

Sunday Programs

December 3

9:30 Adult Religious Education: "A History of God" pt.1 (MH)
10:15 Coffee and Conversation

10:45 Program: Rick Spradlin
Title: **"The Light Within"**

Service Leader: Rick Spradlin
Opener: Connie Ussery
Closers: Volunteer Closing Team
Greeters: Justine Wade and Judy Barnett
First Sunday Potluck

12:00

December 10

9:30 Adult Religious Education: "A History of God " pt.2 (MH)
10:15 Coffee and Conversation

10:45 Program: ***UU FC Business Meeting***

Service Leader: Ron Ussery
Opener: Michelle Midgette
Closers: Volunteer Closing Team
Greeters: Orm Burnham and Robert Burnham

December 17

9:30 Adult Religious Education: "A History of God" pt. 3 (MH)
10:15 Coffee and Conversation

10:45 Program: Sanjay Lal
Title: **" On Staying Both Sane and Politically Interested"**

Service Leader: Kirstin Mix
Opener: Chris Nix
Closers: Volunteer Closing Team
Greeters: Mark Berger and Bill Edwards

December 24

9:30 Adult Religious Education: " A History of God" pt.4 (MH)
10:15 Coffee and Conversation

10:45 Program: Joyce Hickson and Rick Spradlin
Title: **" The Spirit of Giving"**

Service Leader: Rick Spradlin
Opener: Ellen Harlan
Closers: Volunteer Closing Team
Greeters: Ursula King and Maureen Humphries

December 31

9:30 Adult Religious Education: "A History of God" pt 5.(MH)
10:15 Coffee and Conversation

10:45 Program: TBD
Title: TBD

Service Leader: Pat Hart
Opener: Pat Hart
Closers: Volunteer Closing Team
Greeters: Patricia Lassiter and Ann Newland

Childcare is provided every Sunday from 9:30 until noon

Thanks to ***Joyce Hickson and Connie Ussery*** for coordinating the programs this month.



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A Welcoming Congregation



You do not need to be a member of the Fellowship to attend any of these activities

Activities

Wednesday Night Discussion Group

This group meets every Wednesday night at 7 p.m. and is open to everyone. The topic to be discussed is announced on the website calendar a few days in advance of the next meeting. (MH)

UU Women

The Women's Group meets monthly on the second Thursday. The time of day and the specific plans vary from month to month. The details are usually announced a month in advance and are found in the newsletter and on the website. There will be no meeting in December.

Women's Book Club

A monthly meeting is held on the fourth Tuesday evening of each month at 5 p.m. in the Meeting House. The current book is announced a month in advance, giving everyone a chance to read it. The Book Club will not meet in December. The next meeting will be on January 23rd where we will discuss Gods in Alabama by Joshilyn Jackson and bring suggestions for books to read in 2018.

UU Singers

If you are interested in music or singing, please consider joining our UU Singers. Rehearsals are held every Wednesday night at 6 p.m. and on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. before the service. (GFH)

Friday Lunch Group

This group meets at the Mandarin Cafe each Friday at 12:30 to have fun and discuss current events. All members and friends of the Fellowship are invited to join the group for a lively discussion.

Exploring Spirituality

This group meets the first and the third Thursdays in the Meeting House at 7 p.m. The purpose of this group is to explore and grow in our own spirituality and to learn how our own spirituality expresses itself in our daily lives. This group will not meet in December.

Spirituality Book Club

There will be no meeting in December.

Calm Abiding Meditation

This group will be led by Joanie Andras who led our Mindfulness 101 group. It will run through the end of December except for holiday weekends. The group will meet every Saturday from 10 - 11:30 a.m. in the Meeting House. There is no charge for this class but Joanie encourages donations to the UU Fellowship.

Each class will begin with a description of Calm Abiding meditation and then a 20 minute meditation. After the meditation you will read and discuss the Buddhist path of cultivating loving-kindness, compassion, and wisdom using the book, The Buddhist Path, A Practical Guide from the Nyingma Tradition of Tibetan Buddhism by Khenchen Palden Sherab Rinpoche and Khenpo Tsewang Dongyal Rinpoche. Joanie has copies of the book to share and/or people can buy a copy.

December 2 Mark Berger
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 December 5 Bill Edwards
 December 6 Connie Ussery
 December 8 Ralph Puckett



December 16 Neil Barron
 December 20 Dianne Wages
 December 21 Orm Burnham
 December 22 Patricia Lassiter

Children's Religious Education

(meets in the Meeting House)**

December 3	"Do No Harm"
December 10	"Making a Difference"
December 17	"Justice for All"
December 24	"Courage"
December 31	"Courage and Perseverance"

**Children come to the sanctuary for the beginning of the service, then are dismissed to the RE classroom.

* RE is for age 4 and above, childcare is provided for children under age 3 upstairs.

Volunteers are needed to teach RE and also to read the Children's Story.

notes from.....The Social Action Committee

- **GATP** donations of \$300.00 in November went towards helping a DACA family for Christmas.
- **GATP** in December will go to the Lion's Club to provide eyeglasses for children.
- The focus of the **GATP** efforts from October—December is on **CHILDREN**.
- The SAC will meet on Dec. 13th at 10 a.m. to fill the duffel bags for the Foster Care Christmas Project.



Winter Solstice Celebration

Wednesday, December 20

7:00 P.M.

Come and join in UU's Winter Solstice celebration in the Meditation Garden. The grill will be available after 6 p.m.. Hot cider will be provided or bring your own beverage. EVERYONE is invited. Dress for the weather. If inclement weather, the celebration will be held in the Meeting House.



UU Christmas Party

*Members and Friends of the UUFC
Are cordially invited to our annual Christmas Party
Friday evening, December 8th at 7:00 p.m.
Grace Fellowship Hall*

Please BYOB and heavy hors d'oeuvres to share

Entertainment provided by the Jingle Belles

Holiday Casual Attire

RSVP by December 6

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You may also sign up near the poster in the coffee area

Annual Business Meeting

December 10, 2017

Please make it a point to be here on December 10 as we will have the election for the Board of Trustees for 2018. Bill Harlan will also present an update on all the improvements that were made in 2017.

Proposed Slate of Officers

President: Bill Harlan

V. Pres. Programs: Connie Ussery

V. Pres. RE: John Land

Treasurer: John Hart

Secretary: Patricia Lassiter

Trustee: Maureen Humphries

Trustee: Joyce Hickson

Trustee: Ursula King

Trustee: John Kamisky

Trustee: Ron Ussery

Bits and Pieces

Please keep Jim Humphries in your thoughts. He is having health issues.
Our condolences to Neil Barron on the death of his great aunt.

We are so happy to have our new sound system up and running. If you have any comments,
please see Ron Ussery.

Dates to remember:

Dec. 3—Indivisible at UUFC from 4-6 p.m. discussing gun control.

Dec. 9— UUFC Christmas Party at 7 p.m

Dec.13— Social Action Committee packing up duffel bags at 10 a.m.

Dec. 25— Merry Christmas!

Dec. 31— Happy New Year!



“A Journey into Mindfulness featuring Thich Nhat Hanh”

**This film will be shown only once on
December 11, 7:30 p.m. at AMC Columbus Park 15
Tickets must be purchased in advance—\$10.
To purchase, go to <https://gathr.us/s/21914>**

See Joanie Andras if you want more information

For the latest news, visit our dynamic new website:
www.uucolumbusga.org for all the latest info about programs, schedules,
announcements, etc.