

This Week at Unity Church

July 20–26, 2014

Welcome visitors! After the service today, please stop by the Welcome Table in the Parish Hall to introduce yourself and learn more about Unity Church.

Welcome to Unity: Our Class for Newcomers

TODAY! • 11:30 a.m.–12:45 p.m.

Sunday, August 24 • 11:30 a.m.–12:45 p.m.

If you have been visiting Unity Church and would like to find out more about Unitarian Universalism and our congregation, we invite you to join us for one of these *Welcome to Unity* classes. Sign up at the Welcome Table in the Parish Hall following the service or by email to lisa@unityunitarian.org.

Last call for campers! Chalice Camp openings still available!

July 21-25: <http://www.unityunitarian.org/chalice-camp.html>

Young Adult Group (ages 18-25): Potluck and Book Club

Join us on the fourth Tuesday for the month, July 22, for a 6:30 p.m. potluck in the Center Room. The young adult group has also started a Thursday night book club that meets at 7:30 p.m. in downtown St. Paul. The book club is open to people of all ages. Contact Susan Kelnberger at smkeln@gmail.com for details.

Women's Retirement Group

The Women's Retirement Group continues to meet on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month from 1:00–3:00 p.m. Contact Rev. Lisa Friedman at 651-228-1456 x107 or lisa@unityunitarian.org for more information. Upcoming dates include:
July 24: Outing to Sugar Lake

Take Unity Church Out to the Ball Game!

Saint Paul Saints vs. the New Jersey Jackels

Saturday, August 16 • 7:05 p.m. • Midway Stadium

Join other Unity Church members and friends at Midway Stadium for an evening of fun and fellowship with the St. Paul Saints in their last year at Midway Stadium. We have set up a group purchase opportunity, so that everyone will be able to sit together in the Infield Reserve. Tickets are \$14. You can order tickets online at www.saintsgroups.com (password:unitychurch) or by phone at 651-644-6659 and be sure to mention you are with Unity Church. You can also pick up a ticket order form at the Welcome Table in Parish Hall. Wear your Standing on the Side of Love T-shirt, if you have one, and see you at the game! Contact Lisa Friedman with any questions at lisa@unityunitarian.org or 651-228-1456 x107.

This Week in Religious Education

Summer in the garden continues each week for children ages 4-12. Meet in our garden on Portland Avenue, next to the Sanctuary. No registration is necessary but drop-in capacity will be limited by the number of adult volunteers present. To volunteer to help, contact Anna Newton at newtona@comcast.net. Nursery care for younger children is available.

Registration for Our Whole Lives 2014-15 will happen this fall following family orientations on August 27 and September 2. OWL is a year-long, signature sexuality and spirituality program open and appropriate for grades 7-9. Contact Drew Danielson at drew@unityunitarian.org or 651-228-1456 x112.



TICKETS
\$20

- Payable by cash or check to Unity Church
- More prizes announced each Friday throughout the summer! ALL prizes will be raffled on Sunday, September 28
- Proceeds from this raffle will support Unity's 2014 operating budget

SUMMER FRIDAYS PRIZE REVEALS!

"READ AND RELAX" \$500 value: A Kindle Fire HDX Tablet (16GB), a \$100 gift card to Amazon.com, an assortment of delicious teas from TeaSource, and a handcrafted mug from Grand Hand Gallery.

"GET FIT" \$850 value: A Fitbit Flex and a one-year individual membership to the YWCA or YMCA of your choice.

"SHARE THE PRIZE" \$250 value: A \$250 donation to the non-profit organization of your choice!

"GET AROUND TOWN" \$500 value: A one-year subscription to Nice Ride, a Go-To Metro pass, a one-year Go Plan from HOURCAR, a messenger bag, klean kanteen water bottle and lunch canister.

New Orleans Pilgrimage Information Meeting

November 15-22, 2014

This trip to New Orleans is an opportunity to participate in a service and educational pilgrimage. The week-long trip includes hands-on service projects for participants, meetings with community leaders who are working to rebuild the city, connections with new and old friends, and opportunities to explore the rich and unique culture of the Crescent City. Each pilgrimage also offers time for reflecting on major themes of racial and economic justice in New Orleans related to our communities back in St. Paul. For more information or to sign up for the pilgrimage, contact Lisa Friedman at lisa@unityunitarian.org or 651-228-1456 x107.

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Sunday, July 20

Summer in the Garden for Children 10:00 a.m., Garden
Chalice Camp Training 11:00 a.m., Foote Room
Afterthoughts 11:15 a.m., Gannett Room
Welcome to Unity 11:30 a.m., Center Room

Monday, July 21

Chalice Camp 8:30 a.m., Parish Hall
Unitots Playgroup 9:30 a.m., Nursery

Tuesday, July 22

Chalice Camp 8:30 a.m., Parish Hall
Sangha Meditation 5:30 p.m., Ames Chapel
Young Adult Potluck 6:00 p.m., Center Room
Archive Team 6:30 p.m., Lower Level Lobby

Wednesday, July 23

Chalice Camp 8:30 a.m., Parish Hall

Thursday, July 24

Chalice Camp 8:30 a.m., Parish Hall
Chalice Camp Potluck 5:30 p.m., Parish Hall
Women's Retirement Group 1:00 p.m., Outing to Sugar Lake

Friday, July 25

Chalice Camp 8:30 a.m., Parish Hall
Parish Hall Artist Reception (Peter Freeman) 6:00 p.m., Parish Hall

Saturday, July 26

Evergreen Quilters 10:00 a.m., Anderson Library

Unity libraries are open on Sundays throughout the summer!

Stop by the Anderson Adult Library on the upper level
and the Whitman Children's Library on the lower level
to pick up some great summer reads!

Unitarianism in Transylvania

Sunday, August 10 • 11:30 a.m. • Center Room

Come and learn about Unitarianism's Transylvanian heritage and its current community with Csongor Benedek. Csongor is a third year seminarian from Transylvania and is currently learning about American Unitarian Universalist church life here at Unity. This is a great opportunity to get to know Csongor, as well as our international faith.

Merging of Waters Worship Service

Be sure to collect water from your journeys (or backyard!) this summer. The Merging of Waters service will be held on Sunday, September 7.

Serve on Unity's Board of Trustees

The Unity Church Board of Trustees is seeking candidates for a three-year term beginning in December 2014. Board members must be voting members of the church and must be willing to work enthusiastically with the Board, the Executive Team, and the congregation. No experience is necessary, but a willingness to learn and participate actively is essential.

To learn more about the position, please feel free to contact any member of the Board and review the job description posted on the Unity Church website (<http://bit.ly/BOT2014>).

To place your name in nomination, or place the name of someone else in nomination, please contact Marg Walker at marg.walker51@gmail.com.

Upcoming Worship Service: July 27 • 10:00 a.m.

Walking Together — Benedek Csongor

What does it mean to walk together in partnership? What do we learn when we walk together in community across faith, culture, language, and more? This morning we welcome Benedek Csongor, a seminarian studying for the Unitarian ministry in Transylvania, to our pulpit. Worship associate Diane Ross will also reflect on her experience of participating in the pilgrimage to Unity's partner church in Homorodszentpeter last summer. Musician: Dawn Baker, piano.

Our Ministry of Generosity

Each Sunday, thirty percent of the offering goes to support the Community Outreach Ministry at Unity Church and seventy percent is given to the chosen community non-profit recipient. **Please make checks payable to Unity Church.** On July 13 Unity Church collected \$1,202.55 in the Sunday offering. Booth Brown House will receive a donation of \$841.79. Information about today's offering recipient, the Minnesota Prison Writing Project, can be found in the order of service. The offering recipient on July 27 is the Minnesota Unitarian Universalist Social Justice Alliance.

Flowers for Worship

If you would like to bring flowers from your garden for a 10:00 a.m. summer worship service, please contact Marcy at marcy@unityunitarian.org. The flowers need to be arranged in a vase and placed in the chancel by 9:15 a.m. on the Sunday you select.

Unity Book Club

Second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome — even if you haven't read the book!

August 12: *Flim-Flam Man: The True Story of My Father's Counterfeit Life* by Jennifer Vogel

September 9: *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachel Joyce

October 14: *The River of Doubt: Theodore Roosevelt's Darkest Journey* by Candice Millard

Traditional Ramadan Iftar

Mosques and Muslim Community Centers throughout the Metro area will be welcoming their non-Muslim neighbors for a traditional Ramadan Iftar, or fast-breaking meal. Ramadan is the month of the Islamic lunar calendar during which Muslims abstain from food and drink from sunrise to sunset. The fast is performed to learn compassion, self-restraint and generosity. Fasting during Ramadan is one of the "five pillars" of Islam. Each day the fast is broken with a meal called Iftar.

Please visit www.mnchurches.org to register for an Iftar meal near you. This year as we recognize the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 which outlawed segregation, we will also be celebrating being together, and will hear about a Muslim perspective on Civil Rights. Bring a friend and join in!

2014 National Night Out

Tuesday, August 5, 2014

If you are interested in helping members and friends of Unity Church with the National Night Out event that is held in cooperation with House of Hope Church, please contact Mary Cardinal Peterson at petecardfive@q.com.

PURCHASE RAFFLE TICKETS TODAY!