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Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Quad Cities

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If you are a first time guest today we're happy you joined us. If you would like to receive our newsletter or emails to inform you of upcoming events please fill out the white information sheet on the visitor's table (one with dark green cloth) in the gathering space

January 2015 Sunday Services 10:00 & 11:15 AM

Parables

January 11, 10 & 11:15 a.m. — Rev. Jay Wolin

Jesus often shared his messages in the form of a parable. Why did he use this method?

What was Jesus' actual messages and do they still have meaning for us today? In what ways do we use parables today?

A Tough Mind and a Tender Heart

January 18, 10 & 11:15 a.m. — Rev. Jay Wolin

The sermon title is the title of a sermon that was delivered numerous times by Martin Luther King Jr. in his lifetime. In this sermon he speaks about why he does not see a conflict between religion and science. I will explore the speech and how King's message intersects with Unitarian Universalism.

Transformative Community

January 25, 10 & 11:15 a.m. — Rev. Jay Wolin

What do we hope to create here and how do we hope to create it? As we evolve as a Congregation, let us always keep our focus on our vision and mission as a Congregation. I will explore how Unitarian Universalism can transform us as individuals and as a community.

SUNDAY FORUM 10 A.M.

Reproductive Justice— Margaret Farrar

January 11: The board is sponsoring this forum as a background to voting on the UUA Statement of Conscience on Reproductive Justice. The congregation will need to vote (or abstain) on this when we submit our certification of membership to the UUA on Feb. 1. The Board wants to get some input from as many Congregants as possible before making a decision on how to vote.

January 18: To be announced

Walking the Great March for Climate Active — Miriam Kashia

January 25: Miriam is 71 years old and she walked every step from Los Angeles to Washington, D.C. She will talk about the experience and about her passion for this cause



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Please Note:

We have an **RST** meeting scheduled for **7:00pm Thursday January 8th** at UUCQC. Please indicate if you are going to attend

BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, January 14** at **7 p.m.** in the **Lounge**. We will read the “**The Science of Good and Evil: Why People Cheat, Gossip, Care, Share and Follow the Golden Rule**” by Michael Shermer. Copies are available at the public library system and in Kindle. For the book club, RSVPs not required, but appreciated. Karen Fowler's contact information is in the directory, or contact the office at 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, send a friend request to
Karen Fowler.

Elaine Kresse
Odyssey Story

Thursday, January 15
at 6:30 p.m.

Please join us for the second of a series of talks from longtime members. We are honored to have Elaine Kresse share her Odyssey Story. Since I have been called to this Congregation, Elaine has been active in the Board, Social Justice, Stewardship, and Associational Ministry among her many other services to the Congregation over the years. Elaine will



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share a bit of her life journey, her religious journey and her memories of the Congregation. Perhaps she will even take a question or two from the audience. I hope you can join us for this meaningful evening.

Rev. Jay

Circle Supper



On the third Saturday of every month a potluck “**Circle Supper**” is held in the home of a member of the congregation. **Ken** and **Donna Hill** have offered to host the dinner in their home on **January 17**. This is open for any adult in the congregation. It is a great way to get to know others in an informal, small group setting. Space is limited, so it is on a “**first to call**” basis. Please call **Ken** at **309-794-0406** to make reservations and find out details and what you can bring.

Sponsored by the Welcome Team

Potluck Dinner



Progressive Family Potluck

Come join a community of progressive families! Let’s play together, learn from each other, and eat delicious food. Bring a dish to share, and bring the kiddos!

Date: Friday, January 16

Time: 5:30-7 p.m.

If you have any questions, please call
Aubrey at 563-340-6390

Immigration Project

A revised charter is being submitted to the Social Justice Team for this project, but the basic goal remains the same: to support immigrants and refugees in their ability to live and work in our community through existing programs. In addition, we support the Centro Maya Project's work in Guatemala which promotes stability within that community making it possible for families to remain in their homes and home country. We continue to work with community partners are Quad City Interfaith www.qcinterfaith.org, Quad City Alliance for Immigrants and Refugees www.qcair.org/index.html, Palomeras Social Justice Center www.palomaresqc.org, and the Centro Maya Project www.centromayaproject.org/index.htm.

(*Jeanne Nakamaru is traveling to Guatemala with the Centro Maya Project on January 12. She will be collecting hearing aids at a table in the foyer on Sunday, January 4, to take with her. If you have any kind of hearing aid you no longer use, please consider donating it.)

Plans for the immediate future include screening the film: *Children in No Man's Land* on Friday January 9 at 7 p.m. Also in the planning is a book discussion in late spring and exploring the possibility of a mission style trip possibly to take place in 2017.

In the Spring immigrants who qualify will be able to apply for deferred deportations due to President Obama's recent Executive Order to that effect and we believe there may be opportunities for volunteers to help them navigate the process. **Come by our table during coffee hours on January 4** and sign up to receive email notifications regarding this and other possible volunteer opportunities.

This team will encourage in whatever way we can the reformation of the U.S. immigration system into a more humane and just version and we hope to celebrate this sooner rather than later.

— Written by Marcy Doyle

Project Members

Marcy Doyle, Coordinator

Angela Chenus, At Large
(translator, direct service)

Connie Barrett, Palomeras
Social Justice Center

Judy Teeple, representative
for QC Alliance for Immigrants
and Refugees

Diane Kinser, representa-
tive for Centro Maya Project

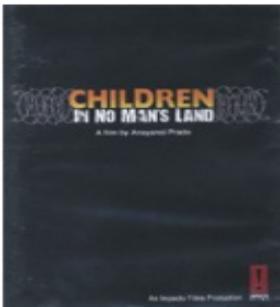
First Friday Film — January 9 at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary

This month the First Friday Film will be held on the second Friday in January because of the holidays.

Title: Children In No Man's Land

Length: 39 minutes **Distributor:** New Day Films

Website: www.newday.com/film/children-no-mans-land



"The film will give this timely political debate about the U.S.-Mexico border a human face by exploring the stories of Maria de Jesus (13) and her cousin Rene (12) as they attempt to cross the US/Mexico border alone to reunite with their mothers in the Midwest. Focusing on minors crossing through the Sonora Desert area in Nogales, Arizona, this film will explore every detail of these children's journey as well as the journeys of other children we meet on the way as we uncover in an intimate and personal way where they are coming from, what their journeys have been like and how they've gone about it, through to the arrival at their destination their new home, The United States of America."

<https://www.newday.com/film/children-no-mans-land>

What can you do in 2015 to strengthen your spiritual life?



Reminder: There are weekly opportunities to participate in meditation and spiritual sharing groups.

Mondays at 7:00 p.m. — **Zen Meditation**

Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. — **Mindfulness Meditation**

Tuesdays at 6:45 p.m. — **Spiritual conversation**



Caring Team

The **PASTORAL CARING CIRCLE** has been of support to the Pastoral Care Associates by being in touch with Joanne Maciejko or Sue Witte. They have a list of persons who have volunteered for various needs so when an individual might need food or transportation, or any other need, the same can be provided mainly from the names on the original lists. It's hard to tell how many meals/food has been taken to congregants because of our caring congregation. We have provided food when there is a need noted, but our biggest need is in the area of transportation. **50+ hours** have been donated providing rides to and from church.

There are other areas we could use volunteers. You can find out how you can help by attending the **January 25**

Volunteer

Recruitment Meeting at Noon. There is a clip board on the green covered table, too, where you can sign up. It would please us to see you name. Everyone's willingness is appreciated.

— Written by Sue Witte



**Event Starts with
a 5:30 pm Potluck**

**Event Continues
to include a Team
Led Discussion on
"What is Earth
based
Spirituality?"**

**Watch for Jan. 31,
2015 Imbolc
Celebration
starting with a
5:30 pm Potluck**

SAT. JAN 10 2015 AT 5:30 PM IN UU LOUNGE

Join us in a building friendships and community



**Sabbat definition:
A time to rest and
worship**

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Art Wall News

Our January art wall features a photo display by Joyce Singh and Cathy Bolkcom. It features Zen Master Thich Nhat Hanh, a global spiritual leader, poet, and world peace activist. He is revered throughout the world for his powerful teachings and bestselling writings on mindfulness and peace. The calligraphy is done by him. Some of the photos were taken at three various mindfulness retreats he led in Colorado, California and Plum Village in France.

Be sure to enjoy this lovely and powerful display during the month of January.



Monday, January 19 is **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day!** The Youth Religious Education Team will be having a Hot Apple Cider Stand in the social hall to raise money for Cafe on Vine. Below is information about Cafe on Vine.

Cafe on Vine provides a free, lunchtime meal to the needy of the community 365 days each year. It is the only meal site in the Quad Cities to do so. Cafe on Vine was established in November 2007, and since that time, has served over 300,000 meals! We do so with no questions asked, keeping the focus on the dignity and privacy of those seeking a meal. Cafe on Vine is blessed with support from organizations such as the United Way, the Riverboat Development Authority, Scott County Regional Authority and individuals, foundations, churches, groups, and local businesses that all support our mission - in a variety of meaningful ways. Meanwhile, nearly all the food we serve is donated from a wide variety of donors and organizations throughout the Quad Cities area. We couldn't do it without the generosity of our many friends and partners! Cafe on Vine is operated by an independent Board of Directors with members from across the Quad City Area who is committed to our mission - and receives daily support and help from volunteers from throughout the community.

We will run it from **10 am-1 pm** and then take the money we make down to Cafe on Vine. If you and your child would like to come help out please let me know. We will need people to greet, pour, take money, and clean up. Let's make this a day on for our community, not a day off.

UUCQC WEEKLY AGENDA

Thu Jan 8	9:00am – 10:00am	⊕ YOGA - UUCQC ☑ ☑
	10:00am – 1:30pm	⊕ Archives - Unitarian Church, 3707 Eastern Ave, Davenport, IA, United States ☑
	5:30pm – 6:30pm	⊕ YOGA - UUCQC ☑ ☑
	6:30pm – 8:00pm	⊕ Lay Pastoral Care Synergy Meeting - UUCQC ☑
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Fri Jan 9	11:00am – 12:00pm	⊕ YOGA - UUCQC ☑ ☑
	7:00pm – 9:00pm	⊕ Social Justice Movie Night - Unitarian Church, 3707 Eastern Avenue, Davenport, IA 52807, United States
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Sat Jan 10	9:30am – 11:30am	⊕ Friend of Reproductive Justice (coffee and Conversation continues) - Unitarian Church, 3707 Eastern Ave, Davenport, IA 52807, United States
	9:30am – 11:30am	⊕ YOGA - UUCQC ☑ ☑
	5:30pm – 8:00pm	⊕ Earth Based Traditions Team - Unitarian Church, 3707 Eastern Avenue, Davenport, IA 52807, United States
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Sun Jan 11	9:30am – 10:00am	⊕ Children's Choir - UUCQC ☑
	10:00am – 11:00am	⊕ 1st Service with Words For All Ages - UUCQC ☑
	10:00am – 11:00am	⊕ Forum - UUCQC ☑ ☑
	10:15am – 11:15am	⊕ Children's Religious Education Program - UUCQC ☑ ☑
	11:00am – 12:00pm	⊕ Coffee - UUCQC ☑
	11:15am – 12:00pm	⊕ Second Service (45 minute service) - UUCQC ☑
	12:00pm – 1:00pm	⊕ Coffee - UUCQC ☑
	5:30pm – 8:00pm	⊕ VEG Vegetarian Potluck - UUCQC ☑
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Mon Jan 12	9:00am – 10:00am	⊕ Yoga with Kathleen - UUCQC ☑
	11:00am – 12:00pm	⊕ YOGA - UUCQC ☑
	5:30pm – 6:30pm	⊕ YOGA - uucqc ☑ ☑
	7:00pm – 8:00pm	⊕ Zen Meditation - UUCQC ☑
	7:00pm – 8:30pm	⊕ John D & Cindy S. Connection Circle - UUCQC ☑
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Tue Jan 13	11:00am – 12:00pm	⊕ YOGA - UUCQC ☑ ☑
	1:00pm – 2:30pm	⊕ Silent Auction - Unitarian Church, 3707 Eastern Avenue, Davenport, IA 52807, United States
	5:30pm – 6:30pm	⊕ Men's Group With Dick Martin ☑
	5:30pm – 6:30pm	⊕ MINDFULNESS MEDITATION - UUCQC ☑
	5:30pm – 7:00pm	⊕ Leadership Development Team - Unitarian Church, 3707 Eastern Avenue, Davenport, IA 52807, United States
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	⊕ Endowment - Unitarian Church, 3707 Eastern Avenue, Davenport, IA 52807, United States
	6:45pm – 8:15pm	⊕ Spiritual Conversation - UUCQC ☑ ☑
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Wed Jan 14	9:00am – 10:00am	⊕ YOGA - UUCQC ☑ ☑
	5:45pm – 6:45pm	⊕ Choir Practice - UUCQC ☑ ☑
	7:00pm – 8:00pm	⊕ Chime Choir - UUCQC ☑
	7:00pm – 8:30pm	⊕ Happy Human Book Club - UUCQC ☑