

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Columbus

# PROGRAM GUIDE

**FALL/WINTER 2023**

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## CREATING THE WORLD WE IMAGINE

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

FRIDAY FAMILY FUN NIGHTS  
COOKING ACROSS CULTURES  
SONGS FOR THE SHELTER  
ANNUAL MEETING  
HOLIDAY MARKET

### **HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS**

SUKKOT CELEBRATION  
MONSTER MASH  
TRICK-OR-TREAT NATURE TRAIL  
COMMUNITY PITCH-IN  
WINTER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION

### **INTERFAITH PARTNERS**

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
OPEN MIND ZEN  
SHA'AREI SHALOM  
SRI GANESH MANDIR  
TREE OF KNOWLEDGE



# MINISTER'S WELCOME

Dear UUCCI Members and Friends,

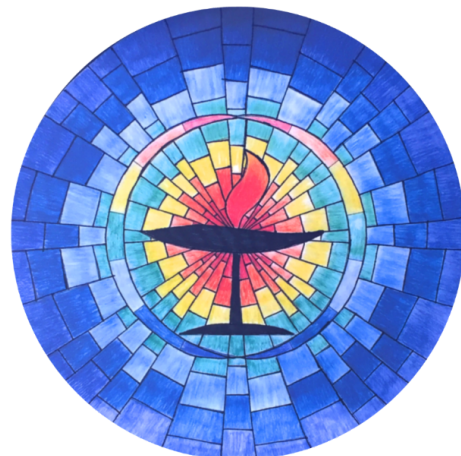
I am so excited for the programs and activities we have in store for this fall! The pages that follow show the vitality and promise of our congregation. After returning from sabbatical in May, I feel and see a renewed energy, creativity, and commitment, not only in myself but in all of you at UUCCI. This fall many great experiences await, such as: a Cabaret, Chalice Circles, a Sermon Series on Facing Our Monsters, which includes an all-ages Monster Mash, and don't forget some of our special annual events including our Memorial Sunday, Question Box Sermon, and Christmas Eve Service.

We will be sustained by the connection and care, which we create by bringing our warmth and love into this community. Together, we are Creating the World We Imagine, and what a journey that will be! I look forward to seeing you this fall.

With Gratitude,



Rev. Nic



If you ever want to read one of my sermons you missed, engage it more deeply, or if you want to remember the name of a reading used in one of the services, I post them on *substack*, which you can access and subscribe to, if you wish, at:

[revcable.substack.com](https://revcable.substack.com)



# MISSION, VISION, AND ENDS

## *UUCI Values*

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- Nurturing Community with Love and Compassion
- Freedom of Spiritual and Intellectual Growth
- Openness to the Mystery of Life
- Courageous Thoughtful Action

## *UUCI Mission*

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The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Columbus, Indiana, is a community of hope and courage, where we celebrate love and work for justice.

## *UUCI Ends (2019-2024)*

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As individuals, as a congregation, and in the wider world, we:

1. Open ourselves to deeper human connection
2. Support each other, as Unitarian Universalists, in our lifelong journey for truth and meaning
3. Create dynamic congregational gatherings that open hearts and minds
4. Build a culture that engages and supports all levels of involvement
5. Align our resources to ensure that we are most effectively fulfilling our Mission and Ends
6. Cultivate intentional partnerships through mutual respect and collaboration
7. Nurture a vibrant interfaith community that positively transforms the Greater Columbus Area
8. Side with love by working to overcome injustice in all its forms



# PROGRAM CALENDAR



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## September

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- 9/1 Sunday Services Meeting - 10:30 am
- 9/2 Red tent Women's Circle (Tree of Knowledge) - 5 pm
- 9/3 Sunday Service - 10 am**
- 9/3 Group Meditation & Dharma Talk (Open Mind Zen) - 2pm
- 9/7 Circle of Song - 7 pm
- 9/10 All Ages Water Communion Sunday Service - 10 am**
- 9/10 Raising Unitarian Universalists (RUUs) - 11:30 am
- 9/11 Spiritual Living Circle - 12:30 pm
- 9/13 Columbus Interfaith Meeting - 6 pm
- 9/13 Interfatih Campus Meeting - 7pm
- 9/13 Choir Practice - 7 pm
- 9/17 Sunday Service - 10 am**
- 9/17 Group Meditation & Dharma Talk (Open Mind Zen) - 2pm
- 9/20 Choir Practice - 7 pm
- 9/21 Board Meeting - 6:30 pm
- 9/22 Cabaret Night - 6 pm
- 9/24 Sunday Service - 10 am**
- 9/27 Building & Grounds Meeting - 5 pm



# PROGRAM CALENDAR



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## October

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### **10/1 Sunday Service - 10 am**

10/1 Interfaith Sukkot & Simchat Torah Celebration for All Ages

10/1 Raising Unitarian Universalists (RUUs) - 11:30 am

10/1 Group Meditation & Dharma Talk (Open Mind Zen) - 2pm

10/5 Circle of Song - 7 pm

10/6 Sunday Services Meeting - 10:30 am

### **10/8 Sunday Service - 10 am**

10/9 Spiritual Living Circle - 12:30 pm

10/11 Columbus Interfaith Meeting - 6 pm

10/11 Interfaith Campus Meeting - 7pm

10/11 Choir Practice - 7 pm

10/14 Red tent Women's Circle (Tree of Knowledge) - 5 pm

### **10/15 Sunday Service - 10 am**

10/15 Group Meditation & Dharma Talk (Open Mind Zen) - 2pm

10/18 Pastoral Care Team Meeting - 2 pm

10/18 Choir Practice - 7 pm

10/19 Board Meeting - 6:30 pm

10/21 Courageous Action Forum! Transphobia: A Look at the Past, Discussion of the Present, and Hope for the Future - 9:30 am to 6 pm

### **10/22 Sunday Service - 10 am**

10/22 After Sermon Discussion with Rev. Nic Cable

10/25 Building & Grounds Meeting - 5 pm

10/27 Monster Mash + Trick or Treat Nature Trail (All Ages) -6pm

### **10/29 Sunday Service - 10 am**

10/29 Group Meditation & Dharma Talk (Open Mind Zen) - 2pm



# PROGRAM CALENDAR



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## November

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- 11/2 Circle of Song - 7 pm
- 11/3 Sunday Services Meeting - 10:30 am
- 11/3 Cooking Across Cultures - 5 pm
- 11/4 "Songs For The Shelter" benefit Concert for The Humane Society
- 11/5 Sunday Service - 10 am**
- 11/5 Annual Meeting - 11:30 am
- 11/8 Columbus Interfaith Meeting - 6 pm
- 11/8 Interfaith Campus Meeting - 7 pm
- 11/8 Choir Practice - 7 pm
- 11/12 Sunday Service - 10 am**
- 11/12 Raising Unitarian Universalists (RUUs) - 11:30 am
- 11/12 Group Meditation & Dharma Talk (Open Mind Zen) - 2 pm
- 11/13 Spiritual Living Circle - 12:30 pm
- 11/15 Pastoral Care Team Meeting - 2 pm
- 11/15 Choir Practice - 7 pm
- 11/16 Board Meeting - 6:30 pm
- 11/19 All Ages Gratitude Sunday Service - 10 am**
- 11/19 Community Pitch-In Lunch - 11:30 am
- 11/22 Building & Grounds Meeting - 5 pm
- 11/25 Parent Night Out- 6pm (*RSVP by November 18th- spaces limited*)
- 11/26 Sunday Service - 10 am**
- 11/26 Group Meditation & Dharma Talk (Open Mind Zen) - 2 pm



# PROGRAM CALENDAR



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## December

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- 12/1 Sunday Services Meeting - 10:30 am
- 12/2 Holiday Market!
- 12/3 Sunday Service - 10 am**
- 12/7 Circle of Song - 7 pm
- 12/10 Sunday Service - 10 am**
- 12/10 Ornament Making and Cookie Decorating Party (All Ages) - 11:30am
- 12/10 Group Meditation & Dharma Talk (Open Mind Zen) - 2 pm
- 12/11 Spiritual Living Circle - 12:30 pm
- 12/13 Columbus Interfaith Meeting - 6 pm
- 12/13 Interfaith Campus Meeting - 7 pm
- 12/13 Choir Practice - 7 pm
- 12/17 Sunday Service - 10 am**
- 12/20 Pastoral Care Team Meeting - 2 pm
- 12/20 Choir Practice - 7 pm
- 12/21 Winter Solstice Celebration (All Ages) - 6 pm
- 12/21 Board Meeting - 6:30 pm
- 12/22. Parent Day Out- 10am (*RSVP by December 15th- spaces limited*)
- 12/24 Sunday Service - 10 am**
- 12/27 Building & Grounds Meeting - 5 pm
- 12/31 Sunday Service - 10 am**



In the past few years, we have begun using Breeze, a church management and database system. Many of you have logged in and become accustomed to its features – way to go! Here are some ways you can use Breeze:

**Contact** – Look up phone numbers or emails for your UU friends with a simple search. Update your information anytime so folks can get in touch. Learn how in this 2-minute video:  
<https://youtu.be/ciusKIURNuc>

**Mobile App.** – If you have a smartphone, you can use the Breeze app on-the-go! Find out how in this brief tutorial:  
<https://youtu.be/AxRf00dSqP0>

**Giving** – Look up your giving history, set-up recurring pledge payments, or make other gifts online at  
<https://uucci.breezechms.com/give/online>

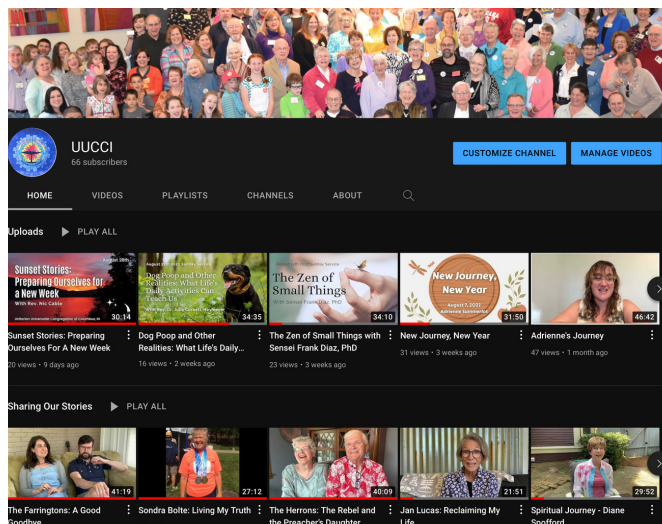
**Teams/Tags** – The Tags feature is an organizational tool to keep up-to-date member lists for Board Committees, Ministry Teams, program participants, and other groups. Leaders can add/remove team members in just one place and everyone will have the most current list! Also, when team members update their personal contact information under “My Profile”, all the teams and team members will have it!

**If you have not yet jumped into Breeze, getting started is fast and simple.**

Create an account: <https://uucci.breezechms.com/login/create>  
or contact Brittany Phillips at [admin@uucci.org](mailto:admin@uucci.org)



# YOUTUBE AND PODCASTS

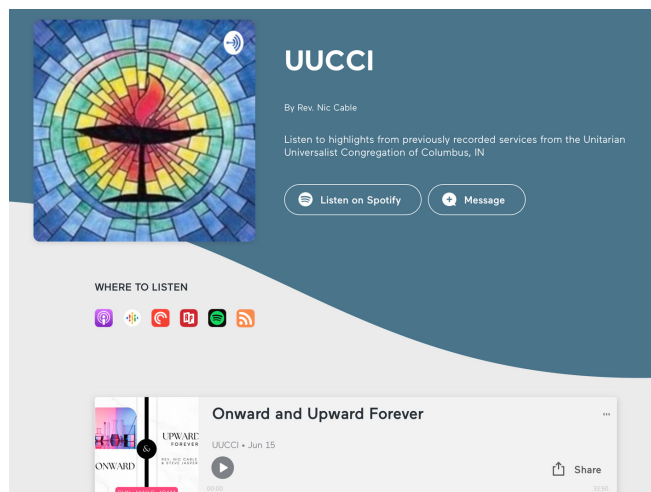


Did you know we have a YouTube channel with over 100 Sunday Services curated for your enjoyment and personal growth? You can Subscribe to the channel or check back weekly for new content that can assist us all as we continue our journey together.

[Visit Our YouTube Channel](#)

Not a big fan of YouTube? What about podcasts? We convert most of our services to a format that can be accessed wherever you listen to podcasts. Take a listen on a walk, a drive to work, or a quiet afternoon during the week.

[www.Anchor.fm/uucci](http://www.Anchor.fm/uucci)





# Children and Youth Ministry at UUCCI

This year at UUCCI we will be offering the following opportunities for children and youth to engage in lifespan learning on Sunday mornings during service:



## Seedling and Sprouts (infants-preschool)

meet every Sunday in the Earth Room with our caregivers to meet new friends, share stories, sing, and play!



## Roots and Wings

Our child centered space provides invitations for child directed exploration that allows both individual and collaborative play. Special guests will visit to teach about special topics or world religions.



Our new studio space will provide kids an opportunity to foster their creativity with different mediums, learn how to use artistic tools, and time to experiment and tinker. Special guests will visit to share their passions and talents with the kids.

**UUth Group (5th grade + on the next page!)**

Volunteers  
needed



LEARN MORE

One of our goals here at UUCCI is to foster intergenerational connections between adults and our children and youth. We invite you to consider how you might deepen your own spiritual journey by serving in our Children and Youth Ministry program. Whether you are able to help regularly, visit to share a special passion, or lend a hand behind the scenes, we value the opportunity to find a way for you to be involved.

### Questions?

Contact Adrienne Summerlot  
Children's Ministry Coordinator  
[children@uucci.org](mailto:children@uucci.org)







## 5TH GRADE AND UP!



**Questions?**  
**Contact Sunny Currier**  
**Youth Coordinator**  
[youth@uucci.org](mailto:youth@uucci.org)

We meet in the UUTH Room after the Wonderbox on these dates!

- September 17
- September 24
- October 22
- October 29
- November 5
- November 12
- December 3
- December 10

Our tweens and teens need their own space together to play games, explore spiritual and religious topics, cultivate fellowship and engage in social justice projects. UUTH meet regularly in their room, aka the library. When UUTH group doesn't meet they are always welcome to join kids in Roots and Wings or Makerspace. We are committed to fostering leadership opportunities for them.



### Leadership Opportunities

October 8th- Cooking Leaders  
 October 15th- Help in Classrooms  
 November 26th- Help w/ Show & Share

### Hot Meals

Fridays from 4-6pm  
 at First Presbyterian  
**October 13th**  
**November 10th**  
**December 8th**



## Chalice Lighters- 4th-6th Graders!

Our 4th-6th graders are invited to serve as chalice lighters on Sunday mornings during worship service. Reverend Nic will share about the flaming chalice and its importance as a symbol of our faith on Sunday, September 17th during the Wonderbox and he will commission our kids to be chalice lighters. **Sign up here** to light the chalice!

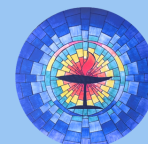
## Sunday Services at 10am

Youth are especially encouraged to attend these Sunday Morning services and/or be involved directly in helping play a part in them!

**October 1st-** attend worship together! Special guest Vachel Hudson will be discussing Mental Health

**November 19th-** All Ages Gratitude Service- UUTH group will lead the Wonderbox!

**December 17th-** All Ages Worship Service- Holiday Sing-A-Long & Ugly Sweater Celebration



ALL AGES ARE INVITED TO A

# Monster Mash

Friday, October 27th from 6-8pm

All ages are invited to join us Friday, October 27th from 6-8pm for a Monster Mash.

- Costumes are welcome and encouraged!
- Outdoor Haunted Trail
- Snacks and Games in Fellowship Hall
- Monster Mash Dance Party in Sanctuary

# Winter Solstice Celebration

**December 21st**

Join us for a family-friendly celebration!

- Social hour with food, friends, and fun
- Community ritual (optional)

*Weather Permitting:*

- lantern walk through the labyrinth
- stories around the fire.

Child care will be provided for infant-5 years old.



## Ornament Making & Cookie Decorating Party



- Gingerbread and Sugar cookies and supplies for decorating provided!
- DIY crafts for different skill levels.
- Adults are welcome and encourage to participate.

*Children should be accompanied by adults throughout this event to ensure their safety (step stools, art materials, etc).*



**Sunday, December 10th**  
**11:30am-1:30pm**



**Saturday, November 25th 6-8pm**

[REGISTER HERE](#)

*night out*

**PARENT**

**REGISTER NOW**

**DAY OUT**

**Friday**  
**December 22nd**  
**10am-12pm**

**ALL AGES**

**NEW YEAR'S**

**31 DECEMBER**  
**11:30-2PM**

*party*

All Ages are Invited to join us for a family friendly New Year's Eve party

- Music and Dancing
- Crafts
- Games
- Countdowns at 12pm, 1pm, and 2pm!

**Sober event**





# Raising Unitarian Universalists

Drop in and join parents and caregivers to share about raising kids today. We meet at 11:30am, please look at meeting dates for topics and locations. Childcare provided.

## SEPTEMBER 10TH

While the kids enjoy water activities- we will meet outside. Weather permitting- if needed, we will shift inside.

## OCTOBER 1ST

Following the worship service about Mental Health, join us to explore some tools for spiritual practices, walk the labyrinth, and just enjoy a cup of coffee or tea.

## NOVEMBER 12TH

Join trained Our Whole Lives Sexuality Educators in the sanctuary for conversations about Parents as Sexuality Educators and gain some valuable resources to use at home.



Questions?  
Contact Adrienne Summerlot  
[children@uucci.org](mailto:children@uucci.org)

# ***Music Activities***

Join the Fun and Make a Joyful Noise!

**Circle of Song** is a just-for-fun singing group that meets monthly to sing familiar songs, folk tunes, pop songs, or hymns – all by request. All meetings are 7:00 – 8:00 PM in the sanctuary or the Elsie Weekly Room, on the first Thursday of each month.

- August 3
- September 7
- October 5
- November 2
- December 7

**Cabaret Nights** will feature our own members and friends as performers in connection with Fourth Friday Fun Nights, on the fourth Friday of the following months. Watch Friday Reminders for more information. Contact Louise if you'd like to perform: [music@uucci.org](mailto:music@uucci.org)

- September 22
- January 26, 2024
- April 23, 2024
- July 26, 2024

**Choir Practice** happens from 7:00 to 8:00 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month, with an occasional third practice in some months as needed. All kinds of voices are welcome, and music reading is helpful but not required. Special performances will be on Christmas Eve and Flower Communion Sunday in the spring. Contact Louise for questions: [music@uucci.org](mailto:music@uucci.org)

- August 9, 16, (23?)
- September 13, 20
- October 11, 18
- November 8, 15
- December 6, 13, 20

**Music FUNdamentals** – (emphasis on FUN) – a 7-week course in the basics of reading music will teach you to read rhythms, understand musical terms and markings, and make a good guess at how a tune goes when you see it on the page. Will be offered September through October if 3 or more people sign up, at a weekly time that suits their schedules. Prepares students to fully and confidently participate in choir or other choral groups. Contact Louise Hillery [music@uucci.org](mailto:music@uucci.org), or the UUCCI office: **812-342-6230**.

**Goeller Consort**, a small band consisting of wind and string instruments, will try to play on four occasions or so during 2023 – 2024. Contact Louise Hillery if interested at [music@uucci.org](mailto:music@uucci.org).





Siding With Love



Columbus Pride Festival September 30, 2023, 1-7pm  
Millrace Park Columbus, IN 47201

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# Columbus Pride Festival

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By Sondra Bolte

Maybe you are horrified and outraged by Indiana's efforts to harm LGBTQ, especially Transgender youth. If you don't know, there were 27 anti-LGBTQI bills in congress this year. Five of the bills passed and went into effect on July 1st.


- 1) Prohibiting bans on harmful conversion therapy - intended to "make" gay people straight; (SB350)
- 2) Banning books from School Libraries which have LGBT themes making Librarians face prison for sharing these books (HB1447)
- 3) Schools cannot offer human sexuality instruction thru 3rd grade (wasn't taught anyway) but includes school personnel must notified parents if students request to be called by a different name or pronoun, outing trans youth (HB1608)
- 4) Banning Gender Affirming surgery in prisons (there has only been 1 case ever) (HB1569)
- 5) Prohibiting Transgender health care for children younger than 18...especially problematic for puberty blockers which help the child not develop sexually until later when they are older and can make more permanent decisions ---and children who have been taking hormone therapy and are forced to quit, which is harmful to the child. (SB480)

If you are looking for ways to do something positive for LGBTQI people in our community, sign up to help UUCI host our booth at the Columbus Pride Festival at Mill Race Park on September 30, 2023, 1-7pm.

Maybe you want to help plan the booth, or set up/tear down the booth, represent UUCI at the booth for a 2 hour shift, or something else.

Please contact Sondra Bolte 812.350.5015 (text preferred as she will be out of the country) for more info or to pledge your support. Siding With Love close to home!

**Stop by the UUCI  
booth to learn more!**



# FACING OUR MONSTERS

Sermon Series

OCTOBER 8



## Are We Living through a Zombie Apocalypse?

Tools for Surviving the End of the World

*We begin a six-week series of Facing Our Monsters by exploring the metaphor and meaning of Zombies. Since 1968, when The Night of the Living Dead released in theaters, zombies have been depicted in many art forms and become a central figure in the pantheon of monsters in popular culture. From Haitian Folklore to Thriller to preparing for the zombie apocalypse, what is it about zombies that is so frightening and yet fascinating? Rev. Nic Cable will explore the twin realities we face in the post-pandemic world: 1) our fear of the other and 2) the rise of white nationalism in the United States.*

OCTOBER 15



## Dracula in Drag:

Recognizing Our Humanity through a Vampiric Lens

*Dracula specifically and vampires generally symbolize many aspects of society's discomfort with topics related to sex and gender. From the hypersexualization of gay men, to the projection of predatory behavior on members of the LGBTQ+ community, to the linking of disease and sexual deviance especially during the AIDS epidemic, vampires represent both a distortion of our humanity and a gateway to understanding our humanity in a more sacred and holistic light. Rev. Nic Cable will consider what is possible if we break free from the limitations society and we put on our expressions of sex and gender.*

OCTOBER 22



## It's Alive!!!

Dr. Frankenstein, His Monster, and Our Not So Secret God Complex

*There is irony and yet import in our often confusing Dr. Frankenstein and his Monster. Both have monstrous tendencies and both are aching for human connection and happiness. Yet, it is Frankenstein who seeks to be The New Prometheus and play God with the power of technology. Rev. Nic Cable will explore the very human longing to play God, avoid loneliness, and find happiness in the world.*



# FACING OUR MONSTERS

Sermon Series

OCTOBER 29



## The Elephant in the Room is a Ghost:

A Memorial Service for All Souls Past and Present

*Remembering and talking about our loved ones who have died can be very painful, even decades after a death. Many struggle to process or transform one's relationship with the dead, preferring instead to not acknowledge what may feel like the elephant in the room. Rev. Nic Cable will guide our annual memorial service that aims to assist our community in acknowledging "those who have died have never, never left." In their transformation, we may come to see them in new ways and from there continue on our journey in life.*

NOVEMBER 5



## The Banshees of Columbine:

Responding to the Wailing of the World

*Every year at UUCCI's Annual Meeting, we acknowledge our shared ministry and congregational life together. Beyond approving a budget, electing board members, and acknowledging the achievements of the past year, we are in essence recommitting to upholding our values, embodying our purpose, and moving forward in love for another year. This year, the pain of the world is loud, clear, and constant. Rev. Nic will explore why our ministry and community are so desperately needed by helping us listen, acknowledge, and take guidance from the banshees who walk among us.*

NOVEMBER 12



## Can Hydra Ever Be Slain?

Unleashing Generosity in the Face of Uncertainty, Fear, and Death

*The "work to overcome injustice in all its forms" is like Hercules trying to defeat the many-headed Hydra; as soon as you attack one injustice, three more injustices emerge beside it. It can be demoralizing and leave one feeling hopeless. Rev. Nic ends his six-part sermon series calling upon us to unleash the abundant multitudes within our hearts, so that we can grow the resources of our ministry no matter the number of monsters we face.*



**Chalice Circles are facilitated, small group gatherings, which meet once a month at UUCCI. The gatherings foster conversation on Monthly Themes and build community in a small setting. New for this year is an all woman's Chalice Circle.**

RETURNING THIS OCTOBER:

# CHALICE CIRCLES

CONNECTION | REFLECTION  
SUPPORT

Click here to register for  
Chalice Circle with Mark Kevitt



Click here to register for Women's  
Chalice Circle with Sharon Mangas



GET CONNECTED!

# WOMEN'S CHALICE CIRCLE

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## THIRD THURSDAYS FROM 10AM-12PM

This year Sharon Mangas is facilitating a Women's Only Chalice Circle. The Circle will meet once a month, from October through May, on the THIRD Thursday of the month. In the month of December, the group will meet on the SECOND Thursday of the month, to avoid meeting too close to Christmas. We will gather at UUCCI (room to be determined) from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon. If this time or day of the week doesn't work for you, Mark Kevitt, another experienced Chalice Circle Leader, will be facilitating a mixed Chalice Circle Group. Dates for Mark's Circle are to be determined.

Chalice Circles are a small group ministry, unique to the UU denomination. A topic with a spiritual/thoughtful component is chosen for each session. Every meeting there is a brief "check in" to see how everyone is doing, followed by a lighting of the chalice, some opening words, 2-3 readings, a time to quietly settle in, and then we tackle questions for discussion. We emphasize deep listening in Chalice Circles. There is no "back and forth" conversation, but rather we give each person time to thoughtfully respond to a question, without interrupting or questioning them. After discussions are finished, the facilitator will watch the time, and bring us back to a closing reading/readings and a time for "check out" when it's getting close to time to dismiss.

We ask if you decide to join a Chalice Circle, that you will thoughtfully consider it and make a firm commitment to the group. Illness or being out of town are unavoidable at times, but a Chalice Circle works best when all participants commit (to each other) to be there every month.

Each year, Chalice Circles are asked to do at least one project benefitting the congregation, or the wider community. As an example, this past May, the Chalice Circle Mark and Sharon facilitated, helped organize and serve the "Welcome Back" meal on the first Sunday Rev. Nic was back after his sabbatical. It helps to start thinking of a project early on, as the months do fly by!

Chalice Circles are a wonderful opportunity to share, heal, and get to know fellow members of our congregation. We hope you will join us this year! Please let Sharon or Mark know if you would like to participate.



# SPECIAL EVENTS

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## INTERFAITH SUKKOT EVENT

**Sunday, October 1st 12:00 PM**

Join Sha'arei Shalom as we celebrate the Jewish Fall Harvest Festival of Sukkot. We will explain the holiday and have crafts and other activities for both children and adults. We will also be holding a special Jewish ceremony where we bury sacred books that are no longer being used. A light lunch will be provided. We look forward to seeing you!



## HEARTS & HANDS CRAFT CIRCLE

**Saturday, October 14th from 4 - 6pm**

Are you a knitter or crocheter?  
Do you enjoy another (portable) craft?  
Would you like to learn a new craft?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, we would love to see you at the Hearts & Hands Crafting Circle! This will be a monthly meeting for all of us crafty types to get together and focus on the hobbies we love. Bring your current project or come learn something new. There will also be options for charitable group projects.

Please join us for our first meeting on October 14th from 4-6pm

Questions? Please talk to Lesley Reuter or Brittany Phillips

## **TRANSPHOBIA: A LOOK AT THE PAST, DISCUSSION OF THE PRESENT, AND HOPE FOR THE FUTURE**

**Saturday, October 21st, 2023 from 9:30am - 6pm**

Join us for a special edition of the Courageous Action Forum as we take a closer look at transphobia.

We will watch and discuss a video that takes a deep dive into the history of transphobia over the last 50 yrs. We will then have a panel discussion delving into current issues facing the LGBTQ+ community in Southern Indiana. There will be light refreshments in the morning and a pitch-in lunch. Childcare will be provided for children under age 5 and children's programming for kindergarten and up.

### **Schedule of Activities:**

9:30 AM Light Refreshments and Conversation

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Initial Video Presentation and Discussion

12:00 PM 1:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Interactive Panels/Discussion

3:00 PM Snack Break and Conversation

3:30 PM - 6:00 PM Resumption of Video Presentation and Further Discussion

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## **SONGS FOR THE SHELTER**

**Saturday, November 4 at UUCI**

Save the date! Join us for a benefit concert for the Bartholomew County Humane Society on November 4 at UUCI. "Songs for the Shelter" will feature the headliners: Jackson Grimm Band and other musical acts. There will be snacks and libations, and some of the shelter dogs will be making an appearance early on in the evening.

Jan Lucas has recently released an EP of five songs online. It's called "The Hard Way Home: a story in five songs" and it features five different women vocalists on each song and a whole host of collaborators, musicians, writers, and producers.

Right now it's available on Spotify, iTunes, and YouTube. Just look under Jan's name and it should pop up. Bandcamp will be available for listening to it soon, and CDs will be available in the fall with lyric sheets and images from the project. Any monies gained from the sale of any of these songs will be donated to Girls Rock! Music Camps of Indianapolis. Please spread the word and share the music!

## SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WINTER

### HOLIDAY MARKET

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Saturday, December 2nd**

If you would like to lend a hand with this years Holiday Market, please reach out to Donna Stanley at [dstan52@frontier.com](mailto:dstan52@frontier.com)

### AUCTION SERMON

**Sunday, December 3rd**

### QUESTION BOX SERMON

**Sunday, December 10th**



### SERVICES FOR ALL AGES

The following services have been specially planned to suit the needs of all ages:

**December 17: Winter Holiday Sing a Long**

**December 24 @ 10am: Christmas Pageant**

**December 24 @ 5pm: Candlelight Service**

**December 31: Dancing into the New Year**



# 2024

LOOKING  
AHEAD

## FRIDAY NIGHT

January 26th  
February 23rd  
March 22nd  
April 26th  
May 24th

6-8pm

Stay tuned for details, but save the dates!

Contact Adrienne [children@uucci.org](mailto:children@uucci.org) if you want to help plan the fun!

12-4pm

**INTERFAITH  
SOLAR ECLIPSE VIEWING PARTY**

*Monday April 8, 2024*

Plan to join us on Monday, April 8th, 2024 to view the Solar Eclipse.

- \*Pitch in Lunch
- \*Games
- \*Crafts
- \*Fun with Friends!



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