



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 Connection 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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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 Winter Sermon Series delves into the Six Sources of Unitarian Universalism. Join us each week as we explore the sources of our living tradition.

The living tradition which we share draws from many sources:

- Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life;
- Words and deeds of prophetic women and men which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love;
- Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;
- Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;
- Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit;
- Spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.

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Sunday, February 10, 2019

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Ringling the Chime	<i>Our service begins and ends with the chime.</i>
Welcome	
Announcements	
Share the Plate	
Prelude	Raising the Sail by Philip Glass
Lighting the Chalice	Out of the Flames by Sara Eileen LaWall
*Opening Words	Come, Gather In by Andrea Hawkins-Kamper
*Hymn	Do You Hear? #112
Offertory	Nocturne in B-Flat Major by John Field
Anthem	Kuimba! words and music by Victor C. Johnson
Meditation Moments	by Laura Horton-Ludwig
*Meditation Hymn	Circle Round for Freedom #155
Time For All Ages	
Singing Children to Their Classrooms	<i>Go Now In Peace</i> <i>Go now in peace. Go in quiet wisdom.</i> <i>Go forth into the world with kindness and love.</i> (Children & adults will sing together once. The second time the adults will sing as the children leave for activity time.)
Reading	
Sermon	The Sources of Our Living Tradition: Prophetic Words and Deeds
*Hymn	Be That Guide #124
*Extinguishing the Chalice (In unison)	by Maureen Killoran We extinguish this chalice flame, daring to carry forward the vision of this free faith, that freedom, reason and justice will one day prevail in this nation and across the earth.
*Benediction	
Postlude	Photograph from Her by Arcade Fire
Ringling the Chime	

Participating in today's service:

Rev. Julie Conrady – *Settled Minister*

Leigh Shaffer – *Worship Associate*

Jim Sullivan – *Choir Director*

Chip Williams – *Pianist*

Paul Mancill – *Offertory*

Calliope Tarrant – *Chalice Lighter*

The flowers at the pulpit today are provided by Melanie Geer.

FEBRUARY'S SHARE-THE-PLATE RECIPIENT IS FIREHOUSE

SHELTER. Since 1983 Firehouse Ministries has stayed true to its original mission: serving the chronically homeless male population, men who traditionally face the most barriers and are the most expensive to serve. We provide emergency services (soup kitchen open to everyone, clothing closet, case management, emergency shelter) and housing, working for increased stability, and ultimately, permanent supportive housing for our clients. **Please make your donation check payable to UUCB (with Share the Plate) in the memo line.** Thank you for your generosity!

ADULT ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

(Full Descriptions of the following A E Offerings can be found in the Adult Enrichment Offerings 2019 booklets located in the Narthex.)

Researching UU History – Facilitator: John Bawden

Time and Place: 2 Sundays, Feb 10, & 17, 11:30 am, Music Room, lower level

Opera: Passion in Sight and Sound

Facilitator: Lida Hill

Time and Place: Sundays, Feb 10 & 24, 11:30 am, Volker Room, lower level.

Book Discussion – Justice on Earth

edited by Manish Mishra-Marzetti and Jennifer Nordstrom

Facilitator: Rev. Julie Conrady

Time and Place: (two class choices) - Tuesday, February 12, from noon-1 pm (Jan-May), or March 10 & 17, beginning at 11:30 am, Sanctuary
Description: Each year, the Unitarian Universalist Association chooses a Common Read - a book read by folks in our denomination around the globe for further reflection and study. This year's selection is a collection of writings by fourteen activist ministers and lay leaders, entitled *Justice on Earth: People of Faith Working at the Intersections of Race, Class, and Environment*. Paperback is \$18; digital copy is \$10. Contact the church office (205 945-8109 or office@uucbham.org) if you'd like to purchase a paper copy.

Road Trip to Legacy Museum & Memorial in Montgomery

Facilitators: Paul and Marcia Mancill

Time and Place: Sunday, Feb 24; assemble at church to leave at noon.
Description: In order to arrange carpools, you must sign up for this 6+ hour excursion to visit two historical sites in Montgomery (\$10 for combined entrance fees). There will be no lunch break so either eat lunch before the drive begins or bring a sack lunch to eat on the road.

CARING COMMITTEE

- Our thoughts are with Lyn Stafford, whose brother Harry Stafford, died February 2 at the age of 74 here in Birmingham, where he grew up. He had lived in St. Augustine for many years and had served as a Unitarian minister there.

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

MEMBERSHIP CLASS TODAY

Today, **February 10, Sanctuary, 11:30-2:30 pm.** Lite lunch will be provided. Folks who want to be introduced to the congregation as new members will be invited forward during service next Sunday, February 17. You are welcome to join at any time by meeting with Rev. Julie and signing the membership book.

We'd love to welcome you as part of our community!

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 are from 11:15 am to 12:15 pm. 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.

VISITING TODAY? We would love to know more about you! Please fill out the Connection Card inserted in the Order of Service and hand in during the offertory. (Pens are available, ask the Usher.) Parents with children in the Religious Education program: please provide the name (s), birthdate(s), any allergy concerns for all children as well as your contact information, in the event we need to contact you urgently.

THE UUCB REFUGEE INTEREST GROUP has a new name: The Birmingham Interfaith Refugee Ministry! We are reaching out to many other faith-based groups in Birmingham so that we can become even more effective in our work! Please plan to join us for a program we are co-sponsoring on March 4 (6-8 pm) that will be held at Samford University to focus on "Addressing the Global Refugee Crisis: Part 3 - What Can We Do?" Panelists will include representatives from the World Relief Refugee Resettlement Program in Georgia, as well as local groups working to support migrants and refugees.



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