



Sunday Programs for November and December

Services start at 10:30am at 122 Harris Street, Guelph www.guelph-unitarians.com 519-836-3443
We have Spiritual Development programs for children 4 and older, and childcare for younger children.

November 6th (Pod 1) RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Rituals and traditions connect us to each other and to our broader community. They also help us define ourselves and our families, and communicate our values to our children. As we move towards the holiday season many of us wonder how we can create and sustain family traditions that honour our 7 principles. Karen McKay will speak about some of her family's traditions and her attempts to incorporate traditions of the dominant culture while creating meaningful new ones.

Service Leader: Emily Nootchai

Speaker: Karen McKay

November 13th (Pod 2) CELEBRATING OUR DIVERSITY THROUGH SONG

We are happy to welcome back the Rainbow Chorus of Waterloo Wellington. This group of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Trans, and Straight singers, will be joining us to share songs, as well as stories of their personal journeys.

Service Leaders: Margie Johnson

November 20th (Pod 3) WORLD RELIGIONS

JW Windland is a comparative mythologist and founder of the Encounter World Religions Centre, an internationally recognized educational organization designated as a "Gift Of Service To The World" by the Parliament of World Religions. JW will be joining us to talk about his experiences and gathered wisdom from his journey

Service leader: Ryan McKay-Michael

Speaker: JW Windland

November 27th (Pod 4) THE COMMONS

In 1968, Garret Hardin suggested that common resources were unsustainable in the face of individual exploitation and his article has become a bromide for the argument that private ownership is necessary to "protect" property. Hardin's parable (for it is that) has some obvious validity. However, the article appeared in the Journal Science, and, like much of the discourse of economics, makes a dubious because totalizing truth claim for its insight. This talk will consider Hardin's parable in light of the question of what it means to allow crucial debates on resource allocation to take place in terms defined by economists.

Unitarians, Diggers, Ranters and any rational wealth maximizers are welcome.

Speaker: Charles Davidson

December 4th (Pod 1) Day of Remembrance and Action against Violence against Women and Children

Day of Remembrance and Action against Violence against Women and Children, December 6 is the anniversary of the murder of 14 female engineering students in Montreal in 1989. The murderer explicitly named them as targets because he saw them as feminists. The shock of that event has sparked action ever since. Please come to hear Jessica St. Peter, Public Educator Guelph- Wellington Women in Crisis.

Service Leader: Linda Reith

December 11th (Pod 2) LIVING THE PRINCIPLES DAILY

Join Mel as she shares experiences from a month of focused awareness and practice of our 7 principals. She will be offering inspiration, insight and the opportunity to deepen individual spirituality through a month long e-principals program that sends daily meditation messages and a focus on each principal, encouraging daily and intentional practice.

Service Leader: Esta Spalding

December 18th (Pod 3) YULE

This Earth-based celebration will involve all the generations as we honour the Winter Solstice or Yule, the shortest day and longest night of the year.

Service Leaders: Georgina Noel & Lorna Wylsun

December 25th (Pod 4) CHRISTMAS

Coffee and muffins and a discussion circle: what Christmas meant to you, growing up - whether your family was Christian or not.

Facilitated by Nancy Schmidt and Harold Chapman

(who had very divergent experiences).

No childcare (or carols).

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE UNITARIAN CONGREGATION OF GUELPH

The Unitarian Congregation of Guelph is a spiritual community that is deeply rooted in Unitarian Universalist principles which provide a spiritual basis for ethical living. We celebrate diversity and affirm each individual. We support social and environmental justice through a democratic process. We welcome all seekers of truth and meaning in to our religious community.

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The UCG News

is the newsletter published regularly by the Unitarian Congregation of Guelph
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Typed, handwritten or phoned-in submissions are always welcome, as are contributions by e-mail to admin@guelph-unitarians.com or telephone 519-836-3443. **Items for our next newsletter are due December 15, 2011.**

In an effort to save trees and money, we are e-mailing as many newsletters as possible.

COMING EVENTS

November 2 nd - Chant Club	7:45pm
November 3 rd - Stone Soup	12:30pm
November 5 th - Soap Making Workshop	1:00pm
November 6 th - Sunday Service	10:30am
November 6 th - Mindfulness Community of Guelph	4:00pm
November 7 th - Community Meditation	8:00pm
November 8 th - Coffee, Chat and Community (Planet Bean, Grange Location)	12:30pm
November 13 th - Sunday Service	10:30am
November 14 th - Community Meditation	8:00pm
November 17 th - Stone Soup	12:30pm
November 18 th - Chalice Café	7:30pm
November 19 th - Dream Auction	7:00pm
November 20 th - Sunday Service	10:30am
November 20 th - Mindfulness Community of Guelph	4:00pm
November 21 st - Community Meditation	8:00pm
November 26 th - Games Night	6:30pm
November 27 th - Yoga	9:00am
November 27 th - Sunday Service	10:30am
November 27 th - Wreath Making Workshop	1:00pm
November 28 th - Community Meditation	8:00pm
December 1 st - Stone Soup	12:30pm
December 4 th - Yoga	9:00pm
December 4 th - Sunday Service	10:30am
December 4 th - Mindfulness Community of Guelph	4:00pm
December 5 th - Community Meditation	8:00pm
December 7 th - Chant Club	12:30pm
December 11 th - Yoga	
December 11 th - Sunday Service	10:30am
December 11 th - Holiday Centerpiece Workshop	1:00pm
December 12 th - Community Meditation	8:00pm
December 13 th - Coffee, Chat and Community (Planet Bean, Grange Location)	12:30pm
December 15 th - Stone Soup	12:30pm
December 16 th - Chalice Café	7:30pm
December 18 th - Yoga	9:00am
December 18 th - Sunday Service	10:30am
December 18 th - Crafts, Bake Sale and Community	1:00pm
December 18 th - Clothing Swap	1:00pm
December 18 th - Mindfulness Community of Guelph	4:00pm
December 19 th - Community Meditation	8:00pm
December 24 th - Pajama Sing along	7:00pm

All events are held at UCG unless otherwise noted

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FROM THE CENTRE OF THE WEB – A Message from Our President

Curious?

FROM OUR SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

Dear Friends,

What an amazing Fall kick off!!! It has been wonderful to see familiar and new faces in our growing, energetic community. Our programming is in full swing with excellent learning and social opportunities for children, teens, adults and families!!! Our Fall apple Crisp fun'raiser was a great success and we have some wonderful festive workshops coming up in the next few months including festive yoga (offered by myself for those looking to destress and reflect), soap, wreath and center piece making workshops and a wonderful holiday craft sale and social with music and hot apple cider on December 18th!!!



A personal thank you to the community of UCG for the kind generosity, support and friendship as I walk with my mom on her journey with an advanced stage cancer diagnosis. This experience has been challenging and filled with learning, richness and love as well as a growing personal awareness of the rich blessing the once thought of as "mundane" things in life offer. I am learning that for me these challenging times are also the richest times where I see love, honesty, peace, friendship and community as well as beautiful acts of kindness and community. I feel deeply honored to be a part of such a wonderful community.

Somewhere between last September and now after joining you at UCG came a deep desire to grow deeper spiritually using our 7 principles and sources. What began as a personal one month practice has grown into a 30 day e-principles program that I look forward to sharing with those interested for the month of January. Essentially, it is an individual daily study of the principles, sent via email that focuses on a different principle and practice each day to increase awareness of the principles and ideally to notice the life changing experiences that can happen by choosing to follow them, daily. After the month long practice, there will be an opportunity to meet together over a potluck meal to talk about our experiences/discoveries over the past month! I look forward to sharing December 11th during service some of the magical and awakening experiences I discovered during this month long focused practice on our 7 principles.

Much Peace,
Mel Horvath-Lucid

A NOTE FROM JANE



Hello UCG,

What a great fall we have had! The children's program has been buzzing with fun, singing, creativity and discussion! We have been traveling around the world learning about different religions, symbols and cultures through song, stories and crafts!

We have also been learning all about our 7 principles through song, discussion and action. This season we will be doing a few social justice projects and learning all about how people celebrate the holiday season all over the world.

Look for our new children's board in the sunshine room to get to know all of the wonderful souls we have in our children / junior youth / nursery programs! Our kids really do shine!

Jane

UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

Soap Making Workshop

Saturday, November 5th, 1:00 at UCG

Cold Pressed Soap Making Workshop -Come and learn the traditional process of making soaps! Would you like to make soaps for your family's use, or to give as gifts? Interested in using more natural soaps without artificial fragrances or harsh chemicals? Workshop participants will participate in the process from start to finish, review materials and equipment required to make soap, and come away with sample bars from 3 different batches, perfect for holiday gifts. Cost: \$35 includes all supplies and sample bars. This is a fund-raising event! Feel free to invite friends or neighbours, but sign up soon as space is limited. Due to the nature of soap making, this is an adults only workshop. For more information, please contact Karen McKay at 519-835-3188

Dream Auction

Saturday November 19th, 7:00 at UCG

This year's Dream Auction is fast approaching! Can you cook a mean chili? Donate a "Chili Night"! Can you play an instrument? Donate a private concert! Sew a quilt, cook a meal, host a party, offer a service or skill... if you can dream it, you can donate it! When you arrive at the Dream Auction you can make a donation to support UCG and will be given "Unibucks" to bid on items with. Everyone will get the same amount of Unibucks – let the bidding begin! To offer an item to bid on at our Dream Auction, please contact Steve Chovaz at schovaz@hy-mark.ca.

And don't forget to mark the date on your calendars! This year's Dream Auction will be held on November 19th, doors open at 7:00!

Games Night

Saturday, November 26th 6:30pm-? At UCG

Join host's Karen and Andrew for a night of gaming for all. We will have children's games set up in the Sunshine room and family/adult focused games in the front room. Several games will be going on at the same time so there is something for everyone!! Euchre, Settler's of Catan, Snakes and Ladders, Texas Hold Em, get-to-know-you games, and any games that you bring along!!!! Please bring a snack to share and come out for this fun community event. For more information contact Mel coordinator@guelph-unitarians.com.

Yoga Festive Series on Gratitude, Compassion and Generosity

Sunday Nov 27th, Dec 4th, 11th and 18th 9:00am-10:00am at UCG

During the hustle and buzzing of the festive season we can sometimes lose sight of our spirit, dreams and centre of joy, love and peace. This festive season consider joining Mel for a 4 week journey into self strengthening inner balance and uncovering peace, compassion and generosity beginning with self. There is no cost to this program and it is appropriate for all fitness levels and physical abilities. Registration is required to ensure that resource materials and space can be planned for. For more information or to register, contact Mel coordinator@guelph-unitarians.com

Seasonal Wreath Making Workshop

Sunday, November 27th, 1:00pm at UCG

Come gather together for fun and community as we make beautiful seasonal wreaths for the home. Details: \$20.00 per person (This is a fun'raising event!) Contact: Space is limited! To sign up, please contact Janet Colley (janetcolley@hotmail.com) or Nancy Schmidt (nschmidt@uoguelph.ca)

Holiday Centerpiece Making Workshop

Sunday, December 11th, 1:00pm at UCG

Holiday centerpieces season wreaths for the home. Details: \$20.00 per person (This is a fun'raising event!) Contact: Space is limited! To sign up, please contact Janet Colley (janetcolley@hotmail.com) or Nancy Schmidt (nschmidt@uoguelph.ca)

Craft and Bake Sale and Community!

Sunday, December 18th, after the service at UCG

Bake and craft sale, clothing swap, apple cider, snacks and music. Dec 18th after service at UCG Join us for a heart warming community event. Sip on some apple cider, purchase from our bake sale, bring some clothing to swap and enjoy some music, community and friendship! For more information or to donate contact Mel coordinator@guelph-unitarians.com

Children's Clothing Swap

December 18th, after service in the basement at UCG

A great opportunity to clean out your children's closets before Christmas, exchange your too small/unused clothes with other UCG parents and come away with some new swag. There is no cost associated with participation. Simply bring the clothes that you are looking to find a new home for and then pick and choose to your heart's content. We do ask that the clothes be stain-free and in good repair. At the end of the swap, you are welcome to gather up any of your unexchanged clothes and take them home OR if you chose you can leave them, as a donation, to be sold at a Mom 2 Mom sale with the proceeds benefiting the UCG. Any clothes remaining after the Mom 2 Mom sale will be donated to a local clothing closet. Reduce, Recycle, Reuse, Redistribute. For more information contact Katie: chehowy_katie@hotmail.com

Pajama Party Sing-along for Xmas Eve/ Solstice / Chanukah

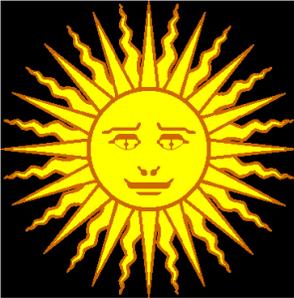
December 24th 7:00pm at UCG

Join us for some fun at a comfortable pajama party sing-along with your favorite songs, carols and stories. Celebrate the many seasonal traditions of Unitarians, Christmas, Solstice, Chanukah and more. Wear your PJs and slippers! Bring your teddy bears and stuffies! Munch popcorn and sip hot chocolate. Kids, bring your instruments and play your favorite tune. Tell your favorite story or sing your favorite song. Call Paul at 519-767-1033 or email paul@nancyandpaul.com to volunteer to play an instrument or tell a story.

GREENING UCG

UCG is walking the walk when it comes to the 7th Principle: Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

Check out some of the “green” projects that have been happening around the congregation this summer!



Solar Panel Update!

On Friday September 16th the UCG solar project was launched. With the flip of a switch our panels began producing power. This seventh principle initiative was celebrated in a special ceremony on Sept 18th. In addition to many members of the congregation, the ceremony was attended by MP Frank Valeriote, MPP Liz Sandals and Mayor Karen Farbridge. For a slideshow of the solar panels being erected and of the ceremony, go to <http://www.slideshare.net/Wagovan/ucg-solar-from-zero-to-zander>

To date our congregation has produced more than 1000 kWh, earned more than \$800, and offset electricity produced by coal, nuclear, hydro and gas by feeding green energy onto the Ontario power grid. You can check on the power production of our panels at any time at <http://enlighten.enphaseenergy.com/public/systems/h3Bf30871>

There were many people involved in making the UCG solar project happen. Special thank you's go to the following:

- Harold Chapman – for doing the entire behind the scenes unglamorous work and frequently meeting with contractors at the congregation.
- Steve Chovaz – for navigating all of the financial hurdles and for coordinating the debenture program.
- Charles Davidson – for donating his legal expertise and covering legal costs for the project.
- Helen Prinold – for her leadership on the UCG board during the initial phase of the project.
- Warren Yates- for getting the Envoy system hooked up so we can see what our panels are doing online.
- Rick McBay, Dave Huitema (the installers and electricians with Faromor) for their excellent work.
- Steve Dyce from Guelph Hydro – for helping us navigate the process of connecting to the grid.
- Members of the Congregation- for financing \$45,000 of the project costs through the debenture program.
- The staff of UCG- meeting with contractors and for all of their support.
- Lorna and the current board for enthusiastically tackling the celebration of the solar project, and using their creativity to make the solar celebration special.
- Many others whose advice and expertise helped to make the project happen- it takes a community to make change!!

New: UCG Going Greener Committee

From low-flush toilets to earthy poetry: Are you interested in discussing how we can put our seventh "environmental" principle into spiritual and practical practice? Possible ideas so far include developing children's programming around our new solar panels, going for greening sacred spaces certification, doing an energy audit of our building, installing bike racks, doing workshops on connection to nature....the possibilities are endless. To add your own ideas and to help direct this committee's energy, please email Katie Gad- katiegad@hotmail.com with your ideas and what times of the week you are available to meet.

FROM THE COMMITTEES OF THE UCG

SUNDAY SERVICES

If you want the joy of working with creative minds and enthusiastic people, join this committee. Emails with constructive suggestions and offers of help fly. We have to hustle to make to newsletter deadlines, but we get there in a supportive, cooperative way. Committee Members are: Esta Spalding, Georgina Noel, Maria Chovas, Ryan Michael, Margie Johnson, Harold Chapman, Mel Horvath, Charles Davidson and Linda Reith. If you have ideas or suggestions, please speak to one of us. If you want something to go differently than it is, speak to us too.

Blessings. Linda Reith

MEMBERSHIP

We will soon be updating the UCG Membership Directory! Please look at the Directory and check your information to see if it is correct or if you need to be added. If there are any changes that need to be made, please email them to admin@guelph-unitarians.com. It will be reprinted next in the fall of 2011.

The membership committee is flourishing. We are 5 members – each with unique and wonderful ideas. We try to meet at least monthly. We welcome your ideas and input!

LAY CHAPLAINCY

Lay Chaplains are members of our congregation who perform rites of passage for members and the community at large. The role provides wonderful opportunities for creative ritual building and meaningful dialogue with individuals and families who seek out our lay chaplains to celebrate the significant milestones in their lives. Being there for a family with the loss of a loved one, calming a nervous couple before their long-awaited ceremony, experiencing the immense joy of parenthood during a child dedication...all of these moments expand one's own spiritual base and lift one above the ordinary.

We are currently recruiting new chaplains!

For an application or more information please contact Deirdre Yates, Chair, Lay Chaplaincy Committee, deeyates@gmail.com, 519-766-0523..

SUPPORT NETWORK (CARING COMMITTEE)

The Caring Committee meets throughout the year to discuss the ways in which we can continue to branch out and create supportive linkages in our community. If you're going through a tough time, there are people in our community who are willing to help with a ride, dog-walking, meals etc. If you are curious about how we might help, to offer help or for more information, please call or email Mel Horvath 519-276-2527 or coordinator@guelph-unitarians.com

Currently the Caring Committee is comprised of Joan Rentoul, Elaine Bradshaw, Mel Horvath, Janet Colley and Amanda Waddington, we welcome new members. We meet 3-6 times a year to discuss all things related to caring at the UCG!

If you'd like to join in on a meeting, please let us know!

JOIN A POD!

New Year, New Pods! Join a Pod!

But what does a Pod do?

Our Hospitality Pods put on the coffee, boil the water for some tea, and bring a snack to share with the congregation. For clean-up they make sure there is some lovely warm, soapy water in the sink for people to wash up their dishes with. They wash out the coffee pot and finish up any leftover dishes, and then give the coffee table a quick wipe!

To sign up for a pod or to be put on the back-up pod please see the Fairy Pod Mother aka Dee Yates.

With Love and Good Wishes,

The Fairy Pod Mother

LGBTI SUPPORT COMMITTEE

Would you like to be a part of a continued movement to ensure equality for all in the area of sexual and gender orientation? Create ways to continue to grow community connections and awareness? Be a part of activism to see change happen? Create and support continued opportunities for UCG as a community to be proactive offering support and creating awareness in the area of transgender person(s)? Please join us or email to let us know you would like to be on an "updates" emailing list. For more information contact: Matt Lucid at matthewlucid@yahoo.ca

ACTIVITIES OFFERED BY THE UCG

COFFEE HOUR AT PLANET BEAN (GRANGE LOCATION)

Tuesday November 8th, 12:30pm

Tuesday December 13th, 12:30pm

Come to learn and share with other UCG members!

This is a time for informal conversation, check-in and a great way to get to know the people of our community, build friendships and learn from one another. For more info, contact Mel coordinator@guelph-unitarians.com

STONE SOUP FOR CHRONIC PAIN

1st and 3rd Thursday of the Month

12:30 pm at UCG

Stone Soup meetings for those suffering from chronic emotional or physical pain are offered the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month. Come support and be supported as we create an open space to be heard and nurtured. Each gathering will allow sharing, followed by a bowl of soup and conversation. Please bring an ingredient to add to the pot of surprise soup! Bread and crackers are also welcome. No childcare provided.

CHALICE CAFÉ

November 18th and December 16th, 7:30 at UCG

Everyone is invited! Sponsored by the UCG and hosted by members of the Guelph Unitunz musical group, join us for a song circle. Bring your voices, your instruments and your songs to join in the jam or just sit back and hum along. Everyone who wants to gets a chance to lead us in a song. Come for a bit or stay for a while. This is a welcoming event. For more information, please contact Paul Smith at 519-767-1033 or email chalicecafe@nancyandpaul.com

COMMUNITY MEDITATION

Mondays 8:00pm at UCG

This is a time to gather in silent practice, whether in Buddhist meditation, Christian contemplation, self-healing visualizations and everything in-between. We sit for 30 minutes and then end with 10 minutes of a guided loving-kindness practice. Everyone is welcome to drop in. This is not a meditation course so there will be no formal instructions, but guidance can be offered as needed. Suggested donation: \$2-5.

MINDFULNESS COMMUNITY OF GUELPH

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month – 4:00 to 6:00pm at UCG

Mindfulness is the energy of being aware and awake to the present moment. It is the continuous practice of

touching life deeply in every moment of daily life. To be mindful is to be truly alive, present and at one with those around you and with what you are doing.

We begin with a guided sitting meditation, walking meditation and silent meditation. We will then share a teaching from Thich Nhat Hanh and listen deeply to one another as we share what is on our hearts. This is a community practice that strengthens not only our formal meditation practice but also our ability to live in awareness and joy day by day. For more information, please contact Lisa Lindsay at 519-766-0910.

CHANT CLUB

First Wednesday of the Month 7:45 at UCG

The Guelph Unitarians are pleased to provide a home for the Guelph Chant Club. It meets the first Wednesday of every month at 7:45pm and goes through an eclectic mix of chants from all the worlds spiritual traditions---with a "world beat" groove. For more information, contact Dennis Gaumont: dgomo@golden.net

UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND THE CONGREGATION

Don't forget to mark your calendars!

This year's Dream Auction will be held on Saturday, November 19th at UCG!

Doors open at 7:00pm. This is a yearly fun'raising event that you don't want to miss!

FUN'DRAISING UPDATE

This season fun'raising is in full swing! From creative workshops to our amazing Dream Auction, there is something for everyone! If you have any questions or have anything to donate to the auction, contact Steve Chovaz at 519-766-1965

COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Thank you for using the collection envelopes – we send tax receipts to everyone who, over the year, makes a contribution to the UCG greater than \$10. There is no need to fill out your complete address if you are already on our list – all we need is a name on the envelope.

BRING YOUR SUNDAY DONATIONS

The Welcome-in Drop-in Centre on Gordon Street is a haven and a caring community for homeless persons, those suffering from mental illness, isolation and economic marginalization. Please help us give back to our community by bringing a contribution for the Centre. Non-perishable food is easiest and coats and blankets are also appreciated. They will also use your Zehrs tapes and cheques are always welcome. Your old glasses and cell phones also are donated to a good cause.

DONATE ONLINE...

Just a reminder that your pledged donation can be made online at www.guelph-unitarians.com by clicking on the link at the bottom of the homepage. Charitable receipts will be issued for all donations.

PARKING ON SUNDAYS

Please note that Ferra Flooring is happy to allow us to use their parking lot on Sundays. Perhaps the earlier arrivals or physically able could use the Ferra lot, leaving the church lot for those less able? Thank you!

BUILDING RENTALS

Interested in renting UCG for your event or as a meeting space? UCG is available for both short and long term rentals in the day and evening. For more information, or to book a rental, please contact Jane at admin@guelph-unitarians.com

EMAIL LIST

To get on our email list to receive weekly emails about what is going on in the UCG community, email a request to Jane at admin@guelph-unitarians.com or fill out an information form at the welcome table.

Update on the Melancthon Mega-Quarry: What's Up with the Quarry

What's Up With the Quarry?

The current site of activism is pressure on the federal government to call for a federal or joint provincial-federal environmental assessment. There are two ways to participate.

1. We have copies of a petition created by MP David Tilson asking for a federal Environmental Assessment. Sign the copy in the sunshine room and/or take extra copy from the Sunshine Room and get other signatures. Or, download your own copy from Tilson's website:

<http://www.davidtilson.ca/left-icons/default>

2. We have postcards directed to the Peter Kent, Federal Minister of the Environment, asking for a federal EA. Sign the cards, and leave them for me to mail. Or, take a pile of cards and gather more signatures.

In both cases, the mail is going to a House of Commons office, and so no postage is needed. Thanks in advance for the help.

**Don't Forget the
Dream Auction on
November 19th!**

**We will see you
there!**

