

Announcements for Sunday, April 21, 2019 Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation



Next Sunday's service is "Be Joyful Though You Have Considered All the Facts" by Dr. Amy McEuen.

Happening Today

In response to the January program survey results, we invite you to greet only those nearest you during the service, and greet others during the social hour. After the service, please leave your hymnals on the front row chairs to prevent congestion at the entry doorway.

Today is your last chance to sign up for Circle Suppers. Sign up sheets will be circulated today or you can sign up online at https://forms.gle/vzTdeyYYVWKJ4B4T7 New members are especially encouraged to participate!!

Our 2020 pledge drive is winding down. If you haven't already turned in your pledge card, please do it ASAP!! Any questions, see Tina Bennett or Cathy Brookshire. AND THANK YOU!

Calling all UUs! The Unitarian Universalist Advocacy Network Illinois (UUANI) is mobilizing all UUs to petition their state legislators in support of the Clean Energy Jobs Act, SB2132/HB3624. This legislation promotes clean energy jobs and economic opportunity, puts Illinois on a path to 100% renewable energy by 2050, reduces the equivalent of 1 million gasoline powered vehicles and achieves a carbon-free power sector by 2030. Further information is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway. A petition is enclosed in today's order of service. Please complete it and place it in the designated box located outside the sanctuary door. Someone from the Social Justice Committee will get our petitions to the Capitol Building at the appropriate time. If needed, you can locate your state legislator's name at www.elections.il.gov/districtlocator/addressfinder.aspx

<u>Tickets are now on sale!</u> Please join us May 15 at 7pm as we feature Fr. James Martin, SJ, in a live-stream conversation on Faith in the Modern Era. Fr. Martin is a nationally recognized author addressing issues including immigration and inclusivity. Admission is limited to 100 people; tickets may be purchased directly from ALUUC for \$10 per person.

If you're interested in helping with Pridefest on May 18, 11:30am – 6pm, please add your name to the signup sheets being circulated during the service. There are three opportunities to participate: 1) work at the ALUUC table, 2) work at the PFLAG table, and 3) march in the parade. See Rev. Woulfe if you have questions.

Coming Soon

The Personnel Committee is conducting evaluations of some ALUUC staff (not the minister) in April. We will distribute evaluation forms to the congregants that each employee works closest with for their input. If you are given an evaluation form, please complete and insert in the box in the fover by 1 pm on April 28, 2019. Contact Frank Kopecky or Dianne Roberts with any questions.

Please join the ALUUC Humanist Group at 7 PM, Monday, April 22, at ALUUC as we discuss the book Winners Take All: The Elite Charade of Changing the World, facilitated by Carol Floyd. In Winners Take All, "former New York Times columnist Anand Giridharadas takes us into the inner sanctums of a new gilded age, where the rich and powerful fight for equality and justice any

way they can -- except ways that threaten the social order and their position atop it. We see how they rebrand themselves as saviors of the poor; how they lavishly reward 'thought leaders' who redefine 'change' in winner-friendly ways; and how they constantly seek to do more good, but never less harm....Giridharadas asks hard questions: Why, for example, should our gravest problems be solved by the unelected upper crust instead of the public institutions it erodes by lobbying and dodging taxes?" ~ goodreads.com review For questions, contact Sarah laiennaro at humanistgroup@aluuc.org

The ALUUC Book Group will meet on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 23 at 7 PM</u> in the Channing Room. Jackie Jackson will join us for her *Stories from the Round Barn*. In addition to discussing the book, Jackie will tell us stories from other of her Round Barn writings. All are welcome even if you have not read the book. For questions, email Penny Wollan-Kriel at <u>bookgroup@aluuc.org</u>

This Week at a Glance

DATE	EVENT	<u>Time</u>	Room
Sunday, April 21	Easter Sunday		
•	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	RE Committee Meeting	12:00 PM	Fuller
	Social Justice Committee Meeting	12:00 PM	Berkley
Monday, April 22	Earth Day		
	Humanist Group	7:00 PM	Commons
Tuesday, April 23	A Course in Miracles	6:00 PM	Berkley
	Book Group	7:00 PM	Channing
Wednesday, April 24	IAG Cooking Class.	10:00 AM	Kitchen
Thursday, April 25	Meditation	6:30 PM	Sanctuary
	Covenant Group	6:30 PM	Fuller
Friday, April 26	*Circle Suppers	various locations	
Saturday, April 27	Zen Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
	*Circle Suppers	various locations	
	5 th Street Renaissance Art Auction	6:00 PM	Sanctuary
Sunday, April 28	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
*off site			

Happening Elsewhere

Earth Awareness Fair: Old State Capitol Plaza, <u>April 27, 1-5pm.</u> This free, family-friendly event will feature more than 40 exhibitors highlighting topics including recycling, reuse, energy efficiency, alternative energy, native plants and habitats, local and organic foods, and water conservation. The afternoon will also feature live music, games, crafts, activities and programs. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase. www.springfield.il.us/EarthFair

Five Presidents: a play by Rick Cleveland, at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, April 25-27, May 2-4, 7:30 PM. "Five Presidents" takes the audience into a historic meeting of Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, George H. W. Bush and Bill Clinton, brought together by the funeral of Richard Nixon. Old grievances, frustrations, discussions about honor, and political secrets are brought up in the 90-minute play by Emmy Award-winning writer Rick Cleveland. The play contains adult content and is for mature audiences. Call 558-8844 for ticket information. www.facebook.com/events/413296122571243/