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**JUNE 14 9:30 A.M. “HARVESTING THE ENERGY THROUGH SACRED DANCE”**  
 – Lara Martinsen-Burrell, Deblyn Russell  
**JUNE 21 9:30 A.M. “SUMMER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION” – Al Hays, Bill Chene\***  
**JUNE 28 9:30 A.M. “THE TRAGEDY OF THE COMMONS” – Karen Impola, Lisa Kratz\***  
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\* denotes Worship Associate

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 9:30 A.M. Chapel Services  
 10:30 A.M. Coffee/Fellowship  
 10:50 A.M. Continuing the Conversation  
*Childcare During The Services*



*The mission of this organization is to be an accepting and supportive community that nurtures spiritual, emotional, and intellectual explorations, articulates ethical values, and encourages actions based on personal beliefs. This community is a voice for religious diversity, human tolerance, improvement of the human condition, and preservation of our environment.*

## CONVERSATION WITH EVA

For those of you who weren't at church on a recent Sunday, I want to say good-bye for a while. I'll be taking the month of June off for Study Leave, and July off for vacation. I'll be back and doing the Sunday services in August. In the meantime, our Worship Associates have some very special services planned for you. Our Caring Committee is still here to reach out with loving arms and support you in times of need.

At the time of the newsletter deadline, I am still not certain about if and when I begin treatments for my lymphoma. In case you want to learn more about it (and like reading technical, medical stuff) the name of it is Splenic Marginal Zone Lymphoma (although in my case, it's not really in my spleen. . .but this is still the diagnosis by the Mayo doctor). They explain this is a slow growing disease, one that needs watching and treatment from time to time. So, I am looking forward to many more years of service in my lifetime, and as I said in church, I'm still planning on reaching my 100<sup>th</sup> birthday—just like my Great Grandma Pearl. Pencil the party onto your calendar; and celebrate with me, every day that we wake up alive and ready to live and love and learn.

I do want to say a special thanks to those of you who have been boosting my spirits during this time of transition in my life. Several of you have come and offered your healing. Some have come to clean house, bring food, or a little present to boost my spirits. As I know more about what my summer looks like, I will let you all know what kind of help I may need. BUT, I will always need hugs, love, prayers and good thoughts! So please don't forget those!

While I'm away this summer remember to:

Pick more daisies,  
Go barefoot,  
Laugh,

Go out for ice cream with a friend,  
and laugh some more.

Find somebody to hug even though it's too bloody hot!  
Give of yourself—with Habitat, or Food Bank, or helping a kid to read.  
Wage Peace.

Don't forget to take a few deep breaths while I'm gone!  
Cry a little,  
Find yourself,  
And play, play, play!

See you in August! With lots of love,

*Eva*



## SUMMER MUSIC NEWS

During the month of June, all regular musical ensembles will be on break. The Theoretical String Band will start up again for weekly Wednesday night get-togethers and music practice on Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. The Wednesday sessions will go until 8:30 p.m. Bring your friends, bring your instruments, bring your voices, and any favorite music you may like, and join us for some summer fun! I hope to see some familiar faces and some new faces in July!

Adult and Children's Choirs will start up later in August, and more information will be in the next newsletter.

While there are no scheduled Sunday events for TSB or the choirs over the summer, musicians and singers may be called upon during the summer to provide volunteer help with music for Chapel Services. If you would be interested in playing piano, guitar, other instruments, or singing for a Chapel service, please let *Tim Purdum* know.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It has been a year since I took the helm as the President of the Board of UUSBHC and I think it's been a really good one. The Wednesday activities have continued to grow phenomenally. Music, Art and Drama are flourishing as part of the service. Everyone seems to be having a good time with each other and helping each other, both of which are important.

On the nuts and bolts side—several goals we have had for years are coming to fruition. We'll be getting new siding on the building in the late summer. We've been talking about that for years and years. We've added staff and are finding a way to keep them even through what promises to be a really challenging year.

On the lighter side, I've been working the list of long-term pet peeves. This last year we adopted a "Severe Weather Policy" and for the first time in a long time, no longer panicked when the weather was ugly. Also I think we are well on the way to solving our thirty-plus year old problem of how to get someone to push the garbage can up to the curb on Wednesday nights.

Now for some celebrations: this year we grew to the mid-size congregation size. Those of us who have been around for a while are sometimes amazed at the changes and increased vitality of the group since *Rev. Eva* joined us as minister. I ran some numbers and found that 39% of our membership has joined since she took the helm. What an amazing number. There are also 7% of the members who joined while *Mark Allstrom* was our interim minister, 20% who joined during the decade when *Rod Debs* was minister and 34% of us who are old-timers that predate Rod's tenure. And I can see from looking around that we've got lots of young families and that is a key thing in a healthy congregation. I'm reminded of the part of our new member welcoming ceremony where we promise to be changed by those who join us. I think that has been happening for the good. Our future bodes well.

See you in church.

*Jan Gallagher*



*Norbert Capek* was born on June 3, 1870 in Bohemia. After a Roman Catholic childhood and early career as a Baptist minister, he converted to Unitarianism and became one of its leaders. During World War II he was imprisoned by the Germans and murdered at Dachau for speaking out against the Nazis. Capek devised the Flower Communion, now widely used in Unitarian Universalist churches, saying it showed that even in the worst times, we can still share beauty.



## BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

The *Birthday Calendar* is in the Fellowship Hall. If you wish to be included, please put your name on the calendar on the date of your birth so you can be remembered.

*Happy Birthday* to those with summer birthdays.

June

Isabel Stafsholt  
Terry Stewart  
Seth Harwood  
Chris Rediske  
Kevin Stafsholt



July  
Dennis Harbaugh Glynce Butschy  
Karen Kitchen Mimi Kuester  
Leigh Zeitz Carolyn Bellfy  
Henry Giddens Damon Gross

*Esther Kieffer*

## NOTES FROM THE DRE

I will be at home during the weeks of June and July so feel free to stop by or contact me at <dre@uusbh.org> or 404-2589. I will be in Utah at General Assembly June 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>. I am again going to join Team Flamingo on RAGBRAI (July 18<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>).

Please remember that we have childcare and fun activities scheduled for those under 4<sup>th</sup> grade during the summer chapels. *Randee* will work with *Laura* in the Nursery classroom this summer. There will not be Alternative Activities, Children's Chapel or Religious Education classes, so when your children are with you, you are responsible for them. Have a great summer!

Our *sad* news is that *Amanda Burke* (one of our Alternative Activity Leaders) will not be returning in the fall. She is off to do graduate work. We will all miss her.

The *good* news is that *Randee* will be with us until December 2009.

We are starting registration for next year (2009-2010) during July and August. We are doing it then so that we will have more balanced classrooms in the new year. Look for the new registration forms.

We always need helpers and substitute teachers; you do not have to be a parent to volunteer.

### Classes next year will be~

- ◆ Early Childhood Class: 3, 4, 5 year-olds (meets at 9:45 a.m.)
- The following classes meet at 11:15 a.m.
- ◆ Primary Class: Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades
  - ◆ Intermediate Class: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades
  - ◆ Middle School: 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades
  - ◆ High School: 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades

Please remember that we are flexible with the grade levels.

### Nursery News~

The majority of our Nursery children will be moving up next year to the Early Childhood Education Class, so we will need helpers with that class. Welcome to the Nursery "*Ella*" *Elleanor Louise Marie Zeck* and welcome back to *Francis Bryan*.

Thank you for sharing your children, youth, and yourself with our leaders and myself.

*Kathy Klink-Zeitz, DRE*



*Joseph H Jordan*, the first African-American Universalist minister, died on June 4, 1901 at the age of fifty-nine. He was born a free man in West Norfolk, Virginia in June of 1842. Ordained a Baptist minister in 1880, he became a Universalist after reading "The Plain Guide to Universalism" by Thomas Whittemore.



### DO YOU HAVE. . .

an outdoor folding chair with a carry bag? We are looking for a couple of those kinds of bags. If your chair breaks, don't throw away the bag! Also, do you have too many of those store fabric shopping bags? If so, recycle them with the REAP Council. Just leave them in *Kathy's* office and we will put the items to good use. Thanks!!



On June 1, 1803 *William Ellery Channing* was ordained as a Unitarian Minister at the Federal Street Church and Society in Boston (now the Arlington Street Church). He was twenty-three.



## RELIGIOUS SERVICES COUNCIL NEWS and NOTES

Summer Services, beginning Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> and continuing through the end of July, will start at 9:30 a.m.

What's the same? Services will be varied and of high quality. The order of service is similar. Each Sunday we will have a greeter, worship associate, accompanist and special music. We will welcome visitors, returning members and friends. Childcare will be available. Fellowship time will follow the service (about 10:30 a.m.). Worship associates will send out a weekly update with details about each Sunday's opportunities; do check these out. The Creative Spiritz team plans a special summer installation for the north and east walls.

What's different? Summer worship leaders are all lay-leaders—mostly from our church, plus a couple of visitors: *Ben Kieffer*, son of *Esther Kieffer* and well-known to Iowa Public Radio enthusiasts, and *Sam Wormley*, Sunday Morning Program Committee co-chair of the UU Fellowship of Ames. UUSBHC-ers who have agreed to lead summer services are *Deblyn Russell*, *Lara Martinsen-Burrell*, *Al Hays*, *Karen Impola*, *Bill Chene*, *Del Carpenter* and *Jim Paprocki*. The service space will be rearranged to face west (latecomers are encouraged to enter by the east door). Service length is one hour or less. After the hospitality/fellowship time, some service leaders and worship associates will offer "Continue the Conversation"—an opportunity to dialogue about the service topic, with the starting time about 10:50 a.m., and discussion time forty-five minutes maximum. See the listing on the calendar page in this newsletter and in weekly email updates.

Summer outreach: *Lara Martinsen-Burrell* will lead worship at the UU Fellowship of Ames on July 19<sup>th</sup>, with *Lisa Kratz* as worship associate and general support.

Poetry Sunday is August 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you're interested in participating or would like more information, please contact *Karen Impola*, <impola@uni.edu> or *Mimi Kuester*, <mhkuester@gmail.com>.

### MORE RSC NEWS and NOTES. . .

You may have noticed our new offering plates (thanks to *Bill Chene* for ordering). Yes, they are substantial, and yes, they'll hold all the offerings you provide!

Spearheaded by *John Miller's* research, the Council will be looking at some needed sanctuary tech upgrades this fall (think sanctuary viewing screen).

*Brian Forster* and *Esther Kieffer* regularly help *Rev. Eva Cameron* in our Friendship Village UU Ministry (FVUUM).

Your Council welcomes input on all aspects of worship services. Do contact Council co-chairs *Karen Impola* or *Mimi Kuester*, Music Director *Tim Purdum*, <musicman@cfu.net>, or any service leader or worship associate. We do pay attention to what you say!



### HELP WANTED

Would you like to be part of a Sunday Service but don't like to be up front? Then volunteer to help with the Sound System or to run a PowerPoint presentation. Contact *Leigh Zeitz* for more information.

## A STEP BACK IN TIME . .

The *Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier Insider*—published on Wednesdays—carries a column, “Off The Record”, written by long-time Cedar Falls resident, Barbara Gray. Each week Barbara researches *Cedar Falls Record* newspapers from fifty years ago for her column and puts together an assortment of brief articles that appeared in the *Record* at that time (this year she’s focusing on 1959). In the April 22, 2009 *Insider*, here was one article that caught my eye.

“Price Laboratory School was offering a special English course from June 15<sup>th</sup> to August 7<sup>th</sup>. It would be taught by Howard Vanderbeek, associate professor of teaching, and Dr. John Cowley, professor of language, speech and literature. The course was limited to fifty students from the area who had completed their junior year in high school and were in the upper quarter of their class. A recommendation by their English teacher also was necessary. Topics to be covered were semantics, story organization and development, and the analysis of poetry, fiction and drama.”

As many of you know, in 1950 *Dr. John Cowley* and his wife, *Helen*, were two of the founding members of the Unitarian Fellowship here in Cedar Falls. John was our Lay Minister for many years before we had professional leadership and Helen served in numerous capacities on the Board, including President, and with the R.E. program. John and Helen were a joy to know. One of the upstairs classrooms is named for the Cowleys.

Gerry Chamberlin, Editor



## KHASI HILLS PROJECT MAKES \$65

The Khasi Hills project for supporting UU school children in India just received a check for over \$65 last week. This check was earned by our UU Youth who are recycling ink cartridges from our printers. You can help by collecting your empty ink cartridges from home and work. Bring them to church and place them in the green box at the RE table on the north wall in the Fellowship Hall. This is a win-win situation: earn money for the Khasi Hills students and recycle waste. If you want a box for collecting these cartridges at your office, ask a teenager or contact *Leigh Zeitz*.



The famous Unitarian philosopher and political economist, *Jeremy Bentham*, died at age eighty-four on June 6, 1832. He had instructed that his body was to be embalmed, dressed, and placed in a chair. It now resides in a glass cabinet in a corridor of the main building of University College in England. At meetings of the governing body, he is recorded as “present but not voting”.



## ESCAPE TO VERMONT

October 9-11, 2009

The *Fifteenth Annual B&B Weekend* is being offered by the UU Church of Rutland, VT. Enjoy the beauty of Vermont, UU hospitality, and a choice of guided activities: hiking, nature walk, kayaking, bicycling, antiques/arts, cider making historic tour, soaring tour, touring historic sites and quaint towns, and much more.

Registration by August 15<sup>th</sup>, \$275 (single) and \$475 (double). After August 15<sup>th</sup>, \$325 (single bed) and \$525 (double bed). For more information contact <uufoliagevermont@yahoo.com> or call (802) 353-7969.

Go to <<http://fallweekend.wordpress.com/>> for a brochure and registration. Also check out <[www.rutlanduu.org](http://www.rutlanduu.org)>.

On July 1, 1858 Unitarian naturalist *Charles Darwin* presented his paper “The Origin of Species” to the Linnaean Society of London.



## ON THE GROUNDS

The Bull’s Blood beets the children planted are up! Mystery Veggies are sprouting in the two pots near the east entrance. We expect to have some early garden produce to share in the next few weeks—displayed on the tables at the far end in the Fellowship Hall. As before, you are asked to leave a donation for vegetables or flowers you take home. This year the budget committee has requested that we contribute the first \$200 to the general budget to help the shortfall. This will also compensate for use of church resources to keep the garden project moving—water, seeds, tools, etc. All subsequent proceeds will once again be contributed to the Northeast Iowa Food Bank.

This year we ask that you come quickly to the produce table during coffee hour to select the items you want, put them in a bag with your name on it, and stow them for pick-up after second hour events. Those of us who help harvest and clean the veggies have to start early and may need to leave before second hour. All produce left after coffee hour will go directly to the Food Bank. We want to have recipe suggestions on the table each Sunday; that way you can pick up vegetables for your Sunday meal and have some new ideas of what to do with them.

Please take a peek at the garden to see what is already growing. We have had trouble getting our snow peas to germinate but still have hopes. Some of the tomatoes are blooming and all the cabbage family look swell. *Laura Walter* has secured more native prairie plants to extend our rain garden along the south lot line, so those will be planted soon. Beans, cukes, and peppers go in as soon as frost danger is past.

We were dismayed to lose so much of our east honeysuckle shrub border which screened between us and the mobile home park; however, the city has an easement there to channel parking lot run off into the storm drain and prevent it from pooling in the neighbor’s backyard. The removal of those older shrubs, beautiful but also an invasive species, will give us the opportunity to plant something more natural and overall beneficial. We are working with the city on constructing a barrier to vehicles that might try to drive through the opened space.

We can still use help with upkeep of beds and yard, planting flowers, prairie plants, and cannas, and tending the garden table on Sunday. Children are welcome helpers.

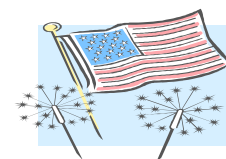
Julie Fischer



## FVUUM

The Friendship Village UU Ministry continues with its monthly chapel and luncheon at Lakeview Landing every second Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Our summer meetings will be June 10<sup>th</sup> and July 8<sup>th</sup>. Please R.S.V.P. to *Brian Forster* (291-8427). You don’t need to be a resident to attend.



**Frank Lloyd Wright** was born on June 8, 1867 in Richland Center, Wisconsin. Wright is considered by many to be America's foremost architect, championing what is known as the Prairie Style. He built 532 homes and other buildings including Unity Temple (Universalist) in Oak Park, Illinois; the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo; the Guggenheim Museum in New York City; and the First Unitarian Society of Madison, Wisconsin where he was an active member.



### WEDNESDAY DINNERS ~ HELPERS WANTED

Thank you to *everyone* who helped with Wednesday dinners during the school year!

How do you get involved? Pick a date. Since you are doing the work, you do not pay for yourself on that day.

Decide if you are going to do it yourself or ask someone to help you (this is the most fun).

Set-up includes putting out the plates and silverware, putting water in the hot water pot and plugging it in. Get out the bread, peanut butter and jelly and salad dressings (all in the fridge), cups, glasses, put water and ice in pitchers, put out the basket for the money (I'll collect it), the sign and book (on the pink table by the back door).

Prepare the main dishes (usually a meat and vegetable), salad or soup, and dessert. Keep your receipts (and give to me) so you will be reimbursed. The soup can be one of the main dishes—either veggie or meat. If you are a vegetarian or vegan feel free to ask someone to bring the meat dish or vice versa.

Clean-up involves opening the dishwasher so people load their own dishes, put everything away, finish filling dishwasher, wash other dishes that won't fit. Vacuum the floor, can use non-electric if it's not too bad. Wipe off tables. Take the garbage to the garbage can then take the can out to the street.

Here are the Wednesday dates and those who have signed up so far:

- June 3<sup>rd</sup> *Carolyn Hildebrandt*
- June 10<sup>th</sup>
- June 17<sup>th</sup> *Zeck family*
- June 24<sup>th</sup> (I'll be out of town but can leave the rice pot.)

For those who like to plan even more ahead:

- July 1<sup>st</sup> *Nate Callahan*
- July 8<sup>th</sup>
- July 15<sup>th</sup>
- July 22<sup>nd</sup>
- July 29<sup>th</sup>

Any other questions? Contact *Kathy Klink-Zeitz* to sign-up or for more information.



### Child's letter to God:

Dear God,

Is it true my father won't get in Heaven if he uses his bowling words in the house? Anita

## JUNE and JULY CHAPEL SERVICES

Sundays at 9:30 a.m. unless stated otherwise

### June 7<sup>th</sup>

**Joseph Campbell, Your Hero's Journey** ~ Ben Kieffer, Del Carpenter (WA)  
What can Joseph Campbell teach us about our hero's journey? Iowa Public Radio host, *Ben Kieffer*, will speak to us about the influence of mythologist Joseph Campbell on his life. In particular, he recounts how Campbell's concept of a hero's journey came to mind when he covered the peaceful revolutions in eastern Europe in 1989.

### June 14<sup>th</sup>

**Harvesting the Energy Through Sacred Dance**  
Join *Deblyn Russell* and *Lara Martinsen-Burrell* as they integrate breath and movement from different traditions.

More details to come on the following Sundays:

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Note: As in past years, the sanctuary will be rearranged for the summer chapel services with the chairs facing the windows. Late-comers are encouraged to use the back (east) door when arriving after 9:30 a.m.



The first normal school for training professional teachers opened in Lexington, Massachusetts on July 3, 1839. It began with three women students and reflected principles of education developed by Unitarian *Horace Mann*.



## UU SUMMER GARAGE SALE

**Wanted: Your Used Junk!!!**

Mark your calendar for August 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>! Here's your chance to clean house and get rid of all those unneeded items that are collecting dust and space in your basement, garage, or attic. Donate them to the UU Summer Garage Sale being sponsored by the Outreach Committee as part of their commitment to help out with next year's budget. Clean house, help next year's budget, and get a tax donation for your donated items—it's a WIN-WIN proposition!

If possible, please hold on to your items until the week before the sale. If you need to get rid of them now, contact *Mica Lorenz* at 291-6509 or <mikemica@gmail.com> and arrangements will be made to store your items until the sale.



## SOCIAL ACTION COLLECTION "WALKIN' THE TALK"

Hello to all fellow UUs,

April's Social Action Plate Collection for the Cedar Valley Hospice was \$374. Thanks to all who gave. May's Social Action Focus was Habitat For Humanity. I did a presentation on May 17<sup>th</sup> about this awesome organization. The plate collection total was not known as of this writing. Thanks to all who donated. There are still volunteer opportunities with Habitat in June. See me if you are interested or email me at <sheriho@cfu.net>.

June and July are slower months at the church, so we combine the two months and do one Social Action Focus. There will be no Adult RE classes in these months, but we will take up the collection on both June 28<sup>th</sup> and July 26<sup>th</sup> for the cause. This summer it will be the Cedar River Festival Group. The mission of the Cedar River Festival Group is to educate, celebrate, and preserve the natural beauty of the Cedar River as a community resource. The river clean-up is Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>. Canoes will be put in at Black Hawk Park and come out at Island Park. There will be canoes available if you don't have one. Bring gloves and wear clothes and shoes that you don't care about getting muddy! The Festival is on Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at Island Park in Cedar Falls. For more information go to the website at <www.crfgroup.org>. It's not 'live' yet but you can still go to the website, click on the email link, send them an email, and they will contact you with more detailed information.

Calling all Social Actionites!!!!!! I need some more people to help the Social Action Committee decide on next year's social action causes that we will support. This is *your* chance to have *your* say on what groups we will help.

I also need help with leading some of the Adult RE classes. The lead's duties are:

1. Decorating the bulletin board with information about that month's focus.
2. Arranging for a speaker to come speak to the Adult RE class. The Social Action classes are always on the third Sunday of every month.
3. Being there for the speaker's presentation.

Anyone who would like to help out, please contact me by July 12<sup>th</sup>. The planning needs to happen in July for the August start of the season.

Thanks to you all for Walkin' the Talk!

*Sheri Huber-Otting,*  
Social Action Chair



On July 1, 1579 the *General Synod of Unitarian Churches* in Transylvania published a confession of faith outlining Unitarian beliefs.



### **BUDDHIST PATH**

Join us each week on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. in the balcony for meditation, walking meditation and discussion of Buddhist topics. All are welcome.

This is a great group to invite a friend or neighbor to, someone who might enjoy having a place to meditate. Come explore the living dharma with us.



See the REAP article for  
details on First Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>



### **CULTIVATING GRATITUDE**

The Committee on Ministry's Thank UU award for June goes to *Jan Gallagher*—not to thank her at this time for being President of the congregation and Executive Board, although she deserves such accolades. Rather, we are recognizing Jan for her initiative with three other events this current church year, none part of a president's responsibilities!

First, the creation of a photo directory for our congregation this year is due to Jan's determination. Jan responded to the need to assist us all in recognizing who's who as we grow. Not only did she pull together all the details related to bringing a professional photographer to our setting, Jan personally photographed many others from our congregation who weren't photographed by the professional.

Second, in keeping with one of Jan's objectives to add to the energy of our church infrastructure, she assured that appropriate 'office space' was completed in the balcony when our Administrative Assistant was hired. Computer networking and furniture—including the labor of putting some of it together!—we can thank Jan for that.

Finally, we are recognizing Jan for applying her skills to assist the committee working on the church siding campaign. Jan developed spread sheets, and figured out how to monitor contributors and cash flow, among other needs.

We commend Jan for these behind-the-scenes efforts to improve community-building and efficiency. Jan will be recognized at the Sunday service, June 7<sup>th</sup>.

*Committee on Ministry*



### **COMMUNITY MEALS**

On the fifth Tuesday of each month that has five Tuesdays, we work with First Christian, St. Luke's Episcopal, and United Church of Christ to serve a free meal at First United Methodist Church at West 8<sup>th</sup> and Washington Streets in Cedar Falls.

Our next Community Meal will be Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed to set up tables and chairs that morning, donate cupcakes, serve from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m., clean up is from 5:45 until approximately 6:30 p.m. It will be our turn to wash the dish towels this month.

Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall or contact *Ruth Walker* at <ruthdbwalker@yahoo.com> or 266-8822.



As we head into summer, our caring thoughts go out to members and friends of this congregation dealing with health issues—specifically *Jen Zeck* and *Rev. Eva*.

The members of the Caring Committee are *Esther Kieffer* (Chair), *Betsy Brant*, *Sally Browne*, *Bob Robinson*, *Cathy Ryan*, *Virginia Mahn*, *Donna Davis*, and *Eva Cameron*.



Religious Education and Programs

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND PROGRAM COUNCIL

### Multi-Generation Programs

#### SUNDAYS AFTER TWO

**June 7<sup>th</sup> and July 5<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. **A Gathering of Women** ~ Small Group (open)  
*Kirby Sherman and Carolyn Hildebrandt*

**June 28<sup>th</sup>** (No July meeting)

2:00 - 4:00 p.m. **Last Sunday Small Group** ~ *Mica Lorenz*

#### Small Group Ministries

Some groups have related articles in this newsletter.

**June 10<sup>th</sup> and July 9<sup>th</sup>**

**FVUUM** – 11:00 a.m. UU Ministry at Friendship Village

**July 10<sup>th</sup>** (No June meeting)

**Waverly Small Group** – 6:30 p.m.

For more information contact *Chris Rediske* at 352-3444.

**Nature Lovers Group** – meets on Saturdays; closed.

#### WOW! WORKSHOPS ON WEDNESDAYS WOW!

##### Every Wednesday

**Dinner** is at 5:30 p.m. every Wednesday, \$5/person, \$2/child<5, \$10/family – sign up at church or on-line

Thank you to *everyone* who has helped with Wednesday dinners!!

**Children's Choir** is taking a summer break.

**Adult Choir** is taking a summer break.

#### Workshops

**Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>** at 6:30 p.m.

**Self Realization** with *Crystal King*

**Summer Fun Group: Art and Games**—Join us to make a piece of art or play a game.

**Small Group Facilitators Meeting** at 7:30 p.m. ~ *Mica Lorenz*

**Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m.

**Self Realization** with *Crystal King*

**Summer Fun Group: Art and Games**—Join us to make a piece of art or play a game.

**Small Group** with *Lara and Neil Martinsen-Burrell* using the *Integral Life Practice* book.

**Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m.

**Self Realization** with *Crystal King*

**Summer Fun Group: Art and Games**—Join us to make a piece of art or play a game.

**Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m.

**Self Realization** with *Crystal King*

**Summer Fun Group: Art and Games**—Join us to make a piece of art or play a game. Hosts: *Diana and Amanda Harwood*

**Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup>** at 6:30 p.m.

**Self Realization** with *Crystal King*

**Summer Fun Group: Art and Games**—Join us to make a piece of art or play a game.

**Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m.

**Self Realization** with *Crystal King*

**Summer Fun Group: Art and Games**—Join us to make a piece of art or play a game. Host is *Amy Anderson*.

**Small Group** with *Lara and Neil Martinsen-Burrell* using the *Integral Life Practice* book.

**Wednesdays, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m.

**Self Realization** with *Crystal King*

**Summer Fun Group: Art and Games**—Join us to make a piece of art or play a game.

*Every Wednesday in July only*

**Theoretical String Band** at 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

*Every Thursday in June and July*

**Buddhist Path** at 7:30 p.m. – Join with others and explore Buddhist spiritual practices; open.



#### SUMMER FUN GROUP -- Art and Games

Join us to make a piece of art or play a game. We are starting a new program this summer and looking for people to be the host and/or to teach. We have art and craft kits, different types of games, or you can 'do your own thing'. There will be a list of what we have available at the dinners on Wednesdays, at Hospitality on Sundays, on the pink RE table in the Fellowship Hall, and on Kathy's door.

How do you get involved? Pick a project—an art project, a game, a sing-a-long, drama (improv, costumes, write a play, lead a play to perform for the dinner group the next week or later), puppets (making or playing with); or a craft project using different materials, a watercolor class, knitting, tie-dye shirts—the possibilities are endless. This is a multi-generational activity and should last about an hour.

Let *Kathy* know your supply needs; she will tell you if we have those in-house or if they need to be purchased. She can get them for you or you can get them and give her the receipt. We will be taking donations also.



#### First Friday Potluck: *Buddha's Birthday* June 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Come enjoy our joyous celebration of the birthday of Buddha. We will again bathe the baby Buddha in tea. Please join us to learn more about the holidays of our friends and neighbors. Bring an Indian or vegetarian dish to pass. If you choose, you can always bring your favorite dish. See you there!