



**Announcements for Sunday, October 9, 2016
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "Spiritual Practices" by Rev. Martin Woulfe.

Happening Today

This Sunday will be your final opportunity to submit an updated photo to uurevmartin@gmail.com for the upcoming directory. If you would like to have a new one taken, please see Rev. Woulfe after the service.

Coming Soon

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.

Couples Enrichment Group (CEG): Intern Minister Paula Brayden is offering a small group ministry that will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month **in the Channing room from 7-8:30 pm** starting **September 14, 2016** through **May 24, 2017.** **The group's next meeting will be October 12, 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 if you would like to sign up.

Rev. Woulfe is selling tickets for the Faith Coalition for the Common Good's (FCCG) 6th Annual Fall Banquet **"BUILDING INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES."** **The banquet will be held on Saturday, October 15, 2016 at Union Baptist Church, 1405 E. Monroe in Springfield, IL. A reception begins at 5:30 p.m. and dinner is at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$40 each and a table of 8 is \$320. William McNary will be guest speaker.** Your ticket purchase supports FCCG and social justice in Illinois. Faith Coalition for the Common Good (FCCG) is a nonprofit, grass-roots organization with 35 institutional members which are faith congregations, nonprofit and union labor organizations. The Faith Coalition, affiliated with Gamaliel of Illinois and National Gamaliel, develops people to become powerful leaders who address issues of injustice and fight for positive systematic change.

Get ready for the UU Women's Connection Fall Retreat at the beautiful DeKoven Center in Racine, Wisconsin. Keynote speaker, Kayta Gajdos, the author of [Quiet Wisdom In Loud Times: Rise of the Wounded Feminine](#) is a renowned psychologist and proponent of women's studies and issues. Kayta will also be offering an additional workshop, and the women's connection will offer retreat workshops focused on both the spiritual and physical aspects affecting women today.

Registration will be available online and in our newest edition of the VOW in a couple of weeks. **So sign up now for Oct. 14 -16, 2016**, and plan to be at the UU Women’s Connection Fall Retreat at the DeKoven Center. For more information, please contact Tracy Zieber Minks or Diana DeWeese. The UU Women’s Connection website is www.uuwomensconnection.org

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.

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. <http://www.publishersweekly.com/978-0-06-230511-4>

DATE SAVER: We are pleased to announce that Roy Zimmerman has recovered from his illness and will resume his “This Machine” 2016 tour this month – he is scheduled to perform here on Tuesday, October 18, at 7 pm. Tickets are still \$18 (or pay what you can) at the door.

This Week at a Glance

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, October 9	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Pagan Group Meeting	12:30 PM	Fuller
	Movie Series “Lawrence of Arabia”	3:00 PM	Sanctuary
Monday, October 10	Columbus/Indigenous Peoples’ Day		
Tuesday, October 11	A Course in Miracles	6:00 PM	Barton
	ALUUC Board Meeting	7:00 PM	Fuller
Wednesday, Oct 12	Couples’ Enrichment Group	7:00 PM	Channing
Thursday, October 13	Meditation Group	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Friday, October 14	Game Night	6:00 PM	Sanctuary
	*UU Women’s Fall Retreat		Racine, WI
Saturday, October 15	Zen Group Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
	*Faith Coalition (FCCG) Banquet	5:30 PM	Union Baptist Church
Sunday, October 16	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	New Member Welcoming Ceremony		
	Pathways to Membership class	12:00 PM	Channing
	RE Committee Meeting	12:00 PM	Fuller
	SAC Meeting	12:00 PM	Barton

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