

All Souls is a welcoming spiritual community. We seek truth, practice love, and celebrate life.

## September Worship Schedule

**September 6**  
**10:30a.m.**

**Concert with Finnish duo Vellamo, pot luck to follow.**

Please join us for a concert with Finnish duo Vellamo. Vellamo is the performing and songwriting team of Pia Leinonen and Joni Tiala. Their music is characterized by haunting melodies, Pia's ethereal lead vocals and Joni's virtuosic guitar stylings. See the article on page 8 for more details.

**Labor Day potluck picnic to follow.** Please bring your own service, beverage, your main dish and a dish to pass.

Coordinator: Mark Sanderson

**September 13**  
**10:00a.m.**  
(9:00am Choir)

**Water Communion**

We celebrate our lives and our travels with this annual observance. Bring your stories and a small amount of water collected on vacation or otherwise representative of your journey to share in the common bowl. "Virtual" water will be available for those who forgot to collect water from elsewhere. We also will talk about table hospitality and the deep roots of communion. What does it mean to be in communion, with each other and with the world?

Minister: Rev. David Kraemer

Coordinator: Peter Holland

Musician: Kristi Holler

Sound: Terry Lang

**September 20**  
**10:00a.m.**

**Equinox**

We will stand in the balance on this Sunday, celebrating the end of summer and the beginning of autumn. This time also marks the beginning of a long stretch of holy days across many traditions, including the High Holy Days of Judaism. As we enter the fall eating season, we will continue our consideration of hospitality and the love that brings us together around the table.

Minister: Rev. David Kraemer

Coordinator: Sue Ann Lang

Musician: Debbie Reid

Sound: Terry Lang

**September 27**  
**10:00a.m.**

**How do we extend hospitality?**

When a visitor, a friend, a member passes through All Souls threshold, we hope to welcome them into a safe and nurturing environment. Our goal is to help them find a deeper connection with themselves and with our All Souls community.

Speakers: Members from the congregation

Coordinator: Mark Sanderson

Musician: Debbie Reid

Sound: Terry Lang



## From the Minister David Kraemer

### Radical Hospitality

One winter long ago I hitchhiked across the top of the country on Interstate 94 from Washington to Wisconsin and didn't sleep on the ground once. Every night I would just keep thumbing into the dark. Whoever picked me up would invariably ask, "So where are you going to sleep?" I'd say, "Oh, under an overpass or something." And they'd say "You're crazy. Come sleep at my house." So I had a dry place to crash every night.

Looking back, I think that for someone to invite me into their home to spend the night was radically hospitable. There is risk in such an invitation. The stereotypes of hitchhikers leap to mind. Those people who offered me a place to stay had no idea whether I was an ax murderer, of course, but on a much more realistic level, they risked personal comfort. To open up your house to a stranger requires you to disturb your routine. You have to keep up a conversation. You might not be able to just immediately go to sleep. You might have some explaining to do if you have a partner back home who was not expecting guests, and who might not be as generous as you.

I have given rides to hitchhikers in the years since I

was a hitchhiker, and sometimes have gone out of my way to get them to wherever they want to go, but I have never invited any of them to spend the night. I sometimes wish I could be that radical.

Our theme for September is hospitality and love. What does it mean to be hospitable? How do we show our love? How comfortable are you with breaking out of your routine to accommodate the comfort of someone else?

In a setting such as All Souls, radical hospitality means more than just giving someone a lift. Radical hospitality is how we welcome strangers, how we make hospitality a spiritual practice, how we grow. Becoming a welcoming congregation to the LGBTQ community is one such step toward radical hospitality. Yet another could be taking a hard look at how we truly welcome people of color into our worship service. Sometimes, that means breaking out of our routine to accommodate someone else. I might also mean examining how and why we worship as we do.

As we consider hospitality and love this month, join us for worship, and for events you can read more about elsewhere in this newsletter.



### David's schedule in Sioux Falls is Sept. 7-20, 2015.

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## From the President Paul Thompson

### Hospitality

You may know that we are working on a "monthly theme" for worship services, children's programs, and so forth. The theme for our church in September is "hospitality." What does that mean?

Hospitality is defined as "the friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers." We are always happy to see new folks in our church. We welcome them. Welcoming strangers is an important tradition. Perhaps they will find something of interest in our congregation. We certainly hope so.

When I was at First Unitarian Church of St Louis, I was chair of Newcomer Greetings Committee (or some title like that). I would wait to greet newcomers at the back of the church. That church was considerably larger than our All Souls Church, so greeting people was important. We wanted to ensure that each person was greeted in a friendly manner. I would often ask "So, what brings you to our church today?" or "Is this the first time you have been at First Unitarian?" Something to "break the ice." It also allowed me to have a lot of coffee. What's not to like?

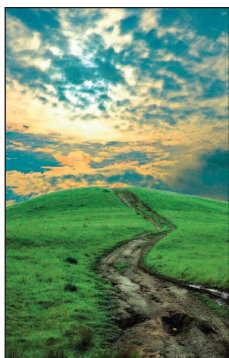
I can remember the first time I came to All Souls, when All Souls was at Dow Rummel Chapel. It was a "Sundae Sunday," where ice cream was served. I think one member came to talk to me, perhaps two. It was helpful to make a little contact with someone in the church. Those discussions during social hour are important.

Not everyone who comes to a church wants to talk to people. Sometimes, they just want to get to see the congregation, and what the service is like, and if the minister is saying things that they are interested in, or comfortable with. However, in many cases, making that contact during the social hour can build a connection that might draw that person back on the next Sunday. Maybe they will bring their partner or children?

During Hospitality Month, I hope that you will consider reaching out to an unknown person in the social hour. There certainly are members who do this, and are happy and enthusiastic to chat up strangers. If you are interested, break the ice with the new person. If someone else is already talking, even better--join the table, and have a friendly group discussion.

The theme for last month was "belonging." In many ways, that's sort of backward. Usually "hospitality" leads to "belonging." It certainly can, in many cases. So, be hospitable during "Hospitality Month", and then keep being so after the month ends.





## Path To Faith Classes

Path to Faith classes, which orient people to this church and this faith, will resume in October and November. Classes will be held on Sunday afternoons, starting at 2 p.m., Oct. 4, Oct. 18 and Nov. 1. Mark Sanderson and Rev. David Kraemer will lead

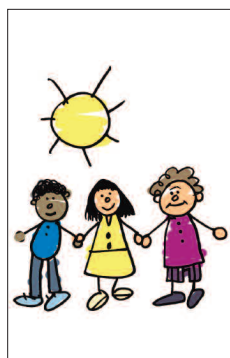
these sessions.

Path to Faith is for anyone seeking to deepen knowledge and connection to All Souls Church and to Unitarian Universalism. These classes prepare people to be ingathered as members of All Souls, though membership is optional. Classes will cover what UUs believe, including time for sharing individual journeys; where we come from, our history as a movement as a church; and who we are in the world—our social justice focus and our connection to the larger movement.

We welcome you to join us. If you are interested, please contact Mark Sanderson, Rev. David Kraemer, or Holly Thompson, our office administrator.



**Above:** We welcomed a new member to our church on August 16 with an ingathering ceremony. Linda Hallstrom completed a self study course and was welcomed by Mark Sanderson.



## Children's RE

### September Happenings

During September, the Sunday morning children's religious education programs will be learning about the history of the UU church in America.

**Sept. 13** - Chalice Symbol

**Sept. 20** - The First Unitarians in America

**Sept. 27** - Francis David: UU Heros and Heroines

You can register your child at any time throughout the year. The children's RE director is Aundrea Jorgensen, email her at [reajorgensen@gmail.com](mailto:reajorgensen@gmail.com).



Children gathered in a classroom to decorate cookies at the annual Children's Religious Education kick-off event, "Cookie Monster Sunday," on Sunday, Aug. 22.



**It's 5 O'Clock Somewhere!**

**All Souls Women's Group**  
**Tue., Sept. 8th at 5:00pm**  
**Bracco's, 5001 S. Western Ave., Sioux Falls**

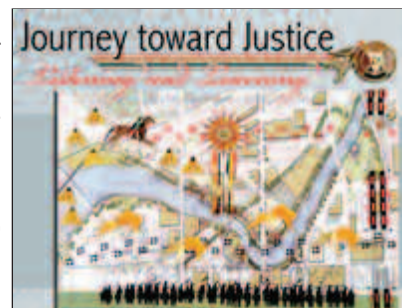
## Journey toward Justice Set for October 11 & 12

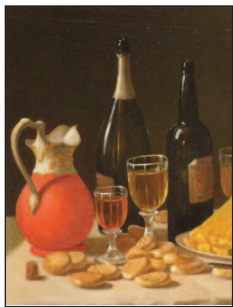
Mark your calendars.

On Sunday, October 11 the annual Journey towards Justice series continues when our member Jerry Fogg discusses his art and culture. There will be a drum group as well.

On Monday, October 12 we will host a discussion with J.R. LaPlant about tribal/state relations at 7:00.

More details are to follow in next month's newsletter.





## Wednesday Night Socials To Start September 9

### New Event: Theology on Tap with Family Fun Night Set for October

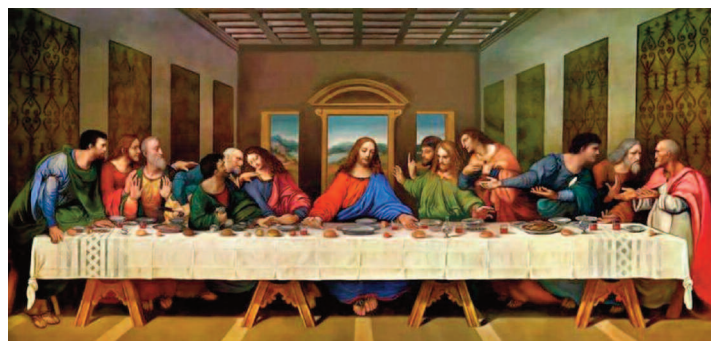
As the church year ramps up in September, All Souls will begin offering a new Wednesday night social event: Theology on Tap. Come for snacks and beverages of your choice and imbibe in a little theological discussion. Theology on Tap will run from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month, which in September means Sept. 9. Depending on how many people attend, we will meet either in the conference room or in Eliza's Kitchen. This will be BYOB. Wine, beer or soft drinks are all acceptable. Snacks, too.

The topic for September is "atonement." Got an idea of what that means? Got no idea? What's the UU take on atonement? Want to find out? Come join us. The intention is to be very informal, but righteously stimulating. If it goes well, the plan is to continue this each month on

the second Wednesday.

Then, in October, we will add another Wednesday night activity. On the fourth Wednesday of the month we will extend an invitation to Family Fun Night. We'll do pizza or or something similar, with games, maybe a short movie, some other family-oriented activity. No alcohol, please.

Family Fun Night will run from 5:30 to 7 p.m., as well. Stay tuned for more information.



A scene from the original "Theology on Tap" gathering.  
*The Last Supper* by Leonardo Da Vinci



## Film Night RESET: Thu., Sept. 17, to feature *Wilderness Journey*

After two months of trying we finally will show the film *Wilderness Journey: The Struggle for Black Empowerment and Racial Justice within the Unitarian Universalist Association, 1967-1970*, at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17. The actual DVD is now in hand.

This film is intended to continue the thread of racial justice begun early this year with the viewing of *Race: The Power of and Illusion*. *Wilderness Journey* is a documentary of the Black Empowerment Controversy that nearly destroyed our movement shortly after merger. Ron Cordes filmed these interviews of many Unitarian Universalist leaders who lived through those complex times and created this essential historical record. The film will run 76 minutes and will be followed by discussion. Child care will be available upon request.

"There is no hospitality like understanding."  
— Vanna Bonta

## New Workout Program!



It's all in the attitude —  
housework is exercise.  
Slim your way to  
a clean home church,  
clean your way to a slim body!

~Terri Guillemets

**Looking for people  
with attitude!**

**JOIN THE FUN!**  
**CHURCH CLEANING MORNING**  
**SEPTEMBER 12 & 26 AT 10:00AM**

# Where can you find us?

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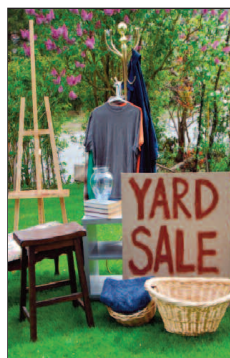
## Themed Dinners & Socials Help Raise Funds & Foster Fellowship

The Fundraising Committee is excited about bringing more week-end socials and theme dinners to All Souls this season. They will begin in October with a new member/guest social which will give everyone an opportunity to become better acquainted with our newer UUs. Claudia Dail will host this event on Oct. 17. A sign-up sheet will be available at church later in September.

A vegan dinner will be held in November at the home of Barbara Peterson. Additional information will be available in the October newsletter.

On December 12, Rev./Chef David Kraemer will demonstrate yet another one of his talents when he hosts "Holiday Dinner at the Parsonage."

Members of the Fundraising Committee are Marsha Vickland, JoAnn Huber, Joy Hembel and Janelle Lenser. Please contact a committee member if you have questions about any of the dinners and socials.



## Fundraising Rummage Sale Planned

A rummage sale to benefit the operating budget of our church will be held Friday and Saturday, Oct. 2 and 3, at the parsonage. The sale will be held rain or shine from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days.

Donations may be dropped off on Thursday, Oct 1 from 5-7 p.m, at the church. If you are unable to drop donations off and need someone to pick them up, call Joy Hembel at 332-1587.

CDs, DVDs and books can be brought to the church library by Sept. 27. We are not accepting donations of clothing or electronics. Gently used housewares, toys, furniture and related items are much appreciated.

No rummage sale can be successful without volunteers. We will have a sign-up sheet available in mid-September. Volunteers will be needed to setup, sales and clean-up shifts.

Members of the Fundraising Committee are Marsha Vickland, JoAnn Huber, Joy Hembel and Janelle Lenser. Please contact a committee member if you have questions about the rummage sale.

## Hospitality [hos-pi-tal-i-tee]

noun, plural "hospitalities."

1. The friendly reception and treatment of guests or strangers.
2. The quality or disposition of receiving and treating guests and strangers in a warm, friendly, generous way.

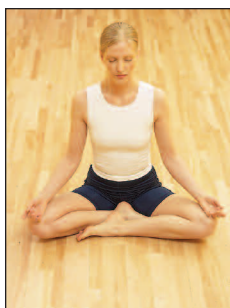


**UU men have a secret plan to proselytize, one barstool at a time.**

## Men's Un-Group

**5:00p.m., Wednesday, September 16**

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



## Meditation Group To Meet in Parsonage

The board has approved an established meditation group, the Lay Buddhist Meditation Community, to utilize space in the parsonage for their group meditations. They will be starting on September 8 and meeting at 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, in the parsonage just north of the church.

They are very excited about the new facilities and have invited All Souls members to join them. The fee is a free will offering, so it is hoped our members take advantage of the opportunity. Here is a link to their Facebook page if you'd like to check them out or "like" them:

[www.facebook.com/LayBuddhistMeditationCommunity](http://www.facebook.com/LayBuddhistMeditationCommunity)

## THE SEVEN UU PRINCIPLES

- 1- The inherent worth and dignity of every person
- 2- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations
- 3- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth
- 4- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning
- 5- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process
- 6- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all
- 7- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part

## Getting to Know UU

### Getting to Know UU Mark Sanderson

By Julia Tibbetts

Mark Sanderson has been a part of All Souls since 1979. Although growing up a devoted Lutheran, "the wonderful nurturing experience of maturing" led him to be "unchurched."

He became interested in UU after being asked to speak for the Sioux Falls UU Fellowship (the original name of All Souls) and meeting with Maryanna Manfred to plan some Sunday programs. Later, Michael Oldfather (president of the fellowship) contacted Mark to inform him that according to fellowship bylaws, program committee members had to also be members of the fellowship. So, Mark became a member of the fellowship, and despite the unorthodox recruitment technique of being asked to speak, he willingly and happily found a place to lay his spiritual head.

As one of eight children to Grace and Cecil, Mark was raised in a variety of homes from South Dakota to New York City, all which fostered growth and learning. After meeting his wife, Susan Randall, the return to Sioux Falls from Boston allowed Mark to mellow and mature with two children: Randall (now 37) and Alice (now 33 and married to Michael).

The family included a pet pig named Belfurd, who kept the kitchen floor clean. Despite Mark's lone nay vote on the family addition, he became the primary caretaker of the pig towards the end of its life.

On the wall of Mark's sanctuary is this document, which for the last ten years has offered guidance:

**Mission Statement:** My mission in life is to nurture

a joyful affirmation of life with others through interactive and playful activity.

**Vision Statement:** My ideal vision in life is to embrace the world in three ways:

- Through my home and family (home base!) in a quiet, intimate, atmosphere of personal maintenance and discovery.
- Through my vocation choice, in a setting with life-valued colleagues, involved in client activity that is interactive and affirming.
- Through involvement with like-valued folk in the greater community, of which I am a part, on issues and causes that serve to heal wounds and affirm life.

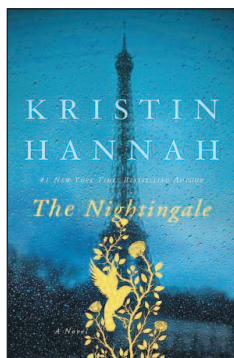
This is evident in the roles Mark serves at All Souls as chair of the Membership Committee and member of the Worship Committee and the Social Justice Committee—as well as supporting Susan on the Facilities Committee. This is also evident in his community volunteer work: working as a pink tag volunteer with Department of Corrections in the Jameson Annex prison to organize quarterly cultural conferences and powwows for the Lakota/Nakota/Dakota Spiritual Group, serving as president of the Pettigrew Heights Neighborhood Association, and being a board member of Tuluu Dimmitu, a foundation with a mission to build a school in an Oroma village in Southern Ethiopia.

Mark has had a life that demonstrates the lived qualities of our seven UU principles: his friendly spirit is one of the first to greet many new members and guests to All Souls.



Photo Credit: Charles Taylor

Each month we will be highlighting an All Souls member. If would like to nominate someone or you're interested in being the next UU we get to know, contact Julia Tibbetts at [juliatibbetts@sio.midco.net](mailto:juliatibbetts@sio.midco.net).



### Book Club

Book Club will meet at 7:00p.m., Monday, September 28, to discuss *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah (fiction). Discussion leader is Marcy Reisetter.

The October 26 selection will be *Wild Idea Buffalo & Family in a Difficult Land* (non-fiction) by Dan O'Brien.

Discussion leader is Gordon Scott.

Meetings are the 4th Monday of the month at 7 p.m. We are snack free except for the December meeting, which is a holiday pot luck.

Questions or comments can be directed to Barb Peterson, who currently coordinates club activities at [barbpeterson@sio.midco.net](mailto:barbpeterson@sio.midco.net).

### YOUTH GROUP!



### High School Youth Group

Who's interested in High School Youth Group?

Explore Unitarian Universalism with your peers and get to know other high school youths in the church community. All Souls UU Youth Group will meet the second

Wednesday of each month.

If interested in attending, please RSVP to Kelli Bul-tena: text / call: 351-8172 or email: [b\\_kelli@hotmail.com](mailto:b_kelli@hotmail.com)



## All Souls' House Repurposed

Submitted by Susan Randall

In 2010, when All Souls congregation purchased their new home on S. Cliff Avenue, they gained a house too! Located directly north of the church building, across the parking lot, it served as a rental property providing rental income from 2010 to 2015. Interim minister David Kraemer urged the Church Board to think broadly about the property and ways it could be used to further All Souls' mission.

At the May annual meeting, members approved a redirection for the house: use as a residence for the interim minister and potential home for a nonprofit. On July 1, a new chapter began for the house.

The Facilities Management Committee walked through the house with Rev. Kraemer on July 5 to assess the property and develop a list of improvements to explore. Bids and further assessments by professionals have been underway, as have hours of "elbow grease" by Rev. Kraemer and church members Ken Albe, Joy Hembel, Sue Ann Lang, Chris Provance, Susan Randall, Mark Sanderson, Paul Thompson, Greg Thompson and Sandra Thompson. Old carpets have been removed, walls prepped and painted, floors washed and painted, loose boards repaired, etc. Bids are being taken for re-shingling the roof. Exterior work will dominate crew endeavors in September.

On September 1, the South Dakota Peace and Justice Center will begin an eleven-month occupancy of a small office on the first floor of the parish residence. This use, approved by the All Souls Board at their August meeting, provides a rent-free working space for this nonprofit organization lead by Executive Director Rev. Kristi



**Above:** The old parsonage north of the church has been repurposed from rental property to minister's residence and office space for a nonprofit.

McLaughlin. The Peace and Justice Center is devoted to creating a more just and peaceful world, basing their work on humanitarian values. The Center works to create change through educational events, public forums, non-violent action, and more. You can learn more at [www.sd-peaceandjustice.org](http://www.sd-peaceandjustice.org).

The house's second floor serves interim minister Rev. David Kraemer as his residence during his monthly two-week ministry at All Souls Church. As the Ministerial Search Committee moves forward its process for a called minister in August, 2016 the newly established parish residence expands the capacity of offerings to a prospective candidate.

And the main floor living room offers a meeting space for small groups—especially when our church building is unavailable due to rental use by long-term tenant Palabra Miel.

Anyone wishing to volunteer for the fix-up work underway on the house should contact Joy Hembel at 605-215-3391.



**Above:** A fan dries newly painted walls and floor in the downstairs parsonage office. Work was done by Greg Thompson, Sandra Thompson and Joy Hembel.



**Above:** Church member Joy Hembel paints the floors in the church parsonage.



## Vellamo to Perform September 6, 2015

Join All Souls at 10:30 a.m. on September 6 for a concert performance by the Finnish folk pop duo Vellamo.

Vellamo is the performing and songwriting team of Pia Leinonen and Joni Tiala. Their music is characterized by haunting melodies, Pia's ethereal lead vocals and Joni's virtuosic guitar stylings. They write instantly memorable songs in English as well as their native Finnish, and also perform traditional ballads from the Finnish, Celtic and Scandinavian folk traditions.

On their fourth visit to U.S., their 7-week "Northern Beat 2015" tour will take them from New England all the way to the Pacific Northwest through 20 states and over 20 concerts.

In Finnish mythology, Vellamo is the goddess of the sea. Based in Kokkola, on the western coast of Finland, the folk duo Vellamo combines the rich tradition of Finnish folksong with an appealing "retro" sensibility (re-calling the likes of Judy Collins or Richard and Mimi Fariña), creating an exotic and magical acoustic experience.

Pia Leinonen, originally from the arctic region of Lapland, is Vellamo's lead singer. Her exquisite voice combines her love and vast knowledge of Finnish folk music with the western singer-songwriter tradition in a unique and beautiful way. Her moving and evocative expression has been compared to other story-centric performers such as Joan Baez and Marlene Dietrich.

Joni Tiala, originally from the Finnish port of Kokkola, began playing guitar at the age of 11. His eclectic musical background includes writing and performing for theater, progressive and alternative rock and Finnish and western folk. In addition to his work in Vellamo, Joni is an accomplished theater and session musician, and is founding member of the renowned Finnish progressive rock band, Moonwagon.

Vellamo has released two albums with a third album of all original material that will be released in October 2015. CDs of their music will be available for sale after their performance.



## The New and Improved All Souls Office Space



One of the many recent renovations to the church was the new minister's office and the new administrator's offices.

The minister's office features two doors, one a separate, private entrance from the church, and a second door to a printing/work room, providing separation between the two offices. This arrangement ensures that visitors have more privacy for meetings and small conferences with the minister.

Our office administrator, Holly Thompson, now has a spacious work space. Older office furniture was repurposed to create an efficient work area. Mailboxes and a separate table and chairs provide work space for committees. One of the nicest features is that Holly can now see visitors as they enter the church, and visitors can see the offices, whereas visitors had to search for the former offices in the back of the church before renovations.

**Above:** Rev. David Kraemer in his new office.

**Below:** Office administrator Holly Thompson works at her desk in the new office.







## In Remembrance Reed Eaton

### Reed Eaton

**September 27, 1928 - June 4, 2015**

Reed Eaton, a longtime member of All Souls, died on June 4 at the age of 86. In appreciation of the All Souls community and its importance to

him, he left \$5,000 to the All Souls general fund in his will.

Reed and his surviving wife Arlene spent most of their life in Madison, where he was a professor at Dakota State University for 30 years, retiring in 1995. He has a daughter and grandson. He liked to travel. He went to Australia, New Zealand, and spent 15 winters in Mazatlan, Mexico. (His full obituary is online at [www.weiland-funeralchapel.com/viewobit.php?id=842](http://www.weiland-funeralchapel.com/viewobit.php?id=842)).

Madlin and Bob Feragen, for many years members of All Souls, were close friends of Arlene and Reed Eaton. Before Reed died, Bob wrote a celebration of Reed for his family, which among other things wrote:

Madlin an I have known him for years

As a reliable and eager friend.

He is learned without pomp.

Having a generous nature

he was made to be a teacher.

He studied and shared with his student  
both mankind's glory and its anguish,  
its history of blood and star-reach.

Reed treated his students as friends  
and cherished their innocent minds.

He knows the protection of knowledge,  
and offered it to his classes as armor  
against falsehood and the idols of the corrupt.

His excited mind is like a reckless miser  
gathering up the golden riches of ideas.

Bob further commented on Reed, saying, "Reed lived the first principle of his faith, believing in 'the inherent worth and dignity of every person.'"

Mark Sanderson visited Reed before he died, and was impressed by his courage: "Here was a man who was facing death and he was accepting it, and even worrying about other people who might have a hard time of it."



## In Remembrance Perry Patterson

### Perry Patterson

**August 31, 1926 - July 29, 2015**

Perry Patterson, a long-time member of All Souls Church, passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his family, four weeks shy

of his 89th birthday.

Perry and his wife Dr. Mary Patterson are familiar faces at All Souls Church. He enjoyed his friendships at All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, art painting, and changing the roadside sign for years.

A tribute by a former student on his online obituary said this about him, "The world was a better place to have had Perry Patterson in it. I always felt he worked tirelessly on behalf of his students--certainly true in my case. He was a man of serious integrity who stuck by his guns. I was especially proud of Perry and Mary Alice's political activity in retirement. A place as complacently conservative as Sioux Falls needs to have folks who rattle its cage on a regular basis."

~ Dex Westrum '67

Dan Patterson, son of Perry writes, "I appreciate so much the positive impact of All Souls Unitarian Universalist Sioux Falls on the lives of and memories for both of my parents! Please share memories and any pictures here: <http://www.chapelhillfuneralhome.com/obituaries/Perry-Patterson/> Thanks for all of your caring All Souls!"

In lieu of gifts or cards, the Dr. Perry Willis Patterson Fund is established at every Wells Fargo, account #6329085721. The fund will sponsor annual scholarships for high school graduates pursuing art, music or theatre.



Above: Perry Patterson and his wife, Mary Patterson, at All Souls Church.



## Tri-State Gathering in Worthington Enjoyed by Many on August 9

A large group of Unitarian Universalists attended the Tri-State Gathering at the Nobles County Pioneer Village in Worthington, MN, on August 9, 2015.



**Above:** Our own Rev. David Kraemer spoke on "Roots and Stems," exploring our UU roots on the prairie.



**Above:** Rev. David Kraemer delivers a sermon to a packed church. A caravan of Sioux Falls All Souls members attended the event.



**Above:** After the service, many UU members enjoyed a pot luck meal and explored Pioneer Village.

Photo Credit: David Squires



## Bias Awareness Training Offered October 30 & 31

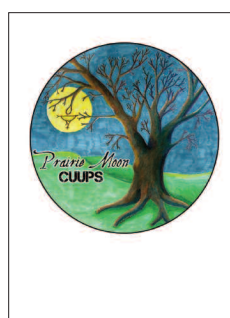
Submitted By Rev. Kraemer

This is to be a bias awareness training aimed at service providers and others who are engaged with minority or other underrepresented populations. The seminar will run from 3-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, and from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, at the University Center. Facilitator will be Priscilla Prutzmann. Sponsors of the seminar are South Dakota Peace and Justice and All Souls Church, Sioux Falls. Meals will be included.

Areas of focus will include gender, race, sexual orientation, age, ability, class and religion. In our multicultural and diverse culture, the interaction of groups and individuals of many walks of life is a daily occurrence. The goal of this seminar is learning to navigate the differences and gain awareness of our own place in the mix.

Our hope is to offer continuing education credits for professionals who take advantage of this training. As we discussed, I would greatly appreciate your help in pursuing a sponsoring institution.

For more information, please contact Rev. Kristi McLaughlin, executive director, South Dakota Peace and Justice, at 605-231-3015, or Rev. David Kraemer, All Souls Church, 515-231-2536.



## CUUPS Covenant of UU Pagans

The Covenant of Unitarian Universalist Pagans (CUUPS) is an organization dedicated to networking Pagan-identified Unitarian Universalists (UUs), educating people about Paganism, promoting interfaith dialogue, developing Pagan liturgies and theologies, and supporting Pagan-identified UU religious professionals.

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Learn about the national organization at [www.cuups.org](http://www.cuups.org).

Everyone is welcome to join the Prairie Moon Covenant of UU Pagans (CUUPS) chapter and/or to attend our public events. To learn more about us, please visit and like our Facebook page (search "Prairie Moon CUUPS" or email [prairiemoon.cuups@gmail.com](mailto:prairiemoon.cuups@gmail.com)).

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## Endowment Fund News Leaving a Legacy

Through the All Souls Church Endowment Fund, you have a way to support the long term financial stability of the Church. Gift opportunities include planned gifts and outright gifts of current assets (stocks, cash, etc.). The Endowment Fund principal is invested according to approved guidelines set forth by the committee. A return of investment of up to 5% may be expended annually for operating support or special needs of All Souls, as determined in the budget approval process. Whatever your gift and whatever the amount, your support of the Endowment Fund leaves a legacy for the future. If you have questions please email Cheryl Squires at Csqui55@aol.com.



## Stories from the Archives

Submitted By Cheryl Squires

August 9 at the Tri-State Gathering, Rev. Kraemer talked about the Norwegian immigrants mentioned in the novel *Giants in the Earth* and their strong desire to set about establishing roots. Once established, these roots started to prosper and develop through time and into our modern lives.

I would like to tell you about one of our founding members. The roots established by this family have only helped to strengthen the Unitarian base here in South Dakota.

Headline: *The Canton Advocate*, Feb. 2, 1888

Died: At Sioux City, Iowa, Monday, Jan. 30, 1888, of typhoid fever, Mrs. Mary A Leavitt, aged 52 years, wife of T.H. Leavitt Worthing.

## We honor. . .

The inherent worth and dignity of every person;

Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;

Acceptance of one another and  
encouragement to spiritual growth;

A free and responsible search  
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A Christian woman at heart, and possessed of high intellectual power, she has left a circle of friends who will ever remember her as one of the noblest women. The deceased has been a resident of Lincoln County for sixteen years and has always taken an active part in educational matters. Mrs. Wilkes of the Unitarian Church of Sioux Falls, preached the funeral sermon.

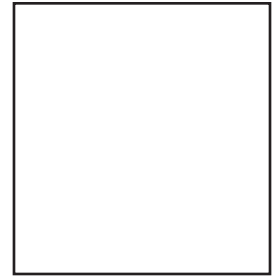
Mary and Thomas Leavitt were in the original group of twelve members who along with Eliza Tupper Wilkes organized and supported the All Souls Unitarian Church here in Sioux Falls. Originally from Waldo, Maine, Mary and Thomas came to Dakota Territory in 1880. Thomas was a farmer but also very active as a County Commissioner for Lincoln County. Mary and Thomas are both buried in the Worthing Cemetery, Worthing, South Dakota. You can view the pictures their tombstones on [www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com).



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## All Souls Calendar

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<b>6</b> 10:30 am Potluck/Concert with Finnish duo Vellamo	<b>7</b> Labor Day	<b>8</b> 5:00 pm Women's Group @ Bracco 6:00 pm Meditation Group 7:00 pm COC	<b>9</b> 5:30 pm Adult RE Theology on Tap 7:00 pm Finance	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 8:00 am Worship Team 10:00 am Cleaning Morn
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<b>13</b> 9:00 am Choir 10:00 am Water communion with Rev. Kraemer	<b>14</b> 5:30 pm Membership Mtg 7:00 pm Board	<b>15</b> 6:30 pm Safe Cong Team Mtg	<b>16</b> 5:00 pm Men's Un-Group @ Monk's	<b>17</b> 7:00 pm Film "Wilderness Journey"	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
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<b>20</b> 10:00 am Equinox with Rev. Kraemer	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 6:00 pm Meditation Group	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 10:00 am Cleaning Morn
<b>27</b> 10:00 am How do we extend hospitality?	<b>28</b> 7:00 pm Book Club	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>			