



**Announcements for Sunday, April 26, 2015
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "Science versus Religion: Where Should We Put Our Faith" by Rev. Lynnda White.

***** HAPPENING TODAY****

Pledge Drive 2015-2016: The Pledge Drive continues. Additional pledges are needed if we are going to maintain quality programming, pay down the mortgage by 2017 and provide living wages for our staff. There are too many Members who have not yet submitted a pledge for the next fiscal year that supports the ALUUC budget for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2015. Pledge cards and a brochure providing information about our budget needs and other pledging guidance are available. Pledge cards should be filled out and returned to Kurt DeWeese, or mailed to ALUUC, 745 Woodside Rd, Springfield 62711, ATTN: Kurt DeWeese, Pledge Drive Chair, or let Kurt know by email at kidi71@aol.com or phone 546-5834.

Memorial contributions on behalf of **Ken Sibley** (8/8/23--3/25/2015) and **Clara Lily White** (7/11/23--3/30/2015) may be made to the Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 745 Woodside Rd., Springfield, IL 62711. Please make checks payable to the "ALUUC" indicating on the Memo line that it is a Memorial for Ken or Clara Lily.

The email address for the Program Committee has been updated to program.com@aluuc.org.

**** COMING SOON ****

If you've ever participated in any Conversations on Race activities, be sure to come on April 27, 6:00 pm in the Commons area. We will be joined by a reporter from the Boston National Public Radio (NPR) who is interested in understanding this activity.

The Book Discussion Group ordinarily meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month, but in April we will be meeting on Wednesday, April 29th at 7:30 p.m. at Barbara Moore's, 1800 Hastings Road. We will be discussing *The Drop* by Michael Connelly. This book was originally scheduled for the March meeting which was cancelled. Future books we will read include *The Color of Water* by James McBride. Everyone is welcome. Call Barbara at 523-6241 if you have any questions.

Kids Club/District 12 will be participating in a Hunger Games evening at ALUUC on May 1, 2015 from 6 pm until 8 pm. Join us and may the odds forever be in your favor. Please, RSVP to Marla Johnson, DRE at dre@yahoo.org. Thank you.

For the Sunday, May 3 **Change for Change** we will be collecting funds for Fishes & Loaves Outreach Ministry (FLOM). FLOM was established in 1999 as a charitable nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. For the past 16 years, they have administered multiple adult literacy programs—known collectively as The Springfield Literacy Project—including programs funded by Illinois State Library grants. They offer a relaxed, informal environment that appeal to our target audience, who typically are averse to more formal classroom settings. They value each participant's life experience and encourage the individuals enrolled in the program to be self-directed learners. FLOM relies on financial support from diverse funding sources including grants, donations, and fundraising.

The News Covenant Group meets on the first Thursday of each month. Join us at 7:00 p.m. on May 7, 2015 at Renata and Heiko Buchloh's. 7901 Hunt Road. Everyone is welcome. Call the Buchloh's at 585-1944 if you have any questions.

Sign up to show your PRIDE! Volunteer for a two hour shift at the ALUUC booth at Springfield Pridefest on Sat. May 16, anytime from 11:30 am to 6:00 pm. Come help ALUUC and the Welcoming Congregation support the LGBTQ community by participating in one of Springfield's most fun and beloved events! For more information please contact Tracy Zieber Minks at 217-801-7926 or email tracyzieber@gmail.com

DATE SAVER: Journeys of the Spirit, featured keynote speaker Marsha Forrest, UU WOMEN'S CONNECTION Spring Conference on June 5-7, 2015, Pilgrim Park, Princeton, IL 61356. For more details, see the website at <http://www.uuwomensconnection.org/>

****This Week at a Glance ****

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, Apr 26	Choir Rehearsal	9:20 AM	Sanctuary
	Movie "Captain America: The Winter Soldier"	5:00 PM	Sanctuary
Monday, April 27	Conversations on Race	6:00 PM	Commons
	Humanist Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Tuesday, April 28	Movie "Guardians of the Galaxy"	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Wed, April 29	*Book Group	7:30 PM	Barb Moore's
Thursday, Apr 30	Meditation	7:15 PM	Sanctuary
Friday, May 1	Kids Club/District 12	6:00 PM	Commons
Saturday, May 2	Zen Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Pagan Group Beltane	5:00 PM	Commons
Sunday, May 3	Choir Rehearsal	9:20 AM	Sanctuary

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****Happening Elsewhere ****

Habitat for Humanity is hosting a Community Build Blitz on May 1, 8AM to 4PM at 1252 N. Rutledge St. We invite adults of all faiths to join us on our Interfaith Build Day. Help us continue our mission of creating simple, decent, and affordable housing for of all God's people in need. **To sign up groups or individuals, contact [Susan](#) or call 217-523-2710, ext. 13.**

Sustainable Springfield, Inc. (SSI) is holding a kickoff reception for its pilot program "The Greenest of Springfield Awards" at Maldaner's' Restaurant on April 29, at 6pm. SSI will be giving out three 2015 individual achievement awards to Bob Croteau, Wynne Coplea and Michael Higgins. Find more information at www.sustainable.springfield.org or call 217-652-7489. Please register by April 25, 2015. Registration on the website is available with a \$15 fee, or mail your registration and check to: Sustainable Springfield, Inc, PO Box 9896, Springfield, IL 62791.