



Your Weekly Newsletter for Upcoming Events

the SUUNday Focus

June 26, 2011

Upcoming Services

Sunday Service at 10 am

- July 3 Rev. Dr. Todd Ekloff, Minister *First and Foremost: Unitarian Universalism as an American Mystical Tradition*
- July 10 Rev. Dr. Todd Ekloff, Minister *UU Worship and the Five W's: What is it? Who Does it? When does it Happen? Where does it Happen? And, Why?*
- July 17 Rev. Dr. Todd Ekloff, Minister *Bearing Life in the Necropolis: Unitarian Universalism as an Alternative Lifestyle*

Notices & Upcoming Events



Participate in Sunday Services

Come join the Worship Team! Help us build the church relationship with Rev. Dr. Todd Ekloff from the ground floor. Work with the team to organize services or be a Worship Leader, a sound tech, or an usher. Opportunities for everyone! Questions? Contact Erich Richter (erichter@verso5.com / 509-483-2390).

2011 Word Garden Poetry Anthology

Poets all ages associated with our congregation are invited to submit original poems by Sunday, July 10 before 11:30 a.m. **Poems need to be copy machine ready.** Up to 4 one-sided pages will be considered. Put your poems in the yellow Word Garden folder in church office or email to Elaine Stevens at stevenscortis@aol.com.

Hollis Farewell Lunch / Roast TODAY!

After the service today, please stick around for lunch and an opportunity to express your thanks in person to Hollis on his last Sunday with us. We'll pass around the microphone and let you "roast" dear Hollis with stories and appreciation. *And, don't forget to contribute to the Todd Ekloff Installation Fund in lieu of farewell gifts, as per Hollis' wishes.*

Recycling Transport Volunteer Needed

The Recycling Team needs a volunteer with a truck/van/SUV who would be willing to help out once a month with recycling the mixed paper that is collected the first Sunday of each month. Can you help? Contact Owen Mir (owenmir@hotmail.com / 484-6812) or Bob Fendler (robertfendler@hotmail.com / 835-5011).



Welcome the Ecklof's to Spokane

Please help give a big UUCS welcome to Rev. Todd Eckloff, his wife Peggy, and daughter Cassidy. They will arrive in Spokane by the first of July and we want to give them lots of opportunities to get to know us and our beautiful part of the world in the next few months. A group of us have volunteered to coordinate welcoming events at least for the first month or so. If you have an idea, please let us know and we'll work with Todd and family on their schedule. You'll hear more from us in the near future. Thanks!— Marie Bjork (mariebork@aol.com/220-0986) on behalf of the whole team that includes Lisa Conger, maggie montana and Betsy Rush.

Celebrating Religious Education at UUCS

✦ Nine More Teachers Needed for Fall Religious Education

It's that time of year – Teacher Recruitment. Fifteen people have answered the call! YEA! Come join the fun of working with and becoming friends with our UU kids and the people who work with them. We need nine more teachers for Fall. Choose your class – Preschool (1), K-2 (2), 3-4 (2), 5-6 (2), JH (2), & SH (0)! **Grab your spot before someone else takes it.**

You would work, according to what your team decides, every other Sunday, or two Sundays a month for an hour. You spend approximately ½ hour preparing, which is reading your lesson to become familiar with what you are teaching.

This is one of the most important jobs in our church, because the teachers are helping our UU kids learn what being a UU means. Look for our table in the Friendship Hall with the balloons. There will be RE Council members at the table to help you, or you can contact Diane Huigen at 325-6383 or re@uuspokane.org.

✦ SH/JH Youth Summer RE

We will have a SH/JH RE get-together every Sunday morning at 10 am either in the Memorial Garden or in the Bartok Room. Come join us. There will also be a camping trip in August. Keep in touch.



✦ Your Change can Change a Child's Birthday from Sad to Glad!

Can you imagine letting your child's birthday go by without a cake? Sadly, this is a reality for many children. **This summer's RE offering will be donated to Free Cakes for Kids** whose purpose is to provide a special birthday cake for children who otherwise might not have one due to their life circumstances. They serve children who live in poverty and often do not have family members in their lives. Free Cakes for Kids hopes to show them that there are people who care. This is a non-profit, volunteer-run agency. So gather up your pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters & your Susan B's and bring them to RE!

✦ Summer Volunteers Needed for the One Room Schoolhouse

Would you like a chance to join our youth when they meet famous UUs this summer? The summer program is a one-room schoolhouse in the Thoreau Room with a famous Unitarian or Universalist. Christopher Reeve visited RE last week, and this week Frank Lloyd Wright will be here. If you would like to volunteer for one Sunday (or more), please contact Diane Huigen at 325-6383 or re@uuspokane.org. We need you!



Feeding the Hungry Update

Gardening for the Hungry — Watering System in Place — Come Visit!

The beds look like a real garden! Kelly LaGrutta finished setting up the watering system on Sunday, and John Rush actually got the system to work automatically. Thank you so much, Kelly and John!! Now all we need is sun and warmth. Come check out our garden beds. It's magical! Questions? Contact Diane Huigen at 325-6383/re@uuspokane.org.



Food Barrel—Clean Your Pantry

Summer is officially here, but it is not too late to do your Spring Cleaning in the Pantry! Take a moment and pull out some staples—beans, soups, peanut butter, olives, mac & cheese —and bring them on Sunday for the Food Barrel. Many families count on our generosity to feed their children!