

## *Upcoming Sunday Worship Services*

**December 5, 2010 at 9:15 & 11:15 a.m.**

### *The Gift of Imbalance*

It seems that with the stresses of modern-day life, or perhaps with life in general, that we spend a lot of time striving for balance. Family time, work time; yoga, walking, couch potato; savings, spending, debt; social times and alone time... But exactly when and where did imbalance get its bad reputation? At this time of least light, let us embrace imbalance and accept its many gifts. We will light the Hanukkah candles at the beginning of the service.

Worship Leader: **Rev. Chris Reed** Worship Associate: **Kirsten Shearer**

Music: **The Divine Sisters (Lori Ingwerson-Fadden and friends,) Beth Ertz—Piano, Marjorie Herman**

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**December 12, 2010 at 9:15 & 11:15 a.m.**

### *Right Concentration*

The final “strand” of the eightfold path speaks to our habits of attention. With what do you choose to fill your mind? How do those habits of attention shape your life?

Worship Leader: **Rev. Meg Barnhouse** Worship Associate: **Chris Sturm**

Music: **Adult Choir, Beth Ertz—piano, Marjorie Herman**

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**December 19, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.**

### *Hanging of the Greens (An All Ages Service)*

Join us for a day of joy as we once again celebrate this longstanding congregational tradition. The unique, three-part service features caroling in Channing Hall, drama in Fahs Theatre, and the creation and hanging of a garland of greens to encircle our sanctuary. You won't want to miss it!

Worship Leaders: **Revs. Meg Barnhouse & Chris Reed** Worship Associates: **All**

Music: **Oompah Band, Beth Ertz—piano, Marjorie Herman**

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**December 24, 2010**

*Christmas Eve Family Service at 7:00 p.m.*

*Christmas Eve Adult Service at 9:00 p.m.*

*See page 3 for details.*



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**December 26, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.**

### *Are Turtle Doves Returnable? (An All Ages Service)*

We'll remember and we'll look forward on this, the Second Day of Christmas, the First Day of Kwanzaa, the Feast of St. Stephen, Boxing Day, the Day of Goodwill and the Day of Returns... I'm also trying to unload a partridge — takers?

Guest Worship Leader: **Craig Anthony Rubano**

Worship Associate: **Stephanie Hanzel Cohen**

Music: **Beth Ertz—piano, Marjorie Herman**

## Reflection

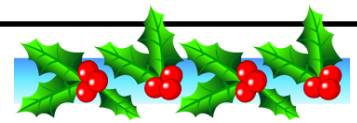
### Reverend Meg Barnhouse

**You may have heard** shouts of “Argh!” and “Aye-aye Captain!” around the building lately. There are small pirates running in the halls, acting like this is their place. Which it is. I’m having a good time getting to know some of the UUCP kids as we rehearse songs and dances for the pirate operetta. The story, the music and the lyrics are all written by Composer-in-Residence Kiya Heartwood, and ticket sales benefit the UUCP Music Committee.

A thirteen year old girl named Casey (in some productions Casey can be a boy. It doesn’t matter in the story) is in love with the idea of pirates. On Halloween night, as she tries to finish her homework, almost by accident she calls Marcigano, the queen witch of all the pirates. When Carcigano asks “Who might you be?” Casey lies to her, claiming to be “Captain of the pirates of Newark, New Jersey.” Marcigano “punishes” her for her lie by granting her three wishes, the second of which is to be Captain of all the pirates. For this they travel to the Skeleton Hand, ruled by the evil (or maybe just misunderstood?) Captain Midas Fallwell. I get to play the wicked captain. It’s a stretch, I promise. You’ll see an erudite pirate who quotes classic novels and movies, two codependent pirates, and the rest of the crew at on the ship where remedial pirate training is offered. Performances Fri. night the 3<sup>rd</sup>, and two on Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> with a complimentary spaghetti dinner in between shows.

There are so many good things going on inside the building at UUCP, and I want you to know

about some of the things that are happening to the building itself. The building and grounds clean-up crew that toured the building early last spring found that the decks, stairs and railings at the side exits of Channing Hall needed repair. Those repairs are underway right now. The wood is redwood, so there is some wear but no rotting. We are reversing the treads on the stairs to the side with no wear, repairing the railings, and repainting the whole business. We fixed the automatic door in the front, got a couple of dehumidifiers for the dampness in the building, the lower parking lot has been re-stripped to make the wheelchair space wide enough to be really usable. The dead tree in front of Channing is scheduled to be taken down. There is more repainting in the works, and it’s going to be a big job. We’re looking for a congregation member or friend to be the point person on this large and important project. Please email me at [Barnhouse@UUPrinceton.org](mailto:Barnhouse@UUPrinceton.org) if you feel able to step up to this responsibility.



### Shop for the holidays at the Annual Holly Mart from the Women’s Alliance -- Sundays DECEMBER 5 and 12

- Home baked cookies
- Hand made gifts
- Original paintings by Elizabeth Peck
- One of Mary Ascher’s quilts
- Treasures from around the world
- Chocolates

Profits benefit the organizations the Alliance supports: last year: 10 groups including Clara Barton Camp for Children with Diabetes, Mercer Street Food Coop, Crawford House for women recovering from addiction, and our own youth group service trip to New Orleans. ~Carol Haag

### SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE

The holiday season is upon us and we still need coffee set-up every Sunday. We have had amazing volunteers including former church presidents, numerous former vice-presidents, church leaders, soloists, ushers, Sunday School teachers - all very busy people. Their names will be posted with honor on the church bulletin board. What makes this church wonderful is the democratic spirit of leaders; they are not ruling plutocrats, but people who pitch in knowing that shared work is what makes a volunteer organization viable. If you haven't yet taken the opportunity to do coffee set up or clean up, look for the sign-up sheet in Robinson Lounge and pick a date and time. To make it fun and easy, sign up with another person or with two other persons; a *menage a trois* could complete the coffee tasks in a few minutes. ~Carol Allen, Ad-hoc coffee committee

**Reflection**  
**Reverend Chris Reed**

This is a strange holiday season for me. I have a new three-month old granddaughter and a new grandson expected in February, so the median age in the family has shifted down considerably, bringing many activities and traditions with it. And last year, after being in the hospital for a week, my father died on Christmas day. It will be the first Christmas day that feels like there's a hole in the middle of the family reminiscences, the football anecdotes, and the smiles. But, even with the big changes of birth and death...the wisdom of experience is the same. Change happens and life goes on.

Adding to the strangeness of this December is that this will be my last Christmas, Solstice and Hanukkah with all of you, at least as minister. After being here for 29 years and on the staff for 20, I want to appreciate every nuance of this last holiday time with all of you. I have so many memories and anecdotes from the holidays, including huge solstice celebrations at night, accidental Sunday morning fire-setting in the sanctuary, the

many different ways that players expressed the birthing of the baby Jesus, the different shaped trees and flow of so many youth through the Hanging of the Greens plays, the sermons celebrating the historically-yoked winter holidays as one, the sermons separating them out, the bah humbug sermons, the embrace it all sermons, the depression at the holidays sermons, the carols and choirs and bell choir, and Silent Night sung each year in candle light, our voices becoming so silvery and delicate and honest...

This year for my December sermon that happens to fall within the 8 days of Hanukkah, we will light the candles and I will preach on embracing imbalance. I have tried for balance in so many ways and for so many years, and have had some success. But exactly where and when did imbalance get its bad reputation? At this time of greatest imbalance, a time of shortest daylight, let us embrace imbalance and maybe even accept its gifts.

**The Mission Covenant  
of the Unitarian  
Universalist  
Congregation of  
Princeton**

*We come together in a free  
and open search for  
meaning within the  
mysteries of life.*

*We draw inspiration from  
the wisdom of the ages,  
guided by reason, intuition,  
and  
experience.*

*Transformed through our  
shared explorations, we are  
compelled to build a better  
World in harmony with all  
existence.*

*We commit to love, respect,  
and nurture each other in  
our lifelong spiritual  
journeys.*

*We pledge our hearts and  
hands, our minds and means  
to this  
sacred bond.*

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES**

**December 24, 2010  
at 7:00 p.m.**

***A Family Christmas Eve - An All Ages Services***

Worship Leaders: **Rev. Chris Reed & Rev. Meg Barnhouse**

Worship Associate: **Stephanie Hanzel Cohen**

Music: **Kids' Chorale**

Bring the whole family to this service of the seasons. We'll sing carols, share stories and readings and enjoy our traditional candle lighting.

**December 24, 2010  
at 9:00 p.m.**

***UU Lessons and Carols***

Worship Leaders: **Rev. Meg Barnhouse & Rev. Chris Reed**

Worship Associate:

Music: **Bell Choir, Adult Choir**

Join us for this more contemplative service of carol singing, gentle silence, word from our ministers and our traditional candle lighting.



# Religious Education for Children and Youth

**New Parent Orientation  
December 5**  
John Murray Room  
10:30 to 11:10

Parents, if you are new to our RE program, please come to this orientation, where you will become acquainted with the goals and methods of our learning program. We will meet between services from 10:30 to 11:10 in the John Murray Room.

Questions? Contact **Shelle Sumners**, RE Coordinator  
([sumners@uuprinceton.org](mailto:sumners@uuprinceton.org), 609/924-1604, ext. 14).

## Children's Worship & Religious Education Schedule

**Sunday, December 5**  
*First Sunday of the Month: All RE Classes*  
*Start in Channing Hall*  
9:15 & 11:15 Channing Hall

**New Parent Orientation**  
10:30-11:10, John Murray Room  
Childcare available in Room 9

**Saturday, December 11**  
*UUCP Holiday Party*  
4:00—7:00 p.m. Channing Hall  
See page 5 for details

**Sunday, December 12**  
*Winter Holidays— Celebrations of Light*  
9:15 & 11:15 Fahs Theatre

**Sunday, December 19**  
*No RE Classes*  
*Hanging of the Greens Intergenerational Service*  
10:00 a.m., Channing Hall

**Friday, December 24**  
*Christmas Eve Family Service*  
7:00 p.m., Channing Hall (adult service at 9:00 p.m.)

**Sunday, December 26**  
*No RE Classes*  
*All Ages Service*  
10:00 a.m., Channing Hall

If you have any questions, call **Shelle Sumners**  
609-924-1604, ext. 14  
[sumners@uuprinceton.org](mailto:sumners@uuprinceton.org)

## YOUTH MINISTRY

This month we are looking forward to supporting UUCP's Operetta, "Lying to the Sea Gypsy" by Kiya Heartwood, writing and performing our Hanging of the Greens Skit, and sponsoring the gift tree for needy children!!

**Save the Date:** Youth Spirituality Conference @ 4<sup>th</sup> Universalist Society, Jan 4-7!

## DECEMBER 2010 YOUTH

Just about Every Sunday Morning	Morning Youth Group in Room 15	11:00—12:30p
1 Evening a month, as announced	Evening youth Group in Fahs, Kitchen and Founders	6:00—8:00 p
12/5	Youth Group	11:00—12:30p
12/5	Sea Gypsy Play & Dinner Support	5:00-7:00p
12/10-11	Hanging of the Greens Lock-In	8p, Fri-10a, Sat
12/19	Hanging of the Greens Service	YG Skit
12/26	No Religious Education / No YG	No YG

Contact **Pia O'Loughlin** with Youth Group questions!  
UUCP Youth Programs Coordinator  
YPC @ [uuprinceton.org](mailto:uuprinceton.org)  
732.421.7008





# Come One and All to the UUCP HOLIDAY PARTY

**Saturday, December 11  
4 to 7 PM**

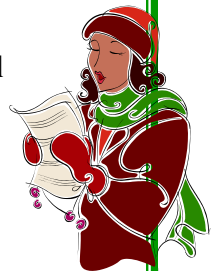
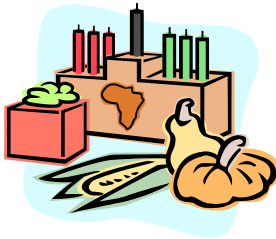
**MAKE ORNAMENTS FOR OUR UU TREE  
SHARE STONE SOUP  
AND  
JOIN IN HOLIDAY SONGS from 6:00-7:00 pm**



**Please bring 2 cans of non-cream soup, 2 dozen holiday  
cookies and lots of good cheer!!  
We will provide the rest.**

**To attend: sign up in Robinson Lounge, OR email  
[events@uuprinceton.org](mailto:events@uuprinceton.org)**

**Please help us with our planning by signing up  
by **December 4****



Questions? Contact **Shelle Sumners**  
609-924-1604 x 14, [sumners@uuprinceton.org](mailto:sumners@uuprinceton.org)

**SAVE THE DATE!**

## **FELLOWSHIP AUCTION**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 5:30 – 8:00 PM**

**Fun for Adults: Eat, bid, drink, bid, eat, bid, drink, bid – Win!**

**Fun for Children: Crafts, Games, Dinner and a Movie!**

The Fellowship Auction is a fun, intergenerational, community-building event, where we share our services, talents, art and other goodies with each other through bidding. It's a fun way to get to know each other better, both at the auction and when you cash in on your winnings. During the evening we will have great food, wine and beer, music and, of course, FELLOWSHIP!

The Fellowship Auction is fun, fun, fun, but it's also the biggest fund-raising event we produce to support the work of our congregation. But, we can only raise the money we need **IF YOU COME TO THE AUCTION!** We've scheduled it early in the evening (and made it a little shorter) and planned a great children's program, so be there! ~Laurie Powsner

## Adult Programs

The programs planned and presented by the Adult Program Committee seek to further the mission of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Princeton by building community; nurturing spiritual growth; and being an active force for building a more compassionate, sustainable, and just world.

### NEWCOMERS' CIRCLES

**Sunday, December 5, 12:30-1:45 in the John Murray Room.**

Newcomers' Circle meets on the first Sunday of each month after the second service. Newcomers and relative newcomers are all invited. The group is part getting acquainted, part questions you may have, and part discussion on a theme. We recently covered theology, worship and prayer, and UU history. The December theme is on UUCP, our own congregation, how it works and how you can get better connected into the various ministries and the religious community in general. Some leaders in our congregation will be joining us so that you can connect with them directly.

Please help yourself to brunch and/or coffee after the service and join us in the Murray Room (beyond the brunch room). Childcare is available in room 3 or 9. Please sign up at the Welcome Circle in Robinson Hall on Sundays or contact **Rev. Chris Reed** at [reed@uuprinceton.org](mailto:reed@uuprinceton.org). You can also just join us that day.

### Signing the Membership Book Ceremony

This ceremony of becoming a member is for those who have previously taken the Introduction to Membership Class or have been in a Newcomer Circle and want to become members. Please sign-up at the Welcome Circle or contact **Rev. Chris Reed** or **Rev. Meg Barnhouse** at 609-924-1604 to arrange a time. We will also have opportunities to sign the book in our worship services.



### SMALL GROUP MINISTRY—

#### “Get Plugged In” Join a Covenant Circle

Covenant Circles create community, encourage spiritual growth, and invite authentic connection with one another.



After a check in and short meditation, participants reflect on and share responses to questions that evoke our individual sacred stories.

• There is time for discussion, questions, and socializing for the last 20 to 30 minutes of each Circle.

(The previous format did not give enough opportunity for this.)

- Each Circle is encouraged to get together socially a few times and/or work together on a social justice or service project.
- We grow new groups as needed, so that we hopefully turn no one away.
- Circles meet from year to year.

Please sign up at the Adult Program table in Robinson Lounge or contact **Shelle Sumners** at [sumners@uuprinceton.org](mailto:sumners@uuprinceton.org), 609-924-1604, ext. 14 or **Chris Reed** at [reed@uuprinceton.org](mailto:reed@uuprinceton.org), 609-924-1604, ext. 12 if you are interested in joining a Covenant Circle.

### NEW PROGRAMS

#### **P**lan Ahead and Rest In Peace

**Wednesday, December 8, 7:00—9:00 in Fahs Theatre**

One of the best things you can do for your family is to make your own funeral plans. A funeral is often one of the greatest expenses a family faces, but few people are able to handle it as a simple purchase of services. More often they plunge in emotionally drained, with little time

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#### **DO YOU HAVE A PROGRAM IDEA?**

Is there a program or group that you would like to see at UUCP? Let us know and we'll try to make it happen.

Do you have an idea for a program or group you would like to facilitate? We invite anyone with an idea for an Adult Program to submit a proposal to the Adult Program Committee.

The proposal should contain

- an outline of the content
- the target audience and maximum number of participants
- time line (how many weeks/hours the course will require)
- suggested dates and times
- any costs for materials associated with the course (no fees may be charged for presenting an adult program)

All proposals will be reviewed by the Adult Program Committee and the ministers. Final scheduling and publicizing of the course will be the responsibility of the Adult Program Committee and the facilitators). Please submit any proposals to **Rev. Chris Reed**, [reed@uuprinceton.org](mailto:reed@uuprinceton.org).

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and little knowledge of their options and rights. The Funeral Consumers Alliance of Princeton (FCAP) is a not-for-profit, 501(c)(3), volunteer run organization which promotes informed planning of end-of-life issues. Some topics to be covered are choosing a funeral home, planning for a funeral or memorial service, burial versus cremation and green funerals.

**Laurie Powsner**, MSW, LCSW is a social worker in private practice in Princeton who provides individual, couple and family counseling and consulting with families on issues of aging in place. She has 17 years of hospice experience and is on the boards of both the local and national Funeral Consumers Alliance.

[www.lauriepowsner.com](http://www.lauriepowsner.com) and [www.fcaprinceton.org](http://www.fcaprinceton.org)

## **D**ivorce/Separation Circle

You are invited to participate in a divorce/separation circle support group that is beginning in January. The group will focus on the struggles of living as an individual going through a separation or divorce or has already separated or divorced. Additionally, individuals who have remarried and are struggling with issues surrounding divorce, children, etc are encouraged to come and participate. The group is intended as a support of each other during such difficult times. Once formed, the group will decide the direction and format. Please contact **Allison Woolbert** [allison.woolbert@gmail.com](mailto:allison.woolbert@gmail.com) or **Rev. Chris Reed** if interested in joining or for more information.

## **G**ender Bias Book Study Group

There is a book study starting in January on Gender Bias with the book *Whipping Girl* by Julia Serano. This book study will meet once a month to discuss what is gender bias, how we as a congregation can educate and learn to avoid gender bias. This group will focus on all genders and the interactions we have with each other here at UUCP and abroad. Want to know what Gender Bias is and how damaging it is to daily relationships? Contact **Allison Woolbert** to learn more and sign up!

[Allison.woolbert@gmail.com](mailto:Allison.woolbert@gmail.com)

## **B**uddhist Meditation Group

**1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays, December 5 & 19 at 1:00 in Room 1**

*Have you been excited by Meg's sermons on Buddhism?*

Would you like to explore how to actually use this way of thinking in our day-to-day living? *How about meditation?* Those of us who have had even a taste of this practice know that the simple act of sitting quietly together can create a greater sense of peace. And yet, even knowing its benefits, many of us struggle to make this practice a part of our lives.

*Does the idea of meeting together to experiment with these ideas appeal to you?*

We would like to start a group that meets weekly at UUCP. We could combine a period of meditation with a time to explore how to incorporate a more Buddhist approach into our lives drawing on readings and/or Meg's sermons to inspire our quest. If you want to listen to Meg's sermons on Buddhism to help you decide, the tapes are available in the bookshelf in the lounge-- September 6 2009 (Right Livelihood), January 3, 2010 (Right Understanding), March 28, 2010 (Right Speech) and July 25, 2010 (Right Action).

Questions? Contact: **Michele Ochsner** [mochsner@work.rutgers.edu](mailto:mochsner@work.rutgers.edu) 609-924-1166; **Dana Powsner** [danapowsner@comcast.net](mailto:danapowsner@comcast.net) 609-924-5891; **Henry Powsner** [powsner@comcast.net](mailto:powsner@comcast.net) 609-924-5891.

## **Y**oga for health, well-being and peace of mind

**Thursdays 9:15—10:30 a.m. in Founders Room**

**Cost: Donation to UUCP Yoga Fund accepted**

All are welcome to a new gentle yoga class with Sharon Savage. Sharon's teaching style is based on ashtanga yoga, an 8-limb yoga system, with an emphasis on alignment with breath control, combining effort and surrender in a balanced union.

This yoga class is geared for those new to yoga, those with some experience, and for those who practice regularly. The classes will include pranayama, (breathing exercise), asanas (poses) for balance, strength, and flexibility, and will end with savasana (resting), for deep relaxation and rejuvenation of the mind. Yoga is practiced in bare feet, with clothing that allows free movement. Some mats are available at the church, or bring your own, along with any yoga props you use. (blocks, straps, pillows). Yoga – the Union of the Body, Mind, and Breath.

Sharon is certified through the Devalila Yoga Teacher Training program, (a 200 hour level registered yoga school with the Yoga Alliance)

For more information, see the Adult Program Table in Robinson Lounge on Sundays or send an email to [events@uuprinceton.org](mailto:events@uuprinceton.org)

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## Women's Spirituality Circle

**Meets only Wednesday, December 12, not the usual evenings, at 6:30-8:00p.m. in the John Murray Room**

Join us, as we connect with each other through our lives, our interests, challenges and joys as women. Part check-in, part ritual or spiritual practice, and part themes that reflect the concerns and spirituality of our lives as women. We will be making spirit masks in November.

If you are interested in joining the Women's or a Men's Spirituality Circle, please fill out a Small Group Ministry Registration Form at the Adult Programs table on Sunday morning, or e-mail [events@uuprinceton.org](mailto:events@uuprinceton.org). For more information, e-mail **Rev. Chris Reed** at [reed@uuprinceton.org](mailto:reed@uuprinceton.org)

## Writers' Circle

**Every Wednesday at 6:30—8:30 p.m. in Room 7**

The Writers' Circle will be revving up over the next two months with weekly sessions. The Circle is a non-intimidating, supportive group for adults who love to write. E-mail [events@uuprinceton.org](mailto:events@uuprinceton.org) or sign up on Sundays in Robinson Lounge at the Adult Programs table. If you are even considering joining the Circle – even if you can't come every time – call or email **Teresa Stevens** at 609-538-0250 or [stevensteresa50@verizon.net](mailto:stevensteresa50@verizon.net).

## ONGOING PROGRAMS

### Telling Our Stories

The program series of videotaped interviews with some of our amazing senior members who have lived fascinating, engaged and committed lives will continue this year. In our youth-worshipping culture, we often forget to respect the elders in our midst and miss opportunities to learn from their wisdom. It is sad to experience the wonders of our Elders only from their eulogies.

Watch future *Skylights* for Telling Our Stories by **Henry Powsner, Sue and Butch Arnould, Tony Tucker and Marie Sturken**.

Questions? please contact **Linda Benson** at [lindabenson5@gmail.com](mailto:lindabenson5@gmail.com), or **Carol Haag** at [revcarolh@verizon.net](mailto:revcarolh@verizon.net), or **Rev. Chris Reed** at [reed@uuprinceton.com](mailto:reed@uuprinceton.com).

### Young Adult Circle

**Ages 20-35(ish)**

**Sunday, December 5, at 12:30 p.m. in Room 7**

Come and join us at our next meeting as we continue to form a new Young Adult circle for our congregation. This

is a unique spiritual stage in our lives, and our spiritual growth and enjoyment during this time is enhanced by a loving, supportive and social community.

We meet on the first Sunday of each month for fellowship and spiritual discussion, and the third Saturday of each month for a social activity. Please come and help shape this vital ministry to all who walk through our doors looking for such a community of peers.

To find out more about us, look for the flyer at the Adult Program Table in Robinson Lounge on Sundays. You can sign up in the lounge or by contacting **Valentine Vollmer** [datura1207@aol.com](mailto:datura1207@aol.com)

### Aging and Saging

**Meets only on Wednesday, December 8, due to holidays at 10:30a-Noon, in the John Murray Room.**

An ongoing program for all over 60 years old. Or anyone who feels over 60. We share our experiences, stories, feelings and information with each other.

We offer this affinity circle for those who would like to meet during the day to create a community of loving, supporting, learning individuals who find it exciting to explore the terrain of getting older with one another.

"Sage" is apparently only a noun and an adjective, but for you purists out there, please consider that it resonates with both —age and, as someone over 60 just said, also with sag, both respected verbs.

Sign up by sending e-mail to [events@uuprinceton.org](mailto:events@uuprinceton.org) or on Sundays in Robinson Lounge at the Adult Program table.

### CUUPS (Covenant of Unitarian Universalist Pagans) Evergreen Chapter

**Friday near the Full Moon, 7:00-9:30 pm, Memorial Garden in fine weather, Classroom 1 otherwise.**

**See the Blazing Yule Before Us**

... as the Evergreen Chapter of CUUPS (the Covenant of UU Pagans) celebrates the holiday season!

**Tuesday, December 21** is the night of the Winter Solstice - the longest night of the year. We'll gather in Channing Hall around 7 (watch the bulletin board and Sunday announcements for more precise details, but you can't go wrong by coming at 7) to celebrate the gradual return of the light. Count on songs, candlelight, and great companionship. At the end, we'll eat and drink, being merry already; please bring a snack or drink to share.

**Friday, December 24** is not only Christmas Eve but also the Friday nearest the full moon. We hope you'll join us in the courtyard between evening services as we burn the Yule log (from last year's tree), drink spiced cider, and - undoubtedly - sing. In fact, we'll arrive early and stay until the fire's out; anyone's welcome to hang out all

## Social Justice and Social Action

### UUCP SPRING SALE— MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER!

With the budget crunch, proceeds from only our Spring Sale will support our Social Outreach projects for area charities.

Therefore, we have already begun planning in order to make our 2011 Spring Sale the best ever! Save the date, **Saturday, May 14.**

At this time, we are asking for the following help:

- 1) Two (2) people to serve with us as co-chairs for 2011;
- 2) Volunteers for the "Signage" committee, to design new lawn signs and other external postings;
- 3) Chair for the new position of "Post-Sale Sales," to follow up with high-end items not bought during the Spring Sale;
- 4) Begin setting aside for donation those interesting household items you no longer need.

Please contact us ASAP if you would like to help with this worthwhile and fun endeavor.

~Carol Haag and Amanda Gillum

### UUCP AND HABITAT: A HALLOWEEN TRADITION

Four years ago this month our UUCP congregation began its fledgling partnership with the Trenton Area Habitat for Humanity. We wanted to build community as much as we wanted to build houses. To that end we began with a Halloween party which about 3 or 4 UUCPers and 8 or 10 parents and children from the Habitat community showed up. Gradually over the next few years, we have built and anticipated "event" for the community. This year we had 15 to 20 youth and adult volunteers throwing a party for over 50 community members in costumes and high spirits. One of the highlights was the "Harry Potter

Haunted House" the youth created. In one section, they taught children to work with wands and 'cast' spells. The look of awe and glee on their faces when their "wands" caused items across the room to rise (with the help of some unseen fishing line) was priceless. What a joy to see this friendship and community building dream come true. ~Nancy Gardner

### CUT MILITARY SPENDING, AN IDEA WHOSE TIME HAS COME

It's "Swords Into Ploughshares, Spears Into Pruning Hooks" time and not just in the Bible. A national coalition of peace groups is organizing a **Move the Money** campaign to cut defense spending in the U.S. Budget by 25%. On Tuesday, December 14 at 7:30 PM, at our church, Organizer Mike Prokosch and Coalition for Peace Action Director Bob Moore will lead a workshop on cutting Pentagon spending. The time is ripe with so much discussion of reducing government spending and the need for productive, sustainable jobs right here in New Jersey. In addition to a campaign to change the federal budget, this workshop could also be an opportunity for the UU Legislative Ministry of NJ to develop economic justice goals such as a green jobs program based on federal economic stimulus money. All are welcome. ~Carol Allen

### HUMAN RIGHTS DAY OBSERVANCE, CANDLELIGHT VIGIL, POTLUCK, AND CONCERT FOR PEACE

On Thursday, December 9, the Coalition for Peace Action's annual holiday event, a Candlelight Vigil, potluck supper, and Concert for Peace, will begin at 5:00 PM with the vigil in Palmer Square, Princeton. Starting at 6:00 PM, there will be a potluck supper at

Nassau Presbyterian Church followed by a concert until about 9:00 PM. Feel free to join for any part of the evening. One of the themes will be Human Rights Day. For more information, go to [www.peacecoaliton.org](http://www.peacecoaliton.org) or call 609-924-5022. ~Carol Allen



## Community Building

### WOMEN'S ALLIANCE Thursday, December 16

**The Skillman Singers**, a group of women who love to sing and have fun, perform for senior citizens at local assisted living facilities and other groups. Their repertoire is mostly popular music, two-part harmony. At Christmas, they sing familiar songs about winter, Christmas, and Chanukah.

**Judi Marks** was involved in founding this group as part of Princeton Newcomers; it is now led by Dotty Westgate.

Gather at 11:45 in the Robinson Lounge for Mimosas. Lunch at noon in the Founders Room – bring a sandwich to share; soup and dessert provided. Program at 1pm in Channing Hall. ~Carol Haag

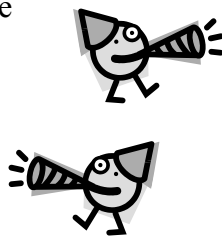
### MEN'S CLUB

Our next meeting will be **December 14** at noon in the Founders Room. If you have enjoyed this group in the past, we look forward to seeing you again. If you haven't attended before, now may be the time to give it a try. A usual, a delicious meal can be expected from the culinary skills of Roger Hoff. In order to know in advance how many will be attending, please inform **Bob Flora** at 908-874-0789 or [robertf481@aol.com](mailto:robertf481@aol.com)

## WE NEED HELP

If we're going to make the Fellowship Auction happen on Feb 19. The more people, the smaller the jobs! Please volunteer to:

- help with the children's program
- make a gift basket to be raffled
- sit at the admissions table
- help with the database
- collect payments
- sell raffle tickets
- help with set-up
- help with food
- make calls



**Help Wanted**

Some jobs can be done soon, others in February; some are easy peasy and very time limited, others are a little bigger. Let's figure out what works for you. Remember, this is the 2nd biggest fund-raising event UUCP produces. It can't happen without your help and it's FUN! Contact **Laurie Powsner** ASAP: [lrpjak@gmail.com](mailto:lrpjak@gmail.com) or 921-3032.

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evening. Bundle up!

For more information about us and our activities, contact Eva ([likelystories@yahoo.com](mailto:likelystories@yahoo.com)) or Elissa ([atsilvgvhe@gmail.com](mailto:atsilvgvhe@gmail.com)).

## Great Books Reading Circle

**Sunday, December 15 at 1 pm, in Room 7**



Come and discuss *The magician's assistant* by Ann Patchett, author of five novels, including *Bel Canto*, winner of

the PEN/Faulkner Award and the Orange. From the critics: "a secretive magician's death becomes the catalyst for his partner's journey of self-discovery in this enchanting book (San Francisco Chronicle) – and, "a 1990s love story with the grace and charm of a nineteenth-century novel" (Newsweek) Join us for shared, perhaps elegant, reflections and cookies. (For more info: contact **Karen Siracusa** at [kn.siracusa@att.net](mailto:kn.siracusa@att.net) or 609-918-1016)

## Gentle Yoga Class

**Saturdays 10:00 am—11:15 a.m. in the Founders Room or Channing Hall**  
All levels welcome!

**Childcare available in Room 9 (Please R.S.V.P.)** Yoga comes from the Sanskrit word —yuj— meaning —to meditate deeply— or —to concentrate oneself. Yoga is meditation through motion, practice in calming the mind through a series of poses. It is physically energizing and mentally restorative. Contact **Autumn Fiester** to R.S.V.P. for childcare [fiester@mail.med.upenn.edu](mailto:fiester@mail.med.upenn.edu) 215-573-2607.

## A Course in Miracles

**Sundays 11:15 am—12:30 pm in Room 8**

We are continuing to study the Workbook for December with brief excerpts from Tolle's book *The New*

**Lying to the Sea Gypsy**

**A Pirate's Tale**  
Book and Music  
By  
**Kiya Heartwood**

Friday, December 3 at 7:30  
Sunday December 5 at 5:30 and 8:00  
Fahs Theatre  
Complimentary Sunday dinner at 6:15 on December 5 in the Founders Room  
Tickets \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door

[www.lyingtotheseagypsy.com](http://www.lyingtotheseagypsy.com)

**Green Sanctuary**

**We Have a Rain Garden!**

In early November Boy Scouts from Troop 10 of South Brunswick, NJ created a rain garden at the UUCP. The Scouts were led by **Bill (Billy) Wymer**. A Rain Garden is a planted depression that captures rainwater runoff from surfaces like walkways, parking lots and compacted lawn areas. It allows stormwater to soak into the ground rather than flowing into creeks and drains which causes erosion, water pollution and flooding.

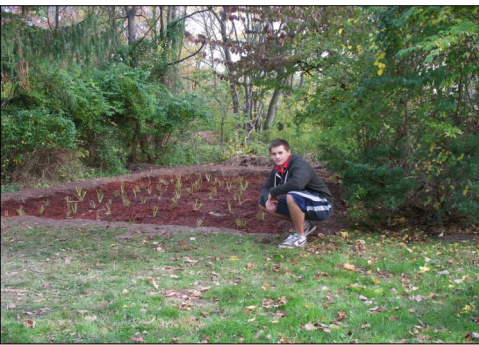
Our Rain Garden is located in the wooded area between the lower parking lot and the entrance to the nursery school.

Billy used native plants in the rain garden because they generally don't require fertilizer and attract local wildlife such as native birds. Three species of plants were used — Blue Flag Iris, Swamp Milkweed and Shallow Sedge. The plants



were from Pinelands Nursery which specializes in native plants of New Jersey. Also, **Ray Nichols** donated two white Ash trees that were added to the garden.

Our Rain Garden was designed and created as a service project completing his last requirement for the rank of Eagle Scout. Billy chose this project because protecting the environment is part of our beliefs



and represents a commitment to the Princeton community. **Ruth Tomlinson** and Ray Nichols provided important guidance, encouragement and knowledge.

Stop by and take a look at the Rain Garden. In the spring the plants will bring green shoots and flowers to UUCP while protecting the water supply and our environment. ~Billy Wymer

**Legislative Ministry**

**Update on Unitarian Universalist Legislative Ministry of NJ (UULMNJ)**

During October and November, in conjunction with other advocates, UULM worked to generate support for a **housing bill** that would ensure affordable housing requirements for each NJ municipality. Princeton UUCP has gathered signatures on a petition for our legislators to support the bill developed working in conjunction with housing advocates. Those petitions (with over 80 signatures) were faxed to Assembly Speaker Oliver, Assembly members Greenstein, Gusciora, Watson-Coleman and Green (Housing Committee chairperson). We are attempting to set up meetings with legislative staff for Districts 15 to discuss our views.

We are planning for **Sunday Services on January 16, 2011** covering **immigration reform** presented by **Julia Hamilton, the UULMNJ Executive Director** and members of the Immigration Policy Task Force. There will be an opportunity after each service to discuss issues with Julia and Immigration Task Force members and to learn more about UULM. We are considering development of a study group on immigration based on UUA materials and building on the Sunday service.

The **statewide workshop for UULM** was held on **November 13 in Morristown**. The workshop reviewed current UULM task force activities on housing, healthcare, immigration and the environment. The meeting was attended by **Carol Allen**,

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Earth and from Emanuel's Book.

**December 5** – “There is one life, and that I share with God.” “There are not different kinds of life, for life is like truth. It does not have degrees. It is the one condition in which all that God created share. Like all His Thoughts, it has no opposite.”

**December 12-** “Your grace is given me. I claim it now.” “He loves his son/daughter forever.”

**December 19** - There is no class today.

**December 26** - “By grace I live. By grace I am released.” “Oneness is simply the idea God is. And in His Being, He encompasses all things.”

Come join us, all are welcome. No experience other than living in this existence is required. ~Hil Anderson

**The UUCP BOOKSTORE is open every Sunday between services. Contact Alice Harper: aharper67 @ comcast.net**



**Interested in Adult Programs?**

For more information about any of the classes described on pages 5-7, visit the Adult Program table in Robinson Lounge.

## Grace Notes

### “Lying to the Sea Gypsy”

Tickets are going fast for our three performances of Kiya Heartwood’s operetta, “Lying to the Sea Gypsy. Performances are Friday, Dec 3rd at 7:30 pm and 5:30 and 8 pm December 5th, 2010. On Sunday, between performances at 6:15, there will be spaghetti dinner, included in your \$20 admission. For tickets and program ads, go to [www.lyingtotheseagypsy.com](http://www.lyingtotheseagypsy.com). You won’t want to miss Kiya’s brilliant and heart-warming production featuring kids of all ages from our congregation.

### Music Ministry Ensembles Encourage Your Participation

**Adult Choir.** There’s always room for *your* voice. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings from 7:30pm til 9:00pm. Singers of all stripes are welcome. Come try it some Wednesday evening – no obligation!

**Bell Choir.** Our new third octave means that more ringers are needed. Rehearsals are generally every other Thursday and continue on Sept. 30. Previous ringing experience and rudimentary knowledge of music reading are pluses, but not essential.

**Kids Chorale.** We’d love to welcome your child (ren) to the ranks of the Kids’ Chorale this season. The Kids’ rehearse on Sundays between services beginning Sept. 26 in Room 2, and we have some terrific music to learn for services this year.

For all information on joining our ensembles, contact Marjorie at [marjmuse@optonline.net](mailto:marjmuse@optonline.net), or call Marjorie at 609-924-1604, ext. 16.

### **DECEMBER HYMN OF THE MONTH**

Our “Hymn of the Month,” is No. 238, “Within the Shining of a Star.” The text of this sweet hymn is by Robert S. Lehman, born in Cincinnati in 1913. A retired UU minister, he served congregations in Minneapolis, San Jose, and several other congregations. Betsy Jo Angebrannt is one of our current UU composers whose music has been published by both UU and mainstream publishers. She is currently the Director of Music at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Annapolis, Maryland.

### Report on Jazz Sunday: November 14

Channing Hall **ROCKED** on the 14<sup>th</sup>, as Tom Stites (former editor of UU World) led an outstanding and provocative service. Our Adult Choir and Kids’ Chorale were joined by an amazing jazz band with our own Beth Ertz at the helm. And what a joyful noise our congregation made! All present were inoculated with both the joy and the sanctity of this venerable musical form borne of slavery.

### Music Ministry Mission Statement

To provide, through the power of music, a dynamic ministry that will inspire transcendent personal experiences, draw the congregation into greater kinship, and bring inspiration to the wider community.



### Sunday Serenades 2010-11.

Mark your calendars for the following dates:

- **Friday\***, December 3, 7:30 p.m. *Lying to the Sea Gypsy*, a children’s opera by **Kiya Heartwood**
- Sunday, December 5, 3:00 & 7:00 p.m.
- **Friday\***, February 25, 7:30 p.m. **Craig Rubano** in Concert (with **Beth Ertz**)
- Sunday, March 27, 3:00 p.m. *Heart to a Different Drummer*, with singer/songwriter/drummer Sharon Silverstein and friends
- Sunday, May 1, 3:00 p.m. *Voices of the Feminine—An Emerging Story*. Music Ministry Spring Concert featuring an original work by Kiya Heartwood.

\*Please note: these events will be performed on **Fridays**.



## Ministerial Search Committee

### WE ARE SEARCHING!

After more than a year of preparation, including our survey and compiling our Congregational Record and our Packet, we are now actually reviewing and making decisions about ministers who have expressed an interest in our congregation. As of mid-November, we reviewed the Ministerial Records of some twenty applicants. Of those, we exchanged packets with about half. After reviewing the packets, we will interview those we think are potentially “the one” before deciding on the three pre-candidates who will be invited to preach at neutral pulpits and be interviewed in depth. The pool of applicants ranged in age and experience. Of those with whom we are exchanging packets, half are women. They all represent an exciting cross section of UU ministry, and we are looking forward to meeting those we choose as pre-candidates.

Although we can't be more specific about the candidates themselves, you can put yourself in the place of a potential applicant by reading our Packet. It is now online in the members' section of the UUCP website. If you are a member or friend and do not yet have access to the members' section, it's easy to do so. Just click on the “Register” icon on the right side of the homepage (just above our Ministerial Search Committee icon). Fill in the required information. The site administrators will approve your registration and email you with confirmation within about 48 hours. We are really proud of how our Packet turned out and want to share it with you. Let us know what you think.

~Kathy, Carl, Diana, Linda, Pete, Sharon, and Susan

## Board of Trustees

### Connecting with the Board of Trustees

*Building dialogue with our fellow congregants is a key goal for members of the Board of Trustees this year. Toward this goal, four Board members responded to the question: Are there issues related to your work on the Board of Trustees that you would especially like to hear from other congregants about?*

**Rona Henry:** I would like to get to know the congregants better because I am convinced there is a treasure trove of talents and skills that could contribute to the vitality of this congregation and that with greater involvement, congregants would get more out of their experience. I would like to know who has talents in outreach and promotion – to help us get UUCP better known in the community? Who knows about social media – to help us use those tools for reaching new people - and maybe as a way to engage a younger demographic even more than we do now? Who has expertise in estate planning – so we can work on getting that to be part of our stewardship work? Who has experience with volunteer management – to help us think through our recruitment, training and nurturing of volunteers? Who knows about website work – to help us maintain and enhance our website? Who knows about building repair and maintenance – to help us keep our building up? Who are the gardeners who could help with the landscaping from time to time? Who knows how to do fundraising – to help us think through our next building capital campaign? Who knows about accounting and investing – to be our future lay leaders in the finance area? Who are the artists who could help us design brochures or posters from time to time? Who knows about databases and online surveys – to help us create a secure talent database? If congregants have any of these skills and talents – or others they think could be applied in some way to our joint

ministry, I hope they will let me, other board members and the ministers know!

**Debby D’Arcangelo** I'm particularly interested in hearing congregants' thoughts about how they think UUCP should develop Ends statements related to social justice/anti-racism/economic development efforts. How should we frame a statement that answers the question: "what outcome is desired to benefit what group of people at what cost (i.e. resources)"?

**Jane Fetter:** Certainly I would like to hear more ideas about the ongoing upstairs-downstairs issues. I would also like to ensure that everyone can find opportunities to be involved in church activities that are meaningful to them, allow them to feel valued, and to build meaningful relationships with other church members. I would like to get input from congregants about what kinds of activities the church can sponsor that would get people excited and active, and would foster more leadership development.

**Jonathan Sachs.** I am particularly interested in encouraging greater numbers of congregants to become involved in the various groups that support our programs and our organization. What ideas can anyone offer to encourage increased participation in the various activities that sustain and support the structure and functioning of the congregation? —yes, I mean taking on positions of responsibility and leadership... What could be done to make taking on a new task for the congregation more feasible? Recruitment and development of new leaders is vital to our health as a congregation. How might we do this better?

*Please view these responses as an invitation to respond in kind with your thoughts on these—or and other questions. Come visit with us during second Sunday “Chats” with the Board of Trustees in Robinson lounge, via email at [board@uuprinceton.org](mailto:board@uuprinceton.org) or suggestion box in Robinson Lounge—or feel free to reach out to individual Board members in person or by phone. ~Michele Ochsner*

## Joys and Sorrows

To help nurture a beloved community here in this congregation, please remember to share significant events in members' lives with the Pastoral Associates, who are charged with extending the pastoral ministry. This column is a place to inform the larger community of major events in people's lives. Sometimes people want to have their news shared; sometimes privacy and confidentiality prevail. Items for this column should be sent to [skylights@uuprinceton.org](mailto:skylights@uuprinceton.org). All items will be reviewed by the Pastoral Associate leadership team before printing (Jon Krejci, Elizabeth Silverman., and Rev. Chris Reed)

**Pat Lange** is back at home and doing well after surgery in New York and a stay at St. Lawrence Rehab. Both she and her husband, **Greg Nagy**, "want to thank the many, many friends who have sent so many messages of caring and done so many kindnesses." Pat, is, says Greg, "really overwhelmed" by the outpouring of support that they have received.

**Joy Mohamoud** also wants to express her thanks to the congregation. Joy is the president of Parents Count, a self-help support group which meets at the East Trenton Community Center. According to Joy, her covenant group led the way in helping with a brunch on October 10 and an open house on October 28, raising a total of \$526.25. During this process, says Joy, "Charlie Parker and Carol Haag reminded me of my roots in Unitarian Universalism."

### A THOUGHT FOR TODAY:

I slept and dreamt that life was joy.  
I awoke and saw that life was service.  
I acted and behold, service was joy.

-Rabindranath Tagore,  
philosopher, author, songwriter,  
painter, educator, composer, Nobel  
laureate (1861-1941)

~submitted by Ray Nichols

## NEW YEARS ART EXHIBIT AND RECEPTION

Our annual Art Exhibit will open on January 1, 2011. All members of the congregation are invited to contribute arts and crafts, such as paintings, drawings, photographs, sculpture, ceramics, etcetera. Please submit one or two works. All work must be suitably matted and framed for exhibition. Please write the title, medium and price on the back of your work. Please bring your work to the Founders Room between 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. on Friday, December 31.

The Fine Arts Committee is hosting the Grand Opening and Reception. It will be on Sunday, January 1, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

For information or other arrangements, call **Ted** or **Elizabeth Peck** at 609-452-2670.

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**Karen Siracusa, Mirah Riben, Frances Prestianni and David Bonk. Elaine Nigam and Ted Fetter** are also active in UULM activities on a statewide level.

On **October 17**, a **Forum** was held on **Princeton Community Housing (PCH)** where PCH Executive Director Sandra Persichetti and **Valerie Haynes**, UUCP representative on the Board, talked about current programs and plans for the future. The presentation generated much discussion for the approximately 30 people who attended.

Please stop by the **Legislative Ministry Action Table** which is available on several Sundays each month after the services to get more information on immigration policy issues and the affordable housing issue. You also have the opportunity to sign up for the UULMNJ e-mail communications. More information is available at [www.uulmnj.org](http://www.uulmnj.org).

~Karen Siracusa and Frances Prestianni, co-liaisons for UULM



## The UUCP Relational Covenant









Our covenant affirms a commitment to build loving, healthy and trusting relationships within our congregation. We make these promises in order to love better, relate more compassionately and feel the power of our human connections.

*Our Promises:*

- ◆ We warmly welcome all.
- ◆ We speak with honesty, respect and compassion.
- ◆ We listen attentively.
- ◆ We express gratitude for the service of others.
- ◆ We honor and support one another in our spiritual journeys and in times of joy, need and struggle.
- ◆ We embrace our diversity and the opportunity to share our different perspectives.
- ◆ We address our disagreements directly and openly and see conflict through to an authentic resolution.
- ◆ We serve our spiritual community with generosity and joy.
- ◆ We strive to keep these promises, but when we fall short, we forgive ourselves and others and begin again in love.

All Rooms  
Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Princeton

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			<b>1</b> 8:30pm-Writers' Circle [Room 7] 7:00pm-Covenant Circle 1st Wed [Murray] 7:30pm-Adult Choir Rehearsal [Channing]	<b>2</b> 9:15am-Gentle Yoga Thursdays [Founders] 8:30pm-Sea Gypsy Rehearsal [Fahs] 7:15pm-Covenant Circle [Lance] [Murray]	<b>3</b> 10:00am-Women's Alliance Board [Murray] 7:30pm-Lying to the Sea Gypsy [Fahs] 	<b>4</b> 9:00am-Ministerial Search Comm [Room 7] 10:00am-Gentle Yoga Saturdays [Founders] 12:00pm-Women's Alliance Holly Mart Prep
<b>5</b> 9:00am-Women's Alliance Holly Mart 9:15am-Worship Service 10:25am-New Parent Orient [Murray] 10:35am-Kids' Chorale [Room 2] 11:15am-Worship Service 11:15am-Course in Miracles [Room 8] 12:30pm-Newcomers' Circle [1st Sun][Murray] 12:30pm-Young Adult Circle [Room 7] 12:40pm-Meditation & Discussion Grp [Rm 1] 1:00pm-Elementary OWL P Mtg [Room 11]	<b>6</b> 7:00pm-Ministerial Search Comm [Founders]  <b>Next Monday is <i>Skylights</i> Deadline! It's a week early due to holidays!</b>	<b>7</b> 7:00pm-RE Council [Founders]	<b>8</b> 10:30am-Aging & Saging 2d & 4t Wed [Murray] 1:00pm-Office Staff Meeting [Founders] 8:30pm-Writers' Circle [Room 7] 7:00pm-Adult Program Meeting [Founders] 7:00pm-Ministerial Search Comm [Room 1] 7:00pm-Plan Ahead and Re in Peace [Fahs] 7:15pm-Covenant Circle 2d & 4h Wed [Murray] 7:30pm-Adult Choir Rehearsal [Channing]	<b>9</b> 9:15am-Gentle Yoga Thursdays [Founders] 7:30pm-Bell Choir Rehearsal [Channing]	<b>10</b> 	<b>11</b> <b>Tree Goes Up</b> 8:30am-Trenton Habitat Workday [off site] 8:30am-Pastoral Associates [Murray] 9:00am-Ministerial Search Comm [Room 7] 10:00am-Gentle Yoga Saturdays [Founders] 12:00pm-Women's Alliance Holly Mart Prep 4:30pm-Holiday Party [All Upstairs] 
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View the current calendar online at:

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**Study day: Friday**

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