

July 2016



The Westside Story

Westside Unitarian Universalist Church

901 Page Avenue
Fort Worth, Texas
76110

10:00 & 11:30 AM
Sundays

www.WestsideUU.org

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 & intellectual 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.

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*We must be willing to
let go of the life we have
planned, so as to have
the life that is waiting
for us.*

-E. M. Forster

*Bare lists of words are
found suggestive to
an imaginative and
excited mind.*

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Sunday Services

July 3: *“In a Perfect World: Which Way to the New Paradise?”* by Edward McGuire. Edward spoke to us before about the practice of observing a moment of silence. What will he divulge when he breaks his silence this Sunday? Drop by to find out as he delivers another intriguing reflection from the Westside pulpit.

July 10: *“Fragments of Holiness”* by Rev. Craig C. Roshaven. We receive fragments of holiness, glimpses of eternity, brief moments of insight. Let us gather them up for the precious gifts that they are and, renewed by their grace, move boldly into the unknown.

July 17: *“The Deep Well”* by Reverend Aija Jansone. In ancient communities a well was a sacred center that sustained and nurtured community. What sustains us? Where and how do we find nurture, particularly during the somewhat dry seasons of life?

July 24: *“Close to Home”* by Daniel Polk, Executive Director of NTUUC. Being a Good Samaritan can be challenging, and the opportunities are often close to home. I’ll talk about some of the risks, and share a powerful story that needs to be told.

July 31: *Music and Meditation – A Classical Music Service.* It is a commonly known fact that music can provide healing powers for the mind and the heart. We invite you to join us as some of our very talented Westside instrumentalists treat us to several special classical selections. We look forward to having you with us to enjoy a quiet time of reflection and inspiration.

SUNDAY MORNING OPTIONS

Adult Religious Education Class

11:30-12:30 in the “Glass Classroom”

During the summer months, we will be watching and discussing a series of DVD lectures from the Great Courses entitled “Religions of the Axial Age: An Approach to the World’s Religions.” This course offers a rare opportunity to relate your own spiritual questions to a variety of ancient quests for meaning and transcendence. Professor Muesse, who delivers the lectures, will offer striking insights as he draws you closer to the period between 800 to 200 B.C.E., an era with notable parallels to our own. Together we will explore fascinating aspects of several major world religions at the time of their birth. What could the beliefs and traditions of a Zoroastrian, a person of Jewish faith, a Buddhist, a follower of Confucius, or a Christian have in common? How do religions evolve over time? Throughout these lessons we will reflect on the central question of the course: What does the study of the Axial Age teach us about religion as a phenomenon in our lives? All adults are welcome and we look forward to learning and growing together on our individual and collective faith journeys. For more information, contact Karen Moore at moorekandk@sbcglobal.net.

Religious Odysseys

July 10, 11:30-12:30 in the “Glass Classroom”

Reverend Alex Holt will be sharing his spiritual journey on the second Sunday of July. Religious Odysseys focus on how a person’s beliefs and life views developed. The person sharing his or her journey talks for 20-30 minutes and then the floor is open for discussion and questions. If you have not attended Adult RE to hear these inspirational odysseys, you are missing out on one of the BEST things happening at Westside! Fortunately, each odyssey is recorded on a CD that is available for check out from our church library. To volunteer to share your Odyssey, or to nominate someone to share theirs, please contact Karen Moore at moorekandk@sbcglobal.net.

Upcoming Children's Religious Education Events

Sophia Fah's Pre-K Class

For children under 5, childcare is available in the combined Barton Nursery and Fah's Pre-K Class. This class will be led this summer by our Childcare Coordinator Karen Vera and our other childcare staffer, Karla Hurtado, along with various volunteers. For the older kids, we will be using summer oriented activities such as summer safety, water and ice play, and nature trips as learning opportunities.

1st Service - Children's Chapel: The Children's Chapel class will continue to meet as usual during the first service with lots of guest facilitators to lead alternative, interactive, worship times for kids.

2nd Service – Build a Village: Exploring Neighbors and Economic Justice (Incoming K-3rd)

This class will meet in what is normally the Anthony Classroom (by the parking lot exit in the fellowship hall). Build a Village is story based and is set up in the style of Montessori and Spirit Play. Each tale is accompanied with questions intended as a springboard to explore economic justice. Following each story, there is opportunity to participate in a game or create artwork.

Sing to the Power (Incoming 4th-8th): This summer, we will be combining the Anthony Class with the Young Class. The group will meet in the Young Classroom (room in the fellowship hall closest to the sanctuary). Sing to the Power is a UUA Tapestry of Faith curriculum which affirms our Unitarian Universalist heritage of confronting “powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love.” Participants experience their own power, and understand how it can help them to be leaders.

Emerson Class (Incoming 9th-12th): This summer's high school class will consist primarily of youth lead discussions of topics of their choosing with adult facilitators present. The class will also bring in several guest speakers over the course of the summer to discuss everything from Women's Issues to Mental Health Awareness.

Fellowship Days!! Fellowship Days are alternatives to Sunday School where groups combine for various activities and workshops during the second service.

July 17: Lay-Lead Workshop Day. Various adults from the congregation will lead workshops in art, music and science and children will choose what to participate in.

July 31: Church Service Day. Children, Youth, and Teachers will spend the second service giving back to the Westside Community. Whether it's serving as ushers and greeters, helping with Peas Corps, or beautifying the courtyard, there will be ample opportunity for everyone to help out.

August 14: Teen-Lead Workshop Day. Teen youth will have the opportunity to engage with the younger children and lead their own workshops in everything from bead making to Rubix Cubes.

August 28: Story Day. Guest Storytellers will pay a visit to Westside for a special presentation during CRE Classes.

If you would like additional information, please email Cameron Young at dlre@westsideuu.org.

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*People who demand
neutrality in any situation
are usually not neutral
but in favor of the
status quo.*

-Max Eastman

*We all live under the
same sky, but we don't
all have the same
horizon.*

-Konrad Adenauer

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*Sometime they'll give
a war and nobody
will come.*

-Carl Sandburg

*He who does not bellow
the truth when he knows
the truth makes himself
the accomplice of liars
and forgers.*

-Charles Peguy

Forum: 10 - 11 a.m.

The best way to get Adult Forum topics is to email John Barnes, the Adult Forum moderator. The Adult Forum strives to be timely in its topics, and sometimes they change at the last moment to address some major event that has just occurred. Email John (jbarnes107@gmail.com) and ask to be put on the Forum roster.

IN AND AROUND WESTSIDE

Young Adults Group

The Young Adults group meets on the 4th Thursday of every month from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.



Evenings at Westside

2016 Evenings at Westside Calendar:

JULY 9: Dramatic Reading: A Walk in the Woods

AUGUST 13: Pentacon 6/Signals & Alibis

SEPTEMBER 10: Spoken Word Showcase

OCTOBER 8: Stories in the Dark

More details at www.eveningsatwestside.org

Want to Be Involved? If you want to volunteer as part of the E@W Crew (and see the shows for free!), sponsor some of our refreshments, or otherwise be a part of Evenings at Westside, contact Janell Broyles at eveningsatwestside@gmail.com.

-Janell Broyles

The Traveling Minister's Road Show

This will be my last newsletter column before I move to Seattle. By the time you read this the annual t-shirt Sunday, my final service and the annual meeting will be long over.

On my last Sunday I will thank you for your many kindnesses, deep patience and huge dedication to what Unitarian Universalism might become in the 21st century. I'll express regret for any thoughts, words or deeds that caused harm to any of you. I will, however, also say that sometimes the work of interim ministry is to push everyone (including the minister) out of their comfort zones. Some things needed to be said even in untactful ways in order to bring difficult issues to the surface where they could be examined and healed.

I'll also say I want to appreciate those who faithfully attended and now lead the Buddhist meditation group on Thursday evenings. I think especially of Thayer McCaffree and Matt Sacks who have guided and led the group when I've not been available. They plan to continue the group after I am gone and I hope you'll consider mindfulness meditation as a way to balance head and heart.

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.

May '16	Ministerial Search Committee	\$1,378.75
May '16	Minister Installation	\$1,094.16
April '16	South Central Alliance of churches	\$1,038.49
March '16	Sickle Cell Disease Association of Tarrant County	\$603.20
February '16	Downwinders at Risk	\$601.00
January '16	Texas UU Justice Ministry (TUUJM)	\$774.80
January '16	Aija Jansome, UUA ministerial candidate	\$540.00
December '15	Community Hospice of Texas	\$661.02
November '15	Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees	\$274.00
November '15	LGBTQ S.A.V.E.S	\$256.10
October '15	Unitarian Universalist Service Committee	\$638.07
September '15	South Central Alliance of Churches	\$1,022.60
August '15	Meals on Wheels of Tarrant County	\$1,135.52
July '15	ACH Child & Family Services	\$722.87
June '15	School Based Health Centers	\$745.36
May '15	Planned Parenthood of North Texas	\$990.23
May '15	First Unitarian Church of Southhold, New York	\$296.75
April '15	South Central Alliance of Churches	\$1,218.46
March '15	Westside's InReach Fund	\$997.83
February '15	Texas Unitarian Universalist Justice Ministry	\$801.00
January '15	Texas ReEntry Service	\$833.20
December '14	Meals on Wheels of Tarrant County	\$805.00
November '14	Catholic Charities of Fort Worth	\$923.86
October '14	Unitarian Universalist Service Committee	\$454.00
October '14	Friends of the UUA.	\$140.00
September '14	South Central Alliance of Churches	\$876.59
August '14	Day Resource Center, Fort Worth	\$941.96
August '14	The Unaccompanied Children from Central America	\$827.28
July '14	James L. West Special Care Center	\$854.16
June '14	Planned Parenthood of Tarrant County	\$619.00
May '14	Sickle Cell Anemia Assn. of Tarrant County	\$692.76
April '14	South Central Alliance of Churches	\$675.73
March '14	InReach Fund	\$934.38
February '14	Long Way Home	\$504.00
January '14	Gill Children's Services	\$777.82
December '13	Downwinders at Risk	\$583.82
November '13	Meals on Wheels	\$1,269.18
October '13	Unitarian Universalist Service Committee	\$587.68
September '13	South Central Alliance of Churches	\$1,151.33
August '13	Mental Health & Mental Retardation of Tarrant Co,	\$842.58
July '13	Samaritan House Dinner Fund	\$1,100.41
June '13	Texas Re-Entry Services	\$982.42
May '13	Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas	\$1,033.22
April '13	South Central Alliance of Churches	\$801.70
March '13	In-Reach Fund	\$1,448.88
February '13	Fort Worth Day Resource Center	\$1,091.86
January '13	Don't Forget to Feed Me, Tarrant Pet Food Pantry	\$930.61

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A certain kind of rich man afflicted with the symptoms of moral dandyism sooner or later comes to the conclusion that it isn't enough merely to make money. He feels obliged to hold views, to espouse causes and elect Presidents, to explain to a trembling world how and why the world went wrong.
-Lewis H. Lapham

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*When I was young, I
admired clever people.
Now that I am old, I
admire kind people.
-Abraham Joshua
Heschel*

*The people can always
be brought to the
bidding of the leaders.
That is easy. All you
have to do is tell
them they are being
attacked and denounce
the pacifists for lack
of patriotism and
exposing the country
to danger. It works
the same way in any
country.
-Hermann Göring*

Your Board of Directors has been a remarkable and powerfully dedicated governing body during these years. Cindy Fountain, Linda Ice, and Dianne Nixon have been attentive to detail and ensured the board would move forward even through some challenging times.

The Membership Committee led by Pam Pfeiffer has done the hard and oftentimes invisible work to help initiate and support membership of those who have decided to be part of Westside UU Church. Their collective devotion to Westside ought to be deeply appreciated as a new generation of members come into leadership.

I'd also like to mention the Worship team led by Linda Ice. I suspect many Westsiders don't realize the full amount of work that goes into making Sundays work every single week of the year. It's tiring work but they have been tireless in their enthusiasm to make each and every Sunday a top notch program of inspiration and spiritual deepening for all ages.

I'd finally like to thank Cherri, Cameron and Gene as paid staff. Their fierce dedication to each and every one of you at Westside is what keeps the church going throughout the year in good times as well as difficult ones. I've been honored to work with them.

There are so many others I could thank but space limitations don't allow me to do so. Let me then say thank you to each and every one of you for your devotion to the promise of Westside and what Unitarian Universalism might become.

I'd like to end with one last observation. Westside UU Church has had a long and generally collaborative relationship with the Angel Montessori School. For years it was a good partnership because Westside adapted to the limited use of the building and grounds. For at least the last five years both organizations have been unable to grow to their full mature promise because of that shared use. Westside owns the property and it's now time to go out on your own as sole owner and sole "tenant."

You will find that having the whole facility will give you options to create exciting programs and more visibility in the community. It's time to take on your home as your own space. I have no doubt that you and Shari will make it into a jewel of what a liberal religious community can be in North Texas. It is always tempting to default to a sense of scarcity rather than a blessing of abundance.

Best wishes, many blessings, and to paraphrase an old saying may the spirit of wisdom and love be with you always.

-Alex

Summary of the May 18 Board Meeting

Consent Agenda (reports and minutes in the minutes book)

- A. Ratification of email vote to approve change in plate offering
- B. April Board minutes
- C. Minutes of the special congregational meeting, May 1, to call a Settled Minister
- D. Committee Reports:
 - 1. Ministerial Search (MSC) -- Final and Expenditures
 - 2. Building and Grounds
 - 3. Transition Team (Recommendation added to New Business)
 - 4. Membership
 - 5. Social Justice
 - 6. Nominating and Leadership Development

Minister's Report - (full report in the minutes book) Cindy Fountain volunteered to coordinate the final Board evaluation of the interim ministry at Westside.

DLRE Report - (full report in the minutes book) Angel Montessori School (AMS) has notified Cameron that they plan to rearrange some classrooms, in particular the infant's cribs to the "Tree Room."

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Financial Statements (full report in the minutes book)

*Sometimes laughter
hurts, but humor and
mockery are our only
weapons.
-Cabu*

Finance Committee - The Board decided, with the Treasurer's permission, to omit the part-time Office Assistant/Accountant from next year's budget for the time being. Also, the Pastoral Care Team (formerly the Chaplain Corps) has agreed to a reduction in their committee allocation to \$100, the budget for CRE has been reduced to \$4900 from \$5500, and The North Texas Community Foundation has provided a grant to Westside in the amount of \$20,000.

*A man does not have to
be an angel in order to
be saint.
-Albert Schweitzer*

The Board will consider requesting funds via Faithify. The pianist's salary, including the cost of replacements while she is on vacation, will rise to approximately \$11,000 next year, instead of \$10,000, and none of that will be charged to the Worship Team's budget. Finally, the Board voted to add \$1,000 to the Building Reserve Fund to better prepare for probable maintenance expenses.

Roof Repair - Due to recent hail damage, age, and non-compliance with city code - The Board voted to negotiate with the architectural firm to provide expertise, drawings, schematics, documents and bidding, negotiation, administration and observation, not to exceed a cost to the church of \$10,000.

Inreach Fund - The Board voted to approve the changes to the policy as requested by the Pastoral Care Team.

General Assembly - The Petty/Finn family will attend General Assembly June 22-26 in Columbus, Ohio. James and Andrea are authorized to vote on behalf of Westside, and Chloe may hold a third voting slot if authorized at her age. The Board authorized paying for the family's registration costs. Rev. Alex will also attend and is authorized to vote on behalf of our church.

Mission and Vision - The Board will seek recommendations from Nominating and Leadership Development for members of a Mission and Vision Task Force to continue the work of the Transition Team.

The next meeting will be July 20 at 7:00. All members are welcome to attend. Notebooks containing copies of the full minutes, reports, and financial statements are available in the church office.

-Bob Vann, Acting Secretary

Join a Circle Supper – July 16

For those who have not attended a Circle Supper, it is the opportunity for getting to know members/friends of the church over good food and conversation. These are dinners in small groups of six to eight people, generally, and held at the home of a member/friend of the church. If you would like to host but have limited space, you may partner with someone who has the room but would prefer not to host alone. The dinners are held on the third Saturday of every month. The host will organize the meal and will ask the guests to bring something like a side dish, bread, wine, or whatever is needed. For more information or to be added to the email list, please contact Elizabeth Campbell at batescampbell@gmail.com

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*The hope of a secure
and livable world lies
with disciplined non-
conformists, who are
dedicated to justice,
peace, and brotherhood.
The trailblazers in
human, academic,
scientific, and religious
freedom have always
been nonconformists. In
any cause that concerns
the progress of mankind,
put your faith in the
nonconformist!
-Martin Luther King, Jr.*

Family Circle Suppers will also be meeting the third Saturday of every month at various members' homes. If interested, please contact Lauren Leising at eLLekaye@juno.com or 817-846-8012.

OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN AND SERVE

Thursday Meditation Group Continues On!

The Thursday evening Buddhist meditation group will continue weekly meeting in July and beyond. Alex will be at as many gatherings as possible. A continuing transition of leadership thanks to Thayer, Matt, Jane and others will continue to shape the future of the group.

Women of Westside Group (WOW) – July 2!

In June WOW began meeting on the first Saturday of the month instead of the third Saturday. The meetings are at 11:30 – 1:30. Bring a brown bag lunch and enjoy a program and discussion. Alicia Butler will present another in an occasional series on UU women in our history.

For our August 6 meeting, Andrea Petty will be speaking to WOW about what she learned at General Assembly.

If you would like to receive an email reminder of the meetings, contact Sue Anderson at Sander60tx@yahoo.com.

-Sharon Salih

Quilting/Handiwork Group

Westside Quilting group will no longer meet on a regular monthly basis. We will still be donating small quilts to Samaritan House for their kids, but we will be working on them at home. Anybody who needs more fabric, just let me know. I can bring it to church so you can choose. You can absolutely contribute by making a top; it doesn't have to be a finished quilt.

If you want help with sewing or quilting or even mending, just ask. I would be happy to meet with you after church. Contact Debby Rake at 817-473-2414 or email dsrake@gmail.com.

Humanists of Fort Worth

The HoFW will meet at its regular time at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13, at Westside. All Freethinkers are welcome to attend. Please check the HoFW Meetup site for further information at <http://www.meetup.com/Humanists-of-Fort-Worth/>

Contemporary Book Group

The Contemporary Book Club's July selection is a memoir by Anna Quindlen, entitled "Lots of Candles, Plenty of Cake." Published in 2012, it was a number one New York Times bestseller and should provoke a lot of discussion about her life, and by extension, ours. As usual, we will be meeting on the fourth Sunday of the month, July 24, in the glass classroom after the second service. Everyone is welcome. If you read the book, but cannot join us for the discussion, please email Linda Hanratty (llswenard47@gmail.com) so she can share your comments with the group. We will need a book selection for August, so be thinking of what you would like us to read and discuss.

Books are easier than ever to obtain. Abe Books on-line has many books for \$3.50 (including shipping) and many public libraries, including the Fort Worth Public Library, offer books via the OverDrive app. OverDrive is easy, free and delivers your library book selections to your phone, tablet, or computer for a limited period of time, just like a regular library book, but without the necessity of visiting the library.

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*If triangles had a God, he
would have three sides.
-Charles de Montesquieu*

*Those who dream by day
are cognizant of many
things which escape
those who dream only by
night. -Edgar Allan Poe*

Humanist Book Club

The Humanist Book Club meets at Westside on the fourth Saturday of the month, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. A book is chosen by the group for discussion the following month. A book is chosen by the group and the next month it will be discussed together. We will decide on the book for July at our June meeting. All are welcome. Facilitated by Morris Meador, meadormorris1@gmail.com

Seventh Principle Notes from your Green Sanctuary Committee

We're once again opting to call your attention to Fort Worth for a very beneficial, very green, concept that's moving forward. In May, the city posted a comprehensive, and from what we can tell, a very people-friendly draft ordinance to encourage and guide urban agriculture in the city. The ordinance defines and enables urban farms, community gardens, and aquaponics. It modifies current city code on raising animals, and establishes procedures for beekeeping.

At <http://fortworthtexas.gov/files/urban-agriculture-pamphlet.pdf>, you will find a well-done introduction to the ordinance, as well as the draft ordinance, itself. If you favor what this ordinance intends to accomplish, please contact your councilperson and let them know how you feel. The current schedule is for a public hearing at the Zoning Commission on July 13 at 1 p.m. and at the City Council on August 2 at 7 p.m. Both of these meetings are held in the council chamber. This is the schedule as long as there are no continuances on the case. The number is ZC-16-129.

Green Movie Nites: Our next John Huffman Green Movie is scheduled for August 27 at 6:45 p.m. The movie has not yet been selected. Carol Cappa selected our last film. If you know of a must-see environmental movie you'd like screened, tell us about it.

July Committee Meeting: The Green Sanctuary Committee will next meet July 10 at Westside, immediately following the second service. Whether you're interested in membership, or just want to sit-in, you will be very welcome.

Wise Humor, or Humorous Wisdom? Gardening requires lots of water - most of it in the form of perspiration.

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All art is autobiographical; the pearl is the oyster's autobiography.
-Federico Fellini

*The gods of the valley
are not the gods of the
hills.* -Ethan Allen

OUR WIDER COMMUNITY

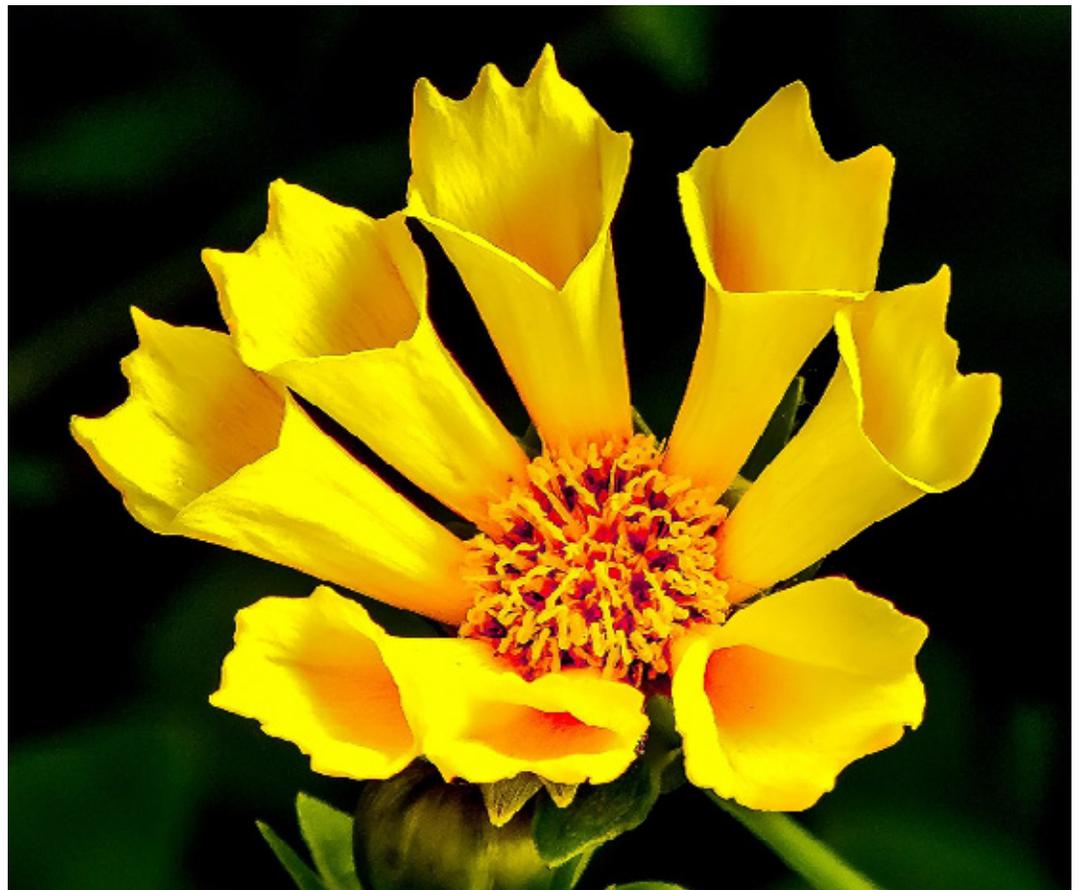
Bring Toiletries for SCAC in August

Each year we are given two months in which to help South Central Alliance of Churches 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":

- **Toilet Paper (2 rolls)**
- **Tissue (1 box)**
- **Shampoo and conditioner**
- **Bar soap (2)**
- **Deodorant (men's and women's)**
- **Disposable razors (2)**
- **Shaving cream**
- **Toothpaste**
- **Toothbrushes**

Pads, tampons, lotions and 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 Opel Smith, the Director of SCAC.



Box Tops and Labels for Education School Support, Spring 2016

Thank you to all who donated your otherwise unused Box Tops for Education and Labels for Education to the schools our Westside children attend. Our last collection for this school year provided \$5 per school! Two reminders: Box Tops for Education must have an expiration date (usually in the bottom right corner; without the date, a Box Top logo is only a promotional notice. (Some common Box Top brands: Cascadian Farm, General Mills, Avery, Nature's Valley, Kleenex). Labels for Education must include the UPC bar code to be valid. The bar code is usually next to the number of points. (A Campbell's Soup program).

We will continue to collect the Box Tops and Labels for Education over the summer. If your children's school participates in one or both of these programs, or if you have any questions about the programs, please contact Heidi Irgens, irgensh@yahoo.com or 817-207-9454.

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*He who is only just is
cruel. Who on earth
could live were all
judged justly?
-Lord Byron*

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. To learn more, please contact Jeff@vireomarketing.com or Ericasmartrecovery@gmail.com.

*Like all weak men he laid
an exaggerated stress
on not changing one's
mind. -William Somerset
Maugham*



*The trouble with words
is that you never know
whose mouths they've
been in. -Dennis Potter*



*Email submissions to our Editor Janice Sims
at janicesims1617@att.net.
The deadline for submissions is
the 15th of each month.*



Our Board

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May 2016 Attendance

	10AM Adults	11:30 Adults	10AM Kids	11:30 Kids	Total
May 1	50	102	9	21	182
May 8	45	36	6	16	103
May 15	42	40	6	20	108
May 22	46	54	7	10	117
May 29	45	72	6	19	142
Averages	45.6	60.8	6.8	17.2	130.4



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.

The Six Sources

- Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life;
- Words and deeds of prophetic women and men which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love;
- Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;
- Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;
- Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit;
- Spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.

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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 Transition Team know. The Transition Team also wants to know if you have a criticism, concern, or question. Look for us after the service, call us, or email us at TransitionTeam@westsideuu.org.

Transition Team

Tanner Trask, Chair. Myrtle McMahan, Suzie Lotven,
Robert Slane, Anita Snyder

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