

East Suburban Unitarian Universalist Church



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ESUUC Sunday Services

Sunday, July 1, 10:30am- *“The Common Bowl, Part I”* - in this informal summer service in the round, there will be a common vessel filled with quotations about “Patriotism” that we will take turns reflecting upon as we begin Fourth of July week. We will also have special guest **Michael Miller** who is visiting from the Sunnyhill UU Church to tell us about the work he is doing and the trip he is leading to Katrina country with volunteers in mission this October. (See related article.) **Dr. Waun** will facilitate.

Sunday, July 8, 10:30am- *“What’s Growing in Our Garden?”* - Names give us a handle for fostering relationships with people and things. . Take a tour with **Laurie Montgomery** to learn what is growing in the Church Garden. She will talk briefly about plant names, how they got them and what that says about our relationship with them.

Sunday, July 15, 10:30am- *“Grocery Bag Skits”* – Join us for a fun intergenerational program where all can participate in devising improvisational skits. **Mary Kukura-Straw** will provide an assortment of props in grocery bags (cloth, of course, which are re-usable :-)).

Sunday, July 22, 10:30am- *“Coffeeshop Music Jam”* - Come hear Music Director **Brian Ogle**'s new selection of music---it may surprise you. Is it Mozart? Is it Bach? Is it Beethoven? No, not even close! It's Music by The Beatles, U2, the Cure, The Police, Talking Heads and others as well as original pop songs. Dare we make this music into a Sunday service of worship? Absolutely! Now you can hear the music that *you know you love* performed live not only by Brian but also by you!! That's right, bring a drum and your dancing shoes, dress way down, and get down, for a morning of fun music. Brian has been secretly practicing his act for months so come and join the fun!

Sunday, July 29, 10:30am- *“Lughnassadh”* - Come learn with **Mary Kukura-Straw** about Lughnassadh, also known as Lammas, possibly the least known of the four major Celtic prechristian holidays. If all goes well, there may even be fresh baked bread to share.

Sunday, August 5, 10:30am- *“The Common Bowl, Part II”* -this is another opportunity to enter into an informal discussion on a topic of common interest, as a vessel of quotations is passed around the circle, on the topic of “Freedom of Choice”. We will take turns offering comments and ideas. **Dr. Waun** will facilitate.

Sunday, August 12, 10:30am- “*Climate Change*” - Join **George Ratliff** and **Jerry Lilly** as they present two views of the technical obstacles that must be overcome before global warming can be stopped, and hear about some of the political obstacles that may be more difficult to overcome.

Sunday, August 19, 10:30am- “*Wingless Angels 2*” – Join **Mehernosh Khan** for readings of poems from his second volume of Wingless Angels, to be followed by an open mike. Bring your own poem or favorites and be ready to express your poetic persona!

Sunday, August 26, 10:30am- “*Conversation with Ken Noble*” – **Ken Noble** will lead this service. Please check the ESUUC website for more details on the program specifics closer to the date of the service.



Pastor's Column:

by Rev. Renee Waun

Have a Serendipitous Summer

It was a gorgeous, sunny Saturday at Mellon Square in downtown Pittsburgh. I was conducting a small outdoor wedding under a cloudless sky. The water in fountains was dancing and sparkling in the sunshine. The birds were singing in the trees nearby. The skateboarders had paused out of respect for the ritual that was taking place. All was right with the world.

At the end of the ceremony, as is my custom, I introduced the couple by name and they kissed as the audience burst into applause. Suddenly, perhaps startled by the clapping of hands, a flock of about 200 birds rose in a swift, uplifting rush and circled against the azure sky, around the couple's heads a couple of times, while everyone around them stood dumbfounded and amazed. “Whoa....!!”, was the common expression.

I've officiated at weddings where couples pay lots of money to have a few doves released at the end of the ceremony, and those trained birds may or may not cooperate by flying over the couple's heads. But here, with no prior knowledge or plan, we had hundreds of birds in a freeform flock, all swirling and darting and diving over these two persons, as if the whole universe were celebrating this couple's marriage.

It was awesome and I'll never forget it. I doubt if the others will either. Several people were taking photos at the time, so I'm sure the birds were captured on camera.

I love serendipitous occurrences such as this. They add an element of mystery and magic to life. My hope for all of us is that, as we head into summer, we might be open and eager for the unexpected, for that is what makes life so rich and abundant and fun. And then, when we all gather once again together in the fall, we might have some marvelous stories to share.



mUUsings from the President

by Matt Mathis

I often wonder what causes people to volunteer, or not, as the case may be. We are a congregation of extremely busy people, and sometime I am just amazed at how much good time and effort we get from everybody. Other times, things fall on the floor, and really important stuff is left undone.

It is pretty easy to figure out some of the things that discourage volunteers: It does not work to tell another volunteer "How to do their job" or "How much to volunteer". It especially does not work to tell somebody that they are doing their job wrong or have not done enough, and it is a problem to create expectations such that anybody, including the volunteer themselves can judge the volunteer's performance.

Why do I bring this up? Well if you look at our bylaws, they do exactly this. We have what is called a "portfolio board" - each board member has a laundry list of responsibilities. This type of board is appropriate for an organization such as a university, where these are paid positions. Funny thing, our three unfilled board positions have the most daunting list of responsibilities.

We need to overhaul our bylaws to remove over-specific job descriptions. I would wish for a pure policy board that meets infrequently, consisting of 4 officers plus some at-large members, and a new flexible organizational structure in the style of "matrix management" for the day-to-day operation of the church. This is how we are already doing most of the things that we do well.

I say "wish" because of course this is not my choice. It is your choice, as members of the congregation. I am convening a "governance committee", which will start out in the fall studying the problem and exploring ideas for new bylaws. At the January membership retreat we will share what we have learned and assemble our new bylaws. During the spring we will finalize the wording, and hopefully, adopt a complete new bylaws at next years annual meeting.

Meanwhile, to the extent permitted by our current bylaws, we can start implementing some of the operational changes as soon as we have a plan. And, if you would like to help, please see the signup sheets in the social room.

Please speak up if you have any concerns or ideas about governance or anything else. I can be reached at 412.654.7529, president@esuuc.org or mathis@psc.edu .

Caring and Sharing

If anyone has any news that they want to share, please send it to newsletter@esuuc.org

"Thank You" Outgoing Board Members et al

Some big Thank You wishes go out to several people as we bring this program year to a close. First, outgoing Board member Cathy Serventi, who served us first as Secretary shortly after joining the church, then as Treasurer for the past few years. Cathy has done an extraordinary, thorough and vision-oriented job and we will miss her wisdom at our monthly meetings.

We also say thank you to Kathy Ruffing who was willing to take the duties of Secretary for one year after Leona Dunnett left that position to become Vice President. This is the second time in recent years that Kathy has done an excellent job as Secretary to the Board. As well, we extend our thanks to Jim Osborne, Board member for Facilities. Jim was a dependable attender at the Board meetings and faithfully fulfilled his duties in managing the building needs and maintenance issues.

We also want to give an enormous thank you to Marianne Jew, our fabulous Newsletter Editor for the past two years. Marianne took her job seriously and always got the newsletter out in a creative and timely way. It can be daunting, but Marianne did the job with grace and skill.

Our dedicated Sunday School teachers under the leadership of RE Director Kathy Begg have done a stellar job and get our heartfelt thanks as they take a well-deserved break for the summer.

The Annual Meeting

We opened the meeting with a presentation by Kate Zingarelli on the Green Sanctuary program. After a short discussion, we unanimously adopted a motion to formally begin the Green Sanctuary certification process. The next steps are to establish a Green Sanctuary committee, and to conduct an audit of the church. There is a signup sheet in the social room, or you can contact one of us directly, if you are interested.

We had an extensive discussion about the stained glass window. Although the discussion was generally very positive, many people expressed worries about various aspects of the project. The motion circulated in the announcement letter was amended not to use any existing church money for the project, and to limit the fund-raising to no more than 1 year. With amendments, the motion passed almost unanimously. We will be raising \$6420 for the entire project, including replacing the glass block with a new double pane thermal window. We will apply for an additional grant from Chalice Lighters and seek Memorial Gifts, as described in the meeting announcements. Expect to receive more information about these opportunities soon.

We unanimously passed the budget, with only a minor amendment to delete the unneeded line item for part of the cost of the stained glass window. The budget has a slight surplus for ongoing operational income and expenses (pledges, salaries, supplies, maintenance, etc), and dips into saving for a couple of capital purchases, including a new energy efficient refrigerator and a picture hanging system for the sanctuary. Final copies of the budget (and full minutes) will be available later in the summer.

Both of the bylaw amendments passed. The first was to clarify the definition of membership and the second to formalize the nominating committee, which has been operating informally for years.

Alan Halperin made a short presentation on the Committee on Ministry, which could be thought of as a combination ombudsman and self help team within the church. The CoM will be focused on helping the church and its leadership best serve the congregation. The Bylaw amendment to formally create the CoM will be ready for adoption next year.

Before the election, Matt Mathis made a little presentation about governance, which is recapped in the President's column. Briefly: our bylaws make it hard to recruit officers by specifying jobs that are too large, with too much detail.

We elected Chris Priano to be Treasurer and reelected Kate Zingarelli for another term as the Religious Education chair. Chris held the treasurer position several years ago, at the time we bought the building. The Secretary, Facilities Manager and Community Cluster Coordinator remain vacant due to a lack of people willing to serve.

Rev Renee Waun made a special presentation to Cathy Serventi, our outgoing Treasurer, who is moving to the North Side. In her next volunteer position, Cathy will be able to keep her accounts on her shiny new abacus and her money in her yellow ducky bank. We will miss you Cathy!

"Thank You" to Our CoA Youth

Our Coming of Age youth planned, prepared and served a meal at the Shepherd Wellness; an organization that supports the HIV/AIDS community in Pittsburgh. Here is a thank you note our church received from the Executive Director, Rev. Scott Peterman:

Dear Church Members:

Thank you for sponsoring the dinner which was held on May 4th. Our members enjoyed the meal and look forward to seeing your wonderful group of volunteers again.

The Shepherd Wellness Community is a safe, compassionate community, empowering people affected by HIV/AIDS to live with dignity in the spirit of Wellness. The members of SWC prepare nourishing meals for each other, sponsor support groups, provide transportation, offer educational programs, and provide assistance enabling our members to lead dignified lives while living with their disease.

You generous support makes the work of SWC possible and we genuinely appreciate your help.

Thank you for making our wellness dinner a success! Your youth were such great workers and we hope you'll join us again.

*Sincerely,
Scott Peterman*

Go For the Bonus: Keep Recycling Paper

Abitibi has informed us that if we recycle eight tons of paper between May and August, we'll win \$200 in addition to our normal "payout." Spring cleaning is a great time to get rid of old papers. Please bring them to church and deposit them into the green & yellow bin at the back of our parking lot. In addition to helping the environment, it's an easy way for ESUUC to earn some extra money.

What we CAN recycle: catalogs, magazines, newspapers, junk mail, office paper, fax paper, notebooks, folders. Shredded office paper in clear plastic bags is acceptable. Soft-cover books can be recycled as-is. With hardcover books, please remove and discard the covers first

What we CANNOT recycle: cereal boxes, chipboard, milk cartons, soda cartons, or food cartons. These items cannot be used to make newsprint. This is considered contamination and may ruin an entire load of material.

**** IMPORTANT **** I called Abitibi and asked them about phone books. Even if we remove the covers and binding adhesive first, phone book paper is unacceptable. Since it's already been recycled so many times, it typically turns to mush. So no phone books!! Abitibi did tell me that IKEA in Robinson Twp. has a bin where phone books can be deposited. Also: no cardboard.

If you have any questions, please leave a message for Chris Priano (724-327-5872).

Global Connections: Uganda Update

New Blessing on a Doorstep in Uganda

Dr. Waun received an email from the African Rural Schools Director Hanan Bulime recently where he said that one night, someone left a baby girl on the doorstep of his family's home. His wife Eve had heard crying around 3am and went outside to find the child lying there. The police are investigating but so far no one seems to know where the baby came from. They were going to take her to the hospital to assess her health.

Meanwhile, Hanan and Eve have said that if no one claims the baby, they will raise her with their own children Hanaeve and Renee, and they are calling the baby "Blessed". In Africa, you meet lots of people named after concepts, such as Love, Faith, Joy, Grace, Peace, etc. And, unfortunately, in Africa, there are many desperate folks who must make agonizing choices. We hope that little Blessed will BE blessed as she finds her way in life. More details will be shared as they are known.

UU Regional History Project – Stories Needed

Your stories of the early years of ESUUC are needed to round out a regional history that is being written which includes all area UU churches and fellowships. Ms. Kathy Parker, PhD from First Unitarian Church of Pittsburgh received a grant for the writing, has been working on the project for about three years and is getting ready to publish it. She would like to include more stories that involve ESUUC.

If you are an early member (having joined between the years of 1966 and 1971) or are familiar with the beginning of this congregation, please visit our church website (www.esuuc.org) and find the link that leads to a description of the project so you will know what Dr. Parker is looking for. Please contact Dr. Waun at 412-731-2834 or revmom@pitt.edu if you would like to contribute a memory or story to this historical document. Thank you so much!

Adult RE: "A Course In Miracles"

First Time Reading Group for "A Course in Miracles":

Many people find being a student of "A Course in Miracles" a meaningful and peace-producing activity. You are invited to join a group of people to start a reading group that will meet at East Suburban UU Church, likely weekly. For starters, we will begin on Monday evening **June 25 at 7:00 pm**. We can adapt the evening and time to those who are interested as necessary.

It is suggested that you bring a copy of ACIM, second edition of the combined text, workbook, teacher's manual and clarification of terms. It is not required for you to have the book to sample the group and the course. You can buy it on line at www.acim.org for \$23 to \$35 (and find out more about ACIM) or at the major bookstores. I have the soft cover version at \$30 and find it sturdy. If you have questions, you can contact Nancy at layleader@esuuc.org

Join the Choir

The Choir will take a summer break (no rehearsals in July & August) and will start again in September.

When in session, the Choir rehearses and performs on the 1st Sunday of each month. Join the Choir on **September 2** (date is tentative, check website calendar and/or next newsletter for confirmation) for their

next rehearsal (**9:30 am**) and performance (**during Service**). All are welcome! Contact Brian Ogle if you have any questions.

Sunday Book Club

Our Sunday book club is growing. We shared good conversation about "The Glass Castle" as well as the best watermelon so far this season. We have chosen some good vacation reading, i.e. books for the next 2 months. They are as follows:

July 1 7:00 pm "Diet For a Small Planet" written by Frances Moore Lappe
Being this is a book on food, we have chosen to also have a potluck for which people are invited to bring something which has been inspired by the book.

August 5 7:00 pm "Apartment Therapy" written by Maxwell Gillingham-Ryan

Location: Home of Susan Goodis & Matt Mathis
408 Alpine Village Drive
724-325-8048

Thursday Book Club is now on TUESDAY

We had to switch the meeting day from Thursday to Tuesday so that we could get room space. Meetings are now the first Tuesday of the month. We're still meeting in the Penn Center Panera (near Sears). New dates and book choices:

7/3 - George Ratliff – "The Americanization of Benjamin Franklin" by Gordon S. Wood
8/7 - Jerry Lilly
9/4 - John Shea
10/2 - Susan Goodis
11/6 - John Swartz
12/4 - Marjorie Swartz

If you need a ride, would like to borrow a copy the book from someone who has finished it, or have any questions, the address bookclub@esuuc.org sends email to the all the active members. If you wanted to be added to the book club reminder email list, send email to president@esuuc.org and ask Matt to add you. The book club is open to anyone who is interested. Books generally alternate between fiction and non-fiction.

Drumming News: July

Groove and Meditate Drumming Circle: NOW EVERY 3RD SUNDAY (**July 15 at 7:30 pm** and **August 19 at 7:30 pm**). Drum, chant, meditate and groove with new and old friends as we relax and rejuvenate in the power of creating music together. No experience necessary and no skill required. Bring your drums or use ours. Why not give it a try?

Family Drumming Circle - No Family Drumming Circle for July and August. Check back in September!

Other area drumming opportunities - Three Rivers Thunder meets every Saturday at 3 pm at the Grotto on the top of Flagstaff Hill in Schenley Park in Oakland. Info at <http://drumcircle.meetup.com/20/>

Summer Institute: Ohio-Meadville District

Make plans now to attend Summer Institute!

Sunday, **July 15** through Saturday, **July 21** 2007

Kenyon College, Gambier Ohio

Theme: **The Dharma of Living: The Ongoing Prescription for Happiness**

Speaker: Ven. Shih Ying-Fa, Founder of Zen Society of Cleveland

More info: www.omdsi.org

Musical Jam Session

Open Jam Sessions (1st Sunday of each month) will take a break in July, then will start again in August: **Sunday, August 5 at 7:30 pm**. If you like to make music, this is for you! Eclectic and welcoming - all instruments, ages and voices will be included, beginning at 7:30 pm at ESUUC.

Sunday Book Club

The book for the meeting on **August 5 at 7 pm** has not been determined (at the time the newsletter was printed). See "Sunday Book Club" write-up for July for more details on location and contacts.

Drumming News: August

Groove and Meditate Drumming Circle (3rd Sunday of every month): **August 19 at 7:30 pm**. For description, see previous "Drumming News: July" write-up.

Mission Trip to New Orleans

The Social Action Committee (SAC) of the **UU Church of the South Hills, Pittsburgh**, is currently developing plans to create an opportunity for local UU's to travel to New Orleans to help with these reconstruction efforts. The UUA/UUSC Gulf Coast coordinators have given SAC the green light to come down to New Orleans the week of **October 13-20, 2007** and join the on-going volunteer clean-up effort.

A group of up to 40 adults will travel from Pittsburgh to New Orleans on Saturday, October 13 and take up temporary residence at First Unitarian, New Orleans. There the group will live dormitory-style for a week, purchasing its own food and preparing its own meals in the church's well-supplied kitchen. After spending a day in training and orientation, the group will then devote five days to the hard work of helping victims reclaim their homes and their lives. We will return to Pittsburgh on Saturday, October 20.

The expenses of the trip will be borne by individuals and is expected to total approximately \$350 per person, including airfare to New Orleans, ground transportation in New Orleans in the form of commercial vans, \$5/night fee to First Unitarian Church/ New Orleans for the use of their church building, safety equipment in the form of N-95 masks and filters, and food for the week. Of course, any personal expenses above those basic necessities will depend on the activities and needs of individuals. Various fundraising ideas and efforts are being discussed and the success of those fundraising efforts may help lower the out-of-pocket expenses of some or all participants.

Please consider joining this critically needed effort with your fellow Pittsburgh Unitarian Universalists. If you have questions, fundraising ideas, want to volunteer to join the group and/or help with plans and

preparations, please contact Michael Miller, Coordinator, at 412-650-9040 or at mmiller@usaor.net . More information about the UUA/UUSC Gulf Coast efforts can be found at www.uua.org and at www.uusc.org .

Although SAC is providing the impetus and coordinating the effort, the hope is that the greater Pittsburgh UU community will join the effort and that the ultimate group of 40 will be made up of UU's from all of the area UU churches. This is a wonderful opportunity for the Pittsburgh UU's to come together to put our values and principles into action and to strengthen our community in the process.

The Unitarian Universalist Association and the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee continue working together to coordinate volunteer relief efforts in the Gulf Coast. Although it has been two years since Hurricanes Katrina and Rita slammed the Gulf Coast, there remains serious devastation and great on-going need for recovery efforts. Unitarian Universalists everywhere have contributed large sums of money and many hours of effort, lending skills and compassion to help those most directly affected so that they may regain their homes, their dignity and their lives.

Teen Book Club

For more information, please contact Julia via email: redirector@esuuc.org

Sunday Refreshments

Summer Refreshment Volunteers Needed

One of our most popular Unitarian traditions is the social hour after each service.

During the summer, we don't normally schedule specific members to bring refreshments, as we do during the rest of the year. We still like to eat, though! So we're accepting volunteers to bring goodies for after the July and August services. Sign up now, and benefit in two ways: 1) Since summer services are more lightly attended, you won't have to bring as much. 2) We'll take you off the list for the fall and winter services!

To volunteer, sign up on the yellow sheet in the community room or contact Brenda Shiring at brennyren@yahoo.com .

Refreshments Roster

If the week you are assigned doesn't work with your schedule, please switch with someone else for that month.

July 1	(Brenda Shiring has sign-up sheet
July 8	for summer refreshments – contact
July 15	Brenda: brennyren@yahoo.com)
July 22	
July 29	

Aug 5	(Contact Brenda Shiring if you wish to
Aug 12	volunteer for summer refreshments)
Aug 19	
Aug 26	

Update from the RE Director

Fall 2007 - 2008 Registration Forms

Although the church year officially ended just a short time ago, I am deep in planning for the fall 2007 to 2008 program. Those of you with children or youth in the program now should already have received a copy of the registration form I currently have on file. Please update it and send it back as soon as you can.

If you can get it to me before August 1, I would really appreciate it. If you haven't received a form and should have, I sincerely apologize. I have included a blank form at the end of this newsletter for anyone who needs one. You can copy it and email it to me at: redirector@esuuc.org, or drop it in my mailbox at church, or send it to me at home. Whatever is easiest for you, works for me!

RE Volunteers Needed

The RE program depends on volunteers to lead Sunday classes, do Children's Chapel, and lead our monthly service projects. Would you like to help? The curriculum is easy to use. Help is available to teachers, Chapel and service project leaders. Won't you lend your wisdom and energy to the next generation? Please contact me with any questions and let me know if you would like to get involved!

Service Project Ideas Anyone?

In the past RE has made hats and scarves and blankets to donate to charity. For this year, in line with the Green Sanctuary program, I would like to find a project that is easy for all ages and is environmentally friendly. Something using recycled materials would be perfect! If you have ideas, or know of a good website to find ideas, please let me know.

Respectfully submitted,
 Kate Begg
 DRE

RE Class Schedule

Nursery:	Day	Teacher
	July 1	
	through	
	...	no nursery during the summer; see you in September!
	Aug 26	

Elementary:	Day	Class Description	Teacher
	July 1		
	through		
	...	no classes during the summer; see you in September!	n/a
	Aug 26		

Middle:	Day	Class Description	Teacher
	July 1		
	through		
	...	no classes during the summer; see you in September!	n/a
	Aug 26		

Coming of Age:	Day	Class Description	Teacher
	July 1		
	through		
	...	no classes during the summer; see you in September!	n/a
	Aug 26		

Youth Group

NOTE: no meeting on July 8!

Youth Group meetings (2nd and 4th Sundays each month, from 7-9 pm): **July 22, August 12, 26**
This will be a steady schedule until further notice. Please contact Leona Dunnett 724-327-3841
(ldunnett@gmail.com) with any questions or concerns.

Barter Board

If you have items to trade/sell, or have needs, you can post to the Barter Board.

The Board is located in the RE hallway on the Community Bulletin Board. To use, fill out a card (available on the Barter Board itself) describing your item or need, then pin it up in the appropriate column of the Barter Board.

Want your item listed in the weekly newsletter? Fill out an extra copy of the card and give it to Kathy Ruffing, put it in the Secretary's mailbox, or e-mail the info to Kathy at secretary@esuuc.org .

Experimental Online Calendar

For immediate access to the most up-to-date information on ESUUC events, go directly to:
<http://www.esuuc.org/calendar.htm>

Calendar

Sun Jul 1, 2007

9:30am [Cancelled - Choir Rehearsal for today's Service](#)

10:30am [Patriotism Sharing Bowl](#)

7pm [Book Club](#)

8pm [* Spirit Progress Radio is an online streamed audio radio program](#)

Tue Jul 3, 2007

7:30pm [ESUUC Book Club](#)

Thu Jul 5, 2007

7:30pm [Board Meeting \[More\]](#)

Sun Jul 8, 2007

10:30am [ESUUC Garden Tour](#)

7pm [Cancelled: Youth Group; next meeting: 7/22](#)

8pm [* Spirit Progress Radio is an online streamed audio radio program](#)

Sun Jul 15, 2007

10:30am [Grocery Bag Skits! \(cloth of course\)](#)

8pm [* Spirit Progress Radio is an online streamed audio radio program](#)

11pm [Newsletter Deadline](#)

Sat Jul 21, 2007

8am [*Non-ESUUC Event](#)

Sun Jul 22, 2007

10:30am [Musical Offerings with Brian Ogle](#)

7pm [Youth Group](#)

8pm [* Spirit Progress Radio is an online streamed audio radio program](#)

Sun Jul 29, 2007

10:30am [Learn About Lughnassadh](#)

8pm [* Spirit Progress Radio is an online streamed audio radio program](#)

Thu Aug 2, 2007

7:30pm [Board Meeting \[More\]](#)

Sun Aug 5, 2007

9:30am [Cancelled - Choir Rehearsal for today's Service](#)

10:30am [Freedom = Freedom to Choose Sharing Bowl](#)

7pm [Sunday Book Club](#)

8pm [* Spirit Progress Radio is an online streamed audio radio program](#)

Tue Aug 7, 2007

7:30pm [ESUUC Book Club](#)

Sun Aug 12, 2007

10:30am [Climate Change](#)

7pm [Youth Group](#)

8pm [* Spirit Progress Radio is an online streamed audio radio program](#)

Sat Aug 18, 2007

8am [*Non-ESUUC Event](#)

Sun Aug 19, 2007

10:30am [Poetry](#)

8pm [* Spirit Progress Radio is an online streamed audio radio program](#)

11pm [Newsletter Deadline](#)

Congregational Committees

Committee – Chair (email)

Aesthetics – Jean Robl and Maureen Lilly	Membership – Marylyn Devlin
Building and Facilities – Jim Osborne	Music – Alan Halperin
Caring & Concerns – Maria Luczkow	Pastoral Care – Maria Luczkow
(caring@esuuc.org)	Religious Education – Kate Zingarelli
Committee on Ministry – Gayle Pamerleau	Signs and Symbols – Leona Dunnett
Community – Kate Codd-Palmer	Social Enrichment – Brenda Shiring
Drumming – Jen Trout-Osborne (drumming@esuuc.org)	Sunday Programs/Celebrations – Mary
Finance – Chris Priano	Kukura-Straw
Landscaping – Laurie Montgomery	Welcoming Congregation – Matt Mathis

Newsletter Deadlines

September 2007 newsletter deadline: **Sunday, August 19**

PRIVACY: Our newsletter is posted on the ESUUC website. If you don't want your phone number to be published, please don't include it in any newsletter submissions. Instead, use the church phone number. If you would like an email alias (format is "<your choice>@esuuc.org"), please contact president@esuuc.org.

Please email your articles to newsletter@esuuc.org or call the church and leave a message with your news, stories, and other information.

Get the Weekly Email News

If you would like to receive a weekly email that includes items not in the newsletter and reminders of upcoming events for the week, please send an email from the address you would like subscribed to esuuc_news@esuuc.org. You can also send a message to that address if you would like it included in the weekly email announcement to the congregation. If the message can't wait for the weekly announcement, please contact the church secretary at secretary@esuuc.org. No attachments please.

Registration Form
ESUUC RE Program
2007 to 2008 Year

Child's Name:

Address:

E-Mail Address:

Phone No.:

Date of Birth:

Grade on Sept. 1, 2007:

Please note any allergies or other special conditions:

Parent(s) Name(s):

Are you interested in teaching/participating in the RE program? Yes No

My preference would be to teach the following section: (Please circle all that apply)

Elementary: 4 years through 3rd grade	Middle: 4th through 6 th grade	Coming of Age: 7th and 8th Grade
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Class assignments are based on age/grade on Sept. 1, 2007

Do you or your child have any concerns we should be aware of?

Any other comments?

Would you be interested in having your child attend OWL? (We are considering OWL classes for 4th – 6th and Jr. High for this year.) Yes No

(Class parameters are subject to change depending on number and ages of children registering in the program.)