

Finding UU La Crosse for YOU

Nurturing spirit

<u>Sunday Services:</u> Once a month our services are led by our minister, Rev. Bruce Johnson. The other Sundays feature speakers on relevant local social topics. Sunday service roles: members and friends plan service themes, act as facilitators, set up coffee and bring treats, count the collection, and greet people.

<u>Choir and special music</u> enhances Sunday Services with choir twice a month, piano and soloists throughout the year, organized and led by our Director of Music.

<u>Youth Religious Education:</u> Volunteer teachers are trained to teach or assist with Sunday RE classes, which are held September-May. Lessons and materials will be provided by our Director of Religious Education, and all teachers complete a background check prior to volunteering.

<u>Adult Religious Education:</u> Movie nights at the UU with discussion. Some movies that have been discussed are Harriet and My Sister's Keeper. *Faith Forward* is a program to engage new visitors, members and friends to learn about the Fellowship and Unitarian Universalism. Will meet some Sundays after service.

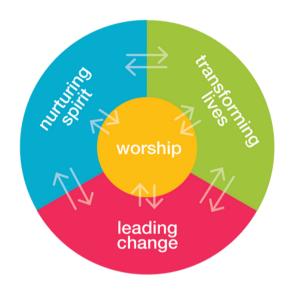
<u>Nursery:</u> The nursery is open from 9:30 to 12:00 every Sunday, as long as we have the required staff. We train paid staff and volunteers to care for our littlest friends during that time.

<u>Pastoral Care:</u> Our professional minister and our lay caregivers visit our members, make phone calls, send cards, and provide other acts of care.

Transforming lives

<u>Covenant groups</u> consist of 6-12 people who agree to meet regularly, once or twice a month, for a year to explore their spirituality, beliefs and stories, using discussion guides.

<u>Outdoor group</u> meets to explore the Coulee Region by foot, bike or paddle. Events are announced in the weekly newsletter.



<u>Trivia Team</u> Have fun at Trivia at Java Vino every Monday night at 7 pm. Try to arrive by 6:30 to get a seat at our UU table. (This is a pop-in group, not necessary to come every week.) Our table is usually around by the bar and the restrooms. All are welcome!

<u>Book Group</u> meets monthly to discuss books chosen by the attendees. It's facilitated by Congregational Administrator Heather McCracken.

<u>All Ages Outings:</u> Organized by youth Religious Education, these outings emphasize multigenerational outdoor activities. Events are announced in the weekly newsletter.

<u>Building and Grounds projects:</u> Members help with landscaping, building upkeep and cleaning while having fun and keeping our space beautiful.

<u>Annual Wyalusing Indoor Camping Weekend</u> occurs in early summer with guided hikes, structured and unstructured activities at Wyalusing State Park near Prairie du Chien. Open to all, participants can reserve a spot in the bunkhouse or bring their own tent or camper, or just come for the day.

Leading change

<u>Tabling events</u>: We participate by having a table with information in support of events such as Juneteenth, La Crosse Pride, Folkfest and others.

<u>Voter Engagement Project:</u> The UU building served as a hub for voter registration and education.

<u>Warming Center:</u> UU folks volunteer at the Catholic Charities warming center during winter months.

<u>Kane Street Garden:</u> Members have built accessible raised beds at this large community garden, and continue to volunteer there.

<u>The UU Building</u> itself is available for members to use free of charge with permission from the Congregational Administrator.

<u>Green Sanctuary & Procession of the Species</u> Our first Procession of Species Celebration at a service in April was the unofficial start of our progress toward re-accreditation as a Green Sanctuary. Subsequent processions so far include the Myrick Park Earth Fair and Artspire downtown!

<u>Member Initiated Activities</u> in recent years have included a meditation group, a trivia night team, a plant circle, and Circle Suppers.

Social media presence

Website: www.uulacrosse.org

Facebook page: UU Fellowship of La Crosse Facebook group: UU La Crosse Members and

Friends

Breeze: uulacrosse.breezechms.com



Teams and contacts:

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- Member Services: Heather McCracken, member@uulacrosse.org
- Building & Grounds: David Boen, building@uulacrosse.org
- Sunday Services & Music: Deborah Buffton, ssm@uulacrosse.org
- Choir: (Currently Hiring uulacrosse.org/jobs)

Resources that build our faith:

- UU World Magazine
- Weekly e-News
- Soul Matters monthly materials

Board of Trustees:

Principal governing body of UULaCrosse. Meets monthly, meetings are open to members. Donna Bauer, president. Contact board@uulacrosse.org

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