



# The Chalice Light

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## Sunday Morning

Service 11:00AM

Children's and Adult Classes 10:00AM

## Easter Brunch April 5!

### Services

**April 5:** "Stewardship", Stewardship Committee

**April 12:** " It's not Easy Being Green",  
Louise Sanders

### Children's Religious Education

**April 5:**

Cubbies: TBA

Youth: Bead 9: Animals evolve in oceans

**April 12:**

Cubbies: We all belong to the family of earth

Youth: Bead 10: Plants grow on land

### Intersections – Adult Religious Exploration

**April 5:** Planning Session

**April 12:** Friedman's Fables, Wanda Clark

### **Information**

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## Sunday Morning Services –

### Details...

**April 5:** “Stewardship”, Stewardship Committee

**April 12:** “It’s not Easy Being Green”

While Kermit the Frog will not be here, others interested in “greenness” will be. Louise Sanders will present information on becoming a Green Sanctuary Congregation. The UU Ukulele orchestra of West Texas will be performing, and it will be a great way to celebrate spring.

### Services – Looking Ahead...

**April 19:** “Tending the soil/Growing the soul”,  
Linda McGann

**April 26:** “An Evangelical Christian and a  
Unitarian Universalist on a Plane”,  
Rev. Tandi Rogers, via DVD



*Adult Religious Exploration,  
where religion intersects culture,  
science, and politics –*

## Sunday Morning Intersections –

### Details...

**April 5:** *Planning Session, Bring your ideas!*

**April 12:** Friedman's Fables, Wanda Clark

### Intersections - Looking Ahead...

**April 19:** Processing sadness in order to act,  
Ariel Purkeypile and Patsy Malin

**April 26:** When the lights go out and the zombies  
come: environmental stewardship for children,  
Ariel Purkeypile



## Mark Your Calendar!

**April 5:** Membership committee NO MEETING

**April 5:** Easter Brunch, after service

**April 7:** Sunday Services Committee, 7PM

**April 11:** Rob Mulkey Memorial, 1 PM

**April 12:** Next newsletter deadline, 5 PM

**April 12:** Social Action Committee, after service

**April 12:** New Member Program, 12:15PM

**April 14:** Board of Trustees, 7 PM

**April 19:** Potluck after service

**April 22:** Green Sanctuary Committee, 6:30PM

**April 23:** RE Committee, 7PM

**April 24:** Drum Circle, 5:30 PM

**April 24:** Social Action Game Night, 6 PM

**April 26:** All Committees meet after service

**May 2:** South Plains Food Bank Workday

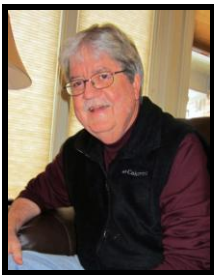


## Easter Brunch

By Wanda Clark

The Stewardship Committee would like to invite you to join in our celebratory Pancake Brunch on April 5. This is to mark the conclusion of our cottage meetings pledge program and to thank everyone for your generous participation and support. So please mark your calendars and plan to join us for a family meal after the service on Easter Sunday April 5.





## Celebration of Life

By Sarah Mulkey

You are invited to a *Celebration of Life* service for Rob Mulkey on Saturday, April 11, at 1:00PM, here at First UU.



## New Member Program

By Wanda Clark

The program for new members will be held Sunday April 12 from 12:15-4:15. Lunch and childcare will be provided. Please RSVP to Stephanie Blackwell [pac@nts-online.net](mailto:pac@nts-online.net) with childcare needs and any dietary requests. Members/friends are welcome to attend and will have the opportunity to participate in the question/answer period toward the end of the afternoon.



## KTTZ-FM Spring Fundraising

By Wanda Clark

We have received consistent feedback that one of the ways people “find” us is through our radio ads on KTTZ-FM (local PBS station). Their spring fundraising drive will begin April 19 and many of you generously support their efforts. It is important that we continue advertising with KTTZ and one way we can lessen the expense of doing so is if you make your contribution through our congregation.

When you contribute to KTTZ, please make that donation through the church and put KTTZ on the memo line of your check. Thank you for your efforts to help keep our community vibrant and visible in Lubbock!



## Living Our Values

By Sara McLarty

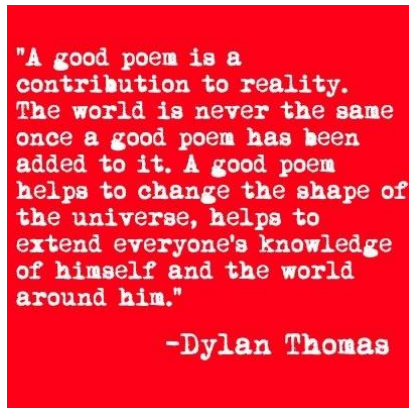
Thursday, April 9: Kent Sprouse  
Wednesday, April 15: Manuel Garza  
Thursday, April 23: Richard Vasquez  
Tuesday, April 28: Robert Pruett  
Tuesday, May 12: Derrick Charles

If you oppose the death penalty or have reservations because it is imposed mostly on the poor, or because there have been many exonerations with DNA evidence, you may want to stand vigil on the days of execution with others at St. John's United Methodist Church, 15th and University. The local newspaper usually publishes the details the day of the execution.

We recite together prayers and words of healing for all, the person to be executed, the families, the victims of the crime, the guards, and the executioners. This is an interfaith witness, initiated by People Of Faith Against the Death Penalty. The words spoken will be from several faith traditions in turn, usually chosen by those in actual attendance, but all agreeing to read the same thing.

We gather at the seating area by the church middle doors on its West side. You will see it easily. It is there that we do the reading so we can hear each other. After the reading we line up along University with NO DEATH PENALTY signs with various messages. Signs supplied. And a few chairs. Or bring yours. We keep the vigil for the 30 minutes it takes, we think, for the prisoner to walk to the death chamber, be strapped to the gurney and have the drug injected.

Please notify Sara McLarty if you want to be on the vigil list so that you can be contacted if there is a stay of execution.



## P.R. & R. Anyone?

By Sarah Mulkey

I've had several folks express an interest in forming a poetry group, *Poetry Reading and Righting*, to share and discuss poetry that has contributed to the *righting* of our lives—giving us direction, inspiration, and understanding for the journey. There will also be an opportunity for those interested to write and share original poetry, culminating in the creation of a **P.R. & R. Anthology**. Please let me know if you are interested in participating - [mulkey.sarah48@yahoo.com](mailto:mulkey.sarah48@yahoo.com) - and I will let you know the meeting details as they develop.



## Social Action

By Laura Deurmyer

The Universalist Church (UU) of Southold, NY recently was destroyed by fire. The church building had stood since 1860, housing a congregation originally founded in 1835.

They are accepting donations to help them rebuild at this website:

<https://ohiomeadville.wufoo.com/forms/q1qoajp19zrev9/>

At the time of the fire, the church was providing a temporary shelter to a parishioner whose home had also been recently destroyed by fire. Firefighters were able to preserve the historic church's sign; the fire was determined not to be suspicious.



## Online Store for Coffee and more!

By Jan Hardin, Office Manager

*Your purchase raises 25% profits for First UU!* Enjoy delicious, fairly-traded products while supporting your church and small-scale farmers across the world. Together we can create stronger local communities, a more just food system, and a healthier planet.

We have an online store where far-away friends and family can purchase items to be sent directly to their homes. Shipping is free for orders \$75 or more! Send friends to shop at:

<http://fundraiser.equalexchange.coop/?fundraiser=FI1390W>



## A Little UU History

By the UU Sunday Services Team

To fill in details, feel free to Google these historic UU ancestors.

**Frederick May Eliot:** A fourth-generation Unitarian. Served for 20 years as minister of Unity Church, St. Paul, MN. Elected president of the American Unitarian Association in 1937 and served for 20 years.

**Henry Whitney Bellows:** Minister of All Souls Church in New York City. Founder of the Sanitary Commission to help the sick and wounded of the Civil War. Was a great organizer of nineteenth-century Unitarian churches.



## Interfaith Dialogue 2014 – 2015

Since February 1985, Lubbock Interfaith Dialogue has met for brown bag lunch at noon on the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month (except for 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in December) at St. John's United Methodist Church, 15<sup>th</sup> Street and University Avenue. Please join us as we find unity in the sharing of our diverse perspectives on many topics. For further information, contact Mary Vines, 799-2494.

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| April 28  | U.S. Income Inequality: Religious Reaction, Dr. Ed George      |
| May 26    | Review of <i>Buddha's Brain</i> , Dr. Maribeth Dennis          |
| June 23   | Who is Jesus: Abrahamic Faith Perspectives, Dr. Clarke Cochran |
| July 28   | Jainism  |
| August 25 | Diversity/Freedom in a Muslim Country, Atilla Hafizoglu        |



## Elder Grove Magick

By Charree Mahoney

Elder Grove Magick Coffee, Friday April 10, 7 - 9 pm, at Schlotzsky's 19th and Memphis. Open to everyone.



## Buddhist Weekly Class Schedule

By Chondzin, Resident Buddhist Nun

**Tuesdays** –6:30PM – 7:30PM. Various Topics.  
**Fridays** - 4:30-5:30PM. HW108, 4410-50th St.  
**Sunday Mornings** – Prayers for World Peace, 10:30-11:45, "inspiring Solutions for Difficult Times" - a series on this topic. Donation.  
**Sunday Afternoons** - 4:00-5:00pm.

**Weekday Mornings** – Meditation and Buddhist Prayers, 7:30AM - 8:30AM

**Location:** Bodhichitta Kadampa Buddhist Center 6701 Aberdeen, Avenue, No. 4, one block SW of Slide and the Loop (behind Cardinals), right near Hobby Lobby.  
**Cost:** \$10 per class (\$5 for students or seniors of limited income). Monthly Saturday courses are \$20.

**Details** at our beautiful website [meditationinlubbock.org](http://meditationinlubbock.org)



## Needs and Gifts Exchange

Need something or want to give away something? Do you have something you think the church could use? Or do you need something that the church has but is not using? If so, contact the office. Let's take advantage of each other's generosity! Information will be posted on the bulletin board. Please bring your donations to the church office.







## Like Us on Facebook

First UU is now on Facebook. Find us at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/First-Unitarian-Universalist-Church-of-Lubbock/111666728872543> and like us to get church updates and more.



## Ongoing Church Activities



**Board Meeting:** Meets the second Tuesday of the month, 7:00PM.



**Children's Religious Education Committee:** Meets the fourth Thursday of the month, 6:00PM.



**Green Sanctuary Committee:** Meets the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM.



**Membership Committee:** Meets the first Sunday of the month following the service. *Will not meet the first Sunday in April.*



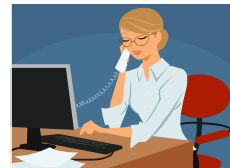
**Safety Committee:** Meets the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7 PM.



**Social Action Committee:** Meets the second Sunday of the month following the service and the last Friday of each month at 6 PM



**Sunday Services Committee:** monthly meetings at the church at 7pm on the first Tuesday of the month



**Church Office Hours:** MWF - 1:00PM – 3:00PM  
TTh – 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM





## Board Members

President	Richard Hopson
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Gay Hedges
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Laura Deurmyer
Secretary	<i>Vacant</i>
Treasurer	Wanda Clark
Trustee I	Jennifer Mora
Trustee II	Ariel Purkeypile



## Committee Contacts

Building	Richard Hopson
"Artist in Residence"	William Bengé
Grounds	<i>Chairman - Open</i>
"Academic Advisor"	Murray Coulter
Green Sanctuary	Louise Sanders, Laura and Justin Deurmyer, Jackie Driskill, Patsy Malin, Linda McGann, Sue Weninger
Membership	Judy Brown, Wanda Clark, Gay Hedges, Linda McGann
Potluck	<i>Open</i>
Recycling Team	Wanda Clark, Linda McGann
Religious Education	Justin Deurmyer, Sara McLarty
Safety	Jennifer Mora
Social Action	Gay Hedges, Laura Deurmyer, Linda McGann
Stewardship	Laura Deurmyer, Gay Hedges, Jennifer Mora
Sunday Services	Rita Chamblin, Wanda Clark, Barbara Holder, Pat Smith
UU Tunes/ Music Team	Wanda Clark, Justin Deurmyer, Kristina Mitchell, Ariel Purkeypile, Noel Ramirez



## Our Vision

We are Lubbock's leader in liberal religion, spiritual exploration, and rational inquiry.



## Our Mission

We nurture. We learn. We act.



*Nothing which has entered into  
our experience is ever lost.*

William Ellery Channing,  
19th century Unitarian