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**Communion of Names.** Please write your Joys and Concerns in the book at the back of the sanctuary before the service begins in order to be incorporated in worship. All items will be passed to the Caring Committee.

**Deadline for the February newsletter is Friday, January 15. Email your articles to [newsletter@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:newsletter@communityuuchurch.org).**

**Nourish spirits and transform lives, right here in our Church.** We need two people to teach Religious Education – one in preschool, and one in Spirit Play (K-1<sup>st</sup> grade). To apply, email [dre@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:dre@communityuuchurch.org) or see **Sandy Kochenower** or **Amy Dessert**.

**Newcomer Orientation Class, Sunday, TOAY – 12 – 1:30pm, in Room F. Childcare provided.** Do you want to learn more about Unitarian Universalism or Community Unitarian Universalist Church of Plano? Maybe you would like to meet some of our leaders, or to hear about our programs and activities. Maybe you're thinking about becoming a member. Are you interested in sharing your story or hearing those of other new UUs like yourself? The Newcomer Orientation class is fundamental and perfect for experiencing the sense of community that you've been longing for. The workshop is broadly divided into three areas:- spiritual journey and worship,- history and background of Unitarian Universalism,- the programs and organization of Community Church. Of course, **walk-ins are welcome**, too. **For more information:** email [membcom@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:membcom@communityuuchurch.org) or talk to a Greeter or Membership Council member on Sunday.

**What Did We Do in RE This Week? This month's theme is Justice.** **Preschool:** Teddy Bear Month (Friendship). Ask your child: What makes a teddy bear a good friend? How can you be a good friend? **Spirit Play:** Golden Rule Stories. Ask your child - What other religions have a version of the Golden Rule? Why do you think different people came up with the same rule? **Older Elementary:** Everybody Knows the Golden Rule, Right? Ask your child - What situations does the Golden Rule apply in? Can you think of any where the Golden Rule \*doesn't\* apply? **Middle School:** The Ethic of Reciprocity. Ask your child - What is the universal value that underlies the ethic of reciprocity? Do you think it is a learned value or something that is part of human nature? **OWL 8-9:** Healthy Relationships. Ask your teen: What is the difference between a healthy relationship and an unhealthy relationship? What qualities in a friend make it possible to have a healthy relationship with them? Or from a different angle: How would one individual having healthy relationships with the people in their life make for a better world for everyone? **High School:** Spiritual Practices (Candle work). Ask your teen: What impact do you think it has to "light a candle for peace" or join a candlelight vigil?

The **January Men's Fellowship Breakfast** is **Saturday, January 16, 8:30 am at Poor Richards Cafe**, 2442 K Avenue, Plano, TX 75074. If you plan to attend please let Bryan Bristol know by 6 pm Friday, January 15. Send email to [bryan.bristol@yahoo.com](mailto:bryan.bristol@yahoo.com).

There will be a **Special Congregational Meeting held after services on Sunday January 17**. The purpose is to vote on how to finance the repairs for our church home. Please plan to attend as we undertake this effort. It affects every one of us. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Building Racial Bridges: CUUC's February Common Read.** Help us build racial bridges HERE, NOW. Read [Why We Can't Wait](#) by Martin Luther King, Jr. Join the discussion on **Monday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the Church**. MLK's message to white churches is as relevant today as it was in 1964. Nominally-priced copies of the book will be available in Founders Hall beginning January 17. **Facilitator: Michael Phillips, PhD, Professor Collin College History Dept., scholar of Texas race relations.** This is the first of a series of programs by the CUUC Social Action Committee. Members and friends of the church who need a ride to the discussions can contact Betsy Friauf at 817-637-5726 or [elizabethfriauf@SBCglobal.net](mailto:elizabethfriauf@SBCglobal.net) Childcare will be available by contacting Deb Bliss by Thursday, Jan. 28 at [plano.bliss@verizon.net](mailto:plano.bliss@verizon.net) .

**Kathy Smith on Sabbatical!** All of Kathy's duties have been assigned to others while she is out. Please do not contact Kathy at all. This is Kathy's time for growth and rejuvenation. For all RE-related questions, **please contact Sandy Kochenower or Amy Dessert at [dre@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:dre@communityuuchurch.org)**. You can also text or call Sandy at (972)841-3292, but please remember she is ours for only 10 hours a week.

## **CUUC Calendar January 10 – January 17**

### **Sunday, January 10**

9:15am Coffee & Coaching (Room F)  
10:30am Worship Service & RE  
11:45am – 1pm Church Library Open  
11:55pm Church Chats (Sanctuary)  
12pm Middle School (8/9 grade) OWL (Room C)  
12pm Leadership Development Comm. Mtg. (Room G)  
12pm Newcomer Orientation (Room F)

### **Monday, January 11**

7pm HoUUse Jam (Sanctuary)  
7pm Meditation Class (Room G)

### **Tuesday, January 12**

7pm Tibetan Buddhism Class (Sanctuary)  
7pm Board of Trustee Planning Mtg. (Room F)  
7pm Membership Comm. Mtg. (Habitat for Humanity ReStore office)

### **Wednesday, January 13**

7pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
7-9pm Church Library

### **Thursday, January 14**

**NO** Singing Group  
6pm Humanist Group (Room G)  
7pm Adventures in Origins (Room G)  
7pm Finance Comm. Mtg. (Room F)

### **Friday, January 15**

#### **FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

6:30pm Everybody Game Night & Pot Luck Supper (Founders Hall)

### **Saturday, January 16**

Bloodys and Bagels (Service Auction Event) (Offsite)  
Microbes and Worms, Oh My! (Service Auction Event) (Offsite)  
8:30am Men's Fellowship Breakfast @ Poor Richard's  
10am Worship Comm. Mtg. (Room F)  
11am Worship Assoc. Training (Room F)

### **Sunday, January 17**

9am Theology Book Study (Library)  
10:30am Worship Service & RE  
11:45am Church Library Open  
11:55am Church Chats (Sanctuary)  
12 – 1:30pm Middle School (8/9 grade) OWL (Room C)  
**12pm SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MTG. (Sanctuary)**  
12:15pm Earth Spirit Group (Room G)