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UU News May 22nd 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.)

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This Sunday @ 10 a.m.

May 26th
Peace, Not Pieces
Ministerial Intern Andrea
Hawkins-Kamper

"The greatest challenge of the day is: how to bring about a revolution of the heart, a revolution that has to start with each one of us." These words, attributed to Dorothy Day, speak to Unitarian Universalism's dilemma on this Memorial Day, a day dedicated to the memory of those who have died in military service. How can we grow beyond being anti-war and into being pro-peace?



Next Sunday @ 10 a.m.

June 2nd
Beauty
Rev. Jay Wolin

What is Beauty? We are so culturally inebriated to understand what beauty is. I will explore how we as a society consider beauty. What role does it have in our lives? What are the different ways to consider beauty?



Forum



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

May 26th: In My Own Backyard - Black Hawk Park- Bob Blew

Bob Blew, a Rock Island resident will present a virtual springtime walk through Black hawk State Historic

Site that will include photos of wildflowers, park history, and stories he has gathered during his frequent walks through this local treasure.

June 2nd - Sanctuary - Mike Lazio and the Sanctuary Project will give an update on what has transpired in the year since the Congregation approved becoming a Sanctuary Congregation

Rummage Sale 2019



Lets Get Ready to Rummage

RUMMAGE SALE
Schedule and volunteer roles
YEAH!

We asked for:

Muscles and Moving Machines and in they came.
Brian and Jessie and Darcy and Julie and Ed and Terry.

Now we need hands and eyes, brains and a bit of brawn
We need YOU!

Sign-up sheets are available in the foyer :)

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Sunday, June 2, after Services, we must have VOLUNTEERS to set up tables. Please plan to stay for 20 more minutes to help.

Donations can be brought now and put in the first classroom by the lower level door. CALL FIRST to make sure the church is open.

From Sunday, June 2, until Thursday, June 6at noon, we need you to bring us your treasured donations that are ready to be passed on. Furniture is a big ticket item.

From Monday, June 3 until Thursday, June 6, we need volunteers to sort, clean, polish and arrange items. Come over for an hour or a day. There will be goodies in the kitchen for our generous workers.

We are going to try things a bit differently this year. We will have:

RUNNERS and you will be on the floor noticing when a person's basket or arms are full. You will offer to take the items to the **HOLDING ROOM** after getting their name on the sheet you have in your pocket. In the Holding Room, the **TALLIER** will then tally the items in the box or basket, writing it on the sheet with their new owner's name. When the person comes to get their items, they simply take their items and tally sheet and pay the **CASHIER**. At times we will need a **MUSCLE RUNNER** to help a customer take items to their car. **RUNNERS** will also keep the displays looking nice.

AN IDEA

What about a display of cuttings from your healthy plants? I'd buy herb starters. I'll bring hosta halves, lemon verbena, pretty green and white ground cover.

LASTLY, AND CAUTIOUSLY

We are accepting **HIGH-QUALITY** women's and men's **CLOTHES THAT HAVE BEEN IN FASHION WITHIN THE PAST 10 YEARS**. If we are unable to use them, we will give them to the **Sisters of Humility Housing project** for sale or the homeless.

WHEN: RUMMAGE SALE June 7th and 8th

******IMPORTANT******

Our **RUMMAGE SALE PROFIT** is a **LINE ITEM** in our Congregational budget.

EVERY ITEM YOU DONATE IS VALUABLE because:

***it makes us money to fill that line item**

ASK YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS TO CONSIDER DONATING

Sanctuary News

Letter to The Congregation

One year ago at our annual meeting our congregation approved a resolution to become a Sanctuary Congregation. We agreed to shelter an individual who is facing imminent deportation or internment because of his or her immigration status. This agreement was reached after almost a year of soul searching, discussion, and planning. The Sanctuary Task Force held Forums, Town Hall Meetings, informal discussion groups and information sessions. We conducted an anonymous survey to elicit concerns and attempted to answer those concerns with a Frequently Asked Questions sheet made available to all.

[Link to Sanctuary FAQ](#)

After the vote, the task force became a project and went about preparing for an eventual guest.

- With the help of the Children's Religious Education team we located and equipped a room which is now ready for habitation.
- We created a Quad City Sanctuary Coalition which is now made up of four organizations and six congregations in the Quad Cities which we hope will bring us sufficient time, talent, and treasure to carry out our mission.
- We have set up training courses for volunteers and have trained a core of people enough to begin hosting a guest.
- We have created a set of Policies and Procedures to guide our actions.
- We have established a process for screening potential applicants for sanctuary along with a team to do this work.
- We organized three public information sessions attended by an average of 45 to 50 people.

While we have not yet had a guest accept our offer of sanctuary, there have been a few contacts from people inquiring about our facilities and we have been successful in helping a candidate for asylum find housing and legal representation by matching him up with an agency who had the resources to help him.

On June 2 we will host a Forum at the church beginning at 9:00 to make a presentation of our progress followed by questions and discussion.

Office Staff Opening

We have an opening for an Office Assistant/Bookkeeper. The position is 20 hours a week. Please contact Rev. Jay Wolin at Minister@uucqc.org or 563-284-2223 if you or someone you know is interested.

Adult RE

Wednesdays at 6:30

UU's and Ethics is an 8 week series what will





take place on Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm. We will apply our beliefs, values and convictions to ethical situations by using a "Moral Compass" to address various ethical dilemmas. These classes can be attended individually but it is recommended that one attends as many as possible in order to get the most out of the series.

May 22: Relationships: In a Different Voice
May 29: Values: Is the Golden Rule Enough?
June 5: Character: The Moral Virtuoso

Soul Matters: Connection Circle occurs the last Thursday of the Month from 6:30-8. These sessions may be attended individually but it is recommended that you come monthly in order to foster and meaningful relationship with other attendees.

May 30: Curiosity

If you are interested coming and would like to review the materials before class, or would like to request childcare, please contact Ashley at adultre@uucqc.org.

Grounds Team

Thank you to Grounds Team members Crystal & Gary Tschantz for their annual hard work creating the beautiful potted plant arrangements in the Welcome Garden



Photos Requested for Art Wall

Reminder!

All are invited to drop off or email a photo of yourself/your family to display on the UU Family Wall. All appropriate photos are appreciated! Formal, informal, wedding, vacation, holiday, awkward! We welcome however you wish to be known by the congregation!

In order to become more familiar with our UU Family, please include names and (if desired) UU participation.

Email photos to welcome@uucqc.com
or drop them off at the Art Wall

Please include the names of those included on the picture and if desired list the UU

teams/groups in which they participate.



Game Nights



Every Other Friday Night @ 6 p.m.

Upcoming Dates:

May 31, June 14, 28

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

welcome :)

Youth Religious Ed



From your DRE

Dear Congregant, Parent, Friend-

It's good to see green again and to smell the dirt and rain. We made it through a tough, long winter. Some of us might feel sadder, here, on the other side; and some of us might be happier. Mostly, I hope that we are all feeling stronger

than we were way back in December. It seems to me that our little village of an RE community is getting stronger by the week, if stronger means more tightly-knit, more rhythmic, and more relaxed. We seem to have hit upon a sweet spot in our structure with a regular Sunday looking something like this:

-The nursery is full of lots of babies and toddlers and (amazing, wonderful) childcare providers.

-Children's Chapel One (Preschool/Kindergarten) next door is taught each Sunday by Jill Schutts and Jon Halliday, providing much needed consistency for that particular age group. The RE team and I are so grateful to Jill and Jon for creating rhythm and comfort.

- Ages 6-11 attend Children's worship in the lounge from 10-10:30, and then are sung out to either classes or a collective activity connected to our worship topic.

- The YoUUth are facilitated in conversation by Theresa O'Keefe, our fantastic YoUUth Coordinator. They are exploring topics of systemic oppression as related to our seven principles.

It's been great to watch the kids get into a groove over the weeks, and I very much enjoy deepening my own understanding of our beautiful Unitarian Universalist religion right alongside them. Our community is one of learning and joy, and I'm glad we're all in it together.

Yours in community,
Aubrey Ryan
Director of Religious Education

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 or 563.320.9656 if you have questions or would be interested in leading an activity.

Immigration Project

Community Action!

ONGOING NEED FOR DONATIONS

(Please secure lids with masking tape if possible to prevent leakage)

Let's fill our FIFTEENTH LOAD!!!



Currently, First Pres Food Pantry is caring for the families affected by ICE raids in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. UUCQC is a collection point for donations.

We are in need of the following items for the food pantry at First Presbyterian Church in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. Thanks for any assistance that you can provide.

Food

- vegetable oil
- masa
- dried beans
- plain pasta and rice
- canned fruit & veggies
- canned meats
- sugar and salt
- bottled water

Personal hygiene products

laundry detergent and dish soap
shampoo, tooth paste, and bar soap
tooth brushes, deodorants
paper towels and toilet paper
baby wipes, feminine hygiene products

Call the office 5633590816 before dropping by, please!

General Assembly

Going to GA???

UUCQC is looking for delegates! If you'd like to serve as a delegate at GA in Spokane, Washington this year, please email Amanda or Reverend Jay.

GA 2019



Office Hours

UUCQC Office Hours:

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

Rev. Jay Office Hours:

Call 563-359-0816 or email minister@uucqc.org.

UU News submission deadline:

Every Wednesday at 10 a.m. No exceptions.

Email office@uucqc.org

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