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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.

**What Did We Do in RE This Week? Jedi Academy (PreK through 8<sup>th</sup>):** Lesson Ten – Jedi Academy Celebration. Today in PreK we had a party and in K-8<sup>th</sup> we had a Lightsaber Exercise for graduation. *Ask your child: (all ages)* Why do we have a party at the ending of things? *(for elementary school, add)* How did it feel, to move slowly and carefully with the light sabers? *(for middle schoolers, add)* Why is it a spiritual practice to move mindfully? And a metaphysical question: how is your life like a lightsaber? **Social Justice Summer for Teens:** Holocaust and History. *Ask your teen:* At the beginning of the summer, several teens asked about the history of the Holocaust being “whitewashed”. Do you think history has been whitewashed? How? What are some things that you as an individual can do to change that? What could a church – or a denomination – do to change it?

**Soul work.** The tables at the side of the sanctuary are Soul Work: activities for all ages that engage the hands while allowing the brain and heart to connect with the worship service. You are welcome to work at the tables or take the work to your seat. The current work includes: electric candles to light, silk flowers to arrange, rhinestones and foam circles to make mandalas, printed mandalas and colored pencils.

**Our Share-the-Plate offering on Sunday, August 27, will be shared with Barron Elementary.** This is our fourth year of partnering with Barron! We have an enthusiastic group of volunteers who share their time, but we also support the school by providing for other needs of the students and teachers.

**Fifth Annual RE Pancake Breakfast! 9-10am in Founders Hall on Sunday, August 27.** Enjoy a free breakfast with your friends at Church. Sign up for parties! Volunteer for activities in religious education! Register your children for RE! Find out about other exciting things happening at Church! Whether you come to register your children for RE, or just to enjoy a breakfast you didn't have to cook, we hope we see you there! If you'd like to help out with the breakfast, contact RE Board Chair Brennan Hadden.

**Blessing of the Backpacks – On Sunday, August 27,** people of all ages are invited to come to church with their backpack, satchel, lunchbox, gym bag, briefcase, purse, diaper bag, or whatever it is they carry with them as they start new ventures this fall. Children and teens are especially invited to bring the backpack (etc.) that they are taking with them as they begin new learning adventures. During the Message for All Ages, we will bless the backpacks (etc.) and the people who carry them. We will bless the children and teens in the service first, and then adults are welcome to have their bags, satchels, purse, etc. blessed as well.

**Help Wanted! Our web and communications team is looking for volunteers to help with A/V, computer, and web-related tasks starting immediately.** Share your technical talents and support CUUC's communications and fundraisers. A lot of magic happens behind the scenes, and we need your help! **Contact Gene Verinder at [webguru@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:webguru@communityuuchurch.org) if you'd like to apprentice.**

**Join us! Adopt a plot for fall planting.** Wanted: A few enthusiastic folks to spend 4-6 hours/month helping to grow organic produce, harvest, and deliver the bounty to local food pantries. Benefits: serve the hungry, grow nutrient-rich food to serve at your table, connect with nature, make friends. Provided: Organic compost, fertilizer, and pest supplies, tools, water, mentoring, fun. **Contact Deb Bliss at [harvest@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:harvest@communityuuchurch.org) with questions or to begin the adoption process.**

**First Responders' Day is fast approaching.** We celebrate our First Responders by delivering treats to over 70 fire stations, police stations and 911 call centers on 9/11. This year 9/11 falls on a Monday so we will be assembling the containers of "goodies" on Sunday, September 10 starting at 5pm. We need drivers to deliver the goods, lots of "goodies" and help assembling. **If you want to join in this fun event contact Barb Salvo at 469-789-6865 or at [pirth13@verizon.net](mailto:pirth13@verizon.net).**

**Thanks to CUUC participants in the latest Odds 'n Ends on Sat. July 30th.** We had fourteen signed-in participants, including from CUUC: Dick Hildenbrand, Tom Brikowski, Duane Mortensen, Zack Hughes, Tara Hands and Donna Bening. The most important item was installation of solar screens on the west windows of the sanctuary, paid for and

assembled by the Sai Baba congregation. **Next Odds 'n Ends is Oct. 28th. Come out and help maintain your church, plus you get free pizza for lunch!**

Community UU is excited to be part of the North Texas UU Congregations (NTUUC) celebrations of PRIDE for our LGBTQ communities. All are invited to attend the **Pride Festival on Saturday, Sept. 16 from 11am – 7pm at Reverchon Park** at 3505 Maple Ave. in Dallas. \$10 admission is covered by NTUUC if you volunteer to work a one-hour shift at the NTUUC booth. Sign up for a volunteer shift by **contacting Stephanie Keener Dorman teacher@bestfx.net, on Facebook, or at 573.864.1505.** Carpool together to First Church, Dallas, to take a bus to the park area for the **Freedom Parade on Sunday, Sept. 17.** Our UU contingent's theme is "Summer of Love." T-shirts for the parade (\$10) may be ordered after the worship service now through Aug. 26 – look for the sales person in Founders Hall.

### **CUUC Calendar August 20 – August 27**

#### **Sunday, August 20**

10:30am Worship & Religious Education  
11:45am Church Library Open  
12pm Church Chats (Sanctuary)  
12:15pm Earth Spirit Group (Room G)

#### **Monday, August 21**

7pm HoUUse Jam (Sanctuary)

#### **Tuesday, August 22**

7pm Tibetan Buddhism Class (Sanctuary)

#### **Wednesday, August 23**

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

#### **Thursday, August 24**

5:30pm RE Board Mtg. (Room F)  
6pm Humanist Group (Room G)  
7pm Biological Anthropology (Room G)

#### **Friday, August 25**

6pm Rental (Founders Hall)

#### **Saturday, August 26**

5-8am Sai Center Early Morning Prayers (Sanctuary)  
9am – 3pm Church Leadership Retreat (Sanctuary and Founders Hall)

#### **Sunday, August 27**

9-10am RE Pancake Breakfast (Founders Hall)  
10:30am Ingathering Service & **NO RE**  
11:45am Church Library Open  
12pm Church Chats (Sanctuary)  
6 – 9pm 8-9 Gr.OWL Parent Mtg. (Room G)