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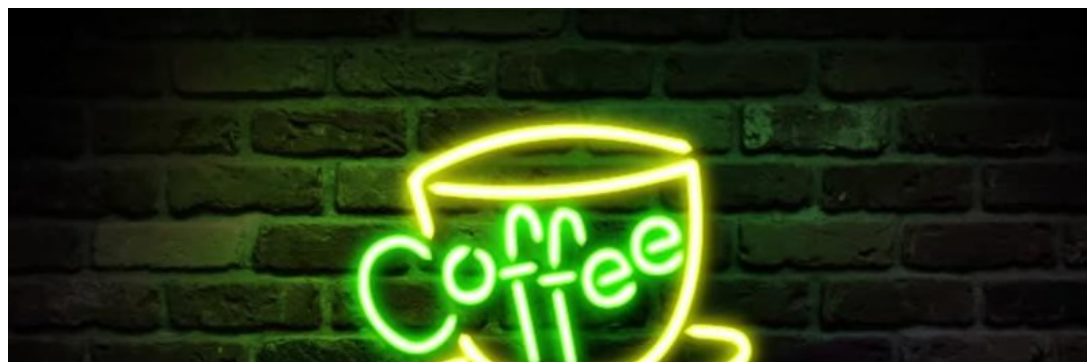


## UU News 11 April, 2018

Your weekly UU News lets you see at a glance upcoming events at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Quad Cities.

(Note: This is only a partial list of upcoming events at UUCQC. A full calendar can be found at [uucqc.org](http://uucqc.org).)

## Coffee House 2018





## Coffee House 2018 & Silent Auction!!!

Coffee House will be April 13 & 14 this year, but it's never too early to think about what you'll be donating to the Silent Auction!

**You can start dropping off items NOW!!!**

**The office is open from 9-12 Monday-Friday OR you can call/email Amanda to set up afternoon drop-off!**

Maybe you have a special gift that could be shared, or a phenomenal gift basket idea! Let's think outside the box and make this our best Silent Auction yet!

**Want to Volunteer??? Our biggest fundraiser of the year cannot happen without YOU!**

Sign up **HERE!** We only have 83% of volunteer spots filled! Sign up soon to get the spot you want!

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS IN 4 AREAS:

- The Bar: Live the dream! Be a bar tender for two hours, one night of your life! We'll be serving keg beer, boxed wine, Unitarian Coffee, and soda from 2 liter bottles.
- The Food Room: You will be in the Board Room, where the prepared food will be. Guests will enter, give you their food tickets, and serve themselves buffet style. **You will be responsible for ticket-taking, answering guest questions about the food, and letting the Kitchen Staff know when a particular item is running low.**
- Silent Auction: Silent Auction Floor Assistants are responsible for helping our guests with the Silent Auction process. Your duties will include answering questions about the process, making sure everyone is bidding properly (that they have an assigned number and are using it), and that everyone is having a great experience :)

- Table Clearing: Your task will be to hang out in the Sanctuary while everyone is eating (and the musicians are performing) and clear dishes from tables. You will then take the dish cart downstairs to the Kitchen Crew, where someone else will wash them :)

**Friday & Saturday, April 13 & 14**  
**Doors open @ 6 p.m. / Music @ 7p.m.**  
**Taco & Nacho Bar / Pork Sandwiches / Local**  
**Brew Adults \$10 / Kids \$5**

**Coffee House 2018 Line Up!!!**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 13**

7 Gene & Nancy Morgan  
 7:30 Greenmore  
 7:55 Break  
 8:10 Rose N Thorns  
 8:35 Steve Burke & Larry Miller  
 9:00 Todtz Magoatz  
 9:30 Break  
 9:50 Mountain Swallower  
 ENDS AT 10:30

**SATURDAY, APRIL 14**

7 Dave Krupke & Rex Schroeder  
 7:30 Todtz Magoatz & Friends  
 7:55 Break  
 8:10 Ryan Espe  
 8:35 Mikka Mills  
 9:00 Larry Miller  
 9:30 Break  
 9:50 Three Men & A Molly  
 ENDS AT 10:30



**Taco Bar (3 Vegetarian or Beef tacos) \$6**  
**Chips & Pico \$3**  
**Loaded Tortilla Chips \$6**  
**Shredded BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich \$6**  
**Shredded BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich +**  
**Coleslaw \$7**  
**Indian Lentil Vegetarian Soup Bowl \$3**  
**Add a Roll \$1**  
**Side of Rice \$1**  
**Side of Beans \$1**

**16 oz. Bent River UnCommon Stout \$5**  
**16 oz. Bent River Mississippi Blonde \$5**  
**Bottled Water \$2**  
**16 oz. Soda \$3**  
**10 oz. Wine \$4**  
**Unitarian Coffee \$5**





Carafe of wine \$15 (4-6 glasses)  
Tea \$3  
Coffee \$3

## In This Edition

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## This Sunday

**April 15**  
**Service 10 a.m.**  
**In Dark Times the Eye**  
**Begins to See**  
*Reverend Steven Shick*

For many of us darkness has fallen into our souls and we feel exiled in a strange land. We lament with Langston Hughes:

O, let America be America again.  
 The land that never has been yet. And yet must be.

Ours is an ancient choice. What do we do in this darkness? Do we choose to be reborn from the womb of our values and hopes, or to die in the tomb of our losses and angers? Together, through stories, poetry and conversation we will explore what spiritual practices can help us thrive in dark times like these.





### Forum

9 a.m.

### Healthy Eating: A Plant-Based Diet

*Kera Lynn, R.D.*

Kera Lynn, RD, will discuss how a plant-based diet can prevent and reverse many of the diseases we have today. Learn the basics of a whole-food, plant-based diet, why it can heal your body, and how to implement it into your everyday life.

## Next Sunday

### April 22 Service

10 a.m.

### Love Letter to the Earth

*Rev. Jay Wolin*

The title of this sermon comes from a book by the Buddhist Monk, Thich Nhat Hanh. He believes in order to save the planet, we need to see ourselves as part of nature not separate from it. How can mindfulness and spirituality protect nature and limit climate change? What would you write in a love letter to the Earth?



### Forum

9 a.m. in the Community Room

### The Goddess

*Sarah Martin*

Sarah Martin will present a perspective of The Goddess, and how it can apply to your life.



## Stewardship

### Annual Pledge Drive Time to Turn in Pledge Cards!

Here at UUCQC we have a long and storied history, rich with individuals and groups that have been voices for liberal religion, human rights, and social change. Past members of our community have risked their lives to bring about the changes they knew were worth fighting for.

*Our congregation stands on a threshold. Behind us remains the proud history that makes us who we are. Before us: endless possibilities to carry on that tradition.*

The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Quad Cities offers a variety of options to explore social justice work and religious freedom. We journey these paths as one, becoming something bigger than any of us can be alone. We gather here, together, on the precipice of greatness. How we choose to handle the world at hand will define us. Your pledges will support the next chapter of this 150 year old institution. Please be as generous as you can.

#### ***Will you side with love?***

Your pledges directly support our Social Justice Teams, our Source Teams, and Youth Religious Education.

**Fill Out Your Pledge Online (WE DO NOT COLLECT BANKING INFORMATION ONLINE, ONLY NAME, CONTACT INFO AND AMOUNT OF ANNUAL PLEDGE)**

OR Fill Out the Pledge Card we Mailed You (Or email/call Amanda for a new card)

OR Pick Up a pledge card in the foyer (They are GREEN this year- double check the dates on the cards!)



OR [Email Amanda](#) your pledge amount!

***Please turn in your pledge cards as soon as possible! Cards can be deposited into the repurposed hat box in the foyer :)***

***The Board has already begun work on the budget: we need your pledges (just pledges, not payments- although those, too, are welcome) as soon as possible.***

## Sanctuary Resolution

### From the Sanctuary Task Force

May 20 marks the end of the 150th Anniversary Celebration of our congregation. May 20 is also the date of our congregational meeting and vote on becoming a Sanctuary Congregation. For 150 years, this congregation has been a place dedicated to freedom and inclusion. What better way to end the first 150 years and begin the second 150 years than a vote to open our minds, hearts, and community to someone in need. Please support the sanctuary resolution. --Ann Hailey



### Resolution on Sanctuary

Consistent with the Unitarian Universalist principles affirming the inherent worth and dignity of every person with justice, equity, and compassion in human relations, and the goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all; we declare ourselves as a Sanctuary Congregation in alignment with the Iowa Sanctuary Movement.

We will open our doors and our hearts to receive a guest or guests seeking Sanctuary because of their immigration status and provide hospitality during their stay with assistance from other congregations.

We will continue to advocate for fair and compassionate national immigration policies that will create long-term opportunities and welcoming communities.

**Concerns? Questions?  
Comments?  
Take the survey!**



## 10 Question Survey



# Soul Service



**Soul Service**  
**2nd Wednesday Monthly**  
**6 p.m. in the Sanctuary**  
**Next Service April 11**  
**Emergence**

Soul Services takes us on a journey to reconnect with the transcending mystery which move us all to a renewal of the spirit. Each month there will be a theme to the monthly Soul Service. **The theme for the Soul Service on Wednesday, April 11 is "Emergence".**

Spring is here and new life will unfold before us. We will watch as broken-open seeds send forth

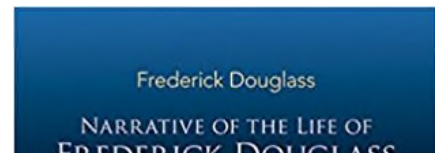
their sprouts through the darkness of the soil into the light of the sun. Tiny buds will appear on the branches of towering trees to dress them again in green. This is emergence. The process of becoming visible after being concealed. We as humans are not left out of this natural process of growth. We too have within us the seeds, that when awakened, initiate the emergence of a more connected and expanded way of being. We too, have our spring.

Come join us as we immerse ourselves in the miracle of emergence.

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## Happy Human Book Club All-Church Read

***Narrative of the Life of Frederick***

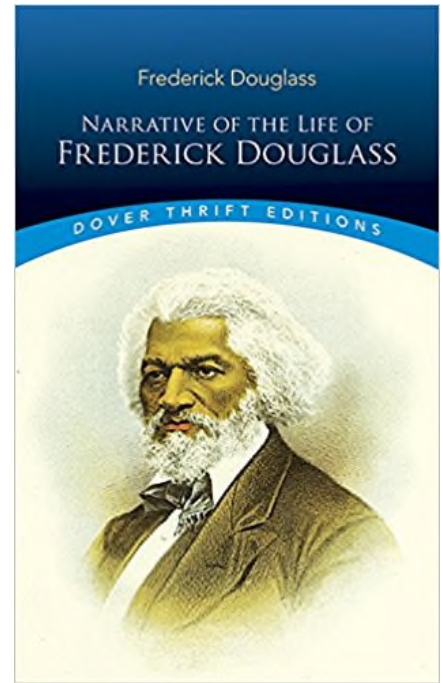




## Douglass

*Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass* by Frederick Douglass is the 1845 memoir of a former slave turned abolitionist. Considered as one of the most famous slave narratives ever written, this very short book recounts Douglass's life from early childhood as a slave to his eventual escape to the North. The book is available in paperback and Kindle, local library systems, and we have copies available in the office.

The Happy Human Book Club is hosting an All-Church Read to invite discussion from our diverse community. The book will be discussed at coffee hour following the service on Sunday, May 6. You may order the book yourself, or you may [contact Amanda Conger](#) in the office to obtain one of our copies.



## Earth Day Concert

*CELEBRATING THE EARTH WITH MUSIC*  
*6TH ANNUAL EARTH DAY CONCERT*



# Earth Day

April 22  
6 P.M.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION OF THE QUAD CITIES  
3707 EASTERN AVENUE, DAVENPORT

LOCAL MUSICIANS INCLUDING (BUT NOT LIMITED TO)  
CHALICE CHIMES / UU SINGERS / UU JUNIOR SINGERS  
SAUL NACHE  
JUSTIN LEBO  
JENNIFER KROGMEIER  
DOUG MCCOLLUM, CHRISTY TODTZ, & MIRYAM STONE  
LAWRENCE ALLEN



ADULTS \$10 / CHILDREN \$5 / FAMILY OF 4+ \$30

## Workshop



### STORY, SONG & SPIRIT: CREATING WORSHIP FOR ALL AGES

Workshop w/ Erika Hewitt

May 12 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**\$30 includes Lunch and Snacks \* Scholarships and Daycare Available**

The Religious Services Team and Reverend Jay are rededicating ourselves to the creation and delivery of engaging and transformative worship. We especially want to improve our ability to speak to the hearts, minds, and spirits of multiple ages in various stages of religious exploration.

Everyone who has ever been involved with worship and everyone who has ever considered participating in worship is invited to come learn, play, and co-create with us!

Other MidAmerica Region ministers and worship teams will also attend.

Among other things in this workshop, we will find ourselves:

- \* re/framing multigenerational worship as faith-building and relationship-strengthening
- \* exploring the touchstones of story-based multigenerational worship
- \* reviewing the "special sauce" and the quicksand of intergenerational worship design

Leading and inspiring us will be acclaimed UU Author, Trainer, and Minister of Worship Arts, Rev. Erika A. Hewitt. [Learn More About Rev. Hewitt](#)

TO REGISTER and/or get MORE DETAILS [CLICK HERE](#).

All Social Justice Teams, All Spiritual Practices & Programs Teams, Earth-based Traditions Team, UU Humanists Team, Adult & Youth RE Teams, Music Team, Past Religious Services Team Members, and All Past Midwest Leadership School Attendees. You; yes, you!

## Sound Team

### Volunteers Needed!

Sound is one of those things that when it is good you barely notice. When it is bad it can be like a dull (or worse) toothache. Here at UUCQC, we are lucky that our sanctuary has wonderful natural acoustics. Voices are easier to hear with the assistance of amplification with a microphone.

For years, the multitalented Ruth Wirtz was not only our kitchen witch but also the sound guru. 2 years ago she moved to North Liberty and her presence is much missed. I have taken over her sound duties but will never replace her magic with it.



Some things have recently improved. We located an unused lapel microphone in the church basement to replace the old one that and which works very satisfactorily most of the time now. We also found an omnidirectional microphone that has enhanced music from in front of the pulpit. We do not claim to be able to mix sound just mostly adjust volume. There are things that can affect the sound over which we have little control and that includes *hearing aides and hand held sound amplification devices*. I have been told that cell phones and even cars driving on Eastern Avenue can interfere with sound (including loud pops) if using wavelengths similar to ours.

There are currently 7 members of our sound team, 3 of whom are gone part or all of the winter. We share the Sunday services and some of the evening sound responsibilities. A person trained in sound mixing has been hired for coffee house the last few years, and performers may bring their own systems. **We can now play sound directly to our speakers from a portable device by connecting it to our soundboard.**

We hope to have a hand held wireless microphone for use in the sanctuary AND connect the sound from the sanctuary TV to our in house speakers soon.

We are always interested in adding new people to our team. We would like to provide assistance for the occasional event that would like to play recorded music. We are available to teach Congregational members the rudimentary tasks necessary to turn on the microphones for use during their events. IF I, someone who can barely manage a TV remote, CAN DO THIS, YOU CAN

TOO !!!

Please contact me at [catherine.weideman@gmail.com](mailto:catherine.weideman@gmail.com) if you are interested in helping with our sound technology or if you have suggestions or concerns.

Thank you very much.

Cathy Weideman

other members: Bill Robbins, Mike Moulton, Dan Byer, Bob Thompson, Jerry Walla, Erik Adamek

## Inserts Posted!

### Musical Inserts

Special thanks to everyone who contributed to our latest batch of 150th Anniversary inserts. They are all on our website now.

[Catch Up on Inserts HERE](#)



## Save the Dates!



**Spring is going to be busy!!!**

### April

April 13 & 14: Coffee House 2018 @ 6 p.m.

April 16: PFLAG @ 6 p.m.

April 22: Earth Day Concert @ 6 p.m.



April 28: Beltane @ 5:30

## May

May 12: Story, Song, & Spirit: Creating Worship for All Ages  
With Rev. Erika Hewitt 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.

May 20: Youth Bridging Service @ 10 a.m.  
Annual Meeting @ 11 a.m.

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# Office Hours

## UUCQC Office Hours:

**Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - noon (afternoons by appointment)**  
Amanda ([office@uucqc.org](mailto:office@uucqc.org))  
563-359-0816

## Rev. Jay Office Hours:

**Monday Off, Tuesday 2-5, Wednesday 2-5, Thursday 2-5,  
Friday Writing Day**  
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**UU News submission deadline:**  
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Email [office@uucqc.org](mailto:office@uucqc.org)

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