



The Circuit Writer

Newsletter of the First Universalist Unitarian Church of Wausau

August 2017

9:30AM Services at UU Wausau

August 6

-Rest and Peace

Worship Leader: Richard Olson

Rest and Peace. Current trends imply that the busier we are, the more important we seem. This accelerated lifestyle of sensory overload not only disrupts our basic human need for 'down-time', it also intensifies the expectations we have on ourselves, on others, and on life.

August 13

-The Fighting Spirit

Worship Leader: Charles Patten

In the Bhagavad Gita, Krishna advises his warrior/disciple, "Therefore, get up with determination and fight, O Arjuna!" [Chap.2 v.37] So, what about you? Do you ever "fight the good fight?" And what exactly is "the good fight?" Our spiritual traditions often teach peace... while also exemplifying and setting the parameters for acceptable conflict. Together, we'll wrestle with the fighting spirit.

If you missed my July 9 "Becoming Compost" service about green/natural burial and are interested in knowing about it, please contact me at (715) 845-3806 or rpj1115@yahoo.com. We had a great discussion about this option to conventional burial or cremation. If you are already on board and have interest in joining in efforts to establish a natural burial preserve in North Central Wisconsin, I would like to hear from you. I intend to have a gathering in September to continue the discussion and consider ideas regarding creating a local natural burial preserve.

-Randy Jefferson

August 20

-The Call of Soul

Worship Leader: Sandy Staehling

Topics of discussion will be: -The road to spiritual freedom; -A belief is only a thought; -What will transform and renovate you; -When your heart believes one thing and your mind another.

August 27

-Search for truth: stuff you didn't learn about Jesus in Sunday School

Worship Leader: Jim Mass

Musician: Lisa Rajek

There are six sources our congregations affirm and promote, including: "Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves." (So, why isn't there more love?)

We will examine Jewish and Christian scriptures with new eyes on Jesus with the assistance of Episcopal Bishop and author John Spong and other Biblical scholars.



August Membership Anniversaries



Cyrus Campen

19 years

Nancy Tabaka Stencil

6 years

News for UUs



☛ Women's Book Pack

Book Pack will meet August 29 at 2:00 p.m. in Apt. 217 of Primrose retirement Community to discuss *32 Yolks* by Eric Ripert.

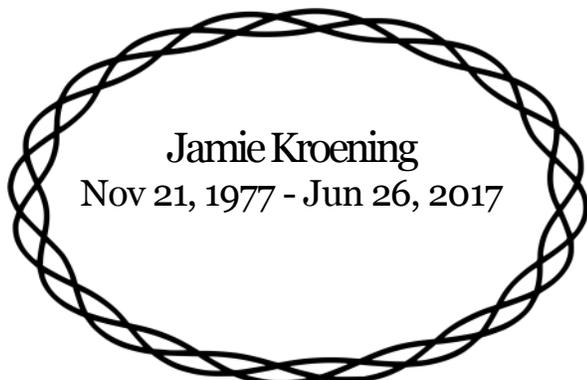
☛ Unity Concert

Join the Unity Project as we celebrate the diversity of Marathon County and bring the community together for positive change. Enjoy food, new friendships, musical entertainment from local artists, and activities for the kids. Please bring your own chairs. 5PM–10PM Friday, August 4th on Wausau's 400 Block.

The Unity Project is a collaboration that celebrates diversity and promotes inclusion in our community: UU Wausau, Marathon County Students, NAOMI: (North central Area congregations Organized to Make an Impact), People For The Power Of Love, the Wausau PRIDE community, and individual members who support the mission.

☛ LIR (Learning in Retirement)

LIR (Learning in Retirement) is an organization of retired adult learners who come together to share learning and enrichment experiences. It is sponsored by UWMC Continuing Education. The group generally meets once a month, usually Tuesday mornings, but occasionally has other offerings. Membership is \$25 for both the fall and spring semester. For more information contact **Richard Olson**, or, to enroll, Continuing Education at 715-261-6294.



☛ Book Store Now Open!

UU Wausau has a variety of books from the UUA InSpirit Bookstore for sale in the Atrium. Look under the welcome banner on the pamphlet table. To purchase a book, just remove the price slip from between its pages and attach a check or cash to it with a paperclip. Payment can then be placed in the clear plastic donation box near the east parking lot door.

☛ Bridging the Gap

Someone once said that UU Wausau is the church whose God goes up north for the summer. Maybe so, but that leaves some of us behind, at least part of the time. Stay connected this summer by attending our **Bridging the Gap** sessions. As we UUs strive to live by our principles, we turn to many sources of inspiration, including the "Sources of Our Living Tradition." Join us as we consider our many sources, refine our personal connections with them, and develop ways to better draw on them for strength, comfort and hope. 10-11am, Aug 2 is the last session. Facilitator: **Richard Olson**.

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Board meetings are held at 6:30PM on the third Tuesday of each month. All are welcome.

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August 2017 Calendar



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| 1 | Tues | 6:30PM | Qigong | 16 | Wed | 10:00AM | Shawl Time |
| | | 7:00PM | Table Tennis | | | 7:00PM | Angel Study Group |
| 2 | Wed | 10:00AM | Bridging the Gap | 17 | Thu | 6:00PM | Unity Project |
| | | 10:00AM | Shawl Time | | | 6:30PM | Tai Chi |
| | | 7:00PM | Angel Study Group | | | 7:00PM | Table Tennis |
| 3 | Thu | 6:00PM | Unity Project | 18 | Fri | 6:30PM | Community HU Song |
| | | 6:30PM | Tai Chi | 19 | Sat | 8:00AM | Women's Early Risers |
| | | 7:00PM | Table Tennis | 20 | Sun | 9:30AM | Church Service |
| 4 | Fri | 6:30PM | Community HU Song | | | 4:00PM | People/Power of Love |
| 6 | Sun | 9:30AM | Church Service | | | 6:00PM | Overeaters Anon |
| | | 4:00PM | People/Power of Love | 21 | Mon | 6:00PM | Women's AA Mtg |
| | | 6:00PM | Overeaters Anon | 22 | Tues | 6:30PM | Qigong |
| 7 | Mon | 6:00PM | Women's AA Mtg | | | 7:00PM | Table Tennis |
| | | 6:30PM | Wausau Bird Club | 23 | Wed | 7:00PM | Angel Study Group |
| 8 | Tue | 6:30PM | Qigong | 24 | Thu | 6:30PM | Tai Chi |
| | | 7:00PM | Table Tennis | | | 7:00PM | Table Tennis |
| 9 | Wed | 6:30PM | Eckankar Book Group | 27 | Sun | 9:30AM | Church Service |
| | | 7:00PM | Angel Study Group | | | 6:00PM | Overeaters Anon |
| 10 | Thu | 6:30PM | Tai Chi | 28 | Mon | 6:00PM | Women's AA Mtg |
| | | 7:00PM | Table Tennis | 29 | Tue | 2:00PM | Women's Book Pack |
| 13 | Sun | 9:30AM | Church Service | | | 6:30PM | Qigong |
| | | 6:00PM | Overeaters Anon | | | 7:00PM | Table Tennis |
| 14 | Mon | 6:00PM | Women's AA Mtg | 30 | Wed | 10:00AM | Shawn Time |
| 15 | Tue | 6:30PM | BOT Meeting | | | 7:00PM | Angel Study Group |
| | | 6:30PM | Qigong | 31 | Thu | 6:30PM | Tai Chi |
| | | 7:00PM | Table Tennis | | | 7:00PM | Table Tennis |



Barb Seegert's partner, **Lynne Derus**, made a trip to Wausau last month to see the new kitchen. **Tim Peterson** and **Jerry Phelan** gave her a tour. As you can see, Lynne was pleased!

