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## UU News 25 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).)

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## This Sunday

**April 15**  
**Service 10**  
**a.m.**  
**Perseverance**  
**Reverend Jay**  
**Wolin**

In 1976 the western movie *The Outlaw Josie Wales* with Clint Eastwood depicted a Native American who said, "I endeavor to

persevere." For whatever reason this one line had a deep impact on me. I will share why and how perseverance has been a part of my personality my whole life for better and for worse. In all our social justice work, and especially as we consider becoming a Sanctuary Congregation, let us realize that the long journey to justice will require perseverance.



**Forum**  
**9 a.m.**  
**Girl Rising**  
**Liz Kantner**

Movies are not just for entertainment anymore. They inspire, inform, and motivate us to be the change we wish to see. They alert us to issues we weren't aware of, call us to action, and offer perspectives from outside our bubbles.

Join Liz Kantner for this community viewing & discussion of *Girl Rising*.

From Academy Award-nominated director Richard E. Robbins, award-winning Documentary Group, Vulcan Productions and Intel Corporation comes *Girl Rising* - an innovative feature film about the power of education to change a girl -- and the world.

[Watch the Trailer Here](#)

## Next Sunday

### May 6 Service

10 a.m.

### Creativity

*Rev. Jay Wolin*

We tend to think about creativity only in regard to the creation of fine art, film, music, poetry, etc. I ask you to consider how we are creating our lives and our community. Are we creating something, or are we just passing time? Who knows,

maybe I will create a whole new idea for the service by the time this Sunday arrives. Let us live our lives open to the forces of creativity and create a beautiful and full life and community together.



### Forum

9 a.m. in the Community Room

## Day of Reason Breakfast

Thursday, May 3 @ 7





a.m.

The Humanist Team of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Quad Cities will host a breakfast and speakers for the National Day of Reason on May 3, 2018, at 7:00

at the UUCQC social hall. Speakers include Rev. Jay Wolin and Dr. Allen Bertsche. Vegetarian and gluten free options will be available.

Register by calling the office at 563-359-0816, email [office@uucqc.org](mailto:office@uucqc.org) or [pay via PayPal](#) by Tuesday, May 1. Suggested donations are: adults \$10, children \$5, family of 4+ \$30. Everyone is welcome to participate regardless of ability to pay.

[Learn More HERE](#)

## 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

***Please join the Sanctuary Task Force for a Town Hall Meeting THIS SUNDAY, April 29 at 11:15 in the Lounge***

I support Immigration Sanctuary because it will help people who are targeted by unjust practices directly. We will need many volunteers for this essential work. If the resolution passes at the Annual Meeting, 20 May, we'll need volunteers in the areas of medical, legal, pastoral care, counseling, shopping, meals, laundry, education, childcare, socializing/games, transportation, security, and probably more that we haven't thought of.

The Sanctuary Task Force is currently developing a strategic plan including these areas. It's not even as simple as that list implies. Within the category of 'meals,' we will need volunteers to 1) coordinate meals, 2) arrange discounts and donations with local food providers, and 3) when Sanctuary is requested and given, pick up the food or prepared meals on a weekly basis.



Fortunately, we will have the support of the larger community. Faith communities in the area have expressed interest in providing additional volunteers. Financial donations from the community have been offered without active fundraising on our part. Providing Sanctuary will be a difficult task, but we will not have to do it alone.

-Heather B. Sanctuary Task Force Member

## Sanctuary Task Force Frequently Asked Questions

### 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**



## Earth Based Traditions



**April 28 @ 5:30  
p.m.**

Come celebrate Beltane  
with the UUCQC Earth  
Based Traditions Team!



Circle cast at 5:45 sharp, potluck following ritual.

Beltane is a Fire Festival. The word 'Beltane' originates from the Celtic God 'Bel', meaning 'the bright one' and the Gaelic word 'teine' meaning fire. Together they make 'Bright Fire', or 'Goodly Fire' and traditionally bonfires were lit to honour the Sun and encourage the support of Bel and the Sun's light to nurture the emerging future harvest and protect the

community. Bel had to be won over through human effort. Traditionally all fires in the community were put out and a special fire was kindled for Beltane. "This was the Tein-eigen, the need fire. People jumped the fire to purify, cleanse and to bring fertility. Couples jumped the fire together to pledge themselves to each other. Cattle and other animals were driven through the smoke as a protection from disease and to bring fertility. At the end of the evening, the villagers would take some of the Teineigen to start their fires anew."

From *Sacred Celebrations* by Glennie Kindred

## W.o.W.

**May 3 @ 11:30 a.m.**  
**Bix Bistro**

If the good lord's willin' and the creek don't rise, WoW will meet Thursday, May 3rd at 11:30 at the Bix Bistro in the Blackhawk Hotel

200 E 3rd Street, Davenport  
(located on the first floor).

All are welcome for lunch and conversation.

**Menu!**



# Save the Dates!



Annual Meeting @ 11 a.m.

## Spring!!!

### May

May 9: Soul Service  
"Creativity" @ 6

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.

# UUA General Assembly 2018

**June 20-24,**  
**Kansas City**  
*All Are Called*

This year the annual UUA General Assembly is in the Midwest - in Kansas City. In 2019 it will be on the west coast in Spokane WA, and in 2020 on the east coast in Providence RI. That makes this

year a very good one to attend! Attending GA is a terrific experience with opportunities to learn about the issues we are facing, meet our national and global leaders, form new UU friendships, hear great speakers, take part in public witness, participate in discussions and in general have all sorts of learning and growing experiences. There will be around 175 program offerings, so there's something for everyone. I've been to about six GAs over the years, and have always found it to be an enriching experience.



## UUA GENERAL ASSEMBLY



More information on GA and Kansas City is at: [www.uua.org/ga](http://www.uua.org/ga)

Costs involve registration, travel, lodging, food - the usual. ***Our UUCQC Endowment team voted to cover the registration fee of \$395 for up to 5 members from UUCQC. You could be one of them! Registration and housing info is on the website: [www.uua.org/ga/travel](http://www.uua.org/ga/travel) If you are interested, please contact Endowment Chair Will Brooke.***

Here's a little more information from the website: General Assembly is the annual meeting of our Unitarian Universalist Association. Attendees worship, witness, learn, connect, and make policy for the Association through the democratic process. Anyone may attend; congregations must certify annually to send voting delegates. Most General Assembly events will be held in the Kansas City Convention Center.

The theme, All Are Called, is grounded in a deep belief that we are all prophets, Unitarian Universalists ask, "How can we faithfully meet the demands of our time?" The call to witness and act for justice in our society and in the world is clear. So, too, is the call to examine our structures and practices, dismantling and transforming those which fail to recognize the full humanity of all people and to honor the interdependent web of life. Join us in Kansas City as we dive deeply into questions of mission for our Unitarian Universalist Association, for our congregations and communities, and for each of us as individuals.

So, think about attending GA this year. It is an opportunity for personal growth, as well as for bringing what you learn and experience back to enhance our congregational life.

Kathryn Allen for the Endowment Committee  
Chair: Will Brooke  
Members: Linda Goff, Lisa Miotto, Damon Gray, Kathryn Allen

**SIDE NOTE!!! A member has approached the office inquiring about ridesharing! If you're down to carpool with the coolest new person in town, please contact [Amanda](#).**

## 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**  
Call 563-359-0816 or email [minister@uucqc.org](mailto:minister@uucqc.org).

**UU News submission deadline:**  
**Every Wednesday at 10 a.m. No exceptions.**  
Email [office@uucqc.org](mailto:office@uucqc.org)

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