

UU MATTERS



The Mt. Vernon Unitarian Universalist Fellowship
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An Emerging UUA Congregation

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**Mt. Vernon UU Fellowship services begin at 10:00 a.m.
on Sunday mornings. Please join us!**

Upcoming Services:

February 3: *Lagniappe, Gumbo, Satchmo & Soul.* Luke Crawford will lead this service.

February 10: *Spilled Milk: A Sermon by Kathleen Mctigue.* Angela Czapiewski will lead this service.

February 17: *Open Reading Service.* Please bring short readings, music, artwork, or original thoughts to share with us during this open reading service. Open reading services are held on the third Sunday of every month. Adam Stone will lead this service.

February 27: *Intergenerational Service: Archbishop Desmond Tutu and the Rights of the Child.* This interactive service will feature some of the words and thoughts of Nobel Peace Prize Winner Desmond Tutu, and will offer an introduction to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Shannon Green will lead this service. People of all ages are encouraged to attend.

March 2: *The Third Great Awakening?* Paul Oakley will lead this service.

March 9: David Breeden, Intern Minister at Eliot Chapel, will speak to us this morning.

MVUUF is a lay-led congregation. Fellowship services are planned and/or led by fellowship members. If you are interested in planning or leading any future service please contact a member of the programming committee (Glenda Eubanks, Shannon Green, or Paul Oakley). Thank you!

Upcoming Events:

All listed events are held at the fellowship building and are open to the public unless stated otherwise. Please email information@mtvernonuuf.org for information about any service or event.

February 5th: *Illinois Primary Election Day.* Remember to vote at your regular polling place!

February 6th @ 6:30 p.m.: *Board of Trustees Meeting.* Board of Trustees members: Nina Peacock: Cochair; Luke Crawford: Cochair; Glenda Eubanks: Cochair; Paul Oakley: Treasurer; Adam Stone: Secretary. The board meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30. Open to anyone interested in fellowship business.

February 8 @ 7:00 p.m.: *Drum Circle.* Bring your drum to the fellowship for a drum circle and friendly gathering. Drummers of all experience (or no experience) are invited to attend. Future drum circle gatherings will be held on the first Friday of each month.

February 17th @ 11:45 a.m.: *The Religious Education Committee Meeting.* The committee will meet to discuss plans and goals for children's programming in 2008. The RE committee plans to meet in the RE classroom on the 3rd Sunday of each month following social hour.

February 20th @ 6:30 p.m.: *Open Minds Discussion: The Story of Stuff.* A 20 minute DVD will be shown, and discussion will follow. Open Minds meets the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

February 28th @ 6:30 p.m.: *Meditation Group.* Emphasizes the use of guided meditation and visualization with time for reflection and discussion following the meditation. Meditation Group meets the last Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Look for an announcement about upcoming membership meetings. Having a quorum at these meeting is important to ensure the fellowship's ability to make decisions. The Board of Trustees will be making announcements soon about upcoming meeting dates.

Other MVUUF Matters:

Considering Membership? Please ask a Board of Trustees member for a prospective member folder.

Treasury Matters: Financial contributions may be made in the offering basket located on the round table at the back of our sanctuary. If you would like to mail contributions instead of putting them in the offering basket, you may mail them to: MVUUF, 1600 Isabella, Mt. Vernon, IL, 62864. Please make checks payable to MVUUF. If you would like your offering to be used for a specific purpose, please clearly mark that purpose on the memo line on your check or on the envelope in which you place your offering.

UU Matters Newsletter Submissions: Like the new streamlined version of UU Matters? Future MVUUF Newsletters will follow a similar format. If you have news or notices that you would like placed in upcoming editions of UU Matters, please send them to information@mtvernonuuf.org by the 15th of each month, for inclusion in the next month's newsletter.

Fellowship Contact Information: If you are looking for more information about the Mt. Vernon Unitarian Universalist Fellowship or would like to be added to our mailing list, you can do so in the following ways:

- ▶ By Mail: The Mt. Vernon Unitarian Universalist Fellowship 1600 Isabella Mt. Vernon, IL 62864
- ▶ By Phone: (618) 241-9644. Please leave a voice mail message.
- ▶ By visiting our website:
www.mtvernonuuf.org
- ▶ by emailing our fellowship:
information@mtvernonuuf.org
- ▶ (MVUUF Board of Trustees members can be reached using the fellowship voice mail or email)

Thanks to all who helped with the planning and implementation of Winterfaith! And Thank you to all who joined us for these special services. We welcomed many new faces over the last two months, and hope to see every one of you again soon!



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