



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.

Congratulations to Bob Vann and Linda Hanratty on their recent engagement!

Ken and Lois Robison's daughter has made it through heart surgery and will be recovering at a nursing home.

Tom and Sue Lewis are moving to Dallas to be closer to their children and grandchildren - we'll miss you!

The placement of two toddler boys in Mark McMurry's home for possible adoption turned out to be unsuitable - Mark misses them very much but is hopeful for a future adoption.

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.

Sunday Services

October 2 - *The Secret Life and Turbulent Future of Trinity Water* with Shelly Hattan. It seems that the role of water in our everyday lives is constantly overlooked - until we have flooding or drought. Shelly Hattan will review some of the history of how the Fort Worth area has dealt with these two extremes and will draw upon her experience in the water industry to reflect on what the future may hold for the region.

October 9 - *Why Sabbatical?* with Dr. Russell Elleven. Have you heard that Russell is leaving Westside from March until September of next year? This Sunday morning he will tell you what this time period will look like for him and the church.

October 16 - *What Are We Selling Children?* with Dr. Russell Elleven. Children are vulnerable in many ways. They are also viewed to be targets of advertisers. What is going on here? Russell will tell you the little he knows of this subject on this Sunday morning.

October 23 - *Why Do You Believe That?* with Dr. Russell Elleven. As we approach Halloween, we may also remember some beliefs that are likely different from those we hold today. Why do we believe the things we do? Russell will take a scary stab at this question.

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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.

October 30 - Blessing of the Animals. In the Roman Catholic tradition, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi (1182-1226) is held in October. St. Francis was a monk who founded the contemporary order of Franciscans. He was known for his vow of poverty and his special connection to animals, among many other things. Many Unitarian Universalists have picked up on the Catholic tradition of blessing animals, particularly pets. On this day, we will gather to celebrate our animal friends and family.

October 16 - Lecture 14 by Professor Noble, "The Failure of the Polis and the Rise of Alexander": How and why did the great city states of Greece come to failure.

October 23 - Open discussion of Current Events.

October 30 - Lecture 15 by Professor Noble, "The Hellenistic World": A prosperous time when science and literature flourished, Stoicism and Epicureanism developed and women were given more respect.

sunday morning options

Forum

October 2 - Lecture 13 by Professor T.F.X. Noble, "Plato and Aristotle": By the end of this lecture we'll see why Raphael's great painting of "The School of Athens" has Plato pointing up and Aristotle pointing down.

October 9 - Open discussion of Current Events.

CRE News

Connect with CRE

Fall is here even if the cool weather isn't. We have a fun-packed year planned for our kids.

In their classes the children will be exploring Unitarian Universalist themes through the UUA Tapestry of faith curriculum. This new curriculum from the UUA is completely free to UU churches and available online. If you would like to view it, you can at <http://www.uua.org/religiouseducation/curricula/tapestryfaith/>

*Naive you are
 if you believe
 life favours those
 who aren't naive.*

-Piet Hein

*Clear thinking
 requires courage
 rather than intel-
 ligence.*

-Thomas Szasz

*Religious freedom
 should work two
 ways: we should be
 free to practice the
 religion of our
 choice, but we must
 also be free from
 having someone
 else's religion
 practiced on us.*

-John Irving

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.

August 2011	Free the Slaves	\$1,030.91
July 2011	Samaritan House Dinner Fund	\$1,082.64
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

index.shtml. We are using "Love Will Guide Us" for the Anthony Class, "Windows and Mirrors" for the Alcott and Young Classes, and "Heeding the Call" for the Emerson Class.

Social activities for the fall will kick off with the always popular Westside Halloween Party, followed by other activities such as the Fall RE in the park, Ornament Decorating party, Valentine's party, and Spring Fling.

Something new this year is our monthly Gathering. On first Sunday of every month, children of all ages gather together for a service of their own. We tried this out over the summer, and it was very successful. It was an opportunity for the entire student body to bond as a group, and experience a worship service of their own.

Another change we are carrying over from the summer is 5th Sunday activities. During months where there are five Sundays, the last Sunday is reserved for a group art or service project.

As always the CRE is grateful for the tremendous support we receive from the Westside community!

We are continually on the lookout for volunteers. There are long-term and short term volunteer opportunities. Please contact Andrea Petty or Tricia Bowes for more information.

Upcoming Events

- Oct. 2, 9, & 23 - Bell Choir Practice**
- Oct. 8 - Middle School RumpUUs**
- Oct. 10 - CRE Council meeting 6:30pm at the church**
- Oct. 29 - CRE Halloween Party**

More Info:

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

in & around westside

New Faces

Meet Heidi Irgens

Heidi grew up in Missouri, then moved to Maryland at age nineteen. She had a stint away from home at thirteen to attend a performing arts academy. She married Stuart Cheney in 1994, and moved to Texas in 2005. Her father is an immigrant from Norway, and she grew up in a Norwegian culture but not with the language. She has traveled to Norway several times to visit her family there. Heidi and her husband also lived in France for a year. Heidi has both a BA and MA in music and intends, someday, to pursue a certificate in American Sign Language interpretation. She has worked as a cafeteria server, college secretary, temporary receptionist, legal secretary, natural food grocery store manager, music teacher, singer, violist, congressional hearings clerk, proofreader, editor, and is, presently, a substitute teacher.

Heidi grew up in the Lutheran church and still considers herself a Lutheran. "I like that my husband and I with our different religious backgrounds can both feel comfortable and welcome at Westside".

Meet Gail Kilman

Gail is from Fort Worth. She is a retired history teacher and college adviser. She has a BA and MA in history from TCU and a PhD from the University of Delaware. Gail has been married to John for 45 years. They have one daughter and three cats. She enjoys reading and knitting and is a long-time fan of TCU football, Red Sox baseball, and is a new fan of the New York Jets and Cincinnati Bengals.

Spiritually and intellectually, Gail feels like Westside is home.

Meet John Kilman

John is from Fort Worth. He has a BA and MA from TCU and is a retired

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*We have, I fear,
confused power
with greatness.*

-Stewart I. Udall

*There are stars
whose radiance is
visible on Earth
though they have
long been extinct.
There are people
whose brilliance
continues to light
the world though
they are no longer
among the living.
These lights are
particularly bright
when the night is
dark. They light the
way for human-
kind.*

-Hannah Senesh

*The tax which will
be paid for the
purpose of educa-
tion is not more
than the thou-
sandth part of
what will be paid
to kings, priests,
and nobles who
will rise up among
us if we leave the
people in ignorance.*

-Thomas Jefferson

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English Professor. He has been married to Gail for 45 years; they have one daughter and three cats. John enjoys reading British mysteries, playing tennis and is a TCU sports fanatic.

John has been a long-time UU, and he feels he belongs at Westside.

Casino Night - October 8

Come one, come all to our Casino Night fundraiser for a great evening on Saturday, October 8, 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm! You can sing Karaoke if you don't want to play Blackjack, Poker, Craps or Roulette. Childcare will be available, plus snacks and liquid refreshment and a drawing for prizes. Bring your friends!

We need wine, beer and snack foods. Bonus chips are available with wine & beer donations:

1 bottle of wine - \$500.00 dollars in chips

2 bottles of wine - \$1000.00 in chips and a ticket for the drawing

6 pack of beer - \$1000.00 in chips and a ticket for the drawing

Please let Paul McClellan (jmclaypool@yahoo.com; 817-556-9458), Cindy Fountain (vanessa4907@sbcglobal.net; 817-648-0441) or Bill Russell (BillRuss@tx.rr.com; 817-465-3355) know if you wish to donate.

Everyone Is Invited!

What: Joe Hardy invites you to celebrate Carla's 70th Birthday

When: Saturday October 15, at 5:30-9 PM.

Where: 3401 North Bay Breeze Lane, FW, 76179

Bring yourselves, BYOB. We provide food, tea, punch, sodas, cake and good cheer. (no gifts, please) RSVP - 832-794-1621 or carla555@att.net

Directions:

From Westside - go 8th Av, to Henderson (Rte 199) go L, to Boat Club/1220 go Rt, pass Marina One on L see Harbour View Est, on Rt. (gate code 10101) go up hill to red brick house on L.

From Saginaw - follow Rte 287 N to Bailey-Boswell go L, at Boat Club go Rt to Harbour View Estates on Rt.

Where's Russell in October?

October will begin with me out of town, so I will miss the first Sunday of the month. I will deliver reflections on the 9th, 16th and 23rd. Additionally, I will be present to facilitate Joys and Concerns on the 30th.

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, October appointment times will look like this:

Tuesday, October 4th, 9 am - 1 pm
Thursday, October 6th, 9 am - 1 pm
Tuesday, October 11th, 9 am - 1 pm
Thursday, October 13th, 9 am - 1 pm
Tuesday, October 18th, 9 am - 1 pm
Thursday, October 20th, 9 am - 1 pm
Tuesday, October 25th, 9 am - 1 pm
Thursday, October 27th, 9 am - 1 pm

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

Peace!
Russell

*Out of the quarrel
with others we
make rhetoric; out
of the quarrel with
ourselves we make
poetry.*

*-William Butler
Yeats*

*It is fortunate to be
of high birth, but it
is no less so to be of
such character that
people do not care
to know whether
you are or are not.*

-Jean de la Bruyere

*There comes a point
when a man must
refuse to answer to
his leader if he is
also to answer to
his own conscience.*

-Hartley Shawcross

Westside T-Shirt Contest

Hey Westsiders! The T-Shirt Contest will be coming to an end, October 31. Please get your submissions in. Remember that this is a design contest for the front; we will be keeping the seven principles on the back. This contest is open to all Westsiders, young, old, and in-between. Symbols, phrases, pictures, art - any ideas should be submitted that fit with Westside and UUism. The Social Justice bulletin board has a box for submissions, or you can email your idea to: kristinpitt@att.net.

Committee Spotlight

The COM, or Committee on Ministry, may be the most misunderstood committee that a congregation has. As its name implies, the committee focuses heavily on the church's ministry. This includes performing an annual evaluation of the minister and responding to any concerns regarding his or her work in the church.

However, the COM is not just an evaluation board; nor is it intended to be just a "support group" for the minister. In fact, the COM has a much broader mission, which entails monitoring the quality of the relationship between the minister and the congregation, including its volunteers and employees.

In practice, this means that members of the COM are continually educating themselves about what is happening in the ministry, modeling the healthy relationship they want other members to have with the minister and church, and assessing congregational life in general. The real goal of the COM, then, is to have all church members share the responsibility of helping the church have a robust ministry. As the UUA notes, "Together, the minister and the COM share the responsibility of exploring and educating the congregation about . . . the partnerships and trust necessary to bring that ministry to its fullest blossoming."

In addition to being misunderstood, the COM is one of the few committees that members can join only by invitation. The committee meets once a month, or more frequently if needed, and members typically serve a two-year term. Current members of the COM are Joy Counts, Lonnie Goins, Linda Hanratty, Scott Paulsen and Jeff Rodriguez (chair). If you would like to learn more about the committee, please feel free to contact Jeff at 817-937-5476.

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 Cretsingler, 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, or www.marycret.com

Highlights from August 17 Board Meeting

At the August 17, 2011 Board Meeting, the Board decided or approved the following:

- Divided up sections of Russell's evaluation amongst Board members. The Board will review and approve the combined document at the September Board meeting.
- Assigned responsibility for each of the strategic plan goals for this fiscal year to individual Board Members. Each Board member will be responsible for understanding the goal and getting the right stakeholders involved to realize the goal.
- Approved the September plate offering recipient, Westside InReach Fund, based on the Social Justice Committee's recommendation.

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I'd like to widen people's awareness of the tremendous timespan lying ahead -- for our planet, and for life itself. Most educated people are aware that we're the outcome of nearly 4bn years of Darwinian selection, but many tend to think that humans are somehow the culmination. Our sun, however, is less than halfway through its lifespan. Six billion years from now, it will not be humans who watch the sun's demise. Any creatures that then exist will be as different from us as we are from bacteria or amoebae.

-Martin Rees

The religion of one age is the literary entertainment of the next.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Transport of the mails, transport of the human voice, transport of flickering pictures -- in this century, as in others, our highest accomplishments still have the single aim of bringing men together.

-Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Said a hunted fox followed by twenty horsemen and a pack of twenty hounds, "Of course they will kill me. But how poor and how stupid they must be. Surely it would not be worth while for twenty foxes riding on twenty asses and accompanied by twenty wolves to chase and kill one man."

-Khalil Gibran

It is not what we do, but also what we do not do, for which we are accountable.

-Moliere

- Discussed possible organizers of the Committee Fair to take place on Sept. 11, 2011.

- Approved that Russell Elleven and Cherri Mayberry attend the upcoming NTAUUS media training.

- Approved funds for room dividers for RE classrooms.

- Approved funds for green light switches for the Green Sanctuary and Building and Maintenance Committees.

- Appointed Tricia Bowes as the new chair of the Children/Youth Religious Education Council.

The Board will have its annual Board retreat on Sept. 25. At the retreat, the Board will discuss ideas for improving our church governance structures, as well as create a Board covenant.

Approved minutes from the Board meeting, as well as the monthly financial statements, which are always available for review in the church office. Financial statements are available from July 2010 to the present. Finally, members are always welcome to observe Board meetings, which are usually scheduled for the third Wednesday of every month.

--Gwen Gipson, President of Westside Board of Directors

opportunities to learn & serve

Contemporary Books

The Contemporary Book Group will meet October 23, at church, after church, to discuss *Persepolis I & II* by Marjane Satrapi, a graphic memoir about growing up in Iran. December 4, we will discuss *Glory Cloak* by Patricia O'Brien, a historical novel about Louisa May Alcott and Clara Barton (UUs).

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. Contact Tricia Bowes at tricia@bowes-family.com

Seventh Principal Notes—

Green Sanctuary

Your Green Sanctuary Committee continues to progress towards our goal of UUA Green Sanctuary certification. Below is an outline of the projects in progress and those proposed. We plan to have another Green Movie Night soon and a Pick-up Picnic in the Park next spring. If you have other ideas, or would like to help with any of these projects, please contact Linda Hanratty or Bob Vann and plan to attend our next committee meeting on Sunday, October 9, after church.

Projects in Progress

Energy Blast - A number of Westsiders have critiqued the Energy Blast exhibit in an objective manner, making sure to document their findings. We hope you will visit the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History in the Cultural District, and in the course of visiting their many displays, also critique this exhibit. Once we have sufficient input, we will present our findings and recommendations to the museum's staff and board, and if not satisfied with their response, go public with them. Linda Jenkins is coordinating this effort.

Energy Savings - The installation of motion sensing detectors for overhead lighting in selected areas of the church and programmable thermostats on all heating/AC units is in progress. This is a cooperative effort with the Building and Grounds Committee.

Worship Service - The Trinity: The River That Is - This October 2, worship service highlights our own Trinity River,

our major water supply. Shelly Hattan will carry the water on this one.

Proposed Projects

SCAC Light Globe Give Away - distribution of energy-saving Compact Fluorescent Light bulbs (CFLs) through the South Central Alliance of Churches (SCAC). SCAC has a food pantry and provides other assistance to persons in need in the low-income area where our church is located. The idea is to provide replacement low-energy CFLs to the users of the food pantry. Depending upon cost/demand, we might try to partner with other churches in SCAC to meet the need.

Monthly Battery Recycling - Have a box at the church on the second Sunday of the month for members and friends to deposit used batteries. After the service, a volunteer will take the batteries to the local hazardous waste depository. Spring Worship Service - tentatively planned on the subject of air quality in our area: what it is and how we can help improve it.

Vegan Potluck!

Saturday, October 22

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 pm.

You can sign up on our meetup.com website located at: <http://www.meetup.com/Vegan-Potluck-WUUC/>

Here's how the potluck will work:

Please arrive early. 4:30 pm 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!

Tips for Managing Home Energy Use

Courtesy of Atmos Energy

Insulate old windows using storm or thermal windows with double-paned glass.

Seal leaks around windows, doors, and openings such as pipes and ducts, using caulking and weather stripping.

Put water-flow restrictors in showerheads and faucets to reduce your water use. Water-saving showerheads and faucet aerators can save up to 50 percent on your water use. We installed water-saving showerheads, finally, and they work better than the old water-wasters.

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One of the great tragedies of mankind is that morality has been hijacked by religion.

-Arthur C. Clarke

Loyalty to a petrified opinion never yet broke a chain or freed a human soul.

-Mark Twain

The most dangerous of all falsehoods is a slightly distorted truth.

-Georg Christoph Lichtenberg

The tragedy of life is what dies inside a man while he lives.

-Albert Schweitzer

Close vents and doors in unused rooms, and close cabinet and closet doors on outside walls, which can leak a good deal of air.

Humanists of Fort Worth

We meet on the second Wednesday evening of each month. The next one is October 12, 7:00 pm at the church. Program to be announced. For more information see Gene Gwin, HOFW Chair.

Quilting/Handiwork Group

The Westside quilters group meets October 23 this month. We will be meeting from 1:00 to 4:00. 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.

*By a free country,
I mean a country
where people are
allowed, so long as
they do not hurt
their neighbours, to
do as they like. I do
not mean a country
where six men may
make five men do
exactly as they like.*

-Robert Cecil

*All changes, even
the most longed for,
have their melancholy;
for what we leave
behind us is a part
of ourselves; we
must die to one
life before we can
enter another.*

-Anatole France

*There is more to life
than increasing its
speed.*

*-Mohandas
Karamchand
Gandhi*

our wider community

Are You Interested in Interfaith Dialogue?

Westside's minister has joined a coalition of people from other faith traditions called The Multicultural Alliance. The efforts of the organization are focused primarily on Tarrant County. For years the organization has concentrated on relationships between Jews, Christian, and Muslims. However, today the organization is expanding its outreach to other recognized religions. You can learn more about the MCA at www.mcatexas.com.

MCA is hoping for two people from

Westside to attend a series of dialogues. Attendees will respond to other traditions from their own perspective and religious experience. The dialogues take place on Wednesday nights at different venues. The upcoming dialogue dates are:

October 26, November 2, 9, 16, 30 and December 7.

If you are interested in taking part in this exciting experience, please contact Russell (relleven@gmail.com) as soon as possible.

Pride Parade and Picnic

There may still be time for you to join Westside at the 30th Annual Pride Parade. Please contact Cindy Fountain at vanessa4907@sbcglobal.net, 817-648-0441, if you would like to participate. The parade will run down Main St. from Weatherford St. to Seventh St. in downtown Fort Worth. It takes place Saturday morning, October 1, 10:00 am. And, you may want to head out to the picnic at Trinity Park (off 7th St) from noon to 6 pm, October 2. Lots of fun!

CRE & Social Justice

Westsidiers donated money for ten shirts for school uniforms to the SCAC, South Central Alliance of Churches.

Thanksgiving Baskets for our Neighbors

This year Westside UU Church will again be participating, through South Central Alliance of Churches (SCAC), in providing Thanksgiving dinners to needy people in our neighborhood.

SCAC will purchase the turkeys, for which the clients will pay \$5.00 if they are able to do so. In 2010, SCAC provided food to over 400 families at Thanksgiving. SCAC anticipates having

more requests this year than last year. We will have a poster with items on it that people will select and fill, and then bring back to the church by November 13. The Sunday before we take them to SCAC, we will fill the bags with each item required.

In 2010, Westside provided 48+ bags. This year, we have committed to fill 54 bags. Last year, the Tysons provided reusable "green" bags for the groceries. They will, generously, be donating the bags again. Each bag will contain the following items:

- 1 15-16 oz can cranberry sauce
- 1 15-16 oz can chicken broth
- 1 15 Oz can corn
- 1 14 oz bag stuffing mix (or 2,4 oz boxes) Pepperidge Farm, StoveTop or equivalent
- 1 15 oz can green beans
- 1 15 oz can yams
- 1 small box tea bags or drink mix
- 1 15 oz can fruit
- 1 box cake mix (for 13" x 9" cake)
- 1 pkg icing for cake (ready to spread)
- 1 3 or 6 oz pkg jello

If you would rather make a financial contribution, Brenda McKeon and Myrtle McMahan will be happy to shop for you.

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 relleven@gmail.com or go to www.rke.cc.

Essential Excursions

Andrea Roberts, member of First Unitarian Church of Dallas, is starting a series of weekend retreats for self-discovery through inspiring changes of habits and creativity. The core principals of the program are: Slow Down, Reduce/Reflect, Simplify and Create. There is a spiritual element involved as well. The first retreat will be November 18 - 20 at the Namaste Retreat Center in Boerne, TX. For more information on the program, please visit the website, www.essentialexcursions.wordpress.com, or contact Andrea Roberts at 469-487-6264.

Childcare Coordinator

Position Opening

First Jefferson UU Church is looking for a part-time Childcare Coordinator. This position is 10 hours per month for coordinating, and then an hourly wage (3 hour minimum per shift) for Sunday and/or Wednesday evening shifts worked.

Responsibilities include: hiring and training childcare workers, scheduling shifts, working in concert with the Director of Religious Education to develop lesson plans for Nursery/Toddlers. Must be infant CPR and first aid certified and have experience in childcare.

Contact Julie Tribble at 817-751-2759 for more information.

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*Email submissions to our Editor Cindy Fountain at vanessa4907@sbcglobal.net.
The deadline for submissions to the newsletter is the 15th of the month.*

Westside Unitarian Universalist Church

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By The Numbers

	Adults	Kids	Total
August 7	131	20	151
August 14	121	18	139
August 21	172	24	196
August 28	123	31	154
Average	136.75	23.25	160



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.

Committee on Ministry

Jeff Rodriguez, Chair
Linda Hanratty
Joy Counts
Lonnie Goins
Scott Paulson

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