



Westside Unitarian Universalist Church

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One reason people go to church is to develop friendships and find their place in a world that is becoming ever more impersonal. At Westside we seek to be a warm, inclusive community. The center of our community religious life is Sunday worship when we gather to share our common values and our historic tradition. We recognize that the individuals in our church have specific, varied interests, so we have many small groups, classes and committees to appeal to those interests. We also strive to provide a resource for social activities.

Please note that all the following times, facilitators and locations are subject to change. Check the Westside Weekly Memo, church calendar or Sunday Announcements for more information.

Adult Forum John Barnes jbarnes107@gmail.com Forum discussions are held every Sunday during the 10:00 a.m. service. Meetings are held in the East (Glass) Classroom. Topics vary with current events, speaker availability, and group interests. Email John to get on Forum's email list and know the topics in advance.

Adult Education Karen Moore Moorekandk@sbcglobal.net Rotating topics, these classes are held every Sunday during the 11:30 a.m. service. Meetings are held in the East (Glass) Classroom. Please see the Order of Service or Weekly Memo for current topics.

Choir Cathy McConnell music@westsiduu.org You don't have to read music to join. Practices are every other Sunday at the church starting at 8:30 a.m.

Circle Suppers Elizabeth Campbell batescampbell@gmail.com These dinners are held in homes and are a way to get together to share a potluck meal and fellowship in order to create and renew friendships and interactions with others in the congregation.

Contemporary Books Reed Bilz reed.bilz@gmail.com This book group meets to discuss contemporary novels of their choosing. The group meets after the second service every 4th Sunday at the church.

Gentle Yoga Annie Foerster redseamripper@gmail.com Held every Saturday morning at the church at 10am. Postures are specifically designed to be manageable by people of all ages, at all levels of experience and ability. Special care is taken to provide alternative postures for people with limitations or disabilities.

Humanist Book Group Morris Meador meadormorris1@gmail.com This group meets the 4th Saturday of every month at 3 p.m. at the church to discuss the latest writings on religious and secular humanism chosen by the attendees.

Meditation Group Rev. Alex Holt revalexholt@earthlink.net A Buddhist meditation group meets currently on Thursdays from 7-8:15 in the church sanctuary. This group is open to anyone from beginners to advanced meditation practitioners. Instructions will be given on request and no uncomfortable sitting positions are required. Rev. Alex Holt - a long time Zen Buddhist student - leads the group weekly.

Quilting Group Debby Rake dsrake@gmail.com The Quilting and Handiwork group normally meets monthly. Many sewing, quilting and other projects are made for charity and outreach purposes.

Samaritan House Suppers Jay and Suzie Lotven lotven@sbcglobal.net What are the Samaritan House Supper Clubs? The supper clubs consist of volunteers who buy, prepare and serve one weekday meal a month to the residents of Samaritan House. On an annual basis this saves the Samaritan House around \$100,000. The Westside UU Supper Club provides food on the Third Thursday of each month. Over twenty members and friends of Westside routinely participate every third Thursday.

Women of Westside Debby Rake dsrake@gmail.com The third Saturday of each month at 11:30, Women of Westside meet for a brown-bag lunch and program. Use this link to sign on and be reminded: <http://tinyurl.com/westsidewomen>

Young Adults Group Cameron Young: dlre@westsideuu.org Our Young Adults group meets on the 4th Thursday of every month at 7pm at the church followed by an outing for food and drinks. Join other 20 and 30 somethings for fellowship and spiritual and intellectual growth. Other activities include Sunday brunch, regional UU events, worship programming, and various other social events.

WestsideForum@yahogroups.com Craig Bowes me@craigscodes.com This group is open only to Members and Friends of Westside. It provides a forum for the posting of announcements, information, and opinions; encourages spiritual growth and a free, responsible search for truth and meaning through engaging in discourse and conversation; and helps us build community by keeping in contact with one another. *(Instructions to join the Westside Forum follow.)*

WSUU Committees Our committees provide both a way to administer the church as well as provide fellowship and spiritual renewal. See our list of committees *(following)* and the committee brochure in your new member packet and on the website.

WESTSIDE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH COMMITTEE INFORMATION

Ever wonder who does what around the church? Ever wonder how you might be able to help? We need YOU! The church is only as productive and useful as the members make it. We always need new ideas and new energy. Read the committee descriptions below and look for a good fit for you. Then e-mail the committee chair (using the contact list above) and find out what you can do to participate - We'd love to have you!

Adult Education

This committee is responsible for Adult Education and other educational programs.

Aesthetics and Building Use

The Aesthetics and Building Use Committee, a Board appointed committee, will work with the Building and Grounds Committee to create an attractive, informative, and welcoming environment for visitors, friends, and maintain the integrity of our property and the meaningful use of our building. The committee will: develop an aesthetics plan for each fiscal year, review proposals that influence the church's rooms and building such as paint colors, window coverings, furniture, and artwork, liaise with other building use stakeholders as needed.

Building and Grounds

This committee coordinates activities between Westside and the Montessori School and coordinates the physical improvements and general maintenance as needed.

Caring Team

The Caring Team provides food to families who have a bereavement or hospitalization. The Chair of the Caring Team coordinates the preparation and delivery of food; this program relies heavily on volunteers and team members to fulfill its mission.

Children's Religious Education (CRE)

The purpose of this Committee is to develop, organize and support an enriching RE program for the children and youth of our congregation. The committee works with the Director of Lifetime Religious Education (DLRE) to implement this program. This includes planning children and youth events, recruiting and providing support for our teachers, reviewing and updating policies and procedures and with the aid of our teachers, selecting the curricula.

Finance

This committee works with the treasurer in her/his duties, prepares the annual budget, reviews and assesses church investment and insurance policies. We also work with the Stewardship Committee in preparation for the annual stewardship drive.

Green Sanctuary

This committee puts our Seventh Principle into practice by assisting the church in being more environmentally friendly with Green Sanctuary accreditation by the UUA as one of its goals.

Membership

Responsibilities of this committee include creating activities that encourage visitor and member interest and participation. This includes scheduling ushers and greeters, newcomer classes, new member recognition, welcoming phone calls, letters to first time visitors, and other practical ideas to make all feel welcome.

Neighborhood Awareness

This committee works with local neighborhood associations to make our church a better neighbor. We participate in activities and events and advertise our activities to draw our neighbors to us.

Social

The Social Committee plans all social activities for the enjoyment and interest of our church community. These include picnics, holiday parties, talent shows, Karaoke Night, suppers, plays, dances, retreats, movies, etc. We also are responsible for stocking kitchen items and planning potlucks and other meals.

Social Justice

The purpose of this committee is to serve as a focal point for Westside's service and social advocacy efforts with approval from the church board. These activities include providing support for South Central Alliance of Churches, organizing our monthly meal service at Samaritan House, managing our micro bank fund which has distributed \$10K to needy people worldwide, and coordination of other activities related to our local, national and world ministries.

Stewardship

This committee organizes and facilitates the annual stewardship drive asking for financial support from the Members and Friends of Westside.

WESTSIDE FORUM ONLINE

JOIN THE DISCUSSION TO

JOIN:

1. Point your browser to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WestsideForum/>
2. Click the **Join This Group** button.
3. You will then see a form to create a Yahoo ID, or to enter your existing Yahoo ID or Yahoo Mail address.
4. You will then be sent to the "Join This Group" page.
 - Step 1. **Your Contact Information**
Check **Yahoo! Profile** to see that your Yahoo Id is correct.
Check **Email Address** to see that your email is correct. You must enter something in the Comments Box, enter your name.
 - Step 2. **Message Delivery** Choose **Individual email** or **daily digest**
 - Step 3. **Message Preference** Choose **Fully Featured**
 - Step 4. **Last Step**
Enter anti-spam text in the box provided
Click **Join**

For questions or assistance, dig_comm@westsideuu.org