

# The Prologue

February 5, 2007 ~

Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington, Indiana  
Congregation founded 1949



*Seeking the Spirit Building Our Community  
Changing the World*

**Wednesday, February 7, 2007 Family Dinner 5:30 p.m., Worship 6:15 p.m.**

"Responding with Love"

led by Rev. Emily Manvel Leite and Cindy Port

Come enjoy stories, songs, and poems celebrating love and join in looking for opportunities in our own lives to respond with love.

**Sunday, February 11, 2007 9:00 and 11:15 a.m.**

"Grant Us Peace: A Congregational Hallelujah Celebration"

Reverend Mary Ann Macklin and Reverend Bill Breeden

Susan Swaney, Director of Music

Join us for this worship service of celebration and story highlighting our congregation's new and long-time members. We will hear reflections from our ministers as well as from Guy Loftman and Melinda Swenson. In recognition of this auspicious occasion, the Choir and guest musicians directed by Susan Swaney will perform the *Dona Nobis Pacem* from J.S. Bach's

*B minor Mass*, and the "Hallelujah" Chorus from Handel's *Messiah*. This year we will highlight those members who joined our congregation from 1970 through 1979. Please see "All Are Invited to Special Reception February 11" on Page 6.

**Sunday, February 18, 2007 9:00am and 11:15am**

"Romancing the Shadow: In Search of Soul and Spirit" Reverend Mary Ann Macklin

In honor of February's emphasis on shadow (Groundhog's Day) and romance (Valentine's) we will explore the Jungian shadow as it relates to spirit and soul. What does shadow work ask of us? It asks us to: take responsibility, move slowly, deepen awareness, hold paradox, open our hearts, sacrifice ideals of perfection, and live in the mystery. It emphasizes self knowledge and self awareness as part of our soulful journey. Please note that there will be a special breakfast fundraiser between services sponsored our Civil Marriage is a Civil Right Task Force.

**All Invited To The Second Annual Valentine Breakfast Feb. 18**

The Civil Marriage is a Civil Right Task Force will hold a fundraiser breakfast "In Defense of Love" between services on Sunday February 18<sup>th</sup>, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Save your appetite and come for good food and fellowship and donate to our efforts to defeat SJR7. We won't let discrimination be written into OUR state constitution!

## From the Ministers

Last week we attended the Heartland UU Ministers' Winter meeting at Pokagon State Park. The heart of the meeting was a workshop about churches in transition led by Stefan Jonasson of the UUA. We both rated this as a top shelf, grade "A", just-what-we-were-looking-for-event! We discovered that our congregation is in fact a church in transition from a mid-sized, program church to a large church. Being in transition brings new opportunities and challenges to ministers, congregation, leaders and staff, and we found the event very enlightening and encouraging with regards to the health of our church and community.

Just prior to our ministers' meeting, more than a dozen of our members, friends, and staff attended the "Stop the War Rally" in Washington, D.C. As a prophetic community, we are called to speak to the sacrifice of lives and resources upon the altar of "National Interests Narrowly Defined." As a global community we must find a way to refocus our efforts to address the common needs of healthcare, economic security and environmental sustainability for the future of our grandchildren. As citizens of the most powerful nation on earth, we bear the responsibility of leading the way. We remain thankful for a community of persons with caring hearts and concerns for justice.

Finally, we invite you to celebrate the wonderful music of our community by attending two upcoming events. First, thanks to Elizabeth Lion, Karen Dessauer and the Celebrations Committee, **The Diversity of Music** program will take place this Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room. The program promises to be an outstanding performance of talented musicians presenting a potpourri of musical traditions. Come and celebrate. The second event, **A Love Letter Set to Music**, is a benefit concert for Monroe County United Ministries (MCUM) presented by our own gifted pianist Sally Renee Todd. The concert will be on February 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room. Please bring non-perishable food for the MCUM food pantry. Monetary donations will also be accepted with all proceeds going to MCUM

We are honored to serve this loving community.

Peace— MAM Rev. Mary Ann Macklin

bill Rev. Bill Breeden

Everyone's Invited!

**Longtime Member Celebration**

Feb. 11, 9 & 11:15 a.m.

Reception 10:15-11 a.m.

Special recognition for those who joined us in 1970 - 1979.

## Our Folks...

*Our thoughts are with...*

Rita and Ray Rust. Rita was in the hospital for a few days after a serious fall and is now recovering at home.

Wayne Mitter, who recently broke his arm and is in the Meadowood Health Pavilion.

*Congratulations to...*

Patricia Coleman, who has a painting on display in the Showers Bldg Atrium this month.

John Crosby, upon the publication of his new book, *Flipside of Godspeak*.

## **“We’re not Leaving, We’re Looking to Lead”**

You may be surprised by how many of our church leaders were raised Unitarian Universalist (UU). There is a myth that all people who are raised UU end up leaving the faith as adults. When lifelong UU

Rev. Kat Hawbaker was our young adult Minister she came up with a slogan, adopted by the Continental Young Adult Network, to contradict that myth: “We’re not leaving, we’re looking to Lead.”

In our congregation, many people who were raised UU are now church leaders. For example, on our Board of Directors are lifelong UUs Chris Judge and Karen Jewell. Our Youth Advisors include Adam Leite, Martha Oakley, Eve Cusack and Jonathan Elmer, all of whom were raised as UUs. Serving on our Religious Education Committee are born and raised UUs Amy Cox and Charlotte Appel. In addition, Rev. Emily Manvel Leite, our Acting Minister of Religious Education and I and were both raised in UU congregations. Our young adult and campus ministry groups have been blessed by the leadership of lifelong UUs Kelly Rauch, Katie Peebles and Heather Hansen. Add to those lists Carol McCord, Andrea Murray, Guy Loftman, Nicholas Port, Micki Clothier, Lauren Reed and Jessie Cook and you can see why I feel like there are more people who stay Unitarian Universalist than people realize.

Were you raised a UU too? I’d love to add your name to the list. We expect that the children we are raising today will also become the leaders of tomorrow. Although we teach our children to find their own spiritual path and to think for themselves we hope that they will also find that this is their home.

--Cindy Port, Acting Director of Religious Education, dre@uubloomington.org



### **Notably for Newcomers**

What is an Exploring Unitarian Universalism class like?

Newcomers to the Unitarian Universalist church might be wondering what happens at a class for new members. Although anyone who has been a Unitarian Universalist in another UU congregation can sign the Membership Book and join our congregation after consulting with one of our ministers, we recommend attending both sessions of an Exploring Unitarian Universalism class before you sign the Membership Book. Classes are held the second and third Sundays of odd numbered months, 3:00-5:00 p.m. in the Library.

Two members of the Membership Committee facilitate the two two-hour long meetings. Newcomers are asked to tell the story of their own faith journeys. Church members give an overview of the church history, structure and beliefs of Unitarian Universalists. There is also a discussion of the three expectations of membership and an introduction to the wide variety of committees and programs to participate in.

You'll have the opportunity to meet and ask questions of a Board Member, as well as a minister. The minister will talk with the participants about the role of the minister in our congregation and how he or she is called to serve. There is a discussion of what happens when you sign the Membership Book.

The next Exploring Unitarian Universalism class will be Mar. 11 & 18.

--Amy Cornell, for the Membership Committee



## Commitment Sunday: April 1 "We're All in This Together!"

### Civil Rights Demonstration February 19 in Indpls

As Unitarian Universalists, we affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person. Thus we support the civil rights of same sex couples and opposite sex couples.

The Indiana General Assembly is considering a bill, SJR 7, the second vote to ban marriage for lesbians and gays and deprive all unmarried couples any sort of legal rights or protections. If it passes, a referendum in a general election could lead to intolerance being enshrined into the Indiana State Constitution.

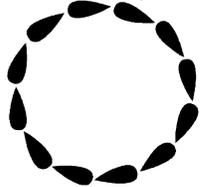
There is an opportunity to make our voices heard, the "Read the Fine Print Rally" on Monday, February 19, from 1:00- 2:30 PM at the Indiana Statehouse, North Atrium, 200 W. Washington. Enter using the Ohio Street entrance. Allow extra time to go through security. Street parking is hard to find. The Circle Center Mall garage, only a few blocks away, is relatively inexpensive. Candace Gingrich will be keynote speaker.



#### Thanks from MCUM:

We contributed 254 pounds of food from our last Bounty-full Sunday, Feb. 4!

Next Bounty-full Sunday is March 4.



#### Join A Chalice Circle Anytime! There is Always Room

If you would like to join our Chalice Circles small group ministry, be sure to contact the church office, 332-3695.

You may join a Chalice Circle at any time.



#### Java Crew Training February 20

Tuesday Feb 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-8:30 p.m., there will be a training to learn how to host our

fellowship hour on Sunday mornings. Keep the coffee flowing to the corners of our UU world. You can help by making coffee or cleaning up. We need your assistance only 3-4 times a year. Please contact Jean Knowlton, 339-

2047, [jbknowlt@bloomington.in.us](mailto:jbknowlt@bloomington.in.us) or Judy Bennett ([bennettjudy@earthlink.net](mailto:bennettjudy@earthlink.net) 331-4181)

#### Attendance Figures

Sun, Jan. 28, 9:00-92;11:15-163; Totl 255

Religious Ed.: Adults: 30 Children: 76

Sun, Feb. 4, 9:00-98; 11:15-156; Totl 254

Religious Ed.: Adults: 23 Children: 59

#### Sunday Offering Figures

Sun, Jan 28 non-pledge offering: \$374

Sun, Feb 4 non-pledge offering: \$397

Total to Stepping Stones Inc.: \$193

"I can be changed by what happens to me, but I refuse to be reduced by it."

-Maya Angelou

## **Sabbatical Scoop**

The Sabbatical Committee, Reverend Macklin and Reverend Breeden have completed and mailed a grant application for the Lilly Endowment Clergy Renewal Program for Reverend Macklin's Sabbatical which will begin August 1, 2007. We spent several months writing the grant, and had input and editing from several congregation members. Thanks to everyone, staff and members, who helped in this sabbatical grant writing process.

We feel that it is a strong application; however, we are also aware that there is a large volume of applicants for these monies. We recently received a postcard regarding our application, which states that "All applicants will be notified in writing concerning the status of their proposals by June 1, 2007."

So now we must be patient. If we do receive the grant, we have *Plan A* set out for the congregation and Reverend Macklin's sabbatical plans. If we do not receive the grant, we will implement *Plan B*. The Sabbatical Committee is solidifying details for *Plan B*. The scope of *Plan B* will be somewhat less than *Plan A*, but we will make every effort for this plan to be an opportunity for our congregation as well as a time of rest and renewal for Reverend Macklin. Please visit the Sabbatical Link on the church website and contact us if you have questions or concerns. Thank you for your ongoing support of this process.

From the Sabbatical Committee,  
Andrew Appel, Jason Hill,  
Beth Hollingsworth, Clarke Miller

## **All Are Invited to Special Reception February 11**

On February 11<sup>th</sup>, our worship services will highlight new and long-time members of our congregation. Last February, we specifically recognized those who joined our congregation from its founding in 1949 through 1969. This year we will highlight those who joined from 1970 through 1979. We hope this time of celebration will be an annual event every February in the life of this congregation. We will have a new member recognition ceremony, and we will also pay tribute to those long-time members and leaders who have helped create this vibrant, liberal religious community.

What is a long-time member? Well, the short answer is "Anyone who has been a member longer than a new member."

In the service we will ask members of various *time frames of membership* to stand in body or spirit to be recognized. So, if you are a member, start counting in order to determine where you fall in your year of membership! And if you are not a member, come join us in this celebration of our liberal religious community.

## **Talent Auction is February 25, 4:00-8:00 p.m. Talent Auction**

**Schedule:** 4-5 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres, silent auction; 5-7 p.m. Live Auction; 7-8 p.m. Supper and music. Childcare provided 4-7 p.m. Items suited to all pocketbooks will be available. A list of items to auctioned will be available soon.

"During times of war, hatred becomes quite respectable, even though it has to masquerade often under the guise of patriotism." --Howard Thurman

## **Gini Courter to Address District Annual Meeting March 30-31**

UUA Moderator Gini Courter will be the keynote speaker at this year's Heartland UU District Annual Meeting in Grand Rapids, March 30-31. Registration materials available on the bulletin board or online at [www.heartlanduu.org](http://www.heartlanduu.org), click on Announcements, and click on 2007 Heartland Annual Meeting. Early bird registration is due by March 9 (save \$25).



### **Earth Tip**

Get a Home Energy Audit! Duke Energy offers audits FREE to their customers. Through an energy audit, you can identify where your home is poorly insulated or energy inefficient and receive tips for making changes. You can save up to 30% off your energy bill and 1,000 pounds of carbon dioxide a year! For more info on home energy conservation, check out

[www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov). - Green Sanctuary Task Force on Global Climate Change Live Green!

## **Be a UU Greeter or Newcomer Welcomer and Share Your Smile**

Greeting or welcoming at the Sunday service is an easy way to make new friends while providing a vital service to our UU community. Training on February 15, 7 – 8:30 PM, in Fellowship Hall. Contact Libby DeVoe at 336-8688 or [edevoe@indiana.edu](mailto:edevoe@indiana.edu) to say you'll be attending.

### **Community Connections Our faith in action in the community**

#### **Mystery of Love Feb. 14**

What: "Mystery of Love" Documentary  
When: Wednesday evening, February 14th  
7:30p Crystal Singing Bowl Meditations  
8:00p Showing of Documentary Excerpts,  
with Musical Interludes

Where: In our Meeting Room

Why: To celebrate Love in all its forms, beyond romantic love  
Refreshments to follow. Free and open to everyone.

The documentary features the love and friendship of Bloomington's own Camilla Williams and Boris Bazala. Presented by Namaste' Sacred Arts and the Community Justice and Mediation Center in partnership with others. For details contact Lisa-Marie Napoli, [lnapoli@indiana.edu](mailto:lnapoli@indiana.edu).

**Health Care Reform Discussion Feb. 15** The League of Women Voters is sponsoring a public meeting on the need for health care reform on February 15 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 1C at the Monroe Public Library. Several bills are being introduced in the current session of the Indiana Legislature pertaining to this critical issue with regard to financing care for the more than 800,000 Hoosiers who do not have health insurance. Dr. Rob Stone will discuss the need for reform of the current system. --Lee Strickholm

#### **Children's Expo Feb. 17**

22nd Annual Children's Expo: Free health screening and immunizations for children of all ages at Binford Elementary School, Saturday, Feb. 17, 10 am - 1 pm. Parent workshops and much more. For information: 349-3731 or 349-3468. --Iris Kiesling

**Budget packets for 07-08** are available by email to [admin@uubloomington.org](mailto:admin@uubloomington.org) or on paper in Room 204.

## Team Ministry

Our congregation is served by co-ministers Rev. Mary Ann Macklin and Rev. Bill Breeden. Each minister serves the entire congregation; each has specific areas of focus.

## Ministers' Schedules

Rev. Macklin's regular day off is Tuesday.

Office hours: M, W, Th, F

Her mobile number is 322-0205.

Rev. Breeden's regular days off are W, Th

Office hours: M, T, F

His mobile number is 360-1779.

## Lunch with a Minister Feb 19

Have lunch with a minister once a month. Rev. Breeden invites all who wish to attend to bring a brown bag lunch and join him in Fellowship Hall on Monday, February 19 at 12 noon.



## UU Children's Choir Schedule

Thanks to all who will sing for the Feb. 7th Family Worship Service! We will have a break from rehearsals for a couple of weeks, but will rehearse next on Sun. Feb. 25th from 10:15-11:00am in Rm. 212. Any new and returning singers, Kg- 8th grade, are welcome. Watch the next Prologue for more details and an upcoming schedule. Questions?

Contact Jill at [jwaggene@mccsc.edu](mailto:jwaggene@mccsc.edu) or 330-8829.

## Director Of Religious Education Sought

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington, Indiana, seeks a Director of Religious Education for a busy 30-hour-per-week position.

The DRE works closely with Church and RE staff (Minister of Religious Education, RE Assistant, and Childcare Coordinator) to oversee and implement a growing Religious Education Program for children and youth from birth through high school.

The successful applicant will possess excellent communications and organizational skills, have a Bachelor's degree in education or child development or equivalent professional experience, familiarity with UU principles and values, is able to work effectively and supportively with children, youth, and adults, motivate others to assist with RE and Youth Programs, and be comfortable working with committees and attending meetings. The understanding of a variety of learning styles is desirable.

Complete job description is available upon request and can be viewed on the Church Bulletin Board.

Please send cover letter, resume and salary requirements to address your interest and qualifications to: Beth Lodge-Rigal, Search Committee Chair, PO BOX 6657, Bloomington, IN 47407

[blodgeri@bluemarble.net](mailto:blodgeri@bluemarble.net) (812) 325-8427



## **Second Saturday Film Series: Sat, Feb 10**

**Potluck @ 6 PM, Film @ 6:30**

**"The World"** (set in Beijing) Details, contact Glee Noble,  
gleenoble@sbcglobal.net



## **Veggie Potluck**

**Sunday, February 11,**

**plus panel discussion: Global Climate Change**

All are invited to the next Veggie Potluck, which follows up last month's successful showing of An Inconvenient Truth. Dave Rollo, Jeff Riegal, and Keith Vogelsang will discuss Personal Steps to Reduce Global Warming. We will begin dinner at 5pm, with the discussion from 6-7:30pm. Families are encouraged for dinner, and childcare for children under age 13 will be provided from 5:45-7:45pm in Room 108 during the discussion. If you will be using childcare, please call the church office, 332-3695. Please bring a vegetarian dish of your choice-- no meat products of any kind, no seafood, no poultry (dairy and egg products are okay, but vegan dishes are welcome, too)-- along with one copy of your recipe. Water and table service will be provided. For info, contact: Jill at [jwaggene@mccsc.edu](mailto:jwaggene@mccsc.edu). Sponsored by the Green Sanctuary Task Force on Global Climate Change. Live Green!

**Centering with MAM Feb 14 & 21** Reverend Mary Ann Macklin invites you to attend "Centering with MAM," a meditative worship opportunity, on February 14 and February 21, 6:00-6:45pm in the Library.



## **Celebrate the Diversity of Music Feb. 9**

The Diversity of Music Program on Friday, February 9th, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. in our Meeting Room will include performances by Moroccan Andalusian Classical Orchestra of Bloomington (including violinist Cindy Port), Daniel Reed and friends with music of Cote d'Ivoire, Pianist Sally Todd, and women's a cappella group Kaia!

Karen Dessauer and Elizabeth Lion, Celebrations Committee

## **Who Ya Gonna Call?**

Office questions, order of service info, and class registration, contact

Aimee Osmundsen, Office Assistant,  
[office@uubloomington.org](mailto:office@uubloomington.org).

Administrative, scheduling, financial, facilities use, and Prologue matters, contact

Carol Marks, Church Administrator,  
[admin@uubloomington.org](mailto:admin@uubloomington.org).

Office phone: 332-3695.

Office Hours MTWF 9-4:30, Thursdays 9-11

## **FELLOWSHIP DINNERS-FEB 07**

**#27-HOST-PAT AUNGST**

GUESTS-Bob & Laura Campbell

Steven Lessmann

Glee Noble

Mary Andrus-Overley & Don Halford

**#28-HOST-SUSAN BUCOVE &**

**ELIZABETH PITTS**

GUESTS-Judy Bennett & Katherine Hopkins

Klara Cook

Dolores Freiburger

B.J.Lawrance & Jan Skinner

**#29-HOST-RHONDA & SCOTT CLOWER**

GUESTS-Jackie Hall & Lloyd Orr

Denise & Harold Ogren

**#30-HOST-JOAN CAULTON & ED GREENEBAUM**

GUESTS-George & Maryann Cusack

Ted & Diann Lock

Sandy & Bob Taylor

**#31-HOST-CATHY & DICK HIATT**

GUESTS-Bill Baus

Tommie & Walt Owens

Ann Watzel

Peggy & John Woodcock

**#32-HOST-VELMA HARRISON &**

**JEAN KNOWLTON**

GUESTS-Marjorie & John Crosby

Dave Crane & Kevin Rottet

Cyndi & Dale Nelson

**#33-PAUL & DEE LANE**

GUESTS-Kathy & Craig Barton

Dave Parkhurst

Paul Petersen

Raymond & Rita Rust

**#34-MARK DAY & JEAN SEBEOK**

GUESTS-Karen Dessauer & Jack Cassidy

Libby & Bob DeVoe

Tom & Diane Gregory

**#35-HOST-LOUIS & EMILY TENNEY**

GUESTS-Jennifer & Jason Blankenship

Rob & Joan Hongen

Vern & Judy Peterson

**#36-PETER SCHWANDT & DIXIE WELCH**

GUESTS-Rick & Lois Holl

Karla & Hugo Kunoff

Harriet & Dick Pfister

There's always room for more friendly people or those wishing to meet new friends and enjoy the fantastic food & scintillating conversations. Call Dolores-331-2611



## Hear Ye, Hear Ye, Hear Ye...

Inviting interested persons:

It is okay to drop in on a session of the Welcoming Congregation Refresher II course. We meet Tuesdays from 7 - 9 PM in the Library at the church. The upcoming sessions will be:

2/13 Transgender Identity: What it Means; guided discussion

2/20 How Homophobia Hurts Us All; guided discussion

Note that the session on 2/13 is on a topic which was not within the original Welcoming Congregation curriculum.

## Campus Ministry Group Meets

**Tuesdays** Indiana University Unitarian Universalist Campus Ministry, (IUUCM), our campus ministry group, meets every Tuesday at 7:30pm in the Charter Room in the Union. We welcome all members of the campus community. Questions? Please contact Heather Hansen, Campus Ministry Assistant,

[uucampus@uubloomington.org](mailto:uucampus@uubloomington.org)



## Helping Others

We sent \$1,000 to the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee from our golden gifts and Guest at Your Table boxes this year, and \$1,005 to Monroe County United Ministries from Christmas Eve service offerings.

*At the core of life is a hard purposefulness, a determination to live.*  
—Howard Thurman

## UU Board of Directors

Jason Hill, President,

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[secretary@uubloomington.org](mailto:secretary@uubloomington.org)

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At Large Board Members: David Cox,

Steve Dillon, Dick Hiatt, Chris Judge, Karen Jewell, Bobbi Lahre, GK Rowe

## **Ministers and Staff**

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## **Faith in Action Forums**

take place in the Library on Sunday at 10:15-11:30 a.m. (Contact Jackie Hall, jmhall@indiana.edu, to schedule a forum.) Forum topics are listed in *The Prologue* as scheduled.

## **Where is the church calendar?**

A current church activities calendar is located at: [www.uubloomington.org/roomCal/monthFull.php](http://www.uubloomington.org/roomCal/monthFull.php), as well as in every issue of the Prologue.