



## *Chaplains report on a Caring Community*

The Chaplains Corps, working with Russell, has been contacting various members whom we've missed seeing or hearing from. If you know of anyone that has been sick or in the hospital, or is having a difficult time, please let Russell or a chaplain know. You may contact us at [Chaplain@westsideuu.org](mailto:Chaplain@westsideuu.org).

If you cannot attend church, and want one of your Joys or Concerns mentioned during that portion of the Sunday morning service, let us know, and we will try to get it included.

Our condolences to member, Mary Ellen Stanton, in the recent loss of her father. Mary Ellen was the founder of our Westside Bridge group, which meets the first Sunday night of the month. She wrote a booklet on the basics of bridge, and gave lessons at the church for those non-players who wanted to learn to play.

Larry Wilson recently had rotator cuff surgery, which also became bicep surgery. His arm will be in a sling for several weeks, but he is progressing very well. Robert Fernandez (aka Nurse Robert) is helping with meals and meds. We miss seeing Larry in church, and look forward to his return. Larry says, "Say an extra prayer for

Robert - Larry is not a good patient."

Charlie Boren had hip surgery on July 6. After some rehab he went home. (According to Louise, he is not wanting to do the exercises they want him to do.) They are aiming to be in Austin by the first of the year.

After spending almost twenty-four hours in emergency, Sandy Olah's mom was admitted into JPS with a colon blockage. It is hoped that medicine will work, but surgery may be necessary. Please keep Sandy and her mom, Lee, in your thoughts and prayers.

Mignon Vogel continues recuperating at home, as does Audrey Weil.

Also, Charlie and Sandra Lord have expressed both a joy and concern that their son, Warren, and granddaughter, Cheyenne, are moving to Colorado. Warren moves to take a new job. We will miss them, but wish them well.

Those on the Chaplains Corps are Beverly Archibald, Caroline Nixon, Diane Jones, Paul Maginnis, and Myrtle McMahan. Please give us a call or e-mail us with any concerns you may have.

# The Westside Story

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Monthly Newsletter of Westside Unitarian Universalist Church

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**Our Mission Statement**  
Westside Unitarian Universalist Church makes a positive difference in the lives of our members, our families, and the world at large through supportive relationships, religious exploration, and social action.

**Our Vision Statement**  
Westside Unitarian Universalist Church will grow and become a more influential liberal religious presence through active service to our community and the world at large.

## Sunday Services

**August 7 - My Own Philosopher** with Dr. Elleven. Russell has a philosopher in his back pocket. He takes out the philosopher every so often to consult. Russell's philosopher is not likely one you have heard of before. But after this Sunday you will know all about him.

**August 14 - Practicing Wicca in the Correllian Tradition** with Reverend Michael Joffrion. Unitarian Universalism draws from many sources, including the spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions. Reverend Michael Joffrion, of the Sacred Fire Temple in Fort Worth, will share with us the beliefs

and practices that encompass the Correllian Tradition of Wicca.

**August 21 - Trust Me!** with Dr. Elleven. You've heard it said before, "Trust Me." Sometimes we are able to trust. Some people we believe to be trustworthy. Other times and people we do not grant our trust. Why is this? Trust Russell to offer an explanation today.

**August 28 - Dagnabit!** with Dr. Elleven. Have you ever wanted to curse at a very inappropriate time? Have you ever let one of the most hellish explosions of vulgarity into the pristine air that surrounds you only to find a child nearby. Russell will offer his profanity laced tirade this Sunday morning.

*A society grows great when old men plant trees whose shade they know they shall never sit in.*

-Greek proverb

*It is useless to attempt to reason a man out of a thing he was never reasoned into.*

-Jonathan Swift

*You only have power over people as long as you don't take everything away from them. But when you've robbed a man of everything, he's no longer in your power -- he's free again.*

-Alexander Solzhenitsyn

### Westside UUC Service Project

Each month at Westside, our undesignated plate offerings are donated to a worthy recipient organization. The following table lists these organizations and our recent contributions to them.

June 2011	Mental Health Mental Retardation Vision	\$819.52
May 2011	South Central Alliance of Churches	\$1,010.67
May 2011	Mobile Recreation Summer Day Camp	\$148.00
April 2011	UUA/UUSC Japan Relief Fund	\$960.25
April 2011	National Transplant Assistance Fund	\$634.41
March 2011	PFLAG	\$754.69
February '11	Aids Outreach	\$1213.74
January '11	Southern Poverty Law Center	\$759.29
January '11	Fund for Nelwyn Schnell	\$768.58
December '10	Tarrant County Foster Parents Assn.	\$1437.45
November '10	South Central Alliance of Churches	\$1228.86
October '10	UUA Association Sunday	\$847.23
October '10	UUA Pakistan Relief	\$528.29
September '10	Samaritan House Dinners meat budget	\$1,229.22
August '10	Planned Parenthood of North Texas	\$1,526.07
June '10	Presbyterian Night Shelter	\$1,006.35
July '10	InReach Fund	\$1,171.60
May '10	South Central Alliance of Churches	\$1687.29
April '10	Trinity Habitat for Humanity	\$900.10
April '10	UU Women's Federation	\$276.05
March '10	Americans for the Separation of Church & State	\$1291.94
February '10	Safe Haven of Tarrant County	\$1092.63
January, '10	UUSC Haitian Relief Fund	\$1751.35
January, '10	Tarrant Area Food Bank Pet Food Division	\$763.61
December, '09	South Central Alliance of Churches (SCAC)	\$852.53
November, '09	Westside InReach	\$1305.01
October, '09	UUA Now is the Time Campaign	\$766.05

# *sunday morning options*

## *Forum*

Forum continues to meet from 9:30 to 10:40 each Sunday morning. Current Events alternates with 30-minute dvd lectures and open discussions on "The Foundations of Western Civilization."

### **August 7 - Current Events**

**August 14** - "The Birth of History--Two great historians, Herodotus and Thucydides"

### **August 21 - Current Events**

**August 28** - "From Greek Religion to Socratic Philosophy", a study of the Pre-Socratic Greek philosophers

Please contact Diane Jones, 817-733-0807 to request child care.

## *CRE News*

### **Connect with CRE**

#### **Social Justice Sunday**

August's CRE community service project is making dog biscuits for the Humane Society of North Texas animal shelter. The children are also asking for donations of the items listed below. Feel free to join us for biscuit making in the fellowship hall during Sunday school time on August 28. Items requested:

Bleach, laundry soap, & dish soap  
Paper towels & cleaning supplies  
Puppy & kitten food (dry & canned)  
Dog & cat food (dry & canned)  
Kitty litter (clay litter preferred)  
Linens, blankets and rugs (all kinds)  
Commode seat covers

(for cat beds)  
Washable cat & dog toys  
Latex exam gloves (non-sterile)  
Stainless steel food & water bowls

Gift cards always welcome:

PetSmart, Target, Walmart, Office Depot, Home Depot, Lowes, Tractor Supply and gas cards

You can bring items to the church and leave them in the designated box outside the CRE workroom in the fellowship hall. Thank you for your support of this project!

### **Weekend of Westside - WOW**

All Westside children and youth are invited to bring their friends and join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. WOW will be held on Saturday August 13, from 3-7pm. Please see Andrea Petty or Tricia Bowes for more information and to sign up.

### **Upcoming Events**

**August 8** - CRE Council Meeting

**August 7-12** - Andrea out for DBLE

**August 13** - WOW 3pm to 7pm

**August 20** - District Teacher Training at First UU in Dallas 9am to 5pm

**August 28** - Service Project Dog Biscuits for Humane Society of North Texas shelter

**August 28** - Westside Teacher Training, 3-7pm at the church.

### **More CRE Info**

Join the conversation and get important CRE information at our Google group by going to [groups.google.com/group/westside](https://groups.google.com/group/westside) and click the link to apply for group membership. If you have any questions you can contact Andrea Petty at [dre@westside.org](mailto:dre@westside.org)

## *New Faces*

### **Meet Robin Garrison**

Robin lives in Fort Worth. He is from Austin, Texas but moved a lot; he's a "Military Brat". His employment and

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*Talking of successful rackets  
modesty deserves a mention.  
Exclamation marks in brackets  
never fail to draw attention.*

*-Piet Hein*

*When nothing seems to help, I go  
and look at a stone-cutter hammering away at his rock perhaps a hundred times without as much as a crack showing in it. Yet at the hundred and first blow it would split in two, and I know it was not that blow that did it, but all that had gone before together.*

*-Jacob A. Riis*

*Every man possesses three characters: that which he exhibits, that which he really has, and that which he believes he has.*

*-Jean-Baptiste Alphonse Karr*

educational background include a Communication Arts Degree. Robin has newspaper and web experience and is a Texas Extension Agent.

Robin's reasons for joining Westside are the members, Russell's reflections, and the way he continues to feel welcomed.

#### **Meet Tonya Garrison**

Tonya is from Austin, Texas and lives in Fort Worth with her spouse Robin. They have two daughters and two sons, and a grandson, Austin Miller. Tonya was a newspaper journalist for twenty years and presently is an editor of three equestrian magazines at the American Paint Horse Association. She is also a professional photographer and a freelance writer.

Tonya's hobbies and talents include photography, writing, horses, salsa dancing, yoga and wine.

She has been a UU since 2001 and decided Westside was the church for her because of the friendliness and openness of everyone and Russell's reflections.

- Spiritual partnerships
- Mind practices
- Body practices
- Soul practices
- Life practices
- Justice practices

You can think of the eight spheres model as a spiritual analogue of the USDA's Food Pyramid. To be well balanced in nutrients, you must eat from all of the different food groups in the food pyramid, yet not every meal need include food from every group. Similarly, engagement with each of the eight spheres over time can lead to a well-balanced spiritual life. To continue with the "food pyramid" analogy, our UU tradition will not tell you specifically what foods you should eat, but the collective wisdom of the world's religions and the insights of modern psychology do point to a general outline of a "healthy diet" for spiritual well-being.

Spirit in Practice program builds on the concept of the eight spheres. Explore new ways to discover and strengthen your spiritual core.

All are welcome, and committed participation enhances the experience for everyone. For more information contact Amy Youngblood at [ybwest@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ybwest@sbcglobal.net).

*Life is a bridge.  
Cross over it, but  
build no house on it.*

*-Indian proverb*

*There are two ways  
of spreading light:  
to be the candle or  
the mirror that  
reflects it.*

*-Edith Wharton*

*Read, every day,  
something no one  
else is reading.  
Think, every day,  
something no one  
else is thinking. Do,  
every day, some-  
thing no one else  
would be silly  
enough to do. It is  
bad for the mind to  
continually be part  
of unanimity.*

*-Christopher  
Morley*

## *in & around westside*

### *Spirit in Practice*

The sessions continue Sundays at church, 7:00 pm.

Drawing on a model developed by the Zen Mountain Monastery in Mount Tremper, New York, for the training of its students, Spirit in Practice focuses on eight spheres of holistic and wholehearted spiritual practices. These eight spheres are:

- Personal spiritual practices
- Communal worship practices

### *August Circle Supper*

**Hosted by Reed Bilz and Beverly Archibald**

The Summer Circle Supper will be a repeat of the one held last August. It will not be limited to a small group, but is open to all Westside adults, starting at 6:30 PM at Villas on the Bluff Clubhouse, 5234 Bryant Irving Rd on Saturday, August 13. Bring something to grill (steak, hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers, Portobello mushroom, chicken or ???) a side dish (salad, veggie, dessert etc.) and BYOB for adult beverages (we will provide iced tea, lemonade, coffee and water).

Parking will be a problem, so please carpool if you can. If needed we will provide "valet parking". Call or e-mail if you plan to attend so we can be sure to have enough utensils, etc.

*Beverly Archibald*  
817-346-3303, *bevanfw@charter.net*  
or  
*Reed Bilz*  
817-292-7974, *rbilz@charter.net*

## *Casino Night Returns in October!*

Mark Saturday October 8, on your calendars. CASINO NIGHT. Black Jack, Holdem' Poker, Craps, and Roulette----Plus, Karaoke for those who don't gamble. If you would like to take part, (we need dealers), please contact Bill Russell or Paul McClellan. This is a fun fundraiser for Westside.

## *Westside Camping in October*

Here's a little heads-up for those who Camp! This year's Westside Fall Camping Trip will be October 14-16. Sign up starts in September.

## *Where's Russell in August?*

I have done a great deal of traveling these last couple of months. I have traveled to Massachusetts, to North Carolina, to Maine, to Pennsylvania and to Oklahoma. In August, whether you want me or not, I'll be in Fort Worth the entire month! On the 7th, 21st, and 28th I will deliver reflections to Westside. On the 14th I will facilitate Joys and Concerns and our day in UU history. I love to travel. But, these days, I love to come home to Westside even

more! Below you will find my appointment times for the month. During appointment times, I meet with Westsiders in my church office, in their homes, in a coffee shop, at a restaurant, sometimes in their places of work, or whatever best fits our schedules. In order to set a time to meet during these hours, just shoot me an email at *relleven@gmail.com* for the quickest response. Otherwise, give me a call at home (817.370.2171) and I'll get back to you as soon as my schedule allows.

So, August appointment times will look like this:

**Tuesday, August 2nd, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, August 4th, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, August 9th, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, August 11th, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, August 16th, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, August 18th, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, August 23rd, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
**Thursday, August 25th, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, August 30th, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Remember, Mondays are my day off, so emails or calls on those days often receive a slower response.

*Peace!*  
*Russell*

## *Board Minutes Available to Westsiders*

Copies of the minutes of all regular Westside Board meetings, from the beginning of FY 2009 to the present, may be found in a binder in the church office. Some attachments, such as reports from church committee meetings, are not yet included, but should be added very soon. Where available, there are also copies of the financial reports provided to the board by Westside's treasurer. Please do not remove the binder or its contents from the office.

*Thanks,*  
*Suzie Lotven, Board Secretary*

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*The price of freedom  
of religion or of  
speech or of the press  
is that we must put  
up with, and even  
pay for, a good deal  
of rubbish.*

*-Robert H. Jackson*

*If a man does not  
keep pace with his  
companions, per-  
haps it is because  
he hears a different  
drummer. Let him  
step to the music  
which he hears,  
however measured  
or far away.*

*-Henry David  
Thoreau*

*The measure of a  
man's real character  
is what he would  
do if he knew he  
would never be  
found out.*

*-Thomas Babing-  
ton Macaulay*

## *Are you a new member?*

In order to keep the pictorial directory fairly current, we schedule picture appointments on an on-going basis. Pictures for the directory are taken by Mary Cretlinger, a professional photographer and a member of Westside UU, at no charge to you. For more information and to set a time for your photo contact Mary at 817-292-7766, or [marycret@yahoo.com](mailto:marycret@yahoo.com), or [www.marycret.com](http://www.marycret.com)

## *opportunities to learn & serve*

### *Sound System Helpers*

#### *Wanted*

Bill Terry is looking for three people to help out with managing our sound system during the Sunday service.

Qualifications for these helpers are:

**Coming to church on Sunday by 10:15.  
Willing to sit at back of  
Sanctuary during service.  
Not afraid of electronics.  
Commit to running sound  
once every 8 weeks.**

Prior Sound System experience is not necessary, only a willingness to learn. Please contact Bill either by phone (817-249-7341) or email. ([terrynoerbill@sbcglobal.net](mailto:terrynoerbill@sbcglobal.net))

### *Humanists of Fort Worth*

We meet on the second Wednesday evening of each month. Our July meeting welcomed 24 visitors to hear a talk on the separation of church and state by Dr. Don Jackson, a superior presentation of this vital function of democracy. For more information see Gene Gwin, Chair of HOFW.

## *Quilting/Handiwork Group*

The Westside quilters group is changing its regular meeting time from the second Sunday of the month to the third. We will be meeting from 1:00 to 4:00 after Potluck from now on. Everyone is invited; no skills are required. Bring a sewing machine and tools if you have them; we are happy to share. You can help make small quilts for the children of Samaritan House or work on your own project. If you have any questions talk to Debby Rake at 817-473-2414 or [dsrake@gmail.com](mailto:dsrake@gmail.com).

### *Contemporary Books*

The Contemporary Book Group will meet August 28 at the church, after church, to discuss Mennonite in a Black Dress by Rhoda Janzen. We have some new members who have made some suggestions for future books. Join our discussion of this popular memoir and help choose future selections.

### *Energy Blast at the Museum*

Westside's Green Sanctuary Committee needs your help! We are critiquing the Fort Worth Science Museum's Energy Blast exhibit as a social justice project to qualify for the national UU Green Sanctuary status.

We ask that Westsiders and our friends visit the exhibit (which focuses on natural gas) to note your observations and questions pro and con. (It takes 30-45 minutes.) Give your notes to Linda Jenkins or anyone on the committee. Linda will compile notes and draft a letter with commendations and recommendations on Westside's behalf to the museum's curatorial staff. We will follow up to insist concerns be addressed. We will organize group events if needed. And of course

*All that glitters is  
not gold  
Often have you  
heard that told  
Many a man his  
life hath sold  
But my outside to  
behold  
Gilded tombs do  
worms enfold.*

*-William Shake-  
speare*

*Men, said the  
Devil / are good to  
their brothers / they  
don't want to mend  
/ their own ways,  
but each other's.*

*-Piet Hein*

*Mausoleum, noun.  
The final and fun-  
niest folly of the  
rich.*

*-Ambrose Bierce*

individuals can go alone at any time. We need several dozen folks to contribute.

Please help with this interesting environmental project.

*Linda Jenkins - for the Green Sanctuary Committee*

## *Seventh Principal Notes:*

### *Green Movie Night*

The Green Sanctuary Committee's Green Movie Night on Thursday, June 30, attracted an enthusiastic crowd of some two dozen to view Home, the Movie. This beautifully photographed documentary film, narrated by Glen Close, outlined the damage done to the earth by humans, particularly since 1950. The last ten minutes of this two-hour movie showed some of the good things people are doing to reverse current damage, but the overall tone was pretty grim. In the discussion that followed, participants cited overpopulation and corporate greed as two of the major causes of the earth's environmental problems. But each of us contributes to the problems, even those of us who try to be good stewards of the earth. The Green Sanctuary Committee hopes to screen a movie of environmental importance at least quarterly, so keep watching for the next event. And if you have a suggestion for a green movie, please let us know. A special thanks to Torah Bontrager, who spearheaded this event, and to Kristen Pitt, of the Social Justice Committee, who provided refreshments.

## *Green Sanctuary Committee Meeting*

Reminder: The next Green Sanctuary Committee Meeting will be on August

14 at 12:30 p.m. All interested Westsiders are welcome. Please come with ideas to help green our congregation and to discuss our October 2, 2011, worship service on water issues.

## *Four Tips to Save Water in Your Garden*

### **From the National Wildlife Federation**

**Garden design:** Group plants with similar moisture requirements close together, matching them with appropriate yard conditions—sunny, shady, damp, dry. Then target watering only on the vegetation that needs it.

**Plant selection:** Focus on plants that are native to your area. They survive with natural rainfall, are resistant to local plant diseases and pests, and provide the best food sources for wildlife.

**Efficient irrigation:** Water infrequently, deeply and thoroughly. This prevents runoff and encourages deeper root growth. Plants with deep roots develop greater resistance to dry spells.

**Maintenance:** Apply mulch, such as bark or leaves, to planting beds. This helps soil retain moisture, discourages thirsty weeds and provides plants with essential nutrients.

## *Kennedy Micro Fund News*

Westside's Kennedy Fund made its 200th gift last month with a loan to Nicaraguan farmer David Antonio to help him through the bean growing season on his ten acres. Antonio's wife expects her first child in a few months. We have now made over \$25,000 in loans through Kiva.org from our "seed" money of approximately \$6000. The loans were made during our monthly Social Justice

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*Why is it that one can look at a lion or a planet or an owl or at someone's finger as long as one pleases, but looking into the eyes of another person is, if prolonged past a second, a perilous affair?*

*-Walker Percy*

*It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it.*

*-Aristotle*

*A chief event of life is the day in which we have encountered a mind that startled us.*

*-Ralph Waldo Emerson*

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Committee meeting, and the event was a big success. Thanks to chair, Kristin Pitt, for her leadership and to Myrtle McMahan for honchoing the Kiva project.

Kiva, founded in 2005, has awarded over \$227 million in loans from 600,000 donors with a 99% repayment rate.

### *Vegan Potluck Saturday, August 27th!*

Have you ever wanted to eat in a healthier way but didn't know where to start? Have you ever wanted to eliminate animals and animal products as a way of eating more compassionately? Have you ever wanted to eat lower on the food chain so as to be kinder and gentler to the earth? Have you ever wanted to hang out with others who want these same things? If you answered "yes" to any of these, please consider joining the Monthly Vegan Potluck group. We will hang out together, eat good food and exchange recipes. Vegan Potlucks will take place on the fourth Saturday of each month at 5:00 p.m. August's Vegan Potluck is set for the 27th.

Here's how the potluck will work:

Please arrive early (4:30 p.m.) if possible so you can help set up tables and chairs  
Bring a VEGAN dish

Bring the recipe for your VEGAN dish (or be prepared to email it to others)

In place of a prayer, we will light a chalice and join in a Responsive Reading before the meal

Eat and enjoy

Talk with other potluckers

Look for dishes you like

Help clean up...

**COME BE WITH US!!**

Contact Russell Elleven, Laurie Hagstrom or Andrea Petty if you have any questions about the Monthly Vegan Potluck!

## *our wider community*

### *Bring Toiletries for SCAC in August*

Each year we are given two months in which to help South Central Alliance of Churches replenish their supplies of food and toiletries. August is our month for toiletries. The needs are listed below. Please get full sized items (not the travel size - these are for families) and bring them to the church any Sunday during the month of August. Put them in the big red cart which will be by the entrance door. At this time SCAC, especially needs toilet tissue, shampoo, feminine pads and shaving cream, but the needs may have changed by August.

A complete toiletry pack is listed below:

**Family (regular) size:**

**Shampoo**

**Tissue (2rolls)**

**Soap (2bars)**

**Deodorant**

**Razors (2)**

**Shaving cream**

**Toothpaste**

**Pads, lotion, toothbrushes are extra items kept on hand when requested**

If you would like to donate an entire toiletry pack, that would be appreciated, however, individual donations of the needed items are always appreciated. Watch the sales, clip coupons, and help out by replenishing the shelves at SCAC. Believe me, our efforts are really appreciated, both by the clients and by Tiel Jenkins, the Director of SCAC.

*The liar's punishment is not in the least that he is not believed, but that he cannot believe anyone else.*

*-George Bernard Shaw*

*Belief in the supernatural reflects a failure of the imagination.*

*-Edward Abbey*

*The hands that help are better far Than lips that pray. Love is the ever gleaming star That leads the way, That shines, not on vague worlds of bliss, But on a paradise in this.*

*-Robert Green Ingersoll*



*Self Management and  
Recovery Training (SMART)*

These confidential meetings are held each week at Westside on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. for those who want or need to discuss strategies for confronting addictive behaviors. The group is sponsored by the Humanists of Fort Worth as an alternative to traditional 12-step meetings requiring belief in a higher power. For more information contact Russell at rellev-en@gmail.com or go to [www.rke.cc](http://www.rke.cc).

*Save the Date:  
Sept. 10, 2011*

**Run for Life Suicide Prevention  
Coalition of Tarrant County**

We would love for you or your organization to help make our 1st Annual Run for Life 5k/Fun Run a success.

Pre/Post Race Volunteer  
Opportunities or Join the Race

**Stuff Race Bags at the Mental Health  
Association of Tarrant County:**

3136 West 4th St, Fort Worth

**Race Bag/T-Shirt Pick Up  
at Luke's Locker:  
2600 West 7th St, Fort Worth**

**Race Day Opportunities at the  
Trinity Park Arts Pavilion: 2401  
University Dr, Fortt Worth**

To register for the race: [www.active.com/running/fort-worth-tx/run-for-life-2011](http://www.active.com/running/fort-worth-tx/run-for-life-2011)

Contacts:  
Scott Paulson: [s.c.paulson@juno.com](mailto:s.c.paulson@juno.com)  
or  
Mental Health Assoc. of Tarrant  
County: 817-335-5405

*Grand Opening for SCAC  
School-based Clinic*

Save the date! At 2 p.m. on Monday, September 19, the new school-based clinic will open. Westside's Social Justice Committee had a hand in this, not only as a part of the South Central Alliance of Churches, but also in preparing the application.

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The deadline for submissions to the newsletter is the 15th of the month.*

# Westside Unitarian Universalist Church

## Our Board

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Stuart Cheney, Jane Palmer, Jessica Zinn

## By The Numbers

June	11am adults	11am kids	Total
June 5	124	24	148
June 12	129	35	164
June 19	92	20	112
June 26	92	18	110
Average	109.25	24.25	133.5



This congregation has taken part in the UUA Welcoming Congregation Program to become more inclusive towards bisexual, gay, lesbian, and/or transgender people.

## The 7 UU Principles

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience & the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

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## How are we doing?

Do you feel that our church is doing something right? Should we be doing more or less of something? Should we be doing something different? If so, let the Committee on Ministry (COM) know. The committee also wants to know if you have a criticism, concern, or question. Look for us after the service, call us, or email us at [COM@westsideuu.org](mailto:COM@westsideuu.org).

## Committee on Ministry

Linda Hanratty  
Jeff Rodriguez  
Joy Counts  
Lonnie Goins  
Scott Paulson

When you have finished reading your Westside Story, share it with a potential UU.