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<td>Reuniting American by Living Up to Our Ideals—an overview of a book that is a work in progress. Winston Apple is a retired civics teacher and the author of Edutopia: A Manifesto for the Reform of Public</td>
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<td>In response to escalating concern about police violence and racial profiling, the suggestion has been circulating that police departments should be ‘defunded,’ or that the whole concept of policing should be abolished. Who, or what, is policing intended to protect? How might we think about these issues from the perspective of our religious values?</td>
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<td>This All Souls Forum speaks to the history of indigenous peoples in our area and the unique challenges facing those peoples in the past, present, and future.</td>
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<td>Members of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe and UUA GA Planning Team</td>
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<td>Together we will visit the Opening Ceremony of UUA GA 2020, when Native American leaders, both UUs and from other traditions, celebrate the indigenous heritages of the Americas, and invite us to better understand the situation of Indian tribes in white culture.</td>
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<td>Dennis Dehn is a former librarian at the Shawnee County Public Library, who taught and studied in 6 different institutions in 5 different countries on 4 different continents. He will present a photo log of his journeys in South Africa, and tell stories about his unique methods of travel and living within the populations of the various countries he visited.</td>
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<td>If you want to know what a community actually believes, examine what they teach their children. Our Religious Education program for children and youth reflects on the ideas we hope to help the youngest members of our community explore. What will be the challenges of their generations, and how can we help to prepare them?</td>
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<td>Kaitlyn Washburn, Jelani Gibson and Humera Lodhi are a team of reporters at the K.C. Star researching the root causes of gun violence in Missouri. They will discuss what they have found so far.</td>
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Virtual Sunday Services cont, Justice Action Group, KKFI, VOTE...

11:15 Virtual Service: “UN75: Celebrating United Nations Day”  
Rev. Kendyl Gibbons

As we anxiously anticipate the outcome of national elections in a few days, let’s widen our perspective to a larger global community. As the United Nations turns 75 years old, it has posed three questions to the citizens of the earth: What kind of world do we want to live in? Are we on track to get there? What actions need to be taken in order to move toward that vision? These queries should sound familiar to religious people; they are the same questions that ground all theology.

Virtual Justice Action Group

Looking for ways to get connected to local issues of racial justice, policing, political integrity, and protests? Want to learn more about dismantling supremacy culture in your own back yard?

Join the online Justice Action Group of All Souls members and friends. We are planning to gather regularly on the third Thursday of the month, in our Zoom room at 7:00, to review what has been happening around town and at City Hall. Depending on what we have been hearing, we may formulate action steps, decide to investigate a specific issue, or ask the All Souls congregation to endorse a statement or support a local organization. From time to time, we may invite a guest to have a conversation about what is going on in our city, and how we can have an impact. We gathered on September 17 and will again on October 15.

ALL SOULS FORUM NOW PRIME TIME ON KKFI

by Bill Clause

Beginning Thursday, October 8, the weekly All Souls Forum will begin broadcasting regularly at noon every Thursday.

KKFI is proud to once again be working with All Souls UU Church. We’ve had a long productive partnership, and we are proud to broadcast the forum at this new prime time. We value the important discussions the Forums have provided over the years.

CLICK HERE for full article:  
( https://allsoulskc.org/all-posts/sunday-mornings/sunday-forum/kkfioct2020/ )

PLAN NOW TO MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT ON NOVEMBER 3rd

Everyone should plan now to prepare to vote in the November 3 General Election. Do not risk being told at the poll that you are not registered to vote—or that you do not have the correct identification—or, if you vote by mail, do not risk that your mailed ballot will arrive too late to be counted. Here are the critical steps to take to be sure your vote will be counted on November 3rd! For personal help, contact your Local Election Authority listed in the full article. The last day to register to vote in the November election is October 7, 2020.

CLICK HERE for the entire article with detailed information.  
( http://allsoulskc.org/all-posts/news/newsletter/voting2020/ )
Back in August, on Sunday evening the 23rd, a used car lot was set on fire as part of ongoing violence in the city of Kenosha, Wisconsin, associated with protests in response to the shooting of Jacob Blake, a black man, by white police officers. Adjacent to the car lot was a sign for the Bradford Community UU Church next door, which had a changeable marquee displaying Black Lives Matter. The sign was melted and destroyed. The historic church building, 20 feet away, was not significantly damaged, but was in the path of the fire, and could have been.

My colleague, the Rev. Erik David Carlson, minister of the congregation, released the following statement to the press and the public:

We, the members and clergy of Bradford Community Church Unitarian Universalist, are outraged at the violence perpetuated in the name of law enforcement on our people of color throughout our nation’s history and yesterday in Kenosha in the case of Jacob Blake for whose life we now pray. Despite the fact that we cannot condone violent response to injustice, we understand and appreciate the anger and frustration that fueled the events of last night. While we are relieved that our church home mostly survived the inferno in the lot next door, we affirm that we would rather lose 100 buildings than one more life to police violence.

Some folks have already commented that our decision to display “Black Lives Matter” on our road sign in some way contributed to the fire or that our support of the BLM movement is hypocritical or “un-Christian.” Indeed, all lives do matter to us (that’s what “Universalist” means), but given the overwhelming and disproportionate injustice suffered by Americans of color we are compelled by our faith to speak up and affirm that Black Lives Matter too.

If this is not your faith, so be it, but it is most certainly ours and we ask that all folks be respectful in honoring our sanctuary.

In the name of Love,
Rev. Erik David Carlson
On Behalf of Bradford Community Church Unitarian Universalist, Kenosha

For better or worse, our congregation is also an urban UU church; like our congregations in Louisville and Kenosha, we are located at the epicenter of government and commerce, where people come to make their voices heard. Pursuing our mission to Build community. Inspire growth, and Create change in such a place can have tangible, demanding consequences. I believe that we are a faith like this, precisely for times like these. I stake my trust that we at All Souls are in this together.

Rev. Kendyl Gibbons

Sunday Sermons in lobby and online: CLICK HERE (http://allsoulskc.org/Category/read-sermons/)
**Scavenger Hunt, Virtual Trick or Treat UNICEF, Tullamore Returns...**

Join in on the Fun on October 31

For a spooky scavenger hunt! Our families with children and youth are invited to join us for a virtual scavenger hunt at 10:00 am on Halloween, October 31. You will have an hour to find, photograph and text back the images from the list that has been texted to you. For information about the scavenger hunt go to our All Souls web page. Click on Upcoming, then Special Events, and then October 31st/All Souls Halloween Scavenger Hunt.

The young and young at heart are encouraged to wear Halloween costumes in your selfie for the scavenger hunt.

**Virtual Trick or Treat for UNICEF — Kids Need UNICEF More Now Than Ever**

UNICEF helps provide clean water, medicine and food for children in need around the world. For many years our All Souls children have collected money for the Trick or Treat for UNICEF program. As the coronavirus pandemic continues to impact communities around the world and in the United States, UNICEF is implementing a virtual Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF program this year. We hope that you will make a donation from the children in your family again this year. Search for the UNICEF USA Official Site. Under donations delete the space for $85.00 and put in the amount of your donation of $6.00 or more. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of children in need!

**Tullamore Returns to All Souls!**

A return to normalcy might be a ways off, but that doesn’t mean we can’t have fun in the meantime! Our favorite Irish band, Tullamore, will bring the music of Ireland, Scotland, and the Americas directly to your computer or smartphone. They will be recording a concert performance at All Souls, sans audience, and will stream that concert for our All Souls congregation on Saturday, November 7th - for free! Mark your calendars NOW for Saturday, November 7th and join us for the concert at 7:00 pm. We will send you a link to the concert. Many thanks to Tullamore for bringing us some joy during these difficult times!
Movie Group, Socktober, NeedleHearts, Chalice, Carver Amigos...

Goodbye, Columbus, Hello, Indigenous Peoples’ Day. The movie group will meet via Zoom on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

CLICK HERE for full article:
( https://allsoulskc.org/all-posts/news/newsletter/movieoct2020/ )

So why SOCKTOBER? Because every night in the United States an estimated 600,000 people live on the streets and need simple things, like socks, to help get them through the night. Plus the number one needed clothing item for those in need is new socks, but people very rarely even donate new socks to the residenceless.

CLICK HERE for full article:
( https://allsoulskc.org/all-posts/news/newsletter/socktoberoct2020/ )

NeedleHearts

Group meets Thursdays, October 8th and October 22nd at 10:00 AM — 12:00 PM

CLICK HERE for full article:
( https://allsoulskc.org/all-posts/news/newsletter/needleheartsoct2020/ )

CHALICE TASK FORCE REPORT

The Chalice Task Force is very happy to report we have received pledges totally $11,250 for installation of new signs displaying our chalice logo and church name!

CLICK HERE for full article:
( https://allsoulskc.org/all-posts/news/newsletter/chaliceoct2020/ )

Carver Amigos Project

On Thursday, November 1st, we will have a Special Offering to support the Carver Amigos Project at Carver Dual Language Elementary School. Click on the link below to learn more about our connection to Carver staff and children.

CLICK HERE for full article:
( https://allsoulskc.org/all-posts/news/newsletter/carveroct2020/ )

All Souls Halloween Scavenger Hunt, October 31st

Sign up at the link below to join the Halloween scavenger hunt. The young and young at heart are encouraged to wear costumes.

CLICK HERE for full article:
( https://allsoulskc.org/event/september-5th-all-souls-scavenger-hunt/ )
Congregational Meeting, In Loving Memory, Board of Trustees...

Virtual Congregational Meeting - October 4th, 2020 at 1:00 PM

Remember back in May, when we had our first-ever virtual Annual Meeting? It seems so long ago, doesn't it, back when everyone was just getting the hang of doing things virtually? Well, if you remember, or even if you don't, we only covered part of the business that usually happens at the Annual Meeting - the things that absolutely had to occur in May according to our by-laws (voting for the Board, approving a new budget, etc.). Therefore, the Board is calling for a Congregational Meeting on October 4th, at 1pm, using the church's Zoom room, to complete the annual business of the church. We'll get updates on the budget and the business of the church, as well as recognize members for annual awards, such as Outstanding Group Effort, Lifetime Achievement and Outstanding Care. If you are the chair or head of a committee, team or group, look for further communication from a Board member about submitting your annual report for the 2019 - 2020 year. More details to follow in the coming weeks.

Carolyn Connor (7/2/1940—9/25/20) Our deepest sympathy is with the family at this difficult time. Carolyn's ashes will be scattered in Simpson House garden this weekend in a small, family-only gathering. On Sunday afternoon, November 1 -- All Saints Day -- we will gather on Zoom for a public service of memory. That information would be provided at a later date on our website.

CLICK HERE to share your thoughts about Carolyn Connor.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ANNOUNCEMENT

The All Souls Board of Trustees has proposed the following new policy to be included in the All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church Policies. As required, when a policy is reviewed, and updated or new one developed, it will be presented to the Board of Trustees for tentative approval.

CLICK HERE for full article:
( http://allsoulskc.org/all-posts/congregational/boards/board-of-trustees/botoct2020/ )

Virtual Attendance Figures for August 2020:

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CLICK HERE to view August Financials:

A convenient way to contribute: To donate to All Souls please type allsoulskc.org/giving/ into your browser or use this QRC.
(please note the purpose of the gift)
FLAME NOVEMBER 2020

Submissions deadline: 9am, October 20

Sunday Morning bulletins & Friday
e-mail deadline: 9 a.m. Wednesdays

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