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Sunday Morning

Service 11:00AM

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

Praying in Color, March 20 !

Services

March 13: DVD "God and Disaster"

March 20: "The True Story of Sybil MacBeth and How She Learned to Pray", Scottie McIntyre Johnson, seminary student at Perkins School of Theology

Children's Religious Education- Fall Curriculum

Younger Children: Tapestry of Faith

Older Children: Social Justice

Intersections – Adult Religious Exploration

March 13: "The Immortal Self – Islam",
Richard Wilde

March 20: "The Immortal Self – Hinduism",
Richard Wilde

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The First Unitarian Universalist Church of Lubbock is a religious community of free minds which supports your free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

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Sunday Morning Services – Details...

March 13: DVD "God and Disaster"

March 20: "The True Story of Sybil MacBeth and How She Learned to Pray", Scottie McIntyre Johnson, seminary student at Perkins School of Theology. Do Unitarian Universalists pray? Can we pray? "Praying in Color" is a wordless technique for meditation or prayer, which is well-suited to UU spirituality. It has been used and enjoyed by men, women and children; whether or not they feel they are good at either praying or coloring!

Services – Looking Ahead...

March 27: "The Empathic Civilization", Rita Chamblin. Can empathy be the "invisible hand" which will guide us to extend our sense of identity to all humans? To our fellow creatures? To the biosphere?

April 3: TBA, Eric Strong



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

Sunday Morning Intersections: Details...

March 13: "The Immortal Self – Islam",
Richard Wilde

March 20: "The Immortal Self – Hinduism",
Richard Wilde

Intersections - Looking Ahead...

March 27: No Intersections – Forum "Water Issues and Solutions", Suzanne Baker

April 3: "The Immortal Self – Buddhism",
Richard Wilde



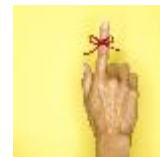
Your ideas needed!

By Pat Smith, President

Please send me your ideas for topics for the workshop we will host on April 9 for Amarillo, Midland, and Lubbock UUs. We need to start planning details, and we have requested input from the other congregations as well.

What is your burning issue? What one or two things would you like our congregation to take away from the gathering? What outcome would you personally like to see?

The last newsletter issue (February 20) gave some ideas developed by our Board of Trustees. We need your help to fill in details, and we would like your participation to continue to improve our church community.



Mark Your Calendar!

March 20: Next newsletter deadline

March 20: Potluck after service

April 4: Sunday Services Committee, 7:00 PM

April 9: Workshop here with Midland and
Amarillo UUs, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

April 12: Board Meeting, 7:00 PM



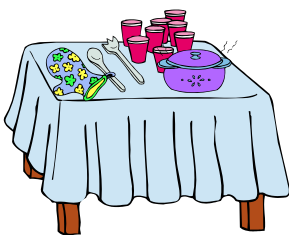


Stewardship Campaign Visits Ongoing

Barbara Holder and Sara McLarty
Stewardship Campaign Co-Chairs

This is the month for our visits with each other to support our church with service to each other and to prepare to MAKE A DIFFERENCE in our lives with a free and responsible search for truth and meaning, fostering our spiritual growth and increasing the store of love on the planet. We can learn to act boldly!!!

Please keep April 16th on your calendar for a dinner at the church celebrating our achievements.



Food, Glorious Food!

By Rita Chamblin

With our continued growth, keeping track of all of the wonderful dishes at potlucks can be difficult. So, I'm excited to announce that we now have table tents with labels for vegan, vegetarian, gluten-free and sugar-free to be used at pot-lucks and other meals. You know that several of us are vegan or vegetarian, but you might not know that we also have a number of people who need to eat gluten-free diets. Please be sure to ask Susan for the appropriate table tent(s) to help members and

friends know what they might be able to eat. And, thank you for sharing your Food, Glorious Food!



Social Action News

By Sara McLarty

The number of baskets for donations has grown to FOUR.

The added one is for clothes for Women's Protective Services, especially men's and children's clothes and shoes. The women who come to the shelter often have their almost grown sons with them. Hardly any of us think of that. This can be a VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY. The clothes must be taken to the Guadalupe Economic Service Center, 1502 Erskine Road, Avenue Q and Erskine (one mile north of 4th Street), Monday-Thursday, (closed at noon hour) because the shelter doesn't have room for sorting. Let Susan Smith in the office know if this is a service you can do a few times a year. Donations always needed.



Ethical Eating: News to Munch On

By Rita Chamblin

Lipton Tea No Longer Tested On Animals

Unilever, the maker of Lipton Teas, released this statement in January:

“Given the leadership role our tea category takes in the area of environmental sustainability and the ethical sourcing of tea, Unilever is committing to no

animal testing for our tea and tea-based beverages, with immediate effect.”

I don't know about you, but I was surprised to find that tea was tested on animals in the first place. I figured that tea was one of those plant products that had been ingested for so long that we didn't need to discover its effects. Apparently, though, Unilever was testing tea on rabbits, mice, rats and piglets to determine if tea would protect the animals from deliberately created inflammation, high cholesterol, etc. The testing was not required by regulators; it was conducted to see if there were any health benefits the company could claim for their tea products. Unilever's change of heart is being credited to a PETA campaign.



Ongoing Church Activities



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



Board Meeting: Second Tuesday of the month, 7:00 PM.



Church Office Hours: 11:00AM – 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>





Lubbock Interfaith Dialogue Dates and Dialogue Topics for 2010-2011

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.

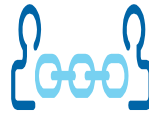
The following monthly topics have been chosen for 2010-2011:

- March 22** Global Poverty
- March 29** Planning Session
- April 26** GLBT and Faith
- May 24** The Role of Reason in Religious Belief
- June 28** Review of Karen Armstrong's The Case for God
- July 26** History of Theocracies & Their Effect on Religious Liberty
- August 23** Faith and Belief: Same or Different?



Board Members

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| President | Pat Smith |
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| Secretary | Don MacNair |
| Treasurer | Rita Chamblin |
| Past President | Harvey Madison |
| Trustee | Ray Kinserlow |
| Trustee | Jamie Naquin |



Standing Committees/Chairs

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| Membership | Duane Christian |
| Publicity | Jason R. |
| Religious Education | Charree Mahoney |
| 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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"Sometimes our light goes out but is blown into flame by an encounter with another human being."

- Dr. Albert Schweitzer