



**Announcements for Sunday, December 16, 2018
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "The Tipping Point of the Season" by Rev. Martin Woulfe.

Happening Today

Please help stack chairs today after the service in preparation for the Labyrinth Walk on Friday, December 21st. All are invited to join in the meditative and unique walk beginning at 7pm. There will also be an opportunity to receive a Oneness Blessing before and after the walk.

Our annual membership review will begin very soon. The UUA asks each congregation to report their active membership annually. If you intend to change your membership status, please contact Rev. Woulfe or Tracy Zieber. A preliminary meeting will be held today in Rev. Woulfe's office after the service.

Coming Soon

The ALUUC Newsletter deadline is Tuesday, December 18th. Due to the upcoming holidays, we need to receive submissions very soon. Send your articles to newsletter@aluuc.org

Tickets to the Frontiers Martin Luther King, Jr Breakfast are now on sale – today is your final opportunity to reserve your ticket! Please see Rev. Woulfe. The breakfast will be on Monday, January 21; sales end in late December and in an important change, there will no longer be tickets sold at the event itself. There will be ten people seated at each table; each ticket is \$25. First come, first, served! Please note that tickets will NOT be sold at the door. Rev. Woulfe has ten tickets left!

A visitation in honor of Chase White, late son of the Rev. Lynnda White, is tentatively scheduled at the Peoria UU Church on December 21 (probably late afternoon/evening) with a Memorial Service to be held on December 22. More details will be shared as the date approaches. Rev. Woulfe is still accepting donations towards the cost of the floral arrangement sent last week.

The Social Justice Committee's Winter Warming Center dinners for the homeless has begun. We need six volunteers for serving, for each of our five designated nights this winter. Please contact Michelle Green (mgree1@uis.edu) if you can volunteer from 6:30 – 7:15 p.m. on any of the following Sundays: **December 23; January 27; February 24; or March 24**. Your teenagers are welcome. Thanks again to the very generous ALUUC members who contributed in order to fund the dinners this season!

Please note the Christmas Eve Service coming up on Monday, December 24 at 6:00 PM. There will be a celebration of multiple traditions and a collection will be taken for our Benevolence Fund.

Beginning in January, 2019, the cost of floral donations for Sundays will increase to \$25. This increase reflects the change in prices and the five-dollar increase will assure nice arrangements.

This Week at a Glance

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, Dec 16	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Holiday Pageant	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Social Justice Committee Mtg.	12:00 PM	Barton/Berkley
	Covenant Group Mtg.	12:00 PM	Alcott
Monday, Dec. 17	PFLAG Meeting	7:00 PM	Commons
Tuesday, Dec 18	A Course in Miracles Class	6:00 PM	Berkley/Barton
Wednesday, Dec 19	Covenant Facilitators Meeting	7:00 PM	Fuller
	Covenant Group Meeting	7:00 PM	Channing
Thursday, Dec 20	Meditation	6:30 PM	Sanctuary
Friday, Dec 21	Private Rental	6:00 PM	Sanctuary
	Labyrinth Walk	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Saturday, Dec 15	Zen Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Private Rental	1:30 PM	Sanctuary
Sunday, Dec 23	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary

Happening Elsewhere

Holidays at the White House: A Presidential Christmas. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, now through January 6, free with museum admission. This exhibit, using materials from the Eisenhower, Kennedy, Clinton and George W. Bush Presidential Libraries and Museums, gives a glimpse of how some of our Presidents and their loved ones enjoyed the holidays in the White House. From family photos to White House invitations, from Christmas cards to colorful decorations for the tree, these treasured items from presidential collections give us a taste of what it is like to celebrate this joyous season with America's First Families.

The 15th Annual Holiday Interfaith Breakfast will be held Tuesday, December 25, 2018, 8:30AM to 12:00 Noon, at Temple B'rith Sholom, 1008 S. Fourth Street. Adults - \$7 and Children under 12 - \$1. Scrambled eggs, roasted turkey sausages, hot pancakes, fresh fruit, coffee and orange juice are provided in a comfortable and cordial atmosphere! Proceeds go to Compass for Kids. Contact Person: Marlene Schultz 217-622-4036, Temple office – 217-525-1360.

In the tradition of Susan Lawrence Dana, the Dana-Thomas House will be decorated for the holiday season November 23 through December 30th. In addition to standard hours, the site will be open for evening tours on the Wednesdays before Christmas beginning November 28. Holiday walk tours last approximately 30 minutes and begin every 15 minutes. The Annual Luminaria display will be Sunday, December 16, 5-8 PM. 100's of luminaria line the walks and ledges around the house. Events are free, but donations encouraged.

