



**Announcements for Sunday, October 16, 2016  
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "ALUUC's Strategic Vision" by the Long Range Planning Committee.

### **Happening Today**

**Today is the deadline to order Scrip for October** – this is a very convenient way to order gift cards and help out ALUUC at the same time. Please complete your order on-line or see Kerri Skrudland if you have any questions.

**After today's service, please help stack 50% of the sanctuary's chairs in preparation for the Labyrinth Walk next Friday** – however, since ALUUC will host the Roy Zimmerman concert on Tuesday, we will leave the remaining chairs as they are.

**Please check your photo and personal information for the upcoming Member & Friend Directory.** You may look at the printed copy after the service or go on-line.

**Please sign up for the Autumn round of Circle Suppers**, which will be held at various homes on Saturday, November 12. This is a great way to meet one another – newer members and friends are especially encouraged to participate.

### **Coming Soon**

**DATE SAVER:** Noted comedic singer/song-writer Roy Zimmerman will present his "This Machine" here on Tuesday, October 18, at 7 pm. Tickets are still \$18 (or pay what you can) at the door.

**REMINDER:** The Long Range Planning Committee will share our strategic plans at the Sunday service on October 23. Our consultant, Steve Mennerick, will join us as we share our strategic plans with the congregation as a whole and share goals from the board, staff and committees. That Sunday through October 30, congregation members and friends will have the opportunity to **contribute additional goals to achieve our Strategic Visions**. The committee will merge your goals with other goals; the result will be **specific goals for each strategic vision that will be considered for action over the next 5-10 years**. Please make every effort to be here for this important discussion.

**The Humanist Group** will meet on **Monday, October 24, 2016 at 7 pm in the ALUUC Sanctuary**, Carol Floyd will review *Grace Without God: The Search for Meaning, Purpose and Belonging in a Secular Age* by Katherine Ozment. For questions go to [humanistgroup@aluuc.org](mailto:humanistgroup@aluuc.org). <http://www.publishersweekly.com/978-0-06-230511-4>

**Couples Enrichment Group (CEG):** Intern Minister Paula Brayden is offering a small group ministry that meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month **in the Channing room from 7-8:30 pm** now through **May 24, 2017. The group's next meeting will be October 26, 2016.** This is a group for people in committed relationships, married or not, who want to have some dedicated time together to work on communication and to meet other couples who want the same. Whether

your relationship has just begun or you've been married for years, we all want a healthy, mutually satisfying relationship with the one we love. I invite you to come check it out. Please email me at [intern@aluuc.org](mailto:intern@aluuc.org) if you would like to sign up.

**The ALUUC Craft Fair will be held in early December.** This is a great opportunity to fund raise for ALUUC. To that end, a bunch of us who sew are joining together to make products to sell. Several of our projects require "tarn" (yarn made from old t-shirts) and traditional yarn. If you have old t-shirts, yarn or other craft material you could donate, we would love to put it to good use for ALUUC. The t-shirts can be stained, with holes, and in poor shape. We will be cutting them up. The yarn can be large or small amounts. We can recycle almost anything. Questions or donations ? Please call or email Victoria: [victoria.vincent@comcast.net](mailto:victoria.vincent@comcast.net) or [217 793-1163](tel:2177931163).

**The Greater Springfield Interfaith Association Annual Welcoming Banquet:** GSIA will hold its annual fall banquet on Tuesday, October 18, 11:45 am to 1:30 pm, at the Islamic Society, 3000 Stanton in Springfield. All are invited to attend, especially those professionals in ministry (lay leaders as well as ordained clergy) who are new to the Springfield area. This event will feature a vegetarian meal catered by our hosts. The program will consist of Sr. Mary Linda Hayes speaking about the work of the Faith Coalition for the Common Good. Also, the "Humanitarian of the Year" award will be presented.

Please note that the regular meeting of the Board of Directors for November has been moved to Wednesday, November 9.

### **This Week at a Glance**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, October 16	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Special Pathways Session	12:00 PM	Channing
	RE Committee Meeting	12:00 PM	Fuller
	SAC Meeting	12:00 PM	Barton
Monday, October 17	PFLAG	7:00 PM	Commons
Tuesday, October 18	GSIA Welcoming Banquet	11:45 AM	<i>off site</i>
	A Course in Miracles	6:00 PM	Barton
	Roy Zimmerman Concert	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Wednesday, Oct 19	Men's Group	6:00 PM	
Thursday, October 20	Membership Committee	6:00 PM	
	Drum Circle	6:30 PM	<i>off site</i>
	Meditation Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Friday, October 21	Labyrinth Walk	6:00 PM	Sanctuary
Saturday, October 22	Zen Group Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Hiking Group	10:00 AM	<i>off site</i>
Sunday, October 23	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Potluck	Noon	Sanctuary