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## Williamsburg Unitarian Universalists

**A Welcoming, Worshiping, Witnessing Community**

### The Spiral October 17, 2013

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#### This Sunday at WUU: October 20, 2013

**9:15 am-10:00 am**

**The Circle: Contemplative Worship**

**"All That is Not You"**

**Rev. Jennifer Ryu**

**11:15 am**

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The modern day mystic, Eckhart Tolle claims that the secret to life is to "die before you die." Today we explore how this approach can expand our lives.

**11:15 am**

**Children's Program**

K-2nd Grade (Spirit Play) "The Blind Man and the Elephant"

3rd-5th Grade (Bibleodeon) "Cain and Abel"

Middles (Popcorn Theology) "World Religions"

**12:30 pm**

**Sanctuary Special Congregational Meeting-Discussion of Visioning Circle Results**

**4:00 pm**

**YRUU**

YRUU members will meet at Eve Stump's home in Lanexa to carve pumpkins; if you want directions to her home so that you can join us, call Pat Hoppe at 220-6830; you need to bring a permission slip that Pat can email to you and a pumpkin.

#### This Weekend and the Coming Week [Click for entire WUU Calendar](#)

**Thursday, October 17**

- 7:30 pm, Leadership Team Meeting, Narthex

**Friday, October 18**

- 6:00 pm, 3rd Potluck, Sanctuary
  - Hosted by the Endowment Committee--FAMILY FRIENDLY! Bring a dish to share and enjoy our pumpkin theme with crafts and fun!

**Sunday, October 20**

- 9:15 am, The Circle: Contemplative Worship, Sanctuary
- 11:15 am, Worship, Sanctuary
- 11:15 am, Children's Programs, Sanctuary/Fahs House
  - K-2nd Grade (Spirit Play) "The Blind Man and the Elephant"
  - 3rd-5th Grade (Bibleodeon) "Cain and Abel"
  - Middles (Popcorn Theology) "World Religions"
- 12:30 pm, Special Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary
  - Discussion of Visioning Circle results
- 4:00 pm, YRUU, Meet at Eve Stump's Home, See LFD section

**Monday, October 21**

- 10:00 am, Gayle Henion Creative Arts Group, Fahs House
- 5:30 pm, Cafe Conversation-Visioning Circle Results, Sanctuary
  - This is a "re-run" of the Sunday October 20 Congregational Meeting for those who are unable to attend on Sunday.
- 7:00 pm, Buddhist Meditation, Sanctuary

**Tuesday, October 22**

- 7:30 pm, Board Meeting, Fahs House

**Wednesday, October 23**

- 7:30 pm, Choir Rehearsal

**Next Sunday: October 27, 2013****9:15 am-10:00 am**

**The Circle: Contemplative Worship**  
**"The Bucket List: A Spiritual Practice?"**  
**James Gerald**

**11:15 am**

**"Seized by Life: Recovering Wholeness One Day at a Time"**  
**All Ages Worship Together**  
**Rev. Bob and Megan Tschannen Moran & James Gerald**

Bob and Megan share with us Bob's continuing physical and mental journey back to health after weeks in a medically induced coma.

**12:30 pm****Rainbow Potluck, Fahs House**

Bring a dish to share and join a welcoming group of LGBTIQ, family members, friends, and other straight allies who gather together to share good food and supportive friendship.

**4:00 pm**

### **YRUU, Parker House**

YRUU members meet at Parker House will learn about atheism and humanism from Fred Adair who was a professor of counselor education and family therapy at William and Mary for 22 years. Stacey Felipe, Dave Wilcox and Pat Hoppe will be present.

### **WUU 25th Anniversary News**

#### **Do you have some WUU history in your possession -- photos, scrapbooks, etc.?**

We need them for our upcoming 25th anniversary on February 1, 2014 -- and for posterity. If you are keeping them for the congregation, they need to be gathered. If they are yours, I would like to copy them. As soon as possible, please leave whatever you have in the church office or contact me and I will pick them up [warrendr@cox.net](mailto:warrendr@cox.net) or 220-3853

-Dave Warren, WUU Historian

### **WUU Auction News**

#### ***WUU Auction is coming November 9<sup>th</sup>***

**DONATE**-consider what you can DO-meals and other things that continue to grow community throughout the year are especially nice. Services-do some yard work, help with taxes etc. Vacations and getaways are favorites. Click [here](#) for a donation form or one can be picked up outside the Narthex each Sunday.

**VOLUNTEER**-we need people to help with every phase of the Auction from setup to cleanup as well as beforehand. Please email Dave Banks [dfbanks @ earthlink.net](mailto:dfbanks@earthlink.net) or sign up at the Auction table on Sunday.

**SOLICIT**-Business donations-gift cards, services, products, etc-are more likely to be given if YOU ask a merchant where you regularly shop. In particular, we need you to ask RESTAURANTS, FASHIONS, BARBER/BEAUTY and FURNITURE/HOME DÉCOR facilities, YOGA studios.

**COME**-Tickets (\$20.00) are on sale outside the Narthex on Sundays. Please buy your tickets and **come to the Auction.**

### **Social Justice News**

#### **FISH Needs**

Please help fill the shelves at FISH by bringing some boxes of pasta and sauce to WUU each Sunday in October.

#### **Community of Faith Mission - Homeless Shelter**

Save the Date - The WUU week for the COFM Homeless Shelter is **February 16-23.**

Helen Hansen and Kathy Suslik are co-chairs and will be providing more information on how you can volunteer to help with this important social justice mission.

### **Building Our Future**

**Where can you see 1,500 comments from 23 Visioning Circles on display?**

They are posted on the walls of our Sanctuary. Approximately 175 adults, teens and children have shared what they value at WUU and what changes might enhance our current programs. Find out about the major trends from these discussions by attending a congregational meeting, either **Sunday, Oct. 20** at 12:30 or **Monday, Oct. 21** at 5:30 pm (for those who cannot attend Sunday).

**Lifespan Faith Development****YRUU News**

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**Caring Committee News**

Stacey & Chris Felipe are both looking for employment. Chris is looking for a mid-level accounting position, and Stacey is looking for a part-time office or retail job. If you know of anything, please contact them at: phileepay@hotmail or stacey.felipe@gmail.com.

Please contact the Caring Committee at [caringchair@wuu.org](mailto:caringchair@wuu.org) if you know of a member of the Congregation in need of support, or if you are in need of support.

**Other News****3rd Friday Potluck**

The Third Friday Potluck, October 18th at 6pm, hosted by the Endowment Committee, will have a pumpkin theme with pumpkin arts for the kids and the young at heart. Bring a dish and come join the fun!

**New Member Orientation                      October 20, 26**

If you are a newcomer or visitor and would like to learn more about Unitarian Universalists, WUU and its activities and its ministries, please join other like-minded individuals for our fall orientation session. Both sessions are held at the Fahs House on the WUU campus. The first session of the two session program is held on **Sunday, Oct. 20, from 4:00 - 6:00** with the second part offered on the **following Saturday, Oct. 26, from 9:00 - 1:00**, with lunch included. Childcare may be requested if registered by Oct 14. Please register [here](#) or sign up at the Visitor's Table. Membership representatives staffing the Visitor's Table will be happy to answer questions.

**Directory News**

The long awaited and much anticipated directory is now online for our members. Please [click here](#) and use the members only username and password. If you did not get the username/password, or need a reminder please contact the office at [office@wuu.org](mailto:office@wuu.org) or 220-6830. A printed copy of the directory will be available for pick up at services on November 3 or in the office any time following. If there is a mistake or change that needs to be changed please contact the office ASAP so that we can make the change before the printing. Thank you for your patience!

**Child Life Wish List**

Our own Lily Bolling and her mom Stacy are collecting items for children on the cancer unit at CHKD in order to make care packages for those receiving treatment. Along with this she is composing a short essay describing her project and her interest in helping children with cancer. Should you choose to donate items you will get a copy of her essay!

Click [here](#) for list of items that was provided by the donations coordinator at the hospital. Lily and Stacy will have a table and box set up at church on Sunday November 17 for donations. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Stacy at SBolling@colonialbh.org or (757) 719-2770.

### **Narratives of Muslim Women Living in the West, presented by Prof. Saama Abdurraqib.**

Monday, October 21, 2013, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

James City County Human Services Building, 5249 Olde Towne Road

Professor Abdurraqib has a doctorate in English from UW-Madison and is currently working on a project that looks at the social and discursive co-optation of narratives by Muslim women in the West. Her talk focuses on the fraught personal negotiations of post-9/11 Muslim women writers in their attempts to construct believable, honest protagonists that are both female and Muslim in the face of increasing demands by Western readerships for "testimonial witnesses". Free and open to the public.

### **Four Openings in Compassionate Living Covenant Group**

The Compassionate Living Covenant Group started as a covenant group last Sept. and met through the summer. Having studied the Twelve Steps to Compassionate Living book by Karen Armstrong, we seek this year to search for ways to live compassionately with ourselves, others, and with our communities. The group meets on the first and third Tues. of the month from 6:30 - 8:30 and will reconvene on November 1. There is the expectation of a commitment to join through May. Attendance as often as possible strengthens the relationships in the group and the exploration of our topic. Contact [achadwicks@gmail.com](mailto:achadwicks@gmail.com) with your contact information and any questions.

## **Upcoming Events**

- October 18: 3rd Potluck-Sponsored by The Endowment Committee, 6:00 pm, Sanctuary
- October 20: Special Congregational Meeting, 12:30 pm, Sanctuary
  - Discussion of Visioning Circle Results
- October 20: New Member Orientation Class A, 4:00 pm, Fahs House
- October 21: Cafe Conversation (Evening Presentation), 5:30 pm, Sanctuary
  - Discussion of Visioning Circle Results
- October 26: New Member Orientation Class B, 9:00 am, Fahs House

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