



**Announcements for Saturday, February 12, 2017  
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "The Inherent Worth and Dignity of Every Person" by Rev. Martin Woulfe.

### **Happening Today**

**NOTICE:** In case of severe weather when it is best to cancel the Sunday Service, the decision will be made **before 8:00am that morning**, at which time we will notify the congregation in several ways which include but are not limited to: Email, Website, Social Media, and Phone Calls to those without Email/Internet Access. Read more about emergency closures at <http://www.aluuc.org/emergency-closures>.

**Do you have a hymnal at home?** We'd appreciate everyone either returning their hymnals or if you need to use them, give us the number on the label inside the front cover. A "Hymnal Checkout" binder is stored in the bookcase near the hymnals. Please use it when borrowing a grey hymnal.

Please help stack chairs after the service in preparation for the Labyrinth Walk on Friday.

**Tonight is Movie Night!** See *Loving (2016)*, at 5:00 pm. "The story of Richard and Mildred Loving (Joel Edgerton & Ruth Negga), an interracial couple, whose challenge of their anti-miscegenation arrest for their marriage in Virginia led to a legal battle that would end at the US Supreme Court." 123 minutes. PG-13. All are welcome! There will be subtitles for those who have a hearing impairment. Popcorn will be provided.

### **Coming Soon**

**PATHWAYS TO MEMBERSHIP:** Pathway Sessions is a special series for people interested in membership at ALUUC. The next series will be held on **Sunday, February 26, after the service** (session #1) and **Monday, February 27 at 7 pm** (sessions #2 & #3). Please contact Rev. Martin Woulfe ([minister@aluuc.org](mailto:minister@aluuc.org)) if you would like to attend. Child care is available upon request. **February 26, Session #1 Seeds: Sharing Our Stories.** This session focuses on sharing important themes and stories from our own life stories, with a special emphasis on our faith journeys. **February 27, Session #2 Roots: An inside scoop on UUism and ALUUC.** This session is intended to present and discuss various themes and developments within UUism as a whole and ALUUC in particular. Session #3 **Branches: Fostering Growth & Creating Connections.** This session is an opportunity for newer people to meet some of the leaders and mentors within the congregation, to discuss how one might become more active and engaged!

**Phoenix Center Trivia Night on Feb 25: Sign up to join the ALUUC All Star Trivia Teams!** We have reserved two tables for the 8th Annual Phoenix Center Trivia Night, which will be held at ALUUC on Saturday, February 25. There is a sign-up sheet at the ALUUC. There will be 10 rounds of 10 questions with teams of up to 10 people. You can bring your own drinks and snacks and the Phoenix Center's youth group will be having their bake sale! Mulligans and 50/50 tickets will be sold on site. Entry is \$10 per person, **doors open at 6 pm.**

**UUA MidAmerica Region:** The first **Black Lives UU Convening** will be happening March 9-12, in New Orleans: please check out the details: <http://www.blacklivesuu.com/convening2017/>

## This Week at a Glance

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, Feb 12	Lincoln's Birthday		
	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Understanding the Bible	12:00 PM	Emerson
	RE Committee Meeting	12:00 PM	Fuller
	Movie Night "Loving"	5:00 PM	Sanctuary
Tuesday, Feb 14	Valentine's Day		
	A Course in Miracles	6:00 PM	Barton
	Board Meeting	7:00 PM	Fuller
Wednesday, Feb. 15	*Men's Group	6:30 PM	
Thursday, Feb. 16	Membership Committee Mtg.	6:00 PM	Fuller
	Meditation Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Friday, Feb 17	Labyrinth Walk	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Saturday, Feb. 18	Zen Meditation Group	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
Sunday, Feb 19	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	New Member Ceremony	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Social Action Committee Mtg.	12:00 PM	Barton
	Understanding the Bible class	12:00 PM	Emerson

\*Off Site

## Happening Elsewhere

**Open House for the Community: The Springfield and Central Illinois African American History Museum** invites everyone to be their guests at an open house on Thursday, February 16, 5-8pm, 1440 Monument Avenue. See current exhibits, talk to members and volunteers and enjoy music and refreshments. Learn more about the museum, what they do and how to become involved.

**Mark Your Calendars – IIP Defenders of the Innocent Event!** The **Illinois Innocence Project** will host its annual Defenders of the Innocent Event on Saturday evening, **April 29, 2017, at the Crowne Plaza Springfield**. The event will feature New York Exonerée Yusef Salaam and his mother, Sharonne Abdus-Salaam, who never stopped fighting to prove his innocence. Stay tuned for sponsorship opportunities and online registration (\$100 suggested minimum donation). For more information, call or email Larry Golden at (217) 206-6569 and [LGOLD1@uis.edu](mailto:LGOLD1@uis.edu).

**Do you remember when "Nuns on the Bus" came to Springfield last year?** They're at it again in Washington, DC at the Reversing Inequality Conference, April 3-5, 2017. Several justice allies, including [Sister Simone Campbell](#) and [Chuck Collins](#) will share advocacy skills and best practices for effective outreach to decision makers on Capitol Hill. Financial support from our members, friends and allies is crucial to help ensure we can provide the materials and services necessary for participants to have a maximum impact on our legislators. Please visit our Faithify campaign page and consider making a donation. <https://www.faithify.org/projects/reversing-inequality-conference-april-3-5-2017/> Sister Simone Campbell is the Executive Director of NETWORK, best known for her cross-country activism and compassionate heart. Sister Simone helped organize and lead five "Nuns on the Bus" trips, advocating for economic justice, immigration, and healthcare reform.