

First Unitarian Universalist Society of Albany

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Summer
Sundays
at FUUSA

Service 10:00 —11:00 a.m.,
followed by refreshments
Nursery open for infants and toddlers
One multi-age class for children

Services August–Labor Day 2010

Aug. 1 "Shams and Rumi: Friends in Love,"

Rev. Steve Wilson

Rumi, Persia's most famous poet did not become Rumi until he takes a chance on an unlikely friend, the homeless and questionable Shams. Their friendship saves them both and raises questions about how we balance risk and responsibility.

Aug. 8 "Let Us Join in Human Weaving," Sigrin Newell

In the tradition of 'chop wood, carry water' we will explore spirituality expressed in everyday work. Since pre-historic times, spinning and weaving have been women's work. From Romania, ancient Greece and Egypt to contemporary Mexico, textiles reflect views of the cosmos. The stories told by fabrics tell us much about the human experience.

Aug. 15 "Beautiful," Kimberly Debus

They say true beauty comes from within, yet we are constantly bombarded with media images imploring us to be more aesthetically pleasing. Lookism permeates tv shows, dating sites, and even the workplace. And as much as Unitarian Universalists believe that outer beauty doesn't matter, we too care for our appearance and perhaps make judgments about people based on how they look. Together we will ask: what is beautiful? Does it matter? And how can we combat the discrimina-

tion that comes for people who don't fit the mold?

Aug. 22 "Lifelong Faith Development (Redux),"

Rev. Trumbore & Leah Purcell,

(Postponed from June 6) What does faith development look like in a Unitarian Universalist congregation? A number of our members may not even want to use the word "faith" so this is an important question. Leah Purcell and Rev. Sam think the best way to discuss faith development is with stories. Come hear a few stories of what faith development looks like and reflect on whether you too might find this valuable this fall.

Aug. 29 "Community, Diversity, Justice-making,"

Rev. Trumbore,

The Dream Catchers who did the spade work to develop our new strategic plan, heard a lot from our members about how community, diversity and justice-making are essential to our congregational identity. Yet the three can easily work at cross purposes and interfere with one another. Developing all three in harmony will be a unifying theme for services in September, October and November.

Sept. 5 "Labor and Immigration," Larry Gambino

Exploring the relationship between labor policy and immigration policy, Larry will speculate on what impact a comprehensive immigration reform will have on labor policy.

Summer Sundays for Kids

Religious Exploration: Summer Session

June 20 through Sept. 5 (two exceptions: July 4 FUUSA closed; July 25 multi-generational service)

Infants and toddlers will be cared for by staff in the Nursery.

Ages 3-12 will gather in Room 24/25

Come as many Sundays as your family would like to attend. The program is designed for a multi-age group.

There is no "Kids' Time" in the service. Take your child upstairs before the service starts.

The Nursery and Rooms 24/25 and 26 are air-conditioned.

