

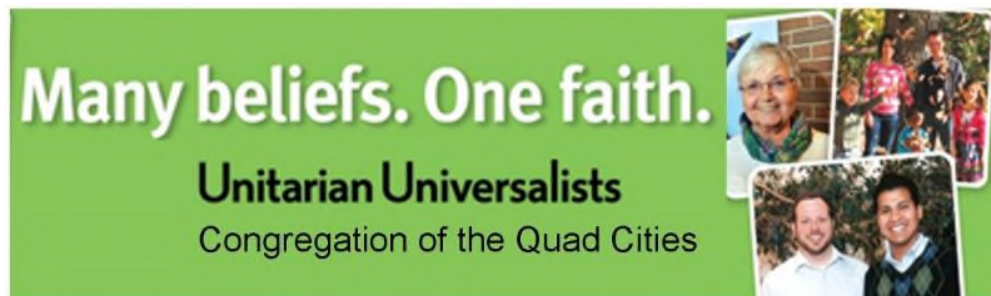
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Your weekly **Silent Announcements** let you see at a glance everything coming up at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Quad Cities.



## Weekly Silent Announcements for March 6

### Sunday Services

March 6 at 10 a.m.

#### All Congregation Musical Celebration

There is only ONE SERVICE this day and no forum. There will be high coffee and brunch will follow. Turn your pledge card in early to be eligible for the final drawing on Sunday, March 6. Reminder for all of the children and youth to practice the song "This Little Light of Mine"! Those who are interested will be singing this song, as well as parading around the sanctuary, during the March 6 Intergenerational Celebration. **There are no regular Youth Religious Education classes on March 6** due to the celebration. Everyone will worship together in this fun musical celebration.

March 13 at 10 & 11:15 a.m.

#### Pi Day:

#### Celebrating Circles in our Faith

With March 14 being International Pi Day (3.14) we are going to explore the symbolism of the circle in all its variations. From ancient runes to cutting edge science, the circle has been a symbol for everything from eternity to nothingness, enduring love to the cycles of life. Allen Bertsche from our Religious Services Team will lead our celebration of all things spiral, spherical and circular. And, of course, coffee hour will feature pie for Pi Day as well.



Religious Services Team

## Adult forums at 10 a.m.

**No adult forum on Sunday, March 6.** Please join us for the All Congregation Musical Celebration.



### Torri Smith - Iowa Kids Net

**March 13**

Family Resources/Iowa KidsNet employee Torri Smith will lead a community conversation on the aspects of foster care, including information on how to become a foster parent.

## Remaining this week

### Navigators USA

**Please call Becky Brooke to register for the next Navigators USA meeting with by March 3.**

563-356-0816 or email her at [beckynakabrooke@gmail.com](mailto:beckynakabrooke@gmail.com)

Our next meeting is **Saturday, March 19 at noon** at the Wapsi Center in Dixon Center. We will start with a hike at 12 p.m. and then say farewell to Winter and hello to Spring with Cocoa and Picasso at 1 p.m. We will learn about the changing of the seasons through traditional Native American storytelling. We will warm up with some hot cocoa and learn how to paint a themed picture on canvas in a guided step by step experience.



## This week

### Caring Notes

Longtime UUCQC member Sarah Smet has been readmitted to Trinity Hospital in Rock Island. Please keep her in your thoughts.

### Minister on study leave

Rev. Jay Wolin will be on study leave March 7-13.

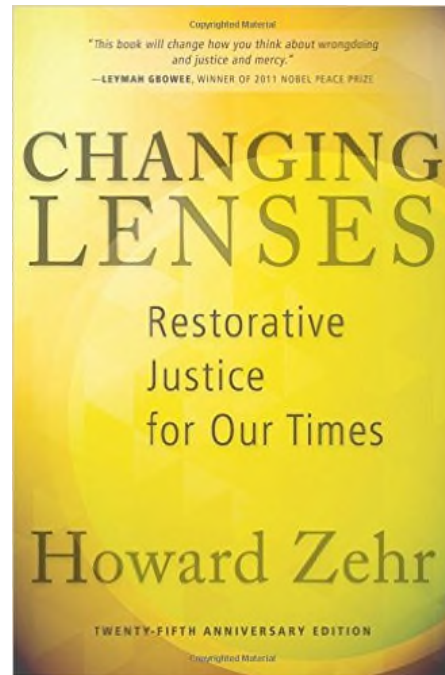
### Drum Circle

Drum Circle in the UU sanctuary on **Sunday, March 6 at 5:30 p.m.** Open to all with a special invitation to children and their parents. Should you wish to use our babysitting service please call

the office at 563-359-0816 by noon on Friday, March 4.

## Restorative Justice

The UUCQC is continuing its efforts to learn more about Restorative Justice. We invite you to a book discussion of Howard Zehr's "Changing Lenses: 25th Anniversary Edition." Zehr is known as the "grandfather" of the Restorative Justice movement in the U.S. The book discussion will be on **Monday, March 7 from 6:30-8 p.m.** Please call John De Taeye at 202-391-5759 for additional information.



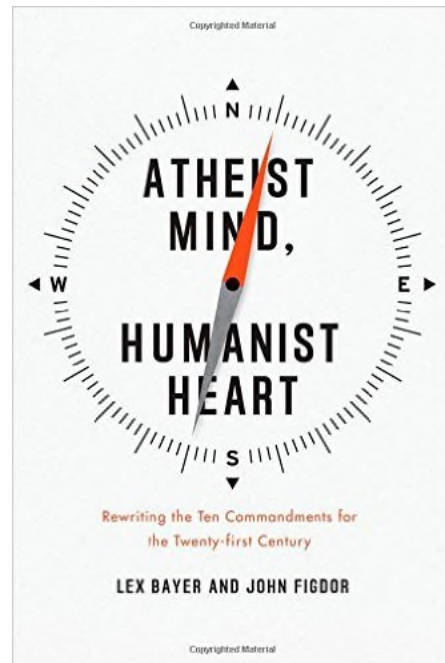
Click on the cover to get "Changing Lenses" from Amazon

## Spiritual Conversation

Spiritual Conversation meets on **Tuesdays from 6:45 to 8 p.m.** Everyone is welcome to join in on the discussion.

## Happy Human Book Club

The Happy Human Book Club will discuss the book "Atheist Mind, Humanist Heart" by John Figdor and Lex Bayer. **Thursday, March 10 at 7 p.m.** For the meeting, RSVPs are not required, but appreciated. Karen Fowler's contact information is in the directory, or contact the office at [office@uucqc.org](mailto:office@uucqc.org). Anyone who is on Facebook is welcome to join the private Facebook group "Happy Human Book Club of the Quad Cities." To join, (1) send a Friend request to Karen Fowler, then (2) message Karen that you want to join.



## Race and Reconciliation

Part Two of our Race and Reconciliation Series - Communities of Opportunity  
**Saturday, March 12 at 1 p.m.**

Presented by Latrice Lacey and the Quad City Boots on the Ground Coalition  
The Davenport Civil Rights Commission's presentation entitled "Communities of Opportunity" is a presentation that reviews the history of housing discrimination in the United States and the impact that it has on our communities today. This presentation will review specific discriminatory actions on behalf of government entities that have created communities of opportunity and disadvantaged communities. Housing is an anchor that will determine the quality of education that your children receive, your employment opportunities and your overall quality of life. In reviewing historical government actions, this presentation will help us to understand the impact that housing discrimination has had on our community as a whole and what we can do to combat the negative effects of these actions. This is a free event and childcare is available upon request. Email Becky Nakashima Brooke with questions and childcare request at [beckynakabrooke@gmail.com](mailto:beckynakabrooke@gmail.com) or call 563-359-0816.

## Registration is open for Regional Assembly

Join us to explore "The Who in the New Era." Our three keynote presenters will share their thoughts on how Unitarian Universalism could be exactly what current religious explorers want from faith communities. There will be many great workshops and outstanding worship services led by ministers from across the region. For complete information and a link to register, please visit the website: <https://www.midamericauua.org/events/regional-assembly>

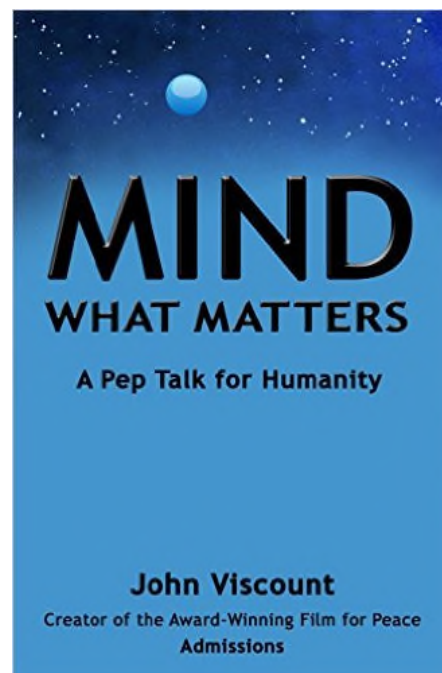
## Looking ahead

### Immigration team

During coffee hour on Sunday, March 13, you can sign up to donate items to a refugee family being settled in the Quad Cities by World Relief. Please contact Katie Reinhardt ([reinhardt.cl@gmail.com](mailto:reinhardt.cl@gmail.com)) or Marcy Doyle ([mjldq@hotmail.com](mailto:mjldq@hotmail.com)) with any questions or concerns.

### Book discussion

The Adult Religious Education Team invites you to read and discuss "Mind What Matters: A Pep Talk for Humanity," by John Viscount. Discussions will be facilitated by Thia Sadlek on Sunday evenings, **March 13, 20, and 27** from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the Lounge. Registration is requested, but not required. To request childcare during the discussions, please contact Amanda Conger in the office at [office@uucqc.org](mailto:office@uucqc.org) or 563-359-0816 or Thia Sadlek at [coreself2@aol.com](mailto:coreself2@aol.com). We are excited the author, **John Viscount, will join the first discussion and sign copies of his books on Sunday, March 13!** He will also screen and discuss his first short film, Admissions, as the keynote speaker at Augustana College's Peace Symposium (free and open to the public) on Tuesday morning, March 15...thanks to Allen Berstche!





## General Assembly scholarship

The Board on Tuesday voted to once again extend the scholarship deadline for our Grants for General Assembly in hopes of getting more applicants.

- The Endowment Grants to cover General Assembly Registration Fees are still available.
- The grants are for \$350 for adults, \$205 for youth.
- **The new deadline is March 15.**
- Preference is given to first time attendees, but all members are welcome to apply.
- All that is required is a brief statement of purpose sent via email to either Jay or myself. A statement of purpose should outline if this will be your first GA or not, and what your goals for attendance are.

Email Allen Bertsche at [allenbertsche@augustana.edu](mailto:allenbertsche@augustana.edu) or Rev. Jay Wolin at [minister@uucqc.org](mailto:minister@uucqc.org) with your application or questions.

## Earth-based Traditions

At Ostara, a time of new beginnings and rebirth, let yourself let go of those feelings that there is a "right" way to honor the seasons and deity and allow yourself to find the simple ways to celebrate each day. Please join us on Saturday, March 19 at 5:30 p.m., for ceremony and discussion

Email: Ed Mueller [ejmueller3@gmail.com](mailto:ejmueller3@gmail.com) or Gale Springer [springer.gale@yahoo.com](mailto:springer.gale@yahoo.com)

Community Potluck will be held immediately following. We encourage all who plan to attend our potluck to bring your own place settings. This is one small way we can honor Mother Earth by cutting down on waste.

Should you wish to use our childcare service, please call the office at 563-359-0816 at least 3 days prior to this event.

The purpose of the Earth-based Traditions Team is to provide spiritual teachings of Earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.



## Coffee House is April 1 & 2 Coffee House Central

There will be a weekly call-to-action for Coffee House here in the Silent Announcements. There's still so much work to be done, we want to make sure we're ready to go when the big event arrives!

This week's call-to-action is **word-of-mouth advertising**. Be sure to let your friends, family, co-workers and neighbors know that Coffee House is Friday, April 1 and Saturday, April 2 from 6-10:30 p.m. The UUCQC is getting the word out through area community calendars, Facebook and other means, but there is simply no better advertising than word-of-mouth. YOU making a plan with a friend to meet here for dinner, drinks and music is going to guarantee people come through our doors. We're looking forward to

seeing old friends and meeting new people at this fantastic event!

There is still time to **make the commitment to volunteer for Coffee House**. There are sign up sheets on the east windows, or contact let Congregational Administrator Jane know when and how you want to volunteer by calling 563-359-9723 or emailing [administrator@uucqc.org](mailto:administrator@uucqc.org).



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