UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF EVANSVILLE

#### SERMON TOPICS:

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# The Compass

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# How Can You Help?

Most, if not all, of us will remember the image of Uncle Sam trying to provoke us into serving our country. Today your church needs your assistance and you should think about how many different ways you can choose to be involved in helping UUCE become better at what we do and a more delightful land enjoyable place to worship together.

The Worship Committee is working hard to plan rich, engaging and inspiring services each week. In your survey responses, you indicated that this was an area where our church could make significant improvements.

How can you help make a difference if you are not on the committee?

Perhaps you can help by leading a worship service based on your own ideas for what will be meaningful and thoughtful for our congregation. If so, you need to let the Worship Committee know.

Maybe you have ideas about a service theme, but don't feel you have the ability to lead a service. In that case, why not volunteer to explain your idea to a member of the Worship Committee or ask to attend a meeting in order to explain your ideas in person?

When the service you attend works for you and causes you to feel inspired and engaged, provide your feedback to the Worship Committee. Don't assume



that they will know which services worked well for you. Speak up! (Usually it isn't a problem to get our membership to speak upon issues.)

And when you don't like a service or feel that something could be improved, you have an obligation to provide that feedback as well. The lower

portion of the order of service is reserved as space for your comments. Please use it to tell the Worship Committee what is and isn't working for you.

And if you haven't attended a service lately, consider why that is the case. If it is because you are disappointed in how things are going, perhaps you need to become more involved in providing current feedback to the Worship Committee. The Worship Committee is led by Tom Moor (gtmoor@gmail.com.) Other members include Marla Minton, Sarah Weitkamp, Stephanie Young and Alice Carden. Please approach one of these volunteers with your ideas today.

Don't wait for Uncle Sam to come calling.

Improving our worship services is one of the priorities of our church this year and the board is looking for ways to enable and encourage that improvement.

Respectfully, Jack Carden President

Don't forget to sign up to work the Fall Festival Booth!



# **Sermon Topics**

September 4- Poetry
Sunday Congregants are
asked to bring a poem -or
any reading - that has
meaning for them and to
share it . Ed Howard is
worship leader

September II- Water

Communion and Ingathering The worship committee will lead the service

September 18- Pet Sunday Rev. Anisa Evans will lead the service Bring your pet (On a leash and well behaved please!)

September 25- Buddhism A representative from the local Sanga will talk about the practice of Buddism. Tom Moor worship leader

# Congregational Life Committee

Good news! In order to better serve the UUCE congregation, we are joining the Caring Committee, the Membership Committee, and what would have been Pastoral Care into one new, enthusiastic group, the **Congrega**-

tional Life Committee!

Our first meeting was held on August 29<sup>th</sup>. If you have an interest in determining how this committee will serve the congregation, or would enjoy the pleasure of serving on the committee and making a real difference in the lives of our members and friends, please contact Mary Helen Weldy at 422-4081 in the evenings, or email her at <a href="mailto:mhweldy@sage-health.com">mhweldy@sage-health.com</a>. Become a part of the change you wish to see happen at UUCE!





### **Workers Needed**

Fall Festival is only a month away. Have you looked at your schedule and picked a day or two to help? This year Bev Tonso is coordinating booth workers. We need a minimum of 3 workers every morning and 5 workersstarting at 11:00 AM to close. Make sure to let Bev know when you can work!

# Chicken Cooking & Booth Cleaning

Join fellow UU's at church on Saturday, September 24 at 10:00. We'll have one group cleaning the booth and getting it ready for the festival. The second group will cook chicken for the African Peanut Chicken. Bring your electric skillets and sharp knives!

### **Booth Moving**

We need help moving the booth to West Franklin Street on Sunday, October 2 and bringing it back to the church on Sunday, October 9th. If you are able to provide manpower or a big truck please let Teri Rawlings know. If we don't get the booth to the festival we won't make any money!



# Unitarian Universalist Church of Evansville

2910 East Morgan Avenue Evansville, IN 47711 812-474-1704 Services Sunday at 10:00 AM

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



#### **Board of Directors:**

The UUCE board meets the third Monday of the

month at 6:30PM.

President Jack Carden
President Elect open
Secretary open
Secretary Elect Marla Minton

Treasurer Elect Director Director John Schaefer

#### Other Volunteers:

Religious Exploration
Youth Leader
Building and Grounds
Caring Committee
Stewardship
Communications
Social Justice
Caring & Membership
Worship Associates
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# Reminders

# **Board Meeting**

The next UUCE Board meeting will be held on September 26th.

#### 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.

### **Social Justice Donations**

Donation of spaghetti, toiletries and diapers are needed. Cash donations also accepted.

# **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!

You can also make monetary donations— look for the jar in the church foyer.

# Lights

Do not touch the light switch in the men's room in the sanctuary! On its current setting it will turn on automatically when someone comes in and turn off when someone leaves.

### Heat/AC

The thermostats in the Church and Chalice house have been set to automatically come on and turn off. Please do not tamper with them! If you notice a problem let Hardin know and he will look into it.

### Fall Festival

Don't forget to sign up to work at the Fall Festival booth, help cook chicken, or help clean the booth. We need everyone's help to have a successful year!