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## The Spiral October 23, 2014

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# This Sunday at WUU: October 26, 2014

9:15am & 11:15am Rev. Kay Barré "Just Say Boo!"

It's that time of year when thoughts turn to Halloween, our fear of death, and how the creepy traditions of the season may just be the best thing for us.

Today's guest preacher is the Rev. Kay Barré who serves as Associate Pastor at Williamsburg United Methodist Church. The UU Rhythmics house band will play today! \*\*Children of all ages are encouraged to dress up today!

# Children's Program (Children begin in the Sanctuary and will follow their teachers to Fahs and Parker House After the Blessing of the Children): <u>9:15 am</u> The Original Tarth (All Ohildren)

The Spirit of Love and Truth (All Children)

## 11:15 am

Lower Elementary (Grades Pre-K, K, 1, 2)-Forgiveness Upper Elementary (Grades 3, 4, 5)-The Golden Rule Middles (Grades 6, 7, 8)-Imperfection

\*\*Reminder\*\* The WUU nursery is staffed for both the 9:15am and 11:15am service

## Weekly Calendar

## Thursday, October 23

- 10:00 am, Meditation, Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm, Laughter Yoga, Sanctuary

## Friday, October 25

• 6:00 pm, Fourth Friday Family Potluck, Sanctuary

#### Sunday, October 26

- 9:15 am, Worship, Sanctuary
- 11:15 am, Worship, Sanctuary
- 12:30 pm, Rainbow Potluck, Fahs House
- 4:00 pm, YRUU, Parker House

#### Monday, October 27

10:00 am Gayle Henion Creative Arts Group Fahs House

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- 7:00 pm, Buddhist Meditation, Sanctuary

#### **Tuesday, October 28**

• 7:00 pm, Board Meeting, Fahs House

#### Wednesday, October 29

• 7:30 pm, Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

#### Thursday, October 30

- 10:00 am, Meditation, Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm, Social Justice Discussion, Compassionate Consumption, Fahs House

View the entire WUU Calendar Here

## Next Sunday: November 2, 2014

9:15am & 11:15am Rev. David Hicks MacPherson "Transforming The World"

## **Social Justice**

#### Next Steps for Choosing Compassionate Consumption

On October 30 at 7pm in Fahs House, there will be a meeting of people concerned about the economic and safety conditions of restaurant workers. Many of you have read and discussed the book, *Behind the Kitchen Door* by Saru Jayaraman.

We now plan to make some decisions about the best way that we at WUU can get involved in the effort to change poverty wages, lack of earned sick leave and occupational segregation in the restaurant business in the Williamsburg following guidelines of the UUA and ROCU – Restaurant Opportunities Centers United.

Contact Melinda Morgan at minda5411@yahoo.com with any questions or comments.

#### Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle

The College of William and Mary invites you to attend a free seminar on the subject of the African American experience in Williamsburg and the College of William and Mary November 6 9:30-4:00. The seminar is free but registration is required: virginiahumanities.org/created-equal/, you can view the flyer here

Contact Helen Hansen helenfoxhansen@gmail.com if you are interested in carpooling to the college.

#### Winter Homeless Shelter

WUU will again be hosting the winter shelter. Our dates are Feb. 15-22. We will begin sign ups for volunteers in January.

We have had the benefit of the experience of our current key leaders for two years, but we invite others with a passion for the work to begin learning the tasks required to operate the shelter. At this time we are looking for **co-chairs** for these key leader positions:

- Volunteer sign ups
- Over-night shift
- Registration and check-in
- Over-all chair
- AM Check Out

Please contact Helen Hansen helenfoxhansen@gmail.com if you would like more information regarding these important volunteer opportunities.

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# **EISE**

The Shelves are Bare and Donations are in Great need at FISH (our local food pantry) For Fish during the month of October let's do breakfast items: cereals hot and cold (small to medium sizes) and individual boxes, juice, breakfast bars, pancake mix...non perishables items of course. Please look for the Red Wagon to put your items in.

Again this year, we will be collecting NEW socks and underwear (all sizes) for the holiday. Our church has always been a good friend to Fish and they continue to appreciate all of our contributions.

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## **Caring Committee**

Please contact caringchair@wuu.org if you know of a member of the Congregation in need of support, or if you are in need of support.

## **Building Our Future**

Chalice Lighter Grant approved! Read about this and other BOF news in the BOF Newsletter here!

Have you picked up your Capital Campaign Brochure from the narthex? If not, please pick it up this Sunday so that you have a chance to review the material before you are contacted by a Visiting Steward.

**Capital Campaign Visiting Stewards will be calling to arrange a meeting with you!** A mutually convenient time and place can be arranged to sit down with your Steward to discuss how best to meet our mission and vision at WUU and how each one of us can contribute to that success. Your Steward will provide more background on our expansion project and assist you in determining your gift to the Capital Campaign.

#### Gala Update

We have had wonderful response for attending the Gala scheduled for November 8th. At this point over 175 adults and children have signed up. For those of you who missed the announcements, there are a few more openings if you wish to attend. You may sign up after the service at the Capital Campaign table or call or e-mail the WUU office.

## Other News

# \*\*\*\*\*Rides Needed

Rides to the 11:15 Sunday service for the William and Mary students. Contact Austen at austen@wuu.org to sign up! We need people to pick up and Phi Beta Kappa and drop off at the same location after service.

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Paula Francis and Linda Wheatley are "Walking for Happiness" This is a an 8,000 mile trek from the east coast to the west coast and back that will take 2-3 years. Paula and Linda will arrive at WUU on Friday, October 24, and plan to be at our potluck. They began walking from D.C. Oct.12 and will continue to Raleigh, NC. They are blogging about everyone's right to pursue Happiness. Check out their website here, and be sure to come to the Fourth Friday Family Potluck at 6pm on the 24th to welcome them.

#### Harvest Gathering with the UU Garden Ministry

November 1, 2014 @ 4:30pm behind Fahs House

Come celebrate the end of the growing season, honor our beloved dead and help sustain solidarity gardens in Haiti. All ages are welcome to join us, but monsters, ghosts or other folk in costume or big hats will be particularly honored guests. Help turn the wheel of the year and prepare for the winter months with a brief service of music, poetry and planting bulbs. If you are so inspired, bring a favorite food of a departed loved one, a cereal/oatmeal for FISH and/or make a donation to uusc.org (through Ellyn at office@wuu.org) to help sustain garden projects in Haiti. Join us for a cup of cider or go for a walk in the labyrinth after the service.

#### New Member Orientation

For those new to UU, Orientation class has been postponed to November 10 and 17 In order to become a member of WUU, potential members new are required to attend before joining WUU. Those transferring from other UU congregations are invited to participate so as to learn about us and to make new friends. The class will be in the Fahs House 5:30-8:30 p.m. A light supper and childcare will be provided. Register either at the Visitor Table or Click Here. For answers to questions about orientation call Carolyn Greathouse at 757-903-4196.

## Upcoming Events

- October 26: Rainbow Potluck
- November 1: Harvest Gathering
- November 8: Building Our Future Gala Event
- November 11: Veteran's Day, Office Closed
- November 14: LGBTQ Movie "No Dumb Questions" and Potluck
- November 20: Transgender Day of Remembrance
- November 27: Thanksgiving Office Closed
- November 27: Thanksgiving Turkey Dinner
- November 28: Office Closed



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