

*Allegheny*ADVOCATE

Allegheny Unitarian Universalist Church's Monthly Newsletter

**From Reverend
Dave's Desk**

Although the winter wasn't really bad, it did seem rather long stretching as it did into spring. Summer will no doubt include the usual release of all that pent up wintry frustration. So in the spirit of conscious living, here's what I want to tell you in September about my summer.

“It was filled with friends and family. I got to read books and attend performances that fed my soul. Despite the busy-ness that the surrounding culture is addicted to, there was lots of time for quiet reflection.

“The family and I were conscientious about only participating in extra-curricular activities that were meaningful to us—and Kennywood was great for the inner child's soul.

“And you and the life of the church were in my thoughts and on my heart.”

Here's to a conscious summer of joy for you and yours. So are you going to want to tell us come September? I look forward to hearing about it.

With blessings for the journey,

Reverend Dave

Racial Justice News

Summer of FUN!

The AUUC Racial Justice Ministry has lots of fun opportunities lined up so that you can be a force of positive change in the neighborhood near our church.

After school recreation and creative activities at the Jefferson Recreation Center. The Recreation Center serves neighborhood kids ages 8-18, six days per week.

Nature Exploration activities with the kids at Jefferson Rec. Center.

Swimming on Mon. or Wed. from 4:30-5:30pm at the YMCA with the kids from the Rec. Center.

Join us for our 2nd annual Potluck dinner with other neighborhood churches.

We would love your help send ideas!

Either email or call Jay and we will let you in on the FUN!

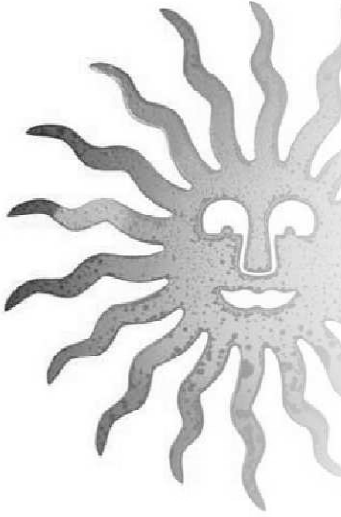
Join us at one of our upcoming meetings – We need new ideas, new energy and new members! June 21 or July 16 from 6:30pm-8:00pm at the U House (1110 Resaca).

Also...

The Kids at the Jefferson Recreation Center are having their first ever Art Opening at Beleza Coffee House on June 19th. You are all invited!

But how can you help now you ask- hit the local dollar store and buy some plain black 8x10 picture frames to make the art work look special. (give them to Jay or Kim) And if you would like to help out by playing some music that afternoon - let me know.

Jay Poliziani



The Gamaliel Foundation believes the immigration deal struck by Senator Edward Kennedy (D-MA), some Republican senators and the White House limits due process and is anti-family, anti-worker and fundamentally un-American. While it responds to the demands of the immigrant rights movement for a path to citizenship for undocumented workers currently in the U.S., its provisions on future migration to the United States are immoral, unworkable and unacceptable. The proposal appears to include an important path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants, recognizing their work and contribution to America, but we find the elimination of the family immigration system, the creation of a new temporary worker program that would create a permanent underclass of workers with few rights and no ability to become citizens.

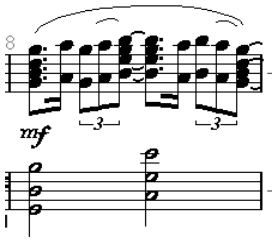
As a national organizing network representing over 1 million people of faith, the Gamaliel Foundation believes the following principles must guide legislative consideration of this and other proposals:

- *Simple and broad legalization for undocumented workers and families;*
- *Strong worker protections and a path to citizenship for future immigrant workers;*
- *Family reunification and continued preference for family based immigration*
- *Preservation of due process and civil rights; and*
- *Fair treatment of students and agricultural workers as embodied in the DREAM Act and AgJobs legislation.*

We will be continuing to pressure Congress to adopt humane immigration legislation that is consistent with these principles, and we are prepared to vigorously oppose legislation that is inconsistent with our values.

The Gamaliel Foundation Issues Statement Responding to the Kennedy/White House Deal on Immigration Reform
(Gamaliel is the foundation that supports PIIN)

AUUC Choir News



The Family Choir will rehearse at 9:45am on Sunday 3 June. The Adult Choir will present its annual service on Sunday 10 June, just before the picnic. We will sing many songs from a broad spectrum of styles and involve the congregation in lots of singing, too.

Annual Picnic

Mark your calendars for June 10th immediately following the Sunday service when we have our Annual Picnic held in North Park. It is a picnic pot luck with lots of games and fun for all ages.

Finance Update

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Offerings for April	\$ 5,776	\$ 5,813
FY 07: 10 mos.YTD	\$57,815	\$63,876

30 June 2007 marks the end of the 2007 fiscal year. Please make an effort to fulfill the remaining balance outstanding on your pledge before June 30. If you are unsure as to the status of your pledge, contact Kathleen Kenney. Checks to be credited toward this fiscal year should be dated by June 30, and received by July 1. Any checks received after July 1 will be applied toward fiscal year 2008. Thank you for all that you give to support Allegheny UU Church.

Save the Date



Being the Person You Want to Be

An Evening of Conversation with American Zen Teacher Cheri Huber

When: Tuesday, June 19, 2007, 7:30 p.m.

Where: Unitarian Universalist Church of the North Hills in Pittsburgh 2359 West Ingomar Road

This is a free public talk, however donations are always gratefully accepted. No registration required. For more information: email revcarol1@earthlink.net

Sunday 3rd June

- 9:00 am Choir Practice
- 9:45 am Family Choir Practice
- 10:30 am Sunday Service
- **Speaker:** Reverend David McFarland
To Bloom Where You're Planted, You've Got to Be Planted (Flower Communion)
- **Greeters:** TBA
- **Refreshments:** Ann Thompson & Gloria Skillings
- Order Giant Eagle certificates

Monday 4th

- 7 pm NA Meeting in Founder's Hall
- 7 pm Board of Trustees in U House

Tuesday 5th

- 12 pm Oakland Lunch Bunch

Thursday 7th

- 8:00 pm Tai Chi Class

Saturday 9th

- 9:00 am Annual Calendar Planning Meeting
- 11:00 am Peace Vigil in front of church

Sunday 10th June

- 9:00 am Choir Practice
- 10:30 am Sunday Service
- **Speaker:** Today the service is "CHOIR FEST" Join us for a morning of song and celebration!
- **Greeters:** TBA
- **Refreshments:** PICNIC!!!
- Pick up Giant Eagle certificates
- Adult Choir Annual Service
- *Church Picnic in North Park following the Service!*

Monday 11th

- 7 pm NA Meeting in Founder's Hall

AUUC May Events



AUUC May Events

Thursday 14th

- 7:00 pm PIIN Board
- 7:30 pm RE Committee
- 8:00 pm Tai Chi Class

Friday 15th

- *Newsletter Deadline!!!*

Saturday 16th

- 11:00 am Peace Vigil in front of church
- Stonewall march

Sunday 17th June

- *Fathers Day*
- 9:00 am Choir Practice
- 9:30 am Communion Service
- 10:30 am Sunday Service
- **Speaker:** Reverend David McFarland
The First Time I Heard "Dadda" (A special Father's Day sermon)
- **Greeters:** TBA
- **Refreshments:** Lynn Glorieux

Monday 18th

- 7 pm NA Meeting in Founder's Hall

Tuesday 19th

- Jefferson Rec Center Art Opening @ Beleza
- 7:30 pm Cheri Huber North Hills UU

Thursday 21st

- 8:00 pm Tai Chi Class
- 9:00 pm Shelter Meal
- General Assembly

Friday 22nd

- General Assembly

Saturday 23rd

- 11:00 am Peace Vigil in front of church
- General Assembly



AUUC May/July Events

Sunday 24th June

- 9:00 am Choir Practice
- 10:30 am Sunday Service
- **Speaker:** Judy Lawrence and Pat Collins
Together 30 Years! When, Where and Why We Married! Judy writes for the local newspaper for The Villages near Ocala, FL about religious and spiritual programs. Pat is an artist and musician and is also an ordained minister.
- **Greeters:** Lisa Carvajal & Chris Stygar
- **Refreshments:** Lynn Forges
- General Assembly
- Pride Sunday

Monday 25th

- 7 pm NA Meeting in Founder's Hall
- General Assembly

Thursday 28th

- 8:00 pm Tai Chi Class

Saturday 30th

- 11:00 am Peace Vigil in front of church

Sunday 1st July

- 9:00 am Choir Practice
- 9:45 am Family Choir Practice
- 10:30 am Sunday Service
- **Speaker:** TBA
- **Greeters:** TBA
- **Refreshments:** TBA
- Order Giant Eagle certificates

Monday 2nd

- 7 pm NA Meeting
- 7 pm Board of Trustees in U House

Tuesday 3rd

- 12 pm Oakland Lunch Bunch



AUUC June Events

Wednesday 4th

- *Independence Day*

Thursday 5th

- 8:00 pm Tai Chi Class

Saturday 7th

- 11:00 am Peace Vigil in front of church

Sunday 8th July

- 9:00 am Choir Practice
- 10:30 am Sunday Service
- **Speaker:** TBA
- **Greeters:** TBA
- **Refreshments:** TBA
- Pick up Giant Eagle certificates

Monday 9th

- 7 pm NA Meeting in Founder's Hall

Thursday 12th

- 7:00 pm PIIN Board
- 7:30 pm RE Committee
- 8:00 pm Tai Chi Class

Saturday 14th

- 11:00 am Peace Vigil in front of church



Note: In order to provide a more stable and reliable schedule, the Advocate prints only five to six weeks of upcoming events.

Planning for 2008

The annual calendaring meeting for AUUC is scheduled for Saturday June 9 at 9:00 am. All committee chairs are asked to attend or send a representative. Also, any other person or group who has items they would like included on this year's calendar is invited to attend. This is an important event, the successful completion of which will help us to coordinate all of our activities here at Allegheny.

P.S. - Our own Charlie Snowden has agreed to prepare and serve pancakes for those in attendance!

Ed Kinley



Here's a note that accompanied a recent gift from Sean, Melissa, and Rhegan Thomas, who celebrated baby Rhegan's naming ceremony with us on Mother's Day.

"We wanted to take a moment and thank the church for welcoming us into your family congregation. It has been such a wonderful experience and we thank you for including us."

We're grateful to the Thomases and to all our church members and friends, singles and families, for sharing your lives. The life of our beloved community is all the richer for it!

Reverend Dave

Blessed Community



Interfaith Calendar

3rd All Saints Day - Orthodox Christian
Trinity Sunday - Christian

7th Corpus Christi- Catholic Christian

9th St. Columba of Iona - Celtic Christian

15th Sacred Heart of Jesus - Catholic Christian

16th Guru Arjan Dev martyrdom - Sikh

19th New Church Day - Swedenborgian
Christian

21st First Nations Day - Canadian Native People
Litha * - Wicca/Neo Pagan northern
hemisphere
Yule * - Wicca/Neo Pagan southern
hemisphere

24th Saint John the Baptist - Christian

29th Feast Day of Saints Peter and Paul -
Christian

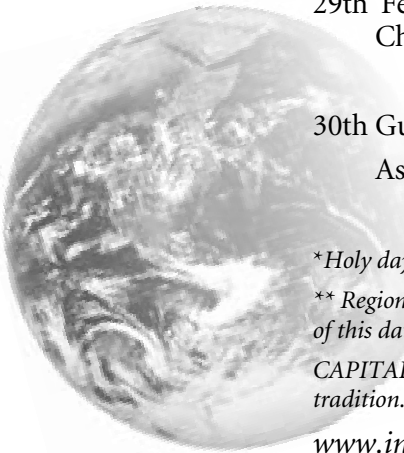
30th Guru Purnima ** - Hindu
Asala Puja Day - Dharma ** - Buddhist

**Holy days usually begin at sundown the day before this date.*

*** Regional customs or moon sightings may cause a variation
of this date.*

*CAPITALIZED bold titles are primary holy days of a
tradition.*

www.interfaithcalendar.org



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