



**Announcements for Sunday, March 25, 2018
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "Jesus: The Human v. the Christology" by Rev. Martin Woulfe.

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.

ALUUC welcomes information from congregants and friends when people are ill. The Pastoral Care Committee appreciates your help keeping us apprised of those needing 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.

Humanist Group: Facilitated by Phil Anderson, the group will meet at 7 PM on March 26 to discuss Dr. John Bargh's new book *Before You Know It: The Unconscious Reasons We Do What We Do*. "Telling personal anecdotes with infectious enthusiasm and disclosing startling and delightful discoveries, Dr. Bargh takes the reader into his labs at New York University and Yale where he and his colleagues have discovered how the unconscious guides our behavior, goals, and motivations in areas like race relations, parenting, business, consumer behavior, and addiction. Because the unconscious works in ways we are completely unaware of, *Before You Know It* is full of surprising and entertaining revelations ..." Questions? Contact Sarah Iannaro at humanistgroup@aluuc.org.

The March meeting of the **Book Group** will be Tuesday March 27 at 7 pm. "A Walk in the Wild" by Bill Bryson will be discussed.

Embrace New Beginnings! Join the ALUUC Pagan Group for Ostara, or the Spring Equinox Gathering, on Sat. March 31, at 6 pm. (Set up will begin at 5 pm.) We'll also have a potluck dinner so be sure to bring a dish to share. Drums and other instruments are always welcome. For more information, please contact Tracy Zieber at pagangroup@aluuc.org

Are you going to GA? Registration is open. Go to www.uua.org for hotel reservations and attendance registration. There are also scholarship funds available, especially for people of color or other marginalized identities. Apply for scholarships no later than March 31, 2018.

Hike - March 31st, 10AM - Sangamon Valley Trail

Join the Green Sanctuary for a hike on the new extension of the Sangamon Valley Trail. We'll do a section that includes two bridges, one over the Sangamon River and another over Cantrall Creek, which will put us at eye level with the tops of some of the trees. Total hike is approx. 5 miles. Let's meet at the Cantrall Creek Rd parking lot and walk about 2.5 miles south to the Sangamon River bridge and then turn back. The trail is paved but has some hills, so I'll rate it

easy to moderate. Note: Dogs and kids OK. Bikers welcome but you're on your own :-).
 Questionable weather? Confirm with Jim Curran, 770-316-4723 or jim.curran2@gmail.com.
 Hey, take a hike! Articles:

<http://www.sj-r.com/news/20170825/new-section-of-sangamon-valley-trail-should-open-in-october>
<http://www.sj-r.com/news/20171114/6-mile-extension-of-sangamon-valley-trail-officially-opens-thursday>

The Change for Change collection next Sunday, April 1, will benefit The Phoenix Center.

The Phoenix Center was founded on April 1, 2001 by a group of LGBT teens wanting to create a safe place to meet. The Phoenix Center serves as Springfield's LGBTQ Community Center and provide the highest quality of HIV/AIDS prevention and education to the larger community. Please give generously. Checks should be made out to ALUUC with The Phoenix Center noted.

The News Group meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7pm. Join us on April 5th in the Channing Room of the church. If you have any questions, call Kurt DeWeese at 536-5834, or Frank Kopecky at 529-3235, or email newsgroup@aluuc.org Everyone is welcome.

This Week at a Glance

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, March 25	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Program Committee Meeting	12:00 PM	Fuller
Monday, Mar 26	Humanist Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Tuesday, Mar. 27	A Course in Miracles (Adult RE)	6:00 PM	Barton
	Book Group	7:00 PM	Channing
Wed., March 28	IAG Cooking Class	10:00 AM	Kitchen
	Yoga class	6:30 PM	Commons
Thursday, March 29	Covenant Group (Thursday)	7:00 PM	Channing
	Meditation Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Saturday, March 31	Zen Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
	*Sangamon Valley Hike	10:00 AM	Cantrall Creek Rd
	Pagan Ostara	6:00 PM	Commons, kitchen
Sunday, April 1	Easter		
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*Off Site

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).

From Illinois to the White House: Lincoln, Grant, Reagan and Obama. Opening March 23 at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum 9am to 5pm. The exhibit will explore their connections to the Prairie State, their political battles, the first ladies who helped them succeed and much more. Visitors will see amazing documents and artifacts, including Ronald Reagan's yearbook from his high school days in Dixon, the table where Ulysses S. Grant's accepted Robert E. Lee's surrender during the Civil War, an original draft of Barack Obama's speech at the 50th anniversary of the Selma civil rights march, and the briefcase Abraham Lincoln used as president.