



**Announcements for Sunday, September 3, 2017
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "Water and Stone Communion" by Rev. Martin Woulfe.

Happening Today

Today, September 3, is a Change for Change collection. Due to the ravages of Hurricane Harvey in Texas and Louisiana, the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) and the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) have set up a recovery and relief fund. Our donations for September will be for the **Hurricane Harvey Recovery Fund**. Half of all funds raised will go to at-risk populations served by UUSC partners and the other half of the funds will support Unitarian Universalist congregations and members of those congregations most affected by the storm. Those funds will be administered by a group of leaders in the UUA's Southern Region, which includes the states across the southeast from Texas to South Carolina, and from most of Virginia to Florida. Using their eye-to-eye partnership model, UUSC will work with and support local grassroots community partners on the ground in Texas serving at-risk populations who may not be able to access relief services and who are traditionally left out of mainstream response efforts. As the storm passes and recovery begins, UUSC will continue to get updates and work with partners to ensure their needs are met. Your donation to this fund is much appreciated. Thank you. Checks can be made out to ALUUC with Hurricane Harvey noted on the memo line.

Look for the yellow nomination forms on the hallway table for "**GSIA Humanitarian Service Award**." If you can think of someone who deserves this recognition, please complete and insert it in the Humanitarian Award box.

Please review the inserted **Adult RE Class survey**. Rev. Woulfe would appreciate it if you would complete it and return to him by September 17, 2017. The survey is also on the website at <http://www.aluuc.org/adult-enrichment-class-survey>

Not receiving ALUUC newsletter or announcement emails?

Check your spam folder and mark the message 'not spam'. On Gmail, read ALUUC email in the Promotions tab. Questions? See Marissa or email@ALUUC.org More at www.ALUUC.org/email

ALUUC is looking for a regular driver to bring to congregants to the Sunday service. This would entail picking up one downtown and another near Veteran's Parkway and Washington, and returning them home. Before we advertise more broadly, we'd like to see if a member would be interested. There would be compensation. Contact Delinda Chapman or Elaine Orr for details.

Coming Soon

In keeping with our mission at ALUUC to open the building to serve our community, **the "Mobile" Mexican Consulate has rented the ALUUC Sanctuary from 4pm Sept 19 to 12pm Sept 23, 2017**. The purpose of the visit is to increase access to Mexican consular services and informational workshops for immigrants in Central Illinois and to alleviate problems associated with driving to Chicago for these services. The Sanctuary will be unavailable for any other purpose during that time.

September 6, 2017, 7:00 pm, the “ROY ZIMMERMAN: REZIST concert.

ReZist is ninety minutes of Roy Zimmerman’s original songs, a funny and forceful affirmation of Peace and Social Justice. “Sometimes I think satire is the most hopeful and heartfelt form of expression,” says Roy, “because in calling out the world’s absurdities and laughing in their face, I’m affirming the real possibility for change.” Roy’s songs have been heard on HBO and Showtime. He’s shared stages with Bill Maher, Robin Williams, Ellen DeGeneres, John Oliver, Kate Clinton and George Carlin. He’s been profiled on NPR’s “All Things Considered,” and he’s a featured blogger for the Huffington Post. “\$20 or pay what you can.”

Faith Coalition for the Common Good (FCCG) is looking for ads to be placed in the program book for their fall fundraising banquet to be held October 14 at Union Baptist Church. ALUUC is a member of FCCG which is a nonprofit, grass-roots organization with 35 members including faith congregations, non-profit and labor organizations. It is affiliated with the Illinois and National Gamaliel whose goal is to help people become powerful leaders in addressing injustice and in fighting for positive systematic change. In the past year, FCCG was successful in getting state legislation passed to implement a Springfield Rail Commission which will oversee the local rail project, ensuring jobs and job training for minorities, economic development and relocation assistance for those currently living along the tracks. **The grant under which FCCG has been operating is expiring, so your support is especially vital now.** You can do this by placing a personal or business ad in the fall banquet program book. A personal ad might be something like "The XXXX family congratulates the FCCG for a successful year." Ads run from \$150 to \$750. If you are interested, please contact Virginia Forrer or Jan Droegkamp.

ALUUC's Program Committee will have its first meeting of the church year on September 10, after the service. A primary role of the committee is to seek speakers for the Sundays that Reverend Woulfe is not in the pulpit. The committee also works with the choir and pianists, and makes arrangements for guest musicians. ALUUC members are welcome to suggest ideas to any of the members, or to program.com@aluuc.org. Those who regularly attend the meetings are: Penny Wollan-Kriel, Craig Bailey, Bonnie Ettinger, Kathy Schultz, Ed Schultz, Phil Gregg, Beverly Holmes, Martha Plog, Diana DeWeese and Elaine Orr (incoming chair). Though not a formal member, Reverend Woulfe is always an active participant. Interested in knowing more about the committee? You can use the same email, or contact any member.

This Week at a Glance

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Room</u>
Sunday, Sept. 3	Choir Rehearsal	9:20 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Change for Change donations		
Monday, Sept 4	LABOR DAY		
Tuesday, Sept 5	A Course in Miracles Adult RE	6:00 PM	Barton
Wednesday, Sept 6	Roy Zimmerman REZIST Concert	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Thursday, Sept 7	Meditation	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Friday, Sept 8	Game Night	6:00 PM	Sanctuary
Saturday, Sept. 9	Zen Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
Sunday, Sept 10	Choir Rehearsal	9:20 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Program Committee Meeting	12:00 PM	Fuller
	Green Sanctuary Committee Mtg.	12:00 PM	Barton