



UUCB News

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**MISSION
STATEMENT
of the
UNITARIAN
UNIVERSALIST
CHURCH OF
BARTLESVILLE**

*The Unitarian
Universalist
Church of
Bartlesville
seeks to create
a loving
community that
nourishes the
spirit and mind;
whose members
joyfully work to
build a just and
sustainable
world.*

June 2012

UUA Elects First Female President

The Unitarian Universalist Association elected the Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray as its ninth president on June 24. Frederick-Gray is the first woman elected to lead the liberal religious movement, which includes approximately 1,000 congregations with 200,000 adults and children in the United States.

“This is a defining moment, and the stakes are very high,” Frederick-Gray told the General Assembly, which met in New Orleans June 21–25. “We have deep work to do within our association and our tradition, and critical work to do beyond the association. I believe we are up to it. I look forward to working with you on this transformative path ahead.”

Frederick-Gray has served as lead minister of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Phoenix, Arizona, since 2008. She was installed as UUA president on Sunday afternoon, June 25.

Former President Rev. Peter Morales stepped down from the Presidency amid controversy in March. What led to the Rev. Peter Morales’ undoing and eventual resignation as president of the Unitarian Universalist Association was the hiring of yet another white male to a leadership position.

This liberal religion prides itself on diversity in beliefs, but its 200,000 members are predominantly white. Morales, the first Latino UUA president pledged to fight the status quo.

But when a white male retired from leadership of the UUA’s Southern Region and was replaced with another white male, that didn’t sit well with many members, including Christina Rivera, a Latina who said she was a finalist for the position. Rivera, a UUA trustee from Charlottesville, criticized the hiring process in a blog post. Morales sought to calm the storm with a letter of his own to UUA. But it appeared to make matters worse. Three days later, Morales resigned.

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July Sermons

July 2: Jennifer Varao

July 9: Jason Elmore

July 18: Arlese Bradley

July 23: Steven Williams

July 30 Mark Davies



Saturday Morning Coffee Talk Back

UUCB's Saturday morning coffee klatch is back after a brief summer hiatus. Come join the conversation at 9:30 every Saturday morning at the church. Coffee and conversation will be provided. If you want to bring an additional treat for the folks, that will be welcome as well. Best of all, It's free.



Thank You!

Everyone at UUCB owes a debt of thanks to Kelli Fox who has generously donated a new oven and stove to our church. The old one had an annoying habit of turning itself off after a while, which often caused havoc at our annual dinner and silent auction. Kelli was remodeling her kitchen and gave us her old stove which is in perfectly good working order and is a very nice upgrade over the previous model we struggled with. If you haven't seen it yet, check it out. Now we just need to get someone with a truck to haul the old one away.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Coffee Talk 9:30am Farmers Market 8:30am
2 Service 11am Discussion 9:45am Board Meeting	3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7	8 Coffee Talk 9:30am Farmers Market 8:30am
9 Service 11am Discussion 9:45am Board Meeting	10	11	12	13	14	15 Coffee Talk 9:30am Farmers Market 8:30am
16 Service 11am Discussion 9:45am Potluck	17	18	19	20	21	22 Coffee Talk 9:30am Farmers Market 8:30am
23 Service 11am Discussion 9:45am	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Service 11am Discussion 9:45am						

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What do UUs believe?

What Do You Say When Someone Asks You . . .

"So What Do Unitarian Universalists Believe In . . . ?"

Sometimes new Unitarian Universalists are unsure about how to explain their new religion to friends, relatives or coworkers. Here is a response to consider:

Rather than saying, "I'm a Unitarian Universalist because I can believe anything I want . . ."

. . . it's better to say that Unitarian Universalism is a faith tradition (or religion) which encourages each individual to develop a personal faith. It draws from many different religions, in the belief that no one religion has all the answers and that most have something to teach us. From Christianity we take the teachings of Christ. From Buddhism we take the power of meditation. From Judaism we take the belief that working together we can achieve peace and justice. From Native American and other earth-centered traditions we take respect for the earth and reverence for natural cycles.

For other excellent response ideas, go to <http://www.uua.org/interconnections/membership/believe.html>.

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