MAY 8 AT 11:30 A.M.

DURING COFFEE HOUR

The UUWA is again sponsoring a plant sale on Mother's Day! We welcome your donations of perennial plants as well as house plants. Please bring your donations to the Fellowship Hall on that Sunday before the morning service. It is helpful to show the name of each plant. The plants can then be purchased after the church service with your monetary donation. (You set the price.) If you have questions, contact Mary Petrich or Norma Rios. Thank you for your participation.

#### ► UU MEN'S LUNCH

TUESDAY, MAY 10

12 NOON AT PAPA JOE'S

The UUCA Men's Group meets for lunch at Papa Joe's in the Valley on the second Tuesday of every month. Call Charlie Wilson if you plan to attend.

#### ► UUWA

FRIDAY, MAY 20 AT 10:30 A.M.

Our business meeting will include an open discussion of our wish list for upcoming programs, and establishing a committee to set up next year's programs. Following the business meeting, Rev. Tim Temerson will lead an installation of our Officers for the 2011-2012 Year. Our program will feature Mary Lou Jubin playing and discussing Hammered Dulcimer music, followed by Allan Lane serving a delightful lunch at 12:15 p.m. All are welcome to join us. For questions or to make reservations, please call Patty Harding.

#### ► SUFI HEALING PRACTICE GROUP

SATURDAYS, MAY 7 AND MAY 21

10:30 A.M. – 12 NOON

The Sufi Healing Practice group is led by Daryush Parvinbenam. These sessions utilize several mind-body practices, such as whirling/sufi dance, chant, movement, meditation, and breathing techniques to promote health and well being. All are welcome. Please feel free to bring a cushion to sit on during meditation and chanting. If you have any questions, please contact Daryush at [daryushnam@yahoo.com](mailto:daryushnam@yahoo.com) or 419-289-6971.

#### ► NONFICTION BOOK GROUP

THURSDAY, MAY 26

AT 7:30 P.M.

Our next selection is *The Warmth of Other Suns: the epic story of America's Great Migration* by Isabel Wilkerson. We meet every other month (odd months) to discuss a non-fiction book selected by the group at the previous meeting, share refreshments, ideas, experiences, and in general explore weighty world issues, great and not-so-great ideas, and random thoughts, which at times even relate to our book selection. Please join us on May 26!

CARING  
COMMUNITY  
UPDATE:

MEENA AGRAWAL has been released from Akron General and is resuming her rehabilitation at Manor Care. The Agrawal family deeply appreciates your love and support, and Meena welcomes cards as well as brief visits at Manor Care. Please keep Meena and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

# SOCIAL ACTION COALITION NEWS

## Upcoming events...

- AAIC Walk to Stop Hunger - May 1
- Lobby Day for (LGBT) Equality - May 18
- Social Action Coalition Meeting - May 22
- Mitzvah Day - June 12
- Cleveland Pride Parade - June 25



**Questions? Suggestions?  
Want to get more involved?**  
Please come to a meeting,  
look for sign-up sheets,  
or contact Sarah Culver.

## **WALK TO STOP HUNGER**

**SUNDAY, MAY 1 AT 2:30 P.M.**

**10:30 A.M. – 12 NOON**

We will be signing up walkers throughout the month of April for our Annual AAIC Walk To Stop Hunger. All proceeds (100%) going to the Akron Canton Regional Foodbank. Please see **Erv Wentland** or **Susan Davis** to secure registration forms, secure sponsor donations, and turn in your registration form and donations on May 1.

**2:30 PM – Registration (UUCA Fellowship Hall)**

**3:30 PM – Walk (2 ½ miles to St. Hilary Church and back)**

**4:00 PM – Hot Soup Social (UUCA Fellowship Hall)**

Last year we had 200 walkers; this year we expect 300 walkers. We will also collect non-perishable food throughout April for the Foodbank (in the cloakroom off the crossroads). All donations will be included in the Feinstein Foundation's \$1,000,000 matching funds program.

For further information please see the **SAC Bulletin Board** (in the narthex hallway), contact **Erv Wentland** or visit [www.aaichungerwalk.org](http://www.aaichungerwalk.org).

## SOCIAL ACTION MAY SPECIAL COLLECTION

### May 15 Special Collection Supports Mitzvah Day, United Disability and Family Promise/IHN

**Mitzvah Day**, led by Temple Israel with the support of UUCA and St. Paul's Episcopal Church, is a day of coming together to do a wide range of good deeds for our community; "mitzvah" means "good deed" in Hebrew. This year, on **June 12**, UUCA will sponsor service projects at two local agencies: United Disability Services and Family Promise (formerly IHN). **Funds from our special collection on May 15 will support these service projects**, with remaining funds going directly to these two agencies. Save the date and check the SAC Bulletin Board to learn more and to sign up!

**United Disability Services** is a human service agency that has 60 years of experience dedicated to enhancing the quality of life of people with disabilities and their caregivers. **Family Promise/IHN** keeps homeless families together, providing support, and assisting them in securing a stable home.



## CARING CORNER



### **PASTORAL CARE:**

#### *Pastoral Associates:*

Mary Ann Ballinger, Coordinator

Mary Caesar

Susan Davis

Mary Petrich

Ron Richer

Linda Rush Ryder

Sally Willoughby

### **CARING COMMITTEE:**

**Meals:**

Laura Luster

**Rides:**

John Edgerton

**Chair:**

Susan Shah

### **UUCA HEALTH MINISTRY:**

Come to the Blood Pressure screening on the second Sunday of every month.

Contact **Janet Wertz**

for more information.



# May 2011



**Sunday Service starts at 10:30 a.m.**  
**Fellowship Hour takes place from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> 10:00am—Caring <b>11:30am—ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING</b> <b>MAYPOLE DANCE</b> 12:00pm—COYA <b>2:20pm—AAIC HUNGER WALK</b> <b>3:30pm—Beltaine</b> 4:00pm—Art of Living 6:00pm—COA Youth Rehearsal 7:00pm—Sangha	<b>2</b> 6:00pm—Tai Chi 7:00pm—SGM <b>7:00pm—Enlightenment Experience</b>	<b>3</b> 10:00am—AAIC 6:30pm—SGM	<b>4</b> 2:00pm—Staff Mtg. <b>6:30pm—FAA</b> 7:00pm—RE 7:00pm—Women's Book Group <b>7:45pm—DA</b> <b>8:00pm—AA</b>	<b>5</b> 12:00pm—Brown Bag Lunch with Rev. Tim <b>7:00pm—SAA</b> 7:00pm—SGM	<b>6</b> 6:30pm—COA Dinner 7:00pm—Drum Circle	<b>7</b> <b>9:00am—NEW UU</b> <b>9:30am—Building Peace</b> <b>10:30am—Sufi Healing</b> <b>11:00am—9:00pm—THE HEART OF A WOMAN — WOMEN'S ART &amp; DRUMMING EVENT</b>
<b>8</b> 9:00am—Membership 11:45am—Blood Pressure 12:00pm—Newcomers Circle 4:00pm—Art of Living 5:30pm—UU Parents 7:00pm—Sangha	<b>9</b> 6:00pm—Tai Chi <b>7:00pm—Enlightenment Experience</b>	<b>10</b> 12:00pm—UU Men's Lunch at Papa Joe's 7:00pm—Green Team	<b>11</b> 9:00am—SGM 11:00am—Staff Mtg. <b>6:30pm—FAA</b> 7:00pm—Puurils 7:00pm—CoM <b>7:45pm—DA</b> <b>8:00pm—AA</b>	<b>12</b> 12:00pm—Brown Bag Lunch with Rev. Tim <b>7:00pm—SAA</b> 7:00pm—SGM 7:00pm—UU Band Practice	<b>13</b> <b>7:00pm—Noetics</b> 7:00pm—Humanist Service	<b>14</b> <b>10:00am—OMD SI Group</b>
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<b>29</b> 4:00pm—Art of Living 7:00pm—Sangha	<b>30</b> 6:00pm—Tai Chi <b>7:00pm—Enlightenment Experience</b>	<b>31</b> <b>9:00am-12:00pm—FAIRLAWN VILLAGE PRESCHOOL SUMMER CAMP, FIRST SESSION THROUGH JUNE 10</b>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: #e0f0ff;"> <p><b>THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, MAY 30 IN HONOR OF MEMORIAL DAY</b></p> </div>			

### SERVICE ATTENDANCE:

March 6:	198 + 52 RE
March 13:	147 + 55 RE
March 20: (Intergenerational)	210 + 9 RE
March 27:	148 + 77 RE

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