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UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF MUNCIE

**The Reverend Thomas Perchlik, M. Div.**  
Minister  
on

**Nadine Tringali**  
Director of Religious Education

Sunday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> – 10:45 a.m.

"Alone Our Vision is too Narrow: Unitarians and Universalists in Association"

Student Minister: Beth Lefever

In this Sunday's observation of Association Sunday Beth will explore how the blending of the different qualities and strengths of each branch of our denomination brings to the whole a richness and depth from which we may, as Richard Gilbert says, "repair the world and create a Beloved Community of love and justice." We will be checking in with the Wausau, WI, church, a church in our Association that is quite similar to our own, and we will take a **dedicated collection in support of the Unitarian Universalist Association.**

Pre-Service Discussion Topics (9:30 a.m.)

Combined Discussion Group(s)

"Visionaries Who are Changing the World – Labors of Peace, Love and Justice are Rarely Recognized"

How would you define the term visionary? Who would you name as a visionary – bring an example of a visionary and rationale for discussion. How can UUs become visionary? How can we shape our visions into reality? Today's discussion will focus on some leaders who are making a difference and possibilities for some homegrown, UU leadership. Leader: **Amy Genova.**

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Sunday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> – 10:45 a.m.

"Hanuman the Manager: Lessons from the Ramayana"

Rev. Thomas Perchlik In Pulpit

The Ramayana is the story of Ram and Sita, but one major character is the figure of Hanuman, the monkey god. He is especially popular in south India and is mentioned in (cont., pg. 2)

Please plan to attend the Bazaar THIS SATURDAY for lots of shopping, good food, and live music.

## Bazaar in the Woods

Sat., Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Melanie Sellers and Michael Kerrigan, Co-Chairs

Did you know that some of Julie Fritz's hand-knitted delights won awards at the 2009 Delaware County Fair! Way to go, Julie! Come see her wonderful wares at the Bazaar (proceeds benefiting the Indiana Midwifery Taskforce).

Also, at Linda Morton's pottery booth, you will find some of Sigi Kohler's miniature tea sets. Just a perfect Christmas gift for the young child in your life!

Breakfast will be served from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. Kirk Robey will be serving homemade biscuits and sausage gravy, scrambled eggs, and his legendary cinnamon rolls. All will be prepared fresh in the church kitchen that very morning!

Lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., by Shari Flanders of Events Catering – Wholesome & Organic Foods. Shari will serve Traditional Chili and Vegetarian Black Bean Soup with cornbread, and in addition, tapas – bread with cheeses, fruits, veggies, and eggs or fish. For the less adventurous, she will have PBJ and cheese sandwiches. Finish that off with organic chocolate cake or a baked pear. Yum!

Live music will enhance your shopping and dining pleasure, provided by our own group of talented musicians. See the line-up on page 3!

How You Can Help:

- Come and shop, shop, shop!
- Purchase a quilt raffle ticket
- Donate items to sell – clothing, plants, jewelry, (unopened) Christmas gifts & new holiday decorations, flea market treasures, books/cds/dvds.
- Sign up to help with a booth or bus tables
- Help set-up Wed, Thurs. or Fri. nights from 5 – 8 p.m.
- Help clean up after the Bazaar
- Bake some yummy homemade goods or chocolate treats
- Bring plastic grocery bags
- E-mail the following link to friends who might be interested in attending: [www.uuchurchmuncie.org/web/](http://www.uuchurchmuncie.org/web/)
- Post a flyer at your place of work or other visible site



## Nov. 8, 2009

Deacons: Ginny Nilles  
Mary Robey  
Hospitality: Marian Cooley  
Lisa Stewart  
Worship Associate:  
Bea Sousa  
Greeters: Cindy Peters  
Mike Sullivan  
Marj Joyner  
Sights & Sounds Team:  
Steve Schuler



## Nov. 15, 2009

Deacons: Jean Redburn  
Hospitality: Marj Joyner  
Katie Robb  
Hubert Stewart  
Paul Stout  
Worship Associate:  
Lisa Kuriscak  
Greeters: Bill Miller  
Gene Frankland  
Sights & Sounds Team:  
Bryce Taylor

### *The Unigram Deadline for Submissions:*

Thurs. Noon Prior to Issue  
*Items can be dropped off at the church office or e-mailed to Jan at her personal e-mail: jkmundell@juno.com*

Order of Service Deadline  
*Items for the Sunday Bulletin must be submitted to Christie in the church office by 12 Noon on Wednesday!*

Church Office 288-9561  
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## Words From The Woods

I am writing this the day before we change our clocks to accommodate the shift from Daylight Savings Time. I have a long, trailing, string figuratively tied around my finger to remind me of this important task. But I don't get it. Didn't I just, instruction manuals in hand, work my way through the spring time-changing of the clocks of my VCR, clock radio, microwave, car, toaster, vacuum cleaner, eye-lash curler, and electric callous remover? And my tooth brush? Sigh...

I know there may be, or at least may once have been, good reason for this biannual disruption of our lives, but for the life of me, even having heard all the arguments pro and con, I can't imagine what it might be. I can only think that this twice-yearly, human-manufactured, clockwork reminder of time slipping by and technology once again befuddling (some of) us, seems, well... mean-spirited, and definitely at cross purposes to our mental wellbeing. But then that's me.

At least in the spring we remind ourselves about how to adjust our clocks by using that cheerful little maxim "spring ahead" as opposed to autumn's gloomy "fall back." Fall back?! Who wants to do that?

But we might want to do just that if the phrase, in fact, meant a fall back into a gentler, more peaceful lifestyle, a more relaxed, less stressed way of life. We might very much want to fall back if that meant moving into a way of being in which we rest and work in keeping with the hum and harmony of earth's eternal song, the peaceful throbbing of earth's rhythmic beat.

But it doesn't mean that very often – that gentler way of being – for we humans are a busy species. We are ever pulled in many directions, with scarcely the time, in any season, to note the earth's nudge or pull.

My wish for all of us is that it might be different this year. That we might be more intentional about falling back, at least a little, into autumn's gracious arms, winter's silent nights, and earth's ever coursing, ever assuring, rhythm and thrum and flow. – *Beth Lefever, Student Minister*



Nov. 8 Heather Frankland  
Nov. 11 Deborah Foster  
Nov. 13 Willie Calvin  
Nov. 14 Rob Gardiner  
Hal Roepke  
Nov. 15 Mari Rudolph  
Nov. 16 Charlene LaWall

Cont. from pg. 1 – Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> Service Info.:  
President Obama's biography. Today, with special music from the choir, we will honor the importance of the Hindu religious tradition and consider the lessons of Hanuman in being a manager rather than a CEO.

Pre-Service Discussion Topics (9:30 a.m.)  
Combined Discussion Group(s)  
"UU Conversion Stories"

If you were not born UU, how did you choose to become one? What is your conversion story? If you grew up UU, how have you introduced your Unitarian Universalism to others? **Ray White**, Discussion Leader.

## ~ Revival Hour ~

Good food; good company. The Revival Hour meets every Wed. at 5:30 p.m. for food and refreshments at announced locations. Any age is welcome. The more the merrier! November Organizers: Hal & Judith Roepke (284-7929).

Nov. 4 Olive Garden                      Nov. 18 Thai Smile  
Nov. 11 Ruby Tuesday



## 2009 Bazaar Day ~ Music Schedule ~

"All we need is music, sweet music... There'll be music everywhere..."

**Again this year we'll have** Live Music to make the atmosphere at the Bazaar even more festive!

Our line up will include:

Bryce Taylor 8-9:50 a.m.	Original songs & progressive, popular folk music for guitar and voice
Bill Morton & Friends 10-10:50 a.m.	Celtic flute, keyboard, and vocal harmonies.
Ric Dwenger 11-11:50 a.m.	Standards, old-time, traditional & contemporary folk songs on banjo, autoharp & guitar
Steve Robert 12-12:50 p.m.	Acoustic guitar & harmonica – popular folk music & remakes of familiar tunes
Megan Upchurch 1-1:50 p.m.	Celtic harpist and vocalist with some original compositions and arrangements

## Attention!

### The UU Muncie Green Cups Are Coming!

An order has been placed for 300 **reusable** 12-oz. plastic cups, "white cups," actually, with our church name and flaming chalice logo imprinted in green. The plan is: 1) to use them for some church events, such as the bazaar lunch and 2) to sell them at the bazaar food both: just \$1 each, or 6 for \$5.

Help spread the UU word among all the thirsty guests at your house. Get your very own green cups at the Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> Bazaar.

## RE News

### Religious Education Classes in November

- C RE classes will be held on November 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>
- C On Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, there will be no RE Classes. The Nursery will be available for infants and children up to two years of age.
- C On November 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, we will have practice fire drills for the children and youth.
- C On November 8<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting, our 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade youth will enjoy a campfire.

### "Chocolate & More" Boston Bound Youth Booth – Church Bazaar: Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>

Donations and staffing are needed for the chocolate booth! Please advise Nadine at ntringali@hotmail.com or the church office if you plan to contribute or help otherwise!

### Harvest Feast – November 21<sup>st</sup> – Youth Readers Needed

We are signing up *youth readers* for our upcoming Harvest Feast on Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. It is a wonderful intergenerational evening at the church, where the youth enjoy the chance to participate and use the microphone! The sign up sheet will be on the round table in the fellowship hall.

*Nadine Tringali, Director of Religious Education*



## ~ Harvest Feast ~ A Celebration of Thanksgiving Sat., Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

The Harvest Feast is our congregation's annual intergenerational program and dinner. Through words, music and food we give thanks for our family and friends and celebrate our religious freedom and expression.

**The Fellowship Committee will be selling tickets on Nov. 1, 8 & 15, after church services.** Tickets may also be purchased at the church office during regular business hours. Due to seating constraints only 250 tickets will be available. **Even if you plan to pay for your tickets at the door, please reserve them in advance. We need to know how many to expect!**

*Adult tickets are \$5 and children 12 and under are \$1.*

**Turkey, gravy and beverages are provided. Participants are asked to bring additional side dishes: dressing, bread, potatoes, salads, vegetables and pre-cut desserts.**

*~ Please plan to attend this very special Thanksgiving event. ~*

**Thank you** to Mike and Caroline Sullivan, Mike Kerrigan, Sherry Ware, Bill Miller, Annemarie Voss, Cindy Peters, Eleanor Trawick, Dan Allen, Howard Schroeder, Jeff Hathaway, Bill Frederick, and Bruce Craig for taking time to help inside and outside the church at the work day on Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>. Many needed chores were accomplished!! It takes more than one committee to keep our church looking good, so thanks again! – The Property Maintenance Committee



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including gay, lesbian,  
bisexual, and transgender  
persons."*

**Dated Material**

**~ CHURCH OFFICE HOURS ~**

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday – Friday

Our Office Administrator, Christie Williams, is in the office during these hours. Rev. Thomas Perchlik and our Director of Religious Education, Nadine Tringali, and our Student Minister, Beth Lefever, will also be in the office many of these hours. If a specific appointment time is needed or other needs arise, please contact the church office or our president, listed below.

**~ CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION ~**

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Church Calendar:

<http://calendar.yahoo.com/public/uuchurch>

**~ IN CASE OF EMERGENCY ~**

In case of emergency, call

**Church President, Michael O'Hara, at 284-9206.**

10/25 ATTENDANCE: 101 VISITORS: 5  
RE: 20 YOUTH 10 ADULTS  
LOOSE OFFERING: \$140.50

11/1 ATTENDANCE: 98 VISITORS: 13  
RE: 34 YOUTH 9 ADULTS  
LOOSE OFFERING: \$96.67

**CHURCH CALENDAR for NOV. 4<sup>TH</sup> to NOV. 18<sup>TH</sup>**

Wed. to Fri.	4-6	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. & 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Bazaar Donation Drop Off & Set Up
Wed.	4	5:30 p.m. Revival Hour @ Olive Garden 7:30 p.m. Worship Associates
Thurs.	5	7:00 p.m. Hearts & Minds Study Group
Sat.	7	<b>8 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. ~ Bazaar in the Woods</b>
Sun.	8	9:30 a.m. Marketing Committee 9:30 a.m. Discussion Groups (Combined-Red Room) 10:45 a.m. Worship Service & RE Classes 3:00 p.m. Hearts & Minds Study Group
Tues.	10	7:00 p.m. Muncie Meditation and Dharma
Wed.	11	7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Revival Hour @ Ruby Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Program Council
Thurs.	12	7:00 p.m. Hearts & Minds Study Group
Fri.	13	6:00 - 8:00 p.m. ~ Rummage Sale Set Up
Sat.	14	9:30 a.m. Finance Committee 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon ~ Post Bazaar Rummage Sale
Sun.	15	9:30 a.m. Discussion Groups (Combined-Red Room) 10:45 a.m. Worship Service & RE Classes Aft. Service Special Financial Meeting 3:00 p.m. Hearts & Minds Study Group 7:00 p.m. Muncie Meditation and Dharma
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Wed.	18	5:30 p.m. Revival Hour @ Thai Smile