



**NWUUC** NORTHWEST  
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST  
CONGREGATION

**Promoting Religious Freedom, Spiritual Growth, and Ethical Action**

Worship This Week  
September 29, 2024

Rev. George L. Chaney: Why Honor This Unitarian?

One hundred and forty years ago, a Boston minister left his home to plant our Unitarian faith tradition in the South. Rev. George Leonard Chaney spent 12 years in the South spreading our Unitarian faith and established the first Unitarian Church in Atlanta. Northwest is a direct descendant of Rev. Chaney's work. Learn more about why this Unitarian minister is honored on the stained-glass windows in our sanctuary.

Welcome member Jay Kiskel to our pulpit as he explores our Unitarian faith at 10 a.m. this Sunday in the sanctuary or online with zoom at <https://nwuuc.org/zoom/>.

*Did you miss the service last week?*  
Here is the link to it. Passcode &fVU9@QM

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## MUSIC MINISTRY

### Northwest Music Ministry Update

Philip J. Rogers, Director of Music

Planning and executing music for Sunday services is more easily accomplished with the assistance of Jim Pearce, our Sunday service and choral accompanist. The Voices of Northwest serve on the second and fourth Sundays each month as co-hymn leaders as well as rendering special choral works.

Our hymn song leaders Traci Montgomery, Chrissy Haddad, Peggy Emrey, and Marie MacBain willingly prepare themselves for either the first, third and/or fifth Sunday services alongside Jim Pearce and occasionally Bruce Niedermeyer playing bass with Traci Montgomery on guitar and Larry Wallis who periodically adds his voice to the mix.

We also have the pleasure of pianists Sally Mitchell and Edward Lawrence who have committed to occasionally play Prelude and Offering music on select Sunday mornings which adds poignant diversity to the Knabe piano sound.

Finally, if there is anyone among the NW family who is a proficient percussionist, I request that you reach out to me at [music@nwuuc.org](mailto:music@nwuuc.org). I would be happy to speak with you about your availability to serve.

*“Music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.”*

-German writer, Berthold Auerbach  
from his book, On the Heights (1867)

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## Religious Education

### RE Schedule Sunday, September 29, 2024

**Nursery:** 10-11 am

#### **RE Schedule:**

**K-8:** Children will be dismissed after the story for RE. Playground and activity time will end at 12:00 noon

**Youth Group:** The next youth group meeting will be held on Sunday, September 29th at 11:30 am to prepare for their service preparation.

Please mark your calendar for our next major event which will be Trunk-or-Treat on Sunday, October 27th.

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**Circle Supper in October?**

Are YOU willing to host a Circle Supper in October? Let me know! We keep these dinners low-key: everyone brings a dish to share (coordinate with the hosts if you wish) and your favorite beverage if you wish. We always enjoy the casual intimacy of meeting in members' homes which generates the best of conversations. Any suggestions for improvements? Please share your thoughts with me, Judy McKinley, at [JudyLamb218@gmail.com](mailto:JudyLamb218@gmail.com) or 404-406-2369

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*Northwest's annual auction will be on **November 2!** It will a magical evening filled with great food, fellowship, and the chance to bid on awesome items. Watch your newsletter for forthcoming information. We can't wait to see you there!*





## October is Pride Month in Georgia!

Our Donate the Plate Recipient for October is Georgia Equality.

Georgia Equality's mission is to advance fairness, safety and opportunity for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender communities and our allies throughout the state.

Founded in 1995, we are two organizations – united with a common vision but serving unique functions in our work to achieve equality. Georgia Equality, Inc. works year-round to pass pro-equality legislation and elect fair-minded elected officials. Through the Equality Foundation of Georgia, we conduct voter registration and educational activities, provide information to decision makers, and work to organize and mobilize LGBTQ residents and allies to advance equality in urban, suburban, and rural communities across the state.

You can contribute by texting "DONATENWUUC" to 73256 and selecting "Donate the Plate".

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## ***Documentary Night Sunday, October 6***



We will have a Special Virtual Documentary Night in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month on Sunday, October 6th from 7 to 9 pm. This event is in collaboration with [I Will Survive, Inc.](#), whose mission is to provide economic support, prevention education, and health & wellness services to those at higher risk and affected by breast cancer. We are meeting to talk about the documentary, [Pink Ribbon Inc.](#) This film shows how the devastating reality of breast cancer, which marketing experts have labeled a “dream cause,” has been hijacked by a shiny, pink story of success. **Samantha King (Author of Pink Ribbon Inc.) will be joining us for a special guest Q&A!** Here is a link to where you can watch the film for free. <https://youtu.be/qVFNZNF4quo?si=eV9A25kxBPpW9SMv> Here is a link to where you can RSVP. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/special-virtual-documentary-night-tickets-849796473127> You can also check out our Community Documentary Night website for more details. <https://documentarynight.wordpress.com/>



## **Fall YouthCONs**

Youth CONferences are fun and entertaining weekend gatherings of Unitarian Universalist youth who attend as a part of a congregational sponsored group. CONs are planned by youth for youth and are supervised by Peer Advocate Leaders (PALs) and advisors. Each CON provides opportunities for youth leadership and empowerment through building community, connecting with friends, and engaging in personal reflection and spiritual growth. Participants stay in our cozy cabins and eat together in our Dining Hall, which prepares delicious meals suited to individual dietary needs.

Elementary CON (3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> grade) - October 18-20

Intermediate CON (6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade) - November 1-3

Senior High CON (9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade) - December 13-15

**Learn more and register at:** [www.themountainrlc.org/youth-conferences/](http://www.themountainrlc.org/youth-conferences/)

## **Grateful Gathering – November 27 – December 1**

Join us this Thanksgiving for a weekend of acknowledging and celebrating the gratitude in our lives. Even through challenging times, there is much to be grateful for – be it friendships, family, community, opportunities for expanding our minds, and all the wonderful and inspiring things in our lives. The weekend program includes engaging workshops, entertainment, hiking through the gorgeous Blue Ridge Mountains, connecting with old and new friends, worship

service, and outdoor adventures. This is a great opportunity to invite family and friends to share time together, and no one has to cook or clean up after the holiday feast!

Learn more and register at: [www.themountainrlc.org/event/greatful-gathering/](http://www.themountainrlc.org/event/greatful-gathering/)

## ***NW Kitchen Clean-up Crew volunteers needed to join Kaye and Anne***



We currently have the following **LONG TIME WONDERFUL** Sunday Kitchen Volunteers:

1st Sunday - Valerie Johnson & Maria Drinkard

2nd Sunday - Pam & Dave Zenner

3rd Sunday - Glenn Koller, Anne Bennett & Kaye McCall

4th Sunday - Beryl Grall-Petty & Anne Bennett

(Important Substitutes - Glenn, Beryl, and Michael Cain)



Most of these folks do **both** Coffee Hour '**set-up**' and '**clean-up**', but they would **prefer** to do only 'set-ups'.

Kaye McCall frequently fills in helping with lots of extra clean-ups.

We would love to have some more hands to assist.

'Clean-up' volunteers have a chance to join friends in the social hall until about 11:25.

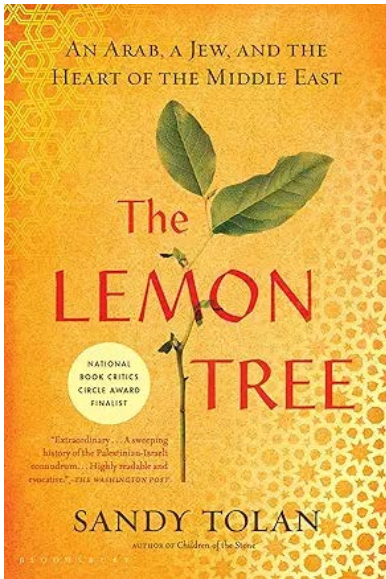
Then we machine wash dishes, dry dishes by hand, dispense of extra food, wipe tables, and dispose of trash.

Volunteers are generally able to finish by 12:30!

Contact Anne Bennet if you'd like to join our merry band.

([anne.bennett@gmail.com](mailto:anne.bennett@gmail.com))

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## *Book Groupies October 8th*

The NWUUC Book Groupies will meet Tuesday, October 8th, at 7 pm on Zoom to discuss *The Lemon Tree: An Arab, a Jew, and the Heart of the Middle East* by Sandy Tolan. Besides being a sweeping history of the Palestinian-Israeli conundrum it is also the tale of a simple act of faith between two young people , one Israeli and one Palestinian, that symbolizes the hope for peace in the Middle East and also provides some insight to the struggles between Israel and Palestine.

If you would like to join us on Zoom, please call Penny Raney at 770-551-8817 and leave your name and email address so we can send you the Zoom link.

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### ***OUR NW FAMILY CARE CORPS:***

If you have a joy, sorrow or concern to share with the congregation, please send your news to any member of the Care Corps or to [publications@nwuuc.org](mailto:publications@nwuuc.org).

If you are going through difficult times and would like emotional support or are in any situation where support and caring are needed, contact:

Maria Drinkard, 678-644-6480  
Karen Edmonds, 770-851-9295, Leader  
Brian Freeman, 404-626-0298  
Linton Hopkins, 678-938-8858  
Valerie Johnson, 470-209-9864  
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Rev. Jenn Dalton 770-955-1408 [minister@nwuuc.org](mailto:minister@nwuuc.org)  
(In-person office hours: 1-5 pm Saturdays)

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Don't see your birthday? We probably don't know it! Send it to [publications@nwuuc.org](mailto:publications@nwuuc.org) so we can recognize you.

## Happy October Birthdays!

Kathy Miller	10/01
Karen Reagle	10/07
Jordan Taylor	10/07
Hannah Johnson	10/09
Charlotte Alyea	10/11
Eileen Taylor	10/11
Helene Johnson	10/13
Tony Barbagallo	10/14
Edward Lawrence	10/17
Quinn Page	10/18

Lynne Dale 10/19  
Kathy Frost 10/21  
Alison Williams 10/23  
Larry Helferich 10/27  
Laura Hall 10/31

## Happy October Membership Anniversaries!

Penny Raney 10/22/1978  
Michael Manely 10/28/2004  
Shelia Manely 10/28/2004  
Deborah Andrews-Gautney 10/30/2011  
Helen Borland 10/18/2014  
Peggy Emrey 10/11/2015

## Leadership July 2024-June 2025

### **BOARD PRESIDENT**

Pam Freeman [president@nwuuc.org](mailto:president@nwuuc.org)

### **PRESIDENT-ELECT**

Russ Martin

### **IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT**

Tony Barbagallo

### **FINANCE**

Constance Dierickx [finance@nwuuc.org](mailto:finance@nwuuc.org)

### **SECRETARY**

Marilyn Matlock

### **BOARD TRUSTEES AT LARGE**

Becki Gregory

Laura Hall

Cole Hickman

### **YOUTH BOARD REPRESENTATIVE**

Lily Alford

**MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS (MTLs)**

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – John Hagler

COMMUNITY – Gwen Kahn and Melissa Niedermeyer

COMMUNICATIONS – Lil Woolf      [publications@nwuuc.org](mailto:publications@nwuuc.org)

JUSTICE – Dave Zenner

LEARNING – Kristen Fowks

RENTALS – Mary Anne Ericson and Beryl Grall

STEWARDSHIP – Lynne Dale

WORSHIP – Maddie Maynard

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Dr. Philip Rogers, Music Director      [music@nwuuc.org](mailto:music@nwuuc.org)



***Northwest Event Calendar***

Oct 27- Trunk or Treat and hot dogs

Nov 2—Fall Auction

Dec 15—Potluck with RE pageant

Jan 31- Feb 2—Retreat, St Simons Island

Jan 26-mid-Feb—Soupapalooza

Feb. 15th—Valentine Day Dinner/Dance

March 2—Pledge kickoff, donuts and coffee

March 8th—Dinner and a Mystery

April 20th—Easter Potluck

May 3—Lily’s Bridging Banquet

May 18—Pledge Celebration, hot dogs

June 1—Out Gathering potluck











