



# The BEACON

News from the Unitarian Church of Lincoln • August 2019

## Garden Reflections

*From Lori Straatmann*

Today, as I worked on weeding and watering the hosta gardens at church, I had lots of time to quietly reflect. This is not something I do very often; reflecting, that is. But today, I did. There was something about just sitting in the middle of the hostas; not kneeling or bending over, but really sitting on the earth in between those gorgeous, leafy plants, that made me feel like I could be quiet inside. Contemplative.

The birds periodically called to one another. While I'm sure they didn't pay me any attention, I fancied that they were having a discussion about the crazy two-legged that was laying in the hosta bed picking at the ground. Yes, I stretched out, heedless of the mulch and dirt and gathered the weeds, stalk by stalk and placed them in my bucket. And I loved it.

As I did this, I reflected on what it is to be part of this UU community. I'm so very grateful for the company of others who feel the pain of our human siblings, even when we do not know them. Rev. Oscar Sinclair spoke of the mass shootings only briefly this morning, but with such pain and anger, there was no question of his stance. It's one I share.



I thought about the Bridging Ceremony for Nels (my son) and Declan who graduated this past week, and who physically and symbolically transitioned from the Youth group to the Young Adult group, and how there are so many people that have been critical to that transition for Nels; though he may never understand the power of that support. I am truly grateful for every person who has helped him in large and small ways.

I reflected on how the hostas, when bunched together, supporting one another, are proof against the onslaught of weeds, and how that could be true for humans as well. If we stick together and help each other grow, then surely, we can overcome the meanness of the world, leaving beauty and peace in our wake.

As I picked out the rogue blades of grass and the sprawling, viney weeds, I sang our song in my head, "Love, Come Take Me Home" and it felt so very spiritual. I realized that I finally feel like I have a home. While I have one with my amazing, intelligent, caring husband and, for the next couple of months yet, with my remarkable, stubborn son, I've really needed a tribal belonging. Today I felt that. Deeply. I have my tribe in this community.

As I watered the gardens, I felt the cool misting water on my skin and marveled at the droplets on the large green leaves and it made me glad. Glad to be part of this beautiful group of people.

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# August Worship Services

Unitarian Church of Lincoln

## 10AM Sunday, August 4 - "But, What If I'm Wrong?"

One of the sources of Unitarian Universalism refers to humanist teachings that call on us to follow the guidance of reason and science and warn us against idolatries of mind and spirit. Do we accept these challenges? Are we willing to consider that reason and science may challenge our personal beliefs, our "idolatries?"

*Worship Leader: Charlie Ahern*

*Worship Associate:*

*Share the Plate - ACLU - Campaign for Smart Justice, Amy Miller*

## 10AM Sunday, August 11 - "The Proverbial Faith"

As part of our series on the Six Sources, we explore "Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves."

*Worship Leader: Rev. Oscar Sinclair*

*Worship Associate:*

*Share the Care: Membership Umbrella*

## 7PM Thursday, August 15 - Third Thursday "Reflective Meditation"

Join us for a meditative time on Thursday night

*Worship Leader:*

## 10AM Sunday, August 18 - "Home"

As part of our series on the Six Sources, we explore "Spiritual teachings of Earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature."

*Worship Leader: Mary K Stillwell*

*Worship Associate:*

## 10AM Sunday, August 25 - "Water Ceremony and Ingathering"

We gather together in song, word, and ritual to mark the end of summer and the beginning of a new congregational year.

*Worship Leader: Rev. Oscar Sinclair*

*Worship Associate:*

## Let's NOT Go Phishing

Rather than a newsletter column this month, I want to take this space for a quick public service announcement: In the last year, phishing attempts using fake email addresses have started targeting churches heavily.

The UUA's guidelines provide this definition: "Phishing is a form of "social engineering," whereby a hacker with bad intentions sends an email (or text or phone call) pretending to be someone the recipient trusts and asks the recipient to take an action which can have adverse effects. Sometimes, they request money. Other times, they invite the recipient to click a link or open an attachment that can trigger malicious code."

This week I received an email, apparently from a lay leader in the congregation, asking for a favor and saying they could not talk by phone. Looking closely, the email address it came from was not the address in my contact list for this leader - and it turns out Stacie got the exact same email, word for word.

This sounds simple, but colleagues of mine across the country are reporting that members of their congregations have lost hundreds, some thousands, of dollars to this scam. We need to reiterate this occasionally:

- Members of the staff and lay leadership of the church will never ask you directly for money over email. Specifically, the church never solicits gift cards, and absolutely not over email.
- If you ever get an email from one of us that seems suspicious or something feels 'off,' please call us before responding.

For more information, see the UUA's notice on phishing here:

<https://www.uua.org/leadership/blog/phishing?fbclid=IwAR2CPmJLCFFqwx2H2SYyFypBGg5jCfqrDCPpd5XRG2Sn9CbjOH3aVlydM0>

And a recent Christian Post article about the scam that has been going around here:

<https://www.christianpost.com/news/scammers-posing-as-pastors-churches-nationwide-issue-urgent-warning.html>



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## RGL Volunteers Needed

We are needing many volunteers for our program to be spectacular!

Please let me know as soon as possible if you are willing to help this year.

The Top 10 Reasons to Volunteer in Sunday School:

10. Dirt, hula hoops, chalk, togas - find out what is going on back there!
9. Learn all you need to know about UUism but were too afraid to ask
8. Because it is more fun than a committee meeting
7. As the Church Lady says, "Well, isn't that special?"
6. Kids say the darndest things - you are guaranteed a smile
5. You get to explore your own faith through the lens of volunteering in addition to playing with clay and paint.
4. In our church mission statement we say that we are people who "show up" - our young UUs need YOU to show up for them.
3. It takes a village to raise a child - be a part of our village.
2. Change the world. If you change one life you have made a difference.
1. Karma credit

Peace, Faith and Love, Chelsea



## Spiffing Up!

Sunday, August 11 • After Service & Coffee

Stay after service to help spiff up our church for another upcoming year. We'll be washing windows inside and out, removing cobwebs inside and out, vacuuming, dusting and more! We'll have some snacks to enjoy as well. Many cleaning supplies will be available but please feel free to bring any dusting or window washing items you might have. We'll try to wrap up by 1:00PM at the latest.

## Share the Plate - ACLU - Campaign for Smart Justice

From Lee Manns

On August 4, our own Amy Miller will speak on the ACLU Campaign for Smart Justice. Not everyone is treated equally in the criminal justice system. The ACLU Campaign for Smart Justice is an unprecedented, multiyear effort to reduce the US jail and prison population by 50% and to combat racial disparities in the criminal justice system. The ACLU is working in all 50 states for reforms to usher in a new era of justice in America, including sentencing reform, bail reform, prosecutorial reform, parole reform, and reentry.

### August RGL CALENDAR

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

<b>August 4</b>	<b>Summer Classes</b>
<b>August 11</b>	<b>Summer Classes</b>
<b>August 18</b>	<b>Summer Classes</b>
<b>August 25</b>	<b>All Ages Water Communion</b>

## Membership Associate News

From Judy Hart



It has been a joy to serve you as Membership Associate for the last few years, but as of September 30, I will no longer be a UCoL staff member. I will remain an active member of the church and look forward to participating fully.

### Upcoming membership events open to all:

#### Hospitality Training

*Monday, September 23 • 6:00PM - 8:30PM*

Whether you've been an usher or greeter for years or are just beginning - please plan to attend this one night training session focusing on communication. Training will begin with a pot luck meal followed by the training. Please bring some food to share (if you are able). Please let Judy Hart know that you will be attending - [membership@unitarianlincoln.org](mailto:membership@unitarianlincoln.org)

#### **Pathways to Membership classes:**

##### Nuts and Bolts

*Saturday, October 26 • 9:00AM - NOON*

How our church runs! From governance to coffee making, from pledging to volunteering - this class takes a look at the systems we have in place as well as our relationship with the larger Unitarian Universalist Association.

##### A Chosen Faith

*Saturday, November 2 • 9:00AM - NOON*

A short history of our Lincoln Church combined with a longer history of Unitarian Universalism. This class focuses on the origins and principals of our chosen faith and the personal spiritual journeys of those attending.

## WORSHIP ARTS NEWS

### **Happy (almost) New Church Year!**

There are so many cool things happening here in the music area. The music room is coming together as a functional office space and semi-professional recording studio. We are looking forward to recording podcasts, social media updates, and the original creations of our church members in this space. It is an exciting time! I am truly grateful to the board, Oscar, and Jean for all their support in this endeavor.

As of this writing I am prepping for the Association of Unitarian Universalist Music Ministries (AUUMM) conference in Denver. These conferences are an opportunity for me to attend workshops and network with other UU music directors around the country. I can tell you from attending last year that our church is unique as a model for supporting the arts!

Part of my time at the conference will be spent attending classes for the Music Leadership Certification Program. This is a three year course specializing in leading worship through music that aligns with our principles. It is administered by the UUA, and I want to give a special thank you to Dorothy Ramsey for agreeing to be my program sponsor here at the church. I'd also like to thank Michael Reinmiller for his letter of support and Oscar for all his guidance.

I don't want to spoil it too soon, but we have some really exciting things happening this coming church year. Oscar and I are in the beginning stages of plotting out the Third Thursday services, and they are going to be a blast. Stay tuned!

All the best,

Bob Fuson, DMA

Music Director

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## Showing Up for Social Justice

From Patti Cuevas and Emily Shattil

The social justice committee has been quieter than usual as we enjoy some time off. We will come back all energized for action. We're having a joint meeting with Denominational Affairs in August. The details are outlined below. Our next regular meeting is Tuesday, September 3 at 7:00PM.

### Joint Meeting: Social Justice & Denominational Affairs

Tuesday, August 6 • 7:00PM • UCL

Open invitation to join the joint meeting of Social Justice and Denominational Affairs to consider Statement of Conscience - Our Democracy Uncorrupted passed by UUA General Assembly this June. This document urges our congregation to reflect on the inadequacies of the democratic process for marginalized citizens in the United States. It urges us to take action to make our United States democratic process work more fully to benefit all citizens. This statement speaks to my own faith values. It urges us to deepen our work with the 5th Principle, the right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large. I invite members to consider action options in census work, voter registration, and gerrymandering for engaging ourselves in ways that can make democracy work better for all of us.

### Friendly Faces



Friendly Faces is still open to new participants - both visitors and those wishing to have visits. For information contact Jackie Egan ([egan@neb.rr.com](mailto:egan@neb.rr.com)) or Shirley Maly ([smaly@nttne.com](mailto:smaly@nttne.com)).

## Frailin' Hearts to Perform

From Schuyler Geery-Zink

Friday, August 9 • 7:30PM • UCL Auditorium

WAYSTATION CONCERTS  
PRESENTS  
A UCL AUCTION FUNDRAISER

**FRAILIN'  
HEARTS**

Tix: \$10  
recommended  
donation @ the door

ECLECTIC ACOUSTIC JAZZ -  
POP & FOLK-ROCK YOUR  
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**AUGUST 9 | 7:30 PM**  
UNITARIAN CHURCH OF LINCOLN  
6300 A ST LINCOLN, NE

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### Auction Fundraiser - Frailin' Hearts

Waystation Concerts is hosting a fundraiser for the church with Frailin' Hearts! If you already donated to this item at the 2019 Auction, you have pre-paid entry! A recommended donation of \$10 will be taken at the door (you can always give more or less depending on your situation). All proceeds go to the Unitarian Church of Lincoln. Frailin' Hearts is made up of members and friends of UCL and plays soulful activist music ~ it's a powerful show you won't want to miss!

## From the UUA Bookstore: Kindness and Generosity

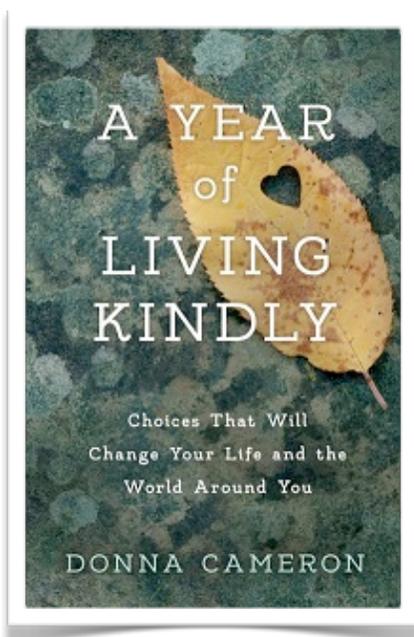
### A YEAR OF LIVING KINDLY

by Donna Cameron

Being kind is something most of us do when it's easy and when it suits us. Being kind when we don't feel like it, or when all of our buttons are being pushed, is hard. But that's also when it's most needed; that's when it can defuse anger and even violence, when it can restore civility in our personal and virtual interactions. Kindness has the power to profoundly change our relationships with other people and with ourselves. It can, in fact, change the world.

Using stories, observation, humor, and summaries of expert research, Donna Cameron shares her experience committing to 365 days of practicing kindness. She presents compelling research into the myriad benefits of kindness, including health, wealth, longevity, improved relationships, and personal and business success. She explores what a kind life entails, and what gets in the way of it. And she provides practical and experiential suggestions for how each of us can strengthen our kindness muscle so choosing a life of kindness becomes ever easier and more natural.

Paperback: \$16.95



### 365 WAYS to LIVE GENEROUSLY

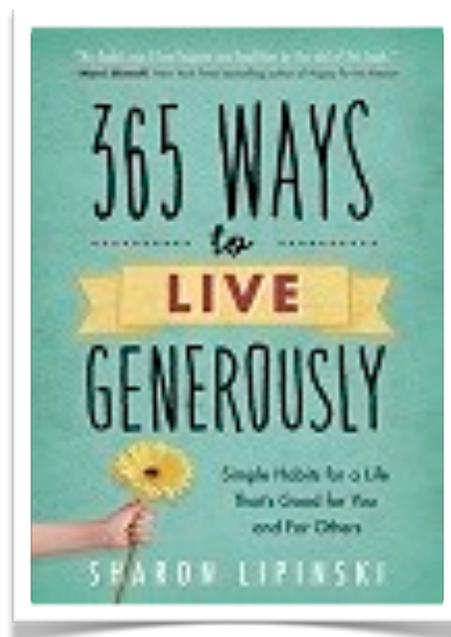
by Sharon Lipinski

The only thing standing between you and the life you want are your habits. The Book *365 Ways to Live Generously* features lessons each day that focus on one of the seven generosity habits:

- Physical health
- Relationships
- Gratitude
- Philanthropy
- Mindfulness
- Connecting with yourself
- Simplicity

Each habit appears once a week, giving you a year to practice and make them all a part of your daily life. Learn why the habits are important, discover tips based on the latest research about making positive change, and explore simple exercises for building new routines. Improve yourself and make a difference in the world with journaling prompts and generous acts. Using this inspiring book, you'll develop the habits needed to create a life that's good for you and others.

Paperback: \$16.99



## Green Corner

### Lincoln News

Mayor Leirion Gaylor Baird held a press conference on 7/11/19 to announce the city of Lincoln will develop a new **Climate Resiliency Plan**. She introduced Kim Morrow of Verdis Group (an environmental consulting firm), who will lead Lincoln's efforts along with mayoral aide Kevin Cass. Also working on the plan will be a Sustainability and Resilience Working Group (city staff), a Climate Resilience Task Force (community leaders), and the Mayor's Environmental Task Force. Community members will be engaged through public forums next February and June. The Final Plan will be delivered in June 2020.

### Check out the Energy Use Display

The iPad2 display (north wall near building entrance) is operational once again. Thanks to Sharad Seth, who worked with Apple and a mobile-device-management software company to change the way the device is controlled. Two tabs are now open, displaying the energy charts and the solar production data for the church.

### Reminder

*Sunday, September 15 • 11:30AM*

Dr. Lucas Sabalka, a nonpartisan energy expert, will lead an informational session on the **Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act (HR 764)**. This session is sponsored by Green Sanctuary and Social Justice Committees.

### From Chief Seattle

"Humankind has not woven the web of life. We are but one thread within it. Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves. The Earth does not belong to us; we belong to the Earth."

## Red Grail-ATC presents The Festival of Lugh!

*From Charles Griffin*

*Saturday, August 3 • 6:00PM*

Come and join us as we celebrate Lughnasadh the Festival of Lugh! Test your skill on the field of challenge and with Bardic storytelling. This is a family-friendly fest with outdoor games to test your skill and strength or regale us with a tale, just come prepared to get wet! For all ages.

Potluck and fellowship for all. Please bring something to share. And a towel.

New in 2019, an Earth Stewardship program to encourage the community to reuse, repurpose, and recycle is a "Give Away" table. Circle-goers are encouraged to bring an item or two from home and take away whatever they wish. As always, the Red Grail supports the local food bank and accepts donations of gently-used books for inmates. The Red Grail accepts donations for the Avalon Spiritual Retreat Center project.

The Red Grail has been partnering with the Unitarian Church of Lincoln for nearly 25 years, offering spiritual celebration and comfort to all Earth-centered people in the Lincoln community. The Full Moon Circles are open to the public. Check the UU calendar for Red Grail Full Moon Circle dates. Learn more at [orderoftheredgrail.org](http://orderoftheredgrail.org), email [redgrailinquiry@gmail.com](mailto:redgrailinquiry@gmail.com), or join the Red Grail-ATC Facebook group!



### Notes from the Office: Re. Building Usage

- We all need to raise the bar on checking that the back patio doors are secure before we leave the building
- Please return items that you use to their proper storage place so that others can find what they need - examples include chairs, scissors, water faucet key, etc.

# MUUSA in the MIRROR

From Dorothy Ramsey



What's MUUSA you ask? I'll tell you!

For 80+ years, a group of Unitarian Universalists has convened on the week of July 4. The first 70 years were at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and were known as Lake Geneva Summer

Assembly, or LGSA. In 2008, we moved to Trout Lodge, a lovely YMCA camp with a huge private lake in the Ozark hills near Posoti, Missouri. We reclaimed the original name: Midwest Unitarian Universalist Summer Assembly, or more fondly, MUUSA.

I've been going since 2000, and am committed to going every year for the rest of my life! Why? The people! The Morning Celebrations, with leading UU ministers from across the nation! The workshops! The music! The natural setting, lake, woods, children. This

intergenerational camp welcomes everyone -

EVERYONE! From babies to adults, there is programming which can be indulged in or ignored. Don't want to take workshops? Swim or paddle a canoe in Sunnen Lake, ride a horse, read a book, do whatever feeds your soul. We have invented the concept of a "napshop."



### Exclusive Use of the Entire Campus!

We reserve the entire camp, so all campers are familiar with UU principles and sensibilities. People can be who they truly are with no fear. For some, it's

the only time all year that they can - we are a safe space. Housing can be as rustic as tent camping or as comfortable as your favorite highway lodging. The dining hall includes clearly marked vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free dishes.

Workshops offer variety of topics: intellectual, religious/spiritual, crafts, hobbies, music, dancing, and more. I've enjoyed Photography, Awesome Choir, Genealogy, Ukulele for Beginners, and many others. Workshops are lead by campers, and often result in life-long friendships through the bonds of common interests.

### MUUSA's Got Talent!

There is a coffeehouse all week where children and adults can perform for an affirming audience. This year and last, one of our performers is a finalist on The Voice! I've played with the Last Resort String Band for 18 years!



The single fee includes a week of lodging, food, workshops, and events. Some YMCA activities have a small separate cost. If cost is an issue, there are scholarships.

I returned from MUUSA re-energized, happy, nostalgic, and eagerly looking forward to 2020. Campers have developed the

parting salutation of "See you next week!" because we just can't bear the thought of not being together for a whole year. We say it all year long.

If you have the slightest curiosity, I invite you to see the website [www.muusa.org](http://www.muusa.org) or the Facebook page MUUSA, or catch me in the halls sometime. You may find yourself there next year coming as a stranger, leaving as part of the family. Perhaps, next July, new friends will be saying "See you next week!" to you, too!



## connect

These activities and discussion groups occur on a regular basis and are open to new participants at any time. Please contact the group's organizer if you have any questions!

**Bridge Groups****Tuesday group:**

Every Tuesday • 2:00PM  
Gallery

**Advanced group:**

Every Wednesday • 1:00PM  
6300 A Street • Gallery

Want to join us? Contact  
Coordinator Corine Simon  
[simondp@neb.rr.com](mailto:simondp@neb.rr.com)  
402.435.0225

**Coffeehouse**

4th Friday • August 23 • 7:00PM  
• Gallery

Board games for adults and kids.  
Open to all individuals. Preceded  
by PFLAG/UU Potluck at 6:00PM.  
Contact Deb Hope  
[debra.a.hope@gmail.com](mailto:debra.a.hope@gmail.com)

**Men's Potluck**

2nd Monday • August 12 •  
6:30PM • Gallery

All men are invited to attend to  
enjoy good food and  
conversation. Table service will  
be provided. Contact Bruce  
Raymer 402.475.7875  
[bruce.raymer@gmail.com](mailto:bruce.raymer@gmail.com)

**Newcomer Chat**

First Sunday • August 4 •  
11:15AM • Library

Meet with visitors and friends in  
the Library to watch and discuss  
a 5-minute film. Contact Shelly  
Fowler [seeshells@mac.com](mailto:seeshells@mac.com)

**PFLAG (Parents and Friends  
of Lesbians and Gays)**

4th Tuesday • August 27 6:30PM  
• Gallery

The LGBTQA Welcoming  
Committee sponsors PFLAG  
which meets at our church.  
Confidentiality at each meeting  
is very important. Please join us!  
[www.pflagcornhusker.org](http://www.pflagcornhusker.org)

**Tai Chi**

Every Wednesday • 6:00PM  
Gallery

All UU Members and Friends  
are invited. No experience  
necessary.

Contact Reed Maly  
402.570.3841

**UMDOC "Unitarian Men  
Discussing Over Coffee"**

Second Tuesday • August 13  
10:00AM • BRAEDA (33rd &  
Pioneer)

New participants are welcome  
any time. Discussion topics vary.  
Visit us for more details or  
contact Duane Polzien  
[duaneep2000@yahoo.com](mailto:duaneep2000@yahoo.com)

**UU Women Gathering**

Normally the 1st Saturday •  
2:00-3:30PM

Stay tuned to Facebook and  
eblasts for August details.

For info or location: Contact  
Marilyn 402.730.9483  
[Hjinx50@yahoo.com](mailto:Hjinx50@yahoo.com)

**Wachiska Audubon**

Thursday, August 8 • 7:00PM

Monthly general meeting and  
program. For details, call  
402.486.4846

**Women's Book Group**

Every three weeks • 10:00AM  
Gallery

August 3 - *One Book, One  
Lincoln finalist*

August 24 - *This Blessed Earth:  
A Year in the Life of an American  
Family Farm* by Ted Genoways

For more information, contact  
Diane Richards  
[dianem2@gmail.com](mailto:dianem2@gmail.com)

**Young Adults Gathering**

Meets sporadically. Informal  
social gatherings for Young  
Adults (age 18-40) Activities/  
discussion topics vary.  
Attendees need not be members  
or regular visitors. Contact  
Morissa Raymond at  
402.840.1178 or  
[morissaraymond99@gmail.com](mailto:morissaraymond99@gmail.com)

**Zen Meditation**

Every Thursday • 7:00PM  
Music Room

A small group of UUs meditate  
at church each week in the Music  
Room. Contact Norm Simon  
402.435.0225  
[nsimon1@neb.rr.com](mailto:nsimon1@neb.rr.com)



# UCL Gallery: Marilyn Schmadeke Rembolt

My interest in creating with fabric began at a very young age when as a self taught artist I “designed” and crafted clothing for my dolls. After many years of learning to sew by machine and creating garments for myself and my family I became intrigued in the 1990s with the creativity in quilt making. Never one to follow patterns exactly I found I loved to play “What if?” with the expected design and eventually this led to my interest in art quilts and creating my own designs.

I find the range of expression in quiltmaking is constantly expanding and I am inspired by many things in my surroundings...nature, travel, color, line, photography, fabric dyeing. With each quilt I make I am looking to try something new.



## Sunday Service Volunteers

	August 4	August 11	August 18	August 25
<b>Pulpit Decoration</b>	Carol Kendrick	Karen Heafer	Molly Klocksinn	Geri Cotter
<b>Greeters</b>	Edith Davis Jan Buffum Dori Bush	Gary Colvin Emily Kazyak Jan Buffum	Dorothy Ramsey Judy Hart Carrie Holloway	Lee Manns Amy Birky Judy Hart
<b>Coffee Hosts</b>	Kristi Wamstad Amy Birky Priscilla Handy	Kristi Wamstad Priscilla Handy Mark Weddleton	Kristi Wamstad Priscilla Handy Mark Weddleton	Kristi Wamstad Priscilla Handy Vicki Treat
<b>Trustees</b>	Emily Cameron Shattil	Denise DeBose	Dan Payzant	Dan Payzant
<b>Ushers</b>	Tricia Monzon Rachael Herpel	Mary Ann & Jerry Petr	Frank Edler & Mary K Stillwell	Barbara and Al Pearson
<b>Audio-Visual</b>	Heather Hillhouse Linda Brown	Don Pinkley	TBD	Heather Hillhouse

# Milestones, Millstones and Stepping Stones



Congratulations! Ainsley Joyce Bartlett was born to Jake and Lindsay Bartlett on July 1 at 9:36PM. She weighed 7 lbs, 6 oz. and was 20" long.

Congratulations! Juniper Jayde Kempf was born to Justin Kempf and Jazmine Thomas at 5:33AM on May 29th. She's 9 lbs 6 ozs, and 21 inches long.

Congratulations to Michael and Lori Straatmann on their 19th wedding anniversary July 14th.

Check the online directory for phone numbers and addresses if you would like to make contact with these members.

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*The Board of Trustees meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30PM in the Gathering Place. Any member or friend of the church is welcome to attend these meetings.*