



**Announcements for Sunday, September 23, 2018
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "Vote Your Values" by Shelly Heideman of FCCG.

Happening Today

Do you love to sing? Choir has started again for the new liturgical year. Our rehearsals are held in the Fuller room every Sunday morning at 9:15 for one hour. Please join us! For more info contact Kathy Schultz at choir@aluuc.org.

Voter Engagement - Members of the Social Justice Committee Voter Engagement effort will have a table after service today and September 30. Stop by and get information about this November's election. If you would like to help staff the table, email Beth Emery at eemery05@yahoo.com.

Coming Soon

The Humanist Group will meet on Monday, September 24 at 7 PM to discuss the book "Why We Need Religion" by philosophy professor Stephen Asma. Carol Floyd will facilitate. Newcomers are especially welcome! If you have any questions, please contact Sara Iaienaro.

The Book Group meets on Tuesday, September 25 in the Channing Room at 7 PM to discuss Jackie Jackson's *Stories from the Round Barn*. These stories date from the early 20th Century when the Round Barn was built in Beloit, Wisconsin by Jackie's grandfather. This wonderful evening will probably include the reading of some of Jackie's stories. If you have read any of Jackie's other Round Barn volumes, you are encouraged to attend. If you would like a copy to read, see Jackie after services and she will have a number of copies available.

"A Course in Miracles" will NOT meet on September 25.

Ready to get more connected at ALUUC? Please attend the Involvement EXPO at ALUUC on September 30 after the service. Various groups will provide info on their services and activities for the coming year -- and you are invited to join in their efforts!

SAVE THE DATE: October 7, a group photo will be taken of all members and friends.
Please be here!

Jodi Perko is raising money for Crop Walk on October 7 – a fund raiser "to end Hunger one step at a time." Please contact her if you would like to sponsor her effort.

Special UU Voting Parties coming in October! Visit the Voter Info table after service today to sign up for our upcoming Postcard Party on October 14th. After that day's service we will write postcards to remind UUs to vote in the upcoming election. Then, on Oct. 28th, we will host a "Souls to the Polls" and a Pizza Party. First, we will carpool /caravan after the Sunday service to vote at the Sangamon County building -- followed by a pizza party. We are able to host these parties thanks to a grant from the UU Fund for Social Responsibility.

*** Notice of Date Changes for October & November Board Meetings.** Please note that the Board has changed its next two meeting dates to Tuesday, October 16 and Thursday, November 16.

HOW TO PRACTICE NON-VIOLENCE ESSAY CONTEST

ALUUC will give an award of \$100 to a high school aged child of a member or a friend of ALUUC who writes the best essay as to how to practice non-violence. The essay should have at least 500 words. The essays should be submitted to: Vinod Gupta, 3505 Deer Run Dr, Springfield, IL 62711, 217-622-7118, vkuptammmmd@yahoo.com, by October 31, 2018.

This Week at a Glance

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, Sept 23	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Voter Registration	12:00 PM	hallway
	Social Justice Retreat	4:00 PM	@ Vinnie Gupta's
Monday, Sept 24	Humanist Group	7:00 PM	Commons
Tuesday, Sept 25	Book Group	7:00 PM	Channing
Thursday, Sept 27	<u>The Selma Moment</u> RE Class	7:00 PM	Channing
	Meditation Group	7:15 Pm	Sanctuary
Saturday, Sept 29	Zen Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
Sunday, Sept 30	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Voter Registration	12:00 PM	hallway

Happening Elsewhere

“Different Songs, Same Spirit” at the Miracle Temple Church of God In Christ, 1201 South Pope Street is hosting an ecumenical celebration on Sunday, September 23, 2018, 4:00 – 6: 00 p.m. Come and join us as we celebrate through gospel, hymns, and spirituals, contemporary, vocal and instrumental music and praise dances. Dessert and fellowship will follow the service. For additional information please call Joy Burgess at 553-8093 or 523-3209

FCCG Postcard Party - Join volunteers from the Faith Coalition for the Common Good on Saturday, September 29th from 10:00 am - 12:00 noon at the Lincoln Library in downtown Springfield to write postcards to Springfield residents reminding them to vote. We will meet in the multi-purpose room. Come when you can for as long as you can. All materials are provided.

GSIA Annual Welcoming Banquet – October 2: Members & friends of ALUUC are invited to attend the Interfaith Annual Banquet, which will be held on 10/02 from noon – 1:30 pm at the Dove Conference Center. This year, we will celebrate the history of our diverse faith communities in Springfield, Illinois. This will be a vegetarian potluck.

Interfaith Service on October 11, 6:30. Dr. Wes McNeese is pleased to announce the launch of a series of Interfaith Worship Services that will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. The first one is scheduled for 10/11 at 8 PM at the First Presbyterian Church