



WELCOME NEWCOMERS!

Please join us in Fellowship Hall for coffee and good conversation after the service. We have a special newcomer's table with coffee mugs and information about Unitarian Universalism. Our greeters will be there to speak with you and help you feel at home.

The Welcoming Congregation Committee will be available in the Founders Room after the service on Sunday to discuss the process and answer questions.

ANNUAL AUCTION RESULTS

Bravo! to everyone who helped create the Silver Anniversary Auction, and all who attended that night. Thanks to you, even in these uncertain economic times, the Auction raised over \$7,000 for our Fellowship. Some amazing things happened. Read more of that story in the next issue of the GUUF Flame newsletter.

Thanks again to all of UU!
- Ways & Means

Book Sale!

Old Nancy Drew & Hardy Boys hard cover books \$5 each, other hard cover books \$1, paperbacks .25 & .50 cents. Saturday, November 22nd at the GUUF Thrift Store.

Mums for the Memorial Garden

We hope you have enjoyed our Day of the Dead mums. As the blossoms begin to fade, please know there is still plenty of life left in them! Consider donating mums to our memorial garden. Hilda Howerton has offered to plant these mums in our gardens so they can offer joy and comfort year after year at the Fellowship. Bring in any mums you would like to donate to the office and she will take it from there.

Weekly Updates

on Attendance & Contributions

11/9/08 Attendance: 122

11/9/08 Contributions: \$7,694

Entrances and Exits to GUUF

In an effort to reduce the unwanted after-hours visitation by non-members to the upper parking areas on the north side of the sanctuary, B & G committee will keep the back gate locked except for Sundays. This means that only the primary entrance off State Park Road will be available during the week. If you are planning a special meeting or event and wish to use the upper parking areas, please see Corry Clark or a member of the B & G committee for the lock combination.



This year, give a gift that truly keeps on giving...like a chicken for Central American villagers, or food for a homeless Upstate family, or medicine for a wounded animal. The **Alternative Gift Fair** is an opportunity to honor friends and family with donations to worthy causes, instead of buying more "stuff" to clutter up their closets. Then, present them with lovely cards describing their gifts. For those on your list who require actual "stuff," there will also be a 10,000 Villages festival sale of handcrafts.

Come celebrate a less stressful, more meaningful holiday on **Sunday, November 23**, from **noon to 3 p.m.** at the Greenville Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 1135 State Park Road. For more information, call 864-370-3493 or visit <http://greenvilleuu.org/altgift/> Alternative gifts range from \$5 to \$100 and are all tax deductible.

~ Congregational Care Items ~

We extend our loving support to:

Maureen Nery's 90-year-old mother on her "last great journey"
Suzanne Hart as she recovers from surgery
Susan Hiers as she closes a chapter; her ex-mother-in-law
battle with cancer
Keith Mundis & family -- Keith's mother-in-law died

We celebrate with:

The family of newborn Olivia Rose
Annie Pal -- new job at last

~ ~ On Going Meetings and Classes ~ ~

Childcare begins at 9:30 am each Sunday

A Course in Miracles (LOR) Sundays, 9:45 — 10:45 am, Contact: Jean Blank (239-0110)

African Drum Classes (FH) 1st Thursdays, 6:30 — 7:30 pm, Contact: Joan Baker (232-1660)

Community Drum Circle (FH) Last Sundays of each month, 1:00 — 2:00 pm, Contact: Joan Baker (292-6054)

Discussion Group (FR) Every Sunday, 9:45 — 10:45 am, Contact: Cliff Beck (848-9734)

Women's Book Group (WR) 2nd Sunday each month, 9:45 — 10:45 am, Contact: Susan Cooper (288-4912)

Zen Meditation (LOR) Tuesdays, 7:30 pm, Contact: Carole McAfee (236-8484)

Senior Fellowship (FH) Cancelled until further notice.

Dinner & A Movie (FH) Every 2nd Sunday of the month at 6:00 pm, Contact: Bo Boghani (458-8332)

The ManKind Project (WR) Every Wednesdays of each month, 7:00 — 9:00 pm, Contact: John Szczesniak (901-6068)

Yoga (FH) Every Tuesdays starting Oct. 7th — Nov. 18th, 6:30 — 8:15 pm, Contact: Bruce Cable (brucecable@hotmail.com or 906-8067)

Highlights in Lifespan Religious Education
From Babies to Sages
November 16, 2008

Classes and Events Today

9:30	<i>Childcare begins</i>
9:45	<i>Adults — Saving Jesus, Course in Miracles, Spirit Play Manipulatives Class Children's Chapel with Kris Beliakoff</i>
10:00	<i>Spirit Play Kingdom of Equals (5th and 6th grade)</i>
11:00	<i>Middle School, 9th grade, 10-12th grade classes with advisors and college-aged guests from Greenville Tech.</i>
11:20	<i>Elementary -- PEACE (Social Action)</i>
12:30	<i>CYRE meeting in 5th-6th grade room</i>

SAVE THESE DATES!

Nov. 14-16 Middle School CON at the Mountain in Highlands, NC

Nov. 16 – Senior High Youth CON papers due!

Children and Youth RE Committee Meeting – 12:30 5th/6th grade
room

Nov. 22 – 23 Coming of Age Retreat

Nov 23 – Middle School Social Action Scavenger Hunt

NO RE classes at 11:00 or children's program – Intergenerational
Service

Teens are invited to work the Alternative Gift Fair after the service.

Nov. 30 – No RE classes FOR ANY AGES. Relaxed fellowship time.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Dec. 5-7 High School CON at the Mountain in Highlands, NC

Children – The Humane Society loved our dog and cat Halloween
treat bags. They gave us lots of smiles and when they saw the
chocolate for the humans, they were extra happy! Good job!

This Day in VU History

November 16, 1611

John Tyscovicus of Bielsk, Poland was executed and dismembered
because he would not take an oath on the Trinity but only to God.

His village council had exonerated him of the charges, but Queen
Constantia, wife of Sigismund III overruled their verdict.

Food Drive Steps into High Gear



Southern Side has reported that their need for canned food is greater than ever. If you can help, please bring in items and put them in the red wagon or the boxes in the RE lobby. The children and teens are combining forces to assist and deliver the food.



ALL AGES -- Dec. 21st is our Holiday Intergenerational Service.

The theme is Winter Celebration and we will be calling for singers and dancers of all ages. Start warming up your singing voice and get out those dancing shoes. There is a place for all abilities, and this promises to be a wonderful worship for all ages.



9th Grade Coming of Age Circle Retreat

**Saturday November 22nd 4 PM to Sunday morning November 23rd
MaKensie's house near Woodruff Road and 385**

Bring a tent if you wish to camp in the backyard, otherwise, a sleeping bag and a willingness to retreat together to get to know each other and delve much deeper into getting to know yourself as a spiritual journeyer. We will mix group sessions with late night fellowship time. Rest beforehand, because we will be up late! RSVP please (906-5368 or text MaKensie). Sorry, no guests for this one.



Middle School Social Action and Social Time November 23rd

4:30 –7:00 PM Eddie's house near Woodruff Road and 385

We are hosting a scavenger hunt for canned food for Southern Side. Afterwards we will eat spaghetti, play ping pong, Rock Band, roast marshmallows and get to know each other better. RSVPs appreciated (906-5368). Yes, you can bring a friend! Grades 6th through 8th. Older siblings who wish to help cook are welcome if you invite them.



Carriage Rides! RE Families and Friends

December 14, 5:15, Fountain Inn

Join us in Fountain Inn at the Christenbury's house at 5:15 on December 14th for hot cocoa, cider, and light refreshments. Together we will walk the 1 ½ blocks to tour historic downtown Fountain Inn aboard carriages. Price: children 3-10 \$4, adults \$6. Address: 200 Inn Circle, Fountain Inn (just short distance off of 385).

Spiritual Cinema -- Adults
November 19, Wednesday, 7 PM, Founders Room
Purple State of Mind

Welcome to a conversation between two old friends. Welcome to a real conversation about the things that divide and unite all of us: our memories, our identities, our beliefs, our choices. Craig and John have known each other for twenty five years. When they roomed together in college they were devout Christians. It was Craig's first year in the faith, John's last. After college they parted ways, and when they met again, years later, they never talked about what happened . . . Until now . . . Their conversation starts as a bull session between pals and becomes a story about how people make friends, and how they lose them; how people change, how they grow, and how they deal with the big stuff: death, sex, the meaning of life, God. The conversation between Craig and John captures in all its intimacy and difficulty a one on one reckoning between two people who want to understand each other but won't compromise their beliefs. At a time when the country is ever more divided over questions of faith and doubt, welcome to a new way of talking . . . Welcome to a new territory of the heart. Welcome to a Purple State of Mind. Facilitator Kris Beliakoff

Saving Jesus has four more classes. We are planning to run the class again for new participants beginning in February. Please see Jackie Weddington or Kris Beliakoff to pre-register. We are already filling up. Thank you!

The GUUF Discussion Group
Short Story Discussion Session

December 7 at 9:45 a.m. in the Founders' Room.

Five stories by Bailey White will be featured: "Dead On The Road," "Something Like A Husband," "Sleep and Prayer," "Good Housekeeping" and "The Telephone Man."

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