



**Announcements for Saturday, February 19, 2017  
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "Justice, Equity and Compassion" by Rev. Martin Woulfe.

### **Happening Today**

**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.

### **Coming Soon**

**PATHWAYS TO MEMBERSHIP:** Pathway Sessions is a special series for people interested in membership at ALUUC. The next series will be held **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!

**The Social Action Committee** meeting has been moved to February 26 instead of February 19. The meeting is 12-2pm in the Barton room.

**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.**

**Humanist Group:** On Monday, February 27, 2017 from 7-8:30pm, Sarah Iaiennaro will review the book *The Well-Tuned Brain* by Peter Whybrow, MD. "*In The Well-Tuned Brain* Peter Whybrow combines gripping big themes with an abundance of fascinating stories. The big themes revolve around the collision between our ancient human habits, our human brains often operating on autopilot, and the seductive material success of our modern market economy." — Jared Diamond, Pulitzer Prize-winning author. Contact: Vi Lanum or Sarah Iaiennaro at [humanistgroup@aluuc.org](mailto:humanistgroup@aluuc.org) for more information.

**The Green Sanctuary Committee** will meet at 12pm in the Barton room every second Sunday beginning March 12 through June. Contact Jim Curran at [greensanctuary@aluus.org](mailto:greensanctuary@aluus.org) if you have questions.

**UUA MidAmerica Region:** The **FIRST Black Lives UU Convening** will be happening March 9-12, in New Orleans. Held at the Double Tree by Hilton, this historic event will bring together black UU's from across generations. Black lives of UU rose out of the Movement for Black Lives. 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 19	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	New Member Ceremony	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Understanding the Bible class	12:00 PM	Emerson
Monday, Feb 20	Presidents' Day		
	PFLAG Meeting	7:00 PM	Commons
Tuesday, Feb 21	A Course in Miracles	6:00 PM	Barton
	Eco Camp Meeting	6:00 PM	Fuller
	Board Meeting	7:00 PM	Fuller
Thursday, Feb. 23	*Drum Circle	6:30 PM	DeWeese studio
	Meditation Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Saturday, Feb. 25	Zen Meditation Group	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Phoenix Center Trivia Night	6:00 PM	Sanctuary
Sunday, Feb. 26	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Pathways class #1	12:00 PM	
	Welcoming Congregation Mtg.	12:00 PM	Fuller
	Social Action Committee Mtg.	12:00 PM	Barton

\*Off Site

### **Happening Elsewhere**

**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 Exoneree 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.