



The Community News

January 2018

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.

New Year, New You, UU Style

As midnight approaches on December 31st, many of us come up with New Year's resolutions, usually for self-improvement of one sort or another. Losing a few pounds, sticking to a budget, quitting an unhealthy habit, spending more time with family, or finally signing up for that class.

We have the best of intentions on January 1st. New sneakers to break in at the gym. A new planner to fill in, empty squares full of promise and potential. The latest productivity or fitness tracking app installed on our phones. Eager signups for new memberships or classes that'll work out your body or your brain.

And yet, life happens. You get cut off in traffic, and suddenly you're using the words you'd resolved not to. A tense day at work, and you're ordering pizza on the way home instead of hitting the gym. It happens to the best of us, and we can always start again tomorrow. But how many of us do? How many of us start to get down on ourselves, thinking we've failed, that it's too hard, or start to question what we were even thinking in the first place?

Here's where our church community and Unitarian Universalism come to the rescue, assuring us it's okay to start again, and that others are always still trying too. "Even if you have broken your vows a thousand times, it doesn't matter," Rumi tells us. "Come, yet again come." No, he wasn't specifically talking about your New Year's goals, but it's a timely message that it's important to forgive ourselves and move forward when we stumble.

But it's not just on New Year's that we make resolutions. Consider our congregational covenant: it's a promise to ourselves and one another of how we'll be in community together. It's a reminder that love and service should infuse all that we do, and in a sense, that our faith should be an active one: dwell, seek, help. Those are actions. Things we're resolving to uphold and embody every time we walk through those doors, and to take with us when we leave. A promise we make, and strive to keep.

Even if you've never been one to make resolutions, maybe CUUC can be the means to begin a new chapter in 2018, for fun's sake- with the added bonus of not only enriching your life and lifting your spirit, but making new friends and supporting our community. For instance, if you're a hands on person, you could join us in the garden! Your efforts not only have cardiovascular benefits, but you'll be helping provide God's Pantry with fresh organic produce for their patrons. Like to expand your mind in discussion with

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January 2018

Sunday Services

Theme - Creation

January 7 - Guest Speaker - Dotty Storer.

January 14 - "Dear White Folks: That Would Be Me" - Rev. Patrick Price

January 21 - "Creation, Creativity and the Real" - Rev. Patrick Price

January 28 - "Between Roots and Wings- the Dynamic Tension of Being" - Rev. Patrick Price

Typical Sunday

10:30 - 11:45 a.m.: Worship, Religious Education for Children and Youth, and Nursery Childcare

11:45 a.m.: Coffee and Conversation

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Patrick's Ponderings "Creation: Endings, the Messy Middle Part, and Beginnings"

Happy New Year! A time of new beginnings and a sense of renewal are upon us!

Yet, many of us are not so jubilant or optimistic as the season's greeting implies. In our American culture I believe that the two months from Halloween through New Years is a time that seems slightly out of joint with the other ten months of our solar cycle. We reminisce; we see or speak with family and old friends. We reaffirm current relationships and we may start new ones. We make resolutions for the next year. Like Ebenezer Scrooge we visit many of our ghosts of years past, present and future. Frankly, it can be quite unsettling.

These Endings and beginnings with chaos, (the Messy Middle Parts) and stirrings, and germination in between are the shape of the changes in our lives. These times occur far more frequently in our lives and cut far more deeply into them than most of us imagine. And, these same processes are going on continuously in our lives. As humankind has known and celebrated for millennia, these same rhythms put us to sleep at night and wake us in the morning after a dark time full of half-remembered and enigmatic clues. They take us through the year, around to an ending that opens out on to a new beginning. Even now the season changes as the dark days of winter reach toward the growing, longer light and our anticipation is for spring.

So, hopefully, the chaos of the holiday season is over. Mostly. It is important to understand that "starts" involve *new situations*, but "beginnings" involve *new understandings*. Beginnings are a process of *reintegration*. Not everything disappears with endings. We interweave the new and improved with the old and reliable, creating new patterns. We aren't starting completely *new* lives. Rather we are beginning the newest chapters of our lives. Our lives may even seem a little tame compared to the roller coaster we were just riding. However, as the Zen master said, "After enlightenment, comes the laundry." Hopefully all the unsettling, and strange things we experience help us to become more of the people we can and want to be.

The beginning of our New Year stands on the remains of the last one. It is not a completely new life we live but the next chapter in the same one. So what will we assemble or give birth to in our new chapter of a year? To what will we give the energy and resources of our unique and precious lives in order to abet the creation of our collective life as a beloved community?

As we celebrate with remembrances of our past, praises for our present and plans for our future, let us do our greatest honor and duty to all generations past, present and future. Let us match, and then transcend the heart-blooded commitments that created this congregation as a spiritual and justice seeking community in north Texas. I can think of little better than the renewal and fulfillment of our covenants as a faith community, dedicated to "Growing Spirits, Working for Justice, and Transforming Lives."

May the spirit and fulfillment of creation be yours in this New Year and beyond. See you in church. Blessings, Patrick

January Share the Plate.

Share the Plate in January goes to the Community Harvest Garden. Perhaps you've already heard! In 2017 Community Harvest Gardeners shared 3000 pounds of fresh, organic produce with neighbors for whom hunger is all too real. We grow food year-round, enrich the soil at each planting, and use earth-safe methods for pest control.

Your annual contributions allow us to keep plot fees at \$35/year and offer fellowships to gardeners who need financial assistance. **Thank you for your support! Stop by anytime to check us out. Better yet, adopt a plot for 2018 and be amazed at how much joy and wisdom you'll discover in the garden.** harvest@communityuuchurch.org

Presidents Column

The two faced Roman god, Janus, source of the name for January, looks back at what was and forward to what will be. No wonder this is the time for resolutions! We can use the short days and long nights of winter for reflection, to take stock of what we have accomplished over the past year and what we want to work on this year. It is not a coincidence that seed catalogs arrive at this time.

Take advantage of the natural slower rhythm of winter to decide what you want to grow in your life. The harvest begins with planning what seeds you want to plant. In the words of reading number 544 in our hymnal, "The new year can be new ground for the seeds of our dreams".

What seeds will you plant at Community Church this year?

Maybe you want to volunteer more. RE can always use more teachers and I can't think of a better thing to grow than Unitarian Universalists!

There are other jobs around the church that also need doing. When someone asks you to volunteer, say yes!

Remember the church is not the building. The church is us. Plant your seeds well and you will enjoy a bountiful harvest.

Peace, Justice and Happy New Year
Sarah

December Board Meeting Highlights

Committee on Ministry

The Board of Trustees approved the appointments of Stan Darnell (3-year term) and Karen Bethel (2-year term) to the Committee on Ministry.

Right of Way Easement

The Board of Trustees agreed that CUUC would retain ownership, and control, of the 5-foot walkway between the church property and the street (Calaveras Way).

(Continued from front page) New Year, New You, UU Style other curious folks? Many Adult RE classes are offered to explore new topics together. Participate in our Sunday services as a member of the worship team, an usher, or even a guest speaker. In short, volunteers (and participants) are always needed in many areas, in many ways! May 2018 see us continue to support one another, in all our resolutions, both personal and communal.—Alyssa Church

January, 2018

Simple Living Chalice Circle

The next meeting will be **Saturday morning January 13 at 11am.**

Theme/topic – Learning together to live deliberately. **Facilitator**

Ona Tannehill at Email

[simpleliving@](mailto:simpleliving@communityuuchurch.org)

communityuuchurch.org.

De-decorating Party on January 6.

Join us at 10am as many hands take down the holiday decorations.

Treats will include punch and cookies. Childcare will be available 10am-1pm.

Women's Fellowship Breakfast.

To all the women of the church:

We're having a fellowship breakfast gathering of all the women of the church on

Saturday, January 20 at Poor Richard's Café, 2442 K Ave. in

Plano, starting at 8:30-9am and ending around 9:30/10am. Come join us for a morning of good food and fellowship to meet other

women in the church. For more information and to RSVP,

contact Vicki Verinder at [women@](mailto:women@communityuuchurch.org)

communityuuchurch.org.

Religious Education Work Day on January 6.

While the elves are clearing the decorations, Rev. Jennifer will be preparing rooms for the new semester. Join her for organizing and for conversations about the upcoming lessons.

Friday Night Flicks. There will be no Friday Night Flicks in January.

The December

Men's Fellowship

Breakfast is Saturday, January

20, 8:30am at Poor Richards

Cafe, 2442 K Avenue, Plano, TX

75074. If you plan to attend

please let Bryan Bristol know

by 6 pm Friday, January 19.

Guest at Your Table donations.

Beginning in January I will be gathering up the unclaimed boxes and donated monies in check form from folks who have been "feeding" their own

boxes. **Towards the end of January 2018 I will submit all the checks made out to UUSC and will send them to the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee.**

Catch me or my husband Chet at church to give us your

donation! If you have already mailed your check, we thank you and appreciate everyone's donations to this worthy organization!

The church office will be closed Monday, January 16.

Literary Ladies Book Club

Upcoming Meeting

Women members and friends of Community UU Church are welcome to join us on **the third Tuesday of the month from 7 – 9pm.**

Date: January 16

Location: Deb Bliss' home, Plano. If you plan to attend, please contact Deb by January 12.

Selection: Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis by

J. D. Vance. Hillbilly Elegy is a passionate and personal analysis of a culture in crisis—that of white working-class Americans. The decline of this group, a demographic of our country that has been slowly disintegrating over forty years, has been reported on with growing frequency and alarm, but has never before been written about as searingly from the inside. J. D. Vance tells the true story of what a social, regional, and class decline feels like when you were born with it hung around your neck.

Deadline for the February newsletter is Friday, January 19. Email articles to newsletter@communityuuchurch.org.

Thank you!

The Santa Shoppe and Bake Sale was a wonderful success. The Youth added about \$250 to their program fund. Helpers included Sandy Farlow and Angela Coffaro who staffed the wrapping table, and all of the Youth who assisted the children with shopping and staffed the bake sale table. Thank you to Gina Mallory, Alice Mayo, Linda Frank, Gene Verinder, Donna Bening, Mina Daffinee, Danni Williams, Rachel Williams, Mariah Dodds, and many angels for donations.

Thank you to the teachers for K-2 OWL: Adrian Perez, Jim Hinton, and Robin Coulonge

Thank you to the teachers for Grades 10-12 OWL: Danni Williams, Sally West

Minecraft Party on January 20, 1-7pm

Come crafters! Come gamers! Join us for an afternoon in the world of Minecraft. Participants will be in a game world created by volunteers at CUUC. Please bring a Minecraft ready computer with a wireless card or a port for a network cable. **This activity works best for children age 6 and up. Adults, be prepared to stay on site if your child(ren) are age 13 and under. Bring \$10 per person for pizza and snacks, \$30 max per family. A few computers will be available for use on a first come, first served basis. See Angela Hathaway for information.**

CIRCLE SUPPERS is in full swing for the Spring session. We meet the 2nd Saturday of each month for dinner and try to keep about 8 to 10 people in each dinner group. Each month we email all the people who signed up for CIRCLE SUPPERS to see who would like to attend this month and to see who might be available to host. The guests meet at the host's home. The host provides the main dish and each guest brings an additional dish or drinks. If you are new to our church this is a great way to meet some new folks. It is OK to sign up even if your situation doesn't allow you to be a host. **To sign up just send an email to Circlesuppers@communityUUchurch.org and give your name (or names) and email and a phone number.**

SAVE THE DATE: WOMEN'S ALLIANCE ANNUAL RETREAT

This year our retreat will be held on **April 13, 14 and 15, 2018.** We will again be returning to **Glen Lake Retreat Center in Glen Rose, TX.** We will post more details as we finalize our plans.

We have two price options:

Option 1 is a deluxe cabin, which will accommodate 9 persons on the bottom bunks. The cabin has a large lighted vanity area and a bathroom with showers. The mattresses are wide and firm. You will need to provide your bedding and towels. This price is \$100 for the weekend which includes 3 meals on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday.

Option 2 is an hotel style room available for \$150. These rooms are semi-private with 2 twin beds and a private bath in each and you do not need to bring bedding or towels. This price also includes your meals. There is a limited number of these rooms so it is first come, first serve. You must submit payment for a room to be held in your name.

Come join us for our annual gathering. It is a fun weekend filled with sharing, singing, activities and more. A chance to make new friends and visit with old friends. This is your chance to get away from it all!! We hope to see you there!

If you plan on joining us, contact Barb Salvo for more details or questions.

Social Action News

What's New in the Community Garden?

3000 pounds of fresh organic produce was delivered to local food pantries from our garden in 2017!

Stop in after church service and you'll see six state-of-the-art hose trees! Mike Owens designed and installed 6 sturdy posts to keep our hoses off the ground, tangle-free, and reduce tripping hazards. Safety is always a priority at the garden.

Studies have shown gardening is good for the soul, mind and body. Connecting to nature and down-to-earth people keeps your body fit, your heart full, and helps you get your Vitamin D. People who work in the soil are happier and healthier. Serving the needs of the local community is satisfying work. There is nothing as thrilling as harvesting food to share at your own table. Community Harvest Garden provides all these benefits plus: sunny space to grow healthy food, water, tools, organic compost, mulch, fertilizer, and organic pest products. In return we ask an annual fee of \$35 to cover these costs and 4-6 hours/month of your time. This January, adopt a 4'x16' plot with a buddy or your family. You will be glad you did! **Four new gardeners will be joining us in 2018 and space is still available for you. Contact Deb Bliss at harvest@communityuuchurch.org.**

Hunger Initiative

God's Pantry

God's Pantry sends their sincere appreciation for all of the support Community Unitarian Universalist Church provided last year. In December the Toy Drive gave 103 children gifts/well wishes and donated 25 frozen turkeys for their Holiday Baskets. All year the church has paid their electric bill and weekly donated nonperishable goods. Twice last year God's Pantry was the recipient of Share the Plate Sunday. God's Pantry is a small food pantry in East Plano, but they feed everyone who comes to their door. They survive on the support of churches who appreciate their help to our community. Their volume of clients was the largest in their history and the support of this church has been vital to their ability to function. We are in their thoughts and prayers.

Our Whole Lives for Grades 4-5 Begins in January.

Save the date! **The parent meeting is planned for 12-1:20pm on January 7. Classes will run on most Sundays, 12:00-1:30pm from January 21 through April 22. Childcare provided.**

OWL (*Our Whole Lives*) is a human sexuality education program developed by the UUA and the United Church of Christ. **See article below about Adult OWL for people ages 18+. For more information about Our Whole Lives (OWL) and its lifespan approach to comprehensive sex education, see <https://www.uua.org/re/owl> or ask Rev. Jennifer and Angela Hathaway.**

Adult OWL begins in January

Save the date for the information session on January 7!

Information session: Sunday, January 7, 2018 from 12:15 - 1:15 in the Library.

Workshop series: Sunday evenings, January 21 - March 21, 2018 in the annex. Childcare provided.

Teaching team: Alyssa Church, Stephanie Dorman, & Danni Williams

OWL oversight for Religious Education: Angela Hathaway

OWL (*Our Whole Lives*) is a human sexuality education program developed by the UUA and the United Church of Christ. Adult OWL is for people ages 18+. Topics include Values, Communication, Spirituality, Discovering the Sexual Self, Relationships, Sexual Diversity, Health, Family & Aging. The teaching team trained together in July 2017 to offer this course at Community UU.

Rev. Jennifer Innis, Interim DRE

Thomas King, in his book, *The Truth About Stories: A Native Narrative* writes,

“What if the creation story in Genesis had featured a flawed deity who was understanding and sympathetic rather than autocratic and rigid? Someone who, in the process of creation, found herself lost from time to time and in need of advice, someone who was willing to accept a little help with the more difficult decisions? What if the animals had decided their own names? What kind of word might we have created with that story?”

The most often used creation story from the Christian Bible is part of the narrative in Genesis. God creates a beautiful Eden. He asks the humans, Adam and Eve, to care for the garden and invites them to explore it. However, they must stay away from the fruit of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. Out of curiosity and with some encouragement, Eve samples the fruit and shares it with Adam. After God discovers them, he not only banishes them from the Garden, but he also curses them and their children with pain, hard labor, and mortality.

The Rev. Meg Riley, Senior Minister at the Church of the Larger Fellowship, writes,

Creation stories, then, are mirrors for how we see ourselves and all of creation. I will never know what it could have meant to grow up in a world centered on a creation story which is about balance and co-creation, imperfection and connection. Where no one was banished, no one sent out from paradise; everyone bickering and working it out together in community.

“Creation stories are an experience in excavation. Every story has its origins and interpretations. The accumulated human stories reveal the world views of the people just as the layers of earth show the effects of how the earth moves and what inhabited each stratum.”

I struggle, as Meg does, with acknowledging the lasting harm done from a story with such banishment as is in Genesis. Every retelling of that story, no matter how imaginative, progressive, or womanist, remains in response to the Garden.

I grieve the sorrow that comes with that story. And I will not let that story be all the story there is.

In Tuscaloosa, Alabama, there is the deep story of black slavery in white culture. But that is not the only story. Less than 30 minutes away is the site of Moundville and the remains of the great Mississippian community that lived there about 1000 years’ ago. The curve of the land and the carving effect of the Black Warrior River serves as the foundation under all of the layers of human experience. My experience as a person and as a minister amid these overlapping and intertwined forces inspires my ability to recognize what is harmful while seeking out more understanding.

What stories speak to you? What are you doing with the accounts that promote ethics and values that are out of sync with what you believe is true? Will you seek out more than you think you know?

Bowing to the Light Within,
Jennifer

Save the Date for Courageous Faith!

Date: February 24, 2018

Time: 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (registration opens at 8:30 a.m., programming starts at 9 a.m.)

Title: Courageous Faith: The Future of UU Faith Formation

Place: Horizon UU Church, Carrollton TX (contact: Lauren Daniell) (can be attended in person or via live-streaming; price is the same either way).

Cost: \$100/person, \$65/person for team of 3 or more from the same church

Food: continental breakfast/coffee, snacks, lunch on site, dinner on your own

Childcare available on request. Look for registration link in January. See Rev. Jennifer for information.

Brought to you by the Southwest Liberal Religious Educators (LREDA)

Adult Religious Education Classes

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. **The church website has been updated with the latest classes and class descriptions - check it out at www.CommunityUUChurch.org under Adult Religious Education.** CHILDCARE is available for all classes, upon request. To reserve childcare call the church office (972-424-8989) at least 48 hours in advance.

Tuesday

Tibetan Buddhism – 7pm – in the sanctuary. Meditation and Mind Training. Please join us for guided meditation and a skillful approach to developing mental peace and clarity. **Facilitated by the Ven. Tashi Nyima.**

Thursday

Humanist Group – New Direction meets at 6pm in Room G. Each week there will be discussions of Humanist-oriented topics led by group members. All are welcome to attend, participate and grow as we explore different perspectives. Current topics and facilitators: January 4 - BREAK; January 11 - Maria - Topic: TBD; January 18 - Celeste - Topic: TBD; January 25 - Anita O. - Topic: TBD; February 1 - Bev - Topic: TBD.

Exploring the Roots of Religion in Room G at 7pm. Facilitator Don Fielding. Biological Anthropology: January 4 - * BREAK ***; January 11 - The Body and Mind Evolving; January 18 – Tyranny of the Gene?; January 25 – Evolution and Our Future. The Meaning of Life: Perspectives from the World’s Great Intellectual Tradition: February 1 – The Meaning of the Meaning of Life.**

Ian Rule Memorial Service

You are invited to the service of worship memorializing and celebrating the life of the late Dr. Ian Austin Christopher Rule. It will be held at **2pm Saturday, January 27, 2018, at the Community Unitarian Universalist Church** at 2875 East Parker Road, Plano TX 75074. The Rev. Patrick D. Price will officiate. A reception at the Church will follow the service. The family has requested that donations in memory of Ian and/or in lieu of flowers be made to the Community UU Church of Plano.

Ian was a devoted and generous husband, father and grandfather. A UU for almost fifty years, he was active as a member, leader and elder at First Unitarian Church of Dallas and the Community UU Church of Plano, up until shortly before his death in November 2017. Dr. Rule was a respected and beloved teacher, mentor and consultant in public and private education in D/FW for over forty years. For questions regarding the memorial service or reception, please contact the church office. 972-424-8989.

Save the Date:

Saturday, February 24 – Courageous Faith: The Future of Faith Formation with Kim Sweeney at Horizon UU Church

Saturday, February 24 – Gratitude Gala at Temple Shalom

Saturday, March 17 – Rummage Sale

November Financial Report

Finance Report by Cindy Hadden Treasurer

The November financial summary for our operating accounts is listed below. The cumulative Net Income gap has gone up a little to \$20.4k, still well above budget. The Service Auction came in a little below budget, but almost everyone paid very promptly, thank you. This has however skewed the numbers a little, as we had predicted it was going to take a few months to collect everything. Next month we will see a big hit (\$7k) of predicted income from the Service auction, which has already been collected this month.

Looking ahead: Historically the holiday months, and just after that, the beginning of the New Year are lean months for the church.

Please remember the different ways you can help our church, without it costing you any money, through Amazon Smile, Kroger community rewards, etc. (see the box "FREE MONEY" to the right ---->).



Upcoming Share the Plate Offerings

Date	Recipient
Jan. 28, 2018	Community Harvest Garden
Feb. 25, 2018	Justice Ministry

If you forget your checkbook on a Share the Plate Sunday, remember you can always donate on line.

November's *Share the Plate* netted \$346.08 for Plano Community Home.. Thanks!



FREE MONEY!

Kroger: NOTE: It's time to renew you Kroger Community Rewards - just follow this link:
<https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards>

Amazon.com: Use this link for purchases:
<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/75-1787256>
The church will get a portion of all purchase amounts!

INCOME & EXPENSE November 2017

	November 2017	Month Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget	% Annual Budget (FY 50% comp)
INCOME						
Total Offering Income	\$17,621	\$16,519	\$131,005	\$120,074	\$235,225	55.7%
Total Fund Raiser Income	\$13,060	\$ 5,000	\$ 20,121	\$ 10,950	\$ 24,900	80.8%
Total Building Usage	\$ 3,100	\$ 2,345	\$ 13,945	\$13,766	\$ 29,430	47.4%
Misc. Income	\$ 17	\$ 30	\$ 2,743	\$ 2,936	\$ 7,216	38.0%
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 33,798	\$23,894	\$167,814	\$147,726	\$296,772	56.5%
EXPENSE						
Administration	\$ 7,166	\$ 6,341	\$27,448	\$27,719	\$ 54,771	50.1%
Programs	\$ 1,550	\$ 2,008	\$11,559	\$11,687	\$ 23,367	49.5%
Religious Education	\$ 4,125	\$ 4,720	\$24,834	\$26,883	\$ 54,507	45.6%
Facilities/Grounds	\$ 3,857	\$ 3,360	\$25,849	\$24,875	\$54,333	47.6%
Ministry	\$ 8,061	\$ 8,547	\$52,428	\$51,283	\$103,884	50.5%
Denomination	\$2,363	\$2,363	\$ 4,725	\$ 4,725	\$ 18,900	25.0%
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$27,122	\$27,339	\$146,843	\$147,172	\$309,762	47.4%
NET INCOME	\$ 6,676	-\$ 3,445	\$ 20,971	\$ 554	-\$12,990	

JANUARY

For our January 2018 calendar, go to our website at:
CommunityUUChurch.org

Events listed on the calendar are subject to change. For more information and confirmation of these events, please visit the church calendar at <http://www.communityuuchurch.org/pages/calendar>.

Upcoming Family-Friendly Activities at Community

- Saturday, January 6 – 10am:** De-decorating the Sanctuary. There will be treats and childcare.
- Sunday, January 7 – 10:30am:** Worship and Religious Education
- Sunday, January 7 – 12:00pm:** Parent Meeting for OWL Grades 4-6
- Sunday, January 7 – 12:00pm:** Information Meeting for Adult OWL
- Sunday, January 14 – 10:30am:** Worship and Religious Education
- Saturday, January 20 – 1:00pm:** Minecraft Party
- Sunday, January 21 – 10:30am:** Worship and Religious Education
- Sunday, January 28 – 10:30am:** Worship and Children's Chapel

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Southwest District (SWUUC): **www.swuuc.org**

North Texas Unitarian Universalist Congregations (NTUUC):

www.ntuuc.org

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Monday: church offices closed: **Tuesday:** 9 am to 3 pm
Wednesday: 9 am to 2:30 pm: **Thursday:** 9 am to 2:30 pm
Friday: 9 am to Noon: **Office Phone #:** 972-424-8989

Reverend Patrick Price

Monday: Available for emergencies only.
Tuesday through Thursday: Noon to 4 pm
Friday: Available for emergencies only.
Other times by appointment. Please contact Reverend Price for appointments and scheduling information.

Interim DRE Jennifer Innis call for appointment.

Bookkeeper John Elder Tuesday & Thursday: 10:30am - 2:30pm
other times by appointment.

Membership Coordinator Cindy Pilcher Friday: 9:15am - 11:30am.

Church Secretary Connie Meints

Tuesday 9am to 3pm, **Wednesday & Thursday** 9am to 2:30pm, **Friday** 9am to noon.

Music Director Christopher Wolff

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