



# The COMMUNITY News

## Community Unitarian Universalist Church of Plano

*OUR VISION: We will become a dynamic and nurturing religious community that celebrates our human diversity, supports lifelong spiritual growth, and acts for compassion and justice in the larger community.*

### November 2010

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#### Typical Sunday

- **9:15 a.m.**  
Inquirer's Class  
(1st Sunday of each month)
- **10:30 - 11:45 a.m.**  
Worship  
Religious Education for Youth; Nursery Childcare

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**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH. TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR SATURDAY.**

### Patrick's Ponderings

### "Starting My Sabbatical"

As I am working on the newest revision of plans for my sabbatical, I wanted to revisit some of what is involved. In our UU faith tradition a ministerial sabbatical is a time for study, pilgrimage, growth, reflection, enrichment, and renewal. It is part of our "Letter of Agreement" with each other that I accrue one month of sabbatical leave for each year I serve with you. After the first four years I am eligible to take this time. It's hard to believe, but we are in our fifth year serving together. **I am taking four (4) months of sabbatical leave from Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 through the end of February 2011.**

For some time the Board of Trustees, and Program Board have been planning with me and the staff and have set up resources and procedures to deal with daily matters and any emergencies that may arise. For pastoral concerns, please contact our Caring Committee Chair, Cyn Blanco. For **urgent** pastoral concerns, the following ministers are available the **Rev. Don Fielding**, and the **Rev. Pamela Wat**. You may also contact the church office for assistance in making connections with the right persons; **972-424-8989** or [\*\*cuuc-office@communityuuchurch.org\*\*](mailto:cuuc-office@communityuuchurch.org),

Sunday Services has a great lineup of music and speakers over the next four months. Don't miss any of them.

My plans may change as plans are wont to do, but at present they include visiting with spiritual mentors and family, attending the district Fall Leadership Conference, UU Ministers' Association's *Excellence in Ministry* program, the SW Conference Ministers Retreat, and studying Spanish and media presentation. I will also be doing some *pro bono* consulting for a small UU congregation as a way of giving back to our faith. While some travel will be involved, for the most part I will not be far from home. However, in order to get the optimal benefit from the sabbatical, I will not be available except if mutually agreed upon with the Board. However, I will stay in touch with the congregation through

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### November Sunday Services

**November 7, 2010 - Music Sunday**, Special music from the choir plus soloists Dawn Graham, Debra Scroggins, and Cornell Kinderknecht. Dawn Graham and Elena Westbrook will present short homilies.

**November 14, 2010 - Worship in the Park, "Following Our Dreams and Being Our Best Selves"** Be inspired through story, readings and music. Talented story teller, Dorayne Breedlove, will be our guest speaker at this service rich in story and music. Sit back and enjoy the beautiful fall setting by the lake. See article on page 3.

**November 21, 2010 - Rev. Bill Matthews will speak about the Parliament of World Religions, Congregational Meeting** following the service.

**November 28, 2010 - "Building a New Way", Guest speaker, Rev. Pamela Wat**

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**Patrick Ponderings ... "Starting My Sabbatical (continued from front page)**

words and pictures in newsletter columns, weekly *UUupdates*, and Facebook postings.

After the end of February I will resume my duties, sharing my experiences and ideas from the sabbatical. As is standard, I and the congregation, through its elected Board, have "mutually pledged themselves to work with each other for a period of not less than one full year following the end of the sabbatical." ("Sabbatical Leave Agreement")

For Community Church much will continue as always but there will be opportunities to explore new ways of doing things as well. Remember that with growth comes change and sometimes that means discomfort. So, basically, if you notice that something needs to be done, contact the appropriate leader. Volunteer to help when asked, and if not asked, offer. Be involved and participate as much as possible.

I hope to see you at our Annual Service Auction, November 6<sup>th</sup>. Have a great Thanksgiving and holiday season. I look forward to sharing my sabbatical experiences with you, and hearing about yours when I get back, as we worship, serve and play together as the Beloved Community. Blessings, Patrick

**Community Unitarian Universalist Church Fall Meeting Agenda**

**Sunday, November 21, 2010**

**12:00 pm to 1:45 pm**

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|--|--------------------------|
| I. Call to Order and Chalice Lighting  | Sarah Reiling, President |
| II. Quorum Verification  | Gail Battista, Secretary |
| III. Adoption of Process   |                          |
| No person may speak for more than 3 minutes on any one item  |                          |
| No person may speak more than once on any item as long as anyone else wishes to speak.   |                          |
| After initial presentation, debate time for each item shall be 15 minutes. After 15 minutes, the question will be called unless a motion is made to extend the debate another 10 minutes. A majority vote will determine if debate will be extended. |                          |
| IV. Vote on Minutes from Annual Congregational Meeting held May 23, 2010 and Special Meeting held June 13, 2010  |                          |
| V. President's Report  | Sarah Reiling            |
| VI. Overview of By-law changes   | Denise Dittmar           |
| VII. Vote on By-law changes  | Congregation             |
| VIII. Overview of future initiatives and transformations   | Board of Trustees        |
| IX. Financial Report   | Judith Boyle             |
| X. Strategic Planning Committee Report   | Shirley Houston          |
| XI. Program Board Report   | Denise Dittmar           |
| XII. Religious Education Report  | Kathy Smith              |
| XIII. Extinguish Chalice   | Sarah Reiling            |

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**The President's Corner**

*Sarah Reiling*

Can you believe its November already? I don't know about you, but the older I get the faster time seems to fly by. Charles Schulz, of Peanuts fame, once said, "just remember, once you're over the hill you begin to pick up speed". November is an action packed month here at Community Church. Mark the following activities on your calendar!

With a theme like "tailgatin" the service auction this year is sure to be fun. If you have never been to this exciting event before, make this the year you come. Consider this a personal invitation to attend the festivities. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you here on Saturday, November 6.

Another important day is the Fall Congregational Meeting. We will vote this year to increase the number of representatives on the program board. We also will feature an overview of some prospective changes that could benefit Community UU Church in the future. Our strategic plan requires us to make adjustments as we continue to grow in size, faith and mission. Remember our Fifth Principle: The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large. Come to the meeting on Sunday, November 21, after Sunday Service. Be part of the democratic process of your church! Peace and justice, Sarah

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Community UU Board of Trustees meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in Founders Hall. Members, friends and visitors are always welcome.

**North Texas Association of Unitarian Universalist Societies (NTAUUS)**

**CUUC Representatives**  
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**Service in the Park — November 14th** On Sunday, November 14th, CUUC will hold services at Bob Woodruff Park so that the Sai Baba congregation who shares our building can hold its annual prayer weekend. We will meet in a covered pavilion, rain or shine, wind or calm. This is an especially casual service – please come dressed for the weather. The pavilion has benches, but you're welcome to bring lawn chairs and blankets. Service starts at 10:30, as usual.

After the service, Sai Baba has invited us to join them for lunch back at the church building. It's a homemade, vegetarian Indian buffet and always delicious! Please come take advantage of this opportunity to get to know our Sai Baba friends.

**Directions:**  
 From the church, go east on Parker Road to Los Rios (2nd light). Turn right on Los Rios. Go south until you see a parking lot and the pavilion.  
 Lost? Have a question? Call Elena .



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**AS A RULE****Ian Rule****Reflections from Room 728**

It's hardly news that I spent an un-planned 3-month "vacation", during most of which I was horizontal in Presbyterian Hospital. It was kind of like a monastic retreat with the chanting monks replaced by burly gents bursting into your room at five am bellowing (**seemed** like bellowing) "I want your blood!" Well, you can rest assured that this column will not revisit those hospital indignities. Many of us have experienced them, and few are anxious to reminisce. No, I want to focus on the part that **was** meditative: with bad TV and a lot of alone time, you do have a chance to think.

Let's start with the personal:

There's been a standing joke that Dick Hildenbrand and I could have cots at church since we spend so much time there and are involved in so many facets of church life. It's true, I was up at church four or five nights a week plus many days and, of course, Sundays. This was by choice. I celebrated birthday 70 in the hospital and having the opportunity to accomplish so much at my age is a real adrenaline rush. I am dedicated to Community Church and want to do anything and everything I can to help it move forward. However, as I was sitting and reflecting, a few new concepts dominated my thoughts: sharing, collaborating, balance. Coordinating ushers, bulletin boards, posting on the website, putting up fliers for Friday Flicks, putting letters on the sign out front... I don't have any particular skills that place those tasks in my basket. And by suddenly dropping out of the picture, I created a void that others stepped up and filled. COOL! I'm enthusiastic about sharing and collaborating. That way I can concentrate on what I'm supposed to be doing: communicating. There is a committee and we will be looking to get the word out to as many prospective UUs as we can. We'll take a serious look at a church Facebook page that represents us well, and enlist our techies to make it as successful as our web site has been. Sharing, collaborating, BALANCE!

And a few words about the church:

For quite a while, I had no internet access. When I did, I had a lot of reading to catch up on (I deleted over 600 e-mails). It was fun to be a spectator (Oh, I threw in 2 cents here and there) in awe of all that was going on. The Membership Committee is being re-named "the Membership Council" with numerous committees taking on their own challenges. There will be clear policies and procedures. When a potential member walks through the door, they will be warmly greeted, escorted and supported through the process until they decide that we are (or aren't) their church home. The Nominating Committee is morphing into the Leadership Development Committee which will identify potential leaders, provide them with training and help them find positions that match their skills and interests (more about this in a later column). Rumor has it that the Caring Committee is developing a support service for the home-bound; and the Hospitality Committee is both growing and creating procedures for a variety of church events. And there's so much more.

This is a HAPPENING CHURCH, people! It's great to be back.

**November Flicks** are shown in founders hall starting at 7:00 pm. When the gloomy days of November are upon us, what could lift our spirits better than a BILLY WILDER FESTIVAL!

**SOME LIKE IT HOT.** This is a flawlessly scripted, superbly performed and endlessly witty comedy that deserves its place among the all-time greats. Starring Jack Lemmon and Tony Curtis. If you've never figured out why Marilyn Monroe was such a big deal, see this film (and Bus Stop to complete the picture)

**SUNSET BOULEVARD.** Arguably the greatest movie about Hollywood, Billy Wilder's masterpiece Sunset Boulevard is a tremendously entertaining combination of noir, black comedy, and character study. Gloria Swanson's tour de force

**What is NTAUUS and How Does it Helps Our Congregation:** by Barbara Kostreva and Celeste Kennedy, Community UU Church NTAUUS Representatives

Do you know what NTAUUS stands for? Many in our congregation do not, so we thought we'd offer a monthly column to update you about what NTAUUS is doing and how it affects Community UU Church and other local North Texas UU Congregations.

NTAUUS is the North Texas Association of Unitarian Universalist Societies. It has become a vital resource for its 13 member UU congregations. It is a non-profit organization, established in the 1960's. The group meets once a quarter and develops activities which promote our UU covenant of liberal religion. It offers conferences to train leaders, technical assistance to meet communication needs, provides grants to member congregations for projects that further UU'ism in North Texas and beyond, and gives awards to dedicated people in three categories: Ministers, Staff and Volunteers.

Community UU Church of Plano has benefited from NTAUUS grants which allowed us to purchase and install the projector and media equipment in our Sanctuary, to update and innovate our playground equipment, to acquire assisted listening devices for Sunday Services, to assist in publicity campaigns to attract members, and to add to our budget and offer a full time position of DRE to our church community, and more.

NTAUUS will be releasing its new grant application form with more specific criteria than previously. It will also be announcing its call for nominations for the Second Annual Recognition Awards: for Volunteers – the Marty Robinson Award; for Staff – the Ruth Clark Award; and for Ministers – the Robert Raible Award. The purpose of the awards is to recognize and honor those who contribute to the cause of UUism in North Texas, to identify role models and best practices, and to make visible the contributions of our member congregations. Nominations may be submitted by individuals or congregations and must be received by Dec. 31, 2010. So think about who you might want to nominate.

To conclude for this month, our roles in NTAUUS: Barb Kostreva will track progress toward the NTAUUS goals and Celeste Kennedy is on the Awards Committee. Both of us are working to plan the next Leadership Development Event sponsored by NTAUUS. Stay tuned! Check out the NTAUUS website: <http://www.ntauus.org>. It identifies the 13 congregations, and includes the Forums and Affinity Groups. You can also follow NTAUUS on Facebook and on Twitter@NorthTexasUUs. If you have questions or comments, email Barbara Kostreva or Celeste Kennedy at [ntauus@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:ntauus@communityuuchurch.org) and we will try to provide answers in next month's NTAUUS column in the Newsletter.

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Community Harvest Garden

Samaritan Inn (Monthly dinner)

Plano Make a Difference Day

Plano Food Pantries

CROP Walk

MLK Celebration

Dallas Area Interfaith

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**REACTIONS!!****Updates - Announcements - News  
What's Going On For Children & Youth**

***It's Time to Welcome a Guest at your Table!*** – On November 7, we'll open our Guest at Your Table program with an intergenerational worship celebration during the Message for All Ages. This is a joint project between the Religious Education Board and the Social Action Committee, and we hope everyone in the church will participate!

***From the UUSC:*** When we bring home our Guest at Your Table boxes and place them prominently where we regularly gather, our families and friends have the chance to delve into several real struggles for justice and how UUSC advances human rights in the United States and around the world. With each box comes a copy of *Stories of Hope*, which helps children, youth, and adults learn more about how UUSC works to change our world for the better. The stories introduce human-rights champions like Carolina Lara, a youth leader of a movement in Ecuador that successfully lobbied to have the human right to water included in the country's new constitution.

Consider making it part of a mealtime ritual to read through one of the stories and discuss its meaning and how we can help. When we share our blessings with our "guests," we ensure that UUSC and people like Carolina can continue their important work.

And thanks to the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock in Manhasset, N.Y., gifts of \$100 or more are eligible to be matched, dollar for dollar, doubling your good works!

*If you miss picking up your Guest at Your Table box and Stories of Hope, you can do so at in Founders' Hall or by talking with Kathy Smith, Linda Frank or Nelah McComsey.*

***Spirit Play*** – Are you a parent of a child in Spirit Play? Curious about the Montessori method in a church setting? Interested in young children, sacred space, or child-centered learning? Currently a doorkeeper or interested in teaching Spirit Play? If you are any of these – YOU are invited to **attend Doorkeeper Training on November 2 from 7-9 p.m.** Free class. Childcare provided. Desserts will be served.

***Holiday Pageant Information*** – The cast has been chosen and rehearsals have begun! Don't miss the **holiday pageant worship service on Sunday, December 12!** *The Dragon Who Never had a Christmas* is coming together wonderfully. The cast list is posted in Founders' Hall along with the rehearsal schedule (12-1 most Sundays). If you have any questions, you can contact me at [dre@communityUUchurch.org](mailto:dre@communityUUchurch.org) or Robin Coulonge. The upcoming rehearsal schedule is:

October 31 – Sanctuary  
November 7 – Sanctuary  
November 14 – No Rehearsal  
November 21 – Set Design, Room E  
November 28 – Sanctuary

***Our Whole Lives Updates*** – We have held our parent orientation for **7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade OWL**. If there is anyone who has not yet registered for this class, we can still add students until the second session (November 7). If you or your child are interested and have not enrolled, or if you would like more information about OWL, please contact me. **OWL for high-schoolers** (grades 10-12) will be held during the winter and **OWL for young children** (K-1) will be held in the spring. **(continued on page 7)**

**REactions!!** (continued from page 6)

**No Religious Education Classes on November 14** – On Sunday, November 14, there will be no regularly scheduled religious education classes (or church services). Instead, church will be held in the park at 11 a.m. The service will be family-friendly, focused on stories and singing.

**Social Action Sunday** – On Sunday, November 28, there will be no regularly scheduled religious education classes. Children and youth of all ages will gather in Founders’ Hall to participate in Social Action activities. And if you’d like to help, please let me know!

**Where in the UU World is our DRE?** My office hours are generally Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 1:00-5:00 p.m. Mondays are my day of rest. Other hours are available by appointment – I can be reached at [dre@communityUUchurch.org](mailto:dre@communityUUchurch.org) or by cellphone at 443-668-1336. From November 11-13, I will be attending the SWUUC Fall Conference in Glen Rose, participating in the Renaissance Module for Curriculum Planning. During this time, I can be reached by email or by phone, but my response time will be slower than usual.

For more information about any Religious Education activities, please contact me at [dre@communityuuchurch](mailto:dre@communityuuchurch) or your RE Board at [reboard@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:reboard@communityuuchurch.org).  
In faith, Kathy

**DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

**Tuesday, November 2, 7-9 p.m.** – Spirit Play Doorkeeper Training

**Sunday, November 7** – Guest At Your Table begins

**Sunday, November 14** – NO RE (Worship in the Park)

**Sunday, November 21** – Congregational Meeting (Childcare Provided)

**Sunday, November 28** – RE Social Action Sunday in Founders’ Hall

**Literary Ladies Book Club.** The **November 9<sup>th</sup>** discussion will focus on **Dead Until Dark by Charlene Harris**. We will meet at **7:00 p.m. at Pam Reinke-Walter’s home**. **Contact Pam by Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend.** This is the first book in Charlene Harris's series *The Southern Vampire Mysteries* novels. In this first installment, the author introduces Sookie Stackhouse, a 27-year-old telepathic waitress in the fictional town of Bon Temps, Louisiana, and her world, an alternate history where vampires, shapeshifters and other supernatural beings coexist with humans. In *Dead Until Dark* Sookie begins a romantic entanglement with her vampire neighbor and is faced with a series of murders in town. Wikipedia

**December’s selection is Zeitoun, a nonfiction book written by Dave Eggers**. It tells the story of Abdulrahman Zeitoun, the Syrian-American owner of a painting and contracting company in New Orleans who chose to ride out Hurricane Katrina in his Uptown home. Eggers began work on the book in 2006, after meeting Kathy and Abdulrahman through another McSweeney's project called *Voices from the Storm*. He worked closely with the Zeitoun family while researching and writing the book, meeting with them multiple times in New Orleans and letting them read six or seven versions of the manuscript. Wikipedia

This group meets the second Tuesday of each month and welcomes women members and friends of Community UU Church.

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**Social Action News/CALENDAR****November**

Every day – Guest at Your Table, sponsored by Religious Education

Every Sunday – Food drive for God's Food Pantry

Saturday, November 20, 5:45 p.m. – **Samaritan Inn**: serve dinner to residents

**December**

Every Sunday – Toy drive for **Children's Medical Center**

Every Sunday – Food drive for God's Food Pantry

Saturday, December 18, 5:45 p.m. – **Samaritan Inn**: serve dinner to residents

Contact Nelah McComsey or a member of the Social Action Committee for more information or to volunteer for one of the events.

**Community Outreach**

**Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is November 14-20.** Please consider making a special gift to a local food pantry or to the Samaritan Inn to help our neighbors who are in need. Watch the *Weekly UUpdate* and Sunday announcements for more details about how to make your gift.

**Guest at Your Table** begins Sunday, November 7. Be sure to pick up your collection box after the service on Sunday.

Many thanks to those who contributed coats to the **Hope's Door** clothing drive in October!

**Memory Garden Bricks**

This fall we will add another section to the Memory Garden Brick Path. The bricks can be engraved with up to three lines of 16 characters or three lines with 13 characters per line and a Chalice or other logo. Bricks are \$65.00 each. See Linda Frank for order forms or with questions.

**Women's Alliance**

**Nov. 2, Tuesday, Game Night at church. 7:00 pm** Childcare is available. Founder's Hall. You are welcome to bring games, enjoy the comradery. Contact: Pam Reinke-Walter.

**Dec. 11, Saturday, Christmas Party 3:00 pm** Afternoon tea and white elephant gift exchange. Don't miss the Christmas Party at Valerie Gomes lovely home in Allen.

Please check the website under Community / Women's Alliance - to find the Women's Alliance Calendar of Events for 2010-2011.

**The Mission of the Adult Religious Education Program** is to **nurture and stimulate the religious and personal growth** of the adult church community. We offer a varied and cohesive program within the context of the living Unitarian Universalist tradition and principles. We provide a range of classes with video and discussions. **These classes can be of interest to persons age 12 and up and are held on weekday evenings throughout the year.** Check our website for flyers and more information on the Adult Religious Education classes and instructors. [www.CommunityUUChurch.org](http://www.CommunityUUChurch.org). All Classes Begin at 7 pm. Childcare is available.

**November Schedule**

**Monday Classes:**

**Vipassana Meditation:** Clifton Rule hosts her long-running meditation class each Monday from 7 to 9 pm. Vipassana, which means to see things as they really are, is one of India's most ancient techniques of meditation. It was rediscovered by Gotama Buddha more than 2500 years ago and was taught by him as a universal remedy for universal ills, i.e., an Art Of Living. This non-sectarian technique aims for the total eradication of mental impurities and the resultant highest happiness of full liberation. Healing, not merely the curing of diseases, but the essential healing of human suffering, is its purpose.

Vipassana is a way of self-transformation through self-observation. It focuses on the deep interconnection between mind and body, which can be experienced directly by disciplined attention to the physical sensations that form the life of the body, and that continuously interconnect and condition the life of the mind. It is this observation-based, self-exploratory journey to the common root of mind and body that dissolves mental impurity, resulting in a balanced mind full of love and compassion. Annex.

**Wednesday Classes:**

**Inner Journeys:** This class is presented by church member **Clyde Grauke**. It will be held on the **first and third Wednesdays**. The popular interactive course assists participants in finding their inner voice or spiritual guide. Through guided imaging, discussions, and exercises, Clyde models the process and guides participants in their Inner Journeys. Annex.

**Eyes on the Prize Part 2: Robert Jackson** presents part two of the award-winning series. Eyes on the Prize, Part 2, covers the time period from 1964 to the mid-1980s. This series will start with Stokely Carmichael and Malcolm X and move to the election of black mayors in large urban cities. It shows the movement changing from "Freedom Now" to "Black Power". This part of the course will have videos which address the Black Panther Party, the anti-Viet Nam War movement, the Poor People's Campaign of 1967-68, the assassination of Martin Luther King (1967-68 period), the evolution of Cassius Clay to Muhammad Ali (1964-72), black activism, affirmative action, and the installation of Maynard Jackson as Atlanta's first black mayor (1974-1980 era) and Harold Washington as Chicago's first black mayor (1979-mid-80s).

The class concludes with discussions of the modern civil rights movement and its impact on other movements. The visceral scenes bring to vivid life a period we should never forget. Annex. **(continued on page 10)**

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*www.swuuc.org*

**NTAUUS**  
*www.ntauus.org*

**Community Website  
Links**

**Collin County  
Interfaith**

*www.setonparish.org/  
Outreach/pai.htm*

**Habitat for Humanity  
South Collin County TX  
(Habitat for Humanity  
SCCTX)**

*www.Habitat-scc.org*

**Habitat ReStore of  
SCCTX**

*www.restore.habitat-  
scc.org*

**Adult Religious Education Program** (continued from page 9)

**Yoga:** Tracy Rosipal, our expert in yoga, offers the best deal in town for a yoga class! \$5. Feel refreshed and energized after an hour with Tracy. All levels of experience are welcome. She takes you from where you are - to where you hope to go! Bring a mat if you have one. Founders Hall.

**Thursday Classes:**

**Adventures in Religion:** Don Fielding continues his popular and provocative series on the history and philosophy of Religion. Adventures in Religion is focusing on “Skeptics and Believers” this semester. The class views a video each session and discusses the video and associated ideas. Annex.

**Practicing Stewardship with FREE Money**

Were you aware you can contribute to the ministries of the church while buying your groceries?

Well you can. Albertson’s, Kroger’s & Tom Thumb all have charity giving programs tied to there frequent user loyalty cards. Each store will contribute 1% of your grocery purchases to a charitable organization.

If you eat you can contribute.

Albertson’s has a designated card you can pick up at the information desk at the church foyer. Other stores require you to register with them every year. That information is also available at the information desk.

What is the potential? If one hundred families spend \$100 per week each family will contribute \$52 per year. This has the potential to contribute over \$5,000 per year. This month we received a check from the Kroger Program for \$91.19. Appreciate you giving it a try.

Stewardship Committee

**A new directory has been posted on the church website under Member Portal. Please log onto Member Portal and check out your information. Members only can access this document. If something is incorrect please contact the church office at [cuuc-office@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:cuuc-office@communityuuchurch.org) with the correction.** If you don’t have a password for the Member Portal please contact Wendy Hanenburg to get a password.

**Simple Living Chalice Circle**

**Meeting time and place** – The next meeting will be **Saturday morning November 13, at 11:00, at Ona Tannehill’s home.**

**Theme/topic** – Learning together to live deliberately. We are currently reading Voices of Insight, edited by Sharon Salzberg.

**Facilitator** – Ona Tannehill. Email [simpleliving@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:simpleliving@communityuuchurch.org)

**Finance Committee**

One third of the church year has past and we are in pretty good shape.

Expenses are about 95% of plan while income is at 94% of plan putting us slightly behind schedule for a breakeven year.

GREAT NEWS however on the balloon festival! We budgeted \$1,600 and raised more the \$2,800. Thank you to Tom Reid for leading the effort and thank you to all of you who participated.

Remember November is a good month to start planning your tax planning for contributions to the church to build our ministries

Finance Committee

**Income and Expense Report for August, 2010**

	<b>Income</b>	<b>YTD</b>	<b>10/11 BUDGET</b>
Offering Income	\$16,244.96	\$72,993.98	\$231,032.96
Fund Raisers	2,862.09	4,655.98	18,950.00
Building Usage	1,832.00	6,646.00	24,000.00
Misc. Income	2,810.69	6,660.69	34,100.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$23,749.74</b>	<b>\$90,956.65</b>	<b>\$308,082.96</b>
	<b>Expense</b>		
Administration	\$ 2,845.11	\$12,445.36	\$ 41,505.92
Program/Worship	2,460.33	8,457.72	32,610.00
Religious Education	4,804.53	17,537.88	53,817.00
Facilities	5,493.86	25,011.03	77,292.00
Income generating exp.	177.56	177.56	2,300.00
Ministry	6,396.80	28,516.70	82,920.00
Denomination	1,449.00	4,801.75	17,638.00
Payroll Expenses	13.07	46.14	-0-
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$23,640.26</b>	<b>\$96,994.14</b>	<b>\$308,082.92</b>
<b>Net Income/(Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 109.48</b>	<b>(\$6,037.49)</b>	

The financial information below is from our Profit and Loss Statement for September 2010.

<b>Offering Income</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budgeted</b>
Pledged Offering	\$14,946.57	\$17,298.75
Loose Offerings/Basket	1,228.39	1,537.33
New Pledges	<u>70.00</u>	<u>416.66</u>

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH. TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR SATURDAY.**

**Finance**

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finance@communityuuchurch.org

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June Bruns

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Gail Battista

Ty Hall

**Stewardship Committee**

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Paul Gandy

Gay Grauke

Judith Boyle

Rebecca Timmons

Bill Daffinee

**Investment Committee**

investment@communityuuchurch.org

Carol Wise ('10)

Grace Morrison ('11)

Nelah McComsey

### Staff Office Hours

• **Minister - *The Rev. Patrick Price***

Monday is the Minister's Sabbath (renewal time) available for emergencies only.

Tuesday - Thursday 12:00 Noon - 4:00 PM

Friday is for reflection, study and writing. Other times by appointment. Please contact Rev. Price for appointments and scheduling information.

• **Director of Religious Education - *Kathy Smith***

Summer hours - Wednesday and Thursday 1:00 - 5:00 PM

• **Music Director - *Kelley Poché Rodriguez***

• **Church Secretary - *Connie Meints***

[Church office closed on Monday]

Tuesday 9am - 3pm

Wednesday 9am - 2:30pm

Thursday 9am - 2:30pm

Friday 9am - Noon

WEBSITE  
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