



Westside Unitarian Universalist Church

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Communication Methods

1. **Weekly Web:** submission form on website at http://www.westsideuu.org/forms/weeklyweb_form.php
2. **Westside Story Monthly Newsletter:** e-mail to Cindy Fountain vanessa4907@sbcglobal.net The deadline for submissions to the newsletter is the 15th of the month.
3. **Westside Forum Yahoo Group (see page 7 of this booklet):** <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WestsideForum/>
4. **Westside Church Calendar:** submission form on website at http://www.westsideuu.org/forms/form_calendar.php
5. **Order of Service Insert:** E-mail Cherri at 4myuu@att.net
6. **Committee contacts:**
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 - Board Members: board@westsideuu.org
 - Board President: president@westsideuu.org
 - Board Secretary: secretary@westsideuu.org
 - Board Treasurer: treasurer@westsideuu.org
 - Building Committee: building@westsideuu.org
 - Chaplains: chaplain@westsideuu.org
 - Committee on the Ministry: com@westsideuu.org
 - Director of Religious Education: dre@westsideuu.org
 - Finance Committee: finance@westsideuu.org
 - Green Sanctuary Committee: green@westsideuu.org
 - Membership Committee: membership@westsideuu.org
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 - Music Programs: music@westsideuu.org
 - Religious Education Committee: re@westsideuu.org
 - Social Activities Committee: social@westsideuu.org
 - Social Justice Committee: justice@westsideuu.org
 - The 'Westside Story': newsletter@westsideuu.org
 - Web Master: webmaster@westsideuu.org
 - Worship Committee: worship@westsideuu.org

Finding Your Place @ Westside

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.

Please note that all the following times, facilitators and locations are subject to change. Check the Westside Weekly Memo, church calendar or "Order of Service" insert for current updates.

Pot Luck Sunday Held the 3rd Sunday of every month right after church. A great way to show off your great cooking and get to catch up with fellow Westsiders.

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 9:15 a.m.

Adult Forums Dick Trice trice932@yahoo.com These discussions are held every Sunday at 9:30 Sunday mornings. Meetings are held in the east classroom. Please see our calendar for details.

Not So Great Contemporary Books Reed Bilz rbilz@charter.net This book group meets to discuss contemporary novels of their choosing. The group meets after the service every 4th Sunday at the church.

Bridge Harry and Ruth Van Dam 817-346-7781 harryvandam@sbcglobal.net This group meets the first Sunday of each month. Call or e-mail to make a reservation. Newcomers and experienced Bridge players are all invited.

SMART Recovery and Relationship Enhancement Groups Westside's minister facilitates two groups at church. The SMART Recovery group is an alternative to Alcoholics Anonymous and meets on Tuesday evenings. The Relationship Enhancement Group is open to all couples who desire to concentrate on their relationship skills and often go to dinner and a movie together. More info is available on Russell's personal website.

Lunch Bunch Every Wednesday at 11:30am Westsiders (and friends) gather at a local restaurant for community discussion and a good lunch. Please check the church calendar for current location.

Circle Suppers See website. 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. They will be held 9 times a year usually on the third weekend of the month. No dinners will be held in November, December, and July.

WestsideForum@yahoogroups.com Contact Lin Wells linwells1@yahoo.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.

Karaoke Night Scott Paulson s.c.paulson@juno.com This event is held twice a year on a Saturday evening at the church; check the calendar.

Samaritan House Jay and Suzie Lotven lotven@sbcglobal.net Who 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.

Other Activities include attending local theater, neighborhood events, and museums as a group. Watch for announcements in the Weekly Web.

WSUU Committees In addition, our committees provide both a way to administer the church as well as provide fellowship and spiritual renewal. See the list of committees and the committee brochure in your new member packet and on the website.

WESTSIDE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH COMMITTEE INFORMATION 2011-2012

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 call the committee chair and find out what you can do to participate - We'd love to have you!

Adult Education Chair: Amy Youngblood 817-924-1358 or ybwest@sbcglobal.net
This committee is responsible for Adult Education Forum before church and other educational programs.

Building and Grounds Chair: open position
This committee coordinates activities between Westside and the Montessori School and coordinates the physical improvements and general maintenance as needed.

Finance Chair: Howard McMahan, 817-294-1363 or hmmcmahan@aol.com
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.

Membership Chair: Jeff Bullock, 817-308-0463 or jbull63@gmail.com
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 and calls to absent members, letters to first time visitors, and other practical ideas to make all feel welcome.

Neighborhood Awareness Chair: John Nagely, 817-991-3939 or john@nagely.com
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.

Religious Education (RE) Andrea Petty, 817-838-2007 or uudrepetty@gmail.com
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 Religious Education (DRE) 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.

Social Chair: Paul McClellan, 817-556-9458 or pclaypool@yahoo.com

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

Social Justice Chair: Kristin Pitt, 817-426-1115 or kristinpitt@charter.net

The purpose of this committee is to serve as a focal point for West side's service and social advocacy efforts with approval from the church board.

These activities include providing support for SCAC, Beverly Archibald, 817-346-3303, bevanfw@charter.net; organizing our monthly meal service at Samaritan House, Jay Lotven 817-927-7213, lotven@sbcglobal.net; managing our micro bank fund which has distributed \$10K to needy people worldwide, Myrtle McMahan, 817-294-1363, mahan34@sbcglobal.net; and coordination of other activities related to our local, national and world ministries.

Stewardship Chair: Charles Palmer, 817-233-5198 or cpalmer263@gmail.com

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

Aesthetics and Building Use Chair: Berry Bock, 817-924-4270, jim_and_berry@hotmail.com.

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.

Green Sanctuary Chair: Linda Hanratty, 817-924-6629 or lswenson@yahoo.com

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.

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, lin.wells@yahoo.com