

InSpirit

November 2017

Unitarian Universalist Church of Hot Springs

100 Norwalk, Hot Springs, AR 71901
(at the corner of Norwalk and Spring St.)



The UU church of Hot Springs is a certified *Welcoming Congregation*. We welcome you, whoever you are, or whatever the birthplace of your ancestors. We welcome you whether you are young or old, man or woman. We welcome you no matter what your spiritual beliefs or physical needs. We welcome you, whomever you love. May you find the warmth and connection you seek here.

November 2017 Services

10am Meet and Greet
Services start at 10:30am

November 5th

John Nino – Veteran's Day

November 12th

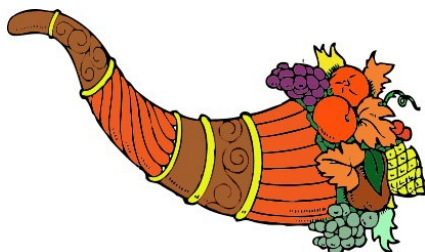
Joe Sturgill – Choir Service

November 19th

Bud Hearn

November 26th

Bob VanHook



Religious Exploration

Meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays from 9am-10am. Join us to watch and discuss various TED Talks. Feel free to bring suggestions for TED Talk Topics you would like to recommend.

Wisdom Seekers Group

Meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays from 9am-10am at the church. All are welcome; please join us for our book discussion whether or not you have read the book. We are reading "A Chosen Faith".

Birds' Practice Sessions

Sing with the Birds every Thursday at 5:15pm to practice our songs for upcoming services @ the church.

November 2017 President's Update



Our beautiful fall weather ushers in the happiest time of the year! Halloween was fun with this group of U U's who love to dress up! Thanksgiving will give those alone a chance to get together with your church family for the meal. See the Ninos to sign up.

Charlie and I will travel in Texas for a couple weeks and spend Thanksgiving with our son in Austin. Then it will be time to plan Christmas. Linda has invited everyone to an open house on December 25th.

Eileen, Dorothy, and I traveled to the U U Church of Little Rock for our fall Arkansas Cluster meeting on October 27-28. This twice-a-year meeting gives us a chance to fellowship and network with other U U folks around the state. The theme of White Supremacy gave us a chance to discuss how white privilege continues to plague our culture, even in U U churches. I recommend these cluster meetings. The next one in the spring will be in the new U U church in Bentonville. The theme is different each time.

Our potluck on October 29 proved that our group loves to eat together! I just watched a few minutes and the excitement was so comforting. We always have plenty of excellent food and plenty to discuss. I love the way all ages come together. So, we will certainly start having more potlucks. Watch your email for details each month.



UU Cluster in Little Rock, October 2017

If you have ideas for other church get-togethers, let me know and I will spread the word. And invite friends to our events. Who knows, they may really like us and join our church!

Happy
Thanksgiving!
Happy Autumn!

Carol Stanfill,
president

UU Women

November 7, 12:30pm UU Women's Conference Planning Meeting.

Please check email for additional upcoming events.

Social Justice Event - Habitat For Humanity

December 9, 2017

The UUCHS will participate in a community service project for Habitat for Humanity on December 9, 2017. We will provide lunch for the volunteer's workers on Cones Road. Please save the date. Details to follow.

Thank you, Dorothy - Social Justice Committee



164 lunches served at Jackson House!

Left to right: Linda, Katherine, Jared Dorothy, Glenda, John (Katherine and Jared were student helpers from our local culinary school).



Thanksgiving 2017

Our Thanksgiving Day meal will be held at a local restaurant for those wishing to attend.

Please see John or Hazel Nino for details on time and location.

It was an especially joyful day at UUCHS when Laura Blue Waters added her name to our Book Of Record on October 15, 2017. Laura has already shown herself to be an involved member by attending services and participating in one of our service days at Jackson House. Welcome to the family, Laura!

Hot Springs LGBT Alliance News and Events

November 12th, 5pm – soft drinks, wine and a movie at the church

Ladies in Lavender – Rated PG-13

“Aging spinster sisters Ursula (Judi Dench) and Janet (Maggie Smith) discover a young man (Daniel Brühl) near death on the beach by their home in a small Cornish fishing village. Taking him in, they discover that he is Andrea, a violinist from Krakow, Poland, who had been swept off an ocean liner on which he was sailing to a fresh start in America. Although Ursula feels an unfamiliar spark of infatuation for the handsome young musician, propriety suggests the attraction must remain unspoken.”



November 26th

Escape Room Event at [Escape Hot Springs](#)

The Hot Springs LGBT Alliance will be puzzling their way out of one of Hot Springs' own escape room venues. There are three rooms to choose from, an depending on how many people RSVP, we may do more than one. They are:

Discoveries Through Time

Journey back to the Dark Ages when our knowledge of the world was young. Advance through the centuries, develop theories to better understand the world, and move humanity forward.

The Bathhouse & Gambler

Our Hot Springs themed escape room adventure. Like thousands of tourists that have come before you, you cannot escape Hot Springs without a bath and a bet.

Cold Case

Cold Case is our crime scene themed escape adventure. You and your group are a team of investigators determined to solve this long-abandoned murder case. Your job is to identify the killer, the victim, and figure out how to escape the room in time!

Friday, December 1st, 6pm

World AIDS Day Event at the church

World AIDS Day takes place on the 1st December each year. It's an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV, to show support for people living with HIV, and to commemorate those who have died from an AIDS-related illness. Founded in 1988, World AIDS Day was the first ever global health day. Watch for more information on the [HS LGBTA Facebook Page](#) and in next month's newsletter.





October 2017
Street Cleanup



UU Church of Hot Springs had a blast in October, whether they were dressing up or cleaning up!

Claire's birthday was a vision of creativity from those that attended. Then, even the kids got in on the action for the Dia de los Muertos Celebration.

Finally, hardworking UUs hit the street to help keep our city beautiful by picking up litter on street cleanup day. Great job everyone!

November 2017 Calendar

| Sunday | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thur | Fri | Saturday |
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| | | | 1 | 2 Birds Practice 5:15pm @church | 3 | 4 |
| 5 9am Religious Exploration 10:30am John Nino. Veteran's Day <i>Set Clocks Back 1 Hour</i> | 6 <i>World Kindness Day</i> | 7 12:30pm UU Women's Conference Planning Meeting | 8 | 9 Birds Practice 5:15pm @church | 10 | 11 <i>Veteran's Day</i> |
| 12 9am Wisdom Seekers 10:30am Joe Sturgill, Choir Service 5pm LGBT Movie | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 Birds Practice 5:15pm @church <i>Great American Smokeout</i> | 17 | 18 |
| 19 9am Religious Exploration 10:30am Bud Hearn | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 Birds Practice 5:15pm @church <i>Thanksgiving</i> | 24 | 25 <i>Small Business Saturday</i> |
| 26 9am Wisdom Seekers 10:30am Bob VanHook LGBTQA Escape Room | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 Birds Practice 5:15pm @church <i>Mawlid un Nabi</i> <i>Feast of St. Andrew</i> | | |

Volunteer List of Go-To People

| <i>Volunteer Assignment</i> | <i>Name</i> |
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| Adult RE | Alan |
| Children's RE | Carol, Oliver, Audrey, Sarah, Akau, Rocky, Dee, Charlotte, Claire, Ann, Tiffany |
| Circle Supper Coordinator | Sunnye |
| Coffee, prepare and stock supplies | Tiffany, John, Hazel |
| Facebook Group, Email Distribution | Carol |
| Film Fests | Sheri |
| Grounds, mowing, gardening | Martinez family, Carol, Linda, Jesse |
| Kitchen organization, supplies, fridge | Sheri, Hazel, Bai, Sunny, Audrey |
| Librarian | Joy |
| InSpirit Editor, Membership Directory | Eileen |
| Maintain building, repairs | John, Oliver, Linda, Jesse |
| Music, Choir | Joe, Jason |
| Nominating Committee 2018 | Oliver, Alan, Sunnye |
| Pastoral Care | Hazel, John, Claire, Jason |
| Pews, restock and organize | Ann, Audrey, Nico and Joe M. |
| Rummage Sale 2018 | Oliver, Ann |
| Sanctuary supplies, décor, flowers | Joe |
| Social Justice, Social Action | Dorothy, Tiffany, Carol, Charlotte |
| Sound, AV equipment | John, Eileen, Joe |
| Street Clean-up | Dee, Rob, Rocky |
| Website | Rob, Carol, Webmaster: Dan Watson |

Children's RE

Teachers: Carol, Oliver, Audrey, Sarah, Akau, Rocky, Dee, Charlotte, Claire, Ann, Tiffany

Board Members, 2017-20018

Ann, Carol, Dorothy, Joe, John, Linda

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Carol or ask any member – we'll happily put you to work!