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### Special Collection to Support Breast Cancer Research

by **Pat Allison**

The American Cancer Society is having its annual “Making Strides Against Breast Cancer” fundraising drive again. Since its inception in 1993, Making Strides has raised \$160 million for the cause, which has helped to fund the largest, non-governmental breast cancer research program in the nation. On **Sunday, November 20** our church will take up a special collection to support this program. Each dollar collected will be dedicated to breast cancer programs of research, early detection, patient support, and advocacy. Contributors should make out checks to The American Cancer Society.



So many women in our church have struggled with breast cancer. We have several survivors and too many who are no longer with us because of it. Let us lend our support to the American Cancer Society to make this horrible disease go away.

### Thanks to PRP Volunteers

by **Roger Bradshaw**

A big “Thank You” from the Denominational and Public Relations committee (DPR) to all of the volunteers for the Public Radio Partnership Fall Fund Drive. On Sunday, October 9, fifteen First Unitarian volunteers recorded phone pledges, bringing in much needed donations for the 3 Louisville public radio stations. Those who spent part of the day as volunteers included **Tom Barron, Roger Bradshaw, Glenn Ellison, Fran Fargen, Greg Gapsis, Jill Harmer, Troy Jackson, Kathy Kremer, Joe Kremer, Claudia Runge, David Runge, John Scruton, Isabel Silverman, Patricia Triplett** and **Susan Wilburn**.

*Celebrating 175 Years in Louisville*

## Notes from Norm

### *An Inspiring Age . . . .*

The topic for one of the recent SMART (Sunday Morning Adult Round Table) sessions was entitled, People Who Influenced Our Faith. Most Sunday mornings I'm not quite together enough to forget about what I have to do myself and go to SMART but I must admit that I generally read their titles and usually find them both thought provoking and appealing. It's worth noting that merely putting the title out in public causes at least one person (and I suspect more) to think about it.

Around the time I saw that title, I went to the second quarterly meeting of our current **Coming of Age** program. I am a mentor for one of our youth in that program. Without exception, I can say that everyone of the 10 youth in that program have influenced my faith. Getting to better know those young people, the 9 other mentors and the church staff members (**Lisa Willner**, our Director of Religious Education and **Linda Givens**, our Shared Ministry Coordinator) who guide this program is, to use a term that was at least current with our youth a few months ago, "awesome."

At our first meeting I overheard some long-time members whose own children are now grown remark that this group "reminded them of why they come to church." Amen.

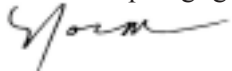
At our second meeting, we did a check-in and were asked to tell the others "what gives meaning to our lives." One of the youth members of the group told us about her grandmother and what an inspiration she was to this particular teenager. The youth was inspired by how active and engaged in life her grandmother was. Of course, being a grandmother you have the advantage of being at an inspiring age. Many of

us, if we had the good fortune to know our grandparents, were no doubt inspired by them in one way or another.

I thought back to the time when I was the age of most of our Coming of Age program participants. I had the good fortune to have been part of a great church and involved in a youth program with a great leader – I think we called him our "Sunday School teacher" in those days. It didn't matter what we called him – I was an impressionable youth and he was an inspiring young adult. He was probably only in his mid to late 20's at the time. However, the mid to late 20's can be a very inspiring age to a young teenager. Had I been at the advertised SMART session I probably would have needed to tell those assembled about my Sunday School teacher, Dwayne Hansen who influenced my faith so profoundly. Of course, if the truth be known, as I think back on those days, I can't remember a single thing about his personal theology. Perhaps it was just that he was at an inspiring age for me at that time in my life.

Getting back to our most recent Coming of Age meeting, many of the youth made individual presentations comparing the beliefs of two different religious traditions to Unitarian Universalism. Each of them picked two topics such as sin or atonement or the afterlife and then compared them. The presentations were impressive, informative and inspiring. The young people in this Coming of Age group are really at such an inspiring age to me. Their enthusiasm, their curiosity and their thoughtfulness have definitely influenced my faith in life in general and Unitarian Universalism in particular.

Youth, young adults, grandparents – what a blessing it is know people at such an inspiring age.

Cheers, 

### Yuletide Fare

This year, we're reviving a tradition from our past. On **December 10** First Unitarian will fill the social hall with tables full of busy holiday shoppers indulging in a sumptuous luncheon, our sanctuary will be filled with tables groaning under the weight of plum puddings, cookies, pies, bourbon balls, and a plethora of other treats.

In years past this event not only served as a major fundraiser for First Unitarian, but it also brought in people from throughout the community. In the next several weeks, we'll be calling on members, friends, and yes, perhaps even the family pets to help make this a success.



### Time to Reserve a Crafts Table

If you wish to have a table to sell crafts at the Yuletide Fare, you need to contact **Geneva Fry** (xxxxx@xxxxx.net) ASAP. The absolute deadline for a table is November 21. Members and friends **only** need apply; no others, please.

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### New Member Sunday November 13

We welcome the following new members to First Unitarian:

**Joe Edmiston, Heidi Billile, Channing Slate, Ron Zorn, Debra Gilbert, Deanna Hopper, Sarah Rudolph**

These have joined our church during First Unitarian's exciting celebration of bringing 175 years of liberal religion to Louisville. We are glad that they are a part of our attempt to continue that presence here.

*Linda*

## Linda Givens

### Shared Ministry Coordinator

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### Kroger Bucks Update

Members and friends using the Kroger Bucks Gift Card spent \$4,955.00 at Kroger for the month of October. First Unitarian Church will receive 4% of that amount for a total of \$198.20. Buy your Kroger Bucks Gift Card for \$20 from **Claudia Runge** after church in the social hall on **Sunday, Nov. 20**. Your card will already be loaded with \$20.

## Reviews

This Sunday, our intermediate class will explore the concept of “blessings” within the context of their exploration of the Hebrew Bible. After reading stories about some of the divinely blessed Biblical patriarchs, our children will have the opportunity to consider their own special blessings and to tell their own stories. Making preparations for that class session presented me with an opportunity to reflect on some of my own special blessings.

A highlight of my work at First Unitarian Church is the blessing of my close association with some wonderfully dedicated and hard-working volunteers. These include, among others, religious education teachers, youth advisors, Coming of Age mentors, adult R.E. program planners and presenters - SMART, Chalice Night, and others --, first hour program presenters, Youth Adult Committee members, OWL program sexuality educators, field trip drivers and coordinators, sleepover chaperones, youth group meal providers, and on and on. In fact, there are so many facets of our religious education program and so much to coordinate that no one person - certainly not I! - could do it single-handedly. Fortunately for me, and for all of you who benefit from our richly varied religious education programs, we are blessed with a wonderfully gifted Religious Education Committee. Because so much of their work is “behind the scenes,” I want to use this space to introduce them to you and to highlight their many contributions.

**Carol Uebelhoer** is in her third (and final) year of chairing the R.E. Committee. Carol prepares each month’s agenda, brings snacks to and runs our meetings with efficiency and good humor. In addition, she helps coordinate our OWL lifespan sexuality education program, and works on teacher orientations and support gatherings. This semester she is also teaching children’s

R.E., and she will be a co-leader of our 4th/5th grade OWL class beginning in January. **Joan Beal** and **Barbara Schweickart** oversee our monthly children’s social action projects, including Trick or Treat for UNICEF and the Guest at Your Table program to benefit the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee. Joan also serves as an advisor to and mentor for the Coming of Age program. Barbara has planned and implemented “alternate R.E.” activities, including overseeing those great-looking reverse tied-dyed chalice t-shirts.

**Jill Sampson** and **Jim Fry** are our “Special Events” specialists, helping our annual Fall Family Folk Dance to run seamlessly, despite a last minute cancellation from our out-of-town dance caller. Jill is also involved with R.E. teacher support, and Jim actively participates with our Youth Adult Committee. **Kathy Kremer**, an R.E. teacher for the past several years, is our liaison to the 175th Anniversary planning team, and is also active with special events and social action activities. Wherever there is a job that needs doing, Kathy can be found doing it. **Mary Griffin** revived our once-defunct Youth Adult Committee, and she currently chairs and serves as the R.E. Committee’s liaison to the YAC. Mary is also a K/1 OWL teacher, and a very regular substitute teacher and Upstairs Chapel presenter. In addition, she is active in providing our in-house youth advisor training.

**Seana Golder** has been a committed and energetic force in revitalizing our senior high youth program. Currently, she is serving as a combination advisor/R.E. teacher. Seana also brings her expertise as a social worker and sexuality educator to our OWL program where she has taught and coordinated programs. For the past two years, she has also taken on the responsibility of lining up volunteer childcare pro-

## R.E. Announcements

viders for our youngest children during multi-generational services. In addition, all of these wonderful R.E. Committee members collaborate on two R.E. Celebrations of Life each year, serve as upstairs greeters, and provide coverage for me one Sunday each month.

Amazingly, our wonderful volunteers take on these responsibilities readily and with good humor. Perhaps they have discovered blessings in their own commitment to religious education, to our children and youth, to this congregation, and to Unitarian Universalism. Whatever the reasons for their dedication, I am truly grateful for the blessing of this talented group of volunteers. Indeed, they are a blessing for our children and youth, and for all of us.

Blessed be! *Lisa*

### **Lisa Willner** **Religious Education Director**

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Thursday 11:00 - 2:00

*Additional times available by appointment.*

### **Office Hours**

#### **Retha Justice, Office Manager**

Mon. - Off

Tues.- 8:30 - 2:30

Wed. - 10:00 - 2:30

Thurs.- 10:00 - 2:30

Friday - 11:00 - 4:00

✓ **November 9--OWL sexuality education meeting for parents of all 4th and 5th graders.** 7:00 - 8:30 in the OWL classroom.

✓ Back by popular demand! **The R.E. Holiday Choir for All Ages** begins rehearsal on Sunday morning, **November 20** in the Social Hall, 9:45 - 10:45. **The R.E. Holiday Choir for All Ages** will rehearse each week until the R.E. Holiday Celebration of Life on December 18.

✓ **Calling All Children and Youth Musicians!!** We invite you to play special music during our R.E. Holiday Celebration of Life. Informal auditions (very informal!) will be held November 20 and 27 immediately after church in the Choir Room. There will be a sign-up sheet on the R.E. bulletin board. Holiday music only please!

✓ It's almost time for "**Guest at Your Table**" - our annual fundraiser to support the humanitarian work of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee. Collection boxes will be distributed at the November 20 Celebration of Life, or see Lisa.

✓ The **November 13 Celebration of Life will be multigenerational**, and there will be no regular children's or youth R.E. classes on that day. Childcare will be provided in the preschool room for kindergartners and younger. (More preschool room helpers are needed for one-time or occasional childcare duties. Contact **Lisa Willner** or **Seana Golder** to volunteer.)

✓ Remember that our Religious Education program is a cooperative effort, and there are many ways to serve. If you would like to get involved in the rewarding and spiritually sustaining ministry of religious education, please see Lisa.





### Meet June Payne

by Linda Givens

This month I'd like to introduce you to June Payne. A long-time member of First Unitarian, June has been helping out as an office volunteer for about two years. In her years as a member at First U, June has served on a number of committees. She helped select programs for the Sunday morning Forum, now known as SMART, and she was active in bringing and showcasing art work at First Unitarian. That art work was displayed in Breaux Hall. June says that her favorite exhibit was the members' exhibit always held in September. She remembers the large number of artists that were First Unitarian members at that time. June also helped plan Sunday morning services, and she particularly remembers a very lengthy Martin Luther King, Jr. service on which she worked. Her memory is that she put "a little too much" into that service.

June was a public school librarian and English teacher for 42 years, but she says, "Travel is the story of my life." She has resided in several states among which are New Mexico, Kansas, Tennessee, Virginia, and Kentucky. We are fortunate that she decided to retire to Kentucky, which is her favorite. Her appreciation of life is evident. During this interview she related that she found her true love at age 80. She said, "Now, not many people can say that!"

I know June as a delightful and caring person. She brings that caring as well as her wonderful sense of humor to her volunteer work. I find myself looking forward to the times when June is the office volunteer.

Thanks to June Payne for her help in the office.

### Please Respect Our Church Art

The globe-shaped clay sculpture that is a part of the church art collection was a gift of the Tachau family in memory of Mary K. Tachau. The family selected the work of an important local artist, Tom Marsh, (1934-1991) for this memorial. Marsh founded the ceramics program at U. of L. and was a nationally known ceramicist.

This ceramic sculpture is probably worth over \$1,000 and we have found it placed in various locations—several times it has been left on the floor. The Aesthetics Committee places our art collection where it is most appropriate and request that art and decorative items be left in place whenever possible. If this sculpture must be moved, please see that it is placed where it is safe and secure—it will break! —and return it to its original position when the event is over.

We need everyone's cooperation to keep our church beautiful.

The Aesthetics Committee

Mike Watkins, Joanne Graf, Carol Tobe



## Chalice Night

### Regular Wednesday Night Adult Religious Programming

#### November 16

◆ **Dinner:** Meat loaf or vegetarian loaf, scalloped cauliflower gratin, green beans, bread, sour cream pound cake with fudge sauce

◆ **Centering Service:** “Feelings” led by **Jo Ann Dale**

◆ **Programs:** “Living By Heart”-- Facilitated by **Linda Givens** and **Penny Nader**; “Universal Health Care”-- A special presentation by guest speaker **Reverend Bos** (discussion facilitated by **Jill Harmer**) on how Single Payer Health Insurance can work for all; “Craft Crafts” -- Wand Making, led by **Geneva Fry**; Role Playing Game -- Run by **Jason Klueber**; Board Games and Conversation

No Chalice Night on November 23

### Volunteers Needed

As many of you may already know, **John Durham**, our trusted Building Supervisor has recently injured his lower back. This has made it very difficult and painful for him to perform many of his usual work duties.

If anyone is willing or able to help out John and the church with some moderate duty work while he attempts a recovery, please give the office a call.

Much Gratitude,  
The Church Staff

## S.M.A.R.T.

### Sunday Morning Adult Round Table

Church Library  
Sharing at 9:30am

Program - 9:40 until 10:45am

- **November 13--*Conversation with the Reverend Keith Kron*.** Our guest speaker is the Co-chair of the UUA’s Family Matters Task Force and Director of the Office of Bisexual, Gay, Lesbian, and Transgender Concerns.
- **November 20--*Spirituality and Care of the Dying*.** Guest speaker **Mary Karen Powers**, Director of the U of L Women’s Center, will share patient care stories and reflections from 10 years as a hospice chaplain.
- **November 27--*Poetry Reading*.** Bring a favorite poem to share.

## Interweave

### Lesbian Polyamory vs the U-Haul Syndrome

Co-sponsored by Interweave

**Monday, Nov. 14, at 7pm, in the parlor**  
Discussion based on *The Lesbian Polyfidelity Reader*, published simultaneously in the *Journal of Lesbian Studies*. Please join the discussion. All are welcome.

The Shared Ministry Committee has placed a basket on a small table near the door at the Library Lane entrance/exit. The purpose of this basket is to allow you to **place your nametag in it BEFORE you leave our church.**



from **John Findling**

In the course of doing our research for the 175th anniversary church history, **Jen Lavery** and I have discovered that the first African-American member of the church joined about 1956, under Robert Weston's ministry, sang in the choir, but left after less than a year. We are seeking the name of this person, and although we have the membership book for those years, we can't make a positive identification. But the following women did sign the book at about the time we think the African-American woman did, and maybe one of you out there will recognize the name.

If you know any of the other people on this list, let me know as well, since that will help narrow our search. Please reply by email at [xxxxxxx@xxx.xxx](mailto:xxxxxxx@xxx.xxx), or call me at xxx-xxxx.

Here's the list:

- Lucile Farnce Taylor, 119 Forest Street
- Cordelia Freeland, 1609 Ellwood Avenue
- Mrs. Keller McCreary, 516 M Street
- Marilyn Rieser, 2927 Yorkshire Way
- Maxine E. Whedbee, 1700 W. Oak Street
- Leota M. Smith, 938 E. St. Catherine Street

Many thanks for any assistance!



Sunday, December 11, 2005  
1-4 PM

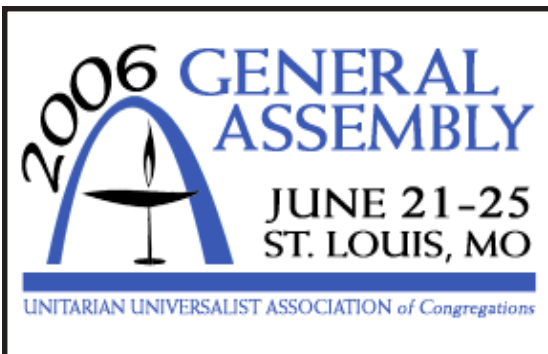
\$15.00 including wreath form  
and ribbon  
Bring clippers and gloves

A variety of greens, cones, berries & dried materials

For more information, call Carol, 502-xxx-xxxx or 502-585-5110; you may fax your registration to fax 502-587-8446.

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# Partner Church

by Carol Lehman & Beverly Moore

On Oct. 20, several First U members met to talk about our partnership with our Partner Church, the Unitarian Church in Nagyenyed, (Aiud) Romania. We asked ourselves: “What is our partnership like? How would we explain it to a friend?”

Comments included: Originally, we saw the partnership as one-sided but now as more of a cultural exchange. We have received abundant hospitality but mostly have given financial aid. We still have a lot to learn from each other. Our struggling partner church is a contrast to a more prosperous one in a predominantly Hungarian city. Youth are leaving the towns going to cities for employment.

Members had several ideas of how we might help our Partner Church. We should be careful in imposing our assumptions on the Transylvanian Unitarian church. We are not missionaries showing them how “things are done” in the U.S. We should not impose our values on the Hungar-

ians. We need to learn much more about the Unitarian/Hungarian/Romanian culture

There is a program that includes visioning with the congregation about what would they like to see happen in their church/town (i.e. clinics, health issues, etc.), but that process takes time. There is much we can do in the meantime: Flood relief, especially helping our partner church protect itself from future damage, is a priority.

All seemed to agree that this partnership is a fine opportunity to learn about ourselves in the process of seeking to support our Unitarian brothers and sisters in Nagyenyed, Romania.

The discussion prompted several questions:

- What is the value of the partnership?
- What do we want from them? What can we give to them?
- Does this effort support the life of Unitarianism and free religion in Eastern Europe?

Please join us at future Partner Church meetings for further discussion and decision-making.

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## Stay in Touch via the List Server

Do you subscribe to the church list server? It’s an email announcement list for members and friends of First U to share announcements of church activities, church-related business, and church news.



It’s different from the “chat” list, which is more informal, free flowing, and can cover a variety of topics. If you haven’t joined

the list server, go to our church web site, [www.firstulou.org](http://www.firstulou.org), and click on “List Server.” You’ll find easy instructions there.

## Flowers for a Special Occasion

If you want to celebrate a special person or occasion, consider giving a floral decoration for Sunday service. You don’t have to pay the price of a store-bought florist arrangement; you can have flowers in one of our vases for as little as \$5. For an additional cost you can have flowers and a vase or basket that’s yours to keep after the service. You can also bring in personal objects or pictures to add to an arrangement. To schedule a Sunday, **call Carol Tobe xxx-xxxx** or the church office.



## Just among ourselves...

We were sorry to hear that **Carol Uebelhoer's** father, **James Uebelhoer, Sr.**, died Saturday, October 22, at the age of 79, in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Please hold Carol, Jo Ann, and xxxx in your thoughts during these difficult days.

We send sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to member **Naomi Hilburn**, who has recently had surgery.



### The Sermon on the Amount

Pledge income through October was \$37,067.60 compared to the Budget expectation of \$48,100. At the suggestion of the Finance Committee, our Contribution Range Report is updated below.

#### Contribution Range Report For Period: 07/01/2005 to 11/05/2005

Contribution Range	# of Contributors	Total Given	Average per Contributor
0 - 0	142	0.00	0.00
1 - 100	30	1,826.50	60.88
101 - 200	22	3,527.00	160.32
201 - 300	8	1,959.00	244.88
301 - 400	9	3,330.00	370.00
401 - 500	9	4,235.00	470.56
501 - 750	13	8,060.00	620.00
751 - 1,000	8	7,300.00	912.50
1,001 - 2,500	2	3,400.00	1,700.00
Totals	243	\$33,637.50	\$138.43

Of the pledge households involved, 158 are active, 43 are friends, 7 are inactive, and 35 are in other categories. The percentages of those yet to make a financial contribution this fiscal year are respectively: Active (48.7%), Friends (46.5%), and Inactive (85.7%).

George Schuhmann, Treasurer

# Building Use Calendar: November 10 - 26

## November

**10 Thursday**  
 5:30 pm Personnel Committee – Parlor  
 6:15 pm \*NOW – Social Hall  
 7:00 pm Finance Committee – Library  
 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

**11 Friday**  
 7:00 pm Christian Fellowship – Library

**13 Sunday**  
 9:30 am SMART – Library  
 10:00 am Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room  
 10:55 am Celebration of Life (New Members Service) – Sanctuary  
 10:55 am RE Classes – RE Classrooms  
 12:00 pm New Members Luncheon – Soc. Hall/ Kitchen  
 12:30 pm Yuletide Fare Planning Mtg. -- Parlor

**14 Monday**  
 11:30 am Brownbaggers – Library  
 6:00 pm Congregational Services – Library  
 7:00 pm Interweave – Parlor

**15 Tuesday**  
 12:00 pm Staff Meeting – Library

**16 Wednesday**  
 5:30 pm Chalice Night – Sanct./S.H./Kitchen

**17 Thursday**  
 6:30 pm Board Meeting – Library  
 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

**19 Saturday**  
 8:00 pm \*Sienna Club Choir -- Choir Room

**20 Sunday**  
 9:30 am SMART – Library  
 10:00 am Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room  
 10:55 am Celebration of Life – Sanctuary  
 10:55 am RE Classes – RE Classrooms  
 12:30 pm Flute Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room  
 1:00 pm Middle School Youth Group – RE Classrooms  
 12:30 pm Yuletide Fare Planning Mtg. - Parlor  
 2:30 pm \*League of Women Voters Fund-raiser – Sanct./S.H./Kitchen

**21 Monday**  
 10:00 am Partner Church Steering Comm. – Library

**22 Tuesday**  
 12:00 pm Staff Meeting – Library

**23 Wednesday**  
**NO CHALICE NIGHT**  
 9:00 am Thanksgiving Dinner Set-Up – Soc. Hall/Kitchen

**24 Thursday**  
**OFFICE CLOSED – Happy Thanksgiving!**  
**4:00 PM Interweave Thanksgiving Dinner – Soc. Hall/Kitchen**

**25 Friday**  
**OFFICE CLOSED**  
 7:00 pm Christian Fellowship – Library

*\* Denotes outside group or activity, not officially affiliated with First Unitarian Church.*



**A reminder from your Congregational Services Committee:** Please add to your Holiday Season list of things to do -- right next to Vespers: **Prepare cookies, sweet treats, or finger food to be served in the social hall after Vespers.**

## Directory Pictures

If you did not view your photographs when you had your photograph taken by the Olin Mills Photographer, (for the directory) you should have received your proofs. Please send Olin Mills (in envelope provided) your selection for the directory and your proofs. If you have any questions please e-mail or call me, or you can call Olin Mills at their toll free number 1-xxx-xxx-xxxx. Thank you. (**Kathy Thackeray**, xxx-xxxx, xxxxxxxx@xxxxx.xxx)

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### Celebrations of Life

*Sunday services begin at 10:55 a.m.*

**November 13**      *The Van Gogh Café.* **Rev. Keith Kron & Rev. Norm Stewart.** How do you heal a world filled with oppression? Maybe you need a little magic. Using children's stories as a guide, (Rev. Kron was once a fourth grade teacher!) we will examine how these and other stories are instructive on what each of us can do to change the world. This will be a multigenerational service.

**November 20**      *Sharing Our Blessings / Guest at Your Table Sunday.* **Rev. Norm Stewart, Worship Associates Kathie Johnson & Carol Edelen.** Each year as we approach Thanksgiving it is a time to reflect upon the blessings in our lives, our congregation, our community and our nation. However, since last Thanksgiving our world has been rocked with devastating tsunamis, hurricanes, and earthquakes that challenge us to re-examine our priorities and re-visit our willingness to share our nation's bounty with others.

**November 27**      *Unplugging the Christmas Machine.* **Worship Associates Katy Brown and Joe Edmiston.** As a rule, Unitarian Universalists don't generally get as caught up in the commercialism of the winter holiday season as many people do. Today's service will explore some positive ways that could help make the season more meaningful.