

SERMON  
TOPICS FOR  
NOVEMBER:

- November 7—  
Jobs With  
Justice
- November 14—  
The Spiritual  
Aspects of  
Wilderness
- November 21  
— Thankgiv-  
ing Gratitude
- November 28  
— The Good  
Samaritan

INSIDE  
THIS ISSUE:

- Sermon 2  
Topics
- Fundraisers 2
- President's 3  
Message
- Thanksgiving 3  
Dinner
- Reminders 4
- Plate Shares 5
- Living Wills 6

# The Compass

NOVEMBER 2010

## Minister's Musings

Yes, we can; yes we can!

Hear that choo-choo train again. We are still climbing up that mountain and we will get there. The good news is that we have had one well attended, thoughtful congregational vote on the UUCE of 2011-12. The challenging news is that we have not yet reached a 2/3 majority on which option to choose. So, Yes we can, yes we can. We can make informed decisions about the mission, vision, direction and economics of UUCE.

Do not doubt that each of us has the best interests of UUCE at

heart.

Do not doubt that whatever we decide some of us will be joyful and others will be disappointed. We will walk together.

Do not doubt that we will reach a decision. Dearest members,

Do not doubt that you are cherished and respected.

Do not doubt that my heart wants us to stay at UUCE.

Do not doubt that if the vote means that we should have to leave, that we will understand that it will be right for the UUCE that members need.

Do not doubt that,

whatever the outcome, we have work to do. Good work.

A neighbor stopped by the church Saturday to visit the Craft Sale. She told us, admiringly, you all do so much. You always seem to have something going on here. Our light is shining.

The Reverend Dorothy Emerson signs all of her email "Go shining." Every day that signature seems more significant and every day it seems more right for UUCE.

Go shining my friends,  
Rev Deane

## CAJE Annual Assembly

The CAJE Annual Assembly will be held Nov. 18th at 6:30 PM The meeting will be at Nazareen Baptist Church on Walnut St. This is an important event for the CAJE organization. We will welcome new members, get updates on our issue work, and choose a new issue to address this coming year. Issue selection is by vote,

so the more of us there are, the greater our impact. I should add that we plan to sit together at the

event. So, mark your calendar, and come to the CAJE Annual Assembly.

—Tom Moor





## Sermon Topics

**November 7- Jobs With Justice-** Gary Fritz will speak to us about the local efforts of Jobs With Justice. We are pleased to have the opportunity to share with this local justice effort.

Tom Moor worship leader

**November 14- The Spiritual Aspect of Wilderness-** Clayton Daughenbaugh, Midwest Regional Organizer for the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, will be the featured speaker for the 10:00 church service with an emphasis on the spiritual aspects of wilderness. He will speak again at 1:30 p.m., after the church meeting, with

a spectacular slide show. He will inform us of the efforts toward the “preservation of the outstanding wilderness at the heart of the Colorado Plateau, and the management of these lands in their natural state for the benefit of all Americans.”

Ben Sizemore is the worship associate. Come early for good seats. The public is invited.

**November 21 – Thanksgiving Gratitude –** In this intergenerational service we will share garlands of gratitude. Each family, of one or more, is asked to reflect on what they are grateful for and to share

their thoughts in written and spoken form, if desired. Family and health gratitudes are excluded. Children will also have a special seasonal art project! – Rev Deane with Sarah Weitkamp, Worship Associate *Plate Share goes to House of Bread and Peace*

**November 28th - The Good Samaritan: A Modern Ethical dilemma –** Join us for this interactive service in which we will explore a challenging scenario, discuss responses and investigate our motives and opportunities. Rev Deane with Tom Moor, Worship Associate



Thanks to everyone who helped at our fund raisers!!

## Fundraiser Updates

**Fall Festival...** I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped make Fall Festival a success...the chicken cookers, cookie bakers, booth movers, booth workers... it couldn't be done without your help! It looks like this was our best year ever! Thank you!!!!

—Teri Rawlings

**Wesselman Woods Nature Preserve Harvest Festival...** What a wonderful time! Many thanks to our volunteers

who all seemed to go the extra mile: Dennis Brandewie, Alice and Jack Carden, Lincoln Christensen, Karen Genter, Chris Norrington, Glenn Oliva, Katie and Kris Sharp, Ben Sizemore, Pam Stiver, Bev Tonso. Thank you all!

We hoped to make between \$400 and \$600 and, once all expenses are tallied, our guess is that it will be more like \$700 to \$800. It was a great time. We had good

weather and both UUCE and Wesselman Nature Preserve benefited. Yea!

---Linda Sue Cates and Rev Deane

**Craft Fair...** The Holiday Craft Fair was held a few weeks ago. Although we didn't make as much money as we would have liked to make, everyone pulled together and we gave it our best shot. Thanks to everyone who helped make crafts, set up, sell, etc! — Jan Steinmark

# A Word from Our President



Hi, Folks!

Well, October certainly was a busy time for us at UUCE. In addition to the various board and committee meetings, classes, and other events, we had the Fall Festival, a craft workshop night, two congregational meetings, a Holiday Craft Fair (where we made \$34.50), and two nights selling food at Wesselman Park.

The two congregational meetings focused on a major concern, the financial future of our church. Members of the board,

committee on ministry, and of the church membership spoke for ninety minutes on October 17th, mulled over what they had heard, and met again on October 24th for the vote. Forty-one votes were cast, with a two-thirds majority needed to declare a winner. This was not reached by any of the four options. The two top vote-getting options were for a 89% minister and a 50% minister.

Another congregational meeting for a ninety minute discussion is scheduled for Sunday, November 14th and another meeting to vote on November 21st. At the November 1st board meeting the actual wording of the announcement concerning the two congregational meetings and the ballot format will be decided.

But I want to stress to you that

this is NOT about our current minister, but about our current and future financial situation. No matter which option is voted in, everyone in the congregation needs to be fully committed to sustaining our church, whether through increased pledges, participation in fund-raisers, becoming chairs and members of committees and the board, being a Sunday lay leader, or any number of other ways to be involved.

This church is so important to so many of us, and we all need to do whatever we can to help it prosper.

Thanks  
Jan Steinmark  
Board President  
[jansteinmark@yahoo.com](mailto:jansteinmark@yahoo.com)

You are cordially invited to  
**Thanksgiving Day Dinner**

at 3 p.m. at

Rev. Deane and Karen's home,  
10377 Shawnee Drive in Newburgh.  
Turkey, dressing, salad and potatoes,  
juice, milk, soda, tea will be provided

If not dinner, you might like to come for  
**After dinner socialization** from 4 to 5 pm

Directions from Evansville: Lloyd Expressway East; Right on Epworth (at Deaconess Gateway). Proceed past Lincoln. Turn left on Tecumseh. Quick left on Kenosha. Quick right on Shawnee. Our house is in the middle of the block. Phone: 490-7145.

Please note: This is an alcohol responsible event.



Check out these on-going events at UUCE!

### Coffee

Place your order for chocolate, cocoa and coffee by the 25th of the month. Contact Chris Norrington for details 471-9867.

### Monthly Potluck

Join your fellow UU's after church the fourth Sunday of each month for potluck.

### Meditation

Join us for meditation Mondays and Fridays from noon til 12:40.

### United Caring Shelter

UUCE prepares a meal at the United Caring Shelter on the 3rd Friday of the month. We work from 3:00 – 5:00. Helpers are needed!

Donations of spaghetti noodles and sauce are always needed too!

### Adult Discussion Group

The Adult Discussion Group meets the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays at 8:45 in the Chalice House. Contact Hardin with any questions.



## Reminders

**Requests for use of UUCE...**We are having so many activities throughout the whole week at the church which is really wonderful. However, please note that ALL requests for space (anywhere in the church building or

Chalice House) must go through our secretary Tina Sizemore ([tina5652@yahoo.com](mailto:tina5652@yahoo.com)) to put on the official church calendar in order to avoid double-booking. Thanks - Jan Steinmark, Board President

**Newsletter Submissions....**If you submit an article to the newsletter and list whom should be contacted for more information, be sure to include either a telephone number or an e-mail address for that person.

—Beth Heil, editor

# Plate Share Update



Our September Plate Share allowed UUCE to donate \$135.21 to Matthew 25.

Matthew 25 AIDS Services, Inc. is one of only two comprehensive HIV/AIDS clinics in Southern Indiana and Western Kentucky (the other one is in Paducah, KY, two (2) hours away from our Henderson clinic). Matthew 25 operates medical clinic locations in both Indiana and Ken-

tucky, providing early intervention specialty HIV/AIDS medical care, medication adherence programs, food pantry, transportation, indigent medication program, referral services, counseling and testing services, education and information in Vanderburgh County, IN, Henderson County, KY and Daviess County, KY.

Our October Plate Share sent an \$82.70 donation to Crop Walk.

The Evansville Area CROP Hunger Walk invites people of all ages and faiths to join in providing resources to fight hunger around the world and around the corner. Funds raised through the CROP Walk help people in more than 80 countries through self-help development, disaster response, and refugee services.

Thank you for your generous donations for these worthy causes.

## PLATE SHARE FOR NOVEMBER:

On Sunday, November 21st, the Offertory will go to the House of Bread and Peace. The House of Bread and Peace is a shelter for women and women with children operated by a non-profit board of directors. A warm, homey atmosphere is provided. Residents also receive breakfast and dinner and assistance is provided in referring clients to appropriate agencies for services needed. There are no fees to the family. Maximum stay is three months, as long as the mother is looking for a job, housing, or applying for disability.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

SATURDAY, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at UUCE

### Complete Your Living Will

Participants will learn about Indiana Advance Directives: what they are, who needs them and where to keep them. They will fill out their living will and, when appropriate, choose a health care representative. Documents will be completed, witnessed and copied by workshops end.

Susan Thomas and Rev Deane will facilitate.





## Unitarian Universalist Church of Evansville

2910 East Morgan Avenue

Evansville, IN 47711

812-474-1704

Services Sunday at 10:00 AM

Rev Dr Claudene F Oliva, Minister

Office hours: Wed.& Thurs. 2-5 or call for an appointment

Home Phone: 812 490-7145

Cell Phone: 270 779-9222

email- cogenisys@aol.com

**Child and Youth RE at 10:30 Sundays**

### Board of Directors:

The UUCE board meets the first Monday of the month at 6:30PM.

President

Jan Steinmark

President Elect

open

Secretary

Tina Sizemore

Secretary Elect

Joan Hargis

Treasurer

David Granholm

Treasurer Elect

Jack Carden

Director

Teri Rockwood

Director

John Schaefer

### Other Volunteers:

Religious Exploration

Teri Rockwood

Youth Leader

Diana Brewer

Building and Grounds

Hardin Rathgeber

Caring Committee

MaryHelen Weldy

Newsletter Editor

Beth Heil

Webmaster

uceeditor@hotmail.com

Website

open

www.uuevansville.org



# November Events at UUCE

**1st:** 12:00pm Meditation

6:30pm Board meeting

**2nd:** 6:30pm Pagan group

**3rd:** 5:45 - 7:15pm Yoga

7pm SMART (Chalice House)

7 - 8:30pm Health and Well-

ness (in nursery)

**4th:** 6:30 The New UU

**5th:** 12:00pm Meditation

7pm Drumming Circle

**7th:** 5:30 - 7pm Blooming Lo-

tus Sangha

**8th:** 11:00am Membership

Committee

12:00pm Meditation

7pm Worship Associates

**9th:** 6:30 Pagan Group

**10th:** 5:45-7:15pm Yoga

7pm SMART (Chalice House)

**12th:** 12:00pm meditation

**13th:** 10am Your Living Will

**14th:** Congregational meeting

11:30

1:30 Preserving America's Red

Rock Wilderness

5:30-7pm Blooming Lotus

Sangha

**15th:** 12:00pm meditation

6:30 UU Theology

**16th:** 6:30pm Pagan Group

6:30pm Stewardship Commit-

tee (Chalice House)

**17th:** 5:45-7:15pm Yoga

7pm SMART (Chalice House)

7 - 8:30pm Health and Well-

ness (in nursery)

**18th:** CAJE Assembly at Naz-

reen Baptist Church

**19th:** 12:00pm Meditation

3pm United Caring Shelter

6:30pm drumming circle

**21st:** Plate share

11:30 congregational meeting

5:30 - 7pm Blooming Lotus

Sangha

**22nd:** 12:00pm Meditation

**23rd:** 6:30pm Pagan Group

**24th:** 5:45-7pm Yoga

7pm - SMART (Chalice

House)

**25th:** Thanksgiving dinner at

Deane's

**26th:** 12:00pm meditation

**28th:** Potluck following ser-

vice

5:30-7pm Blooming Lotus

Sangha

**29th:** 12:00pm meditation

**30th:** 6:30pm Pagan group

