UNITARIAN CHURCH OF QUINCY

April 2022 Edition

UPCOMING SERVICES

Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/92938165235

April 3rd Service Speaker: Michael McLaughlin "The Purpose of the Physical Reality" What is my purpose? Why am I here? Is that all there is?

April 10th Service

Speaker: Steve Wiegenstein

"Walt Whitman, American Prophet"

The UU Touchstones theme for April is "Theological Reflections," and in addition, April is National Poetry Month. This conjunction provides an opportunity to think about the great American poet Walt Whitman. Does Whitman have anything to tell us in the 21st Century? Let's dive into Whitman's poetry, his philosophy, and his everlasting faith in the human spirit.

April 17th Service Speaker: Jim Burns

"Why I Became A Unitarian"

The Easter Story of the Resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth from the tomb carries varied levels of importance to us. Jim will share his unique understanding of this event, and how it follows the trajectory of his spiritual life and impacts his journey through time.

April 24th Service

Speaker: Doug Muder

"Where Did Christianity Go Wrong?"

You have to make a lot of mistakes to get from the Sermon on the Mount to anti-LGBTQ bigotry, science denial, conspiracy theories, and today's "Christian" values. Here are six of them.

COLLECTING BOOKS FOR THE BOOK SALE!

Please peruse your shelves, floors and nightstands for the most greatly desired as well as least likely to be loved books to be included in our annual sale! Be it sets, single volumes, maps, memorabilia, posters, pamphlets, we are accepting most any ephemera - bar that which may have mildew spores (think allergic reaction), way outdated computer &/or textbooks and thumbed over saucy bodice busters that our grandmothers once enjoyed ... though we may have a faithful following of such attend our sale. Simply put, use sensible discretion. Donations can be brought in boxes, paper or plastic bags or what-have-you to Sunday services or contact me at susan_2821@yahoo.com for pick up at your convenience or further info. THANK YOU MUCH and I hope we'll be able to line the hallway tables with rows of once and future favored reads!

BAKE SALE INFORMATION

February 27th, Doris Sanders (Soprano) and Hedy Rothfuss (Piano) will be performing a the It's that time again! The Plant, Book, and BAKE SALE, Saturday, April 23. Please consider contributing one or more of your favorite baked goodies so that we can offer a tempting variety! We will be offering Chris's homemade cinnamon rolls with the aroma of freshly baked rolls drifting through the church. Chris will also be baking her famous pies. Always popular are the yeast and quick breads, scones, coffee cakes, cookies, brownies, cupcakes, small cakes, & small pies. We also have requests for GLUTEN FREE and SUGAR FREE items. The customers like items plated in small amounts (example: a half dozen cookies) so that they can purchase several items to taste. Please bring your bakery items Friday, April 22, so that we can price them and arrange our tables for the early customers waiting to swoop in and grab their favorites. Pricing will begin around 4:00 p.m and finish by 6:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Leann Flanagan. Let's make this sale the best ever!

Get in Touch

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PLANT, BOOK, & BAKE SALE INFORMATION

The 50th annual Plant, Bake, & Book sale will be Saturday, April 23rd. 9am-1pm at the church. This is the church's largest fundraiser and anything you can do to help is appreciated. There are a variety of jobs available with plants: pricing, sorting, and signage on Friday. Cashier, customer help, and carry out on Saturday.

Week of April 18-22

Dig up plants this week but it is usually best to wait as late in the week as possible for the health of the plants. There will be some containers available at church. Please hold on to your plants until Friday until the room is ready if you can.

Thursday, April 21st -6pm: Set up the Garden Room (remove carpet and furniture and set up tables & holding area).

Friday, April 22nd

-3pm-6pm: Bring plants to the church this day. Saturday morning is too late.

-Please label each item you bring. Plant information like color, shade/sun, and how big it gets is very helpful for our shoppers.

-We will need help setting up and pricing.

Saturday, April 23rd

-Please park at least a block away from the church to give shoppers easier parking opportunities. Hopefully they will be carrying a lot of good stuff back to their cars.

-Arrive between 8:00 and 8:30 to help with last minute setup and instructions of what to do.

-If you would like to buy something we prefer you let the public have the first opportunity for the best selection; hold off until 10 if you can.

-Clean up help is always needed. If you like to sleep in or have a conflict in the morning please come at 1:00 to help!

Mike Drew Plant Sale chair 217-257-1305

PFLAG

PFLAG Hannibal-Quincy will meet Thursday, April 14 at 7 pm. PFLAG provides support and education to members of the LGBTQ community and to their friends and family members.

Transgender people are facing more threats to their rights and their persons as states pursue legislation restricting them. At this time, Missouri has eight bills pending, Iowa has 14 bills pending, and Illinois has one bill pending. The national PFLAG organization works to identify and counteract these threats to the rights of transgender people.

For more information on PFLAG Hannibal-Quincy, call Ruth at 217-653-8001, or email pflaghannibalquincy@gmail.com.

WAYSIDE PANTRIES

I am making an appeal for help with servicing the mini wayside pantries. If anyone is interested in stocking or donating food and hygiene items for them, please phone, email, or PM me in Facebook for details. Its fun, its easy, its rewarding!

Georgia House g.house1936@gmail.com Facebook Messanger

FIRST FRIDAY CELEBRATION

April's First Friday will be held at the Flanagan's home Quincy. We will begin at 6:00 p.m. until ? ? ? Feel free to invite a friend. Bring something sweet or savory to share and your beverage of choice.

And Yes, we know April's First Friday is April Fool's Day!! But No Foolin' we look forward to seeing all of you at our house, Friday, April 1.

Mike & Leann Flanagan

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We need volunteers to be "second adult" for RE on April 3 and April 17.

Volunteers are always appreciated for Sunday services: greeters and/or offering collectors.