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April Worship Schedule

April 2
10:00am

"How do we love our neighbors while trying to solve difficult environmental problems?" Wicked problems are problems that are especially difficult to solve because of factors like incomplete information, changing environments and complex or interdependent systems. We will consider several "wicked" problems concerning nature and the resources we extract from it.

April 9
10:00am

We all bring our gifts to this cherished community. This Sunday, Minister Sarah dares to talk about money from the pulpit. Come and see how she does then join us for brunch after the service. Together, we can cultivate the world we dream of.

April 16
10:00am

UU Easter - for a tradition that doesn't exclusively see Jesus as a central character, what is our call to action on this holiday--or Holy Day? Minister Sarah explores a different twist on the resurrection.

April 23
10:00am

Future TEDx Talk speaker and lawyer Taneeza Islam will bring to us an understanding of her view of waiting and patience from an Islamic perspective, describing ways in which her faith help her remain hopeful and compassionate through challenging situations. Her talk will provide us with insights into the legal issues that immigrants to America face in Sioux Falls and in South Dakota. Taneeza's perseverance and success can be an inspiration to all of us to get out and follow our heart! Read her full bio on page 3.

April 30
10:00am

Fifth Sundays are always special at All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church! These Sundays, which happen a few months each year, are a time for all of our members, ages 0-100 to remain in the sanctuary and dance, sing, play, meditate and learn together.

April 30 will be such a Celebration Sunday! May 1 marks the Celtic festival of Beltane, also referred to as May Day, which many neopagans and Wiccans around the world observe to celebrate the onset of summer. We will learn more about Beltane and celebrate spring as we gather around the Maypole, learn a new song to celebrate the Earth, clear out our Peace Garden and plant herbs to prepare for summer. Wear comfortable clothes and come prepared to commune with each other and our Beloved Earth.

Coordinators: Worship Service Committee Musician: Kristi Holler



Minister's Corner Minister Sarah Caine

This last month has been one of waiting. What a coincidence that the worship themes for April are Musing, Patience, and Waiting! I found myself waiting for my appointment to see the Ministerial Fellowship with excitement and nerves—a very normal combination for big moments in life. Now that I have been welcomed into Preliminary Fellowship, I find myself musing over the steps to planning an ordination. More waiting, more musing, more patience required.

Looking at the still fairly gray landscapes outside, my California-Arizona mind doesn't quite know what to make of a late March that looks like my former January. But, I know that green and warmth are on the way. I hear the birds singing more and more. The sunlight lingering just a bit longer. I joyfully welcome the turning of the seasons!

April brings Passover and Easter: Passover being a time to remember and celebrate liberation from oppression; Easter being a time of hope in the messages of grace and love as preached by Jesus. How can we honor these messages in the traditions of our religious heritage as UUs? This is my musing for the month: authentic integration.

There are several other notable happenings in April—the Good Friday vigil to end the death penalty, at which I will be giving a homily. Regional Assembly, a gathering (this year in Chicago) of thousands of UUs from the MidAmerica Region to learn in workshops, participate in large worships, and connect with others of this movement. I hope you will

join me at one or both of these important events.

May we have the patience to muse and wait so we may integrate our past and present. May we be transformed with the turning of the seasons.

Blessed Be.



OFFICE HOURS

Sarah Caine, Minister

Wednesdays 1:30-4:30pm

Friday 10am-12pm

Monday is Sarah's day off and all emails will be answered Tuesday. (Note: the week the Board meets, Sarah will take Tuesday off instead of Monday)

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From the President Claudia Dail

Spring is a joyful season of renewal -- an appropriate time to renew our financial commitment to All Souls.

The Finance Team has submitted a proposed budget to the Board that reflects a nine percent increase over last year's

request. Among the items included are salary for a half-time minister, salary for an RE coordinator, and funds for planned (as well as emergency) building maintenance.

Finance Team members have developed a conservative budget that blends our hopes and aspirations with realistic

expectations of what our members and friends can pledge. We are seeing increased interest in All Souls with new members, new friends, and new visitors. This budget assures that we can effectively reach out to and serve newcomers as well as maintaining services for our current members and friends.

Our annual stewardship campaign kicks off with a brunch on April 9 following the weekly service. Come and enjoy a time of celebrating our values and our community. Answer the Call of Love by stepping forward to support the financial function of our church. Whatever amount you can pledge, your gift reflects your commitment to our community.

Cheers!

Claudia



GET INVOLVED! Make the most of your experience at All Souls.
Get involved in the many groups and committees here. There is something for everyone.





Taneeza Islam to Speak at April 23 Worship Service

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Most importantly, Taneeza Islam is a proud wife and mom to her two rambunctious boys, 2 and 6 years old. She is a first generation American, Muslim born to immigrant parents from Bangladesh. Her passion to educate others about the religion of Islam started when she was in high school, while her passion to defend the civil rights of immigrant, Muslim, and marginalized communities came to life after graduating from law school in 2008. She was the Civil Rights Director of CAIR-MN (Council on American Islamic Relations, MN Chapter) and a Complaint Investigator for the Minneapolis Dept. of Civil Rights.

After moving to Sioux Falls, in 2012, Taneeza started her private immigration law practice and received a Bush Foundation Leadership Fellowship in 2013. She founded the Collaborative Legal Incubator Program's (CLIP), whose mission it is to provide access to legal systems for vulnerable and modest mean clients by training new solo practitioners how to build sustainable and socially conscious law practices. CLIP was the recent recipient of monies from 100+Women Who Care Sioux Falls. And Taneeza was asked to speak at TEDx USD this past November about her journey with CLIP.

Taneeza has continued her grassroots community work around diversity, inclusion, education of Islam and Muslims, and empowering marginalized communities. Post election, Taneeza committed herself to fighting against Islamophobia – the demagoguery of Islam and Muslims and against anti-refugee and immigrant legislation in Pierre. During the 2017 legislative session, she worked closely with lobbyists from the ACLU-SD, LSS and the Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce to fight against Islamophobia in two resolutions and against an anti-refugee bill. Most notably, Taneeza was able to organize a team of refugees and Muslims in their first efforts in legislative advocacy. This diverse team was 3-0, winning their fights against bigotry this legislative session.



Step right up!

Submitted by Linda Hallstrom
Feel like creating some magic on a Sunday morning? Grab a broom or a dish towel or help greet our visitors -- even when you aren't signed up. We have a lot of joyful participation in

our Sunday tasks.

A few examples:

- On March 12 Scott and Janet Kunze were up early and got the coffee brewing before the rest of us arrived. They had the serving area set up and ready to go. They weren't signed up on the Hospitality Calendar for that day. They just stepped in and helped out.
- After the service Eric Berg volunteered to wipe dishes. I enjoyed visiting with him and learning about how he and Pat came to be members at All Souls. Janet stopped again and asked if we needed more help with cleanup.
- Joan Reddy grabbed a broom and swept the floor. None of these helpers were officially signed up for duty that day.
- The next Sunday, Jessica Tebben happily filled in when we were short of greeters.

Sure, the extra help is always appreciated. But even better is the camaraderie that volunteers discover in each other's company. See you on Sunday!



Church Board Minutes Available

A reminder that church board minutes are available for review in a binder in the church office, or you can request to have the minutes emailed to you by contacting the office administrator at allsoulssfadmin@gmail.com.

WAITING [wey-ting]

noun

1. a period of waiting; pause, interval, or delay.

adjective

2. serving or being in attendance: waiting man; waiting maid; waiting woman.



Living Our Values: Adult RE Looks at Community Issues

Social Justice and Adult RE are hosting a series of educational/informational sessions on issues facing our community. The next session will be Wednesday, April 12, at 6:00 p.m.

The first session, held March 8, focused on children in poverty. Research presented by Susan Randall included the following information:

- ... poverty is a call to action -- for the poor and the wealthy alike -- a call to change the world so that many more may have enough to eat, adequate shelter, access to education and health, protection from violence, and a voice in what happens in their communities. [World Bank]
- The poverty rate in Sioux Falls is 13.9%. (Annual income of \$24,000 or less for a family of four.)
- 44% of students in the Sioux Falls School District qualify for free or reduced lunches. (11,069 children)
- Some 445 Sioux Falls 3- and 4-year-olds are on waiting lists for pre-kindergarten programs that serve children in poverty -- Head Start, Title I schools, and Focus schools.

Gathering knowledge about local challenges will lead to an action plan for All Souls with focus on select areas and awareness of possible community partnerships.

At the April meeting, participants will learn about issues facing veterans. Everyone is invited to attend as we explore how we, as Unitarian Universalists, live our

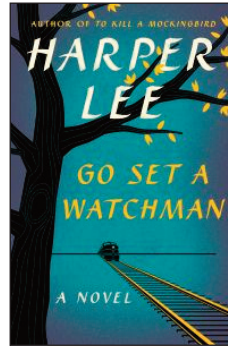
MUSING [MYOO-ZING]

adjective

1. absorbed in thought; meditative.

noun

2. contemplation; reflection.



Book Club

Book Club will meet at 7:00pm, April 24, to discuss *Go Set a Watchman* by Harper Lee (fiction) with leader Sally Scott.

Our May 22 selection is yet to be determined.

In case of cancellation due to inclement weather, check All Souls' Facebook page. An email will be sent if possible. Questions or comments can be directed to Barb Peterson, who currently coordinates club activities at barbpeterson@sio.midco.net.

Have patience with all things but first with yourself.

— Saint Frances de Sales

All roads lead to Rome ...

or Monk's

Men's Un-Group
5:00p.m., Wed., April 19

Monk's House of Ale Repute, 420 E 8th St, Sioux Falls

NOTICE: For security reasons, the church basement door will be locked on Sundays from 10:00-11:00am. Please plan to use the front door if you will arrive during that time. Thank you!

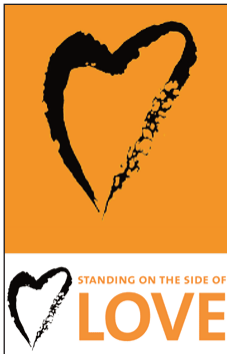


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Stewardship Answering the Call of Love

Submitted By Janet Kunze

It's time for the annual pledge campaign once again. This year's theme is Answering the Call of Love. We answer the call of love in many ways, but this month we focus on financial giving. All Souls plans financially each year so we can meet ministerial and staff needs as well as goals in programming, religious education, and social justice. We also need to maintain our buildings and property, but in all these things what we are really doing is supporting the mission of All Souls to seek truth, practice love, and celebrate life.

Our event this year is a brunch on Sunday, April 9, after church. We hope you will join us as we eat and talk about what we value about All Souls. Watch your mail for the invitation.

When you consider your giving for the upcoming year (July 2017 to June 2018), please be as generous as you can. If you have an evergreen pledge, consider an increase. Make it easy on yourself to give, too. Many members give through automatic deductions from their checking account or credit card. We are also making arrangements for giving through an Android mobile phone app! However you give and whatever amount you give, I hope you give from the heart, answering the call of love.



We Answer the Call of Love Responsive Reading

By Julia Corbett-Hemeyer

In the face of hate,
We answer the call of love.
In the face of exclusion,
We answer the call of inclusion.
In the face of homophobia,
We answer the call of LGBTQ rights.

In the face of racism,
We answer of justice for all races.
In the face of xenophobia,
We answer the call of pluralism.
In the face of misogyny,
We answer the call of women's rights.
In the face of demagoguery,
We answer the call of reason.
In the face of religious intolerance,
We answer the call of diversity.
In the face of narrow nationalism,
We answer the call of global community.
In the face of bigotry,
We answer the call of open-mindedness.
In the face of despair,
We answer the call of hope.

As Unitarian Universalists, we answer the call of love —
now more than ever.

Thank you, All Souls! Donations to Social Justice Projects

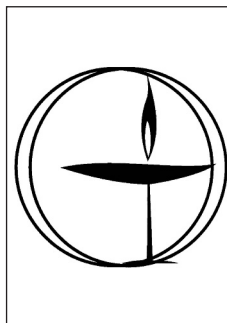
Half of all cash collected in the Sunday plate goes to community causes.

Recent donations from All Souls to local social justice projects:

- Lakota/Dakota/Nakota Spiritual group (South Dakota State Penitentiary) for their April Pow Wow (\$100)
- Baby Steps at Urban Indian Health (\$500)
- Pride Festival on June 17 (\$500)

In addition, these gifts were given from the generous donors from our December holiday appeal:

- Feeding South Dakota (\$770)
- The Banquet for January 4 turkey dinner (\$770)



MidAmerica Regional Assembly - April 28-30

The MidAmerica 2017 Regional Assembly is scheduled for April 28-30 in Naperville, IL, near Chicago. Rev. Dr. Lee Barker, President and Professor of Ministry at Meadville-Lombard Theological School, is the keynote speaker.

His topic is "To Multi-faith: A Verb".

Rev. Dr. Barker will discuss how to promote constructive multi-faith engagement for increased understanding and enhanced harmony.

Registration deadline is April 21. Early bird registration ends April 5.

Life was always a matter of waiting
for the right moment to act.

~ Paulo Coelho



Theology on Tap Sunday, April 9, 4-6pm

Theist? Atheist? Agnostic? Polytheist? Something else? Let's get together and enjoy beverages while we discuss big questions of existence.

Join Minister Sarah Caine of All Souls Church at Wood Grain Brewery Co., 101 S. Phillips Ave #100, Sioux Falls, on Sunday, April 11, 4-6pm for Theology on Tap.

The only rules are respect and no trying to convert anyone. All are welcome. The goal is to make this a monthly event of community building and pontification.

PATIENCE [pey-shuh ns]

noun

1. the quality of being patient, as the bearing of provocation, annoyance, misfortune, or pain, without complaint, loss of temper, irritation, or the like.
2. an ability or willingness to suppress restlessness or annoyance when confronted with delay:
to have patience with a slow learner.
3. quiet, steady perseverance; even-tempered care; diligence:
to work with patience.

Dear All Souls...

Dear All Souls,

I wanted to share this with everyone. I cannot express how much I appreciate having a place like All Souls, where my daughter, Alice, can bring her friends and know they will all be welcomed and appreciated.

On the drive home, they sang songs from church. Alice's friend Hailey was very impressed with the church, 'not like other churches' where you're welcomed and they're open minded. She raved to her mom about it too, when she picked her up.

And then this evening Alice sang, "Come, Come Whoever You Are" to Eliot as a bedtime song with Lilli doing the "though you've broken you're vows." This lasting connection is something I am grateful for. Knowing that they are developing spirituality and community without shame, guilt, and value based only on what they have, not what they offer. Thank you all and so many others who make this place what it is and what it is moving towards.

Julia T.

Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek.

~ Barack Obama

ALL YOU NEED IS A GREAT FRIEND AND A FULL TANK OF GAS



**All Souls Women's Group
Tue., April 11 at 5:00pm
CRAVE Restaurant,
201 E 8th St, Sioux Falls, SD**

Ready to volunteer? Sign up is easy!



Would you like to help out as a greeter or hospitality host/hostess on Sunday morning? The jobs are fun and easy; the rewards are many! A friendly greeting, a warm cup of coffee or tea, and a place to be welcomed and accepted are valuable gifts we give to our members, friends, and visitors.

Not sure what you are supposed to do? We will answer all of your questions beforehand and provide printed instructions at your volunteer station.

We can work with your schedule – sign up for the occasional Sunday or commit to a monthly schedule. This year we have implemented stress-free online sign-ups at <https://signup.com>

Contact the Outreach Team to volunteer or for assistance with the online signup. outreach@sfuu.org.

Patience is not simply the ability to wait
- it's how we behave while we're waiting.

~ Joyce Meyer

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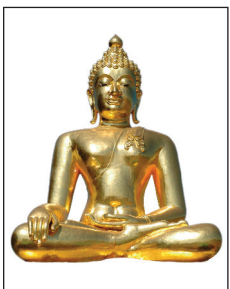
Citizens' Climate Lobby Monday, Apr. 10 • 7pm

Citizens Climate Lobby will meet on Monday, Apr. 10, at 7:00 p.m. at All Souls Church. We will listen/watch the recording of the national meeting.

Everyone is welcome to attend. The group meets monthly at All Souls.

If you have any questions contact Gary Pabst, gpabst@sio.midco.net or (605) 359-4356.

To learn more about Citizens' Climate Lobby, visit their website: www.citizensclimatelobby.org.



Monthly Meditation & Dhamma Talk

Our friends at Spirit of Peace, 6509 South Cliff Avenue, Sioux Falls, have invited us to a Guided Meditation and Dhamma Talk from 6pm - 8pm on the following dates in 2017:

April 23, June 25, July 30, August 27, September 17, October 22 and November 26.

Everyone is warmly welcome to come and practice! Any free-will donation is accepted to help cover travel expenses for the monks.

The South Dakota Buddhist Vihara is part of the Minnesota Buddhist Vihara and its mission is to share the Buddha's message of Peace and Happiness and help create peace and harmony within ourselves and in the surrounding world. It is open to people of all faith traditions and cultures.

For more information.

Tel: 651 354 9228 | Email: sdbuddhist@mnbv.org

Website : www.southdakotabv.org



Clairaudience: A Genocide Awareness Campaign

Clairaudience [klair-aw-dee-uh ns]

Noun: the power to hear sounds said to exist beyond the reach of ordinary experience or capacity, as the voices of the dead.

April is Genocide Awareness Month, and the University of Sioux Falls, in conjunction with the Cougar Activities Board and the university's Service Core, is hosting an awareness campaign to promote education, diversity and social justice. Each evening we will be operating a Tunnel of Oppression. The tunnel is an interactive experience, highlighting the genocides which occurred in Native America, the institution of Slavery, World War two, Rwanda, Bosnia, Liberia, Sudan and Syria. Each station will include displayed information and iconic symbols from each genocide as well as live actors dressed in character and delivering a short monologue from an actual person during the time. Counselors will be available each evening to facilitate a small group discussion on dehumanization, processing trauma and an overall time of reflection and decompression. Lutheran Social Services will also be present to share information about their relocation program and how others can be involved in assisting the newest members of the Sioux Falls community.

"Rising from the Ashes" is a short documentary about the Rwandan Cycling team and how even something as unsuspecting as bicycles can be used to unite a broken country and facilitate healing. On the final night, the university is arranging a speaker's panel where several these genocides will be discussed from the perspective of those who have lived through them.

**** Due to the graphic nature of the topic, discretion is advised for participants attending any event.**

When – Tuesday, April 4th – Thursday, April 6th, 2017

Where – The University of Sioux Falls Campus

Tunnel of Oppression (4th-6th) 5-7 pm at Lower Lever of the Jeschke Fine Arts Center

"Rising from the Ashes" (4th) 7pm at Salsbury Science Center, Zbornik Hall

Speaker's Panel (6th) 7:30 pm at Meredith Auditorium

Cost – Free

Contact – Correena Spangler (419) 789-3830

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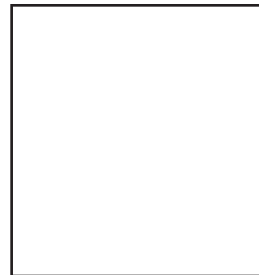
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All Souls Calendar

April 2017

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