



Friday UU Update

Unitarian Universalist Church of Bloomington, Indiana

Friday, November 24, 2017



Sunday, November 26, 2017

9:15 and 11:15 a.m.

The Power of Names

Reverend Scott McNeill

What we're called--given names, formal titles, nicknames--often illustrates our connections with other people. Ask many soon-to-be-parents and you'll hear how hard it is to select a name for someone who is, so far, a blank slate. Join us as we reflect on the gifts and curses that come with names.

LAST WEEK!

Help still needed for children, teens and HIV-positive adults

Our Giving Tree will be available in Fellowship Hall after each service this Sunday for anyone who would like to support a local child or teen in need or a local adult living with HIV. Gift request tags are still available from Head Start, Stepping Stones, and Positive Link. Head Start promotes school readiness for low-income children through education, health and social services. Stepping Stones provides transitional housing and skills to enable independent living for homeless teens. Positive Link offers personalized case management to individuals living with HIV. Gift requests are

available from \$5 and up, in the hope that many members of our community might be able to participate. Gifts will be collected during our Procession of Giving services on Sunday, December 3, or can be dropped off at the church before December 3 if you are unable to attend.

This Week in Religious Education

Our kids and youth continue to reflect on Blessing this week. World of Wonder (Preschool) will be hearing the story "I Love You, Sun, I Love You, Moon" as they explore our Violet UU Promise: Value the Earth. Roots and Wings (K-2nd grade) will be learning about Jesus' story of the Vineyard Workers as they think about our Indigo UU Promise: Insist on a peaceful, fair, and free world. Curiosity Club (9:15am-3rd grade +, 11:15-3rd-5th grade) will explore stars. Harry Potter and UU (11:15 6th-8th grade) will put together baskets for Crawford Homes rapid re-housing project. Our high school youth group are gathering at 12:30pm for pizza and to bake cookies for sale at the church Holiday Bazaar.

Help Save Yellowwood

Please call Governor Holcomb, 317-232-4567, and ask him to stop the DNR from logging Yellowwood State Forest in a backcountry area that was set aside as a nature preserve. More info [here](#).

Church Directories Available

We have completed an update of our in-house church directory, and copies will be available for pickup in Room 204 this Sunday.

UU Bazaar is December 1 and 2 -- Volunteer to Help!

Help is still needed to fill volunteer spots selling items and with set up and tear down. The link to volunteer spots is <http://bit.do/2017bazaar>. Donations of books and white elephants will be accepted starting November 26 at 1:00 p.m. Donations of baked goods and cookies will start Thursday, November 30 at 10:00 a.m.

Lasagna Dinner at the Bazaar December 1

The UUnique Cafe of the Bazaar will be serving a Lasagna dinner on Friday, December 1, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Price of the complete dinner with vegetarian lasagna, bread, salad and drink is \$12 for adults and \$10 for children. Buying tickets in advance will save \$2 per adult ticket and \$3 for children. Tickets available at church on Sunday.

Clickety Clack, Clickety Clack!

That's the sound of knitting needles, crochet hooks and weavers' shuttles producing scarves, hats, mittens and more to sell at the UU Holiday Bazaar. Please donate your handmade items to Help Feed Our Hungry Neighbor's Fiber Arts booth at the Bazaar. Drop box is in the Commons at church. Questions? Anne Graham aegraham@indiana.edu.

MCUM Holiday Food Baskets

When you sign up to donate a Monroe County United Ministries (MCUM) Holiday Food Basket, some of the lessons you can teach your children are: how to read packages in the store, how to select healthy food, how to distribute weight evenly between five or six grocery bags, how to decorate the bags, but most importantly, how to share with unfortunate people who would otherwise not have a

holiday dinner without your children's help. Sign up on Sunday in the foyer to support a family with a Holiday Basket. The last day for food drop off is Tuesday, December 5th. Please deliver your food items directly to MCUM. A map is provided with your instruction sheets.

Official Notice of Congregational Meeting
Sunday, December 10, 2017, 4:00 p.m.
Meeting Room
2120 N. Fee Lane
Childcare provided.

Hogwarts Holiday Dinner December 10

Our Middle School Youth are hosting a Hogwarts Holiday Dinner in The Great Fellowship Hall on Sunday, December 10, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. following the Congregational Meeting. Tickets are available in Fellowship Hall during coffee hour on November 19 and 26 and December 3. \$10/person, \$25/family. Proceeds benefit Backpack Buddies. We encourage you to come dressed as your favorite Hogwarts characters. Find the event on Facebook

[https://www.facebook.com/events/148711795748838/permalink/148712182415466/.](https://www.facebook.com/events/148711795748838/permalink/148712182415466/)

For More Information see the [November 21 issue](#) of our newsletter, The Prologue.

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