



**Announcements for Sunday, December 3, 2017
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "Holidays & Holy Days" by Rev. Martin Woulfe.

Happening Today

Today is a Change for Change collection. This month the recipient is the IL Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ICASA). Founded in 1977, the ICASA is a not-for-profit corporation of 32 community-based sexual assault crisis centers working together to end sexual violence. Each center provides 24-hour crisis intervention, counseling and advocacy services for victims of sexual assault and their significant others. ICASA also works to build safe, just communities through: 1) advocacy for public policy that promotes prevention, supports victims and advances justice; and 2) activism and prevention education to change cultural norms, end oppression and promote equality.

ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR: We still need lots of cookie bakers! The Arts & Crafts Bake Sale on December 9 is critical to the success of our holiday fundraiser. Volunteer opportunities include the bake sale, set up on Friday, December 8 and clean up on Saturday, December 9 after 3:00 PM. Sign up today after the service.

Coming Soon

Exploring Our UU History Class: How familiar are you with the major figures and events of the Unitarianism and Universalism? In this class, you will explore some of the defining moments of our particular liberal tradition. The remaining date is 12/6. The class will meet in the Commons area from 6-8pm. The December 6 class topic is on evolution and Humanism. Please let Rev. Woulfe know if childcare is needed. (minister@aluuc.org)

Game Night will not be held in December but will resume in January.

GSIA Monthly Meeting, Tuesday, December 5, 11:45 am -1:30 pm.

Join us for the annual monthly Greater Springfield Interfaith Association meeting which will be held at the Hindu Temple (1001 W Walnut St, Chatham, IL) on Tuesday, December 5. Members & friends of ALUUC are invited to attend. Please bring your own lunch.

NEWS GROUP: The News Group meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7pm. Join us on Thursday, December 7 at the ALUUC in the Channing Room. If you have any questions call Kurt DeWeese, at 546-5834 or email newsgroup@aluuc.org .

Seeking newsletter co-editor: Our fabulous co-editor Marissa DeWeese is taking a break from the ALUUC Focus. Beginning with the January issue, we're looking for someone to take her place. The newsletter is currently created in Publisher software and training will be provided if needed. Please contact Marissa, Rev. Woulfe or Kim Villanueva for more information.

Remember when you are gift shopping, ALUUC is listed on the Amazon Smile site as a charitable organization. If you click on ALUUC, we receive funds from your online shopping.

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The Program Committee will meet after the December 10th service in the Fuller room to discuss topics for summer speakers. ALUUC attendees are welcome to join us or submit ideas to program.com@aluuc.org.

This Week at a Glance

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, Dec. 3	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Change for Change collection	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
Tuesday, Dec 5	*GSIA Meeting	11:45 AM	1001 W. Walnut, Chatham
	A Course in Miracles (Adult RE)	6:00 PM	Barton
	ALUUC Book Group	7:00 PM	Channing
Wed., Dec. 6	UU History class (Adult RE)	6:00 PM	Commons
Thursday, Dec 7	Arts & Crafts set-up	1:00 PM	Commons, Sanctuary
	News Group	7:00 PM	Channing
	Meditation	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Friday, Dec 8	Arts & Crafts set-up	10:00 AM	Commons, Sanctuary
	Arts & Crafts Preview Dinner	6:00 PM	Commons, Sanctuary
Saturday, Dec. 9	Arts & Crafts Fair	10:00 AM	Sanctuary
Sunday, Dec 10	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Green Sanctuary Committee Mtg.	12:00 PM	Barton
	Program Committee Mtg.	12:00 PM	Fuller
	CYFS Christmas Party (set-up)	12:30 PM	Sanctuary

*Off Site

Happening Elsewhere

FAIR TAX TOWN HALL, Thursday, December 7, 2017, 6:30-8 PM

Union Baptist Church, 1405 E Monroe St, Springfield, IL 62703

Learn about tax relief for working families and increased investments in schools, social services and progress in Illinois! *Limited Seating Available* For more info, email fccg2208@gmail.com ORGANIZED BY: Faith Coalition for the Common Good, Springfield Center for Independent Living, Springfield Education Association, Responsible Budget Coalition

Holidays at the White House: 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. Nov 17 through January 7th, 9am – 5pm at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum. Free with museum admission.