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# THE WEEKLY NEWS

October 15 - 21, 2017

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## TODAY

9am & 11am Worship Service—Sanctuary  
9am & 11am Religious Education—RE Wing  
10am & 12pm Art Sale Registration—Social Hall  
12:30pm Theme Circles—Dietrich & Whitney Young  
12:30pm Wellspring—Wheatley

## THIS WEEK

### Tuesday

12:30pm Men’s Group—Quiet Room  
1pm Theme Circles—Whitney Young & Wheatley  
6pm Gun Sense Action Group—Alcove  
7pm Adult Children of Alcoholics—Whitney Young  
7pm Shamanic Drumming—Olympia Brown

### Welcome Table Wednesday

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5:30pm: Wednesday Night Dinner— Social Hall  
**Menu: Vegetable Harvest Soup, Salad, Bread, and Dessert**

6:30pm: Wednesday Night Forum—Wheatley  
**Forum for October 18:**

**Century College: Opportunity Community**  
The Finding Home Taskforce hosts Michele Jersak from Century College to explain the benefits of the college’s Opportunity Community initiative (see inside).  
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6pm Youth Grow & Serve—Youth Room  
6:15 Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary  
6:30pm Theme Circles—Whitney Young & Channing  
6:30pm Theme Circle for Parents—Jones  
6:30pm Homework/Soulwork—Foote Room

### Thursday

11am Third Thursday 60+ Group—Sanctuary  
6:30pm Transgender Inclusion in Our Congregation—Sanctuary

## WBUUC Weekly Sanctuary Update

*From Fight Back! News*

“Immigrant rights activists demanded 'Sanctuary now!' at the Minneapolis City Council meeting Oct. 6. The activists gathered outside of City Hall then in the City Council chamber, holding their banner and signs at the start of the council meeting.

"The [protests] are part of an ongoing campaign demanding that the Minneapolis City Council quickly pass the Sanctuary Platform. Adopting the platform’s 13 demands would deepen Minneapolis' commitment to standing with immigrant communities that are under attack.

"The Sanctuary Platform was initiated by the Minnesota Immigrant Rights Action Committee (MIRAC), and has been endorsed by many immigrant rights organizations, unions, social justice and religious groups. It has already attracted support from some current city council members as well as several of the candidates running for city council and mayor in the November election.

"The platform was launched with a community press conference on Sept. 20. A day later, Hennepin County Sheriff Stanek sent a three-page letter to council members that can be read as both defensive and threatening. Stanek’s close cooperation with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in the county jail is a target of some of the platform’s demands. Stanek’s letter says, among other things, “there is no sanctuary for criminals anywhere in Hennepin County” and brags that in 2016 his jail arranged for ICE to talk to approximately 2700 people detained in the county jail.”

**Read the full article at: [bit.ly/Sanctuary-Update](http://bit.ly/Sanctuary-Update)**

*“Like” and follow the Sanctuary Committee’s updates on Facebook at [facebook.com/lovelivesherewbuuc](https://www.facebook.com/lovelivesherewbuuc). Direct questions or comments to Kathy Mackin or Karlyn Peterson at [sanctuary@wbuuc.org](mailto:sanctuary@wbuuc.org).*

## Lifespan Spiritual Development for Adults

### Shamanic Drumming and Journeying

**Tuesday, October 17 at 7pm—Olympia Brown Room**

Explore ancient shamanic practices for spiritual guidance, healing, meditation, peaceful loving personal power, spiritual adventure, and fun! Bring your drum/rattle, or borrow one of ours. We meet monthly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday. No experience necessary. Newcomers welcome. Contact Nancy, 651.426.4917 or Nancy@Rookhouse.org.

	<p>Wednesday Forum: <b>OCT. 18</b> <b>AT 6:30PM</b> <b>CENTURY COLLEGE</b> <i>Opportunity Community</i></p>
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### Upcoming Wednesday Night Forums

• **Oct. 18 | Century College: Opportunity Community**

The Opportunity Community model is a national movement with a proven track record in working with students to reduce poverty-related barriers to completing college. The Finding Home Taskforce will host Michele Jersak from Century College to explain the benefits of this initiative and how WBUUC members and friends can get involved. For more information, contact Ron Ofstead [poserofstead@gmail.com](mailto:poserofstead@gmail.com) or Dan Wachtler at [dkwachtler@msn.com](mailto:dkwachtler@msn.com).

• **Oct. 25 | Ministry Search Update**

Hear our update on this year's search for a new assistant minister and share with Victoria your hopes for this position.

**Third Thursdays: Welcoming All Adults 60+ Thursday, October 19 at 11am—Sanctuary**

A monthly daytime group for those who are seeking additional connections and stimulating conversation around the spiritual and social aspects of aging and living purposeful lives. Ministerial staff introduce a topic with short readings and suggested questions which are then discussed in small groups. This one-hour program is followed by a light lunch in the Social Hall (suggested donation \$5.00). Assistance

with chalice lightings, cooking or clean up always appreciated. RSVP appreciated but not required to: [wbuucvolunteer@wbuuc.org](mailto:wbuucvolunteer@wbuuc.org), 651.426.2369.

### Living with Grief

**Sundays, October 22–December 10; 1:00–2:30pm**

The most universal human experience we share is the death of a loved one. We will explore the often bewildering process of grief with readings, poetry, and sharing the personal experience of loss. Our hope is that 'a grief shared will be a grief diminished.' Even if you've been part of this group in the past, we welcome you to come again, as your journey of healing continues. Facilitators: Jo Ford, MSE and Sheryl Niebuhr, PhD. To register or for more information, contact Shay MacKay at [shay@wbuuc.org](mailto:shay@wbuuc.org).

### Men's Retreat

**Friday, Oct. 27 - Sunday, Oct. 29**

Twice each year we go to the Audubon Retreat Center in Sandstone for a weekend of great food, discussion topics, and 500 acres of trails and lakes. Open to all WBUUC men, members or friends, involved in Men's Programs or not. Cost is usually around \$125 for meals and lodging. Scholarships available. Contact Steve Kahn, 651.426.4297, [stevekahn@comcast.net](mailto:stevekahn@comcast.net).

### Men's Groups

The daytime group meets on the first and third Tuesday at 12:30pm. The evening group meets on the second and fourth Tuesday at 7pm. No meeting on the fifth Tuesday. All Men's Programs are open to all interested men, no sign up required, new members always welcome. Contact Steve Kahn at 651.426.4297, [stevekahn@comcast.net](mailto:stevekahn@comcast.net).

## Religious Education for Children

### Wednesday Night Programming

**\*For Babies and Toddlers:** Nursery Care provided by our loving staff. 6:15pm-7:45pm.

**\*For School-age Children:** Homework/Soulwork Spiritual practice, homework help, and crafts. 6:30-7:30pm. Interested in tutoring or sharing your spiritual practice? Contact [dre@wbuuc.org](mailto:dre@wbuuc.org).

**\*For Teens:** Grow and serve with PeaceJam, YAC, social justice trips, and other opportunities. For more information contact [youth@wbuuc.org](mailto:youth@wbuuc.org).

## Music and Arts



### Art Show: Lisa Fertig through October 22

Lisa Fertig paints landscapes, still lifes, and abstracts using watercolor, acrylics, and oils. She says, "I paint in two distinct styles, representational and abstract, which may at first appear irreconcilable, but are in fact two aspects of the same journey. For one, I venture out. For the other, I venture in. For both, the outcome is the same." See more at [lisafertig.com](http://lisafertig.com).

### Call for Vendors—Register TODAY for the Holiday Sale! November 5, 2017

Vendors interested in selling Art, Crafts, Music, Books and/or Collectables at the WBUUC annual "Holiday Sale" must register today between services and after the second service in the Social Hall. The vendor or their representative must register, in person, and a fee of fifteen dollars (\$15) will be collected at that time to cover the cost of table rental. All tables will be 8-feet long and you will select table placement at sign-up. Space and placement will be on a first come/first serve basis.

At the end of the sale, vendors will be asked to contribute 10% of their proceeds from the sale to White Bear Unitarian Universalist Church general fund.

Due to the busy church calendar vendors must be able to set up between 10:00am and 1:00pm on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. There will be **no exceptions**. Tables not set up on Saturday will be eliminated from the sale. As we are renting tables for the show, there will be no refunds if your table is not used.

The WBUUC Gallery Committee members are excited to host this popular event on Nov. 5, 2017 and we thank you for your interest and participation. If you have questions or you would like to receive a map of the sale layout, please email [judyefawcett@gmail.com](mailto:judyefawcett@gmail.com).

### Show Your Soul in Writing and Art

Seeking your creative poetry, fiction, and non-fiction writing and/or artwork on our monthly themes for the WBUUC online journal. Everyone is welcome and included in the journal. October's theme is Celebration: The Practice of Naming. Submission guidelines are at: [www.wbuuc.org/submission-guidelines](http://www.wbuuc.org/submission-guidelines). Submit now at: [showyoursoul@wbuuc.org](mailto:showyoursoul@wbuuc.org).

## Community Announcements

*The Congregation of the  
First Unitarian Universalist Church  
of Rochester, Minnesota*

*invites you to celebrate with us  
the installation of our minister*

*The Reverend Luke Stevens-Royer*

**TODAY at 4:30pm**

*Reception following the service*

**First Unitarian Universalist Church**  
1727 Walden Lane SW  
Rochester, Minnesota 55902

*Clergy, candidates for ministry and religious  
professionals of all traditions are invited to robe  
and process. Please gather at 4pm.*

### Bookstall Volunteer Needed

Bookstall volunteer needed after the 11:00am service on third Sundays beginning Oct. 15. This is an easy, enjoyable experience. One hour a month. A great opportunity for a new or longtime member! Contact Kathleen Keating at [kathleenkeating2139@hotmail.com](mailto:kathleenkeating2139@hotmail.com).

### UU Partner Church Council Public Pilgrimages

Registration is open for three public UU Partner Church Council pilgrimages in 2018: a February trip to NE India, a first-ever walking meditation pilgrimage through the Transylvanian heartland in July that is being run jointly with Starr King School for the Ministry, and a September pilgrimage to Transylvania that coincides with the Transylvanian Unitarian Thanksgiving celebration. For information and registration, visit [uupcc.org/pilgrimages/pilgrimage-opportunities](http://uupcc.org/pilgrimages/pilgrimage-opportunities)

# Last Week at Church: The Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 8, 2017

*photos by Jill Schwendeman*



*Annelise North blesses Teddy.*



*Ray watches over Jerry Condon.*



*Zoe receives a big smooch from Milo, with April Aurelius, and Nancy Hauer.*

# Halloween Costume Ball



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This year we are combining two great WBUUC events into one **giant evening of fun!** Shake together the Halloween Party and Family Concert, and out comes a **Halloween Costume Ball**. Music by the kid-friendly Bazillions! Don't forget to wear a costume. There WILL be a costume parade!



**OCT. 28th  
2017**

**5:15pm Pizza  
6:30pm Dancing**

Tickets available at [wbuuc.eventbrite.com](http://wbuuc.eventbrite.com)  
or today at the table in the Social Hall.  
Adults \$10 | Children \$5 | Family Maximum \$30  
(ticket price includes pizza)

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# ESTATE PLANNING 101

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 12:45 – 2:30pm

Light lunch provided by the Endowment Committee

## REGISTER NOW

What do Jimi Hendrix, Pablo Picasso, Bob Marley, Abraham Lincoln, Howard Hughes, Sonny Bono, and Prince have in common? All died without a will! In fact 55% of all adult Americans do not have a will or estate plan.

Have you been thinking about creating a will or estate plan, and don't know where to begin? The Endowment Committee of the White Bear Unitarian Universalist Church is sponsoring an educational seminar to assist you in your planning process.

Presenters Julie A. Westbrook, JD and Brenda Stuhr, CPA, CTFA from Trust Point, will share their expertise in a free 90-minute informational session and be available to answer questions.

RSVP to Jack Ver Steegh at [runjvs@gmail.com](mailto:runjvs@gmail.com).