



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.

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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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FUN, FUNDRAISING AND STEWARDSHIP!!

Ok, ok....really, I'm not so crazy. How do these things fit together, you ask? Well, says I, "I'm gonna tell ya".

While our budget crisis is significantly less a problem now, it's still relevant to think about **Fundraising** to meet our shrinking deficit and help with future planning; however, ...not the main reason for this article. No, rather this article is about creating some **Fun** while we do stuff together: plan, create a product, produce an outcome, make something happen.

That's what the **Stewardship** thing is about, in part. Stewardship is not just about the monetary contributions we make, but how we take care of each other, how we make a difference with our time and talents. Yeah, we need the money, but more importantly we need some Fun, togetherness and to get these annual undertakings accomplished. By the way, giving of ourselves binds us even more happily together along with our feelings of satisfaction. Who knew?

So I'm gonna make you an offer you can't refuse. Two wonderful opportunities lie ahead; real chances to make a contribution, produce some results and most importantly... have some Fun. The first is the **Balloon Festival Parking Concession**, described below. The second is the **Community Church Service Auction** on November 6, 2010, the subject of another upcoming article.

First, the **Balloons are gonna fly on Friday, September 17; Saturday, September 18 and Sunday, September 19, 2010**. Community Church Parking Space will be offered to the public for a reasonable price and all we have to do is **a) collect the money, b) guide people in a friendly way to a highly desirable parking space and 3) show some Community Church Friendliness as we invite folks to come visit on a Sunday.**

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September Sunday Services

September 5, 2010 - "Laboring Under Delusions", Rev. Patrick Price

September 12, 2010 - "Growing in Faith", Rev. Patrick Price

September 19, 2010 - "A Ministry of All Souls", Rev. Patrick Price

September 26, 2010 - "To Be Called", Scottie Johnson. On the day I preach this sermon, Pam Wat, who served as your CUUC ministerial intern last year, will be ordained a Unitarian Universalist minister by Pathways Church. This is because Pam has responded to a very particular religious calling, that of being an ordained preaching elder of our faith. But, while we do ordain our ministers, we Unitarian Universalists also believe in "the priesthood of all believers". I believe that everyone is "called" to do something. What does that mean and what could it mean if every member of this and every other UU congregation accepted the call?

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Patrick Ponderings ... So, What is a Sabbatical?

We just had our Ingathering of Waters service and are getting ready for the start of a new church year. Sunday worship is vibrant, covenant groups are forming, programs for adults and children are meeting and your leadership and I are concluding plans for my sabbatical.

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 entering our fifth year serving together. I will be taking **four (4) months of sabbatical leave from Nov. 1st, 2010 through the end of February 2011**. The Board of Trustees, and Program Board have been planning with me and the staff for some time and have set up resources and procedures to deal with daily matters and any emergencies that may arise.

What are the benefits of a Sabbatical?

For the Minister,

- * Time for professional and personal growth.
- * Time to gain new ideas for sermons and programs.
- * Time to be renewed and refreshed.
- * Time to gain a deeper perspective on his ministry.

For Community Church,

- * A chance to explore new ways of ministering together.
- * A chance to experience different speakers, programs, and ministries.
- * A minister with new ideas and deepened religious experiences of our faith and others.
- * A minister who is renewed and re-energized.
- * Renewed commitment to our ministry together and with the Minister.

What will Patrick be doing?

My plans may change 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, studying Spanish, music, 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 words and pictures in newsletter columns, weekly *UUpdates*, [Facebook](#) postings and others.

What happens afterwards?

After the end of February I will return and 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")

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The President's Corner

Sarah Reiling

Summer seemed to stretch on forever when I was a child. I was always glad to see September, because it meant I could go back to school. I loved going shopping for school supplies and new shoes. Meeting my new teacher and seeing my friends again after the long summer was always a treat. Now, as a member of Community Church, September means we are all back in church from our summer travels. It is still hot, but there is hope that in another 4 or 5 weeks there will be some relief from the heat

September also brings the 31st Plano Balloon Festival on the 17, 18 and 19. We are looking for volunteers to work our car parking fund raiser. This fund raiser is always lots of fun and the money it raises will be especially welcome this year. Look for Tom Reid in Founder's Hall after Sunday services and tell him you want to take a parking shift. Let's all pull together and make this fund raiser a huge success.

The fall semester of adult education classes starts September 1st with a great lineup. There is something for everyone, classes for body, mind and spirit. The midweek classes are a great way to relax and connect with your church community. Childcare is available for the classes, so come on out and make an evening of it.

I wish you pleasant fall days and crisp cool nights!
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

Barbara Kostreva
Celeste Kennedy

Patrick Ponderings ... So, What is a Sabbatical? (continued from page 2)

What can you do to help?

For Community Church much will continue as always but with 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.

In the meantime, we worship, serve and play together. You will hear and see more as time approaches and ask if you have any questions.

See you in church. Blessings, Patrick

FUN, FUNDRAISING AND STEWARDSHIP!! (continued from front page)

We will have **Ten Shifts** with about **Four Volunteers** needed **per shift** to make this work. Shade, water and good fellowship provided. So here is the pitch...starting this weekend and until the roster is filled **YOU can VOLUNTEER**, first come, first served for the choice time slots, of course.

Call me, or grab me by the arm at CUUC, the grocery store or wherever.

Oh, here's the last thing, if I haven't heard from y'all, I'll be asking you (see above regarding refusals). See ya' soon, **Tom Reid**

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Social Action**September**

Every Sunday – Food drive for God's Food Pantry.

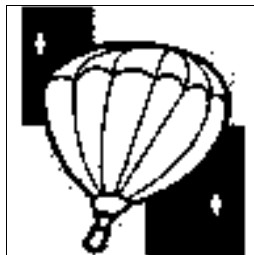
Saturday, September 18, 5:45 p.m. – **Samaritan Inn**: serve dinner to residents.Sunday, September 19, 2 p.m. **Texas Freedom Parade** – a celebration of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender pride. (See Page 8 for more information).**October**

Every Sunday – Food drive for God's Food Pantry.

Saturday, October 16, 5:45 p.m. – **Samaritan Inn**: serve dinner to residents.

Saturday, Date TBD – Program and refreshments for Plano Community Home residents

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

**Plano Balloon Festival Parking****Friday, September 17th 3 to 10pm****Saturday, September 18th 5:30am to 10pm****Sunday, September 19th 6:00am to 7pm****CUUC Fundraising & Community Awareness Event**

It's time to sign up to help with the Plano Balloon Festival Parking fundraising event. **Volunteer sign up sheets are now in Founders Hall** – your help is needed starting Friday, September 17th from 3 to 10pm, Saturday, September 18th from 5:30am to 10pm and Sunday, September 19th from noon to 7pm. We'll provide parking on our "back 40" to raise funds for the work of our church home (all proceeds go to the general fund of the church). We'll have fun and share community with fellow members and friends and our neighbors. This is an excellent opportunity to promote our presence in the community. There are *lots* of different times to volunteer and activities to choose from including ticket sales, parking help, sign holders and more. Contact Tom Reid for more information. **Sign up in Founders Hall today! Thank you!**

September FLICKS films are shown in founders hall starting at 7:00 pm.

Sept. 10 - Portrait of Jennie 1948. Joseph Cotten plays an artist, Eben Adams, who is unable to bring any true feeling to his work. While painting in Central Park one morning, Eben makes the acquaintance of a schoolgirl named Jennie (Jennifer Jones), who prattles on about things that happened years ago. Intrigued at her thorough knowledge of the past, Eben is about to converse with her further, but Jennie has vanished. Over the next few months, Eben meets Jennie again and again -- and each time she seems to have aged by several years. He paints her portrait, which turns out to be more full of expression and emotion than anything he's previously done. His curiosity peaked by Jennie's enigmatic nature, Eben uncovers evidence that he has been conversing -- and falling in love -- with the ghost of a girl who died years earlier in a hurricane. On the eve of the hurricane's anniversary, Eben rushes to meet Jennie at the site where she was supposedly killed. As a new storm rages, Jennie vanishes for good, but not before declaring that the love she and Eben have shared will live forever. Rescued from the storm, Eben convinces himself that Jennie was a mere figment of his imagination. Then he notices that he stills clutches her scarf in his hand. He looks at his portrait of Jennie and understands what she meant when she said that their love would endure throughout eternity; it will do so through Cotten's art.

Sept. 24 - Patch Adams - 1998. Fact-based story of Hunter "Patch" Adams (Robin Williams), the founder of the Gesundheit Clinic, a clinic which deals with their patients with humor and pathos. The film starts with Hunter admitting himself as a patient in a mental ward. While there, he found he enjoyed helping the other patients and found the staff to be cold and separative from the patients. Vowing to change things, he releases himself from the hospital and headed to the Virginia Medical College. His unorthodox methods cast him up against many of the doctors and deans of the university, despite him getting some of the highest grades in his class. Recognizing that many poor people were not being treated, as a student he formed the Gesundheit Clinic to aid those who were not getting proper treatment at the hospital. However, this brought him up before the Medical Review Board for practicing without a license.

Synopses courtesy of Rotten Tomatoes

UUSC - Support the Lower Manhattan Mosque

UUSC and the Unitarian Universalist Association strongly support the proposed construction of the Cordoba Center, an Islamic mosque and community center in Lower Manhattan. Constance Kane, VP and COO of UUSC writes "The shortsightedness of the Center's critics is especially evident when one considers the that, over the long run, the voices of moderate Islam hold the key to defeating extremism. These are the voices that represent the overwhelming majority of those within Islam, including the millions of Muslim American citizens, who disavow and repudiate violence."

See Linda Frank or Nelah McComsey for contact information. Link is: http://www.uusc.org/content/uusc_uua_declare_support_lower_manhattan_mosque

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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**

Rainforest Fundraiser, August 29, noon-1 p.m. – Handmade magnets, plant decorations, snacks, gently-used books and toys, and more! Help our 4th-8th grade class raise enough money to purchase an acre of rainforest. Parents of class members are asked to stay for a short time after the sale to help us “de-forest” the room!

Interested in Teaching? Of Course You Are! We still have opportunities for you to work with our wonderful children and youth – we need just a few more teachers, helpers and advisors for our religious education classes. Talk to Kathy Smith or any RE Board member.

OWL This Year – Do you know about the UUA’s comprehensive sexuality education curriculum? This year we will be offering it on Sunday afternoons (12-2 p.m.) for both middle school and high school. Middle school will begin in late October, high school later in the year. There will be a small registration fee to cover costs, including lunch. To quote the UUA, “Grounded in a holistic view of sexuality, *Our Whole Lives* not only provides facts about anatomy and human development, but also helps participants clarify their values, build interpersonal skills, and understand the spiritual, emotional, and social aspects of sexuality.” Want to know more about OWL? Talk to Kathy Smith or go to <http://www.uua.org/religiouseducation/curricula/ourwhole/>.

RE Cooking Day – YUM! On Labor Day, September 5, children and youth will work together in Founders’ Hall to cook and prepare snacks for the community. If you’d like to help, please let me know – all hands are welcome!

Registration and Family Orientation – Families are invited to meet in the sanctuary from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 12 for orientation and registration. The nursery will be open for babies and toddlers. Children and youth should attend the meeting with their parents.

DRE Installation and Teacher Dedication – Worship on September 12 will include a ceremony to install your new DRE and dedicate your teachers to this year’s religious education ministry with children and youth. Please plan to attend as a family – children and youth will be dismissed to class following the Message for All Ages.

Volunteer with your Teen! On September 17-19, CUUC has one of its biggest fundraisers – the Plano Balloon Festival! Parents and teens are invited to sign up for a four-hour shift parking cars. For more information, see Tom Reid.

DRE Start-Up Workshop – Come Plan with Us! The CUUC Boards and staff will meet with a facilitator on Saturday, September 18. During this all-day meeting, we will go over the church’s RE history, talk about our shared hopes and dreams for the RE program, and lay out a 3- to 5-year plan. Parents and teachers are welcome to attend if you’d like, although it’s certainly not mandatory! Childcare and lunch will be provided. If you are interested, please RSVP to Amy Dessert at a-dessert@verizon.net.

Middle School RUUmpUUs Coming Up Quickly! On October 2, middle-schoolers from all the DFW-area UU churches will go to Group Dynamix to bond, learn and have fun together in a great play space! Thanks to a generous grant from NTAUUS, registration and lunch together will only cost \$18 if you register by September 2. Don’t miss out!

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REactions!! *(continued from page 6)*

Where in the UU World is our DRE? My office hours are generally Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 2:00-6:00 p.m. Mondays are my day of rest. Other hours are available by appointment – I can be reached at dre@communityUUchurch.org or by cell-phone at 443-668-1336. On September 23-26, I will be in Houston for OWL training. 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 or your RE Board at reboard@communityuuchurch.org.

I hope you enjoy the rest of your summer and I am looking forward to seeing you soon!

In faith, Kathy

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, Aug. 29, immediately after the service, Rainforest Fundraiser, Classroom F
Sunday, Sept. 5, 10:30-11:30, RE Cooking Day (all ages together in Founders' Hall)
Sunday, Sept. 12, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Registration and Family Orientation, Sanctuary
Sunday, Sept. 12, 10:30 a.m., DRE Installation and Teacher Dedication during worship and then the First Day of Class!
Saturday, Sept. 18, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., DRE Start-Up, Founders' Hall
Sept. 17-19, Plano Balloon Festival – Volunteer with your teenager! All shifts available.
Saturday, Oct. 2, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. – Middle School RUUmpUUs

Literary Ladies Book Club

On **September 14** we will discuss the memoir **Lit** by **Mary Karr**. From an interview on Fresh Air with Terry Gross: *When it comes to writing about the pain of growing up, author Mary Karr isn't one to hold back. Her memoir, Lit, describes Karr's early years as a writer, wife and mother, years that were marked by drug use, drinking and the dissolution of her marriage. Karr found escape from her self-made hell when she finally turned to religion, a topic that found its way into Lit at length. But even after her conversion, she understands why talking about her relationship with God might turn some of her audience away. "Talking about spiritual activity to a secular audience is like doing card tricks on the radio," Karr says. And it wasn't easy for the author herself to buy into religion. We'll meet in the home of Deb Bliss. Contact Deb by September 10 if you plan to attend.*

This group meets the second Tuesday of each month and welcomes women members and friends of Community UU Church. **October's selection is The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot** "Vivid...Reads like a novel...A Deftly crafted investigation of a social wrong committed by the medical establishment as well as the scientific and medical miracles to which it led."

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Join the Parade on Sept. 19

Get on the bandwagon – or at least walk between the floats – with other UUs from Community and neighboring North Texas congregations at the annual Pride Parade in Dallas on September 19. The event, now officially called the Alan Ross Texas Freedom Parade, is a popular, high-spirited show of support for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender rights. In recent years, members of our congregation have joined about 150 others UUs and hundreds more supporters from the area in standing up for the cause.

Car pools will be arranged to leave the Community UU parking lot after the Sunday service, between noon and 12:45 p.m., to First Unitarian Church in Dallas, where shuttle transportation will be provided to the parade staging area. If you prefer to drive on your own, be aware that some streets in the parade area will be closed to regular traffic and parking will be scarce.

The parade will start at 2:00 p.m. and run from Cedar Springs Road at Douglas Avenue to Lee Park, which is at Turtle Creek Blvd. and N. Hall Street. It's just over 1 mile in length and will take about 30 to 45 minutes to walk. Be prepared by wearing comfortable shoes and bringing sunscreen, a hat or an umbrella. Wear a Community UU shirt if you have one; see the contact information below if you'd like to get one. We'll have placards to carry and hand fans, printed with information about Unitarian Universalism and our principles, to distribute along the parade route. There'll be booths to browse in a festival atmosphere at the park..

Our involvement is being coordinated by Community's Social Action Committee. For more information, or to get in on a car pool or buy a T-shirt, contact Shirley Houston.

Stewardship Reports Balanced Budget

Yes it's true! Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Thank you for all of your extra efforts to increase your pledges so that we have a balanced budget for the coming year.

We still have to manage the expenses and participate in the fund raisers. Let's celebrate our good start together by volunteering for the **Balloon festival parking the weekend of Sept 17th thru 19th** and start thinking of what we can contribute to the **Service Auction on November 6th**.

Again thank you very much

Stewardship committee

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Fall Courses are Starting

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 of interest to persons age 12 and up on week-day evenings throughout the year.

All classes begin at 7 p.m. CHILDCARE is available for all classes

September classes:

Juggling - discontinued until further notice. Yoga returns.

MONDAYS - Meditation lead by Clifton Rule has returned.

WEDNESDAYS - beginning September 1st.

“What Went Wrong in the Middle East”, facilitator Nancy Barlow. For six weeks, Nancy Barlow will present the history of US foreign policy toward and involvement in the Middle East. The course will consider briefly these four themes: Growing involvement of the US in the Middle East following WWI; Middle Easterners’ ongoing quest for political independence and self-mastery; Difficulty the United States has had balancing diverse and conflicting interests and objectives; the growing antagonism between Americans and Middle Easterners. Professor Nancy Barlow currently teaches Literature and History at Brookhaven College.

“Inner Journeys”, facilitator Clyde Grauke. This 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.

“Yoga” Instructor Tracy Rosipal returns. Come and be energized!

THURSDAYS

“Finding the Voice Within”. Cornell Kinderknecht's acclaimed Native American Flute Class returns to Community Church. In this four-session course, you will explore aspects of this beautiful, haunting, meditative, exciting instrument and its music. The classes will be in our sanctuary on four successive **Thursdays beginning September 9.** The discounted cost is \$95 and you should register with Cornell by September 3. Go to www.cornellk.com to register or for more information. A high quality Native American flute will be available for each student for \$50. If you have an A-minor pentatonic Native American flute, you may use that.

“Adventures in Religion” by Rev. Don Fielding (Ret.) *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. Classes will be held Sept. 2, 9, and 16th. Newcomers are welcome. Topics include: Religion and Moral Reason; Religion and Experience; Hegel – Religion, Spirit and History. The class takes a break beginning Sept. 23 and returns Oct. 21 – November 25.

“Minds, Machines, and Free Will in the 20th Century”, facilitator Jay Dowling starts September 23rd and runs for three sessions on Thursdays.

Check our website for flyers and more information on the Adult Religious Education classes and instructors.

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www.uusc.org

**SWUUC—Southwest
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www.swuuc.org

NTAUUS
www.ntauus.org

**Community Website
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**Collin County
Interfaith**

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

**Habitat for Humanity
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SCCTX)**

www.Habitat-scc.org

**Habitat ReStore of
SCCTX**

*www.restore.habitat-
scc.org*

Women's Alliance**Contact Information:****President: Michelle Neville**

Michelle has been our president for a short while, but will soon be moving back to her home in New Hampshire, and in fact, has already had to give her resignation. Michelle did a wonderful job helping us plan this year and formatting the calendar. We will miss her and hope she will return to Plano, Texas soon. We are currently searching for her replacement.

Vice President: Celeste Kennedy**Treasurer: Barb Salvo****Secretary: (Vacant)****Advisors: Valerie Gomes, Jodie Zoeller, and Arlene Burleson****2010-2011 Calendar of Events**

September 12th 1pm - It's the September Kick Off Party

October 2nd - Take a trip to the Zoo, The Dallas Zoo for a family fun day!

November 2nd - Game night at the Church!

December 11th - Christmas/Holiday Party!

January (TBD) Murder Mystery Dinner at Dave and Busters

February 18th - Tour the Dallas Museum of Art

March 20th 1pm - Lunch at the Urban Crust Restaurant in Plano

April 1st-3rd - Annual Retreat!!!!!!!

April 26th 7pm - UU Women Presentation by Nancy Barlow

May (TBD) Service Project

Simple Living Chalice Circle

Meeting time and place – The next meeting will be **Saturday morning September 11, 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

Finance Committee

The financial information below is from our Profit and Loss Statement for Year-End June 2009 through May 2010.

Offering Income	Actual	Budgeted
Pledged Offering	\$203,984.48	\$216,000.00
Loose Offerings/Basket	14,838.21	16,000.00
New Pledges & Prepaid	7,175.00	4,125.00
Total Offerings Income	\$226,124.69	\$236,125.00

We closed the June 2009 through May 2010 budget year with a (\$5,304.18) deficit. Our offering income was \$10,000.31 less than our budgeted amount but our other sources of income exceeded our budgeted amounts.

Most of the accounts were in line with the budgeted amounts. The large increase in miscellaneous income was due to Adult Religious Education receipts of \$4,321.00. Our religious education expense was under the budgeted amount because we had several months without a Director of Religious Education.

Judith Boyle, Treasurer

**Income and Expense Report Year-End
June 2009 through May 2010**

	Income	2009-2010 Annual Budget	o/o Total Budget
Offering Income	\$226,124.69	\$ 236,125.00	95.76 %
Fund Raisers	22,944.66	19,100.00	120.13 %
Building Usage	23,926.05	23,000.00	104.03 %
Misc. Income	5,851.35	1,500.00	390.09 %
Total Income	278,846.75	\$ 279,725.00	99.69 %
	Expense		
Administration	43,561.96	43,361.00	100.46 %
Program/Worship	25,098.57	24,865.00	100.94 %
Religious Education	33,240.06	39,021.00	85.19 %
Facilities	76,952.81	70,206.00	109.61 %
Income generating exp.	1,973.67	0.00	
Ministry	86,676.83	85,920.00	100.88 %
Ministerial Intern	614.27	0.00	
Payroll Expenses	21.76	0.00	
Denomination	16,011.00	16,352.00	97.91 %
Total Expenses	284,150.93	279,725.00	101.58 %
Net Income/(Loss)	\$ (5,304.18)	-0-	

The July and August Financial Statements will be included in the October newsletter.

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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* (out of the office Sept. 14th thru 17th)**

[Church office closed on Monday]

Tuesday 9am - 3pm

Wednesday 9am - 2:30pm

Thursday 9am - 2:30pm

Friday 9am - Noon

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