



Second Unitarian Church of Omaha

Second Thoughts

September, 2013

Join Us This Sunday!

Worship Services
9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

**Fellowship and
Refreshments**
10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

Ice Cream Social
Sunday, September 1
see page 7

Book Sale/Yard Sale
Saturday,
September 14
Book Sale only
Sunday,
September 15 & 22
see page 7

- September 1 Music & Worship - **Water Communion**
After a summer of drought, we pause to think of water and the ways we are in need and the ways we are blessed. Yearly, we celebrate an awe-inspiring element: Water. Bring your water so that we might bring them together while sharing in a ritual where we all touch water and connect to the Holy. *And don't miss the **Ice Cream Social** at 10:30 between the two services!*
- September 8 Rev. Scott McNeill - **The Beacon of Hope**
In September, our worship theme is **Vision**. One of the phrases that has stuck with members of 2U is the idea of being a *Beacon of Hope* – which means helping others to see, in times of despair. Rev. Scott's worship will explore what that vision could mean in our world.
- September 15 Rev. Scott - **Forest, or Trees? Speck, or a Log?**
Rev. Scott is continuing to use the theme of **Vision** this Sunday, but taking it to a more personal level. All of us struggle with how we "see" the world, how we understand what happens to us and by us. This Sunday, we will use worship to broaden our narrow focus a bit.
- September 22 Anita Jeck - **Love Surrounds Us**
This is the title of a Unitarian Universalist curriculum for young children, and it is also a truth rich for exploring as adults. How does our church community generate "love that surrounds us?" Ministry with youth and children offers some lessons along the way.
- September 29 Rev. Scott - **Thermometer or Thermostat?**
Much of our lifetime is spent reacting to the world around us. Yet, we have the ability to change the world rather than simply confirming to it. Join us in worship as we reflect on developing the world we want more than displaying the world we have.



Minister's Musings

By Rev. Scott McNeill



It's been three fast-paced years since I unpacked the books in my office, and hoped to hang a poster or two (I'm always a little slow at decorating). In the three years I've served as settled minister, I've seen so much happen in such a small time frame. People have been married, and relationships have ended. Babies were born, and loved ones have died. People have joined the church, and left the church.

It's amazing to me how much things seem the same, even though they clearly aren't. Perhaps that's my own reticence about change. For whatever reasons, I hold two ancient lines in my head:

*"There is nothing new under the sun (Ecclesiastes)," and,
"You cannot step twice into the same river;
for other waters are continually flowing in (Heraclitus)."*

How can this be true? For me, at least, it's the same struggle I have when I hear that our mission calls us to be both authentic **and** transformative. To be ourselves is of utmost importance; so often, it can feel like there is nowhere or no one willing to accept us just as we are. But at church, we strive to be that sanctuary.

At the same time, there's a line that suggests, "If you're not evolving, you're dying." If we are simply to be *just* as we are, then we would never learn to crawl, walk, run, love, lust, hurt, live. There's nothing wrong with a paradox – it's a great tool of tension from which we can grow.

It's often helpful for me to use a little perspective in my work. I sit back and think: What mattered to people 100 years ago; and, what will matter to people in 100 years? That often reminds me that the details, the minor things aren't that important. Those are *transient*, fleeting. But the important parts – how we treated one another, the freedom of exploration that our church encourages – those are the *permanent* things that will stick around, if we do them well. Theodore Parker, a great Unitarian, was the one who used those terms first – and I thank him for helping me get church work into perspective.

For those of you who are new to the church, you may notice things and wonder why they've always been a certain way. The more long-term members may sit and wonder how everything changed and got to be how it is today. The truth lies in both places, and in the views of others. The joy, the good news (or Gospel) of Unitarian Universalism is that we intentionally ask people to hold wildly disparate things to be true – because we acknowledge that there is nothing that can or should deny the truth of lived experience.

Thanks to all of you who help us hold up traditions; and those of you who encourage us to try new things.

In faith,
Rev. Scott

On a personal note, I'd like to offer thanks for people's well-wishes regarding a number of things. We all have full lives, with joys and sorrows to bear – and congregation members have been kind in sharing their ups and downs, and in hearing mine. I wanted to share a few things that people may not know (as I'm reticent to share, often). First, our child, Elijah, is doing well. He likes to test out his lungs in church! Second, my mother is doing better with her health and we hope to have her out here in Omaha soon. And third, in mid-August, we lost our dog, Jake after months of dealing with cancer. Thanks to everyone for their kindness, and for our community of compassion.



Planks and Slivers from the Board

By JoAnne Draper, Chair, Board of Trustees



Your Board has been preparing for this upcoming year with the guidance of Rev Scott McNeill.

Craig Piquette will be the board contact for Buildings & Grounds headed by Clyde Anderson and Tom Rundquist, as well as the newly re-energized Denominational Connections, chaired by Vicki Pratt. Part of Craig's role as Vice Chair is to chair the Program Council which is composed of Committee Chairs. Fellowship Chairs Judy Eller and Janet Nichols have Gay Robinson Abraham to reach out to and so does the Social Justice Coordinating Council with its focus on Care for the Earth, Closing the Economic Gap, and LGBT Beacon Team. Pat Caffrey, Cheri Cody, and Tammy Hunter are the leaders in this area. Anita Jeck with her decades of involvement with Religious Growth & Learning will be working with Anita Meyer and her team. Anita Jeck will also be the contact for the Library Committee headed by Pete Miller. Stephanie Peterson will be checking in with Nominations, chaired by Carol Johnson. Tom Peterson of Music & Worship is lucky to have his wife as his board contact. I will be working with the Finance Coordinating Council, which includes the Endowment Fund, Fundraising, and Stewardship Teams. The leaders in the group are Clyde Anderson, Joel Haskins, Nancy VanderSluis, Cheri Cody and of course our talented Treasurer, Pat Caffrey. I am the contact for the Membership Committee led by Leslie Harvey and Katie Tessin as Connections Coordinator. So much wonderful work is done by all involved in our committees. When you see any of these people and others who are on their teams, please express your gratitude.

"Together we walk the path of justice, speak the words of love, live the selfless deed, trod gently upon the earth, and fill the world with compassion." — *From "Our Time in this Place" by Kathy Huff.*

Honored to be your Chair of Planks and Slivers,

JoAnne



Share the Plate for September:

One half of Second Unitarian's offering received in September will go to Planned Parenthood of the Heartland.

Planned Parenthood of the Heartland plannedparenthood.org/heartland/ offers a full range of quality reproductive health care services to residents in Nebraska, Iowa, Arkansas, and eastern Oklahoma. They provide accessible, affordable reproductive health care and education and advocacy for reproductive rights. For nearly 100 years, Planned Parenthood has provided trusted community health care, informed and educated the community, led the reproductive health and rights movement, and advanced global health.

Of special note: In September, Second Unitarian is hosting training for leaders to learn how to teach the Our Whole Lives (OWL) curriculum, offering information about healthy relationships (see page 11). Planned Parenthood is a long-time national supporter of the OWL curriculum.

To nominate an organization for our Share the Plate program, visit the church website or contact the Social Justice Coordinating Council or Rev. Scott.



Treasurer's Report

By Pat Caffrey, Treasurer

**Second Unitarian Church
Treasurer's Report
Month End for July 31, 2013**

YTD New Pledge Income/Current Year: \$525.00 received of (3) New Pledges for \$3,400.00 for 2013-14.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	<u>July</u>	<u>Year-To-Date</u>
Income	\$46,606.88	\$46,606.88
Expenses	-\$17,040.72	-\$17,040.72
Net Over/Short	<u>\$23,566.16</u>	<u>\$23,566.16</u>

You should have received your contribution statement for 07/01/12-06/30/13 via email. For those without email, a statement was mailed. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions.

If you would like more detailed financial statements, please contact me.

Thank you!
Treasurer
Pat Caffrey

YTD Pledge Income/Current Year: \$34,859.63 reflects 19.17% of \$181,841.00 Total Pledged for 2013-14.

Upcoming Social Justice Happenings

By Pat Caffrey, Social Justice Coordinating Committee

Wednesday, September 25, 7 - 8:30 p.m.: Congregation-Based Community Organizing

The UUA supports the work of congregation-based community organizing (CBCO) as a way to revitalize congregational life and to fulfill its spiritual mandate to pursue social, economic, and racial justice and create a better world. Second Unitarian Church is a long time member of Omaha Together One Community, a CBCO in Omaha.

Are you curious about congregation-based community organizing? Interested in learning more? Paul Turner, Lead Organizer for AMOS, a Mid-Iowa Organizing Strategy will lead us in a session on Wednesday, September 25, 7 p.m., at Second Unitarian. **All are invited and encouraged to attend.** Questions? Contact Pat Caffrey or Vicki Pratt.

Coming this Fall: The Future of Social Justice at Second Unitarian

You may have attended the Social Justice Empowerment Workshop in 2008. It was an awesome event! It was instrumental in providing direction in our justice-making for the last few years. **Now, it is time to take a new look at our justice-making in today's world, with an eye to fulfilling our mission to be Authentic, Compassionate and Transformative, in our lives, in our faith, and in the world.**

What does justice mean to you? What does it look like? What does it feel like? How can we make it happen? This Fall, the workshop for Second Unitarian Church will be led by a nationally recognized UUA leader and will be offsite at Project Harmony. **All are invited and encouraged to attend.** It is important that as many as possible participate. Watch for more details soon!



Connecting Our Congregation to Our Larger Faith

by Vicki Pratt, Denominational Connections Chair

Welcome to the first of hopefully many articles about how our congregation fits into the larger Unitarian Universalist administrative structure! My goal is to make everyone aware of benefits we are paying for, and so might as well take advantage of.

We pay? Yes, every year for each member we pay \$23 to our MidAmerica Region and \$60 to the national Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA). The MidAmerica Region covers the 195 congregations from North Dakota, south to Kansas, east to Kentucky, and north to Michigan.

What do we get? Educational training: leadership development, religious education, youth programming, membership growth, justice making, finance and stewardship.

Who develops the training? UUA field staff trained as generalists for all service areas, and deep specialists in specific areas.

Where is the training? You can watch webinars from your home via Internet and telephone (or gather your committee at church); attend in-person conferences throughout the Region, or download curricula.

What training is coming up? I'll use this space to let you know, or go to <http://www.midamericauua.org/>

Anything more fun than training? YES!! There are summer camps, retreats, and conferences. For example: Women's Connection Fall Conference, Racine WI October 18-20, fee schedule and registration at <http://www.midamericauua.org/events/icalrepeat.detail/2013/10/18/100/-/singing-in-sacred-circle-in-racine-wi>

Do you want help? Yes, glad you asked! I'm now a Chair without a committee. Most work is online research. We'll also promote conference attendance, and applications for awards and grant money. Please contact Vicki Pratt.

LGBTQ Welcoming Congregation

by Mary Anne Chisholm

The LGBTQ Welcoming Congregation Committee is a supportive group. We meet the second Tuesday of each month to share and discuss progress with tasks and to decide how to be supportive.

Our Open Arms Transgender Youth Group meets the third Saturday of each month. We have a potluck and then usually a topic/question to start discussion, and then just talk and support the youth.

You may ask "How can I be supportive?" Life is very hard for youth who are just growing into themselves and exploring their identities. And life is even more troublesome if you feel you are in the wrong body. These youth hear others talking BLACK and WHITE while they are experiencing different shades of gray.

Is there a little boy who loves pink and dresses and dolls? Does the girl think she is a boy? At our meetings (in all our relationships) we try to just let people share. We try hard not to be judgmental. We ask questions: "Tell me more about that." "Help me understand."

We try not to use words like "normal." Youth who are questioning hear words like "marriage," "husband," "wife," "girlfriend," "boyfriend." and they begin to hide their truth. In school they are often bullied and at home they are told not to share or "not to play with those things." To be supportive we try to say "partner," "relationship," or "partnership." We believe that humans come in many colors and can be different. It is our goal to be supportive to all.

Our goal at these meetings is just to be accepting. Here is a place that youth can come and be themselves. We would love to have you come and join us. If you have questions, contact Tammy, Mary Anne, or Ferial.



Meditation Reincarnated

By Kevin Dunlop

Meditation Reincarnated is beginning its study of a new book, *Savor*, by Thich Nhat Hanh. This book deals with mindful - and mindless - eating. How often do we eat our food while juggling tasks on our to-do list or while watching TV? How often do we shovel food into our mouths without enjoying it, without savoring it? Thich Nhat Hanh guides us with thoughts and practices to improve our eating habits and help us truly taste and enjoy our food.

Meditation Reincarnated meets in the church downstairs on the fourth Thursday of each month. Our next meeting is **Thursday, September 26, at 7:45 p.m.** when we will discuss chapter 3 of the book. Please join us and learn about and practice meditation. Both the book and our meditation practice are designed for everyone, whether monk or beginner. No previous meditation experience is necessary, so please come and check us out.

Retirees' Group

By Carol Johnson

The Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging (ENOA) is one of 650 area agencies on aging created by Congress under the Older Americans Act. The mission of ENOA is: "to help older Nebraskans live independently and remain for as long as possible in their own homes."

ENOA serves families in Douglas, Sarpy, Dodge, Cass, and Washington counties. What services does the organization provide? Come hear Mr. Jeff Reinhardt, a representative of ENOA, describe ENOA's services at the next Retirees' Group, **Tuesday, September 10, from 1:00-2:00 p.m.**

Blackstone Book Club

By Gwen Eurich

Members will meet at the church on **Tuesday, September 24, at 7:30 p.m.** We will discuss *The White Masai* by Corinne Hoffman. Several other books have been chosen for the coming year including *Avalanche: Lessons of Love* written by Oddo and Ochoa-Keane which we will be reading in October and *Unbroken* by Laura Hillengrand which is our November selection. Please join us for any and all discussions of your choosing. For more information, contact Gwen Eurich.

Raise Your Voice in Song!

Do you love to make a joyful noise and have fun with a delightful group? ***Please join the Second Unitarian Choir!*** If you enjoy singing, we'd love to have you join us in the choir! No prior experience is necessary.

Rehearsals are Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. starting the first Thursday in September. For information and encouragement, contact Music Director Donna Zebolsky at music@2uomaha.org or speak with Donna after Sunday morning worship.



Ice Cream Social

Sunday, September 1

The annual Ice Cream Social will be held
between services starting at 10:30.

Join us on the east lawn
for this fun annual event!

Recycling at its BEST

Book Sale/Yard Sale



Book/Yard Sale

Saturday, September 14, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Book Sale ONLY

Sunday, September 15, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

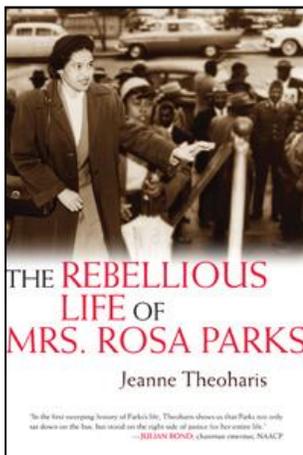
Sunday, September 22, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.



All donations of books and clean yard sale items welcomed! Leave your items in the Religious Education office in the church basement. Please place a price on anything that has particular value. Proceeds for this year's sale will go to the church operating fund. Contact Nancy VanderSluis with questions.

Book Review: *The Rebellious Life of Mrs. Rosa Parks*

By Vicki Pratt, Library Committee



This eye-catching title of Jeanne Theoharis's biography of Rosa Parks is probably not how you would describe the woman who refused to give up her seat to a white man on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama in 1955. Most people have heard the story of the accidental-heroine seamstress with tired feet; the first African American to refuse to move.

In reality Rosa Parks was an assistant tailor at a downtown department store; Secretary of the Montgomery NAACP; longtime activist for union organizing, civil rights, voter registration, and economic justice; trained in desegregation actions at the Highlander Folk School; and the third African American woman arrested in Montgomery for not moving to the back of the bus. She didn't move because she was "tired of being pushed around.It's always amazing to me that people thought it was [startling]. It seems to me it's natural to want to be treated as a human being."

Mrs. Parks suffered from ill health and economic insecurity throughout her life but was always willing to speak and travel to promote social and racial justice.

How did she wind up in Detroit? Was she active in the Black Power Movement? Find out her true history by reading this book. You'll find it in our church library.



Young Religious Unitarian Universalists (YRUU)

By Ben Wallace, YRUU Advisor

Here are some important updates to dates and times for the start of this YRUU year. All meetings in the immediate future will be held at First Unitarian.

Wednesday, September 4 from 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Parent / Youth Meeting

This is the traditional kickoff of the YRUU year, but at an earlier time! ALL Parents and Youth are needed for this interactive, covenant-building meeting, not just signing papers :)

Wednesday, September 11 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

YRUU resumes for the year!

We will begin our official YRUU meetings (without parents). Regular meetings will always begin at 7:00 p.m.; youth can begin arriving at 6:45. Special meetings, such as the Youth/Adult Leadership Committee (YAC) or Coming of Age will be at 6:00, but will be scheduled in advance so you will have notice.

Questions? Contact omahayruu@gmail.com. We look forward to a fantastic YRUU year!



Second Circle Teen Movie

By Anita Jeck

Our September teen movie night will be held with the youth group of Beth El Synagogue. **We will meet on Sunday, September 15, at 5:00 p.m. at the synagogue at 14506 California Street.** Teens in grades 7 - 12 from both First Unitarian and Second Unitarian are invited.

We'll make kosher pizza together and then watch the movie, "Keeping the Faith" (rated PG). The discussion afterwards will focus on the religious stereotypes that are portrayed in the movie, and perhaps explore the differences and similarities between the Unitarian Universalist and Jewish faiths.

If you have questions, contact Anita Jeck or Rev. Scott.

You won't want to miss the

Fall Potluck

on Saturday, October 12, at 6 p.m.

More information in the October newsletter!

PRIVACY POLICY FOR CHURCH PUBLICATIONS

As stated in church policies: *Respect for the privacy of members, friends, and visitors is a primary consideration. When newsletter submissions contain personal information (phone number, street address, email address, etc.), it is the author's responsibility to get the subject's permission to publish this information.* Since many of our communications are transmitted electronically and information therein may more easily be re-transmitted, it's essential that any personal information be approved for inclusion.

In general, it's preferable to omit personal information, but in those cases where it's necessary (such as a location for an offsite meeting), those who submit articles should ask for permission to publish the personal information. An alternative is "Please call or email the church office for contact information." Contact the Office Administrator for more information.

Regarding published photographs: If you do not want your photo published (including in the newsletter or on the website), please inform the Office Administrator in writing. Thanks!



Lifespan Religious Growth & Learning

By Jaime Short

Wow! Can you believe the kiddos are back to school already!? Those lazy days of summer have ended and the fall frenzy has begun! The Religious Growth and Learning Committee has been working at a frenzied pace of our own. We are getting set to kick off our new year in Religious Education.

When a lot of folks hear the words “religious education,” they immediately conjure up images that may harken back to their own youth. Maybe it was memorizing Bible passages, singing “This Little Light of Mine,” or playing with Shepherds and Wise Men. At Second Unitarian this is not your ordinary Sunday School!

Children ages 4-6

Using the “Stories About God” program our young children will be exposed to a wide variety of stories about God. Compatible with our UU principles and beliefs, these stories are based on religions around the world as well as from the ordinary and extraordinary experiences in life. **Class for this age group will be offered at the 9:30 a.m. service; children of parents attending the 11:30 a.m. service may attend the Elementary class.**

Elementary

Grades 2-5 will be partying every Sunday this year! We are using the UU curriculum, “Holidays and Holy Days”! Holidays are the natural, age-old vehicle of religious socialization; they set time aside to remember a great person or event, to give thanks for life’s bounty, freedom, or warmth. Through exploring the various celebrations and traditions of the world religions, the children will be introduced to the variety of beliefs, symbols, rituals, and stories. “Holidays and Holy Days” is part of a Montessori-based UU curriculum where the children learn more by “doing,” rather than being “told” about the lesson. Each lesson is connected to an aspect of our Unitarian Universalist faith. **Class for this age group will meet at both the 9:30 and 11:30 services.**

Middle School

A new, separate class will be offered this year for youth, grades 6 through 8. The “Amazing Grace” curriculum for this class uses stories, activities and discussion to help youth address such questions as: Why do bad things happen? What is the role of God, gods, and goddesses? Who am I? Is evil or goodness within us? Is it something we choose? What are my own ideas? How can I follow my own ideas and not somebody else’s? Is “you decide for yourself” really the ultimate UU answer to these questions? “Amazing Grace” intends to help students understand right and wrong and act on their new understanding. Through their involvement in this program, youth will come to recognize and depend on their Unitarian Universalist identity and resources as essential to their movement toward understanding, independence, and fulfillment of personal promise. **Sessions for this age group will be offered at the 11:30 service, youth in this age group attending the 9:30 service may join the Elementary class or stay upstairs in Worship.**

Oh, and don’t forget, we will be continuing our Family Learning Service projects from last year. Whatever your ages, and whomever you define as your family, join us! Be on the lookout for those details as time nears.

In July, we said goodbye to our Director of Religious Education, Kirsten Stiles. For two years, Kirsten served us well as our childcare staff and then working in Religious Growth and Learning.

We wish her the best!

If you'd like to reach Kirsten to offer your own gratitude,
we encourage you to contact her.



Shop at Amazon.com and Help Second Unitarian Church

Your online purchases can help the church! Here's how: Visit the church website at www.2Uomaha.org, under Quick Links click on Books, and then click on the link for Amazon.com. *Up to five percent of your purchase will be donated to the church.* What a great and painless way to shop and help the church at the same time!

- Travel and stay in homes of people who share your ideals
- Learn about hosting people in your home to earn extra money

The UU bed and breakfast directory *UU're Home* (formerly *Homecomings*) offers a network of hosts in the United States (and a few abroad) who enjoy meeting new friends and are happy to open their home to like-minded people. Travel to different cities and stay in reasonably priced accommodations or become a host and enjoy meeting new friends.



For more information, visit www.UUreHome.com or write to info@uurehome.com

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Fall Church Cleanup October 5

By Tom Rundquist & Clyde Anderson, Co-Chairs – Building & Grounds

Mark your calendar now! Our Fall Church Cleanup is scheduled for **Saturday, October 5, 8:00 a.m. to noon**. There will be plenty of tasks for everyone!

Our experienced volunteers will assist novices, so don't worry about lacking skills. However, please wear suitable shoes (no sandals or flip-flops, please) and bring work gloves. Wear work clothes appropriate for the weather (for working outdoors) and painting. Feel free to bring tools if you wish, but the Building and Grounds Committee members will arrange to have a supply of tools and materials available.

As always, we'll have refreshments available in the foyer beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Children are welcome with adult supervision. They usually enjoy helping with some of the lighter garden chores.

Please note the event on your calendar, and we hope many of you can help, even for just a few hours. For more information, contact Clyde Anderson or Tom Rundquist..

KIOS CAMPAIGN COMING IN OCTOBER

This year our church campaign to raise money for advertising on KIOS public radio is scheduled for October 1 – 31. Those who are interested in contributing will be asked to make their checks to Second Unitarian Church, and the amount raised will be used to place messages on KIOS.

Watch for more information soon.

Staff

Attendance				
Date	Adults in Worship	Adults in R.E.	Children in R.E.	Family Service Learning
7/21	70	---	---	15
7/28	83			---
8/4	66		5	---
8/11	72		5	---
8/18	73		8	---

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Tom Peterson, Gary Emenitove

Our Whole Lives (OWL) Training

By Rev. Scott McNeill

Over the last weekend of September, we will welcome guests from around the Midwest for a special training. Second Unitarian is hosting staff and lay leaders from different congregations as they learn about how to teach the Our Whole Lives (OWL) curriculum. OWL was created by both the Unitarian Universalist Association and the United Church of Christ, and both faiths (as well as others) use this to teach their children, teens, and adults about healthy relationships.

This particular training will focus on training people to use the curriculum for junior high and high school aged youth, a particular area of focus in many churches. If you meet a guest around the church between September 27-29, we hope you'll extend a warm welcome to the good souls who are working hard to help youth grow into mature young adults!

Why Immigration Reform Is Good for Nebraska

by Vicki Pratt, Social Justice Coordinating Council

Unitarian Universalist congregations have been studying immigration reform for several years. This year congregation delegates approved the Immigration as a Moral Issue Statement of Conscience. The text of this statement is at <http://www.uua.org/statements/statements/288860.shtml>

The House of Representatives is now considering the Comprehensive Immigration Reform bill passed by the Senate. To find out about comprehensive immigration reform and why it's good for Nebraska, come to an information forum. Speakers include business owners and student DREAMers as well as someone knowledgeable about details of the Senate bill.

When: September 3, 7:00 – 8:15 p.m.

Where: College of St. Mary, 1905 South 72nd Street, Gross Auditorium in Science Building

This forum is sponsored by OTOC (Omaha Together One Community), Nebraska Appleseed, Creighton Center for Service and Justice, and College of St. Mary.

For more information, contact Vicki Pratt.

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***MISSION STATEMENT
SECOND UNITARIAN CHURCH OF OMAHA***

“Our Mission is to be Authentic, Compassionate, and Transformative in our lives, in our faith, and in the world.”

Adopted May 20, 2012