



## Sunday Services

**AUGUST 5** - "Sunday Promises" with Rev. Jennifer Innis. As the congregation prepares for Rev. Elleven's return from sabbatical and the move to two Sunday services, what is the nature of the covenant shared between the church and the world? How might you keep the promises made today and tomorrow?

**AUGUST 12** - "Freethinking Compassion" with Dr. Zachary Moore. Freethinkers answer life's questions by appealing to the evidences in the natural world and logical analysis. Yet without a supernatural component to their worldview, many accuse Freethinkers of lacking basic moral values, such as compassion. Dr. Moore will argue that not only does a Freethinking perspective facilitate

the development of compassion, it is the most compassionate worldview available today.

**AUGUST 19** - "To Follow the Golden Rule" with Scottie McIntyre Johnson. The religious scholar, Karen Armstrong, argues in her recent book, *12 Steps to a Compassionate Life*, that following the Golden Rule may be the only way our human species will survive, but that religions, which "should be making a major contribution" toward this effort are often a part of the problem. What about our religion, Unitarian Universalism? Where do we succeed and where do we fail at following the Golden Rule?

**AUGUST 26** - "Do you see the glass as half full?" with Bill Russell. An exploration of some evidence for optimism in the face of all the bad news we're exposed to on a daily basis.



### August 2012

#### 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.

# New Faces

## MEET VICTORIA (VIKKI) MOODY

Vikki is from Pennsylvania, Bucks County. She lives in Arlington, Texas with her two cats that she is teaching tricks. Her two children are also in Arlington, and she has family in Ohio as well. Vikki loves to travel, read, do creative projects and play the piano. She would love to write a book for eleven to thirteen year olds. Vikki is an expert dog groomer. She is very self sufficient and independent, has done most of her own house repairs and knows her way around power tools. Vikki has been fortunate to meet some wonderful people, General Colin Powell, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Mrs. Barbara Bush. She has no fears or phobias. Vikki has found the people at Westside to be loving, energetic, dedicated.

## MEET TIFFIN MOODY

Tiffin is from Arlington, but she has extended family throughout the U.S. She adores her two cats, Matisse and Kitty and enjoys the freedom of never being married and having no children.

Tiffin is a freelance illustrator. She loves the arts and literature, photography, fashion and music. She is interested in cooking, yoga, psychology and philosophy. Tiffin does lots of volunteering and has enjoyed traveling all over America, Europe and Mexico. She is now pursuing her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. Tiffin has tried other churches for several years and likes Westside the most.

The vine that has grown old on an old tree falls with the ruin of that tree and through that bad companionship must perish with it.

-Leonardo da Vinci

On the mountains of truth you can never climb in vain: either you will reach a point higher up today, or you will be training your powers so that you will be able to climb higher tomorrow.

-Friedrich Nietzsche

## SUNDAY MORNING OPTIONS

# Forum

Our Forum classroom was bulging a little several times in July, but so far everyone has found a seat. The showing of lectures on the subject of "The Quest for Values, Ethics, and the Modern Experience," given on tape by Prof. Robert Kane, UT Austin, has created considerable interest and will be continued several times in August. The remaining two Sundays will be dedicated to the ever popular Current Events. At this writing Ms. Gayle Reaves, editor of the Fort Worth Weekly newspaper, has not spoken, but she was scheduled for July 22, and I have every reason to believe that her report of events at the Carswell Prison Hospital for Women will be a huge success. It is possible that another guest speaker will be scheduled and, if so, an announcement will be placed in the Weekly Web, the Westside Forum, and an e-mail to the 65 or 70 names on my Forum mailing list. Readers, please know, all members and visitors are invited to attend; childcare is available. It begins at 9:30 promptly and ends at 10:40, giving everyone 20 minutes for coffee and conversation before service.

**AUG 5** - Current Events

**AUG 12** - Lecture #5 "From Experience to Worth" The Quest For Meaning

**AUG 19** - Current Events

**AUG 26** - Lecture #6 "Hume and the Challenge of Relativism" The Quest For Meaning

## 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 '12	Alliance for Children	\$614.79
May '12	Water.org	\$617.75
April '12	South Central Alliance of Churches	\$863.81
March '12	In-Reach Fund	\$1225.38
February '12	Presbyterian Night Shelter	\$971.72
January '12	Multicultural Alliance	\$807.83
December '11	South Central Alliance of Churches	\$1,096.25
November '11	Unitarian Universalist Service Committee	\$730.07

# CRE News Clips

## CONNECT WITH CRE

Children's Religious Education Parent Orientation - 6:30 to 8 pm on August 22. How will CRE work when we go to two services? What classes will be offered in the fall? What children's social activities are happening this year? Come to this meeting and get all of your questions answered and find out about all the exciting changes happening this fall! Childcare provided (please RSVP for childcare to dre@westsideuu.org)

Our Whole Lives sexuality education class for student in grades 7 through 9 will be offered on eight Friday evenings and three Saturday retreats from September 8 through December 8. If you are interested in registering your child for Jr. High OWL, you must attend the parent orientation. Our parent orientation will take place on August 29 at 7 pm. Childcare will be provided. For more information or to RSVP for childcare, contact Andrea Petty at dre@westsideuu.org.

Please consider volunteering with Westside Children's Religious Education. There are many opportunities to help. We need teachers for the fall Sunday school classes, but there are other things you can do. The Children's Religious Education Council needs members; we always need volunteers to act as substitute teachers, helpers for special projects, and helpers for social activities and gatherings in the park.

Job Opening - We are currently looking to hire two Sunday morning nursery workers. This is a paid position. If you know someone who would like this type of employment, let us know. Please contact Andrea Petty at dre@westsideuu.org for more information.

Teacher Training - If you are planning to teach in the fall, please mark your calendar for the Westside teacher training on August 19 at 3 pm. Childcare will be provided.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**JULY 26 TO AUGUST 4** - DRE on vacation

**AUGUST 3** - Youth Group Meeting 6:30 pm at the church

**AUGUST 6** - OWL Teacher meeting 6:30 pm

**AUGUST 13** - CRE Council Meeting 6:30 pm at the church

**AUGUST 17** - Youth Group Meeting 6:30 pm at the church

**AUGUST 18** - NATUURES Teacher Training— First UU Dallas

**AUGUST 19** - Westside Teacher Training 3 pm at the church

**AUGUST 22** - Westside Parent Orientation 6:30 pm at the church

**AUGUST 29** - Jr. High OWL Parent Orientation 7 pm at the church

## MORE 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@westsideuu.org

## IN & AROUND WESTSIDE

### Where's Russell?

Westside's minister, the Rev. Dr. Russell Elleven, is currently on sabbatical. He will return on Sunday, September 2, 2012

### News from the Worship Team

The Texas summer is still blistering, unfortunately. Some things don't seem to change. But for us here at Westside, change is definitely coming. We have been growing, which is wonderful to be sure. But our greater numbers have led to some crowded conditions in hallways, in classrooms and in parking. Because of this, starting in September, we will be going to two complete services.

Are you an early riser? Do you have more plans for your Sunday? Come to the early service at 10:00. Enjoy sleeping in? Feel compelled to finish the Sunday crossword? Come to the later service at 11:30. Each service will be complete, including music, joys and concerns and the reflection. There will also be two complete Children's Religious Education programs. Adult Forum will meet at 10:00, and Adult Religious Education programs will be held at 11:30. If you

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I don't know what your destiny will be, but one thing I do know: the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve.

-Albert Schweitzer

When one guy sees an invisible man, he's a nut case; ten people see him, it's a cult; ten million people see him, it's a respected religion.

-Richard Jeni

have any questions about any of this, please share them with any Board member or Worship Team member.

## Potluck Saturday August 18

As has been announced, Westside is going to two services in September. Along with this, other changes are being made. One change is our monthly potluck which will now take place every third Saturday. Our next potluck will be August 18, 4:30 - 7:30. Please bring your own plates, cups, & utensils to save time and water. If there are any questions, please email Bill Russell at [billruss@tx.rr.com](mailto:billruss@tx.rr.com)

If you are interested in any of these opportunities, it's not too late to become involved. Email me, Annie Foerster, at [redseamripper@gmail.com](mailto:redseamripper@gmail.com), call me at 513-301-4646, or talk to me on Sunday morning (I always have a spare application form in my purse). Part of our Sunday morning Affirmation reads "... service is its prayer," ('it' being our church). In July the Circles will be discussing the meaning of service and in August we will talk about what prayer means to Unitarian Universalists, or to you personally. Our curriculum this year is titled "Our Affirmation ~ Ourselves." So don't keep going around in circles, talking to yourself. Join a Circle and let others into your conversation.

- Annie Foerster, for Adult Religious Education and Covenant Circles

## Fourth Covenant Circle Forming

Three Covenant Circles were formed this spring and have reached their suggested limit of attendance. That means thirty people are currently enjoying monthly get-togethers, new friends, interesting discussions, mutual support and a shared service project.

That's just some of the benefits of joining a Covenant Circle. But if you didn't sign up for the first go-round, don't despair. A fourth Circle will be open soon, with the potential of more to follow.

Church experts agree that when a church is growing as fast as Westside is growing and, especially if it finds it necessary to offer two services, members—both new and long-time—need opportunities to meet people at a deeper, more personal level. Covenant Circles is one response to that eventuality.

The newest Circle will be meeting on Thursday evenings. It has room for up to six more people. Co-facilitators are in place so you don't have to do anything but sign up, show up and be your wonderful self. There is also the possibility of creating a Circle that will meet on Saturday afternoon and one that would welcome small children and provide care and entertainment for them while their parents convene.

Although the connections are not always obvious, personal change is inseparable from social and political change.

-Harriet Lerner

The church says: The body is a sin. Science says: The body is a machine. Advertising says: The body is a business. The body says: I am a fiesta.

-Eduardo Galeano

## Westside T-shirts Available

Trying to figure out what to wear to church on Sunday? It's easy; throw on your new Westside t-shirt. We still have t-shirts in most adult sizes and in both colors, blue and purple. The cost of a t-shirt is \$10.00. You can view a picture at our website, [www.westsideuu.org](http://www.westsideuu.org). Click on the blue square at the right of the page which says, "Want a Westside T-shirt?" Or, you can also contact Cindy Fountain at [vanessa4907@sbcglobal.net](mailto:vanessa4907@sbcglobal.net) or 817-526-1375.

Wouldn't it be cool if Russell showed up to a "sea" of Westside t-shirts on September 2!

## 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 Cretsinger, 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)

# Adult RE

Adult RE programs keep growing at Westside! In addition to the covenant circles, we just wrapped the ARticipating Your UU Faith class and plan to offer it frequently. This class, headed by Heather Goins and Annie Foerster, gives participants a great opportunity to examine their UU faith at a personal level and denominational level. Every UU, whether brand nUU at this (sorry!) or an old soUU (sorry again!) can benefit from this faith workout.

Starting in September we will be kicking off our Sunday morning programs with Faith Like a River, offered during the second service. Faith Like A River, one of the UUA's Tapestry of Faith programs, guides participants to explore the dynamic course of Unitarian, Universalist, and Unitarian Universalist history—the people, ideas, and movements that have shaped our faith heritage. All are welcome, and continued participation enhances the experience for everyone. More details as the start date nears.

Adult RE is brought to you by Amy Youngblood, Chair; Jeff Bullock, John Fisher, Annie Foerster, Heather Goins, Andrea Petty and Paul Sears.

## OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN & SERVE

### Humanists of Fort Worth

Humanists of Fort Worth meets August 8, at the church at 7 pm, and all are invited. Dick Trice will speak on the subject, "Lies, Larceny, and Lamentation". A famous Marine general once said, "War is just a racket. A racket is best described, I believe, as something that is not what it seems to the majority of people. Only a small inside group knows what it is about. It is conducted for the benefit of the very few at the expense of the masses."

This small group the general refers to that

reaps all the benefits, uses religious beliefs as one of its prime weapons to control the approval and willingness of the masses to support and to die for the benefit of those few. We freethinkers are not so gullible. Here is some background to reinforce the truth of General Smedley Butler and to strengthen your humanist resistance.

### Quilting & Handiwork Group

Westside quilting and handiwork will meet August 19, after church. Everyone is invited to join us. Bring whatever you would like to work on, or come to help with the quilts. We share our tools and our skills and great conversations. For more information or to be added to our email reminder list, call Debby Rake at 817-473-2414 or dsrake@gmail.com

### Break for Choir

Choir is on summer break. The new practice schedule will be announced prior to Westside going to two services in September.

### Seventh Principal Notes--Green Sanctuary

#### ENVIRO TIPS FROM YOUR GREEN SANCTUARY COMMITTEE

Check Your Fridge's Seal - Your refrigerator is the biggest energy user in your kitchen. And worse, if its seal isn't airtight, your fridge could be running inefficiently, and wasting even more energy. You can test this with a small piece of paper or dollar bill. Close the door with the paper half-in and half-out of the fridge. If you can easily pull it out, it's time to replace the seal! Call your local appliance center or repair shop.

Use a Power Strip for Your Appliances

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Many who have spent a lifetime in it can tell us less of love than the child that lost a dog yesterday.

-Thornton Wilder

There is no doubt that I have lots of words inside me; but at moments, like rush-hour traffic at the mouth of a tunnel, they jam.

-John Updike

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- Some appliances, especially those without a hard "off" switch, like your microwave, TV, and modem, consume between 7 and 14 watts of power even when they're not in use. Try using a power strip for your appliances so that they don't waste energy while you're not using them. When you leave the room, hit the switch! Or try the new smart strips, which reduce your power usage automatically. - tips from: the green life , an environmental blog

**NEWS FROM YOUR GREEN SANCTUARY COMMITTEE**

The July Green Movie Night drew 13 Westside Members and others to view Tapped, and it's revealing look at the bottled water industry. For instance, did you know that the Food and Drug Administration has only one staff member regulating the bottled water industry and that person has other duties as well? By comparison, municipal water providers are much more heavily regulated by the Environmental Protection Agency. Thus the question, which water source is safer, not to mention cheaper?

The August Green Movie Night is scheduled for Saturday, August 25, at 7:15 pm, after Vegan Potluck. Potluckers and fellow tree huggers of every stripe are invited to view the documentary Fuel: Change Your Fuel... Change Your World. Fuel was a New York Times' Critic's Pick and a winner at the Sundance Film Festival for best documentary audience award. Come check out some solutions to the world's addiction to oil.

The ring always believes  
that the finger lives for it.

-Malcolm De Chazal

I am only one, / But still  
I am one. / I cannot do  
everything, / But still  
I can do something; /  
And because I cannot  
do everything, / I will  
not refuse to do the  
something that I can do.

-Edward Everett Hale

## Contemporary Books

The Contemporary Book Group will meet Sunday, August 26, at church, after church, in the glass classroom. We will discuss The Paris Wife by Paula McLain. The book is about Hemingway's first wife and life as ex-patriots abroad. On September 23, we will discuss The Big Read selection, The Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck. The October 28, book is Tolstoy and the Purple Chair by Nina Sankovitch, the author's year spent reading a book a day.

Please join us for any or all of these discussions. We have several new members and welcome more. Questions? Contact Reed Bilz at rbilz@charter.net.

## Chaplains Report on a Caring Community

The Chaplains Corps 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 a chaplain know. You may contact us at 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.

Tara Mitchell has been diagnosed with breast cancer and is considering treatment options at this time.

Carol Cappa was elected to VP of the Texas Democratic Stonewall Caucus and appointed to the Rule Committee for the National Democratic Convention in Charlotte!

Vikki Moody reports that her incurable bone cancer has returned – her doctor in Dallas hopes it is manageable.

Several congregation members, including Jay Dodds, are mourning the loss of a friend, Sue O'Kelley. She died from injuries sustained in a car crash.

Howard McMahan turned 82 on July 11!

The Zinn family said goodbye to Uncle Mark after a long battle with cancer.

Linda & Walt McConathy celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary on July 12!

Recovering from a second spinal surgery, Gene Walker is recovering so well, he's going up and down stairs.

Liz & Lori Love's son, Nathan, got married and went to boot camp, so their daughter-in-law lives with them now!

Tricia Bowes mourns the death of a friend, a Methodist Minister, who expressed many UU values to her.

Lela & Tom Woods went on a mountain vacation, are going on another, and their son is opening up a restaurant, "Flying Carpet" on Magnolia!

Tricia Bowes' father suffered diabetic seizures last month during his high school reunion; he's home and recovering now.

Veronica Munoz lost 2 teeth, has a wiggly one, and turned 6 years old!

Gene Walker turned 82 and is now working on his 16th gallon of blood donations to Carter Blood Care!

Sue Spell received her registration for a Certified Pharmacy Tech!

Glenda Hood is happy to report that her sister, Ann, is recovering well from knee surgery in Austin and at home in Canyon Lake for rehab.

Al Olson has an enlarged spleen from a car accident earlier in the summer; he awaits the doctor's report to see if he needs surgery.

The Mitchell Family is going on vacation in an RV!

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.

## Sound System Helpers Wanted

Bill Terry is looking for additional people to help out with managing our sound system during the Sunday service as we transition to two services. Qualifications for these helpers are:

### 1. WILLING TO RUN SOUND DURING ONE OF THE SERVICES.

### 2. WILLING TO SIT AT BACK OF SANCTUARY DURING SERVICE.

### 3. NOT AFRAID OF ELECTRONICS.

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

## Vegan Potluck Saturday August 25!

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.

You can sign up on our meetup.com website located at: [meetup.com/Vegan-Potluck-WUUC/](http://meetup.com/Vegan-Potluck-WUUC/)

### HERE'S HOW THE POTLUCK WILL WORK:

**PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY (4:30 P.M.) IF POSSIBLE SO YOU CAN TO 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 Laurie Hagstrom or Andrea Petty if you have any questions about the Monthly Vegan Potluck!

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The cure for anything is salt water -- sweat, tears, or the sea.

-Isak Dinesen

Every human being's essential nature is perfect and faultless, but after years of immersion in the world we easily forget our roots and take on a counterfeit nature.

-Lao-Tzu

## OUR WIDER COMMUNITY

# Run For Life Suicide Awareness 5k/1k fun run

Come join Mental Health America on Saturday, September 8 for the second annual Run for Life! The 1K race will begin at 8:00am and the 5K at 8:30am at the Trinity Park Arts Pavilion (2401 University Dr. 76107). Whether registering to volunteer or registering to run, it's a guaranteed good time while raising suicide awareness!

Come put the fun in our run!

For more information contact us at:  
Mental Health America of Greater Tarrant  
County 817-335-5405 mhatc.org

# Pride Parade & Picnic

The 2012 Pride Parade is Saturday, Oct. 6, in downtown Ft. Worth. The picnic is Sunday, Oct. 7, at Trinity Park. If you are interested in heading up either of these events, please get with Cindy Fountain at church, or 817-526-1375 or vanessa4907@sbcglobal.net.

Insanity is relative. It depends on who has who locked in what cage.

-Ray Bradbury

Should you shield the canyons from the windstorms you would never see the true beauty of their carvings.

-Elisabeth Kubler-Ross

# Bring Toiletries for SCAC in August

Each year we are given two months in which to help South Central Alliance of Churches to replenish their supplies of food and toiletries. August is our month for toiletries. Please get full-size items (not the travel size - these are for families) and bring them to the church during the month of August. Put them in the big red cart which will be by the entrance door.

Here is the list and what makes up a "hygiene kit".

- Shampoo
- Tissue (2 rolls)
- Soap (2 bars)
- 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, it would be appreciated, however individual donations of items is also appreciated.

Watch the sales, clip coupons and help out by replenishing the shelves at SCAC. Our efforts are really appreciated by the clients and Tony Lorenzen, the Director of SCAC.

# Director's Report from SCAC

111 walk-in Clients in June. We helped 39 families with food, 50 with hygiene products and toiletries, 11 with diapers. We distributed 23 bus passes and 14 vouchers for gasoline. We also served a total of 464 lunches through our free summer lunch program. We assisted 4 families with a rent payment, 4 more with utility bills and helped 5 clients obtain prescription medication. We helped 5 clients obtain ID documents, such as birth certificates and state ID cards.

The South Central Alliance also received 123 phone calls from people seeking assistance. Over 50 calls had to be turned away due to lack of funds.

Our Summer Lunch program is in full swing. We could not provide the Summer Lunch Program without the help of many dedicated volunteers. Among those volunteers, we would especially like to thank Stephen Mead and Shanleigh Clinton from Southside Church of Christ., Jay and Suzie Lotven of Westside Unitarian Universalist Church, Susann Eller and her crew from Trinity Episcopal Church, and Linda Bavousett and the group from First Congregation Church, UCC have all been indispensable.

Thanks to Westside UU Church for jugs of water to serve as a milk alternative at the Summer Lunch program.

# Help Our Clients

Sometimes our clients have needs we can not meet with the resources available in the SCAC office. Here are some current needs. If you can help, please contact our Director, Rev. Tony Lorenzen at 817-923-0486 or email him at office@fwscac.org

**AIR CONDITIONER** - One of our clients has a medical need for another air conditioner in her apartment. She pays her landlord \$15 a month for the extra AC ,and she can't afford it much longer. If you have an AC unit, new or used, please contact Rev. Tony at the number and email above.

A bed/mattress  
A table and chairs, bureau and bed

## 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 Paul Maginnis, cheers101@sbcglobal.net, or SmartRecovery.org



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**To our retiring 2011-2012**  
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*We appreciate your service  
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Show me a sane man and  
I will cure him for you.

-Carl Jung

Email submissions to our  
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**Deadline for submissions is the  
15th of the month.**

I begin to see what marriage is for. It's to keep people away from each other. Sometimes I think that two people who love each other can be saved from madness only by the things that come between them: children, duties, visits, bores, relations, the things that protect married people from each other.

-Edith Wharton

## Our Board

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## June 2012 Attendance

	Adults	Kids	Total
June 3	134	34	168
June 10	115	31	146
June 17	106	24	130
June 24	96	32	128
<b>Average</b>	<b>112.75</b>	<b>30.25</b>	<b>143</b>



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 & compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free & responsible search for truth & 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.

## Westside UU Church

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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

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.**