



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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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, June 10, 2018

Ring the Chime

Prelude Sonatine bureaucratique, I. Allegro
by Erik Satie

Welcome & Announcements
Share the Plate –Black Lives of Unitarian Universalism

Chalice Lighting by Eric A Heller-Wagner

Opening Words (Responsive) In Troubled Times by Stephen M Shick

From the loneliness of troubled times, we come
To discover that we are not alone.
Into the dwelling place of togetherness, we come
To collect remnants of hope.
From fear that all is lost, we come
To discover what will save us.
Into the comfort of each other's arms, we come
To feel the strength that has not yet vanished.
From darkness, we come
To wait until our eyes begin to see.
Into the refuge of fading dreams, we come
To remove illusions and focus new visions.
From despair that walks alone, we come
To travel together.
Into the dwelling place of generations, we come
To pledge allegiance to being peace and doing justice.

*Hymn We'll Build a Land #121

Offertory Words

Offertory Music June "Barcarolle," Op. 37a No. 6
by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Hymn Spirit of Life #123

Candle Lighting and Meditation

Time For All Ages

Singing the Children Downstairs #212
We Are Dancing Sarah's Circle
We are dancing Sarah's circle (3x)
Siblings, kindred, all.

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

Sermon Resilience, A Personal Perspective

*Hymn This Little Light of Mine #118

*Extinguishing the Chalice (In unison) It Becomes More

When we take fire from our chalice, it does not become less.
It becomes more. And so we extinguish our chalice, but we take its
light and warmth with us, multiplying their power by all of our lives,
and sharing it with the world. by Amy Zucker Morgenstern

Closing Words Be Revered by Margaret Fuller

Postlude Pebble Beach
by Vince Guaraldi

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Leading today's service:

Rev. Ed Brock – *Interim Minister*
Emily Johnson – *Service Leader*
Chip Williams – *Accompanist*
Ruth Vann Lillian – *Time For All Ages, Circle of Lights and Meditation*

Today's flowers are provided from the gardens of Flower Committee members in celebration of Bob and Barbara Koehler's 50th wedding anniversary.

ADULT ENRICHMENT OFFERINGS EACH SUNDAY

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

MEETING TODAY

11:15 am – Justice Committee – Grady Nunn Library, lower level
11:15 am – UU Humanist Group – Rm. #122, lower level
11:15 am – Outreach Committee – Pickett Room

BOOK DISCUSSION: GO, WENT, GONE by Jenny Erpenbeck

Facilitator: Marilyn Kurata
Time & Place: June 24, 11:15am - 12:15pm, Volker Room, lower level
Description: As part of our church's support of UN World Refugee Day June 20, Marilyn will lead a discussion on this German bestseller about the European refugee crisis. The protagonist, a retired classics professor in Berlin, is slowly transformed from indifference to compassion after he happens to see African refugees staging a hunger strike in Alexanderplatz. This novel will render the individual refugees more visible and their political plight more comprehensible to most readers than all the newspaper and TV coverage they have seen.

MUUSICShare meets Tuesday, June 12 at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary to begin learning some new songs. We're an informal group of singers and guitarists who enjoy familiar folk songs and share them with shut-ins in the community. We welcome acoustic instrument players and singers of all ages and abilities. Come join us! Contact Debra Burrell for more information, or visit our website: uucbham.org > Connection > Social activities.

CARING COMMITTEE

We are celebrating the first anniversary of the following members who joined May 24, 2017: David Freeman, Patty Faulkinberry, Garland Burnette, Dr. Erin Williams, Cee Massengale, and Wesley Jones. We have benefited so much from having you among us!

- A Celebration of Life service has been scheduled in memory of Tommy Thompson on Monday, June 11, 7:30 pm. Canterbury Center at Canterbury United Methodist Church in Mountain Brook - there is plenty of parking and easy access so there shouldn't be any issues accommodating anyone who wants to attend.
- Our sympathies are with Mike Combs in the loss of his aunt, Mary Anthony, on May 31.
- Congratulations to Erin Williams on her recent marriage to Tommy McLeod!
- Thank you to our Choir, our Music Director and our Accompanist for the gift of music you so graciously bestow on us. We carry away your good vibrations each time you come before us!
- Much gratitude to Jim Albea who has built and set up a fine new compost bin in the RE outdoor area.
- Our sympathies also to Paul Mancill and family on the loss of his brother, John Mancill on May 30 after a long battle with cancer.

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

JULY 16-20: KIDS' MUSIC & CHOIR CAMP directed by Becca Rogers, Music Teacher at Lincoln Elementary School. Fun! Music! Singing! Learning! Crafts! Games!
Ages: 5-12 and volunteer opportunity for ages 13-18.
Time: 9:00 - 3:00
Cost: \$50 for the first child, and \$30 each for additional; no fee for youth volunteers. Parents may sign up for volunteer days in lieu of camp fee. Limited scholarships available (see Ruth) Registration deadline: June 17

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 ages 5-12 yrs runs from 11:15 to 11:45 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.

THE UU HUMANIST GROUP meets on the 3rd Sunday of each month beginning in July, at 11:15 am. Our goal is to explore and nurture the Humanist roots of our UU tradition. It is also open to anyone interested in learning more about Humanism.