

# The Bellnote

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Tuesday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Wednesday: By appointment  
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## Minister's Column

*"Arise, then, women of this day!"*

So begins the "Mother's Day Proclamation" written by Julia Ward Howe in 1870. Our Unitarian foremother, Julia Ward Howe, was the first to try to create a national Mother's Day, although the holiday she envisioned was very different from the one we celebrate today. Julia Ward Howe saw the day as mother's day for peace, to bring an end to the endless wars that are fought. Her view of womanhood can be seen through her words, "We women of one country will be too tender of those of another country to allow our sons to be trained to injure theirs." Hers was an essentialist feminism, believing that women have an innate moral character which would naturally lead women to bring about peace if they had equal rights.

Today, of course, women fight alongside men in the armies. Second-wave feminism largely did away with the essentialist argument, although elements of it still remain in our culture. However, Julia Ward Howe's call for an "earnest day of counsel" to bring about the end of wars is still a noble goal for us to hold in front of us.

Mother's Day, as we celebrate it, actually has no relationship to Julia Ward Howe's Mother's Day, sadly. It would be good if, on Mother's Day, we celebrate much like we try to do on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, where programs and events are held to keep alive his teaching and his dream. It would be good if, on Mother's Day, we could have lecture series and worship programs and events designed to teach women to be all that they can be and to teach women to transform their worlds for the better.

This Mother's Day, pause for a moment and think of your Unitarian foremother and her vision of peace:

*From the bosom of the devastated earth a voice goes  
up with our own. It says, "Disarm, Disarm!"  
The sword of murder is not the balance of justice!  
Blood does not wipe out dishonor nor violence  
indicate possession.*

Peace, Shalom, Salaam,

*Cindy*

# Religious Education Report

April had a mellow start in the RE program; with school Spring break, we planned two "no RE" Sundays and then an egg hunt for Easter. On April 19 we were back to all three classes, except no preschoolers came so that class was not held. Thanks so much to teachers who prep even when no kids show up!

The K-5 class started its new "Toolbox of Faith" curriculum, with a story about cooperation, and a toolbox and rulers to symbolize the rules and promises that are decided together. The youth class planned their church service, scheduled for April 26.

We have several neat activities coming up in May and June, starting with the "Children's Auction" on **Saturday May 2nd**. We had so much fun last year, that it's time for a repeat: we'll have pizza, a fun movie, and items to "bid" on with some of that "UU money" that was introduced at the cook-off in April. All for a \$5.00 donation—but we need RSVPs to plan the right amount of pizza! Call me to let me know how many kids to plan on. Preschoolers will wrap up their RE year with lessons on nature and Spring; the primary class will have more "Toolbox of Faith" lessons; and youth will learn about the evolution of Judaism, Christianity and UUism, post-Jesus' time.

Molly Elizabeth Marshall (daughter of Vic and Gretchen) will do a special kids' yoga class at RE on Mothers' Day **May 10th**. Molly attended the Universalist Unitarian Church of East Liberty as a youth, and graduated from Columbia Central High School in 1992. Please read Molly's bio on page 5.

It won't be long until we celebrate flower communion and "wheel of the year" transitions. It's been an enjoyable school year. Remember, we'll have K-12 RE lessons through the Summer, too, every other week starting June 14.

*Sharon*



Religious Education Coordinator

# Notes from the Board

**Cold Spring** by Lawrence Raab

*The last few gray sheets of snow are gone,  
Winter's scraps and leavings lowered to a  
common level.  
A sudden jolt of weather pushed us outside,  
And now the larger world belongs to us.  
I stand at the edge of it,  
Beside the house,  
Listening to the stream we haven't heard since  
fall,  
And I can imagine on day thinking back to this  
hour and blaming myself for my worries, my  
foolishness, today's choices,  
Having become the accomplished facts of  
change,  
Accepted or forgotten.  
The woods are a mangle of lines,  
Yet delicate, yet precise,  
When I take the time to look closely.  
At the edge of the lawn my wife bends down  
to uncover a flower,  
Then another.  
And for a moment  
The sweep and shudder  
Of the wind seems undistinguishable  
From the steady furl of water  
Just beyond her.*

Spring is often thought of as a time of renewal which, in turn, can be thought of as a time of action in the form of "clean-up, fix up." This can be evidenced by the fact that our church yard and flower beds have been raked and cleaned up of winter debris by Dorothy Kerr, Vic Marshall, and Vic's friend, Randy. Because of their hard work, we are able to enjoy our spring flowers to the fullest extent.

In addition, we are in the process of completing the work in the Social Hall. We will soon have three new exterior doors, and a committee is forming to come up with a recommendation regarding finishing off the back wall in the Social Hall.

We are so pleased with the renovation of the Social Hall and greatly appreciate all of you who already have and

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to those who will contribute to the completion of our lower level.

As you are aware, our annual

Goods and Services Auction will be the evening of **May 2nd** with a meal served beforehand. In the past this has been a most successful fund raiser—thanks to the efforts of the committee and our members.

Please place **May 17th** on your calendar. We will be having our Annual Meeting at this time. Your input on the agenda items is vital to a successful meeting. We look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting.

Submitted by: Jane Volk

### **Human Rights Commissions Clergy Call**

Rev. Cynthia Landrum is attending the Human Rights Commissions 2009 Clergy Call in Washington, D.C. on May 4-5. What can make this visit to Capitol Hill different from the paid lobbyists who meet with congressional offices daily is personal stories from people in this community. If you have a story of your own (or someone you know personally) about being the victim of a hate crime, employment or school discrimination, and are willing to share it with Rev. Landrum, she would like to take your story with her to Capitol Hill. In addition, she welcomes letters of support—personal statements and letters from members of the community supporting justice for the LGBT community. Delivering a stack of personal statements to our congressional offices will help emphasize the conviction and passion for LGBT equality in our area. Please send stories and letters to the church.

Submitted by: Rev. Cindy Landrum

### **Hot Doggity!**

Enjoy a fun fundraiser at Sharon and Mindy's house—this is their church "auction item"! **Saturday, June 6, '09, 12-3pm** (come when you can, leave when you must). Hot dogs, Turkey dogs, and "Not dogs" (soy) will be served with all the trimmings' and picnic food, like potato salad, baked beans, etc. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on. Individuals \$10 ~ Families \$25 ~ Kids under 10 eat free. Tickets for sale at the Church Auction and after, or RSVP.



### **Joys and Sorrows Change in the Month of May**

During the month of May, we are going to be trying a new format for Joys and Sorrows. There will be slips of paper available in the foyer (and we may put them in pews or order of service, as well), for you to write your joy or sorrow on. The slips of paper will then be collected, and joys and sorrows will be read by the morning's speaker or by a lay leader (in cases of guest speakers). There will be an option on the form for a silent candle to be lit, as well.

The Worship Committee has decided to try out this practice, which has worked successfully in other Unitarian Universalist churches, for a few reasons. One reason is that this method of Joys and Sorrows also works well in larger congregations, which is not true for the way we have been doing Joys and Sorrows. Another reason is that it makes the Joys and Sorrows time more consistent in length, which makes it easier for speakers to control how long the service will be with their portion of the service. However, the primary reason we wanted to make this change was that it enables people who might not be comfortable standing up with the microphone (for example, introverts) to share their joys and sorrows, as well.

We recognize that this is a big change to an important ritual in our church, which is why we are trying it on a temporary basis, and will have a survey available at the end of the month for you to tell us how you felt about this change. We will then review the surveys and discuss them as a committee, and decide how joys and sorrows will be handled after that, with a decision to take place by fall.

Submitted by: Worship Committee

### **Committee Reports for Annual Meeting**

Attention Committee Chairs: --- Your Committee Reports are due to the church board secretary, Becky Bowen. Please send by e-mail if you can. Paper copy reports are also accepted and need to be to me by May 3th in preparation for the Annual Meeting on Sunday May 17th. Thank you.

Submitted by: Becky Bowen  
Board Secretary

# Meetings and Events

## U.U. Church of East Liberty

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### **UUCEL Auction-Saturday, May 2, 2009**

Festivities for the annual church auction will begin in the social hall with Dorothy Kerr and Carole Hartsuff as the hostesses for the meal beginning at 5:00 pm. Donations for the food costs would be appreciated. The auction will take place in the sanctuary at 6:00 pm. The enclosed auction list (see pages 6 & 7) contains items offered as of April 23. More items are expected to be offered, so a more complete list will be available the day of the auction. If you would like to offer something for the auction, please contact Carole Hartsuff, Nena Obits or Fred Marshall. A drawing for door prizes will take place every half hour along with a 50/50 drawing. Childcare will be available which will include pizza, movies and a children's auction. This event is one of the largest fund-raisers of the year, so invite your friends and family members to join us.

I'll see you on May 2nd.

Submitted by: Steve Beison

### **Kid's Auction Too!**

Bring the children to the Annual Church Auction on **Saturday, May 2nd**, as the Kids will have an auction too: children and youth "shop till you drop!" Kids will enjoy pizza and movies, and get tickets to "bid" on items to take home, just like the adults. Donation of \$5.00 each requested.

Submitted by: Sharon Pedersen

### **Spring Nature Hike**

Spring Nature Hike is planned for **Sunday, May 3rd**, at 1:00. We will be hiking at the Mac-Cready Reserve, located on Skiff Lake Road, just North of Jefferson Road. Bring a lunch. Hopefully we will see some early woodland wildflowers. This activity is part of our annual church auction and we ask participants to make a donation in the offering of \$4.00 per person or \$8.00 per family. Contact Nena Obits for more information.

Submitted by: Nena Obits

### **AUW Mother's Day Tea**

Please join us on **Saturday, May 9th**

at 2:00 pm for an afternoon tea party. Your favorite tea will be offered along with coffee and punch; also on the table will be cookies and finger food. Remember this is not your lunch, its a tea party. The theme this year will be "Quilts" with many on display. If you would like your quilt to be a part of the event contact Joan Bernstein, or you can just bring it with you on the 9th and show it. Sign up sheet is posted in the social hall.

Submitted by: Joan Bernstein

~The Brooklyn Food Pantry

is an organization that we have voted to support under our Social Mission policy~

### **Brooklyn Food Pantry**

It's our turn to have one or two volunteers to work at the Brooklyn Food Pantry 171 Wamplers Lake Road, Brooklyn. The pantry is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. to fill the orders of those in need of food and restock shelves. Our work dates are **Tuesday, May 12th and Thursday, May 14th** if you are available to help in this rewarding work please contact Paul Jenkins at church or give him a call. Don't forget to bring canned food or any non-perishable items for donation to the pantry. There is a basket in the foyer under the desk for your contributions.

Submitted by: Paul Jenkins

### **Ingathering Service**

On **Sunday, May 17th** we will have our next ingathering of our friends becoming members of the Universalist Unitarian Church of East Liberty. If you would like to be a part of the ingathering service please talk with Rev. Cindy, Joan Bernstein, Kathy Haynes, Carole Hartsuff or Jann Krupa.

Submitted by: Membership Committee

### **Annual Meeting**

On **Sunday, May 17, 2009** will be the Annual Meeting of UUCEL. The church year calendar runs July 1st through June 30th. Please plan to attend this important meeting after the service in the sanctuary. Childcare will be available.



### **commUnity forUms**

...are free and open programs to facilitate dialogue about the challenging issues of our time. ForUms are usually held at the Jackson

District Library, located at 244 W. Michigan Ave. between Blackstone & N. Jackson Street. ForUms are usually on the third Thursdays at 6:30-8:30 pm. The commUnity forUm is sponsored by the Universalist Unitarian Church of East Liberty in conjunction with the Jackson District Library.

**Thursday, May 21st at 6:30 pm**

#### **"Losing Our News"**

As we move forward in 2009, one of the issues of increasing concern is the future of print media. Newspaper institutions are downsizing and shutting down around the country. Many are switching to "on-line" formats. We wonder what newspapers will be like on the Internet. What are some of the historical and community functions of the newspaper that we now take for granted and will they be supported on the web? What will we gain and lose with this new trend?

Please join us and a panel of editors, reporters, and writers from familiar area newspapers as we discuss this important issue. The forum will take place on **Thursday, May 21, 2009 at 6:30 pm at the Carnegie Library** in downtown Jackson. If you need childcare, please notify Sharon Pedersen or Nancy Smith.

Submitted by: Outreach Committee

### **Craft Day**

Please plan to attend the **Saturday, May 30th** Scrappin' & Craftin' Day (**Note:** this is the 5th Saturday due to Memorial Day on the 4th Saturday); any kind of craft project you are working on, bring it and your supplies to work on it; as others do theirs. Our monthly get togethers are on the 4th Saturday of each month. Contact Caroline if you are interested in coming. **Please note:** the starting time is 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. There is no charge for participating, but donations to help cover the church's costs are welcome.

Submitted by: Caroline Landrum

### **Caring Committee**

Our next Caring Committee meeting will be on **Sunday, May 31st** after the service.

Submitted by: Nena Obits

**Thank you** so much to everyone who helped make April's Cook-off 1st Friday dinner such a huge success. I really appreciated everyone who made dishes (we are blessed to have a lot of really great cooks in our church!) and especially everyone that jumped in and helped it run so smoothly, including the cleanup! Together, we raised \$305! Here are the best dishes our church has to offer as determined by the dinner: Appetizer: hummus (Nancy Smith) ~ Bread or Roll: challah (Sharon Pederson) ~ Egg Dish: egg custard (Nena Obits) ~ Poultry Dish: ginger chicken (Peter Morrison) ~ Meat Dish: London broil (Ann Green) ~ Pasta Dish: back alley noodles (Peg Gordon) ~ Ethnic inspired Dish: Asian salad (Jo Yonan) ~ Casserole: chicken, rice, & veg casserole (Steve Beison) ~ Vegetable: carrots (Carole Hartsuff) ~ Side dish: cheesy potatoes (Jane Hill) ~ Cookie: molasses cookies (Meredith Baither) ~ Fruit Dessert: cherry pie (Nancy Cooper) ~ Jello: fruit Jello (Alyce Oosting) ~ Miscellaneous Dessert: chocolate cheesecake (Kerry Hart)

Submitted by: Chris Keith

### **Cooks needed**

Still looking for volunteers to step up and take a turn at cooking the First Friday Dinners for the months of **June** and beyond. Tell someone on the membership committee if you would like to do so.

Submitted by: the Membership Comm.

**Bio of Molly** Marshall (see page 2) as she will be with the RE children on Mother's Day. Molly is a registered Yoga Teacher, recognized by the National Yoga Alliance, and taught yoga for 5 years at Yoga Chi Studio and Yoga Shelter. She has been in a professional yoga video presentation and was featured in a yoga book. She continues her education by attending workshops on meditation and yoga on a regular basis.

Molly has much experience teaching yoga and art to youth: - She taught a summer yoga course for children at Waldorf School in Detroit; taught an after school course for high school students at West Bloomfield Schools; teaches yoga on Fridays to her current art students at West Bloomfield High School; and teaches art classes for West Bloomfield High School, where she is the Art Department Chair.

Submitted by: Vic & Gretchen Marshall ~ 5 ~

## 2009 Auction List --- May 2nd --- Dinner at 5:00 --- Biding starting at 6:00

**Come to our Annual Church Fundraiser;**

**Bring your friends, family & children** (call Sharon with number of children attending for Pizza order) **We accept cash, checks & I.O.U's. if needed for a week or two**

### Item List

Homemade Quilt: "Nine Patch" 86" X 74"  
1980 Encyclopedia Britannica, 30 volumes  
Encyclopedia Americana  
Massage  
Private Yoga lesson  
(2) Large Matted Framed Pictures  
Baked goods  
Pumpkin Spice Cake  
Oregon Apple Pie  
(1) Desert each month for 6 months  
Burger at West Point and Movie tickets  
(3) Quarts of Maple Syrup  
6-8 Pounds of Fudge  
Homemade Frozen Meals for (1) person  
(2) Restaurant Gift Certificates  
Handmade Needle Point Pillow 12" square  
Potted Pothos Plant  
Gift Certificate to Scrapbook Memories  
(4) 45 minute Piano Lessons  
Framed Flowers Picture  
Baked goods  
\$25 Gift certificate to Good Company  
Flowers  
Hand-made Art Jewelry  
(2) Hours of Handyman work  
Men's Bike  
(2) Two Boy's Bikes  
Baked goods  
(2) Dinners for 6  
\$50 Gift Certificate to Adams Farm Market  
Cookout on June 6. No bidding, \$10 per plate  
Craft Items  
(2) Bar Stools  
\$25 Gift Certificate to Bed, Bath & Beyond  
\$25 Gift Certificate to Target  
Black and Red Quilt  
Set of (4) Oak TV Trays  
Sermon topic of your choice  
"Day of the Dead" dinner for (5), Oct. 30th  
8.5' Scout Kayak, 250 Lbs. Weight Capacity  
Large Decorative Blanket  
Shop-vac  
Baked goods

### Donor

Margaret Essex  
George Tramp      Buyer must pick up  
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Peggy Smith  
Peggy Smith  
Pat & Peg Gordon  
Hugh Tomlinson  
Elizabeth Walker  
Elizabeth Walker  
Michelle Vanover  
Elissa Alden      \$20 value  
Joan Bernstein  
Joan Bernstein  
Ann Green  
Ann Green  
Marge Duane  
Marge Duane  
Becky Bowen  
Nancy Cooper  
Grace Mulnix  
Phyllis Myers  
Sharon & Doug Myers  
Rose Pelham  
Anita Pepper  
Dave Savick  
Anne Seifert  
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Anne Seifert  
Debbie & Fred Marshall  
Nancy Smith  
Sharon Pedersen & Mindy Radseck  
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Fred & Debbie Marshall  
Jane Hill  
Jane Hill  
Dorothy Kerr  
Dorothy Kerr  
Rev. Cynthia Landrum  
Cindy Landrum & Peter Morrison  
Jann & Gary Krupa      \$200 value  
Jo Yonan  
Jo Yonan  
Jo Yonan

(2) Jars of Grape Jelly	Gordon & Chris Bernstein	
(2) Jars of Strawberry/Rhubarb Jam	Gordon & Chris Bernstein	
(2) Jars of Wild Raspberry Jam	Gordon & Chris Bernstein	
(2) Jars of Bread & Butter Pickles	Gordon & Chris Bernstein	
(2) Jars of Pizza Sauce	Gordon & Chris Bernstein	
Planter	Carole Hartsuff	
Tea Pot	Carole Hartsuff	
Adjustable Table with 4 positions	Carole Hartsuff	
Bird house	Gratia Karmes	
Birdwatcher's Kit	Gratia Karmes	
Lake Michigan Home in South Haven for 1-week	Vic & Gretchen Marshall	Min.Bid \$300
Lake Michigan Home in South Haven for weekend.	Vic & Gretchen Marshall	Min.Bid \$190
View Home on-line @www.shoresvacationrentals.com		
then go to "Rental Properties, ""Close to Beach" then Eaton Park House		
Gift Certificate to the Beach Bar	Sue Rainey	
Hand-carved Shore Birds	Margaret & Lyle Johns	
Antique Homer Laughlyn Glass Bowl	Margaret & Lyle Johns	Min.Bid \$10
Antique Redwing Pottery Bowl	Margaret & Lyle Johns	Min.Bid \$25
Transfer Home Movies from VHS to DVD w/label & case	Vicki Haynes	Min.Bid \$10
Ceiling Fan with Lights (excellent condition)	Dorothy Kerr	
Vinyl Storm Door (excellent condition)	Dorothy Kerr	
Wine Cup	Steve Nason	
(2) Hummel Pictures	Steve Nason	
Barack Obama Commemorative Inauguration Plate	Cecily Savick	\$23 value
Creative Memories Gift Certificate	Caroline Landrum	
Basket of Homemade Bath Products	Carrie Landrum	
5' Wooden Flag Pole w/ mounting bracket	Kathy Haynes	
Sewing Alterations	Kathy Haynes	
Reusable "Ecology" homemadeTote Bag	Kathy Haynes	
A set of 2 Thick Knitted Potholders	Kathy Haynes	
A set of 2 Denim Heart-Shaped Potholders	Kathy Haynes	
Handmade Woven Denim Pillow 16" Square	Kathy Haynes	
(2) Fishing Trip in boat with George	George Haynes	
(4) 1 dozen Chocolate Chip Cookies	Donna Haynes	
10" Round /Heart Choc. Chip Cookie Dec. to Order	Donna Haynes	
50 Business Cards Designed to Order	Vicki Haynes	
Antique Picture	Frances Schafer	
(2) Hand Painted Plates	Frances Schafer	
Certificate to Bone Island Grill	Deb Hartsuff	
Certificate to Knights Restaurant	Jackie Ellerthorpe	
Silver Gorham Platter	Anonymous	
(2) Brass Plates	Anonymous	

.....and more items will be added as those names not listed above can call one of the following names  
Carole Hartsuff -- Nena Obits -- Fred Marshall -- .....

#### FROM THE EDITOR:

IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST COPY OF THE CHURCH'S NEWSLETTER "THE BELLNOTE" WELCOME ABOARD, AND HAPPY READING. OUR CHURCH CALENDAR YEAR RUNS FROM JULY 1-JUNE 30, THE CHURCH BOARD ASKS THOSE THAT RECEIVE THE PAPER VERSION OF THE NEWSLETTER TO PAY A \$17.00 PER-YEAR SUBSCRIPTION FEE AND WE STARTED THIS IN AUG., 2007. NEW VISITORS WILL GET 3 MONTHS FREE, AFTER THAT A SUBSCRIPTION FEE WILL BE ASKED FOR, OR CHANGED TO AN ON-LINE VERSION THAT IS NO CHARGE.

THANK YOU – KATHY AND VICKI

THE DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE NEWSLETTER IS:

SUNDAY, MAY 24

SEND SUBMISSIONS TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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Kathy & Vicki Haynes

the Bellnote mailbox.

We want to thank --Rev. Cindy Landrum, Steve Beison, Joan Bernstein, Becky Bowen, Paul Jenkins, Chris Keith, Caroline Landrum, Vic & Gretchen Marshall, Nena Obits, Sharon Pedersen, Jane Volk, Outreach Comm., and the Membership Comm., for their news items this month.

"May it be true that a joy shared  
is a joy doubled and a sorrow  
shared is a sorrow halved"

"Go now and live your religion;  
Its truth reflect in all you do.  
Go, may love's presence ever guide you.  
Live the good life the whole day through."  
~~ Our Closing Song~~

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#### OUR 7 PRINCIPLES AND PURPOSES

WE, THE MEMBER CONGREGATIONS OF THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION, COVENANT TO AFFIRM AND PROMOTE:

- ☞ THE INHERENT WORTH AND DIGNITY OF EVERY PERSON
- ☞ JUSTICE, EQUITY, AND COMPASSION IN HUMAN RELATIONS
- ☞ ACCEPTANCE OF ONE ANOTHER AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO SPIRITUAL GROWTH IN OUR CONGREGATIONS
- ☞ A FREE AND RESPONSIBLE SEARCH FOR TRUTH AND MEANING
- ☞ THE RIGHT OF CONSCIENCE AND THE USE OF THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS WITHIN OUR CONGREGATIONS AND IN SOCIETY AT LARGE
- ☞ THE GOAL OF WORLD COMMUNITY WITH PEACE, LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL
- ☞ RESPECT FOR THE INTERDEPENDENT WEB OF ALL EXISTENCE OF WHICH WE ARE A PART



# The Bellnote Calendar

All events are at the church, unless otherwise noted

## May

1 Fri.	No 1st Friday Dinner
2 Sat.	Annual Auction ~ Dinner at 5:00 pm ~ Bidding at 6:00 pm
3 Sunday	~~~~ Service ~ 11:00 am ~ Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum
3 Sunday	Spring Nature Hike ~ 1:00 pm
4 Mon.	Rev. Cindy will be at the Human Rights Commissions Clergy Call in Washington, D.C
5 Tues.	Rev. Cindy will be at the Human Rights Commissions Clergy Call in Washington, D.C
6 Wed.	Board Meeting ~ 6:30 pm
7 Thurs.	AUUW Meeting ~ 12:30 pm
9 Sat.	Mother's Day Tea ~ 2:00 pm
10 Sunday	~~~~ Service ~ 11:00 am ~Lay Leader, Jackie Johnson
10 Sunday	Special Yoga Class with Molly Marshall (see pages 2 & 5) ~ for the R.E. Children
12 Tue.	Meet Your Neighbor Coffee ~ 9:00 - 11:00 am
12 Tue.	Brooklyn Food Pantry ~ Work day Tuesday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
13 Wed.	Worship Committee Meeting ~ 5:30 pm
14 Thurs.	Brooklyn Food Pantry ~ Work day Thursday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
14 Thurs.	Membership Meeting ~ 1:30 pm
17 Sunday	~~~~ Service ~ 11:00 am ~ Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum
17 Sunday	Ingathering Service ~ Friends becoming Members
17 Sunday	Annual Meeting ~ After the Service
20 Wed.	Religious Education Committee Meeting ~ 7:00 pm
21 Thurs.	commUnity forUm ~ <b>"Losing Our News"</b> @ Jackson District Library ~ 6:30 pm
24 Sunday	~~~~ Service ~ 11:00 am ~ Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum
30 Sat.	Scrapping & Crafting ~10:00 am - 5:00 pm
31 Sunday	~~~~ Service ~ 11:00 am ~ Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum
31 Sunday	Caring Committee Meeting ~ After the service

## Upcoming Events

June 6 Hot Dog Roast ~ \$10.00 a plate that is a new auction item for everyone (see list page 6)

### WEEKLY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:

Sun.	Greeters	Ushers	Social Hour Host	Nursery Helper	R.E. Teachers
May 3	Alyce O.	Gary T. & Paul J.	Becky B.	Michelle V.	Pre: Kerry & Jane K-5 Chris & Sharon Teens Gretchen & Alyce
May 10	Grace M.	Gary T. & Open	Kathy H.	Open	Yoga with Molly M.
May 17	Joan B.	Gary T. & Paul J.	Anne S. & Rose P.	Margaret E.	Pre; Jackie & Kathy K-5; Meredith & Peter Teens; Sharon & Cecily
May 24	Betty G.	Gary T. & Open	Pat & Peg G. & Sharon P.	Open	Intergenerational
May 31	Tom P.	Gary T. & Paul J.	Anita P.	Open	Pre; Kerry & Sharon K-5; Rob & Anne Teens; Lynn & Becky

All Sunday Services Start at 11:00 am ~ Celebrating Over 150 Years of Liberal Religion

May 3 - "Sexuality, Morality & Theology"

- Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Unitarian Universalism has a ground-breaking religious education curriculum about sexuality, yet we seldom talk about it in our sanctuary.

Join us for the service so you, too, can say, "Can you believe she said that in church?"

May 10 - "Mother's Day — Being a Christian UU"

- Jackie Johnson, Lay Leader

Jackie will talk about her journey from conservative religion to finding a church home at E. L.

May 17 - "Five Smooth Stones"

- Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

Theologian James Luther Adams named "five smooth stones" of liberal religion. This service will examine them and how they are important to us today.

**Special Note:** This service will include a new member ingathering ceremony. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact a member of the Membership Committee.

May 24 - "Memorial Day Service:

The Tolling of the Bells"

- Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum  
and Lynn Hightower, Lay Leader

Join us for our annual Memorial Day service where we remember those in our lives who have passed away. Please bring a photo or memento to place on our altar in remembrance of your loved one.

**Special Note:** This service is the first day on which we hope to display a U.S. flag, in accordance with our new flag policy.

May 31 - "Sacred Spaces"

- Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Landrum

What spaces are sacred to you? Where do you go to get a glimpse of the holy? This service will celebrate and explore inside and outside spaces and how they connect us the ultimate, as well as explore what the buildings we create say about our theology.

Where people care about each other and care about the world.  
http://www.geocities.com/kemit\_210/the\_bellnote\_uucel.html  
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