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Happening August 16, 2015

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NEW MEMBER CEREMONY

August 30

There will be a New Member Ceremony for those that are ready to join the church. Please contact the church office by August 24 if you'd like to join the church.

**We will welcome our
new Student Minister,
Linda Berry, on
Sunday, August 30.**

WATER CEREMONY

August 16



"Rivers of My People"

Speaker: The Rev. Dawn Cooley

Bring a sample of water representing your summer's journey as we join together in celebrating the start of a new church year.

BLACK LIVES MATTER VIGILS

Weekly vigils will be continuing in August and September. On August 16 and September 6, the vigil begins at 12:30 after the lunch. On all other Sundays, the 30 minute vigil begins at noon. Signs are provided, and we exit through the front doors of Heywood House.

NURSERY CARE

Beginning August 16, the nursery will move into its new permanent home in room 214. Come check out the space during the Open House on August 16! Our excellent child care providers, NaQueesha and Elena, look forward to seeing you there

RE ORIENTATION & OPEN HOUSE

All Caregivers, Parents, and Guardians of Children & Youth in RE. 12:15-1:30 in the Social Hall. Those that wish to attend the "New to First U" class will receive a special orientation session.

ALL-CHURCH LUNCHEON

Join us! After the
Celebration of Life.

"NEW TO FIRST U" CLASS

Are you new to First U? "New" could be anything from just walked in the door to coming to church pretty regularly for some time but still wondering, on occasion, why we do what we do!

If you still feel new sometimes, why not attend the next "New to First U" class on August 16? The two-hour class will begin shortly after lunch and should be a great place to ask your questions about Unitarianism and its development in Louisville.

Come enjoy the All-Church luncheon, and hear some mystery speakers, learn about this church, and talk to Rev. Dawn.

There will be a New Member Ceremony for those joining the church on August 30.

Fall RE Classes Begin August 23, 2015

CHILDREN'S CLASSES

Nursery: Childcare & Programming led by Elena Meeks and NaQueesha Puckett

Preschool: *Chalice Children* led by Bev Daly and Susie Onwood.

Kindergarten - 2nd Grade: *World of Wonder* led by Christina Roberts and Rae Cobbs

3rd-6th Grade: *Hogwarts* led by Pam Middleton, Jill Sampson, April Kraft, and Jim Fry

Middle and High School: *Curriculum TBD* by youth, led by danielle rogers-candee and an assistant.

MS/HS Youth Group for youth 6th Grade and up will meet regularly beginning in September, schedule TBD.

4th-6th Grade OWL will take place this fall during our Celebration of Life Services. Mandatory orientation for children and parents/guardians is August 30 from 12:15-2:45.

ADULT RE CLASSES

Living the Welcoming Congregation Rev. Cooley will be the class Leader. The class meets the First and Third Sundays in the library.

Sacred Journal Jill Sampson will be the Leader. The class meets the First Sunday of each month in room 205.

Coffee & Social Justice meets in the Social Hall weekly.

Unitarian Universalism & You James Jeffries leads the class on the Second and Fourth Sunday in the library.

UU Parenting Lisa Mascio-Thompson & Stacy Hagman will be the RE Leaders. The class meets the Fourth Sunday.

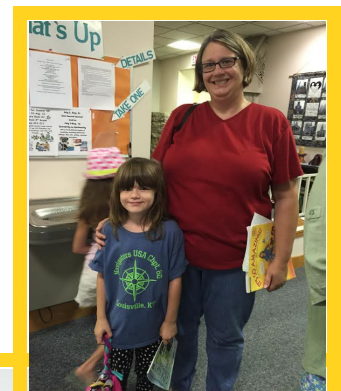
Fifth Sunday: August 30th Taylor Little, a Social Justice speaker, will be in the Library. There will be no other Adult RE classes scheduled on the Fifth Sunday.

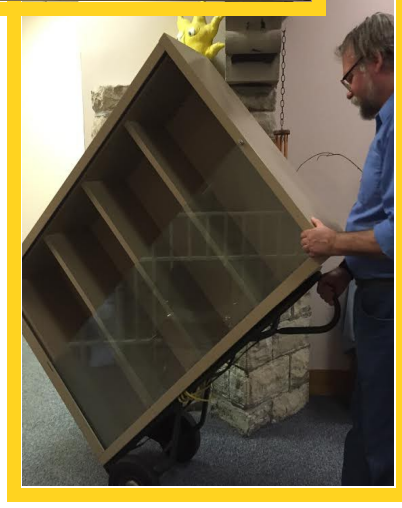
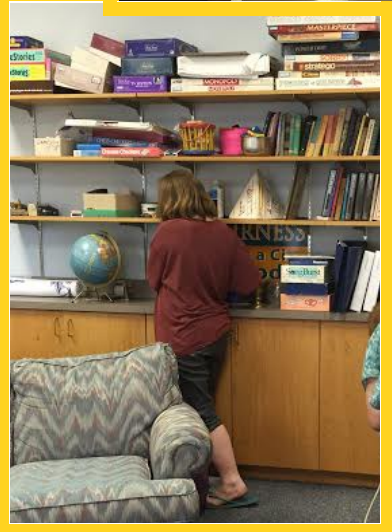
4th - 6th Grade OWL

This fall we will be offering the Our Whole Lives (OWL) sexuality education program designed as age-appropriate for our 4th-6th grade students. OWL values self-worth, sexual health, responsibility, justice and inclusivity. In eight one-hour workshops that will take place during the Celebration of Life services this fall, OWL will model and teach caring, compassion, respect and justice. It helps children in grades 4-6 understand the physical and emotional changes of puberty. Participants explore values, communication, and decision-making as well as physical health and development.

More information about OWL is available at the UUA website: <http://www.uua.org/re/owl> or contact DRE Linette Lowe at dre@firstulou.org for more information. A mandatory parent and child orientation for 4th-6th Grade OWL will take place on August 30 from 12:15-3:00 in the Open Classroom.

RE Clean-Out July 19





KRCRC AT THE FAIR

Rita Sasse will be in the social hall on Sunday, August 16 to sign folks up for a shift at the State Fair in the KRCRC (Kentucky Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice) booth. Folks can call now to take a shift. Call Rita at [502-552-1658](tel:502-552-1658) or Carol at [502-609-6970](tel:502-609-6970)

From the Women's Alliance

SUNDAE SUNDAY

Sunday, August 30 at 12:30 pm

Women's Alliance Steering Committee is hosting a Sundae Sunday immediately after the Black Lives Matter Vigil. We will meet in the social hall away from the coffee area. All WA members and interested women are invited. Please bring your brown bag lunch and make an ice cream sundae for dessert. We will be discussing the upcoming calendar and taking suggestions for activities, including the 2016 retreat.

LOUISVILLE SUFFRAGE TOUR

Sunday, August 23 at 3:00 pm

In celebration of the 95th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment, which gave women the right to vote the League of Women Voters of Louisville is partnering with the **Women's Alliance of First Unitarian Church** to sponsor a Louisville Suffrage Tour. It is free and open to the public and will take place on Sunday, August 23, 2015 at 3 pm at the First Unitarian Church. This tour allows participants to walk in the steps of their foremothers, including Susan B. Anthony, and visualize their lives, see the Louisville landmarks, hear inspiring stories and renew the participants' dedication to encourage others to use their right to vote to make a difference in our community.

There will be more information about this event in the "End of Summer Newsletter" coming out soon. For more information call Marsha Weinstein at [502-819-2537](tel:502-819-2537) or email mweinst413@gmail.com

Coming up in Early September

**EXTRA! EXTRA!
Brownbaggers are moving!**

Yes it is true - after a number of years meeting on the second Monday of the month we will be moving to the second Tuesday The first meeting of the new year will be Tuesday, September 8, 2015 from 11:30 or so am to 1:00 pm. Maybe some of you baby sitting grandparents can make it now!

Our first program of the new season is “**Show and Tell**” so bring some interesting item on September 8 and be prepared to talk about it!

If you have some suggestions or would like to volunteer your services for future meetings, please contact Gary Drehmel at gdrehmel@aol.com. Thanks.

**A WALK IN CENTRAL PARK
Help CLCM September 6**

Central Louisville Community Ministries is sponsoring a walk to celebrate its work, and to build community among the 7 member churches. This is a non-competitive walk around the park perimeter (.8 miles), and is a family-friendly event with food, music, T-shirts and great company.

Pre-registration for the walk will begin Sunday September 6 at church, or through facebook or walk day at the park. (www.facebook.com/CentralLouisvilleCommunityMinistries).

Registration fee is \$10 for individuals, or \$20/family with a food donation or personal care item. The Walk Captains for First U are Lois Allen and Kathy Gapsis

ROMEOS

If you're a ROM (Retired Older Man), then you're invited to join us the first Wednesday of each month for lunch. We meet at Golden Corral on Taylorsville Road at 1:00 pm. See you September 2nd!

KROGER COMUNITY REWARDS

Re-Enrollment Required

NOTE: ACTION NEEDED BY YOU!

Did you know it's possible to support First U just by shopping for groceries or buying gas at Kroger? If you sign up to have First U designated, it is. It's easy to enroll. Even if you've signed up before, everyone must RE-ENROLL during August.

1. Visit www.kroger.com/communityreards
2. Scroll down to find your location and click “Enroll Now”
3. Sign in to your online account, or create an account
4. Find and select our organization, and click “Save”
5. Or call 800-576-4377, select option 3

You'll start earning rewards for First U right away on qualifying purchases made using your Kroger Plus Card! After you've signed up, look at the bottom of your receipt. It should list us as the group getting the rewards.

We Are a Welcoming Congregation!

We embrace all persons equally, no matter their sexual or affectional orientation, gender identity or expression, age, race, ethnicity, neurodiversity, social or economic class, education level, family structure or abilities. If you need special accommodations, please let us know so that we can try to make appropriate arrangements. We welcome all to participate fully and openly in our congregational life.

OUR MINISTRY STAFF

The Reverend Dawn Cooley, *Senior Minister*

Linette Lowe, *Director of Religious Exploration*

Christe Lunsford, *Music Director*

SUPPORT STAFF

Ethan McCollum, *Accompanist*

Christina Roberts, *Childcare Coordinator*

NaQueesha Puckett, *Childcare staff*

Elena Meeks, *Childcare staff*

Barbara Creasy, *Office Administrator*

Earl Reynolds, *Building Supervisor*

