

SPECIAL EVENTS

- **Sunday, April 3, 9:30 & 11:15.** Sunday School with Children's Chapel for Grades 1-6 led by Kathy Strawser.
- **Saturday, April 9.** Youth Group visits Akron UU church for Teen Coffee House.
- **Sunday, April 10.** World Religions (5th/6th Grade) field trip to Maltz Museum.
- **Sunday, April 17, 9:30 & 11:15.** Intergenerational Worship Service. What can monarch butterflies teach us about the interdependent web? Jr. Choir sings *Ordinary Miracles*.
- **Saturday, April 23, 6:30 pm.** Passover Seder meal. See *Shorelines* for details.
- **Sunday, April 24, 9:30 & 11:15.** Easter activity for Grades K-4 with childcare for Infants—PreK. See "More R.E. News" on next page for Grades 5-12 activities.

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Children & Youth Art Show

The Aesthetics Committee will bring back one of West Shore's most popular exhibits—the Annual Children & Youth Exhibit to celebrate the artistic expression of our youngest members. The artwork will hang on display in the Fireside Room throughout May with an opening reception on Sunday, May 1, after each service.

Call for Entries: All students enrolled in the Religious Education program may submit the best two-dimensional art they have done at school, home or in Sunday School

during this academic year 2010-2011.

Entry Requirements: Work may be submitted in pencil, colored pencils, crayons, pen and ink, India ink, scratchboard, tempera, acrylic, oil or watercolors. Any two dimensional media is acceptable. The art is not to exceed 24 inches in any direction. The work is to be unmatted and unframed. An entry blank should be submitted with the student's name, title of artwork and the media in which it was created. New this year, the Commit-

tee would like 2x3 inch school photos of the young artists to help adults connect the child with the artwork.

Exhibit Dates:

- **April 10-24:** Artwork submitted to Kathy Strawser or Cathy Ross
- **Sunday, May 1:** Show opens and reception in the Fireside Room
- **Sunday, June 5:** Show ends
- **June 5 - 30:** Artwork may be picked up at the RE office.

Junior Choir in Three-Group Concert

On Sunday afternoon, April 17, at 2 p.m., our Junior Choir will be part of a three-group concert which includes the Rocky River Community Chorus (RRCC) and an intergenerational choir from Legacy in Education.

RRCC is a 50-voice group of singers. Legacy in Education

is a non-profit organization that helps provide resources for schools and children who might otherwise not have an opportunity to experience music.

The concert is titled "As One Voice: A Benefit Concert for Legacy in Education." There is no admission charge.

An offering will be taken to help support Legacy. Each group will sing several songs, then join together for three additional songs. For this "grand finale," Junior Choir will be part of a singing group of close to 100 voices! Please join us for this first of a kind event for our Junior Choir.

Welcome Back, Kathy Strawser

Our Lifespan Faith Development Director returns from the first half of her sabbatical on April 1. We are grateful to all the members of the RE Committee, chaired by Gaile

Schafer and Jason Bosch, for their support during these three months, and particularly to Cathy Ross, RE Programs Assistant, for extra hours and attention to detail

while Kathy was away. Sabbatical Part 2 will happen in the same winter months next year. We look forward to reaping the benefits of Kathy's renewal and learning.

Youth News



West Shore youth will visit the Akron UU Church for a Teen Coffee House on Saturday, April 9

Sunday, April 3, 5:30 pm
The Youth Group will meet for a planning session, potluck and fun. Potential activities for the spring season include a party with the Akron UU youth and an overnight trip to southern Ohio. A workshop to create art for the Junior Church room was postponed until the start of next year to have enough time to do the project justice.

The Junior Church class, which meets at 9:30 am on Sundays, will be spending their time planning for Youth Sunday on May 22.
Akron UU Youth Coffee House. West Shore's Youth Group has been invited by the Akron UU Church Youth Group to a Teen Coffee House event on **Saturday, April 9 at 7:30 pm**. There will be two bands from Pittsburgh play-

ing and one from Akron, along with an open mic. Best of all, if ANY West Shore youth want to sing, play a tune or whatever, you are invited to do so! The cost of the event is \$7.00 and that includes coffee, hot chocolate and snacks. See Phil Florian or email him at pflorian@wsuuc.org if you'd like to go and to set up car pooling.

More R.E. News

Activities for Easter Sunday, April 24. Our children in Grades K - 6 will celebrate Easter with a special multi-age activity. The Coming of Age and Junior Church classes will meet as usual to work on their projects—Credo development for Coming of Age and Youth Sunday planning for Junior Church. We will have childcare for infants to Pre-K.

Child Dedication Ceremony. West Shore's ministers offer a ceremony of child dedication for church families on Mother's Day,

which falls on **Sunday, May 8**. If your family would like to participate or learn more about this naming and dedication ceremony please contact Rev. Wayne Arnason or Kathy Strawser.

World Religions Classes
Our 5th and 6th graders in World Religions have had several interesting projects for their study of Judaism. A session on the history of Jerusalem included painting a salt map. They've baked Hamantashen cookies and played the dreidel game as part of a class on important

Jewish holidays and life cycle celebrations. On **Sunday, April 10** the class will visit the Maltz Museum for "Becoming American," a presentation on Jewish immigration experiences and the growth of the Jewish community in Cleveland. The final lesson in Judaism will be a mini Passover Seder held in the classroom and led by Len Abrams and Ian Pinkas on **Sunday, April 24**. We are especially thankful to Evelyn Walzer who developed the curriculum with much assistance from Shar Crutchley.

R.E. Calendar

Sun., April 3	
9:30 & 11:15	Sunday School Chapel for Grades 1-6, led by Kathy Strawser. Please send a few coins with your child for the offering.
10:40 am	Jr. Choir
5:30 pm	Youth Group
Tues., April 5	
7:00 pm	R.E. Committee
Sat., April 9	
7:30 pm	Youth Group to

Akron Church	
Sun., April 10	
9:30 & 11:15	Sunday School
10:40 am	Jr. Choir
11:15 am	Grades 5/6 field trip to Maltz Museum
Sun., April 17	
9:30 & 11:15	Intergenerational Service: Childcare for Infants to PreK
	Jr. Choir sings

Sat., April 23	
6:30 pm	Passover Sedermeal, See <i>Shorelines</i> for details.
Sun., April 24	
9:30 & 11:15	Easter Activity for Grades K-4. Regular classes for Grades 7-12. Passover Seder for Grades 5-6. Childcare for Infants—PreK
10:40 am	Jr. Choir

