



**Announcements for Sunday, September 30, 2018
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



Next Sunday's service is "The Spiritual Discovery of America" by Rev. Martin Woulfe.

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. 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.

Ready to get more connected at ALUUC? Please attend the Involvement EXPO at ALUUC TODAY - 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!

PLEASE REMEMBER – No tape on doors, windows or walls for any purpose, ever! If in doubt, check with Facilities Co-Chair Gwen Childs or Office Manager Cheryl Wycoff.

Voting Our Values: The Social Justice Committee Voter Information table will be available today after the service for those wishing to get information about the November election. If you fill out a Voting Our Values pledge card, the UU Action Network of Illinois will send you a non-partisan voter guide published by the League of Women Voters.

Coming Soon

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.

UU Women's Connection: Join us for our 36th Annual Fall Retreat - Oct 12 - 14. We will be gathering at the DeKoven Center in Racine, Wisconsin. **Our Keynote is Mary Grace (“M.G.”) Bertulfo – author and community activist.** Her topic is “Story as Medicine – What stories serve to heal the world? How can stories focus your fire within?” Listening for stories, voices of nature, and 16th century women shamans from the Philippines. If you want to carpool contact Diana or Marissa DeWeese. Register online at www.uuwomensconnection.org For more information about the Fall Retreat contact Diana.

*** Notice of Date Changes for October & November Board Meetings.** Please note the Board has changed its next two meeting dates to Tuesday, October 16 and Thursday, November 15.

Sign up today for The Selma Awakening Adult RE Class. This class will explore “How the Civil Rights Movement Tested & Changed Unitarian Universalism.” Classes are held on Thursdays at 7pm. Contact Jan Droegkamp for more information.

The Book Group has rescheduled Jackie Jackson's *Stories from the Round Barn* for January. These stories date from the early 20th Century when the Round Barn was built in Beloit, Wisconsin by Jackie's grandfather.

Next Sunday, October 2, will be the next Change 4 Change donations. ALUUC will again be providing Homeless Dinners at Helping Hands Winter Warming Center. ALUUC members serve meals once a month on Sunday night during this winter. Arena Foods supplies the food at cost. We provide funding, drinks, utensils, desserts, service & good cheer. **Each monthly dinner costs \$325 & serves 50 homeless adults.** Contributions (or sponsoring a whole \$325 dinner if you can) allow us to continue this ALUUC tradition. Michelle Green has done a great job coordinating this; you will be hearing from her. **Please make checks to ALUUC with “WWC dinners” noted.**

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, vkguptammmd@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 30	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Voter Registration	12:00 PM	hallway
Tuesday, Oct 2	A Course in Miracles	6:00 PM	Barton/Berkley
Thursday, Oct 4	<u>The Selma Awakening</u> RE Class	7:00 PM	Fuller
	News Group	7:00 PM	Channing
	Meditation Group	7:15 Pm	Sanctuary
Saturday, Oct 6	Zen Meditation	9:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Private Rental	1:30 PM	Sanctuary
Sunday, Oct 7	Finance Committee Meeting	9:00 AM	Barton/Berkley
	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 AM	Fuller
	Sunday Service	10:30 AM	Sanctuary
	Change for Change donations	10:30 AM	Sanctuary

Happening Elsewhere

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.