

# **DECEMBER 2010 PROGRAMS**

# **DECEMBER 5 "THE HERESY OF SEPARATENESS"**

Reverend Michael Nelson reflects, "The high-tech world we live in with its barrage of ways to stay current or distracted can leave us alone in front of a screen that can blind us to our primal connection to the seasons. It is time to ease the frantic pace, pause and find joy in simple pleasures—the connections, old and new, that bring us together." Contact Michael at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

# DECEMBER 12 GUEST SPEAKER: CARYN MIRRIAM-GOLDBERG

As a poet, writer, teacher, and facilitator, Caryn Mirriam-Goldberg celebrates and explores how the spoken, written, and sung word inspires our lives and communities. She was recently selected to be the Poet Laureate of Kansas by the Kansas Arts Commission. *Learn more about Caryn's actively creative work on page 6 of this newsletter*. Contact/convener is Michael Nelson at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

# DECEMBER 19 "LET EARTH WITH PRAISES SING"

Reverend Michael Nelson leads us to rejoice where love is found, in song, story, and music. Let us celebrate this season with our unique blend of traditions. Let us sing joy to the world! Contact Michael at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

# **DECEMBER 24 CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE**

We gather to celebrate the birth of every child, to remember the birth of Jesus, whose call to love the least among us, asks us to live our liberal call to be faithful to a love that holds us all. Join us this Christmas Eve at 7 pm, in the Main Sanctuary. Contact Reverend Michael Nelson at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

# **DECEMBER 26 HOLIDAY GATHERING**

We'll and sing a song or two and informally share our stories and thoughts from the past year. Learn more from Jennifer Askey at 317-5920 or jda127@gmail.com



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Learn more about the Welcoming Congregation initiative at www.uua.org/visitors/justicediversity/6252.shtml

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# CRAFT NIGHT!!! Join th UUFM

INTERGENERATIONAL

Join the UUFM RE Committee for a night of crafty creativity for all ages,

beginning at 6 pm, on Friday, **DEC 3**, in the Inez Alsop room. Learn more from Maria Snyder at 537-2349 or dre@uufm.net

Shared ministry and integrating wisdom from the women's



movement are two of the fellowship movement's contributions to the growth of Unitarian Universalism from 1948 to 1967. The creation of lay-led congregations more widely distributed the presence of UUism across the country. Fellowship advocates believe this national development brought vitality and innovation

that energized our liberal religion.

Those who view the fellowship movement with skepticism note that it tended to foster small, introverted, sometimes hostile groups that did not want to grow and expand the promise of UUism to the wider community. "Spirituality often gets parked outside the door" was a common trait of fellowships identified in Holley Ulbrich's book "The Fellowship Movement."

Fellowships with an expansive vision of their links to the wider movement and those who developed programs to attract new members and outreach initiatives to correct injustices both locally and globally often grew into healthy churches. Fellowships that resisted new ideas, full integration of new members and had a weak link to UU district and national activities often faltered, remained small and many died.

The promise of our Fellowship is to be a dynamic presence in the northern Flint Hills; a community where people with a diverse spiritual, intellectual, artistic and vocational backgrounds receive a warm welcome. This promise continues to challenge our Fellowship to evolve. The tension between what has been and what calls us into a bright future helps us to be sensitive to our needs as they change.

In this time when the days shorten and the nights lengthen, an inner core of friendship and love brings warmth and light to us and one another. Those with loved ones serving in Iraq and Afghanistan may find the holidays more difficult to bear. Our members and friends who serve in volatile situations need our support. For those with loved ones who have died may find this an especially dark time. Those who suffer depression may find the holiday blare difficult to bear. The children who live with a mother in a car endure hunger and cold.

For a multitude of reasons, ranging from the simple to the complex, the need for our Fellowship community to care for one another and all of life, remains crucial. To protect and enhance our rights as human beings to live without fear of being differ-

ent encourages us to express our diversity with joy. To do so deepens and extends the freedom that call on us to live our lives with true meaning and to share from the wealth that doing so reveals.

May we heed a founder of Unitarianism, William Ellery Channing's challenge: "I call that mind free which resists the bondage of habit, which does not mechanically copy the past, nor live on old virtues: but which listens for new and higher monitions of conscience and rejoices to pour itself forth in fresh and higher exertion."

May we do so with a generous heart!

Michael

### MICHAEL NELSON'S SCHEDULE

In December, Michael Nelson will be available in the Fellowship office on:

Friday, December 3 - 3 to 5 pm Monday, December 6 - 4 to 6 pm Thursday, December 9 - 5 to 7 pm Monday, December 13 - 4 to 6 pm Thursday, December 16 - 2 to 4 pm Thursday, December 23 - 2 to 4 pm Friday, December 24 - 5 to 7 pm

During office hours, Michael may be contacted at the Fellowship at 537-2349. During the final week of December, Michael will be available by appointment. Contact him at (785) 765-3650 or minister@uufm.net to arrange meetings, talk, or make appointments for other get-togethers.

# SPIRITUAL EXPLORATION

**TAKING TIME FOR THE INNER LIFE** continues this month on Monday, *December 13*, at 6:30 pm, in the Main Sanctuary.

Learn more from Michael Nelson at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

# **REFLECTIONS - MARIA SNYDER, DRE, NOVEMBER 26, 2010**

This congregation made a decision to support Religious Edu-



cation by hiring a DRE. Now 2 years after I started in this position we have come a long way. It is now time to recommit ourselves to RE and breathe some new life into the program. Over the past two years we have seen our average children's attendance increase and our kids are growing up. We have

offered some great programming and are thinking about the future. We have lost and are losing some great teachers and RE committee members, and we need some new people to join in.

Our fellowship creates community. A flourishing community is active and integrated with all age levels. Intergenerational events have been a focus in RE, from Sunday services to bowling; we encourage adults and children to grow together. I generally talk about areas of opportunity instead of issues or problems. One area of opportunity is in the integration of children into congergational life. As an interdependent web, we are connected to all of our members and all of our programs. The connections between RE and the rest of the congregation can be thin, due to Sunday school happening during service. We need some people who would like to consider what intergenerational programming we could have to continue to work on the relationship between kids and adults in our fellowship.

Additionally we need teachers, both for regular Sunday school and OWL. Our long-term goal is to have a team of two teachers in each class and rotate those teachers so that no teacher will need to commit to more than four classes during the year. To make this a reality we need lots more people who can share their time and talent. Our Whole Lives teachers need to commit more time. They will go through a training course and teach an 8 week program in the fall. We are looking for one man and one woman who are not parents of those who will be in the 4th to 6th grade OWL class. It is important that kids have other adults they feel comfortable with to ask questions.

With RE changing, we need people who will help us decide how it will change. We need to define our mission, determine our goals and create a path to achieve them. Join us in our Visioning Meetings or see me to learn how you may contribute to RE.

# Maria

Contact Maria during office hours, seen at right, at 537-2349, or contact her anytime at dre@uufm.net

### **TEENS - POPCORN THEOLOGY**

Teens, tweens, and parents are invited to join us for Popcorn Theology. Movies are contemporary selections, evoking thought and stimulating discussion. Recently viewed films have included *Willow, The Fellowship of the Ring,* and *Defending Your Life*.

Invite your friends and lets eat lots of buttery popcorn. Watch for announcements on the UUFM list serv for December movies and dates. If you do not receive list serv messages, contact Ruth Welti at welti@ksu.edu. Learn more about this film series from Maria Snyder at 537-2349 or dre@uufm.net

# MARIA SNYDER'S SCHEDULE

This month, Maria will be available in the Fellowship office on:

Thursday, December 2 - 8 am to 10 pm
Friday, December 3 - 2 to 6 pm
Thursday, December 9 - 8 am to 10 pm
Friday, December 10 - 2 to 6 pm
Thursday, December 16 - 8 am to 10 pm
Friday, December 17 - 2 to 6 pm
Thursday, December 23 - 8 am to 10 pm
Thursday, December 30 - 8 am to 10 pm

During office hours, call Maria at 537-2349, or drop by the Fellowship building. Contact Maria by email at anytime at dre@uufm.net

# **YOUTH CHOIR**

All children who love to sing are invited to join our UUFM Children's Choir. Learn more from Sarah Nuss-Warren at 537-3738 or nusswarr@gmail.com

# KEEP OUR KIDS SAFE!



Adults are reminded to be sure all matche are secured following use, safely out of reach of small, curious fingers. Kids, please give any matches to an adult!

Let's all keep our kids' safe!

# **ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**

The Men's Lunch group meets every Wednesday, at 12 noon, in the Fellowship's large RE room. Bring a desire for lively conversation and a sack lunch for yourself. Learn more from Jack Warren at 539-4073 or jomega@ksu.edu

Michael Nelson continues the adult RE class TAKING TIME FOR THE INNER LIFE on Monday, DECEMBER 13, at 6:30 pm, in the Main Sanctuary. Learn more from Michael at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net

The **Women's Lunch** group meets Wednesday, DECEMBER 8, at 11:30 am, at Kite's East. Join us for lively discussion of current events in local, national, and international news. All are invited. Learn more from Harriette Janke at 539-0865, 410-9379 (cell), or ahjanke@sbcglobal.net

The **UUFM Drum Circle** gathers on Friday, DECEMBER 10, at 7 pm, at the Fellowship. UUFM members and friends, beginners and regulars, and those of all ages are welcome. Bring your favorite rhythm instrument, or borrow one of ours. Learn more from Pat Embers at 539-2819 or embers1@cox.net

THIRD THURSDAY SUPPER will not meet in December, to accommodate busy holiday schedules. Please join us in the New Year, when suppers resume on JANUARY 20. We welcome food you bring to share, but it is not reguired. Just bring your smile, family, and friends and join us for good food and great company! Learn more from Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

Our new film series--Going to the Movies Is More Than Picking Your **SEAT**--will not meet in December. Please join us for our next movie on JANUARY 20. Films are selected for their artistry in pacing, editing, screenwriting, acting, design, and camerawork. Learn more from Diane Barker at 539-9163 or dogsbodyd@yahoo.com

The UUFM **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** gathers on Wednesday, DECEMBER 29. Watch for announcements on the Fellowship email list, and in Sunday morning bulletins for title and location. Learn more from Lorrie Cross at 539-7883 or Imcross@kansas.net

# HOLIDAY CRAFT AND BAKE SALE!

Our annual Craft and Bake Sale follows the Sunday service, on December 5. There's still time to pull out those cherished holiday recipes, dust off the sewing

machine, and get those knit-ting needles flying. Share your artistic or culinary talents whatever they may be. Take advantage of this opportunity to find fine, handcrafted gifts and delicious holiday treats, whilw contributing to the financial health of our Fellowship. To find out how you can contribute your crafts, baked goods, or help in other ways, ask Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or kjoldfather@gmail.com

# INTER-GENERATIONAL CRAFT NIGHT

Join us on Friday, **DECEMBER 3**, for a fun-filled evening bursting with creative holiday energy. We'll begin at 6 pm, in the Fellowship's Inez Alsop room. Supplies will be provided, or bring your own. We'll do some baking,

and create projects to take home, or sell at the Fellowship's Craft and Bake Sale. Learn more from Maria Snyder at 537-2349 or dre@uufm.net



# **UUFM SINGERS**

The choir rehearses twice this month at 9:30 am, on Sunday, **DECEMBER 5**, and **DECEMBER 19**, in the Main Sanctuary. We will perform during the December 19 service with accompaniment by Slawomir Dobrzanski. Learn more about music at the Fellowship from choir director Michael Oldfather at 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu

# WINTER RECEPTION AT MEADOWLARK HILLS

Our Welcoming and Membership Committee hosts a Winter Reception for UUs of all ages. Join us in the Meadowlark Hills Community Room on Saturday, **DECEMBER 18**, from 3 to 5 pm. If you're able, bring cookies, an appetizer, or other holiday treat to share. Coffee, tea, water, and a meat and cheese tray will be provided. Join us for singing, games, and other surprises and get to know each other better! Learn more from Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or welcome@uufm.net, or Kathleen Oldfather at 537-3738 or kjoldfather@gmail.com

# **UUFM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

The **Social, Welcoming and Membership**Committee seeks a co-chair to support
important welcoming activities. New or
long-time members interested in this opportunity to foster an open and hospitable
atmosphere at our Fellowship can learn
more from Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or
welcome@uufm.net

Our **Religious Education** team needs your enthusiasm. Teachers, substitutes, and occasional volunteers are needed, as well as those interested in serving on the RE Committee. To learn more, read Maria Snyder's *REflections* column on page 3 of this newsletter, talk to Maria on Sunday mornings, or contact her at 537-2349 or dre@uufm.net

Do you have an interest in **Audio/Visual TECHNOLOGY**, or would you like to learn?
Our current Sunday morning sound crew needs a break, after many years of indispensable service. Plenty of training and support will be provided to willing volunteers. Learn more from Tom Manney at 537-0624 or tmanney@ksu.edu, or Chris Nakamura at sisyphus.physics@gmail.com or 537-3586.

This month, Fellowship volunteers will prepare and serve **HAPPY KITCHEN COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** on Friday, DECEMBER 3, 17, and 31, from 7:30 to 9 am, at St Paul's Episcopal Church. **Volunteers are Needed** to occasionally fill in. The meal is free and open to all, providing a good meal for many community members who might otherwise go without. Donations are welcome. Learn more from Ana Franklin at 341-9908 or yogaconnection@gmail.com

Watch for more exciting, volunteer openings on the new **HELP WANTED** bulletin board in the Fellowship narthex, coming in December.

# SOCIAL ACTION AT UUFM

# LIVING WAGE INITIATIVE

The UUFM Social Action Committee is a supporting member of the Manhattan Living Wage Coalition. As such, we will be taking part in a campaign to obtain signatures on a petition, which will be presented to the Manhattan City Commission. Beginning on Sunday, **December 5**, we will be making this petition available for signing. Please look for it on the table in the Narthex or with of one of our committee members.

The Petition states: "Be it ordained that the City of Manhattan shall amend the Code of Ordinances of the City of Manhattan, Kansas by inserting a City of Manhattan Wage Floor Policy for Economic Development Ordinance that requires any business that receives economic development assistance through the City to pay all covered employees at least the wage floor, (\$12 an hour in 2010) and to provide employer sponsored health insurance and sick leave to all covered employees."

Learn more from Living Wage coordinator Anne Cowan at 537-2025 or anne\_cowan@sbcglobal.net

# **HELPING HANDS SUNDAY**

Each month our Social Action Committee selects an agency or organization to receive the morning offering on the second Sunday. On Sunday, December 12, Helping Hands contributions collected will be used to purchase **Christmas Gifts for Families at the Manhattan Emergency Shelter.** If there are any funds left after the familys' needs are met, they will be contributed to the UUSC Guest at Your Table campaign. Learn more from Helping Hands coordinator Betty Banner at 776-1887 or bettybanner@gmail.com

# **EQUAL EXCHANGE COFFEE AND CFL SALES**

**FAIR TRADE PRODUCTS** are offered for purchase at the Fellowship following Sunday programs. Whole bean, ground, and decaf coffees, as well as chocolate, and tea are available. To learn more, or purchase Fair Trade products, ask Anne Cowan at 537-2025 or anne\_cowan@sbcglobal.net or talk to Anne on Sunday mornings.

Anne also coordinates the sale of **COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS** (CFLs) on Sunday mornings, in support of the Fellowship's efforts to encourage green living. Bulbs are \$4, and may be purchased for your own use, or donated to families seeking help from Shepherd's Crossing.

Coffee

# **NOVEMBER HELPING HANDS**

The November 14 Helping Hands collection for SCORE raised \$372. *Thank you for your generous contributions.* 



Eat at **SIRLOIN STOCKADE** on the *Third Tuesday* each month. Sirloin Stockade will donate a generous part of the cost of your meal to Shepherd's Crossing to assist families with rent, utilities, or prescription medication. Give this coupon and your receipt to the cashier at Sirloin Stockade on Tuesday, any time after 11 am.

# 2010 GUEST AT YOUR TABLE CAMPAIGN



Each year, friends and families in our congregation participate in Guest at Your Table--a UU tradition. Guest at Your Table is an annual event designed to promote awareness of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC), its activities and fundraising. Each household in the Fellowship may pick up a special Guest at Your Table box to be treated as a special guest at your dinner table. The boxes and the accompanying booklet highlight four people who have been assisted by UUSC services. Guest at Your Table suggests that you and your family discuss the social justice activities represented on the box. You are encouraged to put a little money in the box for each dinner you share with your box guest. This is a nice way to help children contribute some of their pennies and dimes to help others.

Through a combination of advocacy, education, and partnerships with grassroots organizations, the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee promotes economic rights, advances environmental justice, defends civil liberties, and preserves the rights of people in times of

humanitarian crisis. UUSC is a nonsectarian organization that advances human rights and social justice in the United States and around the world, and is an associate member of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA). We can help make UUSC's 70th anniversary a banner year for global human rights. By celebrating Guest at Your Table in our congregation, we will be helping to nurture a spirit of gratitude and justice, equity, and compassion in human relations. See examples of how UUSC uses contributions to advance human rights at www.uusc.org/guest/donations

Our Fellowship began Guest at Your Table on Sunday, November 14, and will conclude on Sunday, December 19. Guest at Your Table is a cooperative effort of the Programming, Religious Education, and Social Action Committees. Betty Banner coordinates the project. Learn more from Betty at 776-1887 or bettybanner@gmail.com

Our guest speaker on Sunday, DECEMBER 12, is **CARYN MIRRIAM-GOLDBERG**, Poet Laureate of Kansas, and the author of 10 books, including collections of poetry, most recently *Landed; The Sky Begins At Your Feet: A Memoir on Cancer, Community & Coming Home to the Body;* a beloved writing guide, *Write Where You Are;* and several anthologies. Founder of Transformative Language Arts--a master's program in social and personal transformation through the written, spoken and sung word--at Goddard College where she teaches, Mirriam-Goldberg leads writing workshops widely. With singer Kelley Hunt, she co-writes songs, offers collaborative performances, and leads writing and singing Brave Voice retreats. She writes weekly columns and is poet-in-residence for www.TheMagazineOfYoga.com. Her monthly radio show, "Write From Your Life," is aired on High



Plains Public Radio and available through Podcasts; she also offers the text of the show, which highlights regional writers and writing exercises people can try on their own, on her blog, which can be reached through her website, www.CarynMirriamGoldberg.com.

# **NARRATIVE JOURNALING WORKSHOP**



On Tuesday, **November 30**, from 9 to 11:30 am, in the Fellowship's Inez Alsop room, Charley and June Kempthorne will present a workshop in Narrative Journaling focused on holiday writing and establishing the excellent habit of writing every day. June and Charley, longtime members of our Fellowship, have been doing workshops in writing personal and family history all over the USA since 1991. Charley has kept a journal for nearly fifty years that is now seven million words long. This workshop is free and open to the public.

If you are unable to attend the November 30 workshop, join Charley and June on Thursday, December 2, from 1 to 3:30 pm, at Dorothy Bramlage Public Library in Junction City. There is no cost for participation and refreshments will be served.

*Please pre-register for either session by contacting June at 564-0247* or junekempthorne@dishmail.net. Let June know if you need a ride and arrangements will be made.

# Advancing Human Rights – the Work of Many Joining Hands



In its work advancing human rights throughout the world, UUSC engages in eye-to-eye partnerships in four main focus areas: Rights in Humanitarian Crises, Environmental Justice, Economic Justice, and Civil Liberties.

In each area, UUSC analyzes the context in which violations of rights occur, along the dimensions of race, class, and gender, and recognizes the role that systemic discrimination plays in perpetuating injustice. Employing a three-pronged approach, UUSC combines work with grassroots partners on the ground, outreach to members and supporters, and advocacy for public-policy change.

"An eye-to-eye partnership is a partnership that offers respect and mutuality," says UUSC Director of Programs Atema Eclai. "The commonality of our partners is that we treat them as equals ... We don't subsume them, we don't make them part of us. We join them."

# Mission Statement

UUSC advances human rights and social justice around the world, partnering with those who confront unjust power structures and mobilizing to challenge oppressive policies.

# Vision Statement

UUSC envisions a world free from oppression and injustice, where all can realize their full human rights.

# Rights in Humanitarian Crises

In disasters and wars, inequalities aren't erased, they are only deepened. An individual's race, gender, class, religion, political beliefs, ethnicity, and immigration status all deeply influence how and whether that person will be able to access aid and rebuild her or his life.

In its Rights in Humanitarian Crises Program, UUSC defends the rights of marginalized groups both in disaster response and long-term humanitarian crises due to war and oppression. Whether supporting thousands of internally displaced people in the wake of Haiti's devastating earthquake or helping northern Ugandans return home after 20 years of brutal war, UUSC works with local grassroots organizations that are serving marginalized populations in inventive, effective ways. Additional ongoing UUSC projects are responding to the humanitarian crisis in Gaza, political violence in Kenya, and genocide in Darfur.



# **Environmental Justice**

Almost 1 billion people lack access to clean drinking water. In a world where the United Nations has reported that more people now die from contaminated water than from all forms of violence, the human right to water — access to safe, sufficient, and affordable water for everyone — is more important than ever. UUSC's Environmental Justice Program focuses on defending that right.

UUSC works with partners to hold governments accountable and stop water privatization as well as pursue shareholder advocacy and corporate accountability for water injustices — from striving to pass the Human Right to Water Act in California to helping South Africans organize against discriminatory prepaid water meters.

# **COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS**

- Dec 5: Shirley and Brice Hobrock, Monta Manney, and Angela Hayes
- Dec 12: June and Charley Kempthorne, Jack Warren, and Anne Cowan
- Dec 19: Barbara Hacker, Gwen Geiselman, Terri Franz, and Sam Lacy
- Dec 26: Social Committee Bring a snack to share!

Coffee and greeting teams consist of one leader/coordinator, and three or four helpers to provide Sunday morning greeting and refreshments. Teams sign up for only three Sundays each year. This is a great way to give to the Fellowship with a minimum investment of *time*. Learn more from Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or welcome@uufm.net

THANKS to everyone who has already volunteered for one of our teams! Coffee and greeting teams are vital to the welcoming atmosphere of Fellowship life, helping visitors get acquainted, and providing a comfortable setting encouraging engagement with one another in after service conversation.

# Administrator's Schedule

In December, Susan Turner will be available in the Fellowship office on:

Thursday, Dec 2 - 12 to 5 pm

Monday, Dec 6 - 4 to 5 pm

Tuesday, Dec 7 - 12 to 5 pm

Thursday, Dec 9 - 4 to 7 pm

Thursday, Dec 16 - 12 to 5 pm

Saturday, Dec 18 - 11 am to 6 pm

Monday, Dec 20 - 3 to 5 pm

Tuesday, Dec 21 - 12 to 5 pm

Thursday, Dec 23 - 12 to 5 pm

Monday, Dec 27 - 3 to 5 pm

Tuesday, Dec 28 - 12 to 5 pm

Thursday, Dec 30 - 12 to 5 pm

Call Susan at 537-2349 during office hours, or drop by the office. She may be reached at any time by email at office@uufm.net

# **HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS**

Contact Fellowship administrator Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net to **update your mailing**, **phone**, or **email** information, or to **CANCEL YOUR SUBSCRIPTION** to this newsletter. Members and friends may also reach Susan during her posted office hours (seen at bottom left) at 537-2349.

If you have been considering **BECOMING A MEMBER** of UUFM, please ask our Membership / Social Committee co-chair Shirley Hobrock at 776-3175 or welcome@uufm.net, or Rev Michael Nelson at 537-2349 or minister@uufm.net, for information and assistance.

Fellowship members may receive **UU WORLD MAGAZINE**, without cost. UU World is available on audiotape, for those with visual or reading difficulties. Subscribe by contacting Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net. Read UU World online at www.uuworld.org

Join in discussions of interest, receive information on community events, and last minute updates and announcements on our UUFM EMAIL LIST. Contact list moderator Ruth Welti at welti@ksu.edu to subscribe.

UUFM bookkeeper Sandy Nelson would be happy to help you set up **ELECTRONIC PAYMENT** of your pledge contributions. If you wish, pledge installments can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account on a weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly basis. There is no cost for this service. Ask Sandy at 341-0135 or sandralounelson@yahoo.com, or pick up literature and a form from the information table in our narthex.

# **SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please contact fellowship administrator Susan Turner at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net, NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY EVENING with announcements and information for inclusion in the Sunday morning Order of Service bulletin. Check the bulletin each week for important announcements of upcoming activities and events.

# **CARING FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS**

If you could use a hand, or if you know members or friends who are experiencing life challenges, and would appreciate assistance, please let our Caring Committee know. Contact Caring Committee co-chairs Yvonne Lacy at 539-4404 or yvcq67lacy@sbcglobal.net, or Barbara Hacker at 587-8002, or let us know at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

# **BUILDING USE AND SCHEDULING**

Please check with Susan Turner to be sure your desired date is available before finalizing plans for any use of the Fellowship building, including **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**, Fellowship activities, or private events that will be held in the Fellowship building. To confirm building availability and schedule your activity, or for more information, contact Sue at 537-2349 or office@uufm.net

# **DECEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

The deadline for submissions to the December edition of *The UUFM Voice* is Wednesday, **December 15**. *Please send submissions on time, as the* newsletter will be printed a week early allowing Susan to take Christmas day off! Contact Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net