

12-10-17 Sunday Announcement Insert

*Everyone is welcome to attend our Sunday worship and programs. No registration is required unless noted. As a **Welcoming Congregation**, we include bisexual, gay, lesbian, and/or transgender individuals and families at every level of congregational life. . Assisted listening devices, large print Orders of Service, and large print hymnals are available. Please ask an usher if you are interested.*

Dec. 10 immediately following the 11 a.m. worship service

- Sanctuary Team will meet in the Library, lower level
- Simple Gifts Workshop for small children aged 4-9 years

Next Sunday at UUC—Dec. 17, 2017

Today's Worship Services
"The Faithfulness of the Light"
Rev. Molly Housh Gordon

As our Jewish members and friends celebrate Hannukah, we turn to the story of a light that burns on faithfully past all expectations. What forces in the world do we trust and rely upon?

Nursery Care—8:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Nursery care for those up to 3 years old is offered as usual in the lower level.

SpiritPlay 9 a.m. For 3—9 year old children in the lower level.

Forum Group 9 a.m. (downstairs) – Wayne Anderson looks into a future when there will be no more gasoline stations.

Mindfulness Meditation 10:05 a.m. In the Centering Room or at the Fire Circle (according to the weather). Silent meditation. Peter Holmes, coordinator.

Children's Religious Education 11 a.m.— Older children will begin in the sanctuary with their families and will be dismissed to their classes at 11:15 a.m. Please find your children in the lower level at 12:15 p.m.

For additional information about UU announcements or for transportation to the church, contact Kathie Bergman, Church Administrator, at 442-5764 or email uuchurch@uuchurch.net. To review upcoming events go to our website www.uuchurch.net.

The Faith to Action collection of 12-3-17 benefiting the Room at the Inn totaled \$1,229.57 Thank you to all who participated. UU Social Action Team

Holiday Blues Service – Sunday, December 17th – 7pm

This celebratory time of year can be painful for we who suffer grief, loss, family conflict, depression, and more. Join us for a service that takes seriously the blues that exist amid the merriment.

Christmas Eve – TWO SERVICES at 6 pm & 8 pm

Family Service – 6 pm – Join us for the traditional carols and candlelight, and a family-friendly telling of the Christmas story with an accessible message of hope.

Candlelight Service – 8 pm – Join us for the later service, with the traditional carols and candlelight, and a Christmas homily from Rev. Molly.

Holiday Luncheon sponsored by the UU Caring Ministry Team

A special luncheon is planned for Thursday, December 14 at the Lenoir Fireside Room at 11:30 a.m. The Caring Team will provide a meal with ham and turkey and other dishes. Also provided will be gift bags filled with goodies donated by the Caring Team and church members. Members of our Caring Team will be providing rides for our guests who have been identified and invited by the Caring Team. It should be a fun and festive time for all.

Donations requested before Dec. 13

The children in our church have decorated bags and stockings to give to our senior members and we need your help to fill them. Donations of cookies, small loaves of bread, candy, snacks, small gifts would be greatly appreciated!! Please deliver your donations to the church before Thursday, Dec. 13. You can bring nonperishables this Sunday to the Caring Ministry table where we will be signing cards to be included in the decorated bags and stockings.

Contact Meredith Donaldson 289-3018 if you have any questions. Win Scott and Meredith Donaldson, Co-Team Leaders