



If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other.
Mother Teresa

This week at MUUYACM:

We'll welcome Wendy Cooper, Social Justice Coordinator at First Unitarian Society. Wendy will talk with us about human rights issues – more details to come!

We'll also have a quick social action. We'll fill out Tents of Hope postcards to send to the Foreign Relations Committee of the U.S. Senate, advocating for protection of women and girls in Darfur from gender-based violence.

Sunday, Sept. 28, UW Memorial Union (TITU – check the board when you get there, or on-line that day at: <http://www.union.wisc.edu/cro/reslist.asp>)

Light supper 5pm

Service 6-7pm

Questions? Contact Program Coordinator Karen Barrett-Wilt at karenb@fusmadison.org or 233-9774 x131.

Hope to see you there!

Thanks to those of you who came to the Peace Day @ UW observance of International Day of Peace! *Last year* the Taliban agreed not only to a cease fire on International Peace Day, but they also agreed to help protect World Health Organization volunteers who delivered polio vaccines to children in particularly dangerous areas of Afghanistan. UNICEF and the WHO hadn't had access to these areas for over a year. Last year 10,000 volunteers administered just over a million vaccines. *This year* Afghan and international military forces again agreed on a cease-fire, the Taliban again offered safe access to WHO volunteers, and over the three day period around International Peace Day (9/21) 14,000 volunteers administered 1.85 million polio vaccines to children in Afghanistan. The International Day of Peace saves lives! For more info, go to <http://www.peaceday.org/home.aspx> and <http://www.internationaldayofpeace.org/>.

Local UU Services:

Saturday, Sept. 27, 4:30pm

Sunday, Sept. 28, 9 and 11am

First Unitarian Society

www.fusmadison.org

“Creating Comfort” with Karen Gustafson, Minister

Throughout our lives we are all, at one time or another, givers and receivers of comfort. This takes many forms – reassuring words, a touch, a nod, a thoughtful gift, intended to connect us and help us to feel less isolated and alone in our pain or sorrow. As with so much else, comfort is often easier to give than to receive. This is partly because we don’t give much attention to what we find comforting and when we do, we find it hard to ask. How does this dynamic play itself out in our beloved community? What can we offer? How graciously do we receive? How can our asking help us to get it right? Today we will introduce our FUS Shawl Ministry and bless the comfort items created by our Shawl Ministers.

Sunday, Sept. 28, 9 and 11am

James Reeb Unitarian Universalist Congregation

<http://jruuc.org>

“Rosh Hashanah,” with Rev. Darrel Richey

“Love thy neighbor: The sacrament of returning to right relations with each other.

Sunday, Sept. 28, 10am

Prairie Unitarian Universalist Congregation

<http://uuprairie.org>

“This I Believe,” with Sarah Babcock, Jim Carpenter, and Orange Schroeder.

Fifth in a series of programs focusing on spiritual backgrounds and beliefs, the panel will consist of Sarah Babcock, Jim Carpenter, and Orange Schroeder. Come hear how these individuals from Prairie have shaped their own spirituality with their unique stories.

Local UU Events and Announcements:

Prairie Movie Group

The Prairie UU Congregation movie group meet at Prairie to view the film “Catch 22” on Thursday, Sept. 25 at 7pm. “Catch 22” was directed by Mike Nichols and is based on the Joseph Heller novel. The film includes actors Alan Arkin, Martin Sheen, Art Garfunkel, Martin Balsam, John Voigt, Bob Newhart, Anthony Perkins, and Orson Wells, and tells the story of a group of WW II fliers. It’s a great movie! Bring snacks to share.

First Unitarian Society Friday Noon Musicales Return!

After a year-long hiatus the Friday Noon Musicales will start up again beginning Friday, October 3, at 12:15 p.m. in our Landmark Auditorium. We have a great line-up this semester including Madison Symphony Orchestra Concertmaster Tyrone Greive, singer/actors from the Four Seasons Theatre and faculty from nearby universities.

On Friday, October 3, come hear soprano Julie Cross and pianist Karen Boe, faculty members of UW-Whitewater, who will perform music by G.F. Handel, Clara Schumann, John Harbison and Libby Larsen. This event is free every week – don’t miss it!

Frank Lloyd Wright Tour

Don’t miss this unique opportunity to visit three Frank Lloyd Wright-designed buildings in Milwaukee. The Friends of the Meeting House at First Unitarian Society is sponsoring a tour on Saturday, October 4 that includes an American System-Built home (1916), the F.C. Bogk residence (1916) and the

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church (1956). Pick up a tour brochure in the lobby of the Historic Meeting House (First Unitarian Society) or call Ann Smiley at 354-2075 for an e-mail version.

The 4th Annual Fall Festival at First Unitarian Society

Mark your calendars for our fabulous fall festival on October 5, 12:30 to 3 pm. What a great way to get comfortable in our new dwelling, and celebrate new connections, the new RE season and our fabulous new green building. There will be chili, pizza and homemade desserts; folk music by the Moldy Jam Old Timey String Band, and fun activities for the whole family. Consider if you or your family might like to lend a hand, and keep posted as Mary Kay Aide, Fall Festival Coordinator extraordinaire, looks for cookie bakers, fruit/veggie plate makers, pumpkin takers.

Local Community Events:

Volunteer Fair sponsored by the Morgridge Center

Meet with over 60 non-profit agencies to learn about their mission and current volunteer opportunities. This is a great way for students to find a volunteer or service-learning opportunity that matches your major, passion, or career goals. Join us in the Great Hall at the UW Memorial Union from 11am-3pm on Thursday, Sept. 25.

9/27 Sat 8:30 am – 4 pm ACLU of Wisconsin Activist Conference - Don't Wait: It's '08! – Madison.

Monona Terrace. Luncheon Presenter: Barry Steinhardt, Director National ACLU Technology and Liberty Project .Online Registration: <http://www.acteva.com/go/ACLUWI-ActNow>

Madison Winter Soldier

An Iraq Veterans Against the War Speak Out

Saturday, Sept. 27th, 3:30pm (doors @3pm)

Memorial Union Theater (800 Langdon St., UW-Madison Campus)

Sponsored by Iraq Veterans Against the War (ivaw.org)

Suggested donation of \$5, no one will be turned away, all proceeds will benefit Iraq Veterans Against the War - Madison Chapter, a proud affiliate of Veterans For Peace, a 501 (c) (3) charity.

Veterans will testify about their experiences in the military addressing:

- * Eyewitness accounts and personal stories from veterans and military families
- * Veterans' Healthcare and the failure of the VA system
- * The poverty draft and military recruitment today
- * Supporting war resisters and the future of GI resistance
- * Racism and the War on Terror
- * Veterans, GIs, students, labor, and other peace groups working together end the war

Featuring guest speakers John Stauber, co-author of "*The Best War Ever: Lies, Damned Lies, and the Mess in Iraq*" and "*Weapons of Mass Deception: The Uses of Propaganda in Bush's War on Iraq*" and Sami Rasouli an Iraqi-American who splits his time between Najaf and the U.S. where he talks about life under the U.S. occupation.

For more information or to endorse the event contact: madisonwintersoldier@gmail.com

Endorsed by: Veterans For Peace: (Chapter 25 - The Clarence Kailin Chapter, Chapter 102 - The Milwaukee Chapter, Chapter 114 - The Sheboygan Chapter), Military Families for Peace, Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice, Madison Area Peace Coalition, Rainbow Bookstore Cooperative, National Campaign for Nonviolent Resistance - Madison Chapter, LIBERTY TREE Foundation for the Democratic Revolution, Health Writers, OneWisconsinNow, The Progressive, Campus Anti-war Network UW-Madison, DeKalb Interfaith Network for Peace and Justice, Madison-Rafah Sister City Project, International Socialist Organization: (Madison City Branch and University of

Wisconsin Campus Branch), Madison Industrial Workers of the World (IWW), Madison Infoshop, WI Impeachment/Bring Our Troops Home Coalition, Peregrine Forum, United Nations Association - Wisconsin Division, Madison Buddhist Peace Fellowship, Code Pink - Boscobel, TAME Wisconsin, Campus Progress, South Central Federation of Labor, AFSCME Local 171, South West Wisconsin Area Progressives, Progressive Students of Milwaukee, The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom - The Madison Branch, The World Can't Wait, Unión de Trabajadores Inmigrantes, Student Progressive Dane.

Links to local UU congregations:

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Did you know that you can stream the services LIVE? You don't even have to get dressed on a Sunday morning to hear what's happening at FUS; Visit this weblink to get the scoop on how to get connected: <http://www.fusmadison.org/live/liveservices.shtml> .

And new! You can get the FUS sermon recordings automatically downloaded and ready to list to an MP3 player. For more info, visit the FUS podcast page: <http://www.fusmadison.org/sermons/podcasts.shtml>.

Unitarian Congregation of Rock County (Janesville): www.ucrockcounty.org.

Free Congregation of Sauk County (Sauk City): www.freecongregation.org.

Other great young adult UU links:

FUUSE, the online YA community: www.fuuse.com.

Connect UU, to find YAs around the continent: www.connectuu.com.

Church of the Younger Fellowship - The Church of the Younger Fellowship is open 24/7 on the Internet. Designed for young religious liberals who might not have a church close by, or who might not find a bricks-and-mortar church to their liking, or who simply like the interactive style of the Internet, CYF is proving to be an attractive option: <http://uucyf.org>.

Central Midwest District Young Adult Network - a group of young adults ages 18-35 working to build community and to foster growth of the Unitarian Universalist Young Adult movement in the Central Midwest District: <http://cmwd-uuyan.org/>