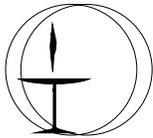


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SUNDAY SERVICES September, 2005

September 4

THE MOUNTAIN TOP EXPERIENCE

Small Group Ministry

Today's service will imitate the Small Group Ministry meeting. After a brief opening, congregants will join in groups of approximately eight people to discuss the topic. Each group will have an assigned leader who will have some questions to facilitate the discussion. A mountaintop experience may be one in which we celebrate a sense of being part of something greater than we are — the cosmos, beauty, a cause. That experience might be a part of something quite ordinary or at the end of a long spiritual climb. Come share your mountaintop experience. REMINDER: this is the last single service, starting at 10:30 a.m.

September 11

IN THE BEGINNING...

Rev. Larry Smith

Every story has a beginning. As we walk together through this interim year we will be telling a new story. We will reflect on story telling and this moment. **Water Communion Sunday!** Bring water from your travels. REMINDER — DOUBLE SERVICES START TODAY. Services at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

September 18

THESE DREAMS

Rev. Larry Smith

We cannot stop them. They come unbidden. They are our minds and souls at work. They are dreams. In many different cultures and faiths dreams are taken seriously as beacons of ultimate reality. Does the Sacred speak in your dreams?

September 25

KEEPING THE SABBATH

Rev. Larry Smith

In commemoration of the Jewish holy day of Yom Kippur we will examine the tradition and theology of Shabbat, keeping the Sabbath. What might "keeping the Sabbath" mean for us in the early twenty-first century?

Services, Religious Education & Babysitting at 9 AM and 11 AM

FROM THE PRESIDENT

We are embarking upon one of the most challenging years in the history of our Fellowship, a year in which we will aggressively pursue the transition to a program-sized congregation. By the time next September rolls around, if our goals are met, we will have a new, experienced, fulltime minister in place. We will have worked out the kinks in double services and will be experiencing an increased membership as a result. With the help of our growth consultant, we will have made substantial progress toward the operational changes that can support our growth – changes that include improved communications in combination with a more streamlined and better defined leadership structure. We may also have finalized our long-range plan, or be well on the way to doing so.

These are all very ambitious goals, and the path to realizing them will not be entirely smooth. No matter how carefully we plan and how much we try to anticipate problems, we will undoubtedly encounter unexpected twists and turns along the way. The potential for misunderstandings will be present, and at least some of us may feel frustrated or discouraged at times.

There's nothing particularly startling or earth-shattering about these observations; any person or organization that sets ambitious goals will encounter disappointments and frustrations. What matters is the response to them. In our case, I have every confidence that the resiliency and cooperative spirit that have marked our approach to past challenges will see us through once again.

As we embark on this all-important year, I especially ask that we never lose sight of who we are and what we are about. We need to intersperse hard work with fun, to nurture one another in our individual spiritual journeys, to support our children's religious education program, and to expand our commitment to social justice. Let's never get so bogged down in committee work and operational details that we lose sight of our vision statement, carefully crafted this year after extensive congregational input. "Our purpose," that statement reads, "is to be a thriving, caring and welcoming community that supports each person's spiritual

journey, embraces diversity, challenges us to live responsibly, and is a catalyst for a just and compassionate world."

In the end, it isn't really about growth in membership numbers. It's about the energy, commitment and enthusiasm that attract others to a vibrant organization and thus generate growth. I look around me and see that energy, commitment and enthusiasm in abundance among us. Here's to an exciting new year for the Unitarian Fellowship of West Chester!

— Flo Miller



FROM YOUR INTERIM MINISTER

When I was in elementary school it seemed that at the beginning of every school year my teachers asked the class to write a brief essay about our summer vacations. Such a project meant taking stock of the vacation time and I always had mixed feelings about summer vacation. Most summers I read all the back issues of the National Geographic magazine or memorized the times tables or read literary classics. This was balanced by time spent playing or reading the Hardy boys novels or comic books or riding my bicycle. I always felt that I had to balance playful activities with some sort of mentally challenging activity.

This summer vacation I tried to maintain that balance between leisure and challenging activities yet again. I read books about Unitarian Universalist responses to the atomic bomb, theological diversity, burnout in congregations, and a few children's stories for the Sunday message. This was balanced by trips to Washington, D. C. and Lambertville, New Jersey. My fiancée and I hosted a surprise party in honor of her sister receiving an Emmy nomination. For recreation I also read books about Franklin D. Roosevelt, the Spanish Civil War and science fiction short stories. That was my summer vacation.

As I reflect on the broader theme of summer vacation though I am grateful for the generations of women and men who labored to give us this time to for recreation and renewal. Our free time came through their hard work. This Labor Day let us enjoy the end of the summer vacation season and be thankful that as we begin the church year we are given free time to learn, to adventure, to relate to one another, just to be. For though work we must, there is also in us the spiritual need to play.

— See you in church, Larry

NOTES FROM UNDERGROUND: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Welcome back to another year of exploring in our Religious Education (RE) Program! Even if you have been attending services during the summer, you will find many changes in RE this fall.

First, things look different downstairs. Thanks to a huge amount of work on the part of Tilo Stahl, Bob Radcliffe and the other members of the Building Committee, and to a host of volunteers, here's what has been accomplished during the past three months.

1. The entire basement floor has been repainted. (Visit www.ufwc.org to see photos of Bob and Tilo in their HAZMAT suits and respirators!)

2. The doors and woodwork have been painted.

3. The kitchen has been transformed into a classroom.

4. Kitchen facilities (not completely finished by the time this goes to press) have been set up in the side hallway.

5. An office for the DRE is being created.

Second, with the start of double services, we are making changes to the way we do RE. For children from Pre-Kindergarten through 6th grade, we will be implementing "Way Cool Sunday School." In this model, the first Sunday of each month will be multi-aged Group RE focusing on our 7 Principles and Purposes, the second Sunday will be a multi-aged Social Action project, and the remaining Sundays will be regular classroom days. I will post the year's calendar on the bulletin board in the hallway downstairs.

The 7th & 8th grade class (Neighboring Faiths) will meet at 9:00 a.m. only.

The 9th grade class (Coming of Age) will also meet at just one service; the time has not yet been determined.

Some dates to mark on your calendar:

Sunday, September 11 — Our traditional Intergenerational Ingathering service. Double services begin, 9:00 and 11:00.

Wednesday, September 14, 6:30 p.m. — Teacher Orientation & Pizza. Details have been emailed to teachers. If you did not receive the information, please contact me.

Sunday, September 18 — RE Program begins. We will have a combination of Group RE and class day. **NEW THIS YEAR:** We will have a **PARENT ORIENTATION** between services. Please come and learn more about the program your child(ren) will be involved in, ask questions about Way Cool Sunday School, meet teachers, and fill out Registration Forms. We'll also review the RE "Rules of the Road," so that you can help your children know what is expected/hoped of them on Sundays.

Friday, September 30 — Our first RE Family Social – pizza and bingo. We'll post more information about this event as we get closer to the date.

As always, if you have questions, concerns or suggestions, please contact me.

— Pam Baxter
Director of Religious Education

FROM THE RELIGIOUS SERVICES COMMITTEE

As we begin double services, please be aware of the following change: Traditionally our coffee hour is open-ended, and ideally it should be. But the ingathering for the 11:00 service will overlap the first coffee hour. Please be sensitive to those who wish a bit of quiet before the service, by continuing your conversations in an appropriate tone, or in an alternate locale as start of the second service nears.

NEW CHOIR DIRECTOR

Our new choir director Barbara Harris Kovacs will begin choir rehearsals on Thursday evening September 15, at 7:15 p.m., at the Fellowship. Barbara comes to us with much experience and lots of enthusiasm. Anyone 16 and over is invited to join and have fun making music. Please contact Barbara either (email: choir).



FROM THE MINISTERIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

First, we'd like to thank all of you who have responded to our survey – as of this writing, there have been 136 completed surveys. The survey results will be made available in the coming weeks, as we use this valuable input from our members and friends to help us represent our congregation. More information on how to access this information will be provided in the Order of Service or via email.

The committee is now busily compiling the survey data and other information sources to complete our Congregational Record (CR). This will be published on the UUA website to be accessed by ministers who are searching. It is their first snapshot of UFWC, including basic information on who we are and what kind of minister we seek.

We're also working on the packet, which we'll exchange with interested candidates who have read our CR and wish to explore further. This packet contains all kinds of information about our congregation – our people, our history, demographics, work, fun times, successes and difficulties. It also provides an overview of the West Chester community and surrounding area. We've already enlisted the help of some of our many talented members and friends to make this an attractive and accurate package, and we'd be happy to include your talents in this important project! Just let us know how you'd like to help.

While the survey has been completed, the committee is still very interested in hearing your

PICNICS BRING OUT THE UFWC UUs SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 12:15 P.M.

If you loved the Spring Picnic, the Fall Picnic should be just as delightful. The Fun and Fellowship committee, under the new leadership of Nancy Artus and Mary Yeager, is going to make use of the days of Indian Summer and hold another picnic on Sunday, September 18, after the second service, in Hoopes Park.

Again, meat, buns, condiments, drinks and paper products will be provided for a small donation of \$3 for adults, \$2 for children. Bring a salad or dessert to share. Again, feel free to bring sports supplies for basketball, tennis, baseball, and frisbee. As usual, a light rain will not stop us with the pavilion to eat under. Harsh weather will result in us all 'picnicking' in the sanctuary while the food is grilled on the porch.



A record number of UUs attended the Spring Picnic, Saturday, Memorial Day weekend, at Hoopes Park. Phil Yeager manned the main grill and in a constant stream of motion kept hot burgers (beef, turkey and veggie) and chicken coming. Craig Talbot kept the dogs barking hot. Other members of the committee who organized, set up and cleaned up a successful spring picnic and will be back for a repeat performance are: Mary Yeager, Beth Daniels, Cheryl Pittenger, Chris Seitzer, Kate Cuffari, and Nancy Artus.

We look forward to seeing you all there as we make good use of warm weather and share stories of our summers.

SUMMER SERVICES THANK YOU

Summer services offer us an opportunity to hear the wisdom of our own members. The Religious Services Committee wishes to thank those members and friends who led and participated in services over the summer. Likewise, we welcome Rev. Smith back to the pulpit beginning September 11.

views and concerns. Please feel free to approach any of us during coffee hour, by phone, or email search-committee.

— Eileen Kelly
for the Ministerial Search
Committee

FELLOWTARIAN DEADLINE

E-mail articles by the fifteenth of the month to: **fellowtarian**. Include your name with your article, so the editors will know whom to contact with questions. Contact Steve or Linda Sander.

ARE YOU READY FOR DOUBLE SERVICES? WE ARE.

“We” are the Religious Services Committee. Plans have been continuing through the summer to begin double services on Sunday September 11, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. Our committee was given the following tasks by the Fellowship at a special meeting last spring:

- Recruit more lay coordinators to cover an extra service each week. Our thanks go to Alane Butler, Diane Cohle, Peter Hepokowski, Juan Leon, John Maxwell, Kathryn Racette, Bob Scott, Tom Townsend, Michael Werner and Jeff Yeager for graciously offering to serve in this important capacity. You'll be seeing their smiling faces at the podium soon. Thanks also to Gerry Giess for undertaking the task of scheduling service coordinators in the coming year.
- Add comforts backstage for a ministers' "quiet space". This task is essentially complete.
- Examine ways music enhances the service experience. The Fellowship's new Music Committee has been seeking a choir director

and a hymnist and is planning for our choir's needs. That committee and ours have a joint panel, to consider new paths to integrate music into our services. Elaine Friedlander, Jane Krick and Marie Steele represent the Music Committee. Alan Pittenger, panel chair, Robin Garrett and John Orban represent Religious Services. Our thanks go to them, and we anticipate some interesting new ideas.

- Consider how to alleviate congestion during Coffee Hour. With fewer people at each of two services, we will eliminate some chairs at the back of the Sanctuary. However, we expect attendance to increase after we begin double services, so we are pleased that the Building Committee plans to enclose and upgrade the porch area to address this concern soon. Due to scheduling and budgetary concerns, the porch renovation got reduced priority, but we hope it can be complete before congestion again becomes an issue. Finally, on behalf of the

Religious Services Committee (John Orban and myself, co-chairs; Dena Beeghly, Robin Garrett, Gerry Giess, Sue Johnston and Alan Pittenger) and the Fellowship at large, let me extend grateful acknowledgement to Rev. Larry Smith. Rev. Smith is the person upon whom the greatest share of the load for double services must fall. We've had endless discussion with him in planning for this new endeavor, and he has shown gracious outright enthusiasm for what promises to be, for him, quite a taxing Sunday schedule, indeed. We thank him, and look forward to welcoming him back to the pulpit on September 11.

— Craig Talbot

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

The Small Group Ministry program is in its fourth year at UFWC. It is an opportunity to get to know people in a more intimate setting to discuss topics of a more personal nature. Groups meet twice a month for 1½ to 2 hours. There are two groups meeting presently, on first and third Wednesday or Thursday evening. There are openings in these groups or there could be another group if there is enough interest.

The service on September 4 will be an example of a Small Group Ministry situation. If you are interested, pick up the blue pamphlet in the lobby or contact Rev. Smith, Alan Pittenger or Gerry Giess (email: SGM).

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FLOATING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

With the advent of double services this Fall, we have a need for additional floating volunteers in the RE program. This is a low-stress volunteer opportunity which involves distributing the snacks to grateful program participants and providing an extra hand if needed. To volunteer, please contact Cathy Vogt, RE Co-Chair (email: RE), or sign up with Cathy in person after any Sunday service.

THE AUCTION IS COMING!

This is a fund raising event where local business and congregation services are offered to the highest bidder. Proceeds go to support the Fellowship. This year's auction, Saturday, October 15, will be more fun than ever with new and old items and member's talents on the block. The Auction Committee is busy planning the evening. Beverages and a light dinner will also be offered to complete the entertainment for a night out. Use the form below to make a personal donation!

Sounds like too much fun, right? How about joining this very

motivated and often funny team? We are in need of the following people, as well as people to help during that evening:

- Silent Auction Coordinator
- Live Auction Coordinator
- Raffle Coordinator (New this year!)
- Setup & Decorating Coordinator
- Book Coordinator
- Media Director (October *Fellowtarian* and Orders of Service)

Lastly, to make this a fun family night, for interested families, we will host a pajama party with pizza, popcorn and a movie for the congregation's children during the Auction at no cost. This babysitting service needs to be prearranged so please email me, Chris Brenner, email: auction by September 25 if you are interested.

See you there!



UFWC Annual Auction Donations -- Saturday, October 15, 2005

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Deadline for Catalog: September 25, 2005. Later donations will be listed in an addendum available the night of the auction. No donations can be taken the night of the auction.

Questions about Fellowship Donations should be directed to Krystaleve Snow (email: auction-donations).

Bring form to Sunday Service or mail to: Annual Auction
 Unitarian Fellowship of West Chester
 501 South High Street
 West Chester, PA 19382

Or email to: auction-donations

Thank YOU!!! Thank you for your support!

Note: The winning bidder may be someone you don't know, with items such as boats, special equipment or vacation homes you may want to ask for a security deposit. Services are available as arranged by donor and buyer for one year unless otherwise specified.

IF YOU VALUE COFFEE HOUR...HELP US MAKE IT HAPPEN

While many of the elements are in place to make double services a success, one very vital ingredient is missing – volunteers to make coffee after the first and second services.

In the past, one volunteer (Cheryl Pittenger) has been solely responsible for making the coffee. She has been very dedicated to the task, which she has accomplished quietly every Sunday without fanfare. On behalf of the entire Fellowship, I extend my thanks to Cheryl.

With two services and a growing membership, however, a single dedicated volunteer can no longer be expected to take care of coffee. Ideally, what we need is someone who will coordinate the overall effort, soliciting and “signing up” one set of volunteers to put on the coffee before 9 a.m. and a second set of volunteers to clean up after the 9 a.m. service and put on a fresh pot for 11 a.m. These details could be worked out more fully later — It is possible, for instance, that the 9 a.m. volunteer could prepare TWO pots, plug in one and let the other standing for the second service volunteer to simply plug in.

The coordinator would also make sure that volunteers know where to find instructions for setting up and making the coffee. (They are in the cabinet with the coffee supplies.)

Both the coordination and the actual coffee making are not big jobs. But they are vital to our Sunday experience because coffee hour represents the opportunity to socialize and greet members and guests. This is our “welcoming time”; without it, we are miss-

ing an important element necessary not only for growth but also for the sense of community that defines our Fellowship.

If you are willing to coordinate, please let me know by emailing: president. I hope to hear from you!

— Flo Miller



CARING CORNER

Our loving thoughts are with Doris D’Angelo as she mourns the recent loss of her husband, Joseph D’Angelo, who passed away after a struggle with cancer. Doris very much appreciates words and notes of support, and the family asks that any donations be sent in Joseph’s name to the American Cancer Society.

Warm wishes for a long and fulfilling future together go to the Farnum family, which has become more complete since Zora Katherine Yun Farnum came home. Zora was born on 10/17/2004 in China, and she flew home with her mom and dad, Katie and Mike, on August 8. Congratulations, Mike, Katie and Zora!

PARKING

Several issues have arisen regarding parking on Sunday mornings.

First, for some time we have been using the virtually unlimited free parking at the new university parking garage on Sharpless Street. Unfortunately, the university has now installed a 24/7 automated fee system for the garage. The charge is \$1 for an hour or for any portion thereof. If you want to park in the garage for Sunday services, you must take a ticket to activate the entrance gate on your way in. You insert that ticket and the required number of dollars in a machine when you wish to leave. On most Sundays (with no meetings afterwards), the cost adds up to \$2. If you can afford the cost and enjoy the convenience of the university garage, you are encouraged to continue to use it.

You may also use the outside parking area in front of the university garage, or you may park along Sharpless Street. There is no fee for either of those areas on a Sunday morning. Spaces are limited, however.

Our other alternative is the Verizon lot. Unfortunately, there have been concerns raised by Verizon employees who could not exit that lot during recent after-work or weekend hours because their vehicles were blocked. We suspect that Fellowship members did not cause the problem; other people also use the lot. Still, we ask that you exercise caution to be sure you do not block in any vehicles when parking in the Verizon lot.

Working together and exercising care, we should be able to assure sufficient parking for our existing members and guests. Our move to double services this fall will help.

— Flo Miller

SOCIAL JUSTICE UPDATE

Many things will be happening this fall. Among them are:

Saturday, September 10 **A NIGHT FOR NIGER**

Ask yourself three simple questions:

- 1) Have you ever been starving or been severely dehydrated?
- 2) How many millions of people are starving in Niger?
- 3) Can you do something about it?

Hopefully the answer to No. 1 is “no”, but more than three and a half million people are starving in Niger because of a drought and a plague of locusts. And you can help: Come to the “A Night for Niger” on Saturday night, September 10 at 7:30 at the Fellowship. There will be a presentation by Dr. Paul Stoller who has lived in Niger and will show slides. There will be live music, delicious desserts and beverages, and door prizes — and a freewill offering to raise money to send to World Food Programme, which is on the scene in Niger delivering food and hydration. We did it for the Tsunami disaster; we can do it again for Niger. Better yet—bring a friend. See you there.



Saturday, September 24 – **Monday, September 26** **CALL FOR JUSTICE** **WEEKEND**

Help end US involvement in torture. Don't miss UUSC's “Call

for Justice Weekend” in Washington, DC as a part of their STOP (Stop Torture Permanently) campaign. The main feature will be mock trials on Sunday with the defendants being Rumsfeld, Gonzales, and Tenet for violations of international and U.S. laws prohibiting torture (regarding the mistreatment of prisoners at Abu Ghraib). The weekend will proceed as follows:

Sat: Educational workshops and a panel discussion from 9 am to 7 pm.

Sun: Service at All Souls at 10:00 with the trials starting at 1:30 and ending at 6 pm.

Mon: Meetings with your elected officials between 9 am and 3 pm (appointments arranged by UUSC)

Come for any or all days. Read all about it and sign up on the UUSC website (uusc.org), and notify Tom Townsend so that carpooling can be arranged. Newer UUs are especially encouraged to participate. Being in the presence of hundreds, if not thousands, of other UUs is magical!



Sunday, October 2 **CHESTER COUNTY** **PRIDE FEST 2005**

The fourth annual Chester County Pride Fest will be Sunday, October 2 from noon to 6 p.m. at the Gateway Lot in Phoenixville. This event celebrates and draws together our area's bisexual, gay, lesbian and transgender community. There will be food, music, entertainment, vendors

and information of interest to the BGLT community. Once again the Fellowship will staff a booth at Pride Fest as part of our social justice outreach program, where we highlight our denomination's appreciative welcome of diversity. Please volunteer to help the Fellowship at Pride Fest. We need folks to help set up between 10 a.m. and noon on Sunday, to staff the table between noon and 6 p.m., and to help take down the table afterwards. If you're interested in helping any part of the day please email social-justice or call Rob Sartain.



Sunday, October 16 **PHILLY AIDS WALK**

Annual AIDS walk in Philadelphia. Help raise money for AIDS research by walking with other members of our congregation. Details to come.

Show your children, your friends, your family that you want to stand up and be counted. Let's go for it like we never have before!

***Don't forget to buy
grocery store
certificates after the
service.***



SIMPLICITY CIRCLE

Simplicity Circle will meet monthly again, starting September 11 after the 11 a.m service. Our present interest is about use of our time. This is not in the sense of being more efficient, but thinking about what would make life more meaningful. It is also not just about passing the time in some enjoyable way. But having worked to simplify our life (clutter, time management, time wasters, etc.) and having had some success (thanks much to the Circle!) now our question is, "to make room in my life for what?"

We're going to have differing views as to what we see as meaningful, but considering the issue collectively will also share perspectives we would gain more slowly without each other's help. We are reviewing one or more books, which we can use as a guide.

Come and join us! Contact person is Heidi Buss (email: simplicity).



EXPLORING DIVERSITY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

New Day — Third Sunday of each month.
Same time — 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Book List for the 2005-2006

September 18: *Ceremony* by Leslie Marmon Silko, led by Sandy Schaal — This novel tells the story of Tayo, half white Laguna Indian returning from WWII after being held prisoner by the Japanese. His search for healing leads him to rediscover his Native American Spirituality and the power of ceremony.

October 16: *There Are No Children Here: The Story of Two Boys Growing Up in the Other America* by Alex Koltowitz, led by Nancy Robinson

November 20: *The Tortilla Curtain*, by T C Boyle, led by Kerri Petterson

December 18: Movie to be announced

January 15: Movie to be announced

February 19: *Middlesex: A Novel*, by Jeffrey Eugenides, led by Judy Finkel

March 19: *Small Island: A Novel* by Andrea Levy, led by Dena Beeghly

April 16: *Searching for Hassan: A Journey to the Heart of Iran* by Terence Ward, led by Nakhostin "Niki" Javidani

May 21: *Namesake: A Novel* by Jhumpa Lahiri, led by Fatima Patel
Join us on the third Sunday at 7:30 p.m. downstairs at the Fellowship starting September 18. All are welcome. Please contact Ruth MacFadyen or Shelly Case (email: diversity-book-group).

CHRISTIAN INTEREST GROUP

The September meeting of the Christian Interest Group will be held on Wednesday, September 21 at the Fellowship. We will discuss "Weighing the Scriptures", a concept described by Gulley and Mulholland in their book *If Grace is True* (p. 51) as, "discerning which Scriptures accurately reflect God's character." (You need not have read this book to participate in this discussion.)

Note that starting in September the group will meet on the THIRD Wednesday of each month. Please contact John Gangwisch or Phyllis Kryven for more information.

FOLK SINGING

Folk singing will be Saturday, September 24, at 8 p.m. at the home of Linda and Steve Sander. All are welcome. Bring a munchie, if you like. Come and have some fun! Brochures with maps are on the Welcome Table. Contact Steve (email: folk-singing).

YOGA IN THE FALL

Mira Tryon would appreciate hearing any feedback, comments or suggestions for Yoga classes in the Fall. Classes will resume depending on interest. You owe yourself 90 minutes a week to de-stress, relax and become healthier. Namaste.

FELLOWSHIP CALENDAR

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| Sep 1 | Thu | Fun and Fellowship Committee Meeting. 7:00 p.m. Mary Yeager's home. Contact Mary Yeager. |
| Sep 2 | Fri | Lunch Group. 11:30 a.m. at Atlanta Bread Company. E-mail Linda Sander at lunch-group to be added to the e-mail reminder list.
Potluck and Game Night. 6:30 p.m. at the Fellowship. All are welcome. For information contact Mary Yeager. |
| Sep 7 | Wed | RE Committee Meeting. 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Fellowship. E-mail: RE. |
| Sep 9 | Fri | Chester County Peace Movement Second Friday Film Series. 7:30 pm |
| Sep 10 | Sat | A Night for Niger 7:30 p.m. at the Fellowship. See p. 8. |
| Sep 11 | Sun | Simplicity Circle. After the 11:00 a.m. service in the sanctuary. See p. 9.
Safe Harbor Dinner. Provided by the Fellowship the second Sunday of the month. Contact Catherine Sachs, email: safe-harbor.
Social Justice Committee Meeting. 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Fireplace Room. Contact Tom Townsend, email: social-justice. |
| Sep 13 | Tue | Board Meeting. 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship office. All are welcome. |
| Sep 14 | Wed | RE Teacher Orientation & Pizza. See p. 3. |
| Sep 18 | Sun | RE Parent Orientation. Between services. See p. 3.
RE Program Begins. See p. 3.
UFWC Fall Picnic. 12:15 p.m. Hoopes Park. See p. 4.
Exploring Diversity Book Discussion Group. 7:30-9:00 p.m. at the Fellowship. See p. 9. |
| Sep 21 | Wed | Christian Interest Group Meeting. 7:00 p.m. at the Fellowship. See p. 9. |
| Sep 24 | Sat | Lunch for the Needy. Provided by our Fellowship at the Salvation Army. Contact Catherine Sachs.
Folk Singing. 8:00 p.m., home of Steve and Linda Sander. See p. 9. |
| Sep 24-26 | Sat-Mon | UUSC "Call for Justice Weekend" in Washington D. C. See p 8. |
| Sep 25 | Sun | Deadline for Auction Donations to be in the Catalog. See p. 6. |
| Sep 30 | Fri | RE Family Social. 6:30 p.m. at the Fellowship. See p. 3. |
| Oct 2 | Sat | Chester County Pride Day. See p. 8. |
| Oct 15 | Sat | Annual Auction. More details in October issue. See p. 6. |

Groups meeting multiple times in a month:

Choir Practice starts Thursday evening September 15 at 7:15 p.m. See p. XXX.

Youth Group meets most Sunday evenings 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the OWL/Youth Group Room. Contact Michael Werner (email: youth-group).

Yoga Classes. See p. 9.