## **ALL SOULS JUNE 2018 NEWSLETTER**

## Sunday Service at 10:30 am

#### Friends,

Thank you all so much for a wonderful Universalist Convocation. We had nearly 50 guests for the weekend and so much learning and fellowship. Thank you all for your hard work. We really pulled together and made it INCREDIBLE!

I am deeply thankful for all of you and the support you've given concerning my ordination. Thank you all!

SUMMER!!!!! The sun and the fun! Let's embrace the warm weather by being outdoors in it. Think of all of the mental clarity and spiritual presence of gardening or a calming hike, or a walk by the river, or fishing at the lake, or just sitting in the summer days. We have a lot of different opportunities for connections. Let's all ask one another to experience the outside.

Our Monday night Overcoming racism class is wrapping up on June 18th in Mount Vernon with a panel discussion at the Public Library.

If you are interested in joining our church, let me know. I'm putting together a new member's class. We will meet 3 nights in the evening.

There are so many things going on! Farmers Markets in our communities are in full action. Let's support our agriculturalists and farmers by buying local. Barbeques and cook outs are all-around good times with our friends and neighbors. Our last monthly Sunday bike ride is on (May 29, June 24, July 29). Plenty of things to do in June: Ohio Bird Sanctuary, Pleasant Hill, Newark Pride--First ever Gay Pride event in Licking Co. Ohio, Kingwood Center Garden's Flower show, Schnormeier Gardens open house in Gambier, Ashland BalloonFest as well as summer concerts at Shelby Sr High Performing arts Center, Quarry Chapel in Gambier, Jazz at Pleasant Hill, Bellville's Concert in the Park.

Let's plan outings together!

Look in our bulletins each week for more opportunities for fellowship and presence.

Cheers!

Pastor Will

#### **PASTORAL CARE**

Please contact our pastor, Will Humphrey, for pastoral care needs.

740-263-1171 or email will.allsouls@gmail.com

# **MESSAGES FROM THE BOARD**

### ...from Joanne Gillum - Treasurer

APRIL TREASURER'S REPORT	RIL TREASURER'S REPORT  Average Attendance: 53	
	APRIL	Y-T-D
INCOME		
Pledges	2,922.00	27,441.00
Pledges paid in prior year	0.00	-1,020.00
Offerings	688.50	4,831.11
Kenya Coin Collection	156.12	1,025.31
Rummage Sale	0.00	0.00
Recycle	0.00	62.06
Maintenance Fund	-725.00	-354.26
Sanctuary Renovation Fund	0.00	-1,761.92
Solar Panel Fund	280.00	627.56
Rental Income	0.00	150.00
Minister's Discretionary Fund	0.00	100.00
Convocation Account	-31.17	58.83
Other	574.28	644.04
TOTAL	4,880.73	32,819.73
EXPENSES	3,080.54	30,938.74
DIFFERENCE	1,800.19	1880.99

<sup>\*</sup>A monthly income of \$3,378.33 is required in order to meet the budget of \$40,540.00.

## **APRIL PLEDGE REPORT**

Total Pledges	27	
Total Units	34	
	APRIL	Y-T-D
Amount Pledged	3,147.00	27,284.00
Amount Received	2,922.00	27,441.00
VARIANCE	-225.00	+157.00

<sup>\*\*</sup>Expenses other than "usual": Checks \$119.32; Pastoral Care \$232.71 related to Myers funeral

#### ...from Brian Moore - Pulpit & Worship Trustee

#### GREETINGS FROM THE PULPIT CHAIR

On Giving
Kahlil Gibran

You give but little when you give of your possessions.

It is when you give of yourself that you truly give.
For what are your possessions but things you keep and guard for fear you may need them tomorrow?
And tomorrow, what shall tomorrow bring to the overprudent dog burying bones in the trackless sand as he follows the pilgrims to the holy city?
And what is fear of need but need itself?
Is not dread of thirst when your well is full, the thirst that is unquenchable?

There are those who give little of much which they have-and they give it for recognition and their hidden desire makes their gifts unwholesome.

And there are those who have little and give it all.

These are the believers in life and the bounty of life, and their coffer is never empty.

There are those who give with joy, and that joy is their reward.

And there are those who give with pain, and that pain is their baptism.

And there are those who give and know not pain in giving, nor do they seek joy, nor give with mindfulness of virtue;

They give as yonder valley the myrtle breathes its fragrance into space.

Through the hands of such as these God speaks, and from behind their eyes He smiles upon the earth.

# JUNE PULPIT SCHEDULE Sunday, June 3

**Speaker**: Laura Burns **Title**: "Howdy Neighbor"

**Topic:** Compassion and Community

Leader: Reed Richmond Music: Trio

#### Sunday, June 10

Speaker: Dr. Walter Kania

**Title**: Einstein-Harvard & A Course in Miracles **Topic**: How could these three giants of intellectual acumen be related? And what common or universal truths could they uncover and share? If you were to choose only one of the three you would have enough material for thought and life for your entire lifetime. Last month we spoke of how we were able to identify (a la Johannes Kepler, the mathematician and astronomer) an invisible ordering force in the universe. We also uncovered several sources of universal truth with a common message. Here in this message you will find seemingly unrelated resources calling attention to what it is that determines the very essence of your personal life, your health or illness, and your destiny.

**Leader**: Joan Richmond **Music**: Special Guest UUFWC Choir visiting /Shelley Mauk

#### Sunday, June 17

Speaker: Crystal Oertle

**Title**: Ongoing Recovery, Addiction to Advocacy **Topic**: My topic will just be a little of my story and how far I have come in my recovery. I always like talking about erasing the stigma associated with addiction, and maybe things we can do as a community to help in this fight. I'd like to touch on The Good Samaritan Law and reviving someone after an overdose, and where to get Narcan or where to get trained. Some statistics on overdose rates and stats on what IS working in communities.

Leader: Hayley Young Music: Trio

\*Happy Father's Day\*

\*Tao Bridge @ Old Bag of Nails 6-8 pm

#### Sunday, June 24

**Speaker**: Reverend Will Humphrey

Title/Topic: Reflections...on the Resistance, Beloved

Community, and Freedom.

Leader: Kristin Ellis Music: Shelley Mauk
\*Kenya Coin Collection and Potluck\*

Peace, Love and Namaste to All Souls



Will Humphrey became All Souls' ordained minister on May 20. Congratulations, Rev. Will! (Photo credit: Margaret Lin)



(on left) James Abel and John Corba joined All Souls UU Church on May 27<sup>th</sup>. (Photo credit: Margaret Lin)

## ...from Art O'Leary – Finance Trustee

By the time you are reading this we will have ended the annual pledge drive and presented the 2018-2019 budget, but I don't have final results so you will have to tolerate the suspense! Thank you for your response and remember we can always accept new or revised pledges.

I also don't have year-end totals for the current fiscal year but we appear to be headed for a small surplus, thanks to your generosity and the restraint of our trustees. Final numbers next time. See ya in church!

Peace,

#### ...from Margaret Lin - Fellowship Trustee

This will be both my first and last submission to the All Souls newsletter as Fellowship Trustee. I am grateful to have had the opportunity to serve as Fellowship Trustee, since the summer of 2017. I've learned so much along the way. Best of all I have had a wonderful chance to work alongside our congregation membership and fellow board members, while having also made some new friends along the way! I want to thank the following people who have helped me in my role as Fellowship Trustee, and the events and duties entrusted to me.

A big thank you to the following members, in no particular order: Joyce Fenton, Karen Gotter & her dear mom, Melanie Seaman, Carla Miller, Bambi Gordon, Ed Fox, Lowry Abete, Kristin Ellis, Tim Hicks, Jay Gilbert, Hayley Young, Art O'Leary, LD Ball & Sandy Macpherson, Joanne Gillum, Brian Moore, Chuck Rhodes, Dennis Miller, Marqua Myers, Shelley Mauk, Joan & Reed Richmond, Linda Wilson, Fonda Kendrick, Alana Finnegan, and my husband Joon So, along with our sons Josh, Jonah & Paxton. If I accidentally forgot anyone, please forgive me, everyone's help has been very much appreciated. I will continue to serve on the newly created Fellowship Committee and am happy to support the new Fellowship Trustee as well as stay active in our congregation.

With gratitude,

### Margaret Lin



The Illuminati Columbus Gay Men's Chorus performed at all souls on May 20<sup>th</sup>. (Photo credit: Margaret Lin)



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Brandon Patterson- 12, Roger Troutman- 18, Joanne Gillum- 29, Andrea Wolfe- 30
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

## **JUNE 2018**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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10:30a: Laura Burns 11:30a: All Members: Board Elections	7p: Book group- Between the World and Me @ Mt. Vernon Library	5	6	7	8	9
10:30a: Dr. Walter Kania & UUFWC Choir	5:30p: Buddhist Book Discussion @ Relax Coffee 7p: Book group- Between the World and Me @ Mt. Vernon Library	12	13	14	15	16
9a: Board Mtg. 10:30a: Crystal Oertle	7p: Book group- Between the World and Me @ Mt. Vernon Library	19	20	21	22	23
9a: Adult RE: Between the World and Me 10:30a: Rev. Will Humphrey & Kenya Coin Collection *Potluck* 12p: Bike Ride	7p: Living Lotus Zen Sangha @ Mind Body Align	26	10a: Questions for Your Answers @ Bob Evans on Hanley Rd.	28	29	30

#### **ALL SOULS BOARD OFFICERS**

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