

# Greenville Unitarian Universalist Fellowship



*Bruce Knotts*

*Faith to Change the World*



January 10, 2010

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# GREENVILLE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP

Sunday, January 10, 2010

## *Order of Service*

|                                       |   |                                |
|---------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| <b>Prelude</b>                        |   | Joy Hughes                     |
| <b>Welcome</b>                        |   | Reverend Pat Jobe              |
| <b>Sharing the Hand of Fellowship</b> |   |                                |
| <b>Chalice Lighting</b>               |   | Alex Anderson                  |
| <b>Opening Words</b>                  |   | Sara Harris                    |
| <b>* Opening Song</b>                 | <i>Now Let Us Sing – # 368</i>  | All sing                       |
|                                       | <i>(Hymn Hotline Request by Candy Kern-Fuller)</i>  |                                |
| <b>Community Caring</b>               | <i>Please share your joys &amp; sorrows in our Community Memory Book before or after the service.</i> |                                |
| <b>Candles of Joys &amp; Sorrows</b>  |   | Jan Humphrey                   |
| <b>Story of All Ages</b>              |   | Maureen Nery                   |
| <b>Children's Benediction</b>         | <i>Go Now in Peace – # 413</i>  | All sing                       |
| <b>Words for Reflection</b>           |   | Diane Shipp                    |
| <b>Silence for Reflection</b>         |   |                                |
| <b>Special Music</b>                  | <i>I'm Gon' Stand ~ by Bernice Johnson Reagon</i>   | Choir                          |
| <b>Offertory</b>                      | <i>Blowing in the Wind ~ by Bob Dylan</i>   | Kelley Wills & Julie Csizmadia |
| <b>Introduction of Speaker</b>        |   | Lynn Cusick                    |
| <b>Sermon</b>                         | <i>Faith to Change the World</i>  | Bruce Knotts                   |
| <b>* Closing Song</b>                 | <i>I Wish I Knew How – # 151</i>  | All sing                       |
| <b>Closing Words</b>                  |   | Elizabeth Caines               |
| <b>Postlude</b>                       |   | Megan Lewis                    |
| <b>Benediction</b>                    |   | Reverend Pat Jobe              |

*Flowers are placed by Cathy Jaggars & Steve Compton in memory of their fathers.*

**“Joys and Sorrows”** -- You may write your Joys or Sorrows in the Memory Book on the table in the front of the Sanctuary. The worship associate will then craft a short prayer lifting up those Joys and Sorrows. If you are not inclined to write in the book, you may also simply light a candle in silence.



*~ Thanks to Our Service Associates ~*

Pianist ..... Joy Hughes  
 Bass ..... Isaac Fitzer  
 Ushers ..... Diane & Chuck Lawrence  
 Greeters ..... Cathy Zellmann & Candy Kern-Fuller  
 Sound Crew ..... Chevar Ray Brown, Richard Fuller & Reed Humphrey

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit as you are willing and able.*

***Please turn off cell phones, pagers, etc. before our service begins.***

- ***Welcome Newcomers!*** If you are here for the first or second time, please feel free to let the offering basket pass you by; you are our guest. After the service, you are warmly welcome to join us in the Right Over Flow Room, under the Welcome Banner, for coffee and conversation. Welcoming members will be there to meet and talk with you.
- Recordings of Sunday Services may be ordered and picked up opposite the wooden entrance doors to the sanctuary where the Audio Stand is located or by email to recorded4uu@gmail.com.

Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 11 a.m.  
***MLK Sunday***  
*Reverend Pat Jobe*  
 For more information visit [www.greenvilleuu.org](http://www.greenvilleuu.org)

The amount needed each week ***from pledges and other contributions*** is \$5,360.  
**1/3/2010 Service \$ 3,029**  
**Year to date weekly average \$ 5,232**  
**1/3/2010 Service Attendance 104**

## Introduction to Bruce Knotts

Bruce Knotts, a retired U.S. diplomat and current head of the United Nations Office of the Unitarian Universalist Association will bring to Greenville, SC his message that small groups of committed people can change the world. Knotts has been heavily involved with the International Criminal Court. He continues to advocate for the women and children of Sudan. Knotts, an openly gay man, has successfully brought to the international stage the issue of equal rights for LGBT people. His newest initiative is shaping global climate change policies at the United Nations and examining what role faith based organizations play in forming those policies. Knotts has represented the United States at embassies in more than 20 countries and served on the UN High Commission on Refugees. Dynamic and personable, Knotts brings stories of success and a message of empowerment to both adults and youth.

### I'm Gon' Stand

by Bernice Johnson Reagon

*These are the words of the Rev. Benjamin Chavis, spoken from a jail cell in N. Carolina in 1971 after having been convicted of conspiracy to start a riot. There was a national and worldwide campaign, to free him and the high school students convicted with him. As a result, the charges were commuted to time served.*

We will not bow down to (3x) racism, injustice, exploitation.

I'm gon' stand.

Just can't tolerate (3x) racism, injustice, exploitation.

I'm gon' stand.

We will not obey (3x), racism, injustice, exploitation.

I'm gon' stand.

I'm gon' stand!

#### **Hymn Hotline"**



*Feeling despaired in a way that only your favorite tune can cure? Never fear, the Hymn Hotline is here! Let us know what you'd like to hear and we will get it in the service, and with a nod your way to boot! Email [music@greenvilleuu.org](mailto:music@greenvilleuu.org) today!*



## Highlights in Lifespan Religious Education

### From Babies to Sages

January 10, 2010

Welcome Bruce Knotts!

A HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

#### Classes and Events Today

|                |  |
|----------------|--|
| 9:30 AM        | Childcare Opens— ages newborn to 3 years old, 4 if newcomer    |
| 9:45 to 10:45  | Course in Miracles, Discussion Group -- Adults                 |
| 9:45 to 10:45  | Children's activities ages 4 and up, Lego competition!         |
| 11:00 to 12:15 | Middle School and Senior High classes in service today         |
| 11:20-12:15    | Spirit Play and 4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Grade classes |

#### Annual Yule Log children's chapel

Thank you Todd and Dana Couillard for assisting with this children's worship.

If you would like a coal from our Yule log we burned last week, please look for the display in the RE lobby and help yourself. Tradition holds that you are carrying the light of the community home with you when you take that coal. You may start a fire now or wait for the time you wish to burn your own Yule log. Either way, this coal should be placed in the fire as you begin.

Next Children and Youth Chapel: February 7<sup>th</sup>, 10 AM.



#### Parent's Afternoon Out! January 31<sup>st</sup>, 12:30 PM to 5 PM Ages 3 to 6th grade Fundraiser

**Cost:** What is an afternoon of childcare with food provided worth to you? Donations accepted for our youth travel fund.

Shop, take care of chores, or just relax with some quiet time while we entertain your children.

#### This Month's theme is "Games" Lunch Provided

All with tons of attention from our loving senior high teens. Supervised by adults We hope to see you there! Let your friends know. (All children must be registered day of event by their own adult family member.). Event will be in RE classrooms and common area.

Notes: Parent's Afternoon's Out is a service we plan to provide about every six weeks or so.



## Children and Youth Religious Education

### Dates to know

January 9th — Bruce Knotts, Director UU-UNO reception, 7PM  
January 10th — MS and SH in service for UU-UNO service  
January 16-17 — Senior High Mountain Tubing overnight  
January 24th — Last day to sign up for Special Friends! Pie Day MS and SH!  
January 31st — Parent's Afternoon Out, 12:30 to 5 PM  
February 6 OR 7 — Middle School Mountain Tubing, Feb. 7th  
February 14th — Special Friends!  
February 21st — Paintball, MS and SH  
March 5th-7th — SH Mountain Con, Highlands

### You are Never Too Old to Make New Friends!

#### Special Friends Week is coming up!

February 7-14th, 2010

*Signups begin January 3<sup>rd</sup>*



Now is your chance to be a part of a long tradition in the cross-generational web of life at GUUF. We invite friends, young and old, to participate in a Valentine's week of delightful surprises. Please join us in an opportunity to make an interesting new friend in the congregation.

We need adults to sign up to be paired with a child. During Valentine's Week, you will contact your child two or three times by sending valentines, poems, riddles, etc. You'll send one of two identical nametags you create at the end of the week to be worn by each of you on Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. On that Sunday your "Special Friend" identity will be revealed to your child and you two will visit at a hot chocolate and cookie reception after the service. If you would like to participate, please sign up in the RE area to receive further details. There will also be sign-up sheets distributed in the weekly Spark next week. Don't miss this opportunity to win a child's heart!

**PARENTS:** We hope your children will want to participate. It is a lot of fun, and we have had excellent participation in past years, forging strong intergenerational bonds. Please contact this year's coordinator, Kristen Brewer, at [brewkris@gmail.com](mailto:brewkris@gmail.com) if you have any questions. Drop children's forms in the Special Friends box in the RE area. **Deadline to sign up is January 24, 2010.**

**New Adult RE Class taking registrations!  
Our American Roots, Unitarian Universalism  
in North America**

**Starts January 24th. 9:45 AM, Sundays. Six sessions. Facilitator:  
Karen Conrad. Merging with Discussion Group in  
Founders Room**

**Registrations requested:**

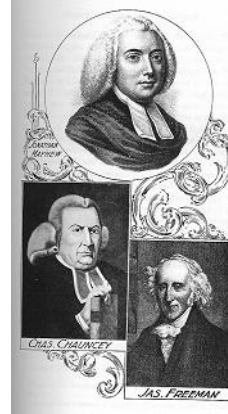
[adultregistration@greenvilleuu.org](mailto:adultregistration@greenvilleuu.org)/271-4883

Using video, readings, and discussion, this course offers an overview of some of the most significant issues, people and moments in UU history in the early days of our country, giving newcomers and old-timers alike a unique perspective on the development of our nation and the significant role of our religious forebears. At a time in our history when the religious right is laying claim to our nation, these videos may help educate and support Unitarian Universalists in claiming the role our religious forebears played in forming our United States and to carrying forward the cause of liberty and justice for all.

Some history reading for those so inclined. These are complete texts:

<http://www.ibiblio.org/pub/docs/books/gutenberg/etext05/8unit10h.htm>

<http://harvardsquarelibrary.org/UIA%20Online/index.html>



**Sunday morning adult RE classes**

Childcare and/or children's activities are provided for the littlest ones so all of you (with children or without) can come early and replenish your spirit, meet some great fellow GUUF community members and enter into great dialogue. Grab a cup of coffee from our GUUF Café and try one of the following:

Course in Miracles — What if we are all connected and what we see is an illusionary experience? 9:30 AM, PK—K class room.

Discussion Group — Topical and changes week to week. Occasionally hosts a curricular topic. 9:45 AM, Founders Room.

Choir — Sing, play an instrument, tap your toes, just join! 9:30 AM

Spirit Play manipulatives — Help us prepare our amazing story materials. 10 AM .

Scrapbookers — Help us preserve the memories of this wonderful spiritual community. 10 AM.

Knitting ministry — Relaxed time to chat and help out refugees facing another harsh winter. 10 AM, GUUF Café.

**10 AM Children's Activities Schedule and Needs**

*Can you help? Activities start at 10 AM*

- 10-Jan-10 Lego competition: Jennifer Cowden
- 17-Jan-10 Play room: \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- 24-Jan-10 Decorations for Special Friends reception:  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- 31-Jan-10 Decorations for Special Friends reception  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- 7-Feb-10 Children's Chapel and gifts for Special Friends: Kris B.

**Are you willing to share your Spiritual Practice  
with our youth?**

Our senior high class is a very busy group that takes time once or twice a month to slow down and experience a spiritual practice shared by an adult. Do you have one that you are willing to share? Yoga? Meditation? Painting? Knitting? Hiking? Social action? If you would be willing to join our class one morning at 11 AM, please let Kris know and she will help you plan and find a date in the calendar that works for you. This group has completed the Coming of Age program. *Thank you to all of you that have responded. This initiative is going very well!*

**How to Reach Us:**

Kris Beliakoff, Director of Lifespan Religious Education & Administration

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Steve Duda, Children and Youth Religious Education Co-Chair, [Steve.Duda@aecom.com](mailto:Steve.Duda@aecom.com)

**For photos from children and youth events, join Facebook and “befriend” GUUF DLREA. Parents, make sure your children are registered to stay in the information loop!**

**Next RE Meetings:** Children and Youth – January 10th, After Service; Adult RE – January 24<sup>th</sup> after the service. Check your weekly *Spark*. New committee members always welcome! Childcare provided by childcare staff or volunteers.

**~~On Going Meetings and Classes~~**

***Childcare begins at 9:30 am each Sunday***

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

**Beginner African Drumming** (CR) 1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays 6:30 – 7:30 pm class fee, 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday 6:30 – 7:30 pm beginner practice , Contact: Joan Baker (232-1660)

**Finger Food & A Movie** (SAC) 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month, 6 — 10 pm, Contact: Bo Boghani (458-8332) **\*Note\* No movies for the months of Jan, Feb and March. Next movie in April.**

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

**Women’s Book Group** (WR) 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month, Contact: Susan Cooper (288-4912)

**Zen Meditation** (SAC) Tuesdays, 7:30 pm promptly, if you need some guidance then show up at 7:15 pm, website: [meditation.meetup.com/216](http://meditation.meetup.com/216) Contact: Carole McAfee (834-7390)

**Old GUUFers** (Off Site) 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month, 12:00 – 2:00 pm, Contact: Suzanne Hart (235-1714)

**GUUF Singers** (CR) Sundays, 9:30 – 10:45 am, Contact: Miriam Davidson (285-0994 or [miriam@wishingchair.com](mailto:miriam@wishingchair.com))

**Hiking Group** (Off Site) on going with dates and locations to be determined, Contact: Karen Csizmadia (322-6441)

**New Earth Spirit Group** (TBA) 2nd Saturday each month, will support all fire ceremonies, interested persons should contact: Dana Couillard at (423-4221 or [windwalkermoon@yahoo.com](mailto:windwalkermoon@yahoo.com)) **\*NOTE\* January 2010 Meeting will be held on January 16<sup>th</sup> due to the Bruce Knotts reception.**



## Dear GUUF Supporters

As you probably know, our annual auction was postponed until the spring of next year. Some of the biggest social events sold at the silent auction were the wonderful dinners or special items donated and subscribed to by generous people like you. At a recent board meeting, the Board authorized me to undertake a project to see if we could organize these dinners and other items on a monthly basis to continue our social events and replenish some of the funds we would have received from the auction that normally occurs in the month of November.

Each month we are offering two dinners or other items. You will be able to specify which month, how many participants, and what kind of dinners/item you are willing to donate. I will organize and collect the funds. All you have to do is to provide the dinners/item, entertain the guests at your home or place of your choice and have fun. If you are interested in hosting please call Bo Boghani about dates and other details 864-458-8332 until January 5th or Bill Schulze after January 6th 864-232-0889.

Thank you for your support!

## **Special social/ fund raising events for the month of February and March**

### **Bloody Mary Brunch with Lynne Lucas and Lynn Cusick:**

Come enjoy Bloody Mary brunch at the cozy home of Lynne Lucas and Lynn Cusick.

Date: February 13, Saturday at 10:30 AM

Cost: \$30 per person

Limited to 8 participants only

### **Vegetarian Dinner from Merridee Harper and Chef David Bloomberg:**

If you have not tried this dinner from Harp-Bergs in the past, you have misses a wonderful cuisine. But do not wait any longer. You get another chance to sign up for this event.

Date: February 21, Sunday at 5:00 PM

Cost: \$30 per person

Limited to 10 participants only

### **Pottery Painting Party at Color Clay Cafe:**

Personalize a plate, mug or bowl and enjoy fellowship with other UUs.

Appetizers and spirits are provided for inspiration. For adults and children age 12 and up  
Date: March 26, Friday  
Cost: \$30 per person  
Limited to 20 participants only

**Indian Dinner delivered at your home from Annie Pal:**

This is the best bargain. Annie will cook and deliver an Indian Dinner for 8 to 10 people. You can choose vegetarian or non vegetarian cuisine. You provide salad and drinks and Annie brings you the rest.

Date: March 13, Saturday at 5:00 PM

Cost: \$90 for the entire meal. Where else can you feed a group of 8 to 10 for \$90?

If you are interested in signing up for any of these dinners, please call or e mail Bo Boghani until January 5th and call or e mail Bill Schulze after January 6th with a check for the appropriate amount made out to "GUUF" with a note in the memo area ". First come first served. So do not wait.

**Bo Boghani [boghanibs@bellsouth.net](mailto:boghanibs@bellsouth.net) 864-458-8332 or Bill Schulze [billschulze@gmail.com](mailto:billschulze@gmail.com) 864-232-0889**

*☞ Congregational Care Items ☜*

*We extend our loving support to:*

Pat Edwards' partner, Susan, who lost her husband to cancer.  
Melissa Vogel whose uncle passed away on Christmas Day.

*We celebrate with:*

Karen Conrad whose stepdaughter married recently.  
Betsy & Charlie Smith whose daughter, Laura, was able to return to Salt Lake City after a two-week illness and hospitalization.

If you or a member of your family are in crisis or are hospitalized, please contact Pat Jobe at 843-708-1033 or contact the office during office hours. Pat is available 24/7 for emergencies, but other needs can generally come through the office. Pat is working on getting a local cell phone.

**Website and Technology Roundtable**

Special, "one time only" meeting for those interested in discussing the GUUF's presence on the world wide web. Member's section, concerns, ideas...all are welcome. Sunday, January 31 after the service. Please join us!

**WELCOME NEWCOMERS!**

Please join us in right overflow room 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.

### **Did you know...?**

that there is a basket with 'Sexton Project Forms' in the volunteer office where you can let us know about a broken hymnal rack or any other project around the fellowship that needs fixing. Just fill out the form and drop it in the basket and the sexton will get to it as soon as possible! (Of course, you can still e-mail Corry Clark, our Administrative Assistant, with your suggestions, too.)

### **Building Plan Task Force Reports & Annex Tours**

All members should have received the Building Plan Task Force (BPTF) 'Annex Dilemma' Reports. If you did not receive a copy please notify Bibi Harris ([president@greenvilleuu.org](mailto:president@greenvilleuu.org)).

The BPTF has scheduled 2 annex tours to allow congregants the opportunity to see the annex and ask questions about the reports. These tours will be held on **January 10th and January 17th** following the service in the annex building.

### **Did You Know????**

All coins collected in the plate on Sunday collections are no longer deposited into the general operating fund. We have wonderful volunteers who roll the change and the change is deposited into the bank and that amount is credited to the Minister's discretionary fund for him to be able to help those who call him in need.



### **Choir News**

In celebration of upcoming events, we'd like to invite you lend your voices and spirits in song: January 17 in honor of Martin Luther King Day and on February 14 when we recognize, with other congregations across the country, National Standing on the Side of Love Day. We will be singing songs to inspire hope and love. The selections are moving, powerful, but easy enough for anyone to join in.

In addition to regular rehearsals on Sunday mornings there are few Wednesday night rehearsals: 1/13 and 2/10 from 7-8:30 pm in the choir room. Please come. If you'd like to drop an email to say, 'I'm in!' please do: [music@greenvilleuu.org](mailto:music@greenvilleuu.org). Let us know if you need childcare at least a week in advance.

## **The Winter Leadership Development Program Begins January 17<sup>th</sup>**

Calling all people who want to learn new skills, explore potential leadership abilities, satisfy your curiosity, or just look for something to do on winter Sunday afternoons -- The Winter Leadership Development program begins January 17<sup>th</sup> and concludes on February 21<sup>st</sup>. The sessions begin at 12:30 p.m. and end at 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be served. These classes are open to all members of the congregation and there is no commitment to accept a leadership position.

The topics to be covered are:

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| Session 1 | What type of leader are you?                      |
| Session 2 | GUUF Structure 101                                |
| Session 3 | Meetings, Meetings, and More Meetings!            |
| Session 4 | Communications – The Lifeblood of a Committee     |
| Session 5 | Building A Successful Committee                   |
| Session 6 | Tying Up The Loose Ends & Celebrating Our Success |

While these sessions are tailored to GUUF, the skills we will discuss are transferable to any organization including the workplace. Please RSVP to [pastpresident@greenvilleuu.org](mailto:pastpresident@greenvilleuu.org) so that we can plan for materials and food. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact any member of the Leadership Development Team: Peggy Baker, Candy Kern-Fuller, Matt Fitzer, Chip Radford, or Jim Buschur.

## **Announcing the Alice Southworth Schulman, Class of 1954, Simmons Scholarship for Unitarian Universalist Women**

Thanks to the generosity of Mrs. Alice S. Schulman, a Simmons alumna and active Unitarian Universalist, a scholarship is given to support one Unitarian Universalist woman attending Simmons College in Boston. Although this endowment is administrated by the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA), students must apply through the Office of Student Financial Services at Simmons College <<http://www.simmons.edu/undergraduate/financialaid/>

We recommend submitting the "Information Profile for Endowed Scholarships Form" from Simmons College in addition to the FAFSA so Simmons can identify you as a Unitarian Universalist woman eligible for this scholarship. The UUA validates all candidates and students may reapply for the scholarship each year. The applicant must be an undergraduate student entering her first year of studies in the fall of 2010. For more information, email Catherine Lynch at [development@uua.org](mailto:development@uua.org).