

## UU Holiday Art Fair & Bazaar- December 4th & 5th

Great opportunities for Holiday Shopping. Friday night there is veggie lasagna dinner and door prizes! Families we could use your help to bake cookies, pies, cakes, cupcakes for Gourmet Galaxy (cookies by the pound for Cookie Walk.) Gourmet Galaxy has an international theme this year, so if you have Grandma's rugelach, or focaccia or soda bread recipe please consider helping out. This is also a great way to volunteer with your children by helping to work a booth., help set up or tear down.

### Our Whole Lives Sexual Education Classes For 1st-2nd grade & 4th-5th grades

begin in January. Parents must attend a mandatory meeting on: Sunday, December 6th from 12:30-1:30pm OR Thursday, December 17th from 6:30-7:30pm. Childcare will be provided. Please contact Adrienne Summerlot with any questions. [dre@uubloomington.org](mailto:dre@uubloomington.org)



Preschool and K-1 Parents are invited to come into their Spirit Play classrooms after the service ends so that children can show parents around and tell more about their experiences in this child-centered space. During this time, we invite parents to engage with their child and learn more about what religious education is like! Visiting Day ends at normal RE time. Our next visiting days are November 29 and December 20th.

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**Children, Youth and Parents!** Come to an informational meeting with Broadway performer-choreographer-director Kenneth Roberson about the program he will be creating with Kindergarten through high school kids of our congregation in January and February.

When: Sunday, December 6, 10:30-11:00

Where: UU Library

Visit the Giving Tree in Fellowship Hall now through December 6th and make someone's holiday a little brighter! We also have Guest at Your Table boxes which support UUSC's human rights work and can be found under the Giving Tree and in Room 204.

***Please bring these gifts to the December 13th services.***



### **Intergenerational Procession of Giving Sunday, December 13th 9:15am & 11:15am**

Celebrate the season by joining our generous community. We will share a story, sing together, and help others around our world through a communal procession to bring forward gifts from our giving tree (supporting Early Head Start, Stepping Stones, and Positive Link), food for the food pantry, hats, mittens and socks for Shalom Center, and Guest at Your Table boxes and golden gifts of money in support of the UU Service Committee.



### **Holiday Sing-a-Long Wednesday, December 16th 6pm-Meeting Room**

Everyone is welcome at our annual holiday sing-a-long! Join our pianist Ray Fellman and Rev. Emily Manvel Leite. We will be enjoying Christmas, Hanukkah, solstice, and winter songs as they are chosen by those who gather. Find this event on Facebook, invite your friends!

### **Winter Solstice Service**

**Sunday, December 20th-6:15pm**

This quiet, reflective, candlelit service acknowledges and celebrates the gifts of this dark time of year while looking forward to the growing light soon to come.

Our children's choir will perform.





## **Away in a Manger Christmas Pageant December 24th-4pm in Fellowship Hall**

**Reverend Mary Ann Macklin & Adrienne Summerlot, DRE**

Our tradition on Christmas Eve is to offer a special interactive family worship service designed for families with young children and to those young at heart. There will be a few chairs set up, but we invite folks to sit on the floor to create a more relaxed and informal atmosphere. What to bring: - a stuffed animal or doll to put in the manger and share with the babies and other children - soft blankets, pillows or floor chairs - a plate of cookies to share - If your budget permits - a pair of new mittens for the Mitten Tree Specific age groups are invited to come dressed for parts and to become familiar with a few lines. These ages are just suggestions, if your child feels called to play a certain role assigned to a different age group, that is fine!

**0 - 3 year olds - Angels** - Wear halos perhaps made of aluminum foil and whatever else you feel makes you angelic. Practice saying, "Oh, what a wonderful child" and "Peace to all people on earth!"

**4 - 5 year olds - Shepherds** - Wear shepherd hats like a towel on head tied with some type of rope or tie and whatever else would keep you warm if you were a shepherd. Practice saying, "Let's go look for that baby" and "Oh, what a beautiful child!"

**6 - 8 year olds - Wise Ones** - Wear crowns and other wise-one like garb. Practice saying, "Look at that amazing star! It must be shining for something very special!" and "This child will be our teacher."

**9 and up - Inn Keepers** - Help pass out programs and play the role of Inn Keeper.

## **Family Friendly New Year's Eve Party Thursday, December 31st from 6-8pm**

Crafts, Games, Balloons, Music and Fun!

Pizza available for \$1/slice.

Please bring a snack food to share.

Countdowns at 7pm and 8pm.

*\*\*If you are interested in extending the*

*party into a camp in, please sign up in Fellowship Hall by Dec. 20th*

