

# PARISH NOTES

*The All Souls Weekly Bulletin*

FEB. 5 - FEB. 11, 2012

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**Sunday, Feb. 5, 2012**

**Worship Services:**

10:00 am - *Traditional*  
11:30 am - *Contemporary*



*Love Our  
Enemies?*

**Rev. Marlin Lavanhar  
Senior Minister**

We are told to love even our enemies, but how do we love those who may never love us? How do we love those who may even despise us? In February our theme is *Love*. Sometimes it is hard enough to love those who love us in return. But are we really supposed to love our enemies too? Does this make sense, and can it amount to anything good?

February is also Black History Month, and each Sunday will also include some salient elements of African American History. Martin Luther King, Jr. certainly knew something about loving his enemies. But he is not the only one. February 5 is the birthday of Minnie Cox, the first African American postmistress, born in 1869. Her story has something to say to us about the possibilities of keeping our hearts open to others, even those who may hurt us.

See you in church,

The offering will go to *Partners In Education*.

The offering from Jan. 22 was \$2,158.71 and will go to *Tulsa Community Food Bank*.



In November we witnessed the largest gathering of All Souls members in our history at a congregational meeting. In that meeting, the All Souls family voted overwhelmingly to accept the gift of property in downtown Tulsa and to embark on a long journey to bring our church back into the heart of Tulsa in time for our Centennial in 2021.

Just as we came together in November, now we will work together to decide what we need in that new building, how it should function, what it will likely cost, and ultimately what it will look like. Our members will have opportunities to participate every step of the way.

In the coming months, we will resume our work with Hastings & Chivetta Architects to advance our 2008 Master Plan to fit the new downtown site. As a first step in this process, we will review that plan in detail, and refine it further, in light of our current and future needs. This will be done before we turn it over to the architects to arrange the spaces and create a conceptual footprint of our future home.

Only after the functional elements are detailed and arranged will the architectural style and “face” of the building be determined. Hastings & Chivetta has some exciting ideas in mind for helping us select the look of this new building. All of these efforts will allow us to have our dreams on paper by the end of 2012, so we can proceed to the realities of budgeting, fundraising, and ultimately breaking ground on this next chapter in the remarkable life of All Souls.

It is our intent that in February we will publish the initial schedule of meetings and events that will allow us to complete the needs of this phase of the process. What do you need to do to ensure you have a voice and a vote? Fulfill your responsibilities as a member: show up, pay attention, and participate constructively in the process. And remember that by pledging your time, talent, and treasure, All Souls will be able to share our love beyond belief with a much broader world as we see our dreams realized.

I love you beyond belief!

## All Souls Reads

Join Rev. Gerald Davis, Tami Moore, and Julie Skye, **Feb. 5**, at 1:30 pm in Thoreau Lounge, to discuss *Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in America* by Barbara Ehrenreich. *All Souls Reads* selects books that explore the human condition when encountering and overcoming oppressive circumstances. For information contact [Tami](mailto:Tami): (918) 549-1172.



## WEDNESDAY Connections

This intergenerational program offers food for the body, mind, and soul. All are welcome to partake of the opportunities for worship, learning, and fellowship.

**Feb. 8, 2012**

5:15 – 6:15 pm Dinner: \$8 adults \$5 kids  
6:30 – 6:50 pm Worship On Wednesdays  
7:00 pm Adult Religious Education Classes:

*All Souls 202 (ROOTS)* - Minister-led  
*Cinema Classics* - George Feller & David Carter  
*Great Decisions* - Earl Goodman  
*Meditation* - Victor Parachin  
*SpiritSong* - Rev. Barbara Prose  
*Tai Chi* - Y. K. Lee  
*The Holy Profane* - Dr. Teresa Reed  
*The Peace of Mind Project* - Visiting Lecturers  
*Yoga* - Stacie Wheeler


For more information: [www.allsoulschurch.org/wednesday-connections1](http://www.allsoulschurch.org/wednesday-connections1)  
For classes requiring pre-enrollment, you may sign up in the foyer on Sundays, or contact Mary Bain: 743-2805 ext. 503 or [arecordinator@allsoulschurch.org](mailto:arecordinator@allsoulschurch.org).

Childcare is offered for toddlers 6:30-8:30 pm and for children 5 and older 7-8:30 pm. Infant care available by reservation. Contact Tennille Clark by Tuesday at 743-2805 ext. 308. To protect children with allergies, please be sure your child does not come to childcare with peanuts/peanut butter on their bodies/clothing. Please accompany children to sign in.

## Day Alliance Welcomes Rodger Randle

On **Feb. 9**, Day Alliance will present *Yesterday and Tomorrow: An Assessment of the Last 50 Years of Change in Tulsa*. Our distinguished guest Rodger Randle will compare Tulsa today with what the city was like 50 years ago, and will project where we are heading in the future. The talk will discuss not just physical, but social changes as well. Lunch begins at 11:30 am in Emerson Hall. For guest reservations please contact Jan Mattinson at (918) 496-3653.

PERSONAL GROWTH



### Second Thursday Personal Growth Groups

**Feb. 9, 7:00 pm**

**Remembering Who You Are** - In February we'll focus on relationship as spiritual practice and deepening our encounters.

**Being Single** - As a single person, you must care for you. Don't wait for someone else to. Learning to care for yourself is an essential part of growing while on your own.

**Coping as Couples** - no meeting (see Retreat ad next column)


For more information: [www.allsoulschurch.org/connect](http://www.allsoulschurch.org/connect)

# AN EVENING OF PRAISE & WORSHIP

With  
**David B. Smith**  
& the New D Chorale

## Friday at 7:00 pm

COME EXPERIENCE THE  
PRESENCE OF GOD!



# FEBRUARY 10

Childcare available by reservation: [childcare@allsoulschurch.org](mailto:childcare@allsoulschurch.org)

## A Winter Retreat for Couples

Increase your Connection, Compassion,  
Commitment, & Courage, TOGETHER

# February 10-11

at Post Oak Lodge

**Friday Night Only - \$75 per couple**  
includes 2 workshops and dinner

**Saturday Only - \$125 per couple**  
includes lunch and all workshops

**Friday and Saturday - \$285 per couple**  
includes Fri. and Sat. overnight accommodations,  
workshops, meals, Spa, Pool, etc.



For details / registration: [www.allsoulschurch.org/couples](http://www.allsoulschurch.org/couples)  
Questions? Email: [tlebak@allsoulschurch.org](mailto:tlebak@allsoulschurch.org)



## Parents' Night Out

Friday, Feb. 10, 6:30-10:00 pm

An evening of activities, crafts, movies, and snacks keeps kids happy while parents enjoy time to themselves.

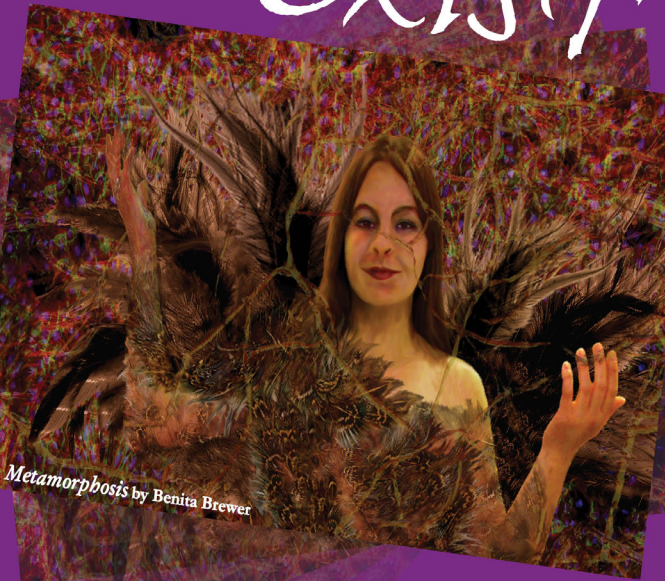
For reservations: (918) 743-2805 ext. 308 or [childcare@AllSoulsChurch.org](mailto:childcare@AllSoulsChurch.org)

### Somebody Say Supper Club?

Meet other All Souls members for monthly dinners in a fun environment by joining All Souls Supper Club, **Feb. 11**, at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to join at any time. For more information or to sign up, call [JoAnn Homse](mailto:JoAnn.Homse@AllSoulsChurch.org) at (918) 622-1144.

ALL SOULS RELIGION & ARTS BOARD PRESENTS

# CO-EXIST



Metamorphosis by Benita Brewer

EXHIBIT OPENS  
**FEBRUARY 12**

11:30 AM - 2:00 PM

ROOM 207

CO-EXIST WILL REMAIN ON DISPLAY FEB. 12 - MAR. 27.

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### Bus Drivers Needed

Driving the Sunday Shuttle is a great way to meet people and serve the church by easing our parking situation!

Shifts are

**9:15 - 11:30am or 11:30am - 1:15pm**

so you can still attend worship!

Please contact [Tom Tirrell](mailto:Tom.Tirrell@AllSoulsChurch.org) to learn more:  
(918) 232-8160

## JOINING All Souls

UNITARIAN CHURCH

The following classes are offered to help prospective members learn more about our faith tradition:

### ALL SOULS 101

is a one-time basic orientation to the privileges of membership.  
The next *All Souls 101* is Feb. 12 at 9:00 am

### ROOTS (All Souls 202)

is a 3-class series presenting an opportunity to get to know our ministers, gain an overview of All Souls, and glimpse into the history of Unitarian Universalism.  
The next *ROOTS* are Feb. 26 - Mar. 11 at 10:00 am

### ALL SOULS 303 (Joining)

is a one-time class on the first Sunday of the month focusing on identifying where your gifts meet the needs of the church, and concluding with an opportunity to join.

The next *All Souls 303* is Feb. 5, at 9:00 am

You may sign up in the foyer on Sundays, or register online:  
[www.AllSoulsChurch.org/are-class-registration](http://www.AllSoulsChurch.org/are-class-registration)

## MUMS NINTH ANNUAL Sweetheart Ball



Friday  
**FEBRUARY 17 at 5:30 pm**  
Family Fun in a  
prom style atmosphere!

\$25 TICKETS INCLUDE DINNER FOR ONE CHILD & ONE ADULT & A COMMEMORATIVE PHOTO.  
EACH ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER IS \$5 WITH A FAMILY MAXIMUM OF \$35.  
INFANTS ARE FREE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: 918-605-5354 OR [RACHEL.MIZE@GMAIL.COM](mailto:rachel.mize@gmail.com).

### Cell Phone Clutter?

Partners in Education is collecting used cell phones and their batteries to recycle. Bring your unwanted phones to the church office or give them to a member of PIE. For more information, contact [Tammy McCartney](mailto:Tammy.McCartney@AllSoulsChurch.org): (918) 284-4700.

# This Week At All Souls

## Sunday, Feb. 5

9:00 am Sunday Salon  
10:00am **Traditional Worship**  
Adult Religious Ed Classes and Sunday Circle  
11:30am **Contemporary Worship**  
Adult Religious Ed Classes and Sunday Circle  
1:30 pm All Souls Reads  
3:00 pm Y.A.V.E.  
4:00 pm Youth Choir  
Youth Board  
6:00 pm YRUU (HS Youth Group)  
Children's Choir

## Monday, Feb. 6

9:00 am Channing Day School  
Kids Day Out  
9:30 am White Crane Silat  
6:30 pm Shawl Ministry  
7:00 pm First Monday Branches  
7:30 pm AA & Al-Anon

## Tuesday, Feb. 7

8:30 am Parish Notes assembly  
8:45 am Stretch n Tone  
9:00 am Channing Day School  
5:30 pm Religion & Arts Board  
Care Team  
7:00 pm Adult Choir  
New D Chorale

## Wednesday, Feb. 8

8:45 am Stretch n Tone  
9:00 am Channing Day School  
Kids Day Out  
9:30 am White Crane Silat  
5:15 pm WC Dinner  
6:30 pm WoW Chapel  
7:00 pm Youth gathering  
Children's Choir  
7:30 pm Counterpoint

## Thursday, Feb. 9

8:45 am Stretch n Tone  
9:00 am Channing Day School  
Gentle Yoga  
10:00am Day Alliance Board  
10:30am Chair Yoga  
11:30am Day Alliance  
6:30 pm CC/YC Board  
7:00 pm Personal Growth Groups: *Remember Who You Are  
Being Single*  
7:30 pm AA

## Friday, Feb. 10

9:00 am Channing Day School  
Kids Day Out  
5:30 pm Couples' Retreat begins at Post Oak Lodge  
6:30 pm Parents' Night Out  
7:00 pm Evening of Praise

## Saturday, Feb. 11

8:00 am Couples' Retreat continues at Post Oak Lodge  
6:00 pm Supper Club (offsite)

### Wayside Pulpit

*Love is a form of work  
or a form of courage.*

~M. Scott Peck

# Sunday, February 5

## **CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**10:00 am - 12:45 pm** *All classes will begin their morning in their classrooms.*  
Channing's Children (ages 3 to pre-K) - Room 5 Kindergarten – Room 7  
Grades 1-6 – please check bulletin boards for classrooms and schedules  
Grade 7 & 8 – World Religions, Room 128  
This month's church-wide theme is **Love**

*For details on children's programming, contact Shannon Boston, Children's Religious Education Administrator, at [CREAdmin@AllSoulsChurch.org](mailto:CREAdmin@AllSoulsChurch.org).*

## **YOUTH** (meet in Sponge Room unless specified otherwise.)

**10:00 am** – Coming of Age (9th grade) Room 206 – Death & Resurrection  
10th-12th grades – Youth Sunday Planning

**11:30 am** – 9th-12th attend Worship Service as a group

**1:00 pm** – Youth Board Meeting

**6:00 pm** – YRUU (HS youth group) – Fellowship Team hosts Zumba

*For details on Youth Programs, contact Kate Starr, Youth Director, at [Youth@AllSoulsChurch.org](mailto:Youth@AllSoulsChurch.org) or (918) 743-3194.*

## **ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

### **9:00 am**

*All Souls 303 (Joining Sunday)* – Minister-led class focusing on identifying how your gifts meet the needs of All Souls and concludes with an opportunity to join the church. You may sign up in the foyer on Sundays or online.

*Sunday Salon* – Salon offers an opportunity to ponder and discuss the current events that affect our lives and those of others. Joe Nurre facilitates.

### **10:00 am**

*A Black Theology of Liberation* with Rev. Gerald Davis – In James Cone's pioneering work, Jesus is cast as a liberator, freedom fighter, and an apparent enemy to images of himself pictured with lambs. In this series, our minds will be open to liberation theology for today.

*Sunday Circle: Making Spiritual Connections* – Join fellow seekers of all ages (18+) for a weekly discussion of spirituality guided by your questions and ideas.

### **11:30 am**

*Weaving Your Tapestry Of Faith* with Rev. Barbara Prose – Opportunity for longtime UUs to engage in theological reflection and meaning-making. We will explore the life experiences of both historic and contemporary Unitarian Universalist theologians, highlighting that which caused in them a change of heart.

*Sunday Circle: Making Spiritual Connections* – See previous.

### **1:30 pm**

*All Souls Reads* – Rev. Gerald Davis, Dr. Tami Moore, and Julie Skye facilitate discussions on books that accompany the monthly theme of the church. Book selections explore the human condition when encountering and overcoming oppressive circumstances. *For book titles or other information contact [Tami Moore](mailto:TamiMoore@AllSoulsChurch.org): (918) 549-1172.*

### **4:00 pm**

*Dance as a Spiritual Practice* with Claudia Arthrell and Cece Brown – Dance is used as a form of worship, celebration, story-telling and myth-making, and to commemorate important rites of passage. No need for prior dance experience. Join us for movement, fellowship and fun.

*To register, sign up in the foyer on Sundays, or contact Mary Bain at (918) 743-2805, ext. 503 or [arecoordinator@allsoulschurch.org](mailto:arecoordinator@allsoulschurch.org).*