



The Community News

July 2016

OUR VISION

We will become a dynamic and nurturing religious community that celebrates our human diversity, supports lifelong spiritual growth, and acts for compassion and justice in the larger community.

The Importance Of Open Dialogue On Reality

“The eye sees only what the mind is prepared to comprehend.” –Henri Bergson

“Studies have shown that 90% of error in thinking is due to error in perception. If you can change your perception, you can change your emotion and this can lead to new ideas.” – Edward de Bono

What is an unassailable, brute fact, and what is the attempt of someone born blind describing the trunk of an elephant? When discussing the very nature of reality, it is easy to see that our grasp of the facts is incomplete, and what we do know is open to interpretation.

Contrast this with our certitude when it comes to day-to-day living. We know for sure that the person who cut us off in traffic is not so much the trunk of an elephant as the back end of a horse. The thought that said person may have been driving to the hospital due to an emergency does not frequently enter our minds. Even in such mundane actions as traffic conditions, we are unable to read the minds and emotions and life events of those around us. We don't have all of reality at hand.

In questions of morality, our certitude becomes greater, even though facts of morality can be even murkier. Choose your topic: gun control vs. the 2nd Amendment; abortion, racism. These hot-button topics cause a lot of heat in discussion, and many are discomfited by this conflict. In the course of discussion, we often deny the reality of the other side. Indeed why wouldn't we? We disagree, and that is healthy.

There are some that take this reality-denying to its logical conclusion. Friends are cut off from each other because of what is seen as a morally reprehensible stand. While this phenomenon is most obvious on Facebook, even in real space, many of us to some greater or lesser extent disengage from people with different moral stand points. Whether it be through outright disowning a family member or friend to simply deciding to spend time with other people, there is a tendency among many, deliberate or not, to create what ultimately becomes an echo chamber community of people with similar beliefs.

This is not to say that moral stands are things of the past due to the advent of moral relativism. Quite the opposite. Putting it out there is needed. But while stating our reality, we also need to keep channels open for more facts and more information. More reality. Because our version of reality is only an approximation. Sometimes the source of those facts comes from a friendly voice, and sometimes it comes from “the other side.” By cutting off people with vastly different views, we reduce the opportunities at reality-checking our own reality.

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Sunday Services**

Theme - Making it Real

July 3 - “The Servant Leader” - Guest Speaker - Bill Holston, Executive Director of the Human Right Initiative of North Texas

July 10 - “Losing who we THINK we are to discover who we REALLY are” - Guest Speaker - Reverend Brett Bratcher

July 17 - Soul of the earth: The new green revolution. Guest Speaker – Alan Robbins

July 24 - “Come and See “ - Guest Speaker - Rev. Larry Brumfield

July 31 - Covenant. Guest Speaker – Pat Smith

**12:15 p.m.: Inquirer's Class held the fourth Sunday of each month*

Typical Sunday

10:30 - 11:45 a.m.: Worship, Religious Education for Children and Youth, and Nursery Childcare

11:45 a.m.: Coffee and Conversation

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Patrick's Ponderings "Reality is often what we make it"

Our theme this Summer is "Making It Real," which is an opportunity for us to consider what is "real" and what is perception and assumption. As human beings what we call reality is a matter of what we perceive with our senses, as keen as they may be. Light reflected from three dimensional images are objects are projected on to our flat retina receptors. We are only able to take in completely and concentrate on an area the size of a postage stamp at any one time. This does not even begin to consider the greater sensitivity of how animals perceive scents, or see a broader spectrum of light, or how elephant can make and detect subsonic calls that are transmitted and received hundreds and thousands of miles away. Given this then, to say what we as human experience is the determiner of what is real, is a major act of overreach and arrogance.

Eyewitness testimony used to be the gold standard in legal proceedings. But we now know that what a person perceives, and what they remember of those perceptions, are both subjective interpretations of actual reality, and may bear little resemblance to it. While mistaken perceptions can cause us to make bad choices, such as "do I have time to cross the street before that semi track trailer comes through the intersection?" There are also opportunities to literally change the frame or focus of our perceptions and how we interpret them.

Many of the spiritual practices in the world are designed to help us change our perceptions to be able to perceive with more clarity and to interpret with more helpful interpretations. Whether this is through meditations of various sorts or others, here is a key piece of advice. Our subconscious minds do not really hear "no." So framing ideas and thoughts so that they are about a positive outcome, rather than the negation of a negative outcome, will be much more effective. It is also in and of itself a mental discipline that will take time and practice to become the new normal in our lives. We can more positively frame the ways we experience and respond to the reality that we encounter and how we make it real for ourselves.

I will be on leave during July, and back at work the beginning of August. My fall "Question Box Sermon" is August 14, and our Annual Ingathering and Water Communion Service is August 21.

Have a great Summer. Blessings, Patrick

The Importance Of Open Dialogue On Reality (continued from front page)

Take a stand and state your reality, and do not be afraid. Likewise, have the courage to contemplate others' reality, and understand their own perspective. - Submitted by Rob Saxon

Deadline for the August newsletter is Friday, July 22. Email your articles to newsletter @communityuuchurch. org

President's Column

Here we are again, in the midst of a hot Texas Summer. Many of us are taking the opportunity to travel, spend time with family, visit interesting places, and just enjoy the change of pace that summer offers. Summer is also a time when we welcome many visitors to our church. This year, we are also in the process of renewing our Welcoming Congregation designation. As we continue this process, I'd like to revisit some thoughts that I shared with you last year at this time.

In July 2015, I listened to a sermon given by Rev. Aaron White, entitled "How We Meet One Another". In this sermon, Rev. White introduced the concept of "radical dependency." He spoke about the importance of greeting visitors with hospitality, reaching out to one another, being "radically welcoming", and "holding each other close." He suggests that, even as adults, although we may deny it, we need to be held close, to be welcomed, to be human together.

To be truly welcoming, caring, and inclusive requires more than passively expressing what we believe; we must actively reach out, greet, and engage new visitors. Here at Community, we are good at that, and visitors often comment about our warm and welcoming atmosphere. That makes me happy, and I want to share how blessed I feel to have found our church and to have found you.

Rev. White states that living our values enables us to be known "not as the people who can believe whatever we want, but the people who love beyond belief." Let us continue to be those people.

Fondly,

Lexie

SASSY (Seniors Aiding Seniors Stay Young) is a group of Caring Committee members who focus on concerns that can afflict any of us, but can be especially problematic for the elderly. You may wish to join us if you are a senior and you:

- Live alone and are dependent on others for your daily needs
- Are the principal caregiver for a dependent loved one
- Are in good health and live independently now, but alone.

You are welcome if you are not a senior but are interested in learning or participating. We exchange information, share experiences, network with one another, and occasionally bring in a guest speaker. Broader outreach is a goal. **We meet at 1pm the first Thursday of every month at the church. All are welcome to attend. Contact Janice Hildenbrand for more information.**

Upcoming Family Events at CUUC in July

Sun. 7/3 – Worship and RE, 10:30 a.m.

Tues. 7/5 to Sat. 7/9 – Service trip to NOLA

Sun. 7/10 – Worship and RE, 10:30 a.m.

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Simple Living Chalice Circle

Meeting time and place – The next meeting will be **Saturday morning July 9 at 11am.**

Theme/topic – Learning together to live deliberately.

Facilitator – Contact Ona Tannehill at Email simpleliving@communityuuchurch.org for location.

Share the Plate.

The recipient of Share the Plate for July is God's Pantry. God's Pantry distributes food to everyone in need. The summer months have the highest demand since children are not in school where they receive free breakfast, lunch and a snack to take home. Half of the offering on Sunday, **July 31** will support God's Pantry. If you unable to be in church that Sunday, you can still donate during the month of July by going to our web page and clicking Share the Plate.

Our Whole Lives Trainings

This Summer! The Dallas cluster of UU churches is hosting OWL trainings on August 5-7 for elementary through high school levels. If you've ever thought about teaching OWL, or if you are curious about what goes into providing this live-saving, life-changing program – please, call or email Kathy Smith today!

Rides to Sunday services

The Caring Committee is working to meet the needs of members and friends who need rides to Sunday church services.

If you are a member or friend of the church and need a ride or can provide rides, please contact Caring Committee member **Betsy Friauf**.

Friday Night Flicks

Founders Hall - 7pm.

July 8 - 45 Years - 2015 - R

Geoff (Tom Courtnay) and Kate (Charlotte Rampling) Mercer's plans for a 45th anniversary party are upset by some unexpected news: A body found in the Swiss Alps has been identified as Geoff's long-ago love Katya, who perished in an accident 50 years ago. Charlotte Rampling was nominated for an Oscar for Best Actress in a Leading Role.

July 22 - The Revenant - 2015

Set in the 1820,s American Frontier, this snowy thriller follows fur trapper Hugh Glass (Leonardo DiCaprio) as he relentlessly seeks retribution against the companions who left him for dead in the Missouri River's icy waters after he was mauled by a bear. This was the 6th Oscar nomination for Leonardo DiCaprio and his first win. Tom Hardy was nominated for an Oscar for Best Actor in a Supporting Role. It is worth seeing this movie just for the Cinematography by Emmanuel Lubezki.

Literary Ladies Book Club

Upcoming Meetings

Women members and friends of Community UU Church are welcome to join us on **the third Tuesday of the month from 7 – 9pm.**

Date: : **Saturday, July 16**, departing Plano 11:30, arriving Denton 12:30 p.m., back to Plano area by 4:30 p.m.

Location: The home of **Suzie Nicholson and Wendy Cage in Denton.** Contact **Suzie** by **Wednesday, 13th** if you plan to attend.

Contact **Deb Bliss** for carpool coordination. Selection: **The Secret Chord** by **Geraldine Brooks** *Author*

Brooks takes on one of literature's richest and most enigmatic figures: a man who shimmers between history and legend. Peeling away the myth to bring David to life in Second Iron Age Israel, Brooks traces the arc of his journey from obscurity to fame, from shepherd to soldier, from hero to traitor, from beloved king to murderous despot and into his remorseful and diminished dotage. The Secret Chord provides new context for some of the best-known episodes of David's life while also focusing on others, even more remarkable and emotionally intense, that have been neglected.
Amazon

Church Office. The Church Office will be closed Tuesday, July 5.

Religious Education

UU Makerspace in Action at Home!

By Kathy E. Smith, Director of Religious Education

(Enjoy this reprint of a previous year's article while Kathy is at General Assembly.)

We Unitarian Universalists are a curious, questioning people. It's embedded in our principles: the free and responsible search for truth and meaning, encouragement to spiritual growth, and the interconnected web of existence (which implicitly commits us to understand **how** we are interconnected). It's embodied in our sources: the awe and wonder of personal experiences with mystery, and the wisdom of science and reason. It's intrinsic to our history: from the time Unitarianism began differentiating itself from other branches of Christianity, we have proudly claimed the name "heretic" – one who challenges the established beliefs of the status quo.

While we are learning and doing, we are putting some of our deepest beliefs into action! And when we explicitly bring our principles and history into conversations with our children about what we are learning and doing, we help solidify our identity as Unitarian Universalists.

Children are naturally drawn to water, dirt, and bugs – look for evidence of animals and insects. As you help your child identify that mysterious bug, take the time to wonder what its role is in the ecosystem. AND remind them that we Unitarian Universalists believe that human beings take care of the earth, even bugs, because we believe that every living creature is part of the web of life. Share your child's amazement at chrysalises and tadpoles. AND connect their metamorphosis to the mystery of how everything grows and transforms, visibly or invisibly.

Do some science with your child. There are some wonderful resources online. Check out *Five Minute Film Festival: Fun Summer DIY Projects* on edutopia.org. And while you're talking about why and how the experiment worked, tell them that lots of Unitarian Universalists have been scientists and inventors. (Google Maria Mitchell or Joseph Priestley.) Not only does our faith fail to see a conflict between science and religion, we include science as one of the sources of our inspiration!

What about news stories? There is so much happening in the world today. True, a child doesn't need to be saturated with sensationalism. But neither can we assume they are totally unaware. Talk about current events. Listen to your child's questions and worries. Reassure them that there are always helpers (go look at *Explaining the News to Our Kids* on commonsensemedia.org or *Talking with Children about Horrific News* at uuworld.org for some age-appropriate suggestions). But also help them see the larger picture. What happened historically to make things this way? How are those events related to today's events? There are good resources out there to help you – an example is this one, on how to talk to your child about race: *Mother's Day Action Toolkit* at raceconscious.org. AND talk about our Unitarian Universalist belief in the inherent worth of every human being, the value of diversity, the necessity of deeply listening to each other's stories, and the interconnectedness of all of us, not just to the earth but to each other.

Those are just three possibilities. Because we are **learning** and **doing** people, there will be lots of other possibilities to open up these conversations with your child. May the conversations be deep, meaningful, challenging, and in the spirit of summer, fun!

See you in church! In faith, Kathy

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Connections

Spotlight on Leadership Training

Beginning the second week of February, a group of church members attended *Harvest the Power* classes every Monday night. Part of the *Tapestry of Faith* series of curricula for adults, *Harvest the Power* weaves Unitarian Universalist values, Principles and Sources with four strands: spiritual development, ethical development, Unitarian Universalist identity development, and faith development. *Harvest the Power* concluded in May. The *Harvest the Power* 2016 graduates are: Tom Brikowski, Alyssa Church, Angel Dillion, Miles Dillon, Karen Ditsch, Katey Eubanks, Lousinda Long, Jen Mason, Steve Mason, Kimberly Schramm, Chris Spencer, and Joyce Thompson.

The class will share their thoughts about leadership with the congregation during the August 7th Worship Service.

If you are interested in leadership training and don't want to wait for our next class, we have just the right opportunity for you. The Southern Region of the Unitarian Universalist Association is offering *The Extended Leadership Experience*.

This training is on the first Saturday of the month and takes place every other month starting this October. Each session will be at a different North Texas UU Church. Attend one or attend all five. The cost is reasonable and the LDC can help with expenses.

Service opportunities

We are looking for people to join the Facilities Management Team. Do you have an interest in managing others working to accomplish landscaping, mowing, interior and exterior projects? Choose your area of interest and let the LDC know you want to serve our church community in this valuable way.

What can the LDC do to support your leadership journey? Let us know at ldc@communityuuchurch.org

~Your LDC Correspondent

What's New in the Garden?

This is always a beautiful, busy time in the Community Harvest Garden. We are harvesting many pounds of green beans, chard and potatoes, and we're beginning to see cucumbers, eggplants, peppers and reddening tomatoes. Check out the sunflowers growing up next to the new entry arches!

If you see some small bees around, Jim Binnings has installed several bee houses (hollowed-out logs drilled with tiny holes for the bees to enter and exit). Not to worry! They don't sting. But like most bees, they are excellent pollinators.

Want to learn more? Check out our website at http://www.communityuuchurch.org/pages/community_harvest or come to one of our monthly socials – check with Deb Bliss for location and time. And you are always welcome to come to one of our Saturday harvests. We begin at the garden every Saturday morning around 7:30-8.

Until next month – Your Community Garden Correspondent

Adult Religious Education Classes

The Mission of the **Adult Religious Education Program** is to nurture and stimulate the religious and personal growth of the adult church community. We offer a varied and cohesive program within the context of the living Unitarian Universalist tradition and principles. **The Church website has been updated with the latest classes and class descriptions - check it out at www.CommunityUUChurch.org, under Adult Religious Education.** CHILDCARE is available for all classes, upon request. To reserve childcare call the Church office (972-424-8989) at least 48 hours in advance.

Monday A New Class!

Yoga Class beginning July 11 or 18 -- 7-8 pm - Founders Hall. Facilitators: Karen Ditsch, Kimberly Meadows, George Norwood. Attendee's need to sign a waiver form. (available at first class). Attendees bring own yoga mats. If attendees have questions contact Karen Ditsch.

Tuesday

Tibetan Buddhism – 7pm – Sanctuary. Meditation and Mind Training. Please join us for guided meditation and a skillful approach to developing mental peace and clarity. **Facilitated by the Ven. Tashi Nyima.**

Thursday

Humanist Group resumes meeting 6pm in Room G. The program is discussion-centered on Humanist-oriented topics led by various speakers.

Emerson, Thoreau, and the Transcendentalist Movement meets in Room G 7pm. Facilitator Don Fielding.

Saturday

Artist Colony 10am in Founders Hall, the last Saturday of the month. Leader/facilitators of the Artist Colony @ CUUC are Clyde Grauke and Miles Dillon. The **Artist Colony @ CUUC** can provide you with the opportunity to be creative, get inspired, and further develop your artistic skills. If you are interested in participating or have any questions, **contact Clyde Grauke.**

UBarU Star Party – Labor Day Weekend – September 2-5 2016

UBarU will host a star party over Labor Day weekend. This will be the first such comprehensive event ever held at an IDA-certified Dark-Sky park in Texas.

The event will include:

1. Star parties each night, Fri.-Sun., weather permitting; alternate activities will be available in the event of inclement weather.

Formal presentations by professional astronomers Saturday and Sunday. Presenters include:

Dr. John Barentine of the IDA, Tucson, AZ

Dr. Amanda Bayless of the Southwest Research Institute

Dr. Kim Arvidson of Schreiner University

Robert Reeves, accomplished practitioner of astro-photography and imaging

3. Onsite recreational activities include swimming in the UBarU pool, hiking within the park, labyrinth walking, table tennis, bocci ball, and horseshoes.

4. Door prizes, including a Sky-Watcher 8" Dobsonian telescope and a pair of Celestron Skymaster Pro 15X70 astronomical binoculars

Private accommodations are going fast, but there is still plenty of bunkroom beds and camping spots. Reply-to: starparty@ubaru.org

"Look at page 9 in your UU World magazine to see an article about the dark sky designation at UBarU"

To register, visit <http://ubaru.org/home/starParty>. Please contact **Bill Daffinee** for more details wrdaffinee@aol.com or call 972-985-0486.

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Major Repair Expenses

Project	Total Paid	Known unpaid Contracts	Known total Obligations
Annex Divider	\$459.06	\$0.00	\$459.06
Annex Ramp	\$2,783.71	\$0.00	\$2,783.71
Front Entry	\$42.91	\$257.09 (1)	\$300.00
Mold Testing	\$3,637.50	(2)	\$3,637.50 + (2)
Mold Remediation	\$27,068.62	(2)	\$27,068.62 + (2)
Reconstruction	\$87,624.81	(2)	\$87,624.81 + (2)
Roof Leaks	\$9,524.40	(3)	\$9,524.40
Urinal	\$1,169.00	\$0.00	\$1,169.00
Furniture Repair/Replace	\$418.78	\$0.00	\$418.78
Storage	\$1,748.57	(2)	\$1,748.57 + (2)
Grand Total	\$134,477.36	\$257.09 + (2)	\$134,734.45 + (2)

(1) Dedicated Funds from Women’s Alliance to upgrade front entry

(2) Unbilled work remains: cost data not available

- Mold remediation of Office & Storage Area
- Mold testing of Office & Storage Area
- Reconstruction of Storage Area
- Re work of Office, Minister’s Study & Classroom B

(3) Roof Leaks covered by insurance

May (Annual) Financial Report

Finance Committee, by Dick Hildenbrand, Treasurer

The May financial summary for our operating accounts is listed below. The numbers below mask a couple of end-of-year decisions – originally our surplus was about \$5,000, leading the Finance Committee to decide to pay down our HVAC loan to the Investment Fund an additional \$2.9k and to add \$1k to our Cash Reserve.

The major income variances were attributable to all of Pledge Income and Loose Offering coming in well above budget (thanks to all of you faithfully making your pledge payments) and the extremely successful Balloon Festival fund raiser last fall.

The major expense variances were attributable to the extremely successful Balloon Festival fund raiser, the unscheduled replacement of the sound system amplifier, the excessive water consumption due to a leak last summer and the additional pay down of the HVAC loan.

Major Repair financial status: Last month the Board approved a temporary loan from our Dedicated Funds (\$26.5k, including our \$6.5k Cash Reserve) to pay immediately due bills before the congregational vote to open a Line of Credit (LOC). The LOC is now open and we will pull an initial \$10k to pay for some upcoming bills. All told, we estimate we’ll need about another \$25k to complete all repairs and \$26.5k to repay the Dedicated Funds. Once all repairs are completed, we propose either to convert the LOC into a second mortgage or refinance our first mortgage – numbers haven’t been run yet to determine the best option.

Roof Repair: The roof repair contract was let this week! Work should be completed within a month. The initial payment from Church Mutual Insurance (along with our deductible) was placed in an escrow account at Legacy Texas bank and the first draw for the contractor (\$62,254)

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May (Annual) Financial Report (continued)

was made this week. The total roof and associated costs have been set not to exceed \$103k.

Internal Loans: The end of the fiscal year is a good time to report on the status of money we have loaned to ourselves. For the unfamiliar, we have several investment accounts managed by our Investment Committee – these are invested in multiple instruments in a Schwab account and are unavailable for church operations unless approved by the congregation. Over the past few years we have borrowed money for various purposes with a specified repayment plan, status shown as follows:

- Thus far, members have contributed a total of \$4,250.00 toward Major Repairs.

Purpose of loan & date borrowed	Loan amount & payback plan	Payments & balance
HVAC Replacement, 5/22/2014	\$40k borrowed; pay back \$45k over 10 years	\$3.3k on 5/31/15 \$4.7k on 5/31/16; Balance: \$38k
(Prior) Line of Credit payoff	\$10k borrowed; pay back \$12k over 10 years	\$1.7k on 5/31/15; Balance: \$10.3k
Major Repairs	\$100k borrowed; pay back face amount with refinancing and member donations*	Balance: \$100k

* Thus far, members have contributed a total of \$4,250.00 toward Major Repairs



Upcoming Share the Plate Offerings

Date	Recipient
July 31, 2016	TBD



If you forget your checkbook on a Share the Plate Sunday, remember you can always donate on line.

May's Share the Plate netted \$257.93 for the Minister's Discretionary Fund.

FREE MONEY!

Kroger: Update your Kroger Plus card to link to organization 83309 at www.kroger.com/communityrewards. NOTE: It's time to renew your Kroger Community Rewards - just follow this link: <https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards>

Tom Thumb: Link your Rewards card to charity 8089 at Customer Service.

Amazon.com: Use this link for purchases: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/75-1787256>

The church will get a portion of all purchase amounts!

INCOME & EXPENSE May 2016

	May 2016	Month Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget	% Annual Budget (FY 100% comp)
INCOME						
Total Offering Income	\$19,100	\$16,731	\$254,908	\$246,596	\$246,596	103.4%
Total Fund Raiser Income	\$1,005	\$0	\$28,545	\$24,900	\$24,900	114.6%
Total Building Usage	\$2,754	\$2,706	\$28,171	\$26,404	\$26,404	106.7%
Misc. Income	\$214	\$2,264	\$12,914	\$15,088	\$15,088	85.6%
TOTAL INCOME	\$23,074	\$21,701	\$324,538	\$312,987	\$312,987	103.7%
EXPENSE						
Administration	\$4,447	\$4,377	\$58,538	\$54,155	\$54,155	108.1%
Programs	\$2,045	\$2,131	\$23,955	\$22,789	\$22,789	105.1%
Religious Education	\$4,458	\$4,548	\$60,799	\$59,839	\$59,839	101.6%
Facilities/Grounds	\$7,786	\$5,084	\$63,260	\$59,550	\$59,550	106.2%
Ministry	\$9,399	\$8,014	\$98,941	\$98,900	\$98,900	100.0%
Denomination	\$1,614	\$1,614	\$17,754	\$17,754	\$17,754	100.0%
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$29,749	\$25,768	\$323,247	\$312,987	\$312,987	103.3%
NET INCOME	-\$6,675	-\$4,067	+\$1,291	\$0	\$0	

July Calendar

For our July 2016 calendar, go to our website at:
CommunityUUChurch.org

Events listed on the calendar are subject to change. For more information and confirmation of these events, please visit the church calendar at <http://www.communityuuchurch.org/pages/calendar>.

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UU Website Links

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North Texas Unitarian Universalist Congregations (NTUUC):

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Church Office Hours

Monday: church offices closed: **Tuesday:** 9 am to 3 pm
Wednesday: 9 am to 2:30 pm: **Thursday:** 9 am to 2:30 pm
Friday: 9 am to Noon: **Office Phone #:** 972-424-8989

Reverend Patrick Price

Monday: Available for emergencies only.
Tuesday through Thursday: Noon to 4 pm
Friday: Available for emergencies only.
Other times by appointment. Please contact Reverend Price for appointments and scheduling information.

Director of Religious Education Kathy Smith Wednesday and Thursday: 1pm to 5 pm, other times by appointment.

Bookkeeper John Elder Tuesday & Thursday: 10:30am - 2:30pm
other times by appointment.

Membership Coordinator Cindy Pilcher Wednesday: 9 - 11:30am.

Church Secretary Connie Meints

Tuesday 9am to 3pm, **Wednesday & Thursday** 9am to 2:30pm, **Friday** 9am to noon.

Music Director Robert Brown

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