

## From the Minister

### (Inter)cultural Competence



Summer travel, holiday changes in daily routines, or even extended family visits bring different people together. If you are fortunate enough to travel to a foreign country, you likely will experience different languages, customs, foods, landscapes, and values. A willingness to communicate effectively and appropriately with people of other cultures is intercultural or cross-cultural competence. This skill requires respect, openness, curiosity and discovery. It means a readiness to risk and move beyond your comfort zone to better understand another person, their experiences and their culture.

Intercultural competence is not just for exotic travel but an attitude to adopt for going about our daily lives. It should be at the core of Hope's hospitality and our commitment to welcoming diversity.

Consider each human who crosses your path (yes, including those you might share a house or apartment with) as a fellow traveler from an exotic land. We all are a culmination of individual backgrounds and experiences; we are a nation of one. As Walt Whitman observes in his famous poetic meditation "Song of Myself," "I am large, I contain multitudes."

Each conversation this summer (and beyond) is an opportunity to practice intercultural competence. It is a lifelong development for ongoing reflection and assessment of ourselves and of all others. At its heart, cross-cultural competence is the religious discipline of humility and the willingness to see the world through the heart of another. It increases the internal traits of flexibility, adaptability, and empathy.

Happy journeying, whether it is to a far-away realm or next door to see a neighbor. May you find new vistas within others and within yourself.

Joyfully,



Rev. Cathey Edwards  
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## June Sunday Services

**Sunday Worship  
11am - Sanctuary**

**Sunday, June 4  
“Start Where You are”  
The Rev. Cathey Edwards**

**Sunday, June 11  
“Drew's Maher's UU MixTape ”  
Drew Maher &  
The Rev. Cathey Edwards**

**Sunday, June 18  
“What Fathers Teach”  
The Rev. Cathey Edwards**

**Sunday, June 25  
Guest Minister  
Julie Conrady**

**Sunday, July 2  
Guest Minister  
The Rev. Doug Inhofe**

## June's Monthly Theme: Acceptance

Accepting reality, in all its totality, is a challenge. It may not matter if that moment in reality is wonderful or terrible, accepting it is not easy. Accepting the death and permanence of someone takes years, decades. Accepting incredible luck, say winning the lottery, is just as life altering and difficult. (Research shows, winning the lottery can ruin people's lives <sup>1</sup>.) Most of life is acceptance of the moment to moment shifts in our day.

Acceptance is not resignation or detachment, it is a willingness to be present to what reality brings—all events and actions outside you by others and all thoughts and feelings within. If you are of a scientific inclination, acceptance is deliberately receiving all possible data in each moment.

We will explore together the notion of acceptance as a religious foundation and as a value embedded in our Unitarian Universalist Third Principle, “acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations.”

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.daveramsey.com/blog/how-the-lottery-can-ruin-your-life> or <https://mic.com/articles/132046/here-s-5-people-whose-lives-were-ruined-after-they-won-the-lottery#.xm465Gb55>

### Acceptance

When the spent sun throws up its rays on cloud  
And goes down burning into the gulf below,  
No voice in nature is heard to cry aloud  
At what has happened. Birds, at least must know  
It is the change to darkness in the sky.  
Murmuring something quiet in her breast,  
One bird begins to close a faded eye;  
Or overtaken too far from his nest,  
Hurrying low above the grove, some waif  
Swoops just in time to his remembered tree.  
At most he thinks or twitters softly, 'Safe!  
Now let the night be dark for all of me.  
Let the night be too dark for me to see  
Into the future. Let what will be, be.'  
—Robert Frost

### About Our Monthly Themes

Our monthly themes express Hope Church's openness to theological exploration. They are not an endorsement of any particular creed or belief. Instead, they provide a monthly opportunity to examine in common a religious doctrine or idea.

Hope Church is a questioning community. It is a safe place to bring doubt and new ideas. This month we are exploring Acceptance together. Join us!



## Children and Youth Programs

Susan Spooner, Director, [susan@hopeuu.org](mailto:susan@hopeuu.org)

**CYP Committee Members:** Laura Reiman (Chair), Paula Haight, Kerri Vandiver, Ann Lee, Susan Farma Hai, Lee Ann Tolle

*Childcare is available during all church events, committee meetings and Board meetings. If you need childcare during a church activity, please email [childcare@hopeuu.org](mailto:childcare@hopeuu.org) at least 2 business days before the event.*

### Religious Education for Children and Youth

**Sundays 10:00 am—12:00 pm**

Religious education is focused on the theme of the month as well as curriculum designed to help Hope's young ones discover answers to life's big questions. The curriculum includes chapel, religious education about Unitarian Universalism and other faiths, art, nature and outdoor experiences. Parents are always welcome to join their children in our religious exploration.

### "It Is What It Is: A Meditation on Acceptance"

Who would have thought the unconditional love you feel could bring on this myriad of emotions that come with the people that occupy your heart and mind? From joy beyond description to deep despair, how to describe the emotions that live with us because of the loved ones in our lives escapes us. We want only the best for them but we know life will prevail no matter our wishes. We complicate each other's lives and still, we welcome others into our lives willingly.

Family and friends are an essential part of a healthy life, but relationships can be complicated. One's best intentions can lead to misunderstanding and fractured relationships. Friends fall away because of their own life paths. People bring issues into our lives that we cannot accept in our own life. Covenants are made and broken. Love is and is not enough.

This life we live is complicated. While the path seems clear, the journey takes us to places that are unexpected. There is struggle we did not anticipate. Lessons are presented and we choose whether or not to learn from them. Questions go unanswered. Pain is unavoidable.

Still, life is wondrous and the joy is worth the struggle. In fact, life is enriched by struggle when we choose to learn and grow. The battle of "life is not fair" cannot be won. Maybe the road to a happy life is accepting what life brings despite our plans, hopes and dreams and changing our course accordingly.

C'est la vie.

**Susan Spooner**

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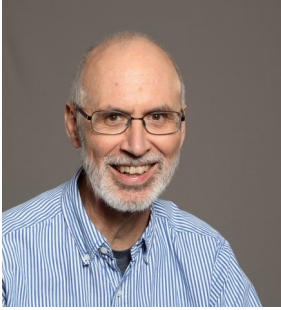
### Playground Progress

You may have noticed the playground is "different". Yes, we have taken down old equipment, soon to be replaced with new swings and other fun stuff. The plan is to add swings for everyone...from the very young to our more mature congregants. (Yes, YOU are invited to use the playground as the spirit moves you!) We are shopping for a "big toy" for the older children to climb on, as well as some outdoor tables and landscaping to create an outdoor games area. We will have lots of work to do. We hope you can join us in the planning, work or enjoying this delightful outdoor space. If you are interested in helping, please contact **Laura Reiman**.

### 24 Hours of Hope – A Youth Event

**June 16 at 7:00 pm** Hope's youth and youth advisors will occupy the Hill for 24 hours of fun, spiritual practice and social justice. Yes, we will spend the night learning about each other and ourselves, intentionally building a better community with each other. Participating youth must be known to the church and agree to live by covenant during our time together. We need adult volunteers to support this event. Please contact **Susan Spooner** for details.

## Music Notes



The Hope Singers, the official choir for Hope Unitarian Church, are taking their summer break until we resume in August, although many of them will still lift up their voices in our midst each Sunday.

I am very grateful for the dedication of our choir members, their passion for singing, their great sense of fun, and their love of community. It is such a joy to work with them and make music together for Hope Church.

Although the choir will be on break, we will continue to enjoy the musical gifts of our pianist **Chris Powell**, now newly graduated from the University of Tulsa with a degree in Piano Performance, and our vocal soloist **Larry Sharp**, the silver voice of Broadway (and Beyond!).

We will also welcome several guest musicians to Hope, thanks to Hope's generous support of our music program. Among our guest musicians will be violinist **Maureen O'Boyle**, pianist **Ann Raphael**, cellist **Diane Bucchianeri**, and guitar-piano duo **William Bajzek and Angeline LeLeux-Bajzek**.

I will continue to participate and coordinate the service music each Sunday during the summer. It is an honor to serve Hope through music, and I look forward this summer to continuing to enjoy our love for music and singing as we worship together each Sunday on the Hill.

**Joseph Rivers**, Director of Music,  
[joseph.rivers@hopeuu.org](mailto:joseph.rivers@hopeuu.org)

### Children & Youth Program

#### Childcare Help Wanted

Our children need loving adults and teens (14 and older) to care for them on Sunday mornings and during church events. Paid staff and volunteer positions are available.

Please contact **Susan Spooner**, [susan@hopeuu.org](mailto:susan@hopeuu.org) if you or someone you know is interested in filling this vital need.

## Adult Forum

### Sundays, 10:00 am, in the Sanctuary

#### June 4—Generosity Sunday.

Our Generosity recipient for June is CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates). **Sarah Seekins** will speak to us about this organization and the important work it is doing for the children in our community.

**June 11—Take Control Initiative** is about providing an informational, educational approach to empowering women with resources so that they can make the best decisions for themselves and their families.

**June 18—Stand Down for Homeless Veterans** is a yearly undertaking to give those without homes items to help them get through the winter, as well as connect with services.

**June 25—Glenn Visher** will lead a discussion on the history of Humanism.

**Please contact Chris Anrig**, Adult Religious Education Chair, at [cmnrig@hotmail.com](mailto:cmnrig@hotmail.com) for additional information.

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## Thank You Notes

Remember those thank you notes we wrote during the Sunday service on May 21? Many people wrote a general thank you note to the church. Here are some of those notes. More next month.

“Thank you for not making me believe what I really can't.”

“I am thankful for the kind and warm welcome I was given here. I also give thanks for the fact that you have coffee.”

“I am thankful for the beautiful grounds of the church and the members who maintain this beauty. I am appreciative of the messages given by Rev. Cathey and how they inspire me. I am blessed every time I make an appearance at Hope Church for the warm greetings and wonderful members for their kind words and smiles

“Am thankful for all the new members here at Hope.”

“Thank you for being a very inclusive church”

# Hope Outreach

## Generosity Offering

Each Sunday, we give away ALL of the undesignated funds from our Offering. The Outreach Committee chooses organizations that support the mission of Hope Unitarian Church.

**In May we raised:  
\$1,549 For ACTION**  
Thank you for your generosity.

Below are the totals raised in previous months:

Month	Organization	\$ Amount
April	Keystone Ancient Forest	\$1,518.50
March	Meals on Wheels	\$1,425.45
February	MacArthur Elementary School	\$2,075.00
January	Habitat for Humanity	\$1,303.25

## June Generosity Recipient

### CASA

(Court Appointed Special Advocates)

Tulsa CASA is our generosity recipient for June. CASA is a national non-profit organization that trains volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children in the court system.

Tulsa CASA is authorized by Oklahoma law to speak for the best interest of children who have a DHS confirmation of abuse or neglect.

## Feed the Homeless Program

Volunteers from Hope prepare and serve a meal for clients at the **Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless** the third Saturday of every month.

Thanks to the following people who helped in **May**

- Shopper: **Keith Hamilton**
- Friday cooking: **Mary Newman**
- Meal prep and cooking: With team leader, **Maggie Scott: Helen Bordelon, Mary Gardner, Eddie Humphreys, Lynn Walters**
- Serving at the Day Center: **Mary and Matt Baird, Debby Baker, Eddie Humphreys, Rosanna Metcalfe, Lynn Walters.**

Next Feed the Homeless date is:

**Saturday, June 17, 2017**

### Volunteers Needed

2:30 pm at Hope to help cook and prepare food.  
5:00 pm at the Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless to help serve the meal.

*You can also sign up for the months ahead. Sign up sheet is in the folder on Administrator's desk.*

## Cereal Sunday

Sunday, June 11



Please bring cereal for the homeless. This cereal, along with several gallons of milk, is taken to the **Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless** every month when we prepare their meal. The collection basket is in Fellowship Hall.



## Highlights from the Board

From the meeting May 24, 2017

- The plans for an Eagle Scout project were discussed by the scout who is wishing to get his Eagle badge. The retaining wall is to be redone which is where the HVAC previous sat along with drains installed. It will be a spot which can be used for children's chapel. Next month he and his mother are to return for final plans. We need to commit to digging holes for poles for the fence.
- The board officially passed the hiring of an intern. We discussed for future annual meetings we should covenant prior to the meeting to respect others.
- Healthy congregation policies are being worked up-on to assure we have policies in place keeping children safe. There is a lot of information about this subject on the UU website and the UU insurance site.
- Rev. Cathey passed out to the board her summer schedule of time off and time out of the pulpit.
- The Letter of agreement with the minister was approved by the board.
- Next month's meeting will be a joint meeting of both the current and the future board.

**Anita Ward**

President of the Board

## For Hope Members thinking of going to The Point

(see Page 10 for details about The Point)

The Hope Foundation has funds available which can be used to help you with the cost of attending the Point. Application forms are in a basket near the Administrator's desk. Submit the form to Cate Potter who chairs the Scholarship Task Force .

## AED

(Automated External Defibrillator)



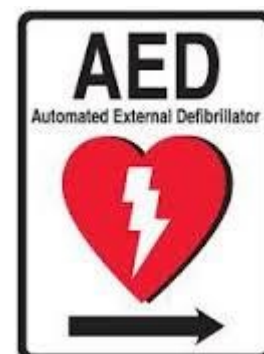
The Safety Committee, with Board approval, has purchased an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) for emergency use should anyone suffer a cardiac arrest.

It has been mounted on the wall between the restrooms near the water fountain. The device will walk whomever is providing assistance through each step of operation by voice command. Time is of the essence should an unfortunate situation of this type arise. Emergency services should be contacted IMMEDIATELY coincidental with AED treatment. This device is also safe for use on children. Literally hundreds of lives are saved each year when an AED is used.

This purchase was in accordance with the Safety Committee's commitment to enhance the safety and health of every member, friend, and guest of HOPE Church .

**Larry Sharp**

Chair of Safety Committee



## Garden and Grounds



Tulsa officially had 10.4 inches of rain in April and we have had over 9 inches more in our unofficial Hill top rain gauge so far in May (24). The pond is full and the trails are in surprisingly good shape. here are still a few native dogwood and wild roses blooming in the woods and I met a tortoise ambling along. Lizards scurried in the underbrush, the hawks called overhead and I saw the first bluebird. We have tall trees, brambles and brush, rock piles, thickets, marsh and standing stumps to host all visitors to our small woodland.

The flowers along the front walk are lovely especially the lantana now in its fourth year. They are classified as a tender perennial and it is always a fun part of springtime anticipation to see what survives the winter. We planted six

healthy plants at the same time along that bed and only this one has continued to survive and thrive - just luck as far as I can tell. I have learned that much of successful gardening is just putting a plant in the right habitat. It grows and you look smarter than you really are.

The “Monarch Waystation” milkweed is thriving in four places and starting to bloom. The baby swamp oak grown from a NY acorn has put on a three year old growth spurt with many more leaves this spring. The perennial garden is thriving with a dozen or more species each blooming in turn. (Also a gardening trick - learned that one from my dad.)

When **Rev. Cathey** prompted us to write gratitude notes recently I immediately thought of Hope Hill and all garden volunteers. The risk in thanking folks is leaving out someone and I know numerous folks just show up and do some small thing that collectively all add up to it being beautiful. Thank you. Recent appreciation goes to **Warren Cox** for hours of roadside trimming and tree limb clean up. And a Monday morning’s work **by Fred Pottorf, Barry Kinsey and Gil Saurer**, who showed up short notice to take down wind storm damaged limbs and trim dead branches and spray the weeds in the Memorial Garden. (We never use insecticides, but the only way to keep weeds and Bermuda grass out of rocks and mulch is an occasional careful dose of a selected herbicide.) On the list of those things that are mostly noticed if they are NOT done

**Gil** and I are up there a lot because it is one of our favorite places to be and gardening is what I do. We quit whenever it gets to feel like work so it never really does. Thank you to everyone who notices.

For those who have asked, the small red and yellow flowers blooming in the big rain garden are Indian Pinks (*Spigelia marilandica*), a hardy perennial.

**Janet Williamson** – Garden and Grounds



## All Church Barbeque! June 17, at 6:00 pm



Don't miss Hope's annual BBQ fest!

Rick Eagleton and crew will begin cooking Friday evening and continue all through the day on Saturday.

Along with a variety of delicious smoked meats, there will be baked beans, slaw, potato salad, toppings etc.

Soft drinks and beer will be provided with ice cream sandwiches for dessert.

Cost is \$25/adult, with children free, so plan on the fun way to celebrate Father's Day.

Please sign up (sign-up sheet on Administrator's desk) so we will have an approximate idea of how many to cook for.

## Women of Hope Opportunities

With both Co-Chair positions still open for our monthly Women of Hope get-togethers, we've come up with a new concept for those who want to speak on a specific topic and/or host one monthly meeting.

Simply get in touch with Jane Brumley ([www.murphyb3@cox.net](mailto:www.murphyb3@cox.net)) and discuss a topic you'd like to cover, or simply mention one month you would be available to host and a suggested topic would be given to you for scheduling. This will give you an opportunity to learn what hosting is like, in the event you'd like to take one of these two positions in the future. Our first event to sign up for would be in September.

Women of Hope meets the first Thursday of the month, beginning at 6:00 pm, followed by a 6:30 pm potluck and a program/speaker at 7:00 pm. It is a most enjoyable event that provides not only an opportunity to meet new people, but also offers new and valuable information on a wide variety of topics. Jane Brumley [www.murphyb3@cox.net](mailto:www.murphyb3@cox.net)

## Parent's Party Saturday, June 10 at 6:00 pm

Parents and volunteers of Hope's children, it's time for another Parent's Party!

We will have a potluck taco bar in the cabin, so please bring taco fixings, sides, and/or salsas. Also bring your preferred beverages (cerveza!).

Childcare and pizza will be provided for the children at the church.

There will be a sign up sheet in Children's RE. Please join us for good food, good conversation, and a break from your kids!

Thanks,  
**Laura Prather Reiman**





## Hope Events

*Childcare is available by rsvp at least two business days before most events. Please email [childcare@hopeuu.org](mailto:childcare@hopeuu.org) to make a reservation.*

### Brown Bag Lunch

**Meets every Thursday at 11:00 am in the RE Wing**

Bring your lunch and join us for lively discussions on current topics.

The Ethical Will/Legacy Letter Project for June is on a break. **The Rev. Cathey** will not be in town to lead. Brown Bag and its fantastic discussions will continue throughout the month on Thursdays at 11:30 am-1:00 pm.

**Claudia Vandiver** [cvgardnr@sbcglobal.com](mailto:cvgardnr@sbcglobal.com)

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### Women of the Thread

**2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 11:30 am in the log cabin**

Taking a summer break. We'll gather again in the Fall.

**Carrie Muzika**

**Deborah Whittaker**

[proenviomom@cox.net](mailto:proenviomom@cox.net)

[debsharmony@yahoo.com](mailto:debsharmony@yahoo.com)

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### Hope Book Club

**And every 1st Monday in the Log Cabin**

**Next meeting, June 5 at 6:30 pm**

We will read *Hidden Figures* by Shetterly.

Contact: **Chris Anrig** [cmanrig@hotmail.com](mailto:cmanrig@hotmail.com)

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### Women of Hope Salad Supper

**Thursday, June 1, 6:00 pm**



During the summer, Women of Hope takes a break from regular programs and we have potluck suppers at someone's home.

Our first one will be June 1 at 6:00 pm at the home of **The Rev. Cathey Edwards**. Bring a dish to share and wine is available for \$2.00.

For further information and if you need the address, contact **Jane Brumley** at 918-488-1370 or the church office.

## Breakfast on the Hill

**Sunday, June 4**

Breakfast on the Hill will continue throughout the summer months, but it will be a continental breakfast with items such



fruit, bagels and cream cheese, yogurt, juice steel-cut oatmeal (thanks to **Alice Van Wormer**). The Board of Hope Church will be in charge of breakfast on June 4.

A donation of \$5.00 per adult is requested. Children eat free.

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### Movie Night

**Tuesday, June 9, 7:00 pm**

*A Little Chaos* is a 2014 British period drama film directed by Alan Rickman. The film stars Kate Winslet, Matthias Schoenaerts, Alan Rickman, and Stanley Tucci.

After being given responsibility by King Louis XIV of France for designing and building the Gardens of Versailles, André Le Nôtre interviews candidates for the project, one of whom is a woman with an unconventional sense of gardening, Sabine de Barra. When noticing her move a potted plant in his garden prior to her interview, André confirms Sabine is not a conformist in gardening. She tells him she wants to give them something uniquely French and not follow classical and renaissance models. Of course, love and political intrigue ensue.

Come and join us for a great movie. As always, popcorn and soft drinks are provided along with discussions before and after the movie.

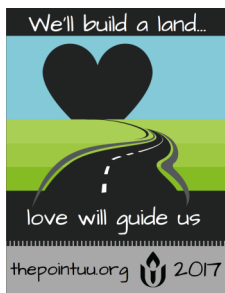
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### Hope Lunch Bunch

**Wednesday, June 21 at 11:30 am**

Our destination for Hope Lunch Bunch in June is Victoria's Tea Room at 7853 E 71st St., Tulsa. Please RSVP to Lynn Walters if you can join us, [lfwalters@aol.com](mailto:lfwalters@aol.com) or 918-893-2655





## The Point! Join us July 23-28

### What is The Point?

**The Point is a customizable Unitarian Universalist retreat for all ages.**

Imagine five days of UU covenant and community in a resort setting on the shores of Fort Gibson Lake in Oklahoma. The Point offers personal growth, faith renewal, learning opportunities, spiritual practices, community worship, music, excellent cuisine, sustainable practices, social gatherings (concerts, movie night, bingo, talent show), outdoor activities, programming for all ages and interests, and an engaging theme speaker. Each day begins with worship and ends with a fun activity, but how you spend your day is completely up to you!

Our theme speaker this year will be The Rev. Deanna Vandiver. Rev. Carlton Elliott Smith will offer our Sunset Talks. Small groups and a more relaxing schedule are coming to The Point this year!

**Rev. Cathey Edwards will be leading one of the workshops.**

For more information go to <http://w.thepointuu.org/>  
Register now at <http://fd8.formdesk.com/UUASR/ThePoint2017>

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*The Lodge at Sequoyah  
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Rev. Deanna Vandiver is a community minister in New Orleans, LA, serving as the Executive Director for the Center for Ethical Living and Social Justice Renewal ([www.celjsr.org](http://www.celjsr.org)). Since she accepted the call to ministry, she has not experienced one boring day. Good music, good food, and good friends have sustained her through heck and high water and she has a practice of gratitude for the wonders of this life.

She will lead us in exploring our 2017 theme: We'll Build a Land...Love Will Guide Us.

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## UBarU Camp and Retreat Center Looks to Enhance ADA Accessibility Through Chalice Lighter Spring Call

UBarU is a UU Camp and Retreat Center located on 142 rugged acres in a wildflower-strewn patch of the Central Texas Hill Country. Since the property was passed to us by the Quakers, we have sought to fulfill our mission "to provide a welcoming, peaceful place to gather for spiritual, educational, and recreational purposes in harmony with our UU Principles and the Land." We annually host youth camps, young adult, women's and men's retreats, astronomy weekends, contemplative retreats and even personal family reunions.

With the Chalice Lighter funding of this ADA improvements project, we look to connect parking, the Meeting House and the Campfire Circle as the daytime and evening centers of social, instructional and contemplative activities. Please go to [UBarU.org](http://UBarU.org) to donate, see site photos and get details of the project. Also, check our Facebook page to see the ongoing adventures we support: [www.facebook.com/UBarURetreat](http://www.facebook.com/UBarURetreat).

Contributions may be made via PayPal here: <http://ubaru.org/home/Support>. Please select the option "Chalice Lighter ADA Improvements Project" or by check, payable to UBarU with a memo "Chalice Lighters," mailed to UU Friends Retreat Foundation, Patricia Baillif-Treasurer, 9719 Redondo Drive, Dallas, TX 75218.

## Tulsa Pride Parade

Saturday, June 3

Come and march with Hope in the Tulsa Pride Parade! Meet at the church at 5:00 pm if you wish to carpool. Or meet us in front of the Boston Avenue United Methodist Church. We will step out at 6:00 pm. Wear your Hope T-shirt!



Ursula Andress Monroe

Please welcome our newest member

## Members' Birthdays in June

Katharine Dillsaver	8th
Laura Ezell	13th
Chri Anrig	15th
Julia Harris	16th
Cathey Sleezer	16th
Anita Wood	16th
David Tracy	17th
Fred Pottorf	25th
Jennifer Jameson	26th



## Key People

When no one is at the church, the building is locked and the security system is on. A committee of key people have keys and security clearance to open and close the building for church events. Each takes a one-week turn

### May 29-June 4

Jim Sleezer  
918-853-5114

### June 5-11

Eric Reiman  
918-407-0924

### June 12-18

David Lynn  
918-250-3677

### June 19-25

Fred Pottorf  
918-407-0924

### June 26-July 2

Jim Sleezer  
918-853-5114

### Policy for function organizers

1. First, determine if someone - attending your function can open the building.
2. Find out if church will be open/closed for another event at the same time as yours.
3. If no one is available and you need entry, contact above volunteer Key Person a few days in advance of the event.

For Hope's June Calendar  
see Hope's website  
[www.hopeuu.org](http://www.hopeuu.org)

## Focus Deadline

Submissions for Focus should be sent to [hopeuu@hopeuu.org](mailto:hopeuu@hopeuu.org) with "Focus" in the subject line and are normally due **9 am the 4th Wednesday in the month**. Submissions are subject to editing for length and content.

**The next Focus will be published July 5, 2017 . Next Deadline: 9 am, Wednesday, June 28, 2017**



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TO:

**Hope Unitarian Church is an inclusive, affirming congregation**

**Hope's Vision**

Seeking Truth, Sharing Love  
Within - Among - Beyond

**Hope's Mission**

Supporting the free and responsible search for truth and meaning;  
Teaching the history and traditions of Unitarianism;  
Promoting and defending freedom of thought;  
Celebrating life's passages;  
Serving the larger community with justice and compassion.



**Hope's Values**

Reason - Integrity - Tolerance

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