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Sunday, January 6 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"Our Living Tradition"

Rev. Chip

Looking back on the joys and concerns, losses and successes, of 2007—and our hopes for 2008. There will be an opportunity to name your 2007 highs and lows aloud.

Sunday, January 13 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"Rastafari"

Jeremy Treadwell, et al.

The music, spirituality and progressive politics of Bob Marley
Jeremy Treadwell will lead the service on this Pan African religious movement which originated in 1930's Jamaica, and was later made popular worldwide through reggae music. We will explore Rastafarian beliefs, culture, and way of life, and feature the music of Bob Marley.

Sunday, January 20 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"Heroes of Peace and Justice"

Maura Brennan and Cal Boulter

In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. day, we will be celebrating King and others who have changed the world with their courage and perseverance, and will examine the role that Unitarian Universalism played in those battles.

Sunday, January 27 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"Everywhere the Same"

Rev. Chip; Vocal Ensemble

Churchill, Dostoevsky and Mandela all said we ought judge a country by how it treats its prisoners. What is a liberal religious perspective on penal justice?

Sunday, February 3 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"Family Lenten Practices"

Rev. Chip & Karen McCarthy

Instead of giving up a "bad" habit, try adopting a new "good" habit! We'll explore the value of spiritual practice in general, and offer practical practices for families. This will be an intergenerational service.

Sunday, February 10 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"Prospects for an Evangelical Atheism"

Dan Orr

Several well-publicized recent books offer persuasive testimony that atheism should be actively advocated as an alternative to the traditional God-based religions. In this service Dan Orr will highlight some of their points, and then give an opinion as to why they will not attract many "converts."

Sunday, February 17 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"U Haul? Long Haul!"

Rev. Chip

How relationships can be difficult, and why that might be good for us.

Sunday, February 24 — Services at 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

"All the World's a Stage (Integral Life Practice, third of five)"

Rev. Chip; Vocal Ensemble

How Red-Staters are orange, Blue-Staters are green, and most Fundamentalists are blue: the stages of life we all go through—and some we aspire to. This is the third of a series on Ken Wilber's "Integral Vision." You need not have heard the others to appreciate this one.

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From Our Senior Minister

Re-Solve

30 December 2007

Happy New Year! I have only ever kept two New Year's Resolutions—the first, to dance at least once per month, I kept through the 1990's; and the second, to not make any more resolutions. Too often, folks use resolutions to focus on the negatives in their lives, instead of the positives. There is research that shows we do better if we frame things in positive terms. "Focusing on the positive" is one of the emphases that Karen McCarthy and I will use as we present a service on Lenten Family Practices, on February 3rd. If you would still like to make a New Year's Resolution, to change something in your life, you might check out www.stickk.com, where they'll take a check from you and return it if you live up to your resolution, or send it

on to a charity (of your choice) if you do not. That might be a helpful incentive.

Part of my ministry to the wider world is serving on the UU Men's Network Steering Council, which meets twice per year—once at General Assembly, and once in January. I'll attend the Steering Council meeting from January 17th through the 20th. Shortly after that, I'll attend a ministers' meeting, of the Heartland District Chapter of the UU Ministers' Association, in Pokagon, Indiana. That meeting runs from Sunday evening, January 27th, through Wednesday, 1/30. I will be available by phone during both those times, and have some email access as well.

With Spirit,

—*the Rev. Chip Roush*

ALL ABOUT US

We in pastoral care are happy to announce the addition of a new member: Marilyn Mayo. Her name and phone number are now listed on the back of the Sunday Order of Service.

Mercedes Kimling, one of our caregivers in pastoral care, had to have a pacemaker implanted, and (hardly skipping a beat) drove downstate for Christmas visits with family.

John Hoffman suffered a heart attack Christmas Eve. Thanks to Pinkie's quick thinking, he had a 911 trip to Munson Hospital. They did an angioplasty and a stent in a major artery and he was looking good when we visited him on Thurs. John is now home and taking time to heal.

Bill Cheney had emergency surgery at Munson Hospital. He is healing enough now to return home on Monday - New Year's Eve day. He and Mary will again fly to the Cancer Treatment Center of America in Zion, IL for continued chemotherapy treatments for the adenocarcinoma of the esophagus. We wish him well.

Bill and Mary were so pleased with the lap robe knit by our group of UU knitters.

Helen Sullivan has recovered from the pneumonia she had over the holidays, and she is still healing but

being treated for a cut on her leg.

Continued healing wishes for:

- * Bill Cheney
- * Jeff Hawkins
- * John Hoffman
- * Don Pyne
- * Mercedes Kimling
- * Helen Sullivan

We are mindful of:

- ❖ George Clark
- ❖ Beecy Fraser
- ❖ Ruth Gamble
- ❖ Joan Laird
- ❖ Richard Myer
- ❖ Janet Reed
- ❖ Margaret Tarsa
- ❖ Ron Yatich

—Arline Howe, Pastoral Care
December 2007

Welcome New Members!

We are pleased to welcome and introduce new members Larry and Rebecca Dobler, and Robert and Susanelou Adair to our Congregation!

Larry and Rebecca became members in October and usually attend the 9:30 am service. He is a retired School Principal and she works as a school and clinical Social Worker. They each have two adult children. Larry enjoys camping, hiking, biking, scuba diving

and reading; while Rebecca's leisure activities include reading, scrapbooking, travel, golf, yoga and movies. When asked what led them to become members they cited, "the spiritual vibrancy and authenticity of services, and a sense of hope."

Robert and Susanelou became members in November and usually attend the 11:00 am service. He works as a Service Manager for Traverse Bay Marina and she has worked as a Criminal Paralegal and now as a Store Clerk in Interlochen. They have two daughters/stepdaughters, one grandchild, and three cats ("the other children"). Robert's leisure activities include gardening, beaching, reading, relaxing. Susanelou also enjoys gardening, in addition to fishing, baking, singing, and teaching children. "Instinct, beliefs, and hope," is what led them to become members.

Please introduce yourselves to them and make them welcome.

To become a member, please make an appointment for a meeting with the Rev. Chip Roush.

New email address

We have been having problems with e-mail and it has been resolved as follows: Our old address is now the correct one: kauf@chartermi.net.

—Paul and Peg Kauffman



MESSAGE from the PRESIDENT

Happy New Year!

In some cultures, the New Year is celebrated with fireworks. As I review our opportunities for spiritual growth this month at UUCGT, it seems that we too are starting the New Year with a “bang.” In addition to our regular activities, we add an adult religious education class, a meditation group, congregational conversations concerning the building expansion, and feeding our homeless neighbors via Operation Safe Harbor.

Given all our “busy-ness”, will we give ourselves permission to withdraw into solitude and ponder what it means to be a member of this congregation, this faith? May it be so, for it is out

of this silence that deeper insight and commitment into our collective responsibilities to UUCGT and our surrounding community may evolve.

December Board Action Items:

- Adopted an external communication policy. All committee chairs and office staff will be given copy of same.
- Voted to support the recommendation of the Trustee for Facilities to get cost estimates for a modified building expansion.
- Discussed the initial proposed 2008-2009 budget. Vote tabled for the January meeting.

—Joan

ADULT PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Ethics Without God

How can we create ethics or morality without reference to a supernatural god, or creed? Rev. Chip will facilitate discussions on readings from the Rev. Dick Gilbert’s book, *Prophetic Imperative*, four times throughout January. Each class will be similar to, and substantially different from, the others, so you can come once or all four times and still find new and interesting information. Sessions will be Wednesday, January 9th (the program after Wednesday Night Supper); Tuesday, 1/15, at 7:00 pm; Saturday, 1/26, at 10:00 am; and Thursday, 1/31, at 7:00 pm. Optional readings will be available in the office.

Meditation Group

Rev. Chip and Fleda Brown will be hosting an hour of silent mediation in the sanctuary on Sundays at 5:00, beginning January 6th, 2008. The group will be open—come when you

can. Beginners are welcome. There will be some instruction at the beginning for those who want it, but the hour will be mostly silent sitting, with a small break at the half-hour for those who need to stretch. The meditation will be followed by an optional half-hour of discussion, including discussion of suggested readings. The first book we’ll focus on will be *Mindfulness in Plain English*, by Bhante Gunaratana. The steady practice of meditation teaches us to become more and more aware, so that we can live our lives in the present, with greater happiness and a wisdom based on greater clarity. The support of a group greatly enhances the practice. Come join us!

Men’s Group

UUCGT Men’s Group will gather for dinner at the Cottage Cafe at 6:00 pm on Monday, January 14, 2008. All males are encouraged to join us for good food and friendship.

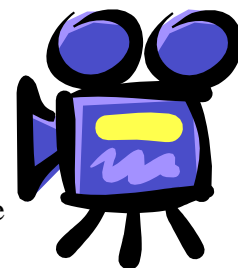
Crones and Scones

The UUCGT Crones and Scones group will meet for lunch and conversation on the following dates:

Wednesday, January 9, 2008 at 11:30 AM at Garfield’s Restaurant at the Grand Traverse Mall (please read “Bookshelf” article in Winter 2007 *UU World*) and Wednesday, January 23, 2008 at 11:30 AM at the Blue Tractor Restaurant in Old Town (please read articles on Nuclear Disarmament for brief discussion). For more information or reservations please call Marge Rundell (946-7237) or Shari Cope (947-0357).

Classic Film Series

Even though the Classic Film Series committee will not be presenting films at the congregation this year, we invite you to join us every 3rd Friday of the month to view a film at the State Theater and for a discussion immediately following! We’ll be attending the closest showing to 6 pm and will congregate at the Horizon Shine cafe afterwards to discuss the film. Mark Gustafson will be facilitating the first



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discussion on January 18th. Contact any of the committee members if you have any questions: L.E. and H.G. Smith, Anna and John Bachman, Pinkie and John Hoffman, Joan Sheard and Myrna Yeakle, and Solveig and Mark Gustafson.

MINDING THE STORE

Joys & Concerns, Announcements, "Flash" To submit an item for "Joys and Concerns," please fill out a card (available on the credenza outside the office), or email/call the church office or Rev. Chip directly. You can also give them announcements for Sunday Services. Due to limited space, there will be fewer announcements in the weekly "Flash" email.

Denominational Affairs The Heartland District's 8th Annual Meeting and Spring Conference will be held April 4-6 in Louisville, Kentucky. The keynote speaker is Wayne Clark, who will speak on "Sustainable Stewardship." Our congregation is able to have 4-5 delegates for voting purposes at the meeting. If you are planning on attending, and would be willing to serve as a delegate, please contact Jeff Hawkins **prior to the UUCGT Board meeting on January 8th.** The Board will ratify delegates at that meeting.

—Jeffery Hawkins // Trustee for Denominational Affairs

UU Directory

The 2008 UU Directory is ready! It will be e-mailed to all who have provided the office with addresses. One (1) free hard copy directory per member household may be picked

up in the congregation office. Friends may purchase a hard copy directory for \$1.00 and members an additional hard copy for \$1.00.

Please notify the office of additions or corrections to your listing. —The Membership Committee

UU World

Are you receiving the World? The *UU World*, that is, the magazine of the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations. The *UU World* is published four times a year and is sent to UU members free of charge. If you are a UU member and are not receiving the *UU World*, please contact the office. Also, there is additional material at www.uuworld.org.

—Bob Fitch

SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTION

We hope that everyone has enjoyed the holidays, each in our own ways, but hopefully with peace and love. Unfortunately we live at a difficult time. It seems shocking to have to deal with the realities with which others are faced. These next few months we will be able to do that through documentaries about the circumstances of other people around the world. Many still believe in the American dream and wish for it. Some leave on boats, or trucks, by foot, however they can, to get better jobs and situations for their families. If they survive, many end up as slaves, prostitutes, or indentured servants with debts that will take a lifetime to repay. Some are mutilated and beaten.

The first Movies that Matter the Most, *Dying to Leave*, will be Jan 14, at 7 PM, at the UU. If there is too much snow and ice, we will show it that Saturday, Jan 15, at 7 PM. The

documentaries about diamond mining, mutilation, and killing for creed and civil war will show at 7 PM, Friday, Feb. 8. Again if there is too much snow and ice we will show it that Saturday, Feb. 9, same time. This is the History Channel's documentary about Blood Diamonds. We will also show a short documentary called *Bling*. Watch for more details in the UU Flash and emails.

Finances are hard on everyone these days. Higher Ground reluctantly has to raise their prices. The increases will take place as we order the end of January for the February delivery. Please be patient with this. The prices are not that different but every bit can be hard. We appreciate using their Fair Trade, Environmental Coffee. With each pound bought by UU, the Social Justice Action Committee gets about 25 cents. It is with that money that we can help bring the documentaries to our audiences. The new prices will be reflected on the new order slips. Thanks!

May the New Year REALLY bring peace! —Emmy Lou 943-7999

Safe Harbor

Our dates to provide healthy sustenance and some relaxed social sharing with the Homeless are Sat. Jan. 19 thru Sat. Jan. 25. We will be working along with members from Beth El and Ahavat Shalom; we are to provide all of the suppers. To find out more and to sign up please contact Ann Dressel, 922-0483. You are needed, and you will feel rewarded! We have a commitment—help us fulfill it.



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MUSICAL NOTES



Music Thank-You's...

Thank you! to all of our December musicians, with special thanks to Andy Evans, who was involved musically in services on each of these days!

- ♫ Dec 9 Pageant: Marin Tack and members of the Vocal Ensemble.
- ♫ Dec 16 Green Onions: Anna, Paula and Paul Ward, Jeremy and Jamie Treadwell, Lucy Perkins, Andy Evans
- ♫ Dec 21 Solstice: Don and Rebecca Lessard, Paul and Paula Ward, Andy Evans, Lynn McAndrews and Karen McCarthy
- Dec 23 All-Music: many, many generous folks (almost all of the those listed above) plus Mitch Treadwell, Nancy Landfair, Mary Anne Rivers, Kim Gribi, Holly Knibbs, Richard Miller, Nina, Fiona and Pohai Muller, Nancy Peterson, LE Smith, and Rev. Chip Roush.
- ♫ Christmas Eve: Andy Evans, Holly Knibbs, Richard Miller, Karen McCarthy, Marin Tack, Jamie Treadwell, and Jeremy Treadwell.
- ♫ To R. Gary Deavel and Kim Gribi for their fun (and always marvelous) music in the Dec. 30 service with Mark Gustafson.

Thank you in advance to all those who have kindly accepted responsibility for music in January!

Sing in the Choir

Vocal Ensemble continues in January under the direction of Nancy Landfair. Thursdays, from 7:00 to 8:45.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Doula program

A huge thank you to the UUCGT volunteers (representing the Vocal Ensemble, the Pastoral Care Committee, and various other UU friends) from the Doula program of the Women's Resource Center, or more specifically your grateful and appreciative friend, Shelley Burnes. Last count was just over 100 attendees, including all the volunteers! You made the young parents feel welcome and they trusted you to hold and watch their children while they became the kids again and decorated cookies, made gifts with bits and pieces of this and that, created connections with others young moms and dads and ate a wonderful meal, much of which was donated by you and other Doula volunteers. I am still smiling at what we did together.

—Shelley Burnes
Doula Program Client Advocate

New Book Published

UUCGT member Ellen Kossek has published a new book, *CEO of Me: Creating a Life that Works in the Flexible Job Age*. The book is described as “a radical new approach to balancing work and life, from some of the world’s leading work/life researchers. It is published by Wharton School Publishing; for further information, check their website www.whartonsp.com and click on the title of the book in the “Just Released” section on the right-hand side of the page.

A Special Note from Karen McCarthy

Many of you asked me about the beautiful song that I sang at the Winter Solstice service and the All-Music service. I thank you for your compliments, and offer some more information: “All Will Be Well” was written by a UU minister, Rev. Meg Barnhouse.

Meg is a great supporter of UU Religious Education, and was a guest speaker and performer at the LREDA fall conference I attended thanks to your generosity. I’m also proud to say that she’s my friend, and she gave me permission to sing this song a couple of years ago before it was released on CD.

Meg has published several books and CDs, all of which are wonderful, insightful, inspiring, and humorous. I highly invite you to check out her website, [http://www.megbarnhouse.com/!](http://www.megbarnhouse.com/)

Marketplace!

Wanted: A screen to project slides onto. I inherited my parents’ slides and need to edit them. The projector still works. Money will be donated to the church.

—Barb Bloomer, 231-276-7655.

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19	Tue	Spirit in the Bone, Kevin Tarsa, 7:00-8:15 PM
20	Wed	Wednesday Supper & Program, 6-8 PM
21	Thur	Vocal Ensemble rehearsal, Kevin Tarsa, 7-8:30 p.m.
22	Fri	SJA Friday Night at the Movies, Emmy Lou Cholak, 7-10 PM
24	Sun	“All the World’s a Stage (Integral Life Practice, third of five),” Rev. Chip, services at 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
25	Mon	SOS meeting, Steve Decker, Jeff Sanborn, 7-8 p.m.
26	Tue	Sunday Services Committee, Maura Brennan, 7-9 PM
27	Wed	Peacemakers Needleworkers, 1-4 PM
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From Our Minister of Music

In *The Sacred Depths of Nature*, Professor of Biology Ursula Goodenough writes that religions address “two fundamental human concerns: How Things Are and Which Things Matter.” The role of religion, she continues, is to integrate our formulations and understandings of the two.

While I head to another month of seminary study in Chicago to help me sort out my own understanding of How Things Are and Which Things Matter, I am abundantly aware that explorations of these two fundamental human concerns take place constantly right here in our Sunday services, in the hallway afterwards, in parking lot conversations, over coffee downtown, in line for a movie at the State Theatre and in our homes. And in very visceral ways, we are asked to consider How Things Are and Which Things Matter as we visit those who are in the hospital, as we sing carols over the phone, as members knit shawls and lap robes, as we send notes, cards and emails.

Next year, as part of my degree work and training, I am expecting to engage in six months of chaplaincy training in a hospital setting - Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) is the official name of the requirement. It is a 15-20 hour per week effort and one that will offer deep chances to reflect upon How Things Are and Which Things Matter. Given the

demands of that journey, and the need to fit in classes sometime too, I have asked to reduce my position to half-time at UUCGT next church year - probably full time part of the year, half-time part of the year and off part of the year.

We’ll sort out together what that means “on the ground” at UUCGT as we move forward. I wanted you to know the situation before budget information came around. As it says on the front of “*The Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy*,” “Don’t panic!”

Meanwhile, how we as a congregation, as individuals and as a religious movement, perceive and address How Things Are and Which Things Matter becomes ever more important. Enter the conversation at any and all of the times, places and levels that you possibly can. Turn “weather talk” into an exploration of what really matters. Bring your voice, your insight and your desire forward, raise deep questions at the slightest provocation. Then together let’s integrate our understandings of How Things Are and Which Things Matter and “render a narrative so rich and compelling that it elicits our allegiance and our commitment.”

Yours,

Rev. Kevin Tarsá



The RE Scoop

Pageant Kudos

Having chosen and studied four different December holidays and holy days (Christmas, Chanukkah, Las Posadas, and Kwanzaa), our Religious Education children and youth did a superb job on December 9, 2007 presenting these traditions in poetry, sound, story, music, and song to our congregation.

Extra wonderful was the fact that the words in the pageant were—for the most part—*the kids’ own words!* The words that John Noonan read about Chanukkah were recorded during the **Bronson Alcott** group’s classes; the **Sophia Lyon Fahs** group wrote their own presentation about *Las Posadas*; the **John Murray Atwood** group wrote their own verses to the Kwanzaa song and invented the gestures

to represent each principle of that holiday. Plus, the **Clara Barton** group invented their own sound carpet to go with the Christmas poem.

Extra thanks again to all who participated in the pageant—together, we provided a meaningful spiritual experience to the congregation!

January plans

Jan. 6 – The Sunday service will be intergenerational. Our children and youth will remain in the sanctuary, participating in our congregation’s observance of remembering 2007 and looking forward to 2008.

Jan. 13 & 27 – We will return to our regular RE activities.

Jan. 20 – We will bake goods to donate to our congregation’s participation in the Safe Harbor Program.

If you would like to be awarded the privilege of helping to lead one of these amazing groups, call or email me!

- Karen McCarthy, DRE

Youth Group News

The Youth Group extends a heartfelt “thank-you” to the congregation for your support of our **Mitten Tree project**. We collected your donated mittens, gloves, hats, and scarves, and we’ll deliver them to Traverse Heights Elementary School, to distribute amongst the needy students.



After the first of the year, we will experience a special program with



David Halperin: “A program of inquiry for high-school-aged students to explore different facets of their **relationship with money**,

culminating in selecting a person(s) to make a micro business loan in a developing country.”

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1	Tue	New Year's Day
2	Wed	Supper at Six, potluck, social time 5:30, program 7-8 PM: "A Time for Resolutions"
3	Thur	Finance Committee, Holly Knibbs, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
3	Thur	VE BYOD, Mary Cheney, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
3	Thur	Vocal Ensemble rehearsal, 7-8:30 p.m.
6	Sun	"Our Living Tradition," Rev. Chip, services at 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
7	Mon	SOS meeting, Steve Decker, Jeff Sanborn, 7-8 p.m.
8	Tue	Board, Joan Sheard, 7-9 PM
9	Wed	Israel/Palestine Talk, Emmy Lou Cholak, 9 AM-12:30 PM
9	Wed	Crones and Scones, Garfield's Restaurant, Marge Rundell, 11:30 AM
9	Wed	Peacemakers Needleworkers, 1-4 PM
9	Wed	Membership Committee, John Hoffman, 3-5 PM
9	Wed	Supper at Six, \$4 per adult, social time 5:30, program 7-8 PM: Rev. Chip to lead a discussion about the Rev. Dick Gilbert's book, <i>The Prophetic Imperative</i> .
9	Wed	Writing Your Ethical Will workshop, Heather Shumaker, 7:30-9 PM
10	Thur	Vocal Ensemble rehearsal, 7-8:30 p.m.
13	Sun	"Rastafari," Jeremy Treadwell et al, services at 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
13	Sun	Congregational Conversation, Building Expansion, Paul Heaton, 12:30-1:30
14	Mon	Men's Group, Cottage Cafe, John Ort, 6-8 PM
14	Mon	SOS meeting, Steve Decker, Jeff Sanborn, 7-8 p.m.
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15	Tue	Spirit in the Bone, Kevin Tarsa, 7-8:15 PM
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12	Tue	Board, Joan Sheard, 7-9 PM
13	Wed	Peacemakers Needleworkers, 1-4 PM
13	Wed	Membership Committee, John Hoffman, 3-5 PM
13	Wed	Wednesday Supper & Program, 6-8 PM, \$4 per adult, program TBA
14	Thur	Vocal Ensemble rehearsal, Kevin Tarsa, 7-8:30 p.m.
17	Sun	"U Haul? Long Haul!" Rev. Chip, services at 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
18	Mon	SOS meeting, Steve Decker, Jeff Sanborn, 7-8 p.m.

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