



NEWS OF THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF READING

November 1, 2012

Important Note - Daylight Savings Time Ends This Weekend: Clocks fall back please remember to set your clocks back one hour before retiring on Saturday night!

Worship Services

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2012

"Death With Dignity: How Will You Vote on Tuesday?"

New Member Sunday

Rev. Tim Kutzmark

9:15 AM and 11:00 AM

On Tuesday, Massachusetts' voters will have the opportunity to affirm or deny Ballot Question Two, which would legalize Physician Assisted Suicide. Rev. Tim has already been interviewed on his views on this subject in The Boston Globe and on NPR. Today he'll more fully discuss the complexities of the topic, and share the full story of why his views dramatically changed.

Today, we'll also celebrate those folks who have decided to become members of our church community with our New Member Welcome Ritual.

Music: 9:15 AM-Radonna Crandlemire, vocals; 11:00 AM-UUCR Choir

Click [HERE](#) to see a video invitation to this weekend's worship.

NOTE: After each service, please join us for a "Community Conversation" that will allow you to explore the sermon topic and questions raised through a facilitated discussion.

9:15 AM Service

Please volunteer:

Click here to sign up for Altar Flowers

Click here to sign up for Busy Boxes

Click here to sign up for Usher

Click here to sign up for Welcome Table

Time	Role	Name
09:15 AM	Coffee Maker(s)	Membership Team

09:15 AM	Worship Associate	Brian Kohn
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11:00 AM Service

Please volunteer:

Click here to sign up for Usher

Click here to sign up for Welcome Table

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11:00 AM	Coffee Maker(s)	Membership Team
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2012

"The Forgotten Unitarian Capital of The World!!"

UU History and Heritage Service

Rev. Tim Kutzmark

9:15 AM and 11:00 AM

Unitarian Universalism has a long, rich, exciting, and mostly forgotten history. Today, we'll look back to the 1600s in, of all places Poland, where a little city named Rakov grew to be the Unitarian capital of Europe and of the world!! The tale of its swift rise and terrible fall is filled with intrigue, bloodshed, and betrayal. Don't worry—this history lesson won't be a bore. The Our Whole Lives class (OWL) (7th and 8th grades) will present a short skit as part of today's service.

Music: 9:15 AM-Joan Marshman, vocals; 11:00 AM-UUCR Choir

SUNDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 11, 2012

"Second Sunday"

Rev. Tim, Anne Principe, Countless Others, and YOU!

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Join us for a new way of doing church. A different time, a different vibe, a different feel. Each second Sunday of the month, we'll gather at 5:00 pm, share a meal (we cook, you eat) and a short fellowship/worship circle, and then we all have the choice between several spiritual exploration activities. This special program is open TO ALL AGES: from Senior Citizens to youngsters, from empty nesters to tweens (and teens). Singles, couples, families. We encourage you to invite friends to join you. Reservations are requested so we know how many people to expect.

SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES

Sundays

9:15 and 11:00 AM

Nursery care, playschool and all children's Faith Development during 9:15 service only.

Our full service schedule can be found on our [Upcoming Services page](#).

Please consider volunteering to help out at a worship service on our [Volunteer Signup page](#).

Featured

SUNDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 11, 2012 "SECOND SUNDAY" 5 PM TO 7 PM



After a wonderfully busy Fair Weekend, relax with others for a meal and then enjoy an opening circle of spirit and friendship, themed activity, and a great discussion. Please sign up by November 8 by clicking [HERE](#), or through our Director of Faith Development, Anne Principe by clicking [HERE](#). This time for all ages and stages is for singles, couples, families, children, youth...you! You are encouraged to bring a friend

JOIN US IN THE ART OF WELCOMING - TRAINING SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 14

The Membership Team cordially invites you to attend a brief training on the Art of Welcoming on Wednesday, November 14 from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. We will provide information on some very important Sunday morning roles - greeting at the Welcome Table and ushering at services. This workshop will also cover the questions, confusions and worries that might arise when faced with talking to someone you don't know, or answering questions about our faith community and tradition. For more information, read the full article about this training (see below). Already hooked? Click [HERE](#) to register.

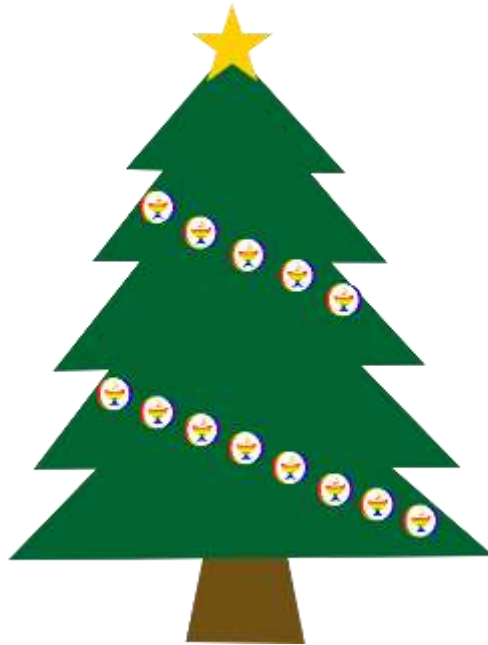
NOVEMBER 25TH THANKSGIVING COLLECTION IN SUPPORT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN BOSTON

This year we come together in awareness, love, and sharing with those who are experiencing homelessness in the Boston area. Our 9th grade Coming of Age (COA) youth will engage in a CityReach Homeless Mission in Boston this December and bring our congregation's cornucopia of material donations to folks in need. Please bring your donations of:

- NEW socks and underwear for adults
- used adult clothing (especially coats)
- used carrying bags -- ie. suitcases and duffels
- sleeping bags and blankets
- toiletries of all kinds

If you'd like to make arrangements to bring your donations at another time, please contact Anne Principe, Director of Faith Development by clicking [HERE](#).

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 10 OUR KRIS KRINGLE FAIR!



Kris Kringle Fair on Saturday, November 10

The Kris Kringle Fair, one of the grandest events of the church year, will be held on Saturday, Nov. 10, and you can ALL help to make it a success! Please help man a table or an activity. Volunteer sign-up sheets are available now in our atrium. Please sign up today.

Plan to do some baking, canning or preserving that you can set aside and then donate to the Baked Goods Table or the Country Store.

Give thought to something creative you might make to donate to the Boutique: can you sew or knit or crochet? Do you make jewelry? Can you decorate a wreath? Make pet toys? Make gift cards?

If you're cleaning house, set aside jewelry, kids toys, unused gifts, and holiday decorations for the Jewelry Table, Toy Table, Potpourri, and Deck the Halls tables. Jewelry can be brought to church any time and placed in a basket in Fellowship Hall so it can be cleaned and made ready. Hold the rest until the week before the Fair. (Remember that there is no Attic Treasures at this Fair -- save your household items for the spring!)

If you have supplies of leftover yarn or silk flowers (even old silk flower arrangements) the Boutique folks would love to have them for craft projects: they can be left in a specially marked box under the coat rack in Fellowship Hall any Sunday.

Worship Notes

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION - NOVEMBER 4



Community Conversation

Please join us for the second Community Conversation of the church year, Sunday, November 4, after worship.

Community Conversations offer an opportunity to consider the theme of the worship service more deeply, in a small group discussion setting. The Community Conversation will begin with opening words, a check-in among the participants, a reading (which is either an excerpt from the morning's sermon or a reading related to the same theme), and a discussion of participants' reactions/reflections/thoughts that the sermon, worship service, and reading calls forth. The discussion will last between 45 minutes and an hour.

This time, the Community Conversation theme is based on Rev. Tim's sermon, "Death by Choice," which he will deliver that morning, which raises issues related to ballot question #2, a "proposed law allowing a physician licensed in Massachusetts to prescribe medication, at the request of a terminally-ill patient meeting certain conditions, to end that person's life." We'll consider the UU perspective on death with dignity.

The Community Conversation will begin 15 minutes after the end of the worship service:

- 10:30 AM (for those attending the first worship service):
Facilitator: Tammy Zambo
Location: Rev. Tim's office
- 12:15 PM (for those attending the second worship service): Rev. Tim's office
Facilitator: Laura Cavicchio
Location: Rev. Tim's office

Registration is requested, but not required. Please register by signing up, by clicking [HERE](#); signing up on the signup sheet in the Atrium on Sunday; calling the church office at 781-944-0494; or emailing Rosemary, the Church Administrator, by clicking [HERE](#).

REV. TIM GETS NATIONAL ATTENTION

Tim's comments about Ballot Question #2 (Death With Dignity) have received national attention beyond his interview on National Public Radio's "The Take Away" program. Associated Press carried a story about controversial national ballot measures, and included a quote by Tim. To read the Kansas City Star newspaper article, click [HERE](#).

Tim's comments on the issue are also memorialized on Wikipedia. Click [HERE](#).

CARING AND SHARING COORDINATOR FOR MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2012

The caring and sharing coordinator for the month of November will be Beverly Thompson. Beverly can be reached at 781-758-0058 or click [HERE](#) to email her. Contact Beverly if you or someone you know is ill or recovering, and could use a meal, a supportive note or card, or a ride to the doctor.



Minister's Messages - November 1, 2012



Dear Friends:

One of my favorite memories from when I was a member of a Unitarian Universalist Church was when I volunteered to help decorate their Community Hall for an upcoming wedding reception. I didn't do much—just strung a few streamers, blew up balloons, and set up some tables and chairs. But, truly, I never felt more a part of that congregation than at that moment. I was doing something for the church that had welcomed me and nurtured my soul. But what was perhaps more important, I was interacting with other members of the church in a casual, comfortable way. I got to know the great guy who was holding the ladder for me. I had a very interesting conversation with the elderly lady who was setting up the centerpieces. I met folks I would never have talked to on Sunday morning, and got to talk to them in a way I never could have done on Sunday morning. I think that was moment I truly felt I belonged—and was a part of—that church. I went from being someone who listened in the pews to being a member of a community.

I share this story because next Saturday, November 10, is our annual Kris Kringle Fair. To say that it is a mammoth undertaking and a grand extravaganza is an understatement. This is a major fundraiser for the church. But more importantly, it is GREAT FUN and a chance to find the connection and sense of belonging that only comes through DOING.

I invite you—even if you are so new to our church that you're not yet sure where the bathrooms are—to join us for an hour or two during set up, or help out at a booth for an hour, or help us clean up afterwards. It takes hundreds of people to make this event happen. And by saying "yes" to signing on for an hour or two of work, you are going to let yourself meet a few other people and those people will get to know you. I bet you'll feel a deeper sense of connection and belonging.

If you want to help out either in the days/evenings prior to Saturday, or on Saturday itself during the fair, please contact Rosemary in our church office by clicking [HERE](#). She'll be able to connect you and help you find your place within our Kris Kringle Fair.

On Fair day, from 10:00-1:30, I'll be in the kitchen making sandwiches. (I make an awesome turkey and mayo on wheat.) Poke your head in and say "hi." I bet you've never seen a minister wearing a hair net and apron before. But don't take any pictures. I look goofy.

See you on the path (at church, and in the kitchen),

Tim

Intern Minister's Messages - November 1, 2012 - Once A Fortnight



Storm Spirituality

On the beach the morning after the storm, we watch the boiling slate-gray ocean, the sky packed with thick dark clouds. A spot of blue sky appears, and sunlight breaks through. "The sky," my companion says, "lifts me out of myself."

Super-storm Sandy stopped up the works this week. Thankfully, this time around, New England barely suffered compared with the damage that has devastated our neighbors to the south. Still, with most schools and meetings and planes cancelled, many of us found ourselves having a different than normal Monday. Some people took advantage of the "found" time and got work done. Others couldn't concentrate at all. Wherever we spent the day, many of us just looked out the window and watched the weather.

A big weather event stirs up the senses. The wind howls. Sheets of rain slap the windows in a relentless high-pressure assault. Gusts buffet windows and exterior walls. Big blasts literally shake the building. Leaves fill the air. They whirr crazily, horizontally. Flocks of birds swoop 'round, land as one, then careen off again. Trees bend over and arch back. Too far. Scary. How much can they take?

The power of the natural world grips us at times like this. While later we will marvel at how flexibly and amazingly the trees swayed and dipped that day, in the moment we feel their fragility. We feel our own, too. Our smallness, our vulnerability. Our mortality. The lights flicker. We lose our phone connection once, then twice. Then for good. For a while, perhaps. We wonder what the week will hold. When we go for a few hours—or a few days—without our accustomed creature comforts, we wonder how people long ago managed to survive here. Ever so tangentially, we feel a oneness with them, with all sentient beings.

When a forceful storm comes to town, it stops life as we know it and lifts us out of ourselves. Removed from our normal patterns, relieved of our screens and devices, taken out of the news cycle, we experience a kind of rest, a breather. A storm can bring us an opportunity to recalibrate. If we stop to notice, the break in our routine feels like a re-set button, after a spiritual workout of sorts! Sometimes, when we have gotten over a bad cold, that first day we really notice and enjoy our clear breathing. When you got back on Tuesday to wherever you'd left off when the storm hit, what was your frame of mind? How did the world look to you that morning? How did Tuesday's sunshine feel?

Three days out, the storm has begun to recede from media coverage. The election has re-assumed the spotlight. We can still hold onto that day, though, of watching the weather. We can reflect on that break from whatever we'd normally have done on a Monday in late October.

Betsy Tabor is UUCR's Intern Minister.

Member Services Corner - Join Us In The Art Of Welcoming

Training on Wednesday, November 14, 2012

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM - Fellowship Hall

Co facilitated by: Michele Catalano, Chairperson of the Membership Team

Amy Burton, Member Services & Volunteer Coordinator

Click [HERE](#) to register

The Membership Team cordially invites you to attend a brief training on The Art of Welcoming on Wednesday, November 14 from 7-8:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We will specifically focus on the Sunday morning roles of greeting at the Welcome Table and ushering at services.

If you are like many of us that enjoy attending Sunday morning services, perhaps you have heard the call to usher and/or volunteer at the welcome table about 4 times per year? These important roles make Sunday morning a success by helping people feel connected to our community. In support of this call, the Membership Team has designed a brief training that is intended to benefit all of us – whether we have little experience volunteering or lots of it!

At the training, we will briefly cover the “nuts and bolts” of each role. Next, we will have a discussion in question-and-answer format about what to expect when you volunteer and how to sharpen your skills. We will cover the questions, confusions and worries that might arise when faced with talking to someone you don't know, or answering questions about our faith community and tradition. There will be time during the evening to review helpful materials that we often give to those seeking more information.

Whether you have volunteered in these roles one or one hundred times, this training is useful because it gives us all a common set of standards from which we operate and it allows those with more expertise to share their experience during the discussion. Please sign up for the training on-line here (add link) or by signing the sheet in the Atrium.

We would also like to mention a third role that is also critical to the success of Sunday mornings – Faith Development Volunteer. If you are interested in assisting with children's faith development classes, please contact Anne Principe, Director of Faith Development. There are many capacities in which people share their time and talent together to create this unique & special place we call our own.

The Membership Team's mission is to welcome and support all newcomers, prospective members, current members and friends who wish to engage in our UUCR community. We assist our congregation in building and maintaining a welcoming, inclusive and dynamic community. Please join us on November 14th!

Click [HERE](#) to register.

Website News - October 7 and October 14 Sermons posted to the website

The October 7 sermon, "When The Birds No Longer Hide: Reflections on Feathers, Faith, and Fear" has been posted to the website. It is available [online](#), as a [PDF](#) you can print, and as an audio [podcast](#) you can listen to.

The October 14 sermon, "Pizza as a Spiritual Practice" has been posted to the website. It is available [online](#), as a [PDF](#) you can print, and as an audio [podcast](#) you can listen to.

You can review prior sermons by clicking [HERE](#). You can reach all the podcasts by clicking [HERE](#).

- To join the Church News mailing list or the amongUUs mailing list, please click [HERE](#).
- To submit news or events for the newsletter, please click [HERE](#).
- To send messages to the amongUUs mailing list, please click [HERE](#).

For help doing any of these things, or anything else related to the website, please click [HERE](#).

To help support the church when buying products from Amazon.com, please click [HERE](#). For more information about this, please click [HERE](#).

Adult Enrichment

UU BASICS - JANUARY 27, 2013

Sunday, January 27, 2013

12:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Details to follow

MEETING JESUS FOR THE FIRST TIME

Meeting Jesus Again For The First Time

A Unitarian Universalist Perspective

Wednesday Morning Class: March 6, 13, and 27 - 10:00 AM-Noon (no class March 20)

Wednesday Evening Class: March 6, 13, and 27 - 7:00-9:00 PM (no class March 20)

Led by Rev. Tim Kutzmark

Loring House Room 103

Far too many Unitarian Universalists carry emotional and spiritual baggage about Jesus of Nazareth. Join us and explore Jesus, his life, and teachings through a liberating and affirming light. Our conversation will be informed by scholarly research and new contemporary images of Jesus.

It would be helpful to get a copy of Marcus Borg's book "Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time", available at libraries or on Amazon.com ([paperback](#)) ([Kindle edition](#)).

Registration is required. Limit 12 people.

Please register by signing up, by clicking [HERE for the morning class](#); by clicking [HERE for the evening class](#); signing up on the signup sheet in the Atrium on Sunday; calling the church office at 781-944-0494; or emailing Rosemary, the Church Administrator, by clicking [HERE](#).

News



Come one come all to the wonderful Kris Kringle Fair, Saturday November 10th from 9am-3pm, at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Reading, 239 Woburn Street, located at the corner of Woburn and Summer streets.

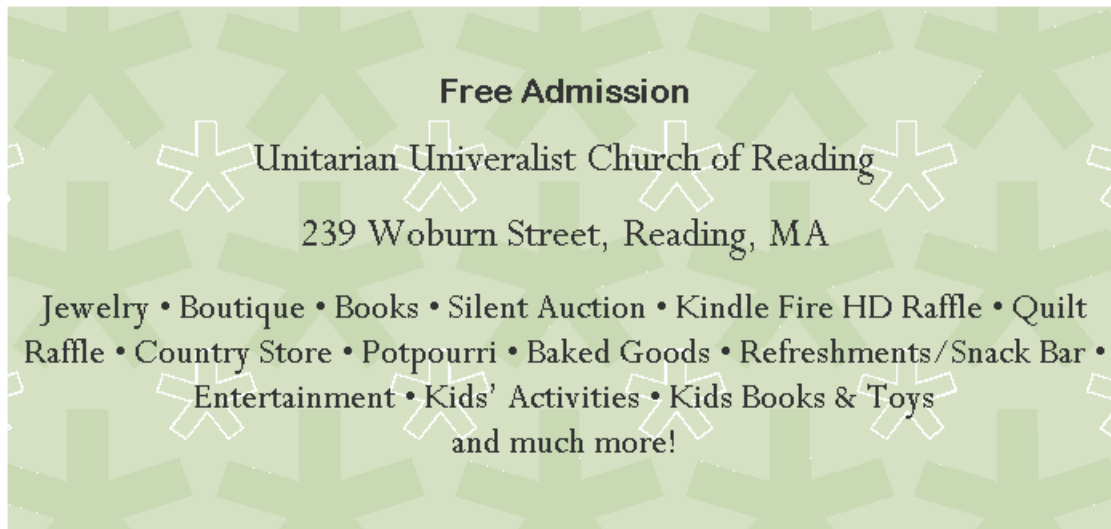
This holiday fair will help you get a jump on your holiday shopping but offers so much more than the average fair! Visit our Boutique table, where handcrafted items made by members and friends of the church are featured, or the Potpourri Table where you will find new and like-new gifts, or Deck The Halls where you can find deep discounts on gently used holiday decorations and accessories, as well as cards, boxes, and wrapping paper.

There will also be a Silent Auction area with all kinds of special items, a Jewelry area, and a great Books/DVDs/CDs section! Look for the fabulous raffle items - a beautiful hand-made quilt, Playmobil sets, a case of fine wine, a lotto ticket tree, and Kindle Fire HD! (Click [HERE](#) to see photos of the raffle items.)

And we haven't forgotten about the Kids: young ones can shop in the "Kids Holiday Gift Shop" area, for items \$ 0.50-\$ 3.00 to give their parents, grandparents, and other special grownups in their lives. A Kids Fair is right in the same area, with fun activities for the kids. Look for "Santa's Elves" on hand to help get a message to Jolly Old St. Nick!

An expansive Kids Toys and Books area will appeal to children as well as those shopping for kids! Have lunch at the Snack Bar while listening to live music, and then peruse the Country Store, full of jams, jellies, and other canned/jarred goods, or the Baked Goods area, offering all sorts of delicious treats!

Free parking and shuttle service from Parker Middle School (45 Temple St). We look forward to seeing you there!



Kris Kringle Fair

VOLUNTEERS AND SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR THE KRIS KRINGLE FAIR

Volunteering

Volunteers Remain Urgently Needed! Can you lend a hand?

All it takes is an hour or two! If each member and friend helps a little, the 2012 Kris Kringle Fair will be a huge success. Just volunteer for a few hours, then go enjoy the fun and the bargains and the rest of the Fair! You can help during:

Fair Setup - Sunday through Friday, November 4 through 9

Fair Day - Saturday, November 10.

Please note: there will be shuttle service available between Parker Middle School (45 Temple St) and the Church on Fair Day.

Urgent:

Setup Day help needed! Sunday, November 4, 12:30 PM to 3:00 PM.

Cleanup help needed, after the Fair is over, Saturday, November 10, 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM.

We need lots of young legs that can trot up and down stairs carrying items to and fro. We will also need some young legs (and the rest of you, too) for Sunday, November 11, midday, because several tables have an "After the Fair" sale, then their leftovers need to be carted to the Loring House attic.

Sign up in the Atrium during coffee hour this Sunday.

Snack Bar

Please fill our soup jar in the Atrium ... not with soup, but with bills large and small. Your donations will offset the cost of making all those delicious soups, chowders, and chilies everyone enjoys so much every year at the Kris Kringle Fair. You can find the donation jar in the Atrium Sundays during both coffee hours.

Live Music

Calling all musicians!

Would you be interested in providing background music to contribute to the festive mood at the Fair? Contact Molly Smith by clicking [HERE](#) or by calling 781-944-3451. You could play an instrument, sing, join a group of carolers...it could be a solo act, duet, or a group

number...you could have a 15-minute slot, half an hour, 45 minutes, or possibly longer. We will have a sound system set up so your music will carry over the buzz of the shoppers.

Supplies Needed

We need Baskets for assembling of gift baskets, gift bags (holiday themed and otherwise, especially smaller sizes), leftover yarn or silk flowers (even old silk flower arrangements). These supplies can be left under the coat rack in the Atrium this Sunday, November 4.

External Publicity

Can you put up flyers advertising the fair in your area? Grocery stores, coffee shops, any location with a community board. Pick up flyers at the Volunteer Table, in the Atrium, this Sunday, November 4.

Do you have a yard in a prominent location? Sign up to take a lawn sign advertising the fair!

Contact Christine Lusk by clicking [HERE](#) or by calling 617-664-0655.

Greeters

Would you like to welcome folks to the Fair? Greeters hand out programs and maps and welcome our guests. It's a great job for adult/child pairs. Chairs can be provided for those not wanting to stand for a long time. Be that friendly person who helps fair-goers feel at home on our bustling Fair Day campus. Contact Ann Fisher by clicking [HERE](#) or by calling 781-942-1634.

Kris Kringle Fair on the Website and Social Media

Click [HERE](#) to check out the Kris Kringle Fair page on the church website, our public presentation to the general public.

Please tell your friends, neighbors, co-workers! Please visit the [fair's Facebook event page](#) (click [HERE](#)) and use the Share link (under the holiday tree and the pictures of the the faces of your friends who have indicated that they're going to be at the fair) to share the event on your own Facebook Timeline.

Click [HERE](#) to read the article about What, Where and When to Drop Off your Fair Donations.

Check out all the latest info about the Kris Kringle Fair raffle, by clicking [HERE](#).

Check out all the latest info about the Kris Kringle Fair silent auction, by clicking [HERE](#).

Fair Co-chairs

If you have questions large or small or are interested in hearing about leadership opportunities, please contact one of the Kris Kringle Fair co-chairs:

- Debbie Vince - Contact Debbie by clicking [HERE](#) or calling 978-790-4446.
- Shanna Weston - Contact Shanna by clicking [HERE](#) or calling 617-955-9518.
- Joyce Barolak - Contact Joyce by clicking [HERE](#) or by calling 781-944-6676

Kris Kringle Fair

BAKERS, CANNERS, AND MAKERS OF HOMEMADE FOOD

As you prepare your baked, canned, and homemade food for the Kris Kringle Fair, please remember that you will need to have it:

- Labeled with the name of what it is
- Accompanied by an ingredients list
- Prepared in a clean kitchen
- Marked containing nuts if it does

We need jams, jellies, preserves of all sorts!

Kris Kringle Fair Safe Food Handling Guidelines - For Baked Goods Table and Country Store

Please click [HERE](#) to review the [Kris Kringle Fair Safe Food Handling Guidelines - For Baked Goods Table & Country Store](#) or pick up an info sheet at the Kris Kringle Fair table in the Atrium this Sunday, November 4.

Kris Kringle Fair

WHERE AND WHEN TO DROP OFF YOUR FAIR DONATIONS 2012

Gathering

Gather items you wish to donate to the Fair. Except for jewelry, which is needed now (see [THIS](#) article), hold onto your things until the week starting November 4 when your donations will be welcomed with open arms at the UUCR campus. Here are some items we need donated:

Silent Auction

Ready...set...place your bids!

Come to the Sanctuary on Fair Day and bid, bid, bid... Here are just a few of the items up for (silent) auction: Bicycle tune-up at City Cycle • "First Act" acoustic guitar • Quannapowitt Players tickets • Brookstone 2-in-1 garden kneeler • Wallace Nutting framed prints • Gorgeous Southwestern- and Christmas-themed needlework • Luminous dichroic glass bead necklace from Peabody Studio in CT. And we need more! Do you have a high-interest item that would create spirited bidding in the Silent Auction? Celtics, Bruins, or theater tickets...a fun and sought-after collectible...a special doll...an extraordinary piece of jewelry...art glass...a fancy handbag or scarf...? Holiday gift baskets and gift certificates for your professional services? Contact Camille Anthony by clicking [HERE](#) or by calling 781-944-3506; or contact Anne Mark by clicking [HERE](#) or by calling 781-944-8769; or bring your donation to the Sanctuary November 4 - 8. For more information about dropping off donations, see below.

Books

Used books, DVDs, CDs, books on tape/CD, computer programs. (No textbooks, music audio tapes, or computer programs that have floppy disks please!) Contact Linda King by clicking [HERE](#) or by calling 781-944-3617.

Kris Kringle Fair

WHERE AND WHEN TO DROP OFF YOUR FAIR DONATIONS 2012

Kris Kringle Fair donations drop-off hours are:

Sunday, November 4	4PM-6PM
Monday, November 5	9AM-6PM
Tuesday, November 6	9AM-6PM
Wednesday, November 7	10AM-9PM
Thursday, November 8	9AM-9PM
Friday, November 9	9AM-7PM

Please drop off your donations as early in the week as you can, so tables can get set up in plenty of time.

Please make sure your items are in good condition and clean, then **please sort and deliver to the rooms indicated** on the chart below. Your help with this is appreciated!

Table	Where	When
Baked Goods	Fellowship Hall	Friday or early Saturday
Books, Adult & Teen	Rear of Sanctuary and Narthex (Woburn St. door will not be open)	All Week
Boutique	Loring Room 103	All Week
Country Store	Fellowship Hall	All Week
Deck The Halls	Community Hall	All Week
Jewelry	Loring Room 205	All Week
Kids-Only Store	Sunday - Thursday: Collection bin in Atrium Friday: Sawyer House	
Potpourri	Loring Room 101	All Week
Silent Auction	Sanctuary, on the chancel	All Week
Snack Bar	Fellowship Hall	Friday or early Saturday
Toys & Kids' Books	Community Hall	All Week

Kris Kringle Fair

QUILT AND BOUTIQUE NEWS

"The Food Project" Raffle Quilt

We hope you'll admire the colorful abstract quilt hanging at the front of the sanctuary: it was created to honor the church's two-year focus on food issues, and is destined to be won by someone at the Kris Kringle Fair on November 10. DO please come up close and take a good look at it! In addition to lots of 'food fabrics' there are also a host of different fruits and vegetables quilted into the light-colored stripes. How many can YOU spot? Raffle tickets will go on sale about a month before the Fair. Those who had a hand in this project include: Molly Bicking, Nancy Bond, Lynne Champion, Kitty Craig-Comin, Wendy Kinzler, Robyn Matzke, and Susanne Sullivan, with some creative advice from Marcia Oyer. The machine-quilting was done by Barbara Malek.

Hand-made Creations Wanted for the Kris Kringle Fair Boutique

Creative folks are urged to begin work on handsome items that can be sold at this year's Nov. 10 Kris Kringle Fair. Do you knit or sew or weave? Make jewelry or pottery? Take photos or paint? Do you have ideas for intriguing gift items that will please shoppers? Boutique Chairpeople Susanne Sullivan, Ellen Hill and Shelby Woods would like to hear from you. We'd love to showcase your creations!

Kris Kringle Fair

JEWELRY

The jewelry elves are at it again, getting ready for the Kris Kringle Fair Someone is looking for that piece of jewelry that Aunt Gertrude or Uncle Bob gave you (why did they ever think I would wear something like that) We all have 'stuff'. Find a new home for your tired and worn pieces or the gifts of jewelry that make you shudder...donate them to the jewelry table. Don't have the heart to throw it out...donate them to the jewelry table. Look for the well marked basket to leave your donations. It is amazing what the jewelry elves do, you might be tempted to buy it back.

Thank you

Nancy Bond and Lynne Champion

Co-chairs

Jewelry, Kris Kringle Fair

Faith Development Explorations News

CALLING ALL ADULT SUPPORTERS!

Are you an adult at UUCR who'd be interested in spending time with youth in grades 10-12? Want to witness all the great energy that our youth bring to their learning, community building, worship, social action, and leadership?

Join the Senior High Youth Program (SHYP) as an adult supporter! This role involves attending a 6–8:30 p.m. SHYP meeting once per month (on average) and joining the youth in occasional events and activities at other times.

If you're interested or would like to know more, contact Seth Robinson by clicking [HERE](#) or by telephone at 508-471-8667.

Buddhist Meditation Group

DECEMBER 10, 2012 EVENT

As a follow on to our well attended event in September, please join us for a more intimate evening with Lama Surya Das during our regular Sangha meeting on December 10. He will be speaking, chanting, and meditating on a topic more at home for our group, Pure Land-related traditions, and telling stories about his own meditative and mystical experiences with Amitabha Buddha. Lama Surya will share his reflections on the meaning and experiences of life and death, notions of afterlife, the outer-inner-and-secret/subtlest levels of Dharmakaya Buddha Amitabha.

Pure Land Buddhism is the most popular form of Buddhism in the east. It is a path to liberation through other-power, by faith in the Buddha, specifically Buddha Amitabha, the Buddha of endless light and life. If self is an illusion, then how can we arrive at liberation through the efforts of the self? By taking refuge in the Buddha, having faith in other power, faith in Buddha Amitabha, we can realize rebirth in the Pure Land.

There is limited space for this event, so please sign up early.

Registration is \$ 12 and can be done [HERE](#)

Andrew Furst

Last Tuesday of the Month Book Club

LTOM BOOK CLUB RESCHEDULED TO NOVEMBER 6, 2012

Please Note:

Our meeting has been rescheduled from October 30 to November 6 due to the recent storm.

The book we chose to start off the new season is "The Light Between Oceans" by M.L. Stedman. Our meeting will be held at the home of Judy Riley, 22 Milton Road, Reading, on Tuesday, November 6 at 1:30 pm. Hope to see you then!

More News

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY: CHAIRPERSON FOR UUCR GARDEN GROUP

"A garden should make you feel you've entered privileged space -- a place not just set apart but reverberant -- and it seems to me that, to achieve this, the gardener must put some kind of twist on the existing landscape, turn its prose into something nearer poetry."

— Michael Pollan, *Second Nature: A Gardener's Education*

While our church may not have the nicest lawn in town, we are justifiably proud of the landscaping of our various planting areas. Look around our grounds some time and you'll see beautiful plantings adorning our pathways and border areas. As you can imagine, these did not just plant and grow themselves. They are there as a result of the efforts of several of our members who have worked often below the radar screen for years helping our campus to look as nice as it does. Most recently, our Garden Group has been led by Whitney Perkins who has had to step away due to other commitments. We now need someone interested in putting their own "twist" on our existing landscape...to come forward to pick up Whitney's pruning shears and coordinate this committee for us. While a complete job description is available, most of the responsibility entails organizing and coordinating the efforts of a small group of volunteers who can sustain what we have and use our much-too-small budget to make some gentle improvements each year.

If interested, please contact Mark Taitz and David Kay by clicking [HERE](#) and we can give you a better idea of what's entailed.

Unitarian Universalist News

UU JEWELRY SALE AT THE CHURCH OF THE LARGER FELLOWSHIP'S ONLINE SHOP

Shop For UU Jewelry On Sale at the [Church of the Larger Fellowship's Online Shop!](#)

The CLF is having a jewelry sale through December 2012 with a 20% discount offered on pewter pendants, pewter lapel pins, enamel pendants and enamel lapel pins. To receive the discount, please go to to <http://www.QuestForMeaning.org>, click on Shop, and simply

write the words "CLF Rocks!" in the Add Comments field. Your 20% discount will be processed within a week, and offered as a credit card refund.

Questions? Please call 617-948-6150.

All jewelry sale proceeds support the many UU ministries of the [Church of the Larger Fellowship](#).

Our Renters

SAVE THE DATE NOVEMBER 17 AT 7:00 PM - FLUTE RECITAL JUDY BRAUDE AND FRIENDS

Flutist Judy Braude and friends will present a recital at 7:00 PM, Saturday evening, November 17, 2012 in the Sanctuary of the UUCR in Reading.

She will be joined in concert with : the classical pianist Debbie Emery for the first half ;and a jazz trio manned by jazz pianist Robert Littlefield and jazz bassist John Steward for the second half.

Pieces for classical flute and piano by G.Faure, F. Poulenc, C. Saint-Saens, J. Rutter, Godard and Borne will be featured on the first half of the recital. The second half will feature lively Latin American music in the "Sonata Latino" by Mike Mower and French jazz in "Suite for Flute and Jazz Trio" by Claude Bolling. The recital is free and open to the public; however, donations will be accepted.

Judy Braude has appeared frequently as a concerto artist with many Boston area groups and has premiered several concerti written exclusively for her. She has also appeared as a recitalist up and down the East Coast. She recently released her first solo recording entitled "The Twelve Complete G.F. Handel Flute Sonatas", which will be available for purchase at the recital.

Judy's future engagements include the world premiere of Jeffrey Brody's "Suite in Olden Style" with the Salem Philharmonic Orchestra this coming January and her first international tour as a flute soloist in India next August.

Judy is a former flute faculty member of the Boston Conservatory's Division of Special Programs who now currently teaches at Creative Arts in Reading. She holds a MM Degree in Flute Performance from the University of Illinois. Judy has studied flute with many of the world's top flutists including the legendary Marcel Moyse and the late American "Dean of the Flute" Julius Baker.

Upcoming Events

November 1, 2012 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Choir (Sanctuary)

November 1, 2012 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Mom's Book Group (Lor-101)

November 2, 2012 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
UUCR Board Meeting (Lor-101)

November 3, 2012 8:00 am - 5:30 pm
UUA Consultant Meetings (Lor 102) (103)

November 3, 2012 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Consultant Meetings - Lunch (FH)

November 4, 2012 - November 4, 2012
New Member Sunday

November 4, 2012 - November 4, 2012
KK Fair Set up begins at 12:30 PM. No meetings scheduled.

November 4, 2012 9:15 am - 10:15 am
Worship Service (Sanctuary)

November 4, 2012 10:30 am - 1:30 pm
"Community Conversation" (Minister's Office) (10:30 am)

November 4, 2012 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Worship Service (Sanctuary)

November 4, 2012 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
"Community Conversation" (Minister's Office) (12:30 pm)

November 4, 2012 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
SHYP (Lor) (FH Kitchen)

November 5, 2012
KK Fair Setup. No meetings scheduled.

November 5, 2012 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm
Governing Board (Off site)

November 6, 2012
KK Fair Setup. No meetings scheduled.

November 7, 2012
KK Fair Setup. No meetings scheduled.

November 8, 2012
KK Fair Setup. No meetings scheduled.

November 8, 2012 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Choir (Home of Ruth Clark)

November 8, 2012 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm
PFlag (Lor-201)

November 9, 2012
KK Fair Setup. No meetings scheduled.

For more upcoming events, visit our Calendar by clicking [HERE](#).

Ivy Chord Concerts

JOHN GORKA ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 2013



Energetic, acoustic folk

***"Listening to him sing, one can get goose bumps all over. There are many reasons—fresh lyrics, a stunning emotional baritone, his twisted humor ..."* New York Times**

Saturday, January 26, 2013

8:00 pm

Tickets:

\$ 25 general admission

\$ 23 students/seniors

Buy tickets for this concert online.

From Ben Wakeman, Take Me To the Bridge:

There are few contemporary songwriters that come anywhere close to the talent of John Gorka. His songs have a way of working on you long after you thought you had it all figured out. I will listen to a song that I know all the words to and can sing along with and then one day sitting at a traffic light I realize that there was a whole other layer of meaning that I had missed.

In 1984 John Gorka won the prestigious Kerrville New Folk competition. He has over ten albums to his credit. John is a songwriter's songwriter and his songs are championed by an amazing circle of artists including Nanci Griffith, Mary Chapin Carpenter, David Wilcox and many more.

MATT & SHANNON HEATON ON SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2013



"Their playing is masterful and inventive, their arrangements city-smart and spacious. Still, they never forget that Irish music is, at its heart, a neighborly form meant for sharing, not showing off." — Scott Alarik, Boston Globe

Saturday, April 13, 2013

8:00 pm

Tickets:

\$ 16 general admission

\$ 14 students/seniors

Buy tickets for this concert online.

Musically speaking, the Heatons play the heck out of their instruments (Irish wood flute/accordion, guitar/bouzouki). After years of study in Chicago, and many nights of music in Clare, Galway, and their adopted home of Boston, Irish Music Magazine's John O'Regan wrote, "their duet playing is tight, sweet, and tasteful, lacking nothing on either technical expertise or instrumental virtuosity."

As for their singing, when Matt and Shannon perform centuries-old songs, it feels current, conversational. They make traditional music relevant to American audiences. O'Regan wrote "songwise [there are] hints an older domestic sound, the familiar down home harmonies of The Carter Family and Tim and Mollie O'Brien."

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