



**Announcements for Sunday, October 21, 2012  
Abraham Lincoln Unitarian Universalist Congregation**



*Next Sunday: "The Spirituality of Emily Dickinson" by Rev. Martin Woulfe*

**\*\*\* HAPPENING TODAY \*\*\***

**Third Sunday donations in October will be provided to the Family Service Center's Compass After-School Program.** Compass is a free after-school and summer program for homeless and low-income elementary students of Springfield District 186 which includes tutoring, life skills, and a full balanced dinner. The goal for all of the students in Compass is that they will perform at or above grade level academically. Requested items for the Compass donations are boxes of granola bars and/or juice boxes (100% fruit juice, please). Bring your donations to church **TODAY** Sunday, **October 21, 2012**. Contact Marla Johnson or Victoria Vincent with any questions. Thank you.

**Good Health Covenant Group:** For those experiencing/recovering from a health issue, we offer support to each other by acknowledging the physical and emotional challenges as we journey through the healing process. The spirit of healing is enhanced through mutual support. Scheduled meeting dates: **TODAY Oct 21**, Nov 4, and Nov 18 (every other Sunday from 9:30 - 10:15 am) at ALUUC. Cathy McKamey and Margaret Demaree are coordinating the group.

**The Pagan and Earth Centered group will hold a planning meeting on Sunday, Oct. 21 at 12:30pm.** All are welcome to join us. Please see Tracy Zieber-Minks for more information.

**\*\*\* COMING SOON \*\*\***

**The Humanist Discussion Group** will meet **Monday, October 22 at 7:00** to 8:30 p.m. at ALUUC; some people may wish to stay afterward to listen to the presidential debate. Matthew Vernau will review *The Righteous Mind: Why Good People Are Divided by Politics and Religion* by Jonathan Haidt. Frank Kopecky [f.kopecky@comcast.net](mailto:f.kopecky@comcast.net) will lead the discussion that follows including taking suggestions for future programs. Haidt explains why politicians on the right have a built-in advantage and what those on the left can do to broaden their own appeal. Overall, this book is about why we are so easily divided into hostile groups, each one certain of its righteousness and how we might learn to have more civil political discourse.

**The Book Discussion Group:** Join us at **7:30 pm on October 23** at Barbara Moore's, 1800 Hastings Road. We will discuss *State of Wonder* by Ann Patchett. A review at *goodreads.com* states, "Award-winning 'New York Times' bestselling author Ann Patchett (*Bel Canto*, *The Magician's Assistant*) returns with a provocative novel of morality and miracles, science and sacrifice set in the Amazon rainforest--a gripping adventure story and a profound look at the difficult choices we make in the name of discovery and love." Everyone is welcome. Call Barbara at 523-6241 if you have questions.

**The ASI (Action and Support for Immigrants) meeting has been rescheduled for Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm at ALUUC.**

**New to UU Class:** Would you like to learn more about UUism and this congregation? Please sign up for one of the informal sessions on **Sunday October 28 at 12:30 pm** and **Monday, October 29 at 7pm**. The signup sheet is posted above the drinking fountain.

Ghosts? Princes and Princesses? Animals? **Halloween costumes will be on parade Sunday, October 28** inside the sanctuary immediately following services. Children of all ages, up to 99, may join in. Bring candy to share but no prizes.

**Sunday, October 28 is Movie Night.** We will see the award-winning *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* at 6pm.

**Please email a photo of you and your pet** right away to Rev. Woulfe for an upcoming service. Photos are needed no later than October 30<sup>th</sup>.

Does your child play an instrument? Does your child like to sing? Have a poem to share? **The Religious Education Committee invites those willing to perform in the annual Holiday Pageant to participate.** The pageant is being held on Sunday, December 16, 2012 during the regular church service time. Children who have a desire to perform need to be available for rehearsals being held during the regular Sunday Religious Education time starting November 11 through December 9. Please contact Marla Johnson, CRE at [cre@aluuc.com](mailto:cre@aluuc.com) or Maria Britton, Religious Education Committee Chair at [re@aluuc.com](mailto:re@aluuc.com), if your child(ren) are willing to share their talents for the congregation during the pageant. The Holiday Pageant is a wonderful opportunity for the members and their guests to enjoy what our children have to offer.

**The News Covenant Group** meets on the first Thursday of each month. Join us on **November 1** at 7:00 p.m. at Renata and Heiko Buchloh's, 7901 Hunt Road. Everyone is welcome. Call Renata or Heiko at 585-1944 if you have any questions.

The ALUUC Board of Directors has approved a motion to join an **interfaith build with the Habitat for Humanity**. Lynnda White has volunteered to represent ALUUC at committee meetings. One more volunteer is needed to represent ALUUC. Contact Board President Phillip Anderson if you are interested. The home is scheduled to be built next spring.

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

DATE	EVENT	Starting Time	Room
Sunday, Oct 21	Choir Practice	9:30 am	Sanctuary
	Good Health Covenant Group	9:30 am	Fuller
	Third Sunday donations		
Monday, October 22	Committees Meet	11:45 am	Various rooms
	Humanist Group	7:00 pm	Sanctuary
Tuesday, Oct 23	Covenant Group	4:00 pm	Kitchen
	Covenant Groups	5:45 pm	Channing & Emerson
Wednesday, Oct 24	Book Discussion Group	7:30 pm	1800 Hastings Rd.
	The Earth Path Group	6:30 pm	Channing
Thursday, Oct 25	Meditation	7:00 pm	Sanctuary
Friday, Oct 26	Labyrinth Walk	7:00 pm	Sanctuary
Saturday, Oct 27	Zen Group	9:30-2:00	Sanctuary
Sunday, October 28	Choir Practice	9:30 am	Sanctuary
	Halloween Parade	11:30 am	Sanctuary
	New to UU Class	12:30 pm	
	Movie Night	6:00 pm	Commons