



# The Chalice Light

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## *Sunday Morning*

**Service 11:00AM**

**Children's and Adult Classes or Forum 10:00AM**

**Halloween Party Saturday October 29th, 5pm to 7:30pm**

### Services

**October 23:** "Called to Covenant", Rev Pam Wat,  
Denton Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

**October 30:** "Halloween", Charree Mahoney

### Children's Religious Education

**Younger Children:** Tapestry of Faith

**Older Children:** Social Justice

### Forum

**October 23:** *Will Not Meet*

**October 30:** "The ACLU and Civil Liberties",  
Harvey Madison

### Intersections – Adult Religious Exploration

**October 23:** "Selections from a Jewish Prayer  
Book", Justin Blount

**October 30:** "Thomas Jefferson's Qur'an",  
Rita Chamblin

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religious community of free minds which supports your free  
and responsible search for truth and meaning.

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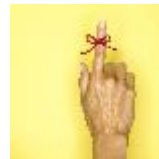


## Sunday Morning Services – Details...

**October 23:** "Called to Covenant", Rev Pam Wat, Denton Unitarian Universalist Fellowship  
**October 30:** "Halloween", Charree Mahoney

## Services – Looking Ahead...

**November 6:** TBA, Rev. Barbara Jarrell, All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, Shreveport, LA  
**November 13:** "Trip to Kenya", Patsy Malin



## Mark Your Calendar!

(See articles for more information)

**October 27:** Death Penalty Vigil, 5:45 PM  
**October 29:** Halloween Party, 5:00 to 7:30 pm  
**October 30:** Next newsletter deadline  
**November 7:** Sunday Services Committee, 7:00 PM  
**November 8:** Board Meeting, 7:30 PM  
**November 9:** Death Penalty Vigil, 5:45 PM  
**November 20:** Potluck after service  
**November 20:** documentary "WASTE LAND", 2 – 4 pm on November 20<sup>th</sup>



*Adult Religious Exploration,  
where religion intersects culture,  
science, and politics –*

## Sunday Morning Intersections: Details...

**October 23:** "Selections from a Jewish Prayer Book", Justin Blount  
**October 30:** "Thomas Jefferson's Qur'an", Rita Chamblin

## Intersections - Looking Ahead...

**November 6:** Buddhism from "Welcome to the Wisdom of the World" by Joan Chittister, led by Dorothy Joiner  
**November 13:** Will meet with Forum



## Halloween Party

By Shannon Vyff

Saturday, October 29th, 5pm to 7:30pm

Our party is all ages, but we also will have games and toys geared for kids or anyone young at heart!

We will be providing Hot Dogs and Spooky Punch. This is a pot-luck, please bring a Halloween themed (we are loose with the definition of themed, Boo Berries perhaps? ;) ) side dish, veggies, fruits or dessert.

We do need some volunteers to come and help set up for our party, the decorating will begin at 2pm.

Wear your most spooky costume or creative clothes!!!! Boo Jeans are fine as well ;) Church

members are all invited, and feel free to invite your friends and family -- Boo Friends & Ghoul Friends too ;) !!!!

Come join us at First UU Lubbock for a Frightening Time!!!!



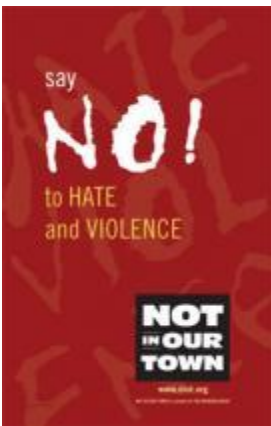
## Sunday Morning Forums Fall Schedule

By Patsy Malin

**October 30:** “The ACLU and Civil Liberties”,  
Harvey Madison

**November 13:** “Filtering Ideas on the Internet”,  
Michael Trice

**December 11:** “Teen Straight Talk”, Kathleen  
McPherson and Linda Brice, UMC



## Living Our Values

By Rita Chamblin and Pat Smith

For the second time in 3 weeks, our church has hosted a compelling documentary. The first was *Liberty in North Korea* on September 26. The most recent was *Not In Our Town: Light In the Darkness* on October 16, with twenty people attending, including 5 from First UU.

This is a PBS documentary that tells the story of residents of Patchogue, Long Island, after a series of anti-immigrant attacks ended with the hate crime killing of Marcelo Lucero. After the tragedy, the story follows residents of this small community of 12,000 people as they address the underlying causes of the violence, heal divisions, and begin to take steps to ensure that everyone in their community feels safe and respected. While starkly revealing the trauma of hate, the film provides a blueprint for people who want to do something before intolerance turns to violence.

After the screening, discussion centered on what we as local residents could do to stop hate in Lubbock. Intolerance, as we know, is not limited to immigrants, and the lessons of this film are applicable to all groups. Actions will include screenings at other churches and contacting LISD. Also, several WTOS co-chairs were present and agreed to bring it up as an issue at the next meeting. It is good to see some positive results come from our efforts!



## Documentary “WASTE LAND”

Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>

By Rita Chamblin

Filmed over nearly three years, WASTE LAND follows renowned artist Vik Muniz as he journeys from his home base in Brooklyn to his native Brazil and the world’s largest garbage dump, located on the outskirts of Rio de Janeiro. There he photographs an eclectic band of “catadores” or self-designated pickers of recyclable materials. Follow the collaboration of Muniz and the catadores as they recreate photographic images of themselves out of garbage. Come watch this film and see the stirring

evidence of the transformative power of art and the alchemy of the human spirit.

WASTE LAND has won awards at the Sundance Film Festival, Berlin International Film Festival and more, and was Oscar nominated for Best Documentary.



## Support Occupy Movement with UUSC

By Sara McLarty

*Rev. Rosemary Bray McNatt, senior minister of the Fourth Universalist Society in the City of New York, writes about signing the [UUSC open letter](#) and raising a liberal religious voice in support of the Occupy movement.*

It was a bright, beautiful Sunday afternoon that brought me to Zuccotti Park here in New York. I answered the call of my own curiosity as well as the summons for clergy of every faith to bear witness to an extraordinary grassroots movement for democratic process and economic justice. Walking along lower Broadway with my sisters and brothers of faith, being cheered by passersby — and even being joined by a few — energized me in a way I haven't felt for some time.

The Occupy movement is a growing moral and political force that has the potential to change our nation and our world. It gives productive voice to the fear and frustration of ordinary people who know something is wrong with this country that we love — something deeper than party or political position.

And even though there are other voices that seek to target the most vulnerable among us as the cause of our current malaise, the determined people of Occupy Wall Street and Occupy sites throughout the country — people of every race, religion, age, sexual orientation, gender expression, and immigration status — have chosen to end the silence about the economic and spiritual nightmare that threatens the future of us all.

We Unitarian Universalists have long echoed in our own General Assembly (GA) the outcry that has arisen in the General Assembly here in Zuccotti Park (also known as Liberty Park). In 1964, our GA general resolution described “poverty in the midst of plenty” as “intolerable to the religious conscience and incompatible with our principles of economic justice.” The threat to our common lives has only intensified since that GA resolution, and it is increasingly clear that we are approaching a state of emergency.

If you feel as I do, please [join me in voicing your support](#) for the work and witness of the Occupy movement, for though it started in New York City, it has spread to thousands of cities and towns around the world. [Please sign UUSC's open letter supporting the Occupy movement.](#)

In partnership with the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, we can [join our liberal religious voices](#) with those of thousands of other people who recognize this nation's current economic crisis as one symptom of a larger human-rights issue that affects us all.



## New Staff Appointment

By Murray Coulter

On October 16 Julie Lyde Stuart joined our childcare staff to complete the team that will help supervise our nursery and preteen children. Julie graduated from Texas Tech University in 2001 with a BS in Horticulture. Aside from her extensive experience with plants and numerous awards in horticulture, she has experience in childcare both as a parent and a private provider of early child care. Her own children are now six and eight years old and she is currently serving as a Girl Scout leader for the Texas Oklahoma Plains district. She previously provided childcare in the nursery for Trinity Presbyterian Church in McKinney, Texas. Julie attended our church a little over a year ago and

we're delighted to have her back helping in her capacity as a child care attendant.



## Giving to KOHM Radio?

By Pat Smith

If so, please give through our church. This provides us with advertising through underwriting.

**Make your check payable to First UU Church and write KOHM in the memo line. NOTE: This is a change from last year and what we announced previously.**

Drop your check in the offering basket or send to the church as soon as possible. Checks will be collected in the office and taken to the studio.

**THIS IS OUR BEST ADVERTISING.**



## Wheelock Whippets

By Sara McLarty

*New Awareness - We are glad Wheelock staff feels free to let us know what is most needed. COLORED PENCILS go to the top of the list*

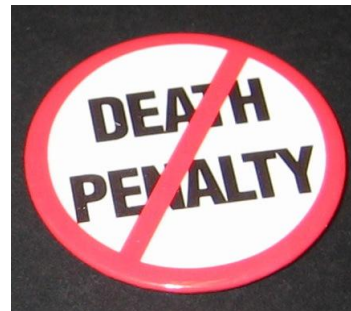
Please remember school supplies are needed for Wheelock students year round - glue sticks, Kleenex style tissues, and wide-ruled notebooks of 60 pages. Thankfully our connection is also ongoing through the services of our volunteer tutors: Rita Chamblin, Pat Smith, Don MacNair, Dorothy Joiner, Duane Christian, and Sara McLarty. If you are interested in tutoring, contact Rita Chamblin at [murphychamblin@yahoo.com](mailto:murphychamblin@yahoo.com).



## Christmas Bazaar

By Sara McLarty

Covenant Presbyterian Church at 48<sup>th</sup> and Salem will have its annual 10,000 Villages fair-traded gifts for sale the first Saturday in December, the 3rd, from 10 am to 3 pm. There are always lots of wonderful things for you to give that give artisans all over the world a decent return. Merry Christmas already!



## Death Penalty Vigils

By Rita Chamblin

The Death Penalty Vigil on October 27<sup>th</sup> will be held down the street from our church. We'll meet in the parking lot of our church and decide if we're walking or driving to 42<sup>nd</sup> and Boston for the vigil. Please let Rita Chamblin know if you plan to attend so you can receive updates should there be any changes.





## Lubbock Interfaith Dialogue Dates and Dialogue Topics for 2011

By Mary Vines, St. John's Methodist

Since February, 1985, Lubbock Interfaith Dialogue has been meeting monthly at St. John's United Methodist Church for a brown bag lunch. Meetings are from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m., usually on the fourth Tuesday of the month except in December. A presenter gives an introduction to the topic during the first part of the hour. The remainder of the hour is spent in dialogue.

The following monthly topics have been chosen for 2011:

- October 25: "The Surprising History of Abortion as an Issue for Evangelicals"
- November 22: "The Churches and U.S. Immigration Policy"

## Ethical Eating: News to Munch On

By Rita Chamblin

### Composting, Blogs and Nods

Thanks to everyone who has encouraged me in composting. Liz D. showed me her composter and assured me it was easy to use. Right she was! Murray C. helped me understand that the presence of fruit flies meant that it was too wet. I think it's balanced now and, well, composting. Note to other veg\*ns: If you prepare most of your meals from scratch, you'll tend to have more compostable material than non-veg\*n households. Keep that in mind when choosing a composter.

Ogallala Commons now has a Local Llano Blog. Here's the link to an enjoyable article on Canning, Freezing, Drying and Pickling.

<http://localllano.wordpress.com/2011/10/05/canning-freezing-drying-and-pickling/>

And, nods to Texas Tech for bringing us distinguished food author Michael Pollan. He will be speaking at the Allen Theatre on October 28<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm as part of Tech's Presidential Series. \$15.00 general admission tickets are available through Select-A-Seat online or (806) 770-2000. TTU students receive 1 free ticket with valid ID at the Student Union Building information desk. For additional information:

[www.presidentialseries.ttu.edu](http://www.presidentialseries.ttu.edu) or 806-742-0700.



## Needs and Gifts Exchange

Need something or want to give away something? Do you have something you think the church could use? Or do you need something that the church has but is not using? If so, contact the office. Let's take advantage of each other's generosity! Information will be posted on the bulletin board.

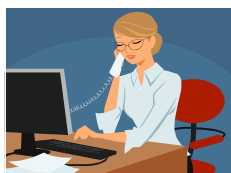
## Ongoing Church Activities



**Sunday Services Committee:** First Monday of the month, 7:00 PM.



**Board Meeting:** Second Tuesday of the month, 7:30PM



**Church Office Hours:** 1:00PM – 3:00PM, Monday through Friday



**Let's Sing!**  
Sunday morning from 9:30-10:00 in the sanctuary.



## Other Activities at the Church



**Yoga classes with Ann Moore** (\$5.00 per class):  
Tuesday and Thursday: 6:00PM  
Saturday: 10:00AM.



**Lubbock Unitarian Facebook**  
<http://www.facebook.com>



## Board Members

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Vice-President	Jim Glatz
Secretary	Jamie Naquin
Treasurer	Rita Chamblin
Past President	Pat Smith
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Trustee	James Holder



## Standing Committees/Chairs

Building/Grounds	Murray Coulter
Membership	Duane Christian
Religious Education	Shannon Vyff
Social Action	Sara McLarty
Sunday Services	Rita Chamblin, Duane Christian, Pat Smith



## Our Vision

We are Lubbock's leader in liberal religion, spiritual exploration, and rational inquiry.



## Our Mission

Our mission is to promote the growth of Unitarian Universalism in Lubbock.

- We advocate and participate in our broader community to promote peace, social justice, mutual respect, and environmental stewardship.
- We are a welcoming, inclusive, and supportive liberal religious community which celebrates personal growth, upholds universal values, and provides a safe shelter for those searching for truth and meaning.



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*"The final forming of a person's character lies in their own hands."*  
- Anne Frank