



Announcements for Sunday, April 8, 2018
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation



Next Sunday's service is "Skin in the Game" by Rev. Scott Aaseng.

Happening Today

In keeping with the Safe Congregation Policy, ALUUC would like to remind all age groups, including parents, that those in any youth programs need to have adults participating or overseeing their activities when using ALUUC's meeting rooms.

Sign up now for the New Adult RE Class: Writing Your Spiritual Autobiography

This five-part series offers participants the chance to create a journal of exploration and reflection. People will be encouraged to share excerpts with one another and to discuss themes and lessons that emerge. This series will be held on five consecutive Wednesday evenings, from 6:30 – 8 pm: April 11; April 18; April 25; May 02; May 09. Participants should make every effort to attend all five sessions. Sign-up sheets will be available on Sundays; additionally, you may notify Rev. Woulfe by email of your interest. There will be a limit of fifteen participants.

Congregants and friends who are ill or in distress may contact the **Pastoral Care Committee** directly. Also, members & friends are asked to please keep us apprised of others you know who may appreciate attention. Email: pastoralcare@aluuc.org.

Coming Soon

Eco Camp 2018 planning has begun! Our free summer ecology camp for youths (ages 5-12) scheduled for July 23-27. Interested in helping with the camp? Contact ecocamp@aluuc.org. Our next planning meeting will be April 19, 7pm at ALUUC.

Save the date: Our special Pledge Drive Kickoff will be held at ALUUC on Friday, April 13 from 5:00 – 7:00 PM. Members and Friends of ALUUC are invited to an early evening of **Food, Fellowship and Fun** on Friday, April 13, 2018 from 5 – 7 pm at ALUUC. We are kicking off the **2018 – 2019 Stewardship/Pledge Campaign**. Meet new members, as well as enjoy the company of long-term members. Come and go as you like but please be on hand at 6 pm for the "Pledge Pitch" and a chance to win a bottle of wine!

Game Night will follow the Pledge Drive Kickoff, April 13 at 7pm in the Commons. Come join the group for a night of fun, food and, of course, games! You are welcome to bring your own snacks, drinks and games as well.

If you would like to become of member of ALUUC please join us for the **April edition of Pathways to Membership**. Session one will take place on Sunday, April 15 at 12:15pm. Sessions two and three will follow on Monday evening on April, 16 at 6 pm.

Potluck Sunday — Sunday, April 15th, 12pm (after the service)

Please bring a dish to share. If you would like to volunteer to help with setup, please [sign up online here](#) or contact email@aluuc.org.

This Week at a Glance

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, April 8	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Green Sanctuary	12:00 PM	Barton
	Covenant Group	12:00 PM	Alcott
Tuesday, April 10	Board Meeting	6:00 PM	Fuller
	A Course in Miracles (Adult RE)	6:00 PM	Barton
Wed., April 11	IAG Cooking Class	10:00 AM	Kitchen
	Adult RE: Spiritual Autobiography	6:30 PM	Commons
Thursday, April 12	Covenant Group (Thursday)	7:00 PM	Channing
	Meditation Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Friday, April 13	Stewardship Drive Kick-off	5:00 PM	Sanctuary
	Game Night	7:00 PM	Commons
Saturday, April 14	UUANI Workshops	9:00 AM	Sanct & class rooms
Sunday, April 15	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Potluck	12:00 PM	Sanctuary
	Pathways Session 1	12:15 PM	Commons
	RE Committee Mtg.	12:00 PM	Fuller
	Social Justice Committee Mtg.	12:00 PM	Barton
	Covenant Group	12:00 PM	Alcott

Happening Elsewhere

The Springfield Coalition on Dismantling Racism (SCoDR) will host its next workshop on Understanding and Analyzing Systemic Racism on April 12-14, at Sacred Heart Convent. For a registration form or questions, contact John Record, jrecord29@gmail.com or 217/414-1772(c).

Eric Thibodeaux-Thompson is pleased to announce that *SIX CHARACTERS IN SEARCH OF AN AUTHOR* by Luigi Pirandello will be presented at UIS on April 13th, 14th, 15th (Fri., Sat., Sun.) & April 19th, 20th, 21st (Thurs., Fri., Sat.), 2018. *The curtain time for Thursday, Friday and Saturday night shows is 7:30 p.m. with the Sunday performances starting at 2 p.m.* Originally written in 1921, "6 Characters..." is an absurdist metatheatrical play...our production will be the 1998 Robert Brustein adaptation, which has been described by the publisher as a "highly acclaimed adaption of Pirandello's masterpiece, a study in illusion and reality which follows a group of characters who try to fashion their life stories into acceptable drama."

GOT PLANTS? Opportunities for buying native plants! The Illinois Native Plant Society is having their annual sale of native trees, shrubs, grasses and flowers Saturday, April 28, from 9 am to about 1 pm at the Illinois State Fairgrounds. Lincoln Memorial Gardens is having their annual native woodland wildflower sale Saturday April 14 from 8 am to 4 pm and Sunday April 15 from 12:30 pm to 4 pm. Native plants provide food for pollinators and other insects--which in turn are fed upon by native birds. They are adapted to our climate and are part of the history of our land. And besides they can be quite beautiful! So, take advantage of these opportunities to add native plants to your yard and garden.