

UUC VOICE

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INTERIM MINISTER TO BEGIN

The church council has concluded an agreement with the Rev. James Hobart to become the Interim Minister of our church; the beginning date will be January 15th, 2010.

The Transition Committee and the Church Council will be working out the details with Jim. Dan will continue on a half time basis as Community Minister while Jim is here. Our initial agreement is for 6 months after which time the agreement will be renegotiated.

If you have any question please contact Don Metivier (815-334-0015) or Marcia Johnson (815-337-0297) for more details

WINTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE – 10:45 a.m.

JANUARY 10TH

“A Fresh Start”, (Dan’s personal fresh start), Rev Dan Larsen will speak. Our young people will be received into the church. The Church school will resume. There will be a special youth message from Kitty Rose. The 6th and 7th graders will be starting the O.W.L. program.

JANUARY 17th

The Rev. James Hobart – Welcome! “Wanted Peace Makers & Justice Servers” Rev. James Hobart will be speaking. The Adult Choir sings. We will celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King’s birthday.

JANUARY 24th

The ‘Worship Committee’ will lead the service.

JANUARY 31st

Celebration of Transition, Rev. Ian Evison (District Executive) & Rev. James Hobart (Interim Minister).

ORA GROUP (OPEN, ALLOW, RELAX)

The Law of Attraction Group has a new name, ORA (Open, Relax, Allow). The group will still meet in the parsonage but on a different day. The day and time has changed to Sunday afternoons 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. The next meeting will be this Sunday, January 10th. The group will finish the Law of Attraction discussion. Starting February 14th, the discussion will be listening to “Zero Limits” by Joe Vitale audio version. If you are interested in visiting the group, please call Nicette Crawford 815-479-6187.

LIVING QUARTERS AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY

A beautiful studio in a newer home is available for rent. It is located in Woodstock and this includes a fireplace & laundry facilities. This would be great for a non- smoking female at \$485 /month. Please call Nicette Crawford at 815-479-6187.

CHURCH OFFICE CHANGES

Please welcome Lori Burns as part of our office staff. Lori is replacing Lora Cantele as the office manager and will be responsible for all of the clerical work. Continuing to work in the office will be Karen Stowe. Karen will be working primarily on the newsletter and the bulletin as well as other office duties. Lori will be in the office Mondays and Thursdays from 8am until 2pm and Karen will be working Wednesday and Friday from 10am until 1pm. Please contact Lori or Karen during those times if there is anything you need or feel free to leave a message.

U.S. CENSUS JOB OPENINGS

Rae Brill is a Recruiting Assistant with the U.S. Census Bureau and is looking anyone interested in a temporary job with the Census Bureau. The job would last 5 to 10 weeks, during the late afternoons and weekends starting in the month of April, 2010.

You are asked to contact Rae by email if you are interested. You must be at least 18yrs of age and pass an examination, prior to being hired. In April training would begin. If you are interested we have some information in the office, or you can go to the website www.2010censusjobs.gov or contact Rae directly at rbrill302@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

We would like to save the date for our Service Auction on Saturday, March 6th, 2010 at 6:00p.m. Look for mailing in early January for more information. If you are willing to help, please contact Shelly Nicholson at 815-322-2533.

GREAT CHURCH FUNDRAISER

Buying gift cards through the New Year can help raise money for the church.

The process is simple; you choose the gift cards you want to order and fill out a form provided at church. Drop off the form and cash or check (payable to UUC of Woodstock with gift card on the memo line) to Heather Madaus or Whit Sears after church on Sundays, or mail it to the church by Monday.

You will receive your orders on the following Sunday.

The church makes \$ by purchasing the cards at a discount and you get the face value of your card! Please consider helping us by planning your weekly expenses for fuel, groceries, entertainment, and gift-giving from this list!

Please contact Heather Madaus for online ordering instructions or with further questions at heathermadaus@sbcglobal.net or at 815-509-7862.

CURRENT AFFAIRS DISCUSSION GROUP

The next meeting will be on this Sunday, January 10th, at 9:00 a.m. in the parsonage (upstairs this Sunday, due to Youth O.W.L. program).

For more information, please contact Don Metivier 815-334-0015.

MEN'S GROUP

The Men's Group will meet on Tuesday, January 26th at 6:00p.m., at the church in the kitchen. Sig Goodwin and Don Metivier will be hosting the group with Chinese Food. Please RSVP the Church Office, 815-338-0731

or office@uucfwoodstock.org if you can attend. This date was previously on the 19th, but there was a scheduling conflict due to the Church Council meeting.

SUN CITY GROUP

Sun City Group is on Wednesday, January 13th, 2010 at 7:00p.m. at the home of Dave and Carol Prieur at 13352 Longmeadow Dr. in Huntley. Please RSVP to Dave or Carol at 224-569-6994.

SOCIAL CLUB

On Tuesday, January 12th, 2010 at 7:00p.m. The Social Club will meet at the home of Carl and Judy Rudolph, 675 Randall Court in Marengo.

Also, we ask that those attending to please park on our driveway and enter through the back door. We have two driveways and it can get confusing. If you are facing the house please park on the driveway to the right of the house. Carl intends to place a lantern on our mailbox to light the way.

Please call Carl or Judy at 815-568-3241 to let her know if you can attend and if you will be able to bring a snack or beverage.

INTERNATION PEACE GATHERING

The Hope Springs Institute in Peebles, Ohio will have an International Peace Gathering on June 23-27, 2010. You can find out more about the gathering through Women Creating Change; who support other women in becoming agents of change and also promote sustainability of our planet on all levels. Women Creating Change is co-chairing the 'Raffle' fund-raising committee for Peace Gathering. For more information, please contact Sue Resnik, gingervista@gmail.com or www.hopespringinstitute.com or www.womencreatingchange.com.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE) UPDATES

JANUARY 10TH

On January 10th, 2010 the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade O.W.L. program will begin. It begins at 9:00a.m., in the parsonage

JANUARY 15th

On Friday, January 15th, 2010 the Youth Group O.W.L. program will meet at 5:00p.m., in the parsonage for an overnight that will last until Saturday at 5:00p.m.

JOYFUL JOURNEY

Joyful Journey Program will begin February 2010.

PICTURES FROM PAGEANT

Our RE Director Sam Jones is wondering if anyone who attended the Children's Pageant on December 13th had any photographs that they would be willing to share. Please contact Sam at 815-382-5571 or samjones@ameritech.net.

OFFICE SCHEDULE

Lori Burns and Karen Stowe share in the secretarial duties at the church office. You will find the office schedule below;

Monday, Jan 11th: 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Lori Burns
Tuesday, Jan 12th: all day – Janet Burns, Bookkeeper
Wednesday, Jan 13th: 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. – Karen Stowe
Thursday, Jan 14th: 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. – Lori Burns
Friday, Jan 15th: 10:00 – 1:00 p.m. – Karen Stowe

Monday, Jan 18th: 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Lori Burns
Tuesday, Jan 19th: all day – Janet Burns, Bookkeeper
Wednesday, Jan 20th: 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. – Karen Stowe
Thursday, Jan 21st: 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Lori Burns
Friday, Jan 22nd: 10:00 – a.m.-1:00 p.m. - Karen Stowe