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## UU News 1 February 2019

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).)

**This Sunday**  
**Next Sunday**  
**Forum**  
**Trivia Night!**  
**Community Engagement with QCI**  
**Game Night**  
**Tax Forms**  
**Playdate!**

**Race: The Power of an Illusion**  
**W.o.W.**  
**Sanctuary**  
**All-Church Book Read**  
**Governance**

**This Sunday @ 10 a.m.**



**February 3**  
**Steeped in King**  
**Reverend Jay Wolin &**  
**Christopher Sims**

Leader, artist, & human rights activist Christopher Sims will be delivering a new homily and a poem about Dr. King called "Steeped In King."

**Next Sunday @ 10 a.m.**



**February 10**  
**Humanist Voices in Unitarian Universalism**  
*Rev. Jay Wolin*

**In our exploration of our religious plurality we will look at the long history of Humanism within Unitarian Universalism. We will explore the different types of Humanism, and how Humanism informs our religious life.**

**This service will also include recognition for our recently retired Grounds Chair Jack Wiley's devotion to the Grounds of the UUCQC.**

## Forum



**Sundays @ 9 a.m.**  
**Community Room**  
**Childcare Available!**

**February 3: *I Am Not Your Negro***  
In Celebration of Black History Month we will be offering this excellent file by Raoul Peck.

We will watch the first half of the film on the 3rd and finish the second half on the 10th. The NY Times offered this summary of the film: "To call "I Am Not Your Negro" a movie about James Baldwin would be to understate Mr. Peck's achievement. It's more of a posthumous collaboration, an uncanny and thrilling communion between the filmmaker - whose previous work includes both a documentary and a narrative feature about the Congolese anti-colonialist leader Patrice Lumumba - and his subject. The voice-over narration (read by Samuel L. Jackson) is entirely drawn from Baldwin's work. Much of it comes from notes and letters written in the mid-1970s, when Baldwin was somewhat reluctantly sketching out a book, never to be completed, about the lives and deaths of Medgar Evers, Malcolm X and Martin Luther King Jr."

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**February 17: *Rich Clewell: What's going on with the Davenport City Council: An Insider's Perspective Summary***

Cut away the noise and listen as 6th Ward Councilman Rich Clewell discusses some of the issues going on in the City of Davenport.

**February 24: *Mike Wilcox: The First Nation Farmer Climate Unity March-September 1-8, 2018***

The march covered 94 miles over 8 days from Des Moines to Fort Dodge, IA. The march was along the route of the Dakota Access Pipeline as it runs NW to SE

through Iowa. Mike Wilcox will discuss what he learned along the route about the pipeline, the land and Iowans impacted by it from farmers, Native Americans and other environmentalists. The march was sponsored by Bold Iowa, Sierra Club and Indigenous Iowa.

## Trivia Night!

### UUCQC TRIVIA NIGHT



**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9 @ 6 P.M.**

**TRIVIA NIGHT WITH MR. TRIVIA!**

**50/50, PIE RAFFLE, MULLIGANS,  
BEER & SODA FOR SALE, AND A LOAD OF  
FUN!**

**\$10 PER PERSON; TABLES OF 8**

**CASH AT DOOR**

***REGISTER YOUR TEAM/SINGLE SPOT AT  
OFFICE@UUCQC.ORG***

**CHILDCARE WILL BE AVAILABLE**

Bring us your PIES!!!

## Tax Information Requests



### Tax Time!

Do you need a donation statement from 2018 for your income taxes? Email Amanda [office@uucqc.org](mailto:office@uucqc.org) to request a statement today!

## Sanctuary

## Migrants at Our Border





**Saturday, February 2, at 9 AM to 12:00**

Please join us for a common sense explanation of why we have migrants at our border, what they are fleeing from, and what the government of the United States has done to cause these conditions by

**Dr Peter Kivisto from Augustana College.**

**Jody Mashek from the American Friends Service Committee** will then share her personal experience of the day-to-day events at the border.



Located at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the QC  
3707 Eastern Ave, Davenport, IA 52807  
Information at [sanctuary@uucqc.org](mailto:sanctuary@uucqc.org)

## Racial Justice Team & Adult RE



**Race: The Power of an Illusion**  
**Wednesdays February 13-**  
**March 13 @ 6:30 p.m.**

5 Wednesdays starting February 13th  
6:30-8:30pm / Childcare available / The sessions will be set up so that you can attend one without having attended others, but I

encourage you to attend as many as possible.

Why discuss Race? There were some who hoped that after the election of Barack Obama that we were in a post racial society. There are others who say they do not see race when judging a person. Yet we know that race is clearly a factor in hiring, housing, education, policing and many other facets of our community. Racism and bias have become systemic in our society which has led to ongoing inequity.

"Race the Power of an Illusion" is a program created by California Newsreel and shown on PBS. It shows how race was developed as a social construct, the history of Race in America and how Race has been used systemically to oppress people. It also explores how and why colorblind policies perpetuate inequities.

These are sensitive but necessary discussions that we need to have. We endeavor to create a safe environment where everyone can share their perspectives and listen to others' perspectives without judgment. We invite you to attend with an open mind to learn something new.

Barack Obama in his speech on Race said "I have asserted a firm conviction....that working together we can move beyond some of our old racial wounds, and that in fact we have no choice if we are to continue on the path of a more perfect union" and James Baldwin said "Not everything that is faced can be changed, but nothing can be changed until it is faced"

So let us face these issues together with an open heart and an open mind. I invite you to join me and the UUCQC Racial Justice Team Chair Keith Frainey on Wednesday nights over a five week period starting February 12th from 6:30pm-8:30pm in viewing the movie Race: The Power of Illusion and having related discussions.

If there are enough people who would like to attend 10am on Wednesdays I will hold a second class. If you are interested in a 10am class please RSVP at [minister@uucqc.org](mailto:minister@uucqc.org)  
Rev. Jay Wolin

[Watch the Trailer HERE](#)

## Youth RE Play Group!



**PLAYDATE**

**DATES: 11/2, 11/23, 12/14, 1/4, 1/25, 2/15, 3/8, 3/29, 4/19, 5/10, 5/31**

**TIME: 9A-12P**

This activity is appropriate for kids of all age groups.  
Contact Ashley at [adultre@uucqc.org](mailto:adultre@uucqc.org) or 563.320.9656 if you have questions or would be interested in leading an activity.

## Immigration Project

## Community Action!



## W.o.W.



[jdherikson@aol.com](mailto:jdherikson@aol.com)

See the [MENU HERE](#)

## W.o.W.

Thursday February 7th at  
11:30 a.m.  
Join the group for lunch and  
conversation at Granite City  
5270 Utica Ridge Road  
Davenport.

Jackie Erikson

## All-Church Book Read

### Happy Human Book Club Hosts All-Church Read on March 10

The Happy Human Book Club will host an All-Church Read, moderated by Rev. Jay Wolin. "So You Want to Talk About Race" is a New York Times bestseller by Ijeoma Oluo. The author explores the complex reality of today's racial landscape--from white privilege and police brutality to systemic discrimination and the Black Lives Matter movement--offering straightforward clarity that readers need to contribute to the dismantling of the racial divide. The book will be discussed at 11:15 a.m. on Sunday, March 10.

The book is available in paperback and Kindle, and in some library systems. You may order the book yourself, or contact Amanda Conger in the office to see if one of the ordered books is available for loan.

[Buy the BOOK HERE](#)



## Game Nights



welcome :)

**Every Other Friday Night @ 6 p.m.**

**Upcoming Dates:**

Feb 8, 22

Join us for a family-friendly game night every other Friday in the social hall. Bring games or play one of ours! Snacks to share are always

## QCI Events



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### Upcoming Quad Cities Interfaith Meetings and Fundraiser

#### **QCI monthly Task Force Assembly**

\*Issues to address—Immigrant Rights, Mass Incarceration/Restorative Justice and School Discipline in Davenport Public Schools, i.e., breaking the "School-To-Prison Pipeline"

Tuesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, Church of Peace, 1114 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Rock Island

#### **QCI Annual Meeting—open to the public**

\*Leadership will reflect on the past year, and shares ideas for campaign work in 2019 and leading up to the 2020 Caucuses, Census, and November elections. There will be discussion of QCI's Integrated Voter engagement (IVE), a grassroots, door-to-door canvassing campaign to register voters, increase voter turnout, and organize voters around self-identified issues in low voter turnout wards and precincts 12 months a year

Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m., Broadway Presbyterian Church, Rock Island

#### **QCI monthly "Social Justice Social Mixer"—open to all good social justice minded persons**

\*A monthly fundraiser for QCI, this event is open as a networking and fun social event for all persons, regardless of religious affiliation, who are engaged in social justice efforts, or are open-minded and want to learn from those who are

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Contact QCI Lead Organizer, Aaron Wagner, 641-990-4594, [aaronwagnerqci@gmail.com](mailto:aaronwagnerqci@gmail.com), for more information

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**Count us in!!!**  
Find out more about the work of Quad Cities Interfaith

**You are invited to attend**

**QCI's Annual Meeting**  
**Monday, February 11th**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**Broadway Presbyterian Church**  
**710 - 23rd St.**  
**Rock Island**

**Light refreshments will be served. Reserve your spot:**  
**563-322-4910 or [qcinterfaith@gmail.com](mailto:qcinterfaith@gmail.com)**

We will be collecting donations for the families affected by the raid in Mt. Pleasant. Suggested donations: Corn flour, sugar, salt, cooking oil, tortillas that don't need refrigeration, pasta, white rice, toilet paper, paper towels, canned fruits/vegetables/meats, fresh fruit/vegetables, laundry and dish detergent, toothpaste, soap, Hy-Vee and Walmart gift cards.

Monetary donations are also appreciated. Checks can be made out to "Iowa WINS."

# Governance

## WHAT IS UUCQC GOVERNANCE? from the GOVERNANCE AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE

We recently asked the Congregation for input regarding a Board Policy defining Teams. We discovered that it has been awhile since we have reviewed the kind of Governance we now practice in UUCQC with the Congregation. It's time for that review or, as case may be, an introduction.

Our BYLAWS, a legal document, are the fundamental rules that establish why we exist, how to become a member, and how we are governed. In 2010, the Congregation voted to adopt a complete restatement of our Bylaws.

This set of restated Bylaws clarified the roles of the Board, Minister, and Congregation and was written to meet the needs of an expanding Congregation, reduce conflict and triangulation that occurs when responsibilities are not clearly defined, and reduce the Board's involvement in day-to-day matters.

The Bylaws can be found on the UUCQC website under the tab "ABOUT". If you wish to receive a paper copy of the Bylaws please contact the UUCQC office.

The roles as stated in the Bylaws are summarized and expanded upon in the following statements.

The CONGREGATION fulfills its commitment to the Mission and Vision through participation in the activities of our ministry and governance. This includes belonging to Ministry Teams (such as social justice, music, religious education, etc), participating in rummage sales, coffee houses, and elections, and finally making spiritually rewarding financial contributions (smiley face). The Congregation is also responsible for (among other things) electing Board members and members of the Leadership Committee, call our Ministers and approve our budgets. The Leadership Committee is essentially a committee of the Congregation. The Congregation elects it and its job description is in the Bylaws.

The BOARD is the governing body of the Congregation according to our Bylaws. The Bylaws state how the Board is chosen, its structure, how it governs and its responsibilities. The Board's role is one of discernment and articulation of our Mission and Vision, strategizing, planning, monitoring, and providing oversight for the Congregation. STANDING COMMITTEES are permanent Board Committees whose scope and structure are determined by Board Policy. Currently there are 3 Standing Committees: a Finance Committee; a Governance-Bylaws Committee (GBC); and Committee on Ministry. The Board may also appoint a TASK FORCE to assist it with specific projects on a limited time basis.

The BOARD, with the assistance of the GBC, has adopted BOARD POLICIES describing, among other things, the collaborative relationship between Board and Minister, financial management, personnel management, and how the Board monitors and oversees ministry. Policies regarding strategy and discernment are in progress. These Board policies are currently found on the UUCQC website under tab "ABOUT" tab GOVERNANCE.

The MINISTER provides overall leadership for the ministerial functions of the Congregation and represents the Congregation in the Community. The Bylaws state the Minister may create Ministry Teams and is responsible for supervision of staff and all MINISTRY TEAMS. There is no definition of Ministry Teams in the bylaws. The original set of policies also did not adequately define individual Ministry Teams and that is why we are writing a Board Policy to

address this.

When the GBC began writing and adopting policies, we felt that it was important to consider even the so-called administrative functions (book keeping, check writing, answering the phone) of the Congregation were also part of its ministry. The Board initially adopted a word for the whole ministry and called it Administry. The GBC has found that this term has not been easy to adopt by the Congregation, so we are transitioning to the term Ministry, to encompass ministry and traditional administrative functions. Policies are being modified to reflect this change in term.

The Minister is also responsible for the development of ministerial policies and procedures that deal with day-to-day functions of the Ministry of the Congregation.

The Governance-Bylaw-Committee hopes that you will find this helpful. Look for more information regarding governance in future newsletters and check out the Governance area on the website under "ABOUT". There you can also find a link (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qyfKLen5NHw>) on the website to a UUA YouTube video explaining this type of governance. We are a continual work in progress and appreciate your input.

## 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:

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**UU News submission deadline:**

**Every Wednesday at 10 a.m. No exceptions.**

Email [office@uucqc.org](mailto:office@uucqc.org)

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