



A Note to Our Visitors:

Welcome! Thank you for choosing to be with us today. Please join us for coffee and social time after the service. Wearing your name tag will allow us to greet you personally.

We are a Welcoming Congregation: People of all ages, races, colors, national origins, religions, genders, sexual orientation and socioeconomic status are welcome to be a part of our religious community as members or friends.

Ours is a unique religious community and visitors often have questions about our history, beliefs and programs. The following resources may be helpful:

- The visitor packet contains information on both our denomination and our local church.
- By filling out the Visitor Registration card, you will receive the *All Church E-mail* each week at the e-mail address provided. Visitors and members alike are invited to all our activities and programs.
- On the third Sunday of each month, lay leaders conduct a brief information forum after the service. This is an excellent opportunity to ask questions and meet other visitors.

Our Director of Religious Education and all of our welcoming team are available any time to answer your questions. You can reach us by phoning or emailing the church office.

Membership in our church is based on joining for a common purpose, rather than on acceptance of a common creed. We do not require adherence to a creed or dogma, but we do have commonly held principles that we affirm, promote and try to live. If you are in sympathy with these principles and purposes and are considering making a commitment to its ongoing life, you may be ready to join.

Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available by request from the Usher.

The Pickett Room, located inside the front doors, serves as a family room. Use the volume knob near the light switch to hear the service.

Unitarian Universalist Principles

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

1. The inherent worth and dignity of every person
2. Justice, equity and compassion in human relations
3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations
4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning
5. The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large
6. The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all
7. Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part

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OUR CHURCH is supported by annual pledges from members and friends and by the contributions of visitors. We welcome your support. To discuss a bequest, trust, or other gift to the Endowment Fund, please contact the church office @205-945-8109.

Feel free to take this Order of Service home to share.
Otherwise, please deposit in the recycle baskets inside of the sanctuary.

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Unitarian Universalist Church of Birmingham

A church that honors differences in belief

Our Vision

We are a welcoming and supportive community with open minds and loving hearts that provides spiritual nourishment, promotes free religious thought, and works for a more just world.

Our Mission

We promote the free exchange of ideas, while bridging differences
We foster personal, spiritual, and intellectual exploration
We care for one another and provide mutual support
We act for social justice and live our values in the broader community

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Unitarian Universalist Church of Birmingham

Sunday, April 15, 2018

JUSTICE SUNDAY

Ring the Chime

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Chalice Lighting by Lois E. Van Leer

Opening Words excerpts from Dr. King's Letter from the Birmingham Jail

*Hymn I Wish I Knew How #151

Offertory Words

Offertory Music

Candle Lighting and Meditation

Pass the Peace

Time for All Ages

Singing Children to Their Classrooms #188
Come, Come, Whoever You Are

*Come, come who every you are, wanderer, worshiper, lover of leaving.
Our is no caravan of despair. Come, yet again come.*

(Children & adults will sing together once. The second time the adults will sing as the children leave the sanctuary for activity time.)

Choir Anthem Set Down Servant
Traditional Spiritual, arr. by Roger Emerson

Message A New and Unsettling Force:
Dr. King's Moral Vision for the Poor Peoples Campaign

*Hymn We'll Build a Land #121

*Extinguishing the Chalice (In unison)
We extinguish this flame but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again. Elizabeth Selle Jones

Closing Words

Postlude

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Leading today's service:

Scott Douglas – *Guest Speaker*
Tony & Tan Bell – *Service Leader*
Jim Sullivan – *Choir Director*
Chip Williams – *Accompanist*
Ruth Vann Lillian – *Song Leader*

The flowers are provided by Melanie Geer.

TODAY'S GUEST SPEAKER IS SCOTT DOUGLAS, long-time Executive Director of Greater Birmingham Ministries. Before joining the staff of GBM, Scott served as Environmental Justice Organizer for the Sierra Club – Southeast, Executive Director of the Southern Organizing Committee for Economic and Social Justice and Southern Field Representative for the Partnership for Democracy Foundation. Scott serves on the boards of AIDS Alabama, the Alabama Poverty Project, the Gulf Coast Fund, the Progressive Technology Project, the Equal Justice Initiative of Alabama, and the Steering Committee of the Alabama Organizing Project. He formerly served on the boards of directors of The Needmor Fund and The New World Foundation, among many others. Scott has published articles on human rights, community organizing and social change in *Social Policy*, *Southern Exposure*, and the *Howard Law School Journal*. Scott is from Nashville and graduated from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. He is married to Lynn Douglas; they have one son.

THIRD SUNDAY Q & A

Questions about the UU church? Come to the Pickett Room directly across the Narthex from the Sanctuary immediately following today's service. Gil Dacumos from the Membership Committee will greet you there and answer any questions you may have.

ADULT ENRICHMENT OFFERINGS TODAY

- ◆ Meditation Group – 9 am, Room #103, lower level
- ◆ SUUnday ForUUm – 9 am, Room #122, lower level

MEETINGS TODAY

- Homeschooling Seminar – 11:15 am – Sanctuary
- I T Committee -11:15 am – Room #122, lower level

WE WELCOME CHILDREN IN OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP.

Following the "Time for All Ages" the children will go downstairs for Activity Time including games, songs, playground, and snacks. Religious Education classes for all ages begin at 11:15 am. Please sign in your children on the clipboards at the R.E. table near the front door. Parents are encouraged and welcome to attend open meetings or adult enrichment classes during the R.E. hour, or to gather for conversation and coffee in the narthex.

FROM THE CARING COMMITTEE

Celebrating our Members and their years with UUCB: Janice Williams - 61 years, Cathy Taylor - 30, Linda Corliss - 24, Aggie Pollock, Sabrina Summers, Dave and Erica Anderson - 13, Sylvia Martin and Genesis Pittman - 12, Heather Hunter and Trey Tarrant - 8, Kate Etheredge - 6, Leigh Shaffer, Melanie and Michael Geer - 5. We hope you know how much you mean to us and how grateful we are for everything you give to our church family!

- Healing thoughts go out to Tommy Thompson, who has been in the hospital with cardiac issues since March 28. Updates to come. Please let Tommy know you're thinking of him. Cards to: 4334 Clairmont Ave. S. B'ham AL 35222.
- Gratitude to all those who are organizing events for our Stewardship Drive, and to the fearless Co-Chairs Angela Pruitt and Bob Bradley!
- We join in the joy over our soon-to-be published church history and in the admiration of our nation's young people as they speak and march on behalf of gun control.
- We congratulate Alice Brown's daughter, Anne Diprizio, for being recently awarded the Courage Award by the NAACP.

To ALL our members: If you have an item you wish to share about a UUCB member, please contact Marcia Mancill – caring@uucbham.org

SETTLED MINISTER CANDIDATE -Reverend Julie Conrady



Reverend Conrady will visit us from April 28 to May 6 AND conduct Sunday services on April 29 and May 6.

We will have a congregational meeting on May 6 (before lunch) to vote on whether or not to call as our next settled minister.

Please look for more details in the All Church Email, and we will send out the agenda for the Candidating Week, during which time

Reverend Conrady will meet with committees. A reception at UUCB, on Saturday, May 5, will be held for everyone to come and meet with Rev. Julie. Reception is from 6 pm to 8 pm.

UPDATED FINANCIAL REPORTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

Monthly reports will be posted to the Bulletin board to the right of the kitchen.