

# Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Owensboro

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May we tend the fire of our chalice always, ever vigilant and courageous in the struggle for freedom and justice for all. Tracy Bleakney



## JULY EVENTS

THU 02 6 pm/6:30 pm	Tai Chi/ Meditation
SAT 04 8:30 am-12 n	Reiki- by Appointment
WED 08 6 pm	Board Meeting
THU 09 6 pm/6:30 pm	Tai Chi/ Meditation
SAT 11 9 am-12:30 pm	Welcoming Congregation Workshop
MON 13 9:30 am-12 n	Rummage Sale Prep
TUE 14 9:30 am- 12 n	Rummage Sale Prep
WED 15 3-7 pm	Rummage Sale Prep
THU 16 3-7 pm	Rummage Sale Prep
THU 16 6 pm/6:30 pm	TAI Chi/ Meditation
FRI 17 7 am-1 pm	Rummage Sale
SAT 18 7 am- 1 pm	Rummage Sale
SUN 19 10:30 am	New Member Sunday
THU 23 6 pm/6:30 pm	Tai Chi/ Meditation
FRI 24 6:30 pm	Drum Circle
THU 30 6 pm/6:30 pm	Tai Chi/ Meditation

REV. DR. CLAUDIA A. RAMISCH  
Home Office Hours  
WED 01: 12-3 pm  
WED 08: 1-5 pm  
Vacation: 20-31 July



## RUMMAGE SALE FRI & SAT, 17-18 JULY 7 AM-1 PM

Yes, it's lots of work, but we always have lots of fun while we're at it! Rebecca is in charge; here's the plan:

- Drop off goods anytime the church is open...
- Help price and organize Mon & Tue, 13-14 July, 9:30 am-12 n...
- Help price and organize, Wed, 15 July, 3-7 pm
- Pick-ups will be made Wed, 15 July, 4:30-6:30 pm or by special appointment...
- Help stage set-up, Thu, 16 July 3-7 pm
- Workers will be needed for sales & clean-up... Our tithe from this event goes to OASIS.

## WELCOMING CONGREGATION WORKSHOP

At our Annual Meeting in April, the Congregation voted to complete the work for Welcoming Congregation Status. The last educational items to complete on our application will be presented as a single workshop, on **Saturday, 11 July from 9 am-12:30 pm**. A homemade veggie lasagna lunch will be provided for all attendees @ 12:30 pm. Please confirm your reservation for the workshop and lunch on the sign-up in the sanctuary.



## INTERFAITH MOMENT

2 July: Asalha Puja or Dharma Day

Theravada commemoration of the Buddha's first sermon after enlightenment, a systematic expression of the essence of his entire teaching. This day is viewed as the origin of Buddhism as a religion, of the order of monks, and of the practice of retreat during the rainy season.

## FOURTH FRIDAY DRUM CIRCLE Friday, 24 July @ 6:30 pm Led by Tracy King

Fun for all ages and cooler than Friday after Five... No previous experience is necessary!



## DENOUNCE TORTURE 2015

LEFT: Sylvia Coleman, Guest Preacher  
RIGHT: Whaylon & Justin Coleman, Lighting Chalice

On 25 June, UUCO was fortunate to hear a presentation by Sylvia Coleman, Executive Director of the Owensboro Human Relations Commission. In our 11th annual Denounce Torture program, Ms. Coleman began by reading Niemoeller's poem from WWII, "First they came for the Socialists..." With this text and examples from Owensboro today, she illustrated that our common humanity demands we be concerned for each other and working for each other's good or we all suffer. Ms. Coleman also urged us to cultivate compassion within ourselves that we might be prepared for compassion with and service to others.