



Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington, Indiana Congregation founded 1949
Seeking the Spirit Building Our Community Changing the World

Sunday, August 21, 2005 9:00 and 11:15 a.m.
For the Earth Forever Truning:
An Intergenerational Service of Celebration

Jim Scott, guest speaker and musician

Through song and word, we will celebrate our mother earth with special guest, Unitarian Universalist musician Jim Scott. An exciting acoustic guitarist, singer, and composer of powerful music that furthers the ideals of ecology, justice, and peace, Jim makes an impact on hearts and minds. Reverend Macklin will also participate in this worship service, which will offer insights and fun for adults and children of all ages.

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**Sunday, August 28, 2005      9:00 and 11:15 a.m.**  
***Our Annual Water Communion Worship Service***  
**Swimming in the Sea of It: The Holy in Everything**

Reverend Mary Ann Macklin

Join us for our annual Water Communion Worship Service (please see details below). Reverend Mary Ann Macklin will offer reflections on the holy in everything and faith development theory. Special music will be offered by our Children's Choir led by Jill Waggener, our Adult Choir led by Susan Swaney, as well as Dan and Beth Lodge-Rigal. Children will participate in their own Water Communion service in Fellowship Hall, beginning at 9:00 and 11:15 a.m.



**Water Communion Service August 28**

Remember to bring some water, a stone, a shell or other object from your summer adventures for our annual Water Communion Worship services on August 28.

**Coffee Every Sunday, 10:00-11:00 a.m.:** Remember to stay after or come early for our fellowship hour every Sunday between the services, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Coffee and tea and conversation available. There are also opportunities to purchase Kroger-Marsh-Bloomingfoods certificates and fair trade coffee, tea and chocolate, sign petitions, write letters, and get information on a variety of social justice issues.

## MAM's Musings

Last week, during the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary marking the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, I read many articles, watched several documentaries and discussed at length the horrific events of that time. In our worship service on Sunday, August 7, Reverend Bill Breeden and I explored further the "the destruction that wasteth at noonday" in all times of war, and we searched for that sense of peace within so much that is seemingly senseless. As I said Sunday, truth-speaking is integral to the peace process, particularly in times of war. We have many talented truth-speakers, in terms of their poetic creations, in our congregation. Reverend Breeden had asked several of these poets (David Keppel, Jack King, Cookie Lynch) to offer their poetry at the worship on Sunday. Their poetic insights rendered, in the midst of such difficult topics, were deeply provocative. Due to its specific focus and perspective on the atomic bombings in Japan, I wanted to share Cookie Lynch's poem in my column today. Of note, in speaking about her poem title, Cookie said that she hoped the term "Apologia" would offer a stronger tone than simply "Apology."

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Apologia: August 5, 2005 by cookie lynch

My tears had all been shed  
Enola Gay's cargo of withering death  
Could not speak to me.

I had cried for my young soldier husband  
Trapped in the Christmas snows of the Bulge,  
For the lads on the Normandy beaches,  
Hurling like pebbles against the cliff top cannon,  
I wept for the wracked bodies on Bataan's  
march  
For sailors incinerated in the Pearl of the  
Pacific

For my Captain father whose ship was sunk off  
Algiers.

"It is 1945, whatever it takes, it must end  
Ye Gods of war, 400,000 Americans slain is  
enough!  
Do the Japanese wives and mothers weep for  
our dead?  
We know not what we do, but we are ready,  
We wives and mothers, accept the  
unacceptable!"

Only later, in the fullness of time  
Came the hot tears, came the guilt  
Came the national shame  
Came understanding of the ultimate evil,  
The demon we had released upon our earth.

Now sympathy is soul deep, but it fails  
To succor you Nagasaki and Hiroshima  
We memorialize your tragedy.  
We pray for forgiveness, but can we know,  
While human memory endures,  
Can we ever know the balm of absolution?

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May we all learn from the wisdom of the  
truth-speakers.  
Blessed are the peacemakers.  
In Peace, Mary Ann  
Reverend Mary Ann Macklin

### Attendance Figures

|                | <u>9 a.m.</u> | <u>11:15 a.m.</u> | <u>Totl</u> |
|----------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Sunday, Aug 7  | 70            | 153               | 223         |
| Sunday, Aug 14 | 74            | 160               | 234         |

### Ministers' Schedules

Rev. Macklin's regular day off is Tuesday.  
Office hours: M, T, Th, F  
Rev. Breeden's regular days off are W, Th  
Office hours: M, T, F  
Rev. Breeden is attending a conference this  
week on Small Group Ministry.

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## Community Connections our faith in action in the community

**Support Lotus and Get Free PR for our Congregation** If you would like to make a donation to the Lotus World Music and Arts Festival, and also help our congregation get some excellent publicity, write "UUs for Lotus" on the memo line of your donation check payable to "Lotus Education and Arts Foundation" (or "LEAF") and mail it to Lotus Education Office, 103 N College Av, Bloomington IN 47404. Checks received by Sept 10 will allow our sponsorship to be included in every concert's opening remarks. Questions? Deb Hutton, 334-4103.

**Individuals with Disabilities Education Act** will be discussed by special education attorneys at Milestones Clinical and Health Resources, 550 S. Adams St, on Wednesday, September 7, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Reserve a space by calling 339-8682. Sponsored by Monroe County CHADD, South Central Indiana Autism Society, and National Alliance on Mental Illness.

**Fundraiser at tutto bene for Indiana Legal Services** Tickets now available for a benefit party for Indiana Legal Services, to be held at tutto bene wine café on Tuesday, August 30, 5:00-7:30 p.m. Delicious appetizers, music, auction, all to raise money to provide civil legal assistance to low-income people. \$50 per person; premium ticket (includes a bottle of wine) \$125 per person. Details, Jeff Gold, 339-7668 x 230 or jeff.gold@ilsi.net.

**Soul Food Festival September 17 at Karst Farm Park** The Bloomington Black Business and Professional Association is sponsoring this great community event on Saturday, September 17, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. at Karst Farm Park. Delicious food available for purchase, funhouse for the kids, pancake breakfast, game tables, basketball, volleyball, and a pie-judging contest. Mark your calendars now!

**Meals on Wheels Available Here** Bloomington Meals on Wheels, organized and administered by over 300 volunteers, provides meals to shut-ins in our community and is also a great volunteer opportunity. Contact Cheri DeBruicker, 353-2248 or mow@bloomhealth.org.

**Team Ministry** Our congregation is served by a ministry team: Rev. Mary Ann Macklin (82%); Rev. Bill Breeden (82%). Each minister serves the entire congregation; each has specific areas of focus.

### Our Folks...

Our prayers and thoughts of sympathy are with *Harold and Denise Ogren* and their family, upon the recent death of Harold's mother.

Many blessings to former UU Bloomington Director of Religious Education *Rev. Phil Lund and his wife Julia*, upon the birth of their son Henry David on July 15, in Minnesota.

A recent addition to our church Library is *Scientific Values and Civic Virtues*, an anthology published by Oxford University Press and edited by our own *Noretta Koertge*.

### Fellowship Dinners Begin in September

The Fellowship Dinners will start in September. We will not have a Kick-Off dinner at church this year. If you would like to join in the good eating and fellowship please fill out the application you will find in the rack near the front entrance and leave it in the Basket or give it to Dolores Freiburger. If you are new or have never joined these Dinners, this is the year to do so. You will meet new friends each month and enjoy the fellowship of dining together.

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## **Jim Scott is Guest in Pulpit for August 21 Intergenerational Service**

Over the past last fifteen years, Jim Scott has performed and led services at more than 300 UU Churches, as well as Congregational, Presbyterian, Methodist, Unity, and Church of Religious Science congregations, across the US, Canada and UK. Three of Jim's songs are included in the UU hymnbook, *Singing the Living Tradition*, and one of these, "Gather the Spirit," has become well known across many denominations. Participants often comment on the dynamic, tangible spirituality evoked by his music, and his music is sung from church choirs to campfires across the country.

Jim Scott was Co-Chair of the UU Seventh Principle Project in 2000, and he is spreading the word about this ecological/spiritual network and the "Green Sanctuary Program" in his sermons and concerts. He also serves on the board of the UU Musicians Network.

From Carnegie Hall and the Newport Jazz Festival with the Paul Winter Consort; to a concert at the end of the Great Peace March with folk legends Pete Seeger and Peter Yarrow, Jim's travels have taken him around the world, including a European tour with the Griffith Singers performing his choral music; recording in the gardens of Findhorn, Scotland with jazz flautist Paul Horn; touring Nicaragua with Holly Near and performing in Australia for colleges and the Institute for Earth Education international conference.

We look forward to Jim's visit with us on August 21<sup>st</sup>, as a guest in our pulpit for an intergenerational service.

## **Meditation to Raise Awareness of Global Warming**

**September 9** Members and friends of our congregation and members of the Indiana Chapter of the Buddhist Peace Fellowship will sit and walk in meditation on Monument Circle in Indianapolis from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm on Friday, September 9 to raise awareness of the issue of global warming. For more information, contact Jon Peters after Aug 22, 339-0062.

## **Talent Auction Committee Re-Visions for 2006**

The ever-surprising Talent Auction Committee is re-envisioning the Talent Auction for next year, which will be on Sunday, April 23, 2006. We want to make the auction more inclusive to bidders of all pocket book sizes, more fun, and of course, more profitable. We need your input! We want your ideas and your enthusiasm. The Talent Auction is a perfect place to meet new people and serve in a variety of large and small ways. Our next meeting will be a brainstorming session to toss around ideas for making the next auction an even bigger success than this year's. Please join us on Monday, September 12 at 6:30 in Room 210. --Ruellen Fessenbecker

## **Women's Alliance Meets Sept 1**

First Fall Women's Alliance meeting is Thursday, Sept 1st, 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Come, bring a sandwich, enjoy fellowship. Hostesses will provide drinks and dessert.

## **From Our Director of Religious Education**

We are still in need of 4 more teachers for the Fall Semester Religious Education program. Our teacher orientation will be Saturday, August 27 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon; your teaching team will be paired with a mentor teacher who will help you get to know the curriculum. Your teaching commitment will be 10 Sundays during the semester. Please call Lisa Minor today, 332-3695, to volunteer to teach and **please register your child if you have not already done so.** Classes start on September 11.

It's time to bring in your Heifer Project money! Just put your money in an envelope with the name of the animal you hope to purchase on the front of the envelope. You can put the envelopes in Lisa Minor's box in the workroom, Room 204.

**August 21** – Intergenerational Sunday with Jim Scott (all children attend service)

**August 28** – Water Service for children in Fellowship Hall – Did you know this service originated with angry women? In 1980 Carolyn McDade and Lucile Shuck Longview were asked to create a ritual for the Women and Religion Conference in East Lansing, Michigan. The water symbolized the birth waters, the cycles of the moon, tides and women. Each woman attending the conference was invited to bring a container of water with her. It also demonstrated solidarity with women globally who traditionally draw and carry water – the kids will remember Beatrice drawing and carrying water in the Heifer Project video. Let us be mindful of this as we participate in our water ceremony.

Lisa Minor, Director of Religious Education

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## **Faith in Action Forums 10:15-11:30 a.m. on Sundays**

The Library is available for faith in action forums on Sundays 10:15-11:30 a.m. in even-numbered months. To schedule a forum, contact Jackie Hall, [jmhall@indiana.edu](mailto:jmhall@indiana.edu).

## **From the Community Justice & Mediation Center:**

We would like to thank the UU congregation for voting to make the Community Justice & Mediation Center the recipient organization of 25% of the Sunday Plate this year. We are so grateful.

Here is a story about a recent school conflict that came to CJAM for mediation: The "N-word", whether heard or imagined, is a powerful button for anger. High school students Joe and Kevin were strangers, having had only one interaction prior to the fight that resulted in the pair being suspended from school. A week of suspicion, rumors, and subtle threats led to the inevitable confrontation. What started out being an attempt to clear the air about a rumor resulted in a violent attack, leaving one of the boys injured and his parents worried about his safety. The principal strongly suggested the boys participate in mediation with the Community Justice & Mediation Center prior to returning to school. During the mediation it became clear that it was a case of mistaken identity and miscommunication between strangers. The boys agreed how they would deal with rumors in the future. The process also sparked dialogue between the families and revealed an interesting family connection neither boy had realized existed.

--Amy Dowell

## Visioning for Social Justice Social Justice Empowerment Workshop September 16-17

Are you proud of the social justice initiatives in our congregation? Are you glad you belong to a church that makes social justice one of its hallmarks? Would you like to get involved in some of the many social justice programs we sponsor? Do you have some ideas of your own that you'd like to share?

Join us for the **Social Justice Empowerment Workshop** to be held here Friday and Saturday, September 16-17. We'll evaluate our current endeavors and brainstorm new ways to make us even better. We'll be guided through our workshop by experts in the field from the Unitarian Universalist Association: the **Rev. Art McDonald**, minister of the First Universalist Church of Essex, MA, and **Rev. Carole Ann Cole**, a community minister who is developing an International Peace Ministry. They'll help us create a new, even more exciting vision of what we can do to make our world a better place.

**All members of the congregation are invited.** Think you can't come because you have young children? Bring them along! Childcare will be provided and food will be served. Check the schedule below and try to make time to attend some or all sessions of the workshop. All sessions will be conducted in Fellowship Hall.

### Friday

7:00 p.m.: registration

7:30-9:00 p.m.: evening session

### Saturday

8:30 a.m.: coffee

9:00 a.m.: morning session

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.: lunch

1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.: afternoon session

## Pledge Catch-up for 04-05 Making Progress ☺

We are glad that the -\$29,123 June 30 balance on 04-05 Operating Budget has been reduced to -\$18,730 as of August 15! Thanks to all who have recently made payments on their pledges, for 04-05 as well as for 05-06.

## Large Print Materials Available Each Sunday

Large print orders of service and hymnals are available at all of our Sunday services. Hearing assist devices are also available. Please see the Greeters for any of these items. Large-print versions of the Prologue can also be made available upon request to Carol Marks, [admin@uubloomington.org](mailto:admin@uubloomington.org).

## Special Thanks to Our Teachers

We appreciate the 46 volunteers who taught Religious Education classes this summer: Matthias Weber, Christine Wagner, Ann Kamman (provided a consistent preschool atmosphere), Peggy Schultz, Laura Mojonier, Tom Wilson, Kathy Boone, Beth Lodge- Rigal, Russell Boulding, Angela Smith, Dorothy Sowell, Catherine Gray, Noretta Koertge, Emma Rush, Bob Flynn, Armin Moczek, Regina DiLavore, Yvonne Wittmann, Iris Kiesling, Mary Blizzard, Sandy Pate, Denise Breeden-Ost, Veronica Lenard, Phil Cooper, Mindy King, Emily Tenney, Debby Herbernack, Laura Wyers, Sue Swaney, Jen Staab, Alice Dobie-Galuska, Cindy Brandes, Sheri Benham, Barbara Vance, Yara Cluver, Jon Peters, Christy True, Daniel Reed, Sharon Yarber, Pam McLaughlin, Amy Cox-Thurmond, Tamara Cameron, Cherry Merritt-Darriau, Katie Peebles and Cindy Port.

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## A Warm Welcome to the Green Sanctuary Taskforce on Global Climate Change: August 21st Meeting

Please come to a meeting of the Green Sanctuary Task force on Global Climate Change, to be held this coming Sunday, August 21st, at 1:00 p.m. in the Church Library. Our task force recently merged with the Ecojustice Task Force, and we'll be meeting to plan our work this year. It's an especially good time for new people to come.

The Unitarian Universalist Association has made global climate change its focus study and action issue in social justice for 2005-6. Our congregation will be voting on whether to commit to becoming a Green Sanctuary, with an emphasis on climate change. The task force will be suggesting and helping carry out initiatives ranging from energy efficiency, to worship and religious education, to lobbying.

We need people with a variety of interests and talents; all are welcome. Please come whether you're interested in joining the task force or simply in being associated with its work in one of these areas. We hope to see you Sunday. Details, contact David Keppel (331-2815; [keppel@sbcglobal.net](mailto:keppel@sbcglobal.net)).

## CALLING ALL GA DELEGATES: past, present and future.

How do we communicate about the General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations (GA) to our congregation each year? Please come to a meeting at John and Marjorie Crosby's on Wednesday, August 31 at 4:30 pm to plan the next steps. We do not expect this to be a long meeting. Please call or email Iris Kiesling or Marjorie if you can attend. Former delegates are welcome as well as

anyone interested in attending GA in St. Louis in June 2006. Call 339-2572 for directions.

## CUUPS Sponsors Mental Show on August 26

Our congregation's chapter of the Covenant of UU Pagans (CUUPS) is sponsoring a special event fund raiser "Third Eye Mind Show" at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, August 26 in our meeting room. The event is open to the entire church and Bloomington community. The mental show is the creation of Bob Wolanin, a long time member of CUUPS. With an admission of only \$5.00, it promises to be an evening of entertainment and fun. The show is about a hour in length and is appropriate for children ages 10 and up. All proceeds go to support CUUPS and its events. Questions can be addressed to Beckie Wagner at [elmbeckie@yahoo.com](mailto:elmbeckie@yahoo.com).

Dian Cecht has been a professional award winning entertainer since age 10. For over 30 years he has appeared in hundreds of theaters coast to coast and on radio and television shows including a ShowTime special. His new "Third Eye Mind Show" has left audiences stunned with amazing displays of apparent mindreading / mentalism. His experiments in E.S.P., clairvoyance and telepathy has left audiences amazed. Dian not only appears to read the minds of the audience but also allows members of the audience to read minds as well! His experiments utilize arcane methods including psychology, intuition, lateral thinking, non-verbal communication, subliminal persuasion, power of suggestion and thought transfer as well as other amazing feats of the human mind, creating what he calls "participatory theater".

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### **Our Youth Groups Will Re-convene in September**

Our YUUMS, Young UU Middle Schoolers (grades 6-8) and YRUU, Young Religious UUs (ages 14-20), will begin meeting again on Sunday evenings in early September. For information on these programs, contact *Barbara Moss*, bross.indiana@sbcglobal.net for YUUMS, or for YRUU, *Margie Schrader*, maschrad@indiana.edu  
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### **Parking Options on Sundays**

Please remember that in addition to parking on all sides of our building, we can also park on Jordan Avenue, just a short walk to the south of the church property, on Sundays. The IU police have promised not to ticket us on Sundays.

### **Sufi Dancing** Dances of Universal

Peace, third Monday at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Info: Sura Tala, 336-4050.

include on Aug 29 if this is legit:

**Clinical Trial to Benefit Subjects with ED**  
Professor Al Strickholm of the IU School of Medicine is looking for subjects with erectile dysfunction (ED) for home trials with a medical prosthetic device for treating ED. Non-invasive, non-surgical, and without drugs. Needed are married men with partial to complete ED and some with no ED for controls. For details send email to strickho@indiana.edu with "EPS Info request" in the subject line.