### Coming of Age (COA)

*submitted by Chelsea Kraft, Religious Growth Director*

**What is Coming Of Age (COA)?**
This is the UU equivalent to a Bar/Bat Mitzvah or catechism. It is celebrating that one is taking the step towards becoming a member of this church. COA pairs a youth with an adult 18+ church member. The pairs explore what it means to be a UU. The goals of the program are to have youth create a credo statement which is presented to the congregation in some way (often during a service), sign the membership book, explore their own beliefs and create a relationship with their mentor.

**Who can participate in COA?**

**Mentees:** Students who come regularly or whose parents come regularly to our church and are in 9th (going on 10th) - 12th grade.

**Mentors:** You must be a member and have been coming regularly for the last six months.

**How are Mentors/Mentees paired?**
Mentees submit 3-5 names of adult members with whom they would like to be paired. If the students do not have enough names, I will seek mentors. I will approach the people named to see if they are interested and do my best to make a good match.

**Can a youth become a member the 'normal' way?**
Yes, the ‘Normal’ Membership Pathway is three classes, a total of about 6 Sunday Mornings that are 2 hours each. However, COA gives you the opportunity to really explore your beliefs and articulate them with the guidance of a cool mentor.

### When will COA take place?

The hope is that participants will begin once LPS lets out and have their final credo service completed in May of 2017. This won’t work for all participants. Some may choose to submit their credo as written instead. There are exceptions where some participants may take longer than one year. The hope is that all will finish within 2016-2017.

**Where will COA take place?**
We will have a meeting where all participants and their parents/guardians discuss options. Our safety policy states that there must be 2 adults with youth at all times. If parents sign a waiver that the mentor/mentee can meet outside of church that is fine. A background check can be requested of participants. Meeting at church in an open area (not behind closed doors) before/after church is encouraged. There will be sporadic whole group meetings within the year that happen at church.

**What is the time commitment?**
It varies. The program requires a book discussion, journal entries, chatting with a mentor and attending UU meetings. You do it on your own time. The only required meetings will be coordinated so that almost everyone can attend as a check-in on your progress.

If you or someone you know would like to participate, come talk to me or send me an email at rgdlincoln@gmail.com as soon as possible. Mid-April is the deadline for students to register.

Peace, Faith and Love,

*Chelsea*
WORSHIP

A Month of Sundays
10:00AM at 6300 A Street

Sunday, April 3 - “Are you an April Fool Like Me?”
A service in praise of silliness and the possibility of finding the “Faithful Fool” within each of you.
Worship Leaders: Julie Enersen, Chelsea Kafka, Gretchen Woods
Worship Associate: Jesse Metcalf
Music: Nick Vaccaro, piano

Sunday, April 10 - “In Praise of (many) Myths”
Myths, and other stories, are part of our lives, but also part of our common humanity. Let’s think about and celebrate their power.
Worship Leaders: Julie Enersen, Chelsea Kafka, Jamie Radcliffe
Worship Associate: Amy Miller
Music: Korynne Bolt, cello
Share the Care: Social Justice Committee

Sunday, April 17 - “Deepening Spirituality”
Worship Leaders: Julie Enersen, Chelsea Kafka, Gretchen Woods
Worship Associate: KK Munson
Music: Daniel Martinez, guitar

Sunday, April 24 - “Earth Day”
Collaborating with the Green Sanctuary Committee, we celebrate one of the most important Holy Days in the UU year, this service will include an Animal Blessing, which will take place outside (weather permitting) during the last 15 minutes of the service.

There will be opportunities to make a commitment to the earth, the create a butterfly garden, and to have your pet blessed at the end of the service.
Worship Leaders: Julie Enersen, Chelsea Kafka, Gretchen Woods
Worship Associates: Green Sanctuary Committee
Music: Unitarian Choir
Share the Plate: Food Bank of Lincoln

Join the FUN---BID!!!
Auction Kick-Off • Friday, April 1 • 6:00PM
Our “Put the FUN in Fundraising Auction” has begun! During the month of April you can purchase marvelous meals and extraordinary events and bid on splendid services. Your purchase benefits our church by boosting our budget, of course. Your purchase can also help you get to know others better and allow you to contribute to strengthening our shared ministry in a direct and personal way.

We hope you’ve marked your calendar for Friday, May 6, another great opportunity to have FUN! We will gather at 6:00PM and bid on homemade treats. Then we’ll all participate in a live auction, bidding on a wide variety of themed “baskets” with clever, useful, delicious, creative, educational, entertaining, and beautiful items.

So, JOIN IN THE FUN and help us reach our fundraising goal!!!!

APRIL RGL CALENDAR
Preschool Class and Nursery Care are available every Sunday for younger Pre-K children in the Preschool Room.

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The Unitarian Church of Lincoln (UCL) Board of Trustees is experimenting with the Annual Meeting this year for an obvious reason: too much business to manage well in one meeting after church. Lindsay Bartlett, Reed Maly, and I are meeting regularly to facilitate these important meetings with some sort of grace. We view this as a spiritual process as well as good governance.

The Fifth Principle of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA), of which the UCL is a member, is “the right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large.” We view actively engaged democracy as a spiritual act, as well as an act of governance.

The first piece of business this spring is a vote on the slate the UCL Nominating Committee is putting together for the Settled Minister Search Committee. Members will vote on the slate Sunday, April 24 at a special congregational meeting. Prior to that meeting there will be two Town Halls to meet the candidates on April 10 and 17. This process has been “front-end loaded” democratically with the Board and the Nominating Committee calling every member to seek their input on the slate. They then called the top candidates to discern their “willingness to serve.” That means every person on the committee agrees to spend 400 hours of focused work to complete the process of selecting the next minister for this congregation. Finally, the Nominating Committee has put together the slate of seven members for your approval with a “yes” or “no” vote. All of this is called “Polity.” That literally means “how the people govern themselves.”

In keeping with the sacred nature of UU polity, the Annual Meeting on May 15 will actually BE the worship service. Worship (Old English: to scoop and hold up as valuable) will begin at 10:00AM with the usual opening, then the center of the service will be the business of voting on leadership, approving (or disapproving) the “Vision/Mission/Covenant/Main Thing” as presented by the Fair Witnesses of the Cottage Meetings, who have spent hours discerning what you have told them through your responses via the process of Appreciative Inquiry. This also is a truly democratic process.

In a world where polarization through fear is the operative modus operandi of far too much of our “democratic process,” isn’t it amazing to participate in a series of efforts to listen, hear, and support one another in selecting the leadership for the future of the Unitarian Church of Lincoln?

I commend you all for the attention and participation you put into the Cottage Meetings and the selection of the Ministerial Search Committee. Together you are engaging in the Fifth Principle and determining your collective future at UCL.

Warmly,

Gretchen Woods
**Worship Arts News**

*by Julie Enersen, Worship Arts Director*

**Final Round of Choir!**

If you’ve been wanting to sing in the choir before it takes a break for the summer, then this is your chance. The Unitarian Church Choir is open to all of our members and friends. If you like the challenge of reading music and would enjoy singing in Sunday services, then simply come to our rehearsals in the church auditorium:

- Apr. 13 & 20 - 7:00 PM rehearsals
- Apr. 24 - 8:30 AM rehearsal, 10:00 AM service

Willingness and enthusiasm are the two major requirements! We need all kinds of voices in our group and yours is most certainly welcome here.

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**Thank You to MusicWranglers**

Over the past two months, these volunteers have graciously contributed 18 hours of sorting, hauling and organizing in the Music Room:

- Linda Brown
- Barb Brant
- Carol Kendrick
- Georgia Maly
- Reed Maly
- Jazmine Thomas

Want to be part of the team? Join us at one of the remaining work sessions:

- Sunday, Apr. 10, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- Monday, Apr. 11, 1:00 - 3:00 PM
- Monday, May 16, 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Contact Julie Enersen at worshiparts@unitarianlincoln.org to be added to the email reminder list.

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**Women’s Choir Begins in April**

It’s time for the annual appearance of our Women’s Choir. Girls and women of all ages are invited to raise their voices together in this wonderful, energetic ensemble. If you’ve been wanting to try out a choral experience at our church, this would be the perfect way to get started. Please join us for the following rehearsals:

- Apr. 27 & May 4 - 7:00 PM Women’s Choir rehearsals
- May 8 - 8:30 AM Women’s Choir rehearsal, 10:00 AM Mother’s Day service
Teacher and Assistant Gratitude Potluck  
**Sunday, April 3 • 11:30AM • Auditorium**  

Teachers and assistants - sit back and relax while we invite the rest of the congregation to bring a meal to share in praise of you.

 Unsung Unitarians

The Unsung Unitarian Award is annually conferred to a church member demonstrating amazing leadership ... but having done so *quietly* and behind the scenes. For a reminder of the award’s past honorees, visit [http://www.unitarianlincoln.org/unsung](http://www.unitarianlincoln.org/unsung).

Nominations are offered by the congregation -- but it is the board who votes upon the winner. The 2016 Unsung Unitarian will be announced at Flower Communion. Nominate someone by emailing the Church office by May 8 at admin@unitarianlincoln.org.

Note that staff members and current church governance (Board Trustees and Management Team members) are traditionally exempt.

Share the Plate Nominations

It is time to nominate local non-profit organizations and/or national Unitarian Universalist related organizations that express our principles to be considered for Share the Plate for June 2016 through May 2017. Each year, we select one Sunday a month in which the offering is given to a local or UU organization. Email admin@unitarianlincoln.org or pick up a paper form and provide three pieces of information on or before Sunday, May 8:

* Nominator's Name (you)
* Nominee (the organization)
* A short, descriptive paragraph (200 words or less of your nominee's activities, goals and/or purpose.)

Past Share the Plate recipients can be found on the church’s web site under Ministries - Outreach. Ten Share the Plate recipients will be voted on during the Congregational Meeting on May 15.

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Sunday, April 10 --- **TOWN HALL**
- Sunday, April 17 --- **TOWN HALL**
- Sunday, April 24 --- **SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**
  Members will vote on Settled Minister Search Committee, Nominations Committee members, and Bylaws changes
- Sunday, May 1 --- **TOWN HALL**
- Sunday, May 8 --- Last day for **SHARE THE PLATE & UNSUNG UNITARIAN** noms
- Sunday, May 15 --- **SPRING CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**
  Members will vote on Board members, Share the Plate, hear Annual Reports from key Church Leaders, and our Main Thing

**Family Open Circle**

**Friday, April 8 • 6:00-8:30PM • Gallery**

As parents it’s often a challenge to make deeper connections with other families in the congregation. The Family Open Circle group begins with a potluck meal, followed by adult conversation, with childcare provided. We hope that you will join us this month!

Topics range from deep and introspective (joy, grief, anger, mindfulness, letting go) to more lighthearted like the sharing of family holiday rituals. We share ideas, tell stories, listen deeply, and grow in community. For more information, or to express an interest in joining, please contact John [john.sangster@unl.edu](mailto:john.sangster@unl.edu) or Kerry Sangster [klsangster@yahoo.com](mailto:klsangster@yahoo.com).
**Spring Grounds**

**Grounds Cleanup**

Attention: the Spring Grounds Cleanup date has been changed to Saturday, April 9, from ten to noon, with a rain date of Saturday, April 16. Thanks to LES, we have a huge pile of free mulch. Please come help spread mulch on the playgrounds, plant hostas, and get our remaining empty beds ready for spring planting. Water and delicious snacks will be provided.

**Sister or Brother, Can You Spare Some Hostas?**

If you have hostas that can be divided, the Grounds Committee would love to receive some to fill the beds on either side of the lower level entrance. Please bring them to the grounds cleanup on April 9, or contact Martha Horvay at 402 432-8423.

**Nominations Committee opening**

Nominations are open for a position on the nominations committee. How do you nominate someone? Fill out the nomination form found on the member only page of the website (ask the church office for the password), obtain the candidates signature and file the form with the church office by April 10. The nominations committee identifies candidates for the Board of Trustees, Settled Minister Search Committee, and the Nominations Committee. Members will vote at the Congregational Meeting. One person has been nominated to date and that is Karen Heafer.

**Lincoln Unitarian Foundation opening**

The Lincoln Unitarian Foundation is seeking two candidates to serve on the committee beginning in May, 2016. Harry Heafer and Norm Hostetler will be finishing their terms at that point. Candidates will be approved by the Board of Trustees at the April 19 meeting. Please contact Harry hheafer@neb.rr.com for more information on LUF.

**GREEN SANCTUARY**

submitted by Becky Seth

The Unitarian Universalist Association’s Climate Justice Month extends from World Water Day on March 22 to Earth Day, April 22. March was the Green Sanctuary Committee’s Share the Care month and we encourage every one of you to commit to one new action during Climate Change Month.

Here are several suggestions:

- Support our all-important native pollinators by planting prairie species in your landscape. 

- Sign up for the Lincoln Electric System’s Sunshares program to show your support of their use of renewable energy, https://www.les.com/savings-energy/solar-customer-owned-gen.

- Acknowledge the necessity of building resilience to climate change by buying local food: you might enroll in a Community Sponsored Agriculture program, http://www.greenpeople.org/community-supported-agriculture-Nebraska.cfm, shop at Lincoln’s several farmer’s markets and/or at Open Harvest Cooperative, a place that consistently gives local producers an outlet.

- Grow some of your own vegetables and fruits this summer. Consider donating a portion of your harvest to FoodNet to help those who experience food insecurity, http://foodnetlincoln.org

- Write to our Members of Congress and State Senator expressing your concern about climate change and urging action.
April Art Gallery: Norma L. Stevens

This artist enjoys the unexpected qualities and serendipitous moments that can be created with watercolors. She is fascinated with its brilliance, its clarity, and its transparency.

The opportunity of McCook Community College with its fine arts programs and its graphic arts program plus numerous workshops with nationally recognized artists she has attended has provided a foundation for her career in the arts to expand.

Norma has exhibited with the Midwest Watercolor Society now known as TWSA, the Kentucky Watercolor Society, Kansas Watercolor Society, Association of Nebraska Art Clubs-ANAC, Phi Theta Kappa exhibits and others. Norma participates in many art festivals in the state and other exhibitions.

“Color, like music and light, is one of God’s special gifts. I truly believe. All uplift the spirit.”

In October of 2011, Norma was granted the honor of becoming a signature member of the Kentucky Watercolor Society.

She has been selected to membership by Impact Nebraska a select juried organization of Nebraska artists in 2013.

www.normaleestevens.com

Love the Outdoors but Hate to Mow?

Martha Horvay capably coordinated restoration and rejuvenation of our grounds during our capital construction phase. She has also overseen our grounds for a number of years and deserves to pass the torch to another church member.

If you would enjoy guiding the efforts of volunteers who are already committed (in writing!), visioning ways our grounds can fully contribute to our mission and be thoroughly enjoyed, doing some planning/budgeting, interfacing with green sanctuary and pantry garden efforts and ensuring our grounds are well-maintained (by our lawn care service), please contact Christine Starr Davis, Property and Finance Coordinator, to find out more. chopestarr@mac.com or 402-450-4450.

Angels Theatre Company Auditions

Saturday, April 30 • 10:00AM - 4:00PM • Auditorium

Auditions are being held at the Unitarian Church for Angels Theatre Company’s First Flight Festival. No preparation is required for this audition. You will be reading from the scripts provided. You don’t need to reserve an audition time - just show up between 10 AM and 4 PM.

All of the plays presented in the First Flight Festival 2016 are written by local playwrights who are part of Angels Playwriting Collective. Church members Steve Enersen and Norm Simon will have work in this festival to be presented at the UNL Studio Theatre located in the Temple Building, 12th & R St - from July 13 - 23, 2016.

There are roles for people aged 16 and up. The plays are short, so if you want to perform, but question your memorization - this acting opportunity is for you! The plays range from monologues to 45 minutes in length.

For more information contact Church Member Judy Hart 402-805-7866 judithkhart@gmail.com.

Information about the 2015 First Flight Festival can be found at www.angelscompany.org.
Notes from the Transition Team

submitted by Wesley Botham, Transition Team

Everyone, give yourselves a round of applause. We’ve finished a month of cottage meetings and the results look great. All in all, we had 158 (!) participants across 21 meetings sharing with each other what excites them about the Unitarian Church of Lincoln and what they hope for from our future together.

Special thanks also goes out to facilitator Nathan Woodruff for leading a cottage meeting for the youth. After all, it’d be a shame to make important, far-reaching decisions about the future of the church without consulting those who have to inherit it!

While the facilitators and planners catch their breath, our esteemed Fair Witnesses (Hess Dyas, Amy Miller, Deb Hope, and Mark Weddleton) begin the daunting task of digging through dozens of pages of cottage meeting notes to get a sense of the energy of the church and distill it into a singular Main Thing to be presented to the church body for approval.

As always, the Transition Team invites you to approach us with any questions, ideas, or concerns as we continue this interim period.

Transition Team: Evelyn Weymouth, B. J. Wheeler, Becky Seth, Wesley Botham, Jerry Petr

First Steps to Life-Long Learning

Friday, April 8 • 6:00PM • Auditorium

When we learn to walk, we take our first steps to begin the life-long process of moving forward as people. It is sometimes awkward, but also awe-inspiring to begin such a major part of our lives.

When a congregation moves toward maturity, it begins to consider the necessity of life-long learning. This also involves first steps to begin a process of moving forward as people who consider the search for truth and meaning to be essential to life well-lived.

On Friday, April 8 at 6 pm, anyone interested in helping begin this process at the Unitarian Church of Lincoln is invited to join me at a potluck supper to engage a curriculum by the Rev. Betty Jo Middleton called First Steps. Betty Jo is a specialist in Adult Religious Education and a person who inspires us to build a solid foundation for the future. The process will continue Saturday from 10 am until 2 pm.

We will get to know one another as people committed to adult learning, establish a vision/mission/covenant and move forward with specific plans for fall of 2016.

All are welcome and invited. Do join us on this journey.

Way Station Concert:

The Celtic Martins

Friday, April 29 • 7:30 PM • Auditorium

Pennsylvania family band The Celtic Martins brings new energy to the Celtic music and dance scene. They feature Irish and American fiddle tunes and Irish step dance routines from the award-winning Martin sisters. The rest of the family blankets the stage with a full band sound designed to warm your spirit and keep your feet tapping. www.martinfamilyband.net
NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Maiden Voyage to Omaha

With the blessing of the Minister and the Mgmt Team, a small cadre of landlubbers will make four journeys this year to visit other UU congregations. So far, there are two in Omaha and two in Kansas. The intention is to start by going to places where one would not be required to spend an overnight on Saturday night. Based on interest level, perhaps we will consider other neighboring states next year. For our maiden voyage, on April 10, we will sail to Omaha with up to ten of our mateys.

Here is an excerpt from the article that sparked the idea: growinguu.blogs.uua.org/organizational-maturity/roadtrip

“What are we searching for?
Possibilities, my friend. How do other UU communities do stuff? What do they feel like? How do they treat each other?

Pre-Trip Connections.
Call ahead and let your sibling congregation know you're coming. Arrange to meet with and perhaps share a meal with their leadership. Visit their website ahead of time and start crafting some questions and things to pay attention to.”

Send a message to Denise candardog@hotmail.com if you want to sail to Omaha with us on Sunday, April 10 or to get on the list for future voyages. There is a Town Hall meeting scheduled for April 10, however the same information will be presented at the second Town Hall the following Sunday. Please take this into consideration.

Your Search and OUUrs

Saturday, April 2 • 10:00AM • Gathering Place
Interim Minister Gretchen Woods and Membership Associate Karen Dienstbier will offer the first in the two part series of the Pathways to Membership entitled Your Search and OUUrs.

You are invited to join to learn more about Unitarian Universalism, have questions about Unitarian Universalism, would like to meet newcomers just finding their way at church too or are curious about what makes up Unitarian Universalism. There will be plenty of time for introductions so that we can get to know each other. Contact Karen Dienstbier at membership@unitarianlincoln.org.

We hope to see you there!

Along With the Crocus...

Watch for signs like this one sprouting up around church.

UUA BOOKSTORE HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH:

A Year of Spiritual Companionship: 52 Weeks of Wisdom for a Life of Gratitude, Balance, and Happiness

Find peace, connection and heartfelt joy in everyday life. In this week-by-week guide, Anne Kertz Kernion leads you through an exploration of everyday spirituality, combining the wisdom of spiritual luminaries, life lessons, and insights from social science and neuroscience. Anne shows how it is possible to bring more awareness, love and gratitude into your busy life, keeping in touch with your deepest beliefs and most authentic self.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

The fellowship activities and discussion groups listed below happen on a regular basis and are open to new participants at any time. Please contact the group’s organizer if you have any questions!

**Adult Game Night**
2nd Sat. • April 9 • 6:30/8:00PM
6300 A Street • Gallery/Kitchen
Come join us for potluck dinner at 6:30PM and board/card games at 8:00PM. Come for one or both. All welcome. Contact: Leona Braziel 402-489-0916 windflower@aol.com

**Bridge Groups**

**Intermediate Group**
Every Tuesday • 2:00PM
6300 A Street • Gallery
Coordinator: Corine Simon simondp@neb.rr.com 402-435-0225

**Advanced Group**
Every Wednesday • 1:00PM
6300 A Street • Gallery
Coordinator: Earl Kramer krameyer@neb.rr.com 402-489-8213

Want to join us? Contact us prior to the day of the game.

**Coffeehouse**
4th Friday • April 22 • 7:00PM
6300 A Street • Gallery
Board games for adults and kids. Open to all individuals. Hosted by the LGBT Welcoming Cmte. Contact Deb Hope debra.a.hope@gmail.com

**Men’s Discussion Group**
2nd & 4th Tuesdays • April 12 & 26 7:00PM • Library
New participants are welcome any time. Discussion topics vary. Visit us for more details or contact Duane Polzien 402-540-5025 duaneep2000@yahoo.com

**Men’s Potluck**
2nd Monday • April 11 • 6:30PM
6300 A Street • Gallery
All men are invited to attend to enjoy good food and conversation. Table service will be provided.
Bruce Raymer 402-475-7875 bruce.raymer@gmail.com

**Men’s Reading Group**
1st & 3rd Tuesdays • April 5 & 19
6:30PM • 6300 A Street • K/1 Rm
Duncan Case 402-202-9152 frankcase4346@gmail.com

**Newcomers First Sunday Chat**
Sunday, April 3 • 11:15AM
6300 A Street • Library
Meet with visitors and friends in the Library to watch and discuss a 10-minute film. Contact Shelly Fowler seeshells@mac.com

**PFLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays)**
4th Tuesday • April 26 • 7:00PM
6300 A Street • Gallery
The LGBT Welcoming Committee sponsors PFLAG which meets at our church. Confidentiality at each meeting is very important. Please join us or visit us at: www.pflagcornhusker.org

**UU Meditation Sangha**
2nd & 4th Wednesdays • 7:00PM
6300 A Street • Music Room
We gather at 7:00PM and begin a short meditation promptly at 7:15PM. Then we have discussion time followed by a longer meditation period. Contact LauraLee Woodruff holybear47@gmail.com

**UU Women Gathering**
1st Saturday • April 2 • 2:00PM • RSVP for location
April topic: “Letting Go” Facilitator: Christine Starr Davis. For info, Facebook link, or to RSVP for location, contact LauraLee Woodruff holybear47@gmail.com

**Women’s Book Group**
Every three weeks • 10:00AM
6300 A Street • Gallery
For more information, contact Diane Richards dianemn2@gmail.com

April 2 Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates
April 23 Under the Wide and Starry Sky, by Nancy Horan

**Zen Meditation**
Every Thursday • 7:00PM
6300 A Street • Music Room
We are a small group of UU’s who meditate at church each week. Contact Norm Simon 402-435-0225 nsimon1@neb.rr.com
HOSPITALITY

Newcomers
Looking for and greeting newcomers is the job of ALL of us not just a few. Remember to look for newcomers at ALL church events and to make them feel at home among us. Look for people wearing a paper name tag or no name tag at all or a white name tag. All of these categories alert members that these are folks who are just beginning to come to church. Newcomers are eager to make new friends and to hear from you why as to you decided to make this church YOUR church home. Make it your charge on Sunday mornings to look for newcomers – offer to “buy” them a cup of coffee at the UU coffee bar, have a conversation with them and make a new friend! We have some very interesting newcomers! Check out the tables in the Gallery room some of our newcomers with their children are sitting waiting for someone to chat with them.

Thanks
Thank you to all who volunteered to help with the Sunday Hospitality during the month of March. The work you do is always appreciated by our church members and friends! All of you help to convey the fact that we value and welcome everyone who comes through our church doors. Try to make the commitment to meet at least one new person each week.

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Thank you to all who volunteered to help with the Sunday Hospitality during the month of March. The work you do is always appreciated by our church members and friends! All of you help to convey the fact that we value and welcome everyone who comes through our church doors. Try to make the commitment to meet at least one new person each week.
Milestones, Millstones, Stepping Stones

Our best wishes to parents, Jamie Radcliffe, Wendy Hines, and their son Dom who is being treated for thyroid cancer. Cards and notes can be sent to:

Dominic Radcliffe-Hines
2009 W Roscoe St
Apartment 3
Chicago, IL 60618

Our condolences to the family of Barbara Kuhn. She passed away quietly on March 9. A Memorial Service will be held at the Unitarian Church of Lincoln on Sunday, May 29 at 2:00PM. Cards for the family may be sent here.

Please keep Kathie Hiatt in your thoughts. Kathie’s mother passed away the last week of March. Please send cards to 3840 A Street, Lincoln, NE, 68510.