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MEANS OUR COMMUNITY IS OPEN TO ALL,
WITHOUT REGARD TO SEXUAL ORIENTATION,
RACE, GENDER, AGE, ABILITY, OR INCOME.

IT'S NICE TO HAVE YOU WITH US.

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Guide to Adult Programs Unitarian Church of Edmonton Revised Fall 2006



Our Vision

The Unitarian Church of Edmonton - a liberal religious, multi-generational congregation:

We celebrate a rich mosaic of free-thinking, spiritually-questing individuals joined in common support and action. We welcome diversity, pursue the common good, and work for justice. We believe in the compassion of the individual heart, the warmth of community, and the search for meaning in our lives.

THE GOAL in adult programming is to provide learning and social opportunities that support our congregational vision. We also wish to provide chances to build community in smaller group settings. We hope that in this combination of programs newcomers and experienced members alike will find things that stimulate, amuse, comfort and challenge. Enjoy!

People Finder

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Learning Opportunities

The Bible of Liberals

Thursdays September 21 through October 26

1:00 – 3:15 p.m. and 7:15 – 9:30 p.m.

Contact Rev. Brian Kiely briekie@aol.com 455-9797

Cost: \$10 for materials

Our culture is heavily influenced by the Bible, but most people haven't read it at all... or at least not for a very long time. In this six session course, we will look at this library of religious works from a liberal and non-doctrinal perspective. How was it written? and by whom? and why? are some of the questions we will consider.

Estate Planning

Leaders: Jean McBean and Paul Burnell

Contact: pburnell@shaw.ca ; 417-2036

This event is sponsored by the Endowment Committee and will be held Sunday, October 29th from 12 noon until 2 P.M. in the sanctuary.

Topics covered will include : The estate planning process; Wills; Living Wills and Health Care Directives; Powers of Attorney; Trusts; The Role of Insurance in Estate Planning; Treatment of stocks, bonds, GIC's and other property upon death; The tax advantages of Charitable Giving in estate planning; and centralizing your personal information.

Religion in Public Life - a series of conversations

Contact Rev. Brian Kiely briekie@aol.com 455-9797 Cost: TBA

What does it mean to be a person of strong religious values in public life? How much should one's beliefs influence public policy? Throughout the year we will host a series of one-on-one conversations with people from across the religions. In a relaxed setting they will speak first of their own beliefs and then of the challenge they face in living their faith in the public domain. Confirmed guests include MLA Bruce Miller and educator David Goa. Times and further details TBA

Social Justice Video Series

Contact: Sylvia Krogh 454-6216 skrogh@shaw.ca

The Social Justice Committee will be screening a series of controversial videos

Leader: Rev. Brian Kiely

Denominational Activities

Western Canada Regional Gathering

"Come Sing a Song With Me"

Friday evening Oct. 20 through Sun Noon Oct 22.

Wanuskewin Heritage Center, Saskatoon

This is the annual gathering of Unitarians and Universalists from across the prairie provinces. There are workshops, learning opportunities, and social events for the whole family. For more details visit www.cuc.ca/cuc_calendar.html or see the September UCE newsletter.

You might be interested in these activities sponsored by our renters!

Quilting Classes

Leader: Linda Stolee

Monday and Thursday evenings starting at 6:30 p.m.

Linda is an experienced quilter and teacher (just check the wall hanging in the Administrator's office). She offers regular and drop in sessions. For more information and costs call 428-1975.

Traditional Hatha Yoga

Certified Instructor: Catherine Bunton

Tuesdays 9:30-11:00 beginning September 5

Whether you are a beginner or a more experienced yoga student, you'll obtain fitness and a sense of well-being. Class focus is on working with the breath as we stretch, strengthen, and tone muscles and improve flexibility in the spine and joints. Excellent for releasing stress and alleviating back, shoulder and neck pain and tension. For more information, call: 461-5410.

Hatha Yoga Plus! Classes

Certified Instructor: Julia Kendal

Contact: julie18@shaw.ca 423-0380

Tuesdays: 5:30 & 7:15 Sept. 19 -December 5 Cost \$108.00

Julia is a UCE member who has been teaching yoga here for many years. The style is basic Hatha Yoga but we will be exploring other styles such as Okido, a Japanese yoga, Kundalini, a style that emphasizes breathing techniques, and Iyengar, an energetic, athletic style.

Mandate Sober Fridays at 7:00 p.m. Free

This is a 12 step AA program open to all who feel the need for a meeting.

Narcotics Anonymous Saturdays at 7:00 p.m. Free

A 12 step program open to all.

keep up to date on matters of concern.

Chorealis **Leaders: Karen Mills and Gordon Ritchie**

Contact: ak Mills@misc.ca ; 432-0826

Do you like singing? Chorealis is our very welcoming church choir. They rehearse weekly on Thursday evenings and sing once a month in services. Everyone is welcome to come try the choir out.

Social Events

Services Auction Saturday evening, November 18

Leaders: Blaise Szekely and Jan McMillan

Contact: wealth.creator@shaw.ca ; janjimmc@telus.net

This annual fundraiser is a delightful chance to meet one another in a very social setting. A fine meal is provided and there are both live and silent auctions for a great array of goods and services. All proceeds go to the church. Let your imagination guide you to becoming a contributor for something that we can auction off or sell at the silent auction.

Fine Dining **Leader: Brian Kiely**

Contact Rev. Brian Kiely brikie@aol.com; 455-9797

Several times a year Brian with his team of sous-chefs, Michelle Van der Molen and Carolyn Foster-Boucher and server Teilya Kiely prepare an elegant prix-fixe menu at the church for your consideration. Reservations are required since the seating limit is 12 (more or less). Half of the meal price goes to the Kitchen Fund. Fall dates are Fridays, September 29 and November 10. Menus will be posted and reservations taken a month ahead. Check the newsletter for details.

Friendship Luncheon **Leader: Barb Appleton**

December 1st 11:30 until 2 p.m.

Join our retired and semi-retired members and friends for this free Christmas Luncheon. There is a chance to make and renew friendships and get into the Christmas spirit a little early.

on a broad range of topics this year. The purpose of the program is to promote discussion and debate. For this reason, the videos shown will not necessarily reflect the positions of the Unitarian Church of the Committee. Times and dates TBA.

The New U **Leader: Rev. Brian Kiely and others**

Sunday, November 5 and 12 Noon until 2 p.m.

Free with lunch served.

This program offers an opportunity for newcomers to become more acquainted with the people, history, beliefs and structures of this church. In interactive sessions with the minister and other church leaders, participants will have a chance to receive information, ask questions and begin to explore what it might mean to become a member of this community.

In the International Garden

Leaders: Rev. Brian Kiely and Intern Minister Marguerite Robbins

Six Tuesday sessions, November 7 through December 12

1:00 – 3:15 p.m. or 7:15 – 9:30 p.m. Free

Unitarians and Universalist meet and worship in more than 28 countries around the globe. Our history is nearly 500 years old in some lands. In this course we will visit the histories, practices and theologies of 6 different expressions of our faith from Europe to Asia, from the UK to the US.

Regular Activities

UCE Walkers **Leader: Dorothy Keeler**

Contact: dmkeeler@shaw.ca ; hready@shaw.ca

Join a convivial bunch of walkers each Friday morning for walks through various parts of Edmonton and beyond. Varied personalities and varied paces are trademarks of this group many of whom share lunch afterwards. They meet at the church Friday's at 9:30 a.m. and post their scheduled walks in the newsletter each month.

Social Responsibility **Leader: Sylvia Krogh**

Contact: skrogh@shaw.ca ; 454-6216

Are you interested in living your Principles beyond our walls? The Social Responsibility group meets on the second Sunday of each month following the service. The plan justice activities for the church, set priorities and help us all