

# Williamsburg Unitarian Universalists

A Welcoming, Worshiping, Witnessing Community

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# This Sunday at WUU: August 11, 2013

#### 10:00 am

Rev. Jennifer Ryu

"Don't Call Me A Saint"

Dorothy Day has been called many things: Catholic anarchist, Holy troublemaker, and Servant of God (candidate for Sainthood). She committed her life to those for whom the world cares the least. Her legacy stands as a challenge not only for Catholics, but to all who affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person. This sermon was purchased in the last WUU Auction.

Faith Development Program for Children:

"Eco-Connect." meets in Fahs House at 10am

# This Weekend and the Coming Week Click for entire WUU Calendar

# Sunday, August 11

- 10:00 am, Worship, Sanctuary
- 10:00 am, Eco-Connect for Kids, Fahs House
- 11:15 am, Visioning Circle, Parker House (must be signed up to attend-contact office)

# Monday, August 12

- 10:00 am, Creative Arts Group, Fahs House
- 7:00 pm, Buddhist Meditation, Sanctuary

# Tuesday, August 13

- 7:00 pm, QiGong Practice, Narthex
- 7:00 pm, Worship Team Meeting, Sanctuary

### Wednesday, August 15

- 2:00 pm, Board Governance Committee Meeting, Fahs House
- 4:00 pm, Building Our Future Planning Meeting, Parker House
- 7:00 pm, Worship Associate Orientation, Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm, Doctrine of Discovery Study Group, Fahs House

# Friday, August 16

6:00 pm, 3rd Potluck-School Supply Drive Kick-Off, Sponsored by WUU Office

# Next Sunday: August 18, 2013

# 10:00am

#### Rev. Sherman Logan

"An Unsung Hero" The Ministry of Egbert Ethelred Brown

Few Unitarian Universalists know of the Rev. Egbert Ethelred Brown, yet he was one of the heroes of our faith. Rev. Brown was the first African American Unitarian minister who set out to bring the message of the liberal faith to his community in spite of facing racial and class prejudices. His inspirational story was an important part of our history and it is equally important for understanding our tradition today.

Steve Brecker, David Hamilton, Scott Varney, and Paulette Amory will provide today's music.

\* Religious Education (Eco-Connect) for children today starting at 10am. Please proceed directly to Fahs House.

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# 3rd Potluck, School Supply Drive Kick-Off

**3rd Potluck, School Supply Drive Kick-Off** Friday, August 16 at 6:00 pm is our 3rd potluck. This month is sponsored by the WUU office staff and we will kicking-off a school supply drive. The WJCC Community Action Agency has 70 middle and high school students that not afford their school supplies. Let us help ease some worry by helping to provide some of those needed supplies. Bring a dish to share and if you can bring something(s) off of their school supply list. There will also be a collection box in the office and the Narthex. We will be collecting through September 8. Here is a list of the items needed:

Inexpensive Flash Drive (4+GB)

Inexpensive Ear Buds

3" x 5" Index Cards Wide-ruled Filler Paper

Blue/Black Pens Pencils (mechanical or regular)

Highlighters Colored Pencils

Dividers Glue Sticks

Sheet Protectors Pencil Pouch

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# **Worship Associate Orientation**

**Wednesday, August 14th from 7-9 pm** in the Sanctuary, we will hold our first Worship Associate Orientation. All, regardless of age, that are curious about what we do are more than welcome to attend.

If you have wondered what being a worship associate entails, have thought about doing a story, reading a poem or other literary work, or perhaps sharing a From the Heart, please come join us!

We welcome all levels of participation, from reading a single poem, to being a Worship Associate once a year, to joining our team and helping on a regular basis. Your contribution to what we do will always be appreciated. You may register by <u>clicking here</u>, or by contacting the office at <u>office@wuu.org</u> or (757) 220-6830

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# **Building Our Future-Step By Step**

#### **Building Our Future Checklist:**

 Continue to sign up for the Visioning Circles, in the foyer on Sunday morning or by contacting the office at 220-6830 or office@wuu.org • Have a question about the Visioning Circles? Ask a participant. Stop by the table on Sunday to see the list.

Les Solomon <u>wuu.bof@gmail.com</u> Chair, Building Our Future Step By Step

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#### **Social Justice News**

#### **FISH Needs**

The volunteers at FISH report that they can always use canned vegetables of all kinds

# Hampton Roads PRIDEFest 2013, OUT in the Park, August 10

This marks 25 years that an annual pride event has been celebrated in Hampton Roads for the LGBT community, LGBT supporters, and everyone who wishes to Stand By the Side of Love. Again this year, the event will be held at Norfolk's Town Point Park. The date is Saturday August 10 from Noon Until 6. Last year, more than 15,000 people attended and this year is expected to be even bigger and better. There will be food and beverage available, with vendors and non profit organizations from near and far. Open to all ages, there will be family-friendly activities, music, exhibitions, and fun for all.

# **Remembrance Ceremony**

The Jamestown Middle Passage Committee In cooperation with the National Park Service and Preservation Virginia invite you to attend a Remembrance Ceremony and Marker Installation. Join us as we honor the 2,000,000 Africans who died in the Middle Passage and the 500,000 enslaved survivors and their descendants who helped build this nation. Friday, August 23, 2013, 6:00 pm, Historic Jamestowne Visitor Center, 1368 Colonial Parkway, Jamestown, Virginia 23081 Please RSVP to 757.725.1653 or memogroup@cox.net no later than August 16.

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#### Lifespan Faith Development

# **Book Study Group**

The Book Study Group that meets at Pat Hoppe's house on Sundays at 6 pm extends an invitation to new members who wish to explore THE PORTABLE JUNG which is edited by Joseph Campbell (author of THE POWER OF MYTH). The group's first meeting will be on September 8th at 6 pm. In order to register for the book study, call Pat Hoppe at 757-903-7749. She will send directions to her home and order a book for you if you need one.

#### **Understanding the Doctrine of Discovery Study Group**

The Doctrine of Discovery (DOD, also called the Doctrine of Christian Discovery) is a principle law developed in a series of 15th century Papal bulls and 16th century charters by Christian European monarchs on the basis ow which much of the rest of the world was explored and colonized by Europeans. It contained a theological justification of colonization that later became a nationalistic one.

Learn about the historical impact of the Doctrine of Discovery (DOD) on the world and how we as Unitarian-Universalists can help repudiate the DOD. Discover connections of the DOD to immigration issues. Understand the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as an antidote to the effects of the DOD.

Session 1: The Doctrine of Discovery - Hidden in Plain Sight

Session 2: Native Voices on the Doctrine of Discovery and Immigration

Session 3: How Are We Called to Respond?

We will meet at Fah's for the first session and in the sanctuary for the last two on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 pm on August 14, 21 & 28<sup>th</sup>.

Please register for the sessions (1, 2 or all 3) at the following link:

Register Here or by calling the office at (757) 220-6830 or email office@wuu.org

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# **Green Sanctuary News**

# Adopt-a-Highway cleanup rescheduled!

We'll make another attempt to clean up Ironbound Road on Saturday, August 17, 10 AM (weather

permitting, as always). Please come join our crew to enjoy the fresh air and company. We do need **pre-registration**, so please email rbaldwin-at-widomaker.com.

#### **Plastics**

### ONLY BRING TO WUU #5 OR BOTTLE-SHAPED #1 AND #2 PLASTICS

Regretfully, James City County no longer is accepting plastics for recycling except the #1 and 2 that have a bottle necked shape. However, you can continue to deliver #5s to the bins behind Fahs house because we take turns driving them to Whole Foods in Richmond that contracted with a company that will transform #5s into toothbrushes, et al. Whole Foods recycles corks too. If you do not have curbside pickup, you also can bring your bottle shaped #1s and 2s for us to deliver to James City County convenience centers Thanks for your cooperation, and we will notify you if the situation improves.

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# **Caring Committee News**

Please contact the Caring Committee at <a href="mailto:caringchair@wuu.org">caringchair@wuu.org</a> if you know of a member of the Congregation in need of support, or if you are in need of support.

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#### **Other News**

#### **Sunday Team Members Needed**

The Sunday Teams has open opportunities for volunteers to help with both 9:15 and 11:15 services beginning in September. Jobs include welcoming people at the door, distributing bulletins, receiving collection, and making our "famous" WUU coffee. It's a great way to meet other WUU'ers and to help make our services more welcoming. Each team does only one service a month and the initial commitment is for a total of just five services from September through January. If you would like to join or have questions, please contact David Neiman at 258-8996 or <a href="mailto:dneiman236@cox.net">dneiman236@cox.net</a>.

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# **Upcoming Events**

- August 14: Worship Associate Orientation, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary
- August 14: Doctrine of Discovery Study Group, 7:00 pm, Fahs House
- August 15: Ministry/Leadership Team Meeting, 7:30 pm, Sanctuary
- August 16: 3rd Potluck, 6:00 pm, Sanctuary
- August 21: Doctrine of Discovery Study Group, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary
- August 22: Membership Team Meeting, 7:30 pm, Activities Room
- August 25: Rainbow Potluck, 11:30am, Fahs House
- August 28: Doctrine of Discovery Study Group, 7:00pm, Fahs House
- August 31: Memorial Service for Gayle Henion, 4:00 pm, Sanctuary
- September 2: Labor Day--Office Closed
- September 5: Navigators Monthly Meeting, 6:30pm, Fahs House

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