



February 2012

# Windows

**Unitarian Universalist Church of Lancaster**

*We are a welcoming, nurturing community that celebrates our spiritual diversity. Commitment to our Unitarian Universalist principles inspires us to create positive change in the world.*

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## From the Minister

by Rev.  
Tricia Hart

# The Gifts That Keep Going...

UUCL is a year-round church. Twelve months of the year, our buildings are busy with worship, classes for children, programs for adults, youth projects, sleepovers, the cooperative preschool, and groups of many kinds. Twelve months of the year, information flows out in the form of newsletters and emails; calls and emails flow in, from people who have a question, or need help, or want to hold a memorial service for someone they loved. The Food Bank doesn't stop, the website never closes, and now there's a Facebook page that's always open, too.

Twelve months of the year, the money that pays for all of it arrives in the forms of contributions from the people of the church.<sup>1</sup> (That's you.) Freely. Generously. Consistently. Year-round.

Last year, we changed the way we approach financial stewardship at UUCL to better reflect this year-round reality. Each season has a different focus – sometimes the message of generosity is directed to the whole congregation, and other times giving is at the heart of one-on-one or small group conversations. People give in different ways and for different reasons, so it's all good. But we never stop talking about why the church matters, and we never close the doors to contributions that help it keep going.

In February, you will be receiving a letter explaining how the system works overall, and specifically how you are being invited to participate this year. Please read that packet carefully, and call the office if you have any questions (or if you didn't get one). Then say "Yes!" when a chance to make or renew your financial commitment comes around.

And in the meantime, keep giving: once a year, once a month, every week, or whatever is your pattern. Contributions go into the church's general operating budget unless otherwise designated... but you can give to the organ fund, or the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade native plants garden, or the Co-op School, or the Pastor's Fund that gets used to help people in the community.

There are many ways to give, all of them worthy. The only thing you need to remember is how good it feels when you give a gift that makes a difference. Many, many thanks, to all of you who practice the spiritual discipline of generosity with so much joy.

Blessings!

—Tricia

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*...plant yourself in the middle of what you love most – the thing within you that is most alive.*

*[L]isten carefully, because as that love cracks your heart open, it will tell you exactly what this broken world needs from you.*

*This is your holy work, and it cannot wait.*

—Yael Lachman

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<sup>1</sup>More than 90% of UUCL's annual revenue comes from contributions and fundraisers; income from endowments and trusts is consistently less than 5% of each year's income.

## “Love is the Spirit of this church,”

We say this every Sunday and have been saying it for many years. Love is generative, bountiful, infinite. In the spirit of love many wonderful and amazing things have happened in the past months at UUCL and promise to continue into the future. Have you noticed the excellent, interesting, and varied programming, speakers, and musicians? Who would have thought last summer that UUCL would start installing our very own pipe organ this spring! Truly, the work of love. “Thank you,” to all involved.

### *“...and service is its gift.”*

Our members are finding ways to be of service and the church is growing its capacity to make the most of members’ gifts of service and respond to their needs. Our amazing Green Sanctuary Committee has developed projects to help us all become more environmentally friendly. Come hear about it on February 12<sup>th</sup>.

On April 13, 14, and 15 the Joseph Priestly District Assembly will be held in Arlington, VA with Rev. Peter Morales as the Keynote Speaker. A variety of workshops will be offered. Check it out at [jpduua.org](http://jpduua.org). Some Leadership Development financial assistance may be available. GA is in Phoenix, AR from June 20 to 24 and is featuring Justice issues. See [uua.org/ga/](http://uua.org/ga/).

### *“This is our great covenant:”*

That word again. Covenant. Promise. In December the Board fulfilled one of its promises. The Walters Loan of \$50,000 taken out over 10 years ago to help finance the remodeling of the church has been paid in full! In January the Board kept its promise to listen to members' concerns and adopted a policy governing the internal borrowing and repayment of restricted funds to manage cash flow.

### *“To dwell together in peace,”*

We have been working on this. The Board, the ministers, and the Committee on Ministry have taken ideas from the brainstorming session at the Fall Congregational Meeting and from the Samaritan Counselling Center recommendations following the September Facilitated Listening event and are addressing a number of issues. Town Hall meetings with the Board and congregation are scheduled for March.

### *“...to seek the truth in love,”*

How else can we progress on our spiritual journey?

### *“...and to help one another.”*

Amen.

*Come. Stand in Love. Move the World.*

—Claudia

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### **A Gathering for Newcomers Sunday, February 5**

If you are new to the church, or if you would like to know more about Unitarian Universalism or this congregation, please join us for an informal discussion and question and answer session with Revs. Tricia Hart and Peter Newport.

Gather at the Newcomers' Table at the Community Meal in Emerson Hall, and we'll move upstairs to Room 201 for a conversation over coffee and dessert.

### **100 Days of Listening**

Have you been wondering if there will be a chance to contribute your thoughts about the church, before our "100 Days" are up?

The answer is "yes!" Several conversations have taken place so far, mostly piggybacking on meetings with existing groups in the church. Starting in mid-January, we've added several small informal groups devoted just to this process.

Here are the times (all will take place in Emerson Hall, and last for just an hour):

- Monday February 6 at 6pm
- Friday, February 10 at Noon
- Friday, February 24 at Noon  
(for the Friday gatherings, bring a brown-bag lunch, and we'll make sure there are drinks and dessert)
- Monday, February 27 at 6pm.

The question we've been asking is "What do we all need to know, in order for UUCL to thrive as a creative, engaged, vital community?" If you have thoughts about what we can know or do to make this happen, we want to listen!

Come whenever you can. No need to reserve a spot, but if you want to email or call the office to let us know you're coming, that would be terrific.

—Rev. Tricia Hart and Rev. Peter Newport

*"Love is the way  
messengers from the  
mystery tell us things."*

— Rumi

### **The BFBV Buzz... and a SNEAK PEEK!**

The Bright Future / Bright Vision website and communications team is steadily working towards its goals, and we are excited to let you know the progress we're making on the website. We have been doing user interviews, to make sure we capture what each person who works with data needs, mapping out the website, and working with our service provider on the database functionality. There is still much to do, and still plenty of enthusiasm.

Mark your calendars! On *Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 AM*, plan to attend the *SNEAK PEEK of the website* in Founders Hall. We are currently working with the web team on the site redesign, and will have a short presentation on February 19<sup>th</sup> to show you what we have so far. There will be a few breakout groups to discuss the sneak peek, and share ideas.

This is a great opportunity to be involved in UUCL's outreach to the larger community as well as help shape a portion of our internal communications and processes.

Stay tuned for monthly updates about the Bright Future /Bright Vision project.

### **First Sunday Feast**

#### **After worship on February 5**

The fifth-sixth grade class is serving lunch. Come on down to Emerson Hall for a bite to eat and to learn about the native plant garden & rain barrels the class is planning on incorporating into the church landscape. Donations from lunch will help buy plants for the garden; thanks for being generous!

## **General Assembly 2012 June 20-24 – Phoenix, Arizona**

**This is a historic moment.  
Be part of the story.**

*General Assembly 2012 will be a gathering with multiple ways of engaging in justice work for people of all ages. Joining with the people of Arizona, we will worship, witness, learn and work together. We will leave General Assembly grounded in our faith, energized for justice and with resources to bring this work home to our congregations.* [from the [www.uua.org/](http://www.uua.org/)]

Will you be a part of this story? UUCL is entitled to 10 delegates at this annual gathering of Unitarian Universalist congregations – but there's room for as many adults and youth as want to go to this special "Justice GA". Let's make sure our faithful voices are heard at this critical time in our nation's history.

For lots of information on what's planned, go to [www.uua.org/ga](http://www.uua.org/ga).

If you think you'd like to be there, talk to Rev. Tricia Hart or Rev. Peter Newport, or any member of the Board of Trustees.

### **Community Forum: The Grooming Process**

#### **How Sexual Offenders Engage Children and Why Children Don't Tell**

In light of recent sex abuse scandals in the news, many of us are asking how to empower children to distinguish between appropriate and inappropriate touch, who to talk to when an adult is mistreating someone, and who to turn to for support.

**On Tuesday, February 21, 6:30-8pm**, Linda Crockett, Director of Education and Consultation for the Samaritan Counseling Center, will provide a community workshop. In this presentation, participants will learn about the calculated process offenders often employ to entrap children into sexual activity, and to keep them from telling anyone. This process is called grooming, and offenders use it with parents as well as children, integrating themselves into the child's "safe world". It increases the offender's access to his victim, and decreases the likelihood of discovery. Understanding how it works is vital to protecting children in our schools, communities, homes, and congregations.

Prior to Linda's talk, there will be a half hour reception in Emerson Hall with light refreshments. Childcare will be provided. This is a free program; as always, donations are appreciated.

If you have questions, contact Kate Prisby at the church office.

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***My fearful self is unhappy. My loving self knows joy.***

***My fearful self keeps score. My loving self keeps peace.***

***My fearful self is an expert. My loving self doesn't know.***

***My fearful self is in the future. My loving self is savoring now.***

***Each moment is an opportunity to choose love over fear.***

—Tess Marshall

## January Financial Summary

We are doing well! A comparison of actual revenue to what was budgeted shows that our income is on track with the basic budget, which is a great improvement over where we were a month ago.

Thanks to everyone that contributed in December! Expenses are \$6K below the basic budget due to careful spending. Thanks to the staff and volunteers for stretching every dollar! The bottom line is that we are doing better than the basic budget, but still have to work to achieve our full budget. Members who want more information are encouraged to attend the monthly Financial Review.

Douglas Walcerz, Treasurer

Financial Summary as of December 31, 2011		
	Total Income	Total Expenses*
Basic Budget to Date	\$252,370	\$241,978
Full Budget to Date	\$261,539	\$255,853
Actuals to Date	\$251,926	\$235,515
*The cost of a new computer for our HVAC system was removed from expenses because it will be reimbursed in the Spring.		

## Financial Review Meetings

The next meeting will be **March 19 at 7pm**. If you are not able to attend, but would like to see the financials, a paper copy of the Balance Sheet, Summary Sheet and Operating Budget are posted on the UUCL Board of Trustees bulletin board in Emerson Hall. Contact Nadinne Ziegler in the Church Office with any questions .

## March Musical Madness

### a Benefit Concert for our new Pipe Organ

On Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm come and celebrate the musical ministries of the church.

Enjoy wine and cheese, fellowship, and music provided by our ensembles – featuring

- Stock Weinstock Collins, cello
- Eric Baytala, oboe
- John Herr, violin
- Anne Mason, soprano
- Layne Zeiner, baritone
- Lorraine Ford, soprano
- Simon Andrews, piano
- Douglas Smith, piano
- Rachel Schwabe-Fry, saxophone
- The Adult Choir of UUCL

All proceeds will benefit the organ fund in anticipation of the installation of our new Moeller Pipe Organ by Easter. Watch for more details in the All Church Email and on Sunday Mornings at Church.



## Lifespan Faith Development

My parents are divorced. Occasionally, when someone learns this, they assume it means I don't have faith in marriage, or that I didn't have the benefit of growing up in a house with parents who demonstrated a healthy relationship. Such assumptions aren't accurate, though; I have learned a lot about love that is good.

The summer before ninth grade, my parents called my brother and me into the living room to tell us they were separating. I was not surprised; my parents had been open about meeting with a counselor to resolve differences. While sad to know my family unit was changing, I admired my parents' effort to not fight in front of us, to courageously seek wisdom from a therapist, and for always reminding us that their differences had nothing to do with my brother or me. I liked the idea of a family of four, but was old enough to realize that their decision would allow all of us to breathe more easily. It's heroic to try to work through differences, and it can be a gentle act of kindness when two people let each other move on to the next phase of life without each other.

Truth be told, though, at times I have wished that my family story was different. Years ago, while backpacking with a family friend, I asked what made her relationship remain vivacious twenty years after getting married. I took note of what she said, committing her reflections to memory. When she was done sharing I replied, "I wish I had been able to step out of the typical self-centered child perspective when I was young so I could recall seeing my parents in love. It would be nice to draw wisdom from their relationship." My friend gave me a kind smile and began to share how much she admired my parents.

As I listened, I realized I had an abundance of memories of my parents acting with love toward each other. As a family we took backpacking trips in New Hampshire's White Mountains, partaking in road races, practiced catching a softball, and attending the Nutcracker Ballet were things we did ; yet each of these things had started off as one parent's interest before the activity became a shared joy with each other and eventually the four of us. Their willingness to see a counselor demonstrated a commitment to trying to resolve differences rather than declare a problem as insurmountable. Taking the time to communicate and be vulnerable by taking to a third party are signs of deep respect for another person; it is only for someone we really care about that we would go to such lengths to resolve differences. Their intentionality is a model of love and respect I admire.

This past December, Eric and I hosted a Christmas day drop-in at our house. One by one, our parents arrived. My mother arrived first and helped us get ready. Next to show up were Eric's mother and her husband, full from a family lunch they just attended. Eric's father, and his partner, came next, bringing hugs for everyone. My dad arrived last, pedaling his bike up the driveway. When the food was getting low, Eric called me into the kitchen. He whispered, "Isn't it fun to stand in here and listen to them?" It was. Our parents, step-parents, and parents' partners have arrived at a place where they can laugh together, share tales of the past, and can invite each other to their homes to celebrate happy occasions.

Love is not simple or straightforward. It doesn't look the same from one family, couple, or pair of friends to the next. There is no one model that holds all the answers. This past Christmas, I was aware that I am lucky to come from my family, and that my imperfect family is abundant with various forms of showing love.

Peace and kindness,  
Kate Prisby  
Director of Lifespan Faith Development

### ***Universalism 101*** **Continues in February**

We have been reading Richard Trudeau's book *Universalism 101* as the basis for a wide-ranging discussion of Universalism and Unitarian Universalism. Here's some of what we have explored. The theology and culture of Universalism "in a nutshell;" similarities and differences between Universalism and Unitarianism. We've surveyed the unique "flavor" of Universalism as a religion, as a social movement, as not separated from the "Jesus tradition," yet different than orthodox Christianity. We had some good dialog about how Universalism might finally "restore" Unitarianism, and about implications for our Church.

We will gather for three more sessions beginning February 12. This short, conversational book is well worth reading and discussing. UUs who tend only to emphasize the "Unitarian" element and history will come to see that much of what they most treasure from that tradition is actually originated in our Universalist tradition too, or is shared with it. And those who sometimes feel as though their Church isn't religion any more may find that Universalism provides some real roots. If you wish to purchase the book (at a \$3 discount), please email [minister@uucloonline.org](mailto:minister@uucloonline.org) to reserve a copy.

## Vantage Point

Each month children, youth, and adults engage in faith development programs at UUCL. Lifespan Faith Development programs are designed to enrich the spirit, empower the mind with new knowledge, encourage contemplation, and foster community. To find out what programs might interest you, visit the church website, [www.uuclonline.org](http://www.uuclonline.org), or pick up a paper program booklet in the church lobby.

*“What I like to participate in at church is meditating and putting stones in the sand. When I put the stone in the sand, all the pressure in my head flows out. I like the labyrinth because it's peaceful and calm. I go with my mom because I know I'll feel calmer after I come out. I really like to go on New Year's Day. In Sunday School I learn about all the labyrinths in the world.*

*“In Sunday school I like when we share our thoughts in the beginning of class. I feel calm and peaceful after church instead of always rush, rush, rush sometimes during the week. I learn all about the Seven Principles and I think everybody, even a little kid like me, can learn the Seven Principles.*

*“I like to sing in the children's choir, and I liked singing in the Christmas pageant. I was excited about my solo and my family came to see me sing. I like to meet new girls at church. The Sunday school teachers are nice. I like the potluck lunches; I wish there were more. I really like when the whole church comes on Sunday.”*

— Madeline Radovic, in the First-Second Grade Class, *Wonderful Welcome*

*“This past December 3, UUCL members and friends boarded two passenger vans to go to Western Pennsylvania to imbibe, in all things, Frank Lloyd Wright. Our ride was enjoyable as we exchanged information about Wright, noted topographical landmarks along the Pennsylvania Turnpike, and learned new information about hunting and wildlife thanks to Ad Crable, outdoor columnist. Some of us read while others quietly chatted with friends. The journey was relaxing as others drove and attended to traffic.*

*“Frank Lloyd Wright adored nature and designed homes, factories, museums, and houses of worship that integrated nature and exceptional architectural design. Playing with light and angles, focusing inside views outward, and inviting the outdoors inside are examples of his genius. We visited Fallingwater and Kentuck Knob, two homes designed by Wright with very different styles. Both homes offered differing perspectives and both were worth the visit.*

*“I believe all of us came home reminding ourselves to continue expanding our creative gifts, and therefore, broaden our view of world perspectives. The day was delightful!”*

—about *UU Architect: Frank Lloyd Wright Trip* by a cheerful trip member

# Lifespan Faith Development Happenings in February

## Adult Faith Development Events

To sign up for a class that requires registration, contact Kate Prisby in the church office & send in payment (if noted).

- **A Gathering Newcomer on Sunday, February 5 after worship** See pg. 4
- **Lifespan Faith Development Volunteer Brunch: Saturday, February 11 from 10-noon.** If you taught this church year or are about to start teaching, keep an eye on the mail for an invitation to a special volunteer brunch. We will enjoy breakfast, conversation, worship, & laughter from.
- **Parents' Night Out Dinner on Saturday, February 11 from 7-9pm** Join other UUCL parents and guardians with children enrolled in the faith development programs for an evening of adult conversation. Pasta, salad, wine, and dessert will be served. Childcare is provided. Please RSVP to the church office with the number of children, adults, and \$11 payment per adult by Tuesday, February 7.
- **Being a UU Parent: Practicing our Principles at Home from 11:45-1:15 on February 12, 19, 26 & March 11 & 25.** Did you have questions about God, Heaven, Hell, the Bible, or morality when you were a child? This parenting workshop will help parents answer their children's tough theological questions. Each session will allow time for discussion and will include a closing worship that families can mirror at home. Registration and a \$7 per adult course fee are due to the church office by February 2. Sandy Mayers & Betsi Zikmund will co-facilitate. Childcare is provided.
- **Source Painting: Exploring the Mystery February 25 from 10am-5pm.** When did you last immerse yourself in the joy of creative expression? This day-long workshop will bring together a community of explorers to paint. There is no right or wrong way to paint. Painting is deeply spiritual. Wear clothing that can get messy. Pack a bag lunch and snacks for yourself. Joanna Groebel, a second generation lifelong Unitarian who served the Berks County UU church for 7 years as Director of Lifespan Faith Development, will lead this workshop. She works with adolescents as a Creative Arts Therapist and has a Masters in Creative Arts in Therapy. You may call Joanna with any questions: 610-370-5713. Registration and a \$50 payment are due Wednesday, February 15. The fee includes all painting materials and instruction.

## Upcoming Multigenerational Faith Development Events

- **First Sunday Feast after worship on February 5.** The fifth-sixth grade class is serving lunch. Donations will buy plants for the native plant garden!
- **Discover UUCL's Native Plant Garden & Rain Barrel Project February 19** With the Green Sanctuary, the 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade class has been learning about native plants and rain barrels. Native plants are hearty because they are use to the climate. Rain barrels catch water before it washes chemicals from roads into streams and creeks. On February 19, the class will present its project during worship and at Coffee Hour.
- **All Ages Sunday Knitting Instruction Sunday, February 26 from 11:45-12:30.** Now is the time to learn to knit! Grab a treat in Emerson and join experienced knitters for a beginner session. Materials will be provided, but if you have your own needles and yarn, please bring them along. Children are welcome; we are working on a group project in which all ages can contribute.

## Upcoming Children & Youth Faith Development Events

- **OWL Retreat 6pm on February 4- 9:45am February 5** It's the second retreat of the year. Don't forget to bring a snack to share & your favorite board game.
- **Seventh-Eighth Grade Retreat February 24 at 6pm- February 25 at 10am** Grab your sleeping bag, a game from home, and a pillow. It's time for a retreat. A male & female chaperone is needed to make the retreat possible.
- **Youth Group Maple Sugaring February 26 10am-11:30am** How does sap from a maple tree become syrup placed on tables for Pancake Breakfast? Lisa Sanchez will teach youth the process of making maple syrup. Permission slips to be sent. Male and female chaperones needed. Join us at 10am in the lobby. We'll return around 11:30.

### **Wednesday Nights at UUCL (or, What To Do When Sunday Morning Isn't Enough)**

Have you ever wondered if the "Faith Matters" group might be worth checking out? Is Sunday a workday for you, or a precious time to get some rest in a hectic week? Do you sometimes find yourself longing for a small, meditative service? If your answer to any of these questions is 'yes' set your UUCL calendar to Wednesday evenings.

#### **Faith Matters Transforms**

The adult spiritual discussion group that became Faith Matters has grown large and diverse enough to split into two connected groups. Starting in February, one group (led by Elizabeth Harbin) will explore a range of spiritual practices; the other (facilitated by Rev. Peter Newport) will read together from Forrest Church's engaging book *Lifelines*. Both groups will meet every Wednesday from 7 – 8:30pm, and both groups are open – everyone is welcome. Come once, return every week or come as often as you can. Faith Matters groups are an excellent way for newcomers to get to know others in the church, and for longer-term members to renew their connection to this changing congregation and their own spirituality.

#### **Vespers**

To tie it all together, each Wednesday night will begin with a brief Vespers service, from 6:15 – 6:45pm. Music, reflection, poetry, and spoken Joys and sorrows... Initially facilitated by Rev. Tricia Hart, these times of music and reflection may eventually be led by lay members who love this kind of simple, quiet worship.

Let Wednesday evenings at UUCL be an anchor of inspiration and peace in your week. Come when you can, and bring a friend. All welcome!

### **Web and Wheel**

The world moves toward the light. By early February, the sunlight is longer and stronger. The cycle of rebirth begins to express itself in small ways high in the sky and deep in the earth. Every moment counts in turning the earth back to green. There arises Promise in the land, in our hearts. Imbolc arrives on Feb. 2, a notable time on the Wheel of the Year. Search around you for the signs of warming, preparing the Earth for blossoming. The next earth holiday we celebrate at UUCL is Spring Equinox on Sunday, March 18 at 7:30pm in Founders' Hall.



### **The Lancaster Labyrinth**

On Sunday, Feb. 5, 12-3pm the Labyrinth will be open to all. Walk the winding paths with intention. At the center will be candles for each walker to carry on the return path—to enhance the journey with light to the waiting outside world. Every step toward the light is bringing more illumination to your heart and to the world. Come, walk the labyrinth, bring the light.

### **Red Rose Sangha**

The Red Rose Sangha is a lay community of people interested in practicing Zen Buddhism. The Sangha meets for weekly Sitting at **7pm on Sunday evenings here in Emerson Hall**. The Sangha has its own website: [www.redrosesangha.org](http://www.redrosesangha.org) which gives a good introduction to the group and its practice. Newcomers interested in attending should contact David Ganse by phone at 717-299-0170 or by email at [redrosesangha@comcast.net](mailto:redrosesangha@comcast.net).

# Worship Happenings in February

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**Sunday Worship:** Services held in the church sanctuary, unless otherwise noted.

**Children and Youth Faith Development:** During the first service.

**Coffee Hour:** After services, join us in Emerson Hall for coffee and conversation.

**Adult Faith Development:** During Second Service in classrooms.

**Wednesday Evening Vespers** begins on February 1 (see pg. 6)

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**Sunday,  
February 5**

## **Multigenerational Worship, 10am "Green Hearts Are True"**

We learn from the dictionary that ecology is "the branch of biology that deals with the relations of organisms to one another and to their physical surroundings." So here we are in "The Big Here": it's February; our theme is Love and we are celebrating the work of our Green Sanctuary committee. Don't miss it!

Rev. Peter Newport, worship leader.

Worship Associate: Tim Harkleroad; Pianist: Phil Holzinger

## **First Sunday Feast, 11:30am**

## **Lancaster Labyrinth, 12-3pm**

**Sunday,  
February 12**

## **Worship, 10am "Rising Green"**

Our membership in the "interdependent web of all existence" calls us to wake up - we need not only to love the earth, but to act on behalf of this planet that sustains us.

Come one, come all, as we celebrate our church's new commitment as a Green Sanctuary, and the dedicated UUCL members who are leading the way.

Rev. Patricia Hart, preaching. Worship Associate: Angela Irato

Pianist: Tommy Busted. Special Guest Musician: Jerry Lee Miller

## **Second Service 11:45am "Making UUCL a Green Sanctuary "**

A closer look at our church's commitment to love the earth, and an exploration of what each of us can do to make this Green Sanctuary a vibrant reality. Led by members of UUCL's Green Sanctuary Committee. Special music by Jerry Lee Miller. All welcome!

**Sunday,  
February 19**

## **Worship, 10am "Love and Fear"**

Sometimes it seems like we live on a roller-coaster of Love and Fear. How might we regulate the ups and downs? What might it feel like to truly move from love and away from fear, and more to the point, what's stopping you?

Rev. Peter Newport, preaching. Worship Associate: Tim Harkleroad

Pianist: Anne Mason. Music: UUCL Choir

## **Second Service: 11:45am: Drumming Our Way**

A healing hour of music & meditation, in the midst of our very busy church. Come and spend some moments caring for your soul and spirit.

**Sunday,  
February 26**

## **Worship, 10am "A Great Pilgrimage"**

A pilgrimage is more than a trip. It's a search of great moral significance, a journey to a sacred place. Why go on a pilgrimage? What is to be learned by stepping away from daily life? Explore the lessons of the annual UU Living Legacy Civil Rights Pilgrimage, a tour of the American South that seeks to re-imagine social possibility in the world.

*Guest Minister, Rev. Leah Hart-Landsberg, is Minister of Lifespan Faith Development at the UU Fellowship of Gainesville in North Central Florida. Raised in a UU and Jewish family, she is President of UUs for Jewish Awareness.*

Worship Associate: Angela Irato. Music: UUCL Choir

## **Second Service 11:45am "The Artful Life "**

The great mime, Samuel Avital, once said that every person is a special kind of artist, rather than the common belief that artists are a special kind of people. Deep creativity is something we each own and can claim in our own idiosyncratic way. What does the artful life look like to you? What gets in the way?

*Our guest worship leader is Joanna Groebel, Creative Arts Therapist at Reading Hospital's Partners Program. Joanna is a second generation lifelong Unitarian*

*Universalist; she served as Director of Religious Education at the Berks County UU Church for seven years before moving on to focus on her passion for the creative arts.*

# Getting Greener at UUCL



It is official and it is time to celebrate! Join the Green Sanctuary Committee for a month-long experience for the senses with food, song, story and fun for all ages. Have you noticed any green signs around the church? If not, get looking for ways to become MORE GREEN!!

**On February 5**, The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Faith Development Class will host our Community Meal from 11:30 to 1:00. Food will be provided so a potluck dish is not needed. All twelve Green Sanctuary projects will be detailed on a flyer for your refrigerator. There will be an opportunity to gather information about our Native Garden Project from the cooks and servers of this delicious and healthy meal. Get in this exciting adventure! Donations for the costs associated with planting a garden filled with native plants will be graciously accepted.

**On February 12**, Jerry Lee Miller, a resident of Lancaster, will be joining us to celebrate. He plays harmonica, Native American flute and loves to write songs. He also is a minister in the Church of the Brethren. Currently Jerry plays for street people and in local settings in the city. Jerry's new group is called Streetbeets. Streetbeets consists of

Jerry, plus drummer Paul Montigny, and a few other musicians who join in when they can. The vision for the group is to live and play as close to the streets as possible, imitating the love of Jesus and his passion for connecting with the common and the lowly. In addition, Walt Poyck will read *The Lorax*, a book by Dr. Seuss. Come see our new banner produced with environmentally friendly techniques by a local company, Conestoga DPI.

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*"UNLESS someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not."*

—Dr. Seuss,  
from *The Lorax*

**On February 19<sup>th</sup>** The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Faith Development Class will address the congregation during the first service. They will be discussing their Native Garden Project which will be planted on Chestnut Street. What a wonderful way for the community to view UUCL's commitment to the environment.

**On February 26<sup>th</sup>** we will have representatives from four local Community Supported Agriculture farms. Website addresses are provided below so research can be done before that Sunday. Forms will be available to sign up for shares. Splitting a share with another family is a wonderful way to introduce fresh and local produce to your loved ones. Buying fresh and buying local makes sense for our community because we can sustain and improve our local economy.

Goldfinch Farm (Jon and Beth Weaver-Kreider)  
[www.goldfinchfarm.com](http://www.goldfinchfarm.com)

My Neighbor's Garden, (Harry Edwards)  
[www.myneighborsgarden.net](http://www.myneighborsgarden.net)

Goodwill at Homefields (Scott Breneman)  
[www.homefields.org](http://www.homefields.org)

Lancaster Farm Fresh Cooperative (Evan Elizabeth Miller) [www.lancasterfarmfresh.com](http://www.lancasterfarmfresh.com).

This is just the beginning. Wonderful opportunities to become more environmentally conscious will be developed throughout the next year and a half. We can't do it without you. Our Social Justice Advocates survey from 2011 identified the environment as a top priority. **Don't just say the right things.....live your values, love our Mother Earth and support as many Green Sanctuary Projects as you can!**

## Social Justice Calendar

**Green Sanctuary Worship Services**  
February 12 10am and 11:45am

**Peace Knits**  
February 9 & 23, 7pm, UUCL

## UUCL at Cold Weather Shelter

**Now housed at the YWCA  
Monday night, February 27  
through Sunday night, March 5**

Each winter, area churches act as a host — each for one week — at the overflow shelter for homeless women. During UUCL's week we need volunteers — both men and women — who can help with check-in for the evening, as well as volunteers (mostly women) who can stay the night at the YWCA.

Volunteers working the check-in need to be available from 6:30pm (to go over procedures before our guests arrive at 7pm) until around 9pm (when check-in ends) on the evening that you volunteer.

Volunteers must be 18 or older, but younger teenagers are welcome to assist if accompanied by a parent or guardian. Overnight volunteers should arrive by 8:45pm and, then, should be able to depart in the morning after the guests have checked out at 7:30am.

Sign up sheets for volunteering at check-in and for staying overnight are at the Social Justice table downstairs at Coffee Hour.



### Food Bank needs:

*-small sizes are best-*

Cereal	Boxed meals
Oatmeal packets	(tuna/hamburger helper)
Canned beans	Tuna
Canned vegetables	Canned fruit
Canned or boxed potatoes	Peanut butter
Rice	Jelly
Pasta	
Spaghetti sauce	Paper grocery bags in good condition
Canned soup	
Canned meals (beef stew, etc.)	

## Church Office Hours

Monday-Friday, 9:30 am-3:30 pm  
717-393-1733

## Staff

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## Ministers' Office Hours

Rev. Peter Newport and Rev. Tricia Hart are available by appointment every day but Tuesday. E-mail them at [minister@uuclonline.org](mailto:minister@uuclonline.org) or call the office at 717-393-1733. For emergency pastoral care, call this number and dial extension 204.

## UUCL Staff Mission Covenant

*We are a devoted and energetic team with varied skills, committed to helping the congregation discover and fulfill its mission. We do this by working hard, supporting each other, listening well, making connections, and embodying the values of Unitarian Universalism in all of our interactions with the congregation and the larger community.*

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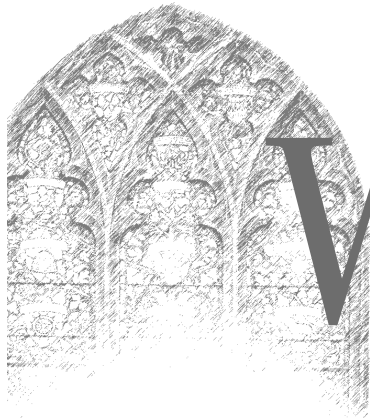
Wednesday 10:30am-12:30pm

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Friday 10:30am-2:30pm

At other times please email [pr@uuclonline.org](mailto:pr@uuclonline.org).

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