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The Grace of Laughter, Rev Jim Grant, Jan 6 2013 sermon

- Video: <http://vimeo.com/56876807>
- Centering Thought: "Comedy is ...", Peter Ustinov <http://bit.ly/TUQivj>
- Opening Words: The Social Benefits of Humor and Laughter <http://bit.ly/TUQVFk>
- Laughter is the Best Medicine <http://bit.ly/139ImN0>
- Meditation Reading: "This morning I stood on the river bank to pray ... " Edith Warner <http://bit.ly/VuOIQu>
- Amadeus Revisited, Samuel Terrien, Theology Today (abstract) <http://tj.sagepub.com/content/42/4/435.abstract>
- Amadeus (movie, IMDB) <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0086879/>
- Mozart vs Salieri (Amadeus, movie outtake, YouTube) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ciFTP_KRy4
- Mozart and Salieri (discussion) <http://skeptoid.com/episodes/4213>
- Surprised by Joy: The Shape of My Early Life, CS Lewis
 - (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/ZcQ434>
 - (Quotes from) <http://bit.ly/RARBWk>
 - (Summary and Overview) <http://personal.bgsu.edu/~edwards/surprised.html>
- Amazing Grace (song lyrics) http://www.constitution.org/col/amazing_grace.htm
- Unitarian Universalist Jokes, over 1658745 UU jokes served <http://stoney.sb.org/uujokes.html>
- The Learned Scholar, A Jewish Folktale <http://bit.ly/VMHSPg>
- "A person without a sense of humor ...", Henry Ward Beecher <http://bit.ly/UPNUqU>
- "Everything we had ...", Poems by James Weldon Johnson (collected online) <http://www.poemhunter.com/james-weldon-johnson/>
- The Evolution of Celie's God in Walker's "The Color Purple", Garrett McClure <http://bit.ly/Xcq4Ft>

Will First Church Survive the End of Church?, Rev Arvid Straube, Jan 13 2013 sermon.

How can we create new expressions of religious community?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/57490062>
- Opening Words: "And Then", Judy Chicago <http://bit.ly/W0xUkg>
- Reading: "The Wisdom to Survive", from A Vision (poem), Wendell Berry <http://bit.ly/ZMIFrh>
- Diana Butler Bass
 - Christianity After Religion, The End of Church and the Birth of a New Spiritual Awakening (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/Y40SFb>
 - Words associated with Christianity <http://bit.ly/SuR1gg>
 - DBB website <http://www.dianabutlerbass.com/>
 - Lecture, All Saints Church, Pasadena (YouTube) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VK9vqnQaF2M>
 - A conversation with (audio), Christian Century <http://bit.ly/13sLVNI>
 - Can Christianity be Saved? (Huffington Post, article) <http://huff.to/SuPoZz>
- Spiritual But Not Religious (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spiritual_but_not_religious
- Starbucks Drinks <http://www.starbucks.com/menu/drinks>
- The End of iChurch, UU World article <http://www.uuworld.org/ideas/articles/279318.shtml>
- UUA, Peter Morales, Congregations and Beyond <http://bit.ly/SuSBZ6>
- Congregations and Beyond Vision (video) <http://bit.ly/13tcqkG>
- A New Year and a New Strategic Plan, January First Words (pg 7) <http://bit.ly/VY9yb5>
- Benediction: "Go out into the highways ...", John Murray (original, complete version) <http://bit.ly/X6gstO>

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Coffee Conversations with Arvid: A Religious History of America – The City on A Hill, Jan 16 2013 class

- Revivals, Awakenings, and Reform, William G McLoughlin (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/TmFSYV>
- The English Separatists <http://www.u-s-history.com/pages/h575.html>
- Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community, and War: Nathaniel Philbrick (book) <http://amzn.to/y3RmW2>
- Pilgrim History and more to explore <http://www.history.com/topics/pilgrims> and <http://www.mayflowerfamilies.com/>
- Puritanism <http://www.history.com/topics/puritanism>
- The Nation with The Soul of A Church, Sydney Mead
- American Civil Religion (wiki) <http://bit.ly/WtAeAS>
- Civil Religion in America, Robert Bellah http://www.robertbellah.com/articles_5.htm
- Calvin's Doctrine of Predestination
 - Predestination (Calvinism) (wiki) <http://bit.ly/XYIvIl>
 - John Calvin's Doctrine of Election, illuminating its veracity and congruence with Scripture <http://www.reformedtheology.ca/calvin.html>
 - The Calvinistic Doctrine of Predestination Examined and Refuted <http://bit.ly/10S5lwr>
- The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism, Max Weber (online, complete) <http://bit.ly/10woogp>
- Oliver Cromwell (wiki) <http://bit.ly/VkOdPe> and the Roundheads (wiki) <http://bit.ly/TmM2IF>
- John Winthrop's City Upon a Hill (original text) <http://bit.ly/10S6NPv> and (wiki) <http://bit.ly/WVc7JO> and (analysis of) <http://bit.ly/UViuPd>
- An Overview of Premillennialism (pdf) <http://bit.ly/XxVNyr>
- An Overview of Postmillennialism (pdf) <http://bit.ly/WVcC6C>
- Building a New Jerusalem: John Davenport, a Puritan in Three World, Francis J. Bremer <http://bit.ly/Vk2BFL>
- Congregationalist Polity (wiki) <http://bit.ly/WgaWZ9>
- Congregational Polity, An Historical Survey of Unitarian and Universalist Practice, UUA (pdf) <http://bit.ly/Wn4wnT>
- Creed, Covenant and Denomination: A Reflection on Contemporary Unitarian Universalist Polity and Spirituality <http://bit.ly/Vk3tdF>
- We Covenant Together: Worship that Works (the differences between covenant and creed) (UUA) <http://bit.ly/V7vRKr>
- Roger Williams, Rhode Island <http://1.usa.gov/V7wi7l>
- George Fox, Society of Friends <http://bit.ly/UVr7t5>
- "Pilgrims and Indians: The Real Story", Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Nov 25 service Video <http://vimeo.com/54686416>
- King Philip's War (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/King_Philip%27s_War
- Generations: The History of America's Future, 1584 to 2069. Neil Howe and William Strauss (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/WgdBIC>

Risk Love, Emily Webb, Intern, Jan 20 2013 MLK Day sermon.

Are you uncomfortable enough this morning to risk?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/57811940/>
- Don't Sleep Through the Revolution, Rev Dr Martin Luther King, Jr, UUA GA, Ware Lecture, 1966 <http://bit.ly/13FuGHC>
- "I am who I am..." Martin Luther King Jr quote <http://bit.ly/10vnIGk>; also see Ubuntu Philosophy
- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ubuntu_\(philosophy\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ubuntu_(philosophy))
- "But if not ...", Rev Dr Martin King, Jr, Sermon (14:00m to 18:40m) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pOjpalO2seY>
- Boycott of standardized tests (NPR news article) <http://n.pr/WwM7Wn>
- "I am not afraid anymore...", Letter from the Birmingham Jail, MLK <http://bit.ly/XqK4T5>
- MLK (website) <http://www.martinlutherking.org/>

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- MLK Research and Education Institute <http://mlk-kpp01.stanford.edu/index.php>
- MLK's Beloved Community <http://www.wearethebelovedcommunity.org/Home.html>
- A Feminist Ethic of Risk, Sharon Welsh (Amazon Book) <http://amzn.to/WQ56K0> and (UUA Handout out) <http://bit.ly/VhGhc8>
- "... of being alive and having to die ...", from A 21st Century Theology (sermon), Forrest Church <http://bit.ly/T6zvZQ>
- "I am that I am..." Exodus 3:14 <http://bit.ly/13TUDV5> and wiki discussion http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/I_Am_that_I_Am
- "The Kitchen Table Prayer", MLK <http://bit.ly/11JT6RR>
- "... the risk it too to bloom ...", Anaïs Nin <http://bit.ly/UIJotL>
- "... we cannot do this work alone ..." Thandeka (scroll down to "Thandeka on building community") <http://bit.ly/XP8gR8>
- "... the arc of the moral universe ..." MLK, from Theodore Parker <http://n.pr/13TWYiN>
- Harriet Tubman and the "... keep going ..." quote <http://nyti.ms/VH9ajd>

Coffee Conversations with Arvid: A Religious History of America – The 1st Great Awakening, Jan 23 2013 class

- Revivals, Awakenings, and Reform: An Essay on Religion and Social Change in America, 1607-1977: William G McLoughlin (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/TmFSYV>
- Revivals, Awakenings, and Reform: An Essay on Religion and Social Change in America, 1607-1977: William G McLoughlin (excerpts) http://csp.org/chrestomathy/revivals_awakenings.html
- The First Great Awakening (National Humanist Ctr) <http://bit.ly/WsTL6i> and (USHistory.org) <http://www.ushistory.org/us/7b.asp>
- George Whitefield, English Evangelist <http://bit.ly/VSpQmT>
- The First Great Awakening and Jonathan Edwards <http://bit.ly/Xf0X4h>
- Sinners in the Hands of An Angry God, Jonathan Edwards (sermon) <http://bit.ly/Vm1JLv>
- Old Light and New Light (wiki) <http://bit.ly/XQhdHP>
- The Methodist Movement <http://bit.ly/WzDsBU>
- Pietism and the Brethren in 17th Century Germany <http://www.cob-net.org/pietism.htm>
- Charles Chauncy <http://bit.ly/XlXoGG>
- Charles Chauncy, Herald of a liberal Faith <http://bit.ly/Vo98Mj>
- First Church, Boston (history) <http://www.firstchurchbostonhistory.org/preface.html>
- Proto-Unitarian Founding Fathers <http://bit.ly/Yg9EfV>
- Deist Roots of America <http://www.deism.com/deistamerica.htm>
- Benjamin Franklin on George Whitefield <http://bit.ly/Xlyjgg>
- Letter from Benjamin Franklin to George Whitefield <http://bit.ly/VuopP3>
- John Murray (background and bio) http://jmsociety.com/John_Murray.html
- The Life of Rev John Murray, Preacher of Universal Salvation (written by himself) (complete original text, online) <http://bit.ly/We1OEP>
- Universal Salvation (UUA) <http://bit.ly/11bNP5D>
- The Separation of Church and State: Writings on a Fundamental Freedom by America's Founders, Forrest Church (Amazon Book) <http://amzn.to/YgdAwX>
- America's Founding Faiths, Forrest Church <http://www.uuworld.org/ideas/articles/50591.shtml>
- Lord Calvert, Exploring Maryland's Roots <http://bit.ly/WzInTp>
- Charles Wesley (about) <http://bit.ly/Ww9To1> and (hymns) <http://bit.ly/WNFFuz>

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Finding Inner Peace (Essential Spirituality Series), Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Jan 27 2013 sermon

- Video <http://vimeo.com/58756775>
- Reading: The Dhammapadam - The Blessing of a Well-Trained Mind <http://bit.ly/10WIVG6>
- Mara, the ruler of death and desire <http://the-wanderling.com/mara.html>
- Essential Spirituality: The 7 Central Practices to Awaken Heart and Mind, Roger Walsh (Amazon Book) <http://amzn.to/W9qa2s>
- ADHD: Buddha on The Monkey Mind <http://bit.ly/T1xl2L>
- The Monkey Mind, Buddha <http://www.buddhism2z.com/content.php?id=274>
- Taming the Monkey Mind <http://bit.ly/111adQ7>
- Religion as Wish Fulfillment, Sigmund Freud <http://bit.ly/YxKjBY>
- Mind, Education, Psychology: William James <http://bit.ly/XEUKNs>
- Buddha's Brain, Rick Hanson (book) <http://www.rickhanson.net/writings/buddhas-brain>
- Don't Believe Everything You Think, Mike Robbins (huffpost blog) <http://huff.to/14og5kl>
- Don't Believe Everything You Think (bumper sticker) <http://www.northernsun.com/5434.html>
- 26 Meditation Guides, listed on First Church Pinterest Board <http://bit.ly/Y9WNfd>
- "Sixty-six times have these eyes beheld ...", Ryomen's Death Poem <http://bit.ly/1118kmv>
- Auguries of Innocence, (... hold infinity in the palm of your hand ...), William Blake (complete poem) <http://www.artofeurope.com/blake/bla3.htm>

Coffee Conversations with Arvid: A Religious History of America – The 2nd Great Awakening, Jan 30 2013 class

- God in America: American Experience (PBS) (Full shows, online) <http://www.pbs.org/godinamerica/view/>
- Alter Call (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Altar_call
- Likeness to god, William Ellery Channing <http://www.americanunitarian.org/likeness.htm>
- The North's Responsibility, Henry Ward Beecher (Discourse) <http://nyti.ms/11ogKoa>
- The 1800's - Five New Religions (UUA Curriculum) <http://bit.ly/XgFxUH>
- Transcendentalism, Religion, and Utopian Movements <http://bit.ly/VCopXW>
- Religious Revivals and Revivalism in 1830s New England, <http://bit.ly/11ohutv>
- The Restoration Movement (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Restoration_Movement
- The Burned-Over District (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Burned-over_district
- Abolition, Women's Rights, and Temperance Movements <http://1.usa.gov/WNjWoO>
- Uncle Tom's Cabin, Harriet Beecher Stowe (complete, online text and resources) <http://xroads.virginia.edu/~hyper/stowe/stowe.html>
- Harvard Divinity School and Unitarianism <http://bit.ly/XmATTa>
- Ralph Waldo Emerson (bio) (links to online texts) <http://ralphwaldoemerson.wwwhubs.com/>
- American Bloomsbury: Louisa May Alcott, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Margaret Fuller, Nathaniel Hawthorne and Henry David Thoreau; Susan Cheever (book) <http://bit.ly/14CJFme>
- "... knives in their brain ...", Emerson <http://izquotes.com/quote/227267>
- Boston and Poe – Frogpondium <http://www.bc.edu/schools/cas/english/poebostonexhibit/> and <http://penny dreadful13.livejournal.com/938.html>
- Utopian Societies <http://www.nps.gov/nr/travel/amana/utopia.htm>
- Resistance and Transformation: Utopianism (UUA Curricula, Word .doc download) <http://bit.ly/WPI8VD>
- Lincoln's Religion <http://bit.ly/XUx7jV>
- The Death and Funeral of Willie Lincoln (including text of Funeral Sermon by Dr. Gurley on February 24, 1862) <http://bit.ly/VCthfG>
- Lincoln's 2nd Inaugural Address <http://www.bartleby.com/124/pres32.html>
- Julia Ward Howe's Battle Hymn of the Republic: How it Changed America <http://slate.me/14Qu7MR>
- The Jefferson Bible: the Life and Morals of Jesus (complete, online) <http://bit.ly/WuwkZk>
- Young Man Luther: A Study in Psychoanalysis and History, Erik Erikson (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Young_Man_Luther and (amazon book)

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- World Parliament of Religions (1893) <http://bit.ly/UWbWBk>
- Swami Vivekananda at the World Congress of Religions, 1893 (A call for the end to fanaticism, background and complete text) <http://www.swamij.com/swami-vivekananda-1893.htm>

Dealing with Difficult People, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Feb 3 2013 sermon

- Video <http://vimeo.com/58846129>
- “ ... speck of sawdust ... “, Matthew 7:3-5 <http://bg4.me/WMDbvJ>
- “You can observe a lot ... “, Yogi Berra <http://bit.ly/14Auzhd>
- Three Fingers Pointing Back At You: the Concept of Projection (Psychology Today) <http://bit.ly/WqlbdU>
- Projection 101: The Devil Made Me Do It (Psychology Today) <http://bit.ly/TB5boX>
- Carl Jung and The Shadow, An Introduction <http://bit.ly/YydlgS>
- Wat Trimitr: Sukhothai Golden Buddha (photo and brief story) <http://bit.ly/XjMhzd> and <http://www.flickr.com/photos/doctony/551929238/>
- Buddha Nature http://www.lamagursam.org/buddha_nature.html
- Likeness to God, William Ellery Channing <http://www.americanunitarian.org/likeness.htm>
- Our Greatest Fear, Marianne Williamson <http://explorersfoundation.org/glyphery/122.html>
- “ ... evil for evil ... “, Romans 12:17 <http://bible.cc/romans/12-17.htm>

Coffee Conversations with Arvid: A Religious History of America – The 3rd Great Awakening, Feb 6 2013 class

- Generations: the History of America’s Future, Strauss and Howe (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/X6l18h>
- Strauss and Howe’s, Generational Theory (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Strauss%E2%80%93Howe_generational_theory
- Strauss and Howe’s Generational Theory: Some Implications for Theology and Church http://www.phc.edu/gj_harper_k.php
- Generations in America as outlined by Strauss and Howe <http://www.crab.rutgers.edu/~goertzel/generations.htm>
- Darwin, Marx, Freud: The Foundations of the Human Sciences <http://human-nature.com/rmyoung/papers/paper9h.html>
- Early American Marxist History <http://www.marxisthistory.org/subject/usa/eam/>
- Robber Barons, from A People’s History, Zinn <http://www.historyisaweapon.com/defcon1/zinnbaron11.html>
- Unitarian Christianity (“The Baltimore Sermon”), William Ellery Channing (textual criticism of the bible) <http://people.bu.edu/dklepper/RN212/unitarian.html>
- The Humanist-Theist Controversy: UU History (Starr King) <http://www.sksm.edu/research/papers/humanist-theist.pdf>
- The Fundamentals (historical context) http://www.theopedia.com/The_Fundamentals and (full text, online) <http://archive.org/stream/fundamentalstest17chic#page/n9/mode/2up>
- Bishop Ussher Dates the World (Mon Nov 10, 4004 BC) <http://www.lhup.edu/~dsimanek/usshe.htm>
- Billy Sunday <http://billysunday.org/>
- Rockefeller Sees a Better New York (1917 NYT article [pdf], in support of Billy Sunday) <http://bit.ly/UbRUNh>
- The Pentecostal Group of Denominations (history) http://www.religioustolerance.org/chr_pent.htm
- Pentecostal and Charismatic Research (USC) <http://crcc.usc.edu/initiatives/pcr/>
- The Pentecostal Experience and the Book of Acts <http://bit.ly/11ETTVr>
- William Seymour and the History of the Azusa Street Outpouring <http://bit.ly/14R5puE>
- Speaking in Tongues, a Biblical Analysis <http://bit.ly/UcOKBm>
- Assemblies of God (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Assemblies_of_God
- Televangelism (wiki) <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Televangelism>
- Aimee Semple McPherson, The Four Square Church http://www.foursquare.org/about/aimee_semple_mcpherson
- Jehovah’s Witnesses (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jehovah's_Witnesses

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- The Salvation Army (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Salvation_Army
- Christian Science (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christian_Science
- Unity Church (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Unity_Church
- Walter Rauschenbusch and The Social Gospel
<http://people.bu.edu/wwildman/bce/rauschenbusch.htm>
- Harry Emerson Fosdick (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Harry_Emerson_Fosdick
- "Shall the Fundamentalists Win?": Defending Liberal Protestantism in the 1920s, Harry Emerson Fosdick (sermon) <http://historymatters.gmu.edu/d/5070/>
- Theosophical Society (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Theosophical_Society
- YMCA (wiki) <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/YMCA>
- The New Thought Movement (history, beliefs, practices) <http://bit.ly/vaGabb>
- Official Denominational Websites <http://hrr.hartsem.edu/denom/homepages.html>

Ask and You Shall... , Emily Webb, Feb 10 2013 sermon

- What happens when you pray? Ask anyway, we are all connected.
- Video <https://vimeo.com/59364081>
- Centering Thought: "Prayer does not change God, ...", Soren Kiergaard <http://bit.ly/14M4HPx>
- Opening Words: The Summer Day, Mary Oliver (poem) <http://www.bemindful.org/poems.htm>
- Reading: Help, Thanks, Wow: Three Essential Prayers, Anne Lamont ("plastic sushi and neon", excerpt) <http://n.pr/14M4hIX>
- I Am Willing, Holly Near (lyrics) <http://forums.psychcentral.com/archive/index.php/t-56955.html>
- Turtle Island, Lake Nicaragua <http://www.nicastyle.com/images/island.jpg>
- St. Teresa of Avila and Obstacles to Spiritual Growth <http://bit.ly/WY3Ett>
- All the Way Down, Depression and the Spiritual Journey: Parker J Palmer
<http://www.wmeades.com/id220.htm>

Coffee Conversations with Arvid: A Religious History of America – The 4th Great Awakening, Feb 13 2013 class

- Christianity After Religion: The End of Church and the Birth of a New Spiritual Awakening, Diana Butler Bass (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/VnZ2P2>
- Revivals, Awakenings, and Reform: An Essay on Religion and Social Change in America, 1607-1977: William G McLoughlin (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/TmFSYV>
- Revivals, Awakenings, and Reform: An Essay on Religion and Social Change in America, 1607-1977: William G McLoughlin (excerpts) http://csp.org/chrestomathy/revivals_awakenings.html
- The Beat Generation <http://www.online-literature.com/periods/beat.php>
- Civil Rights Movement (history) <http://www.history.com/topics/civil-rights-movement>
- The Anti-War Movement <http://www.english.illinois.edu/maps/vietnam/antiwar.html>
- Feminism and The Women's Movement
http://www1.cuny.edu/portal_ur/content/womens_leadership/feminism.html
- The Counter Culture of the 1960s <http://bit.ly/XaEd7S>
- Vatican II <http://vatican2voice.org/default.htm>
- The Esalen Institute and the Human Potential Movement <http://huff.to/Xdj2kw>
- The Esalen Institute <http://www.esalen.org/>
- Jesus Freaks (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jesus_freak
- Jesus Movement (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jesus_movement
- Bill Bybles and Willow Creek (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bill_HyBELS
- The Charismatic Movement <http://bit.ly/Voloju>
- Liberation Theology <http://www.landreform.org/boff2.htm>
- Liberation Theology in a UU Context http://www.newgardenuu.org/liberation_theology.htm
- Reclaiming Prophetic Witness: Liberal Religion in the Public Square, Paul Rasor (UUA Bookstore) <http://www.uuabookstore.org/productdetails.cfm?PC=1653>
- The History of Falwell and the Moral Majority <http://bit.ly/XLWiZU>
- The Rise of American Megachurches (U of W) <http://bit.ly/XaFPyD>

2013 Sermon and Class Links

- The Pew Forum of Religion and Public Life <http://www.pewforum.org/>
- Religion in American Culture (Pew Religious Landscape Survey) <http://religions.pewforum.org/>
- On Diana Butler Bass, "Bad Conclusion" (an opposing view) <http://theaquilareport.com/97118/>
- An Extended Interview with Diana Butler Bass (PBS) <http://to.pbs.org/14Xsn3v>
- The End of the 4th Great Awakening <http://www.howardsmead.com/4thGA.htm>
- The Reagan Revolution and the Moral Majority (pdf) <http://bit.ly/Z3Mfi9>
- The Meaning of Shalom http://www.therefinersfire.org/meaning_of_shalom.htm
- SBNR (Spiritual But Not Religious) (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spiritual_but_not_religious
- The Politics of Evangelicalism: How Washington is Leaving the Faithful Behind (Foreign Affairs) <http://fam.ag/Up9t3f>
- God and Caesar in America: Why Mixing Religion and Politics Is Bad for Both, Campbell and Putnam (Foreign Affairs) <http://fam.ag/XEhehR>
- God (or Gods) in Politics, Wade Clark Roof (HuffPost) <http://huff.to/W07jDH>
- Today's Spiritual Quests, Wade Clark Roof (pdf) <http://bit.ly/12SrSt0>
- The Emerging Church Movement (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Emerging_church, (CARM) <http://carm.org/what-emerging-church>, (Christianity Today) <http://bit.ly/12rcXG3>
- International Council of Unitarian Universalists <http://www.icuu.net/memborgroups/index.html>
- Let the environment guide our development, Johan Rockstrom (TED Talk, video) <http://bit.ly/12MGXro>

Seeing the Sacred in All Things (Essential Spirituality Series), Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Feb 17 2013 sermon

- Video <http://vimeo.com/60396311>
- "Earth cue me ...", Nancy Woods (poem) <http://www.american-buddha.com/lit.sistersearch.sol.htm>
- "You live in illusions ...", Kalu Rimpoche <http://bit.ly/ZkOFg6>
- Essential Spirituality: The 7 Central Practices to Awaken Heart and Mind, Roger Walsh (Amazon Book) <http://amzn.to/W9qa2s>
- Pray Continually http://bible.cc/1_thessalonians/5-17.htm and <http://www.spurgeon.org/sermons/1039.htm>
- Eternity: Endless Time or Timelessness? <http://bit.ly/XevoKq>
- The Power of Now: A Guide to Spiritual Enlightenment, Eckhart Tolle (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/WDxXV9>
- The Power of Now: A Guide to Spiritual Enlightenment, Eckhart Tolle (pdf, complete book) <http://www.baytallaah.com/bookspdf/51.pdf>
- A Formula for Suffering <http://bit.ly/VpnEEM>
- The Fundamental Theorem of Human Happiness, Shinzen Young <http://www.flickr.com/photos/coolmel/7252789704/>
- "You do not have to walk on your knees ...", from Wild Geese, Mary Oliver (poem) <http://bit.ly/Z8FED1>
- Benediction: The Stream of Life, Tagore <http://www.poemhunter.com/poem/stream-of-life/>

Coffee Conversations with Arvid: A Religious History of America – The Future, Feb 20 2013 class

- Generations: The History of America's Future, 1584 to 2069, Howe and Strauss (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/Y4loyo>
- The Fourth Turning: An American Prophecy - What the Cycles of History Tell Us About America's Next Rendezvous with Destiny, Howe and Strauss (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/XMgd8u>
- Culture War (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Culture_war
- The Aggressors in the Culture Wars, Patrick Buchanan <http://www.theamericancause.org/patculturewars.htm>
- Faith Formation 2020 <http://www.faitformation2020.net/>
- Immortal Dreams, Christian Century <http://bit.ly/15Xk4WR>
- Women's Ordination Conference, A Voice for Women in the Catholic Church <http://www.womensordination.org/>

2013 Sermon and Class Links

- Without Gods, Alain de Botton's 'Religion for Atheists' (NYT Book Review) <http://nyti.ms/Y4JjPn>
- Alain de Botton on A School of Life for Atheists, NPR's On Being Interview <http://bit.ly/VTOQvx>
- Pragmatism, Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy <http://www.iep.utm.edu/>
- Charles Sanders Pierce's Pragmatism and Its Development <http://www.iep.utm.edu/peircepr/>
- Pragmatism, general article <http://www.iep.utm.edu/pragmati/>
- William James <http://www.iep.utm.edu/james-o/>
- John Dewey <http://www.iep.utm.edu/dewey/>

Theater of Voices, Journey Toward Wholeness Service, Feb 24 2013

Inspiring and positive stories from our emerging young adult leaders. They have important things to say that will open your eyes.

- Video <http://vimeo.com/60405913>
- Hell, Talib Kweli (hip hop) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DrjWcqWnk6A>
- Meditation, from Rev Marta Valentin <http://bit.ly/YpBHct>
- Blessing: Yellowbrown Babies for the Revolution, Boa Phi (complete, unedited) <http://bit.ly/W9KCT6>

The Beginning of Wisdom (Essential Spirituality Series), Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Mar 3 2013 sermon

- Video <http://vimeo.com/61117477>
- Opening Words: from "Always Coming Home", Ursula K. Le Guin (poem) <http://bit.ly/Zblbuf>
- Center Thought: "Do not seek truth ...". From Hsin Hsin Ming - Verses on Faith Mind Seng-Tsan, Third Zen Patriarch (9th para) <http://bit.ly/WILgHJ>
- Empty Your Cup, A Zen Story <http://goto.bilkent.edu.tr/gunes/zen/zenstories.htm>
- Essential Spirituality: The 7 Central Practices to Awaken Heart and Mind, Roger Walsh (Amazon Book) <http://amzn.to/W9qa2s>
- A collage of reading on wisdom:
 - "Wisdom is radiant ...", Wisdom of Solomon 6:12 -10:21 <http://bit.ly/YaVWsd>
 - "Let us be still for an instant ...", In Stillness and In Silence <http://bit.ly/YtNQOB>
 - "We are slaves for what we do not know..." Sri Misargadatta Maharaj (p8) http://albigen.com/uarelove/nisargadatta_practice.aspx
 - "How do we become wise?" (story) <http://mollylarkin.com/how-to-become-wise/>
- Nature, Ralph Waldo Emerson (online, complete essay) <http://bit.ly/106Sp5g>, (overview) <http://bit.ly/ZjqZUW>, (analysis) <http://bit.ly/XHSzvQ>
- The Soul is Shy, Parker Palmer (Word document) <http://bit.ly/164D45R>
- The Upaddha Sutta: Half of the Holy Life <http://bit.ly/WrM3Mw>
- Finger Pointing at the Moon <http://bit.ly/WOYVa6>
- A State of Unknowing, Bernie Glassman <http://bit.ly/Z4A6eh>

Bringing it Home, Rev Kathleen Owens, Mar 10 2013 sermon

How will you remember to remember?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/64684063>
- The Art of Pilgrimage : The Seeker's Guide to Making Travel Sacred, Phil Cousineau (book) <http://amzn.to/10c21FJ>
- An Interview with Phil Cousineau, Public Radio <http://bit.ly/ZHkFch>

To Everything There is a Season, Emily Webb, Intern, Mar 17 2013 sermon

It is a blessing to be born at this time.

- Video <http://vimeo.com/64658546>
- This too shall pass, tattoo <http://bit.ly/ZGMXE4>
- Music: Give Us Hope, Jim Papoulis
 - music and lyrics <http://bit.ly/ZmKccr>
 - YouTube audio, Young People's Chorus of NYC <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YX6TJrFjHG>
- Active Hope, Joanna Macy

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- Web site <http://www.activehope.info/joanna-macy.html>
- Reconnects Us To Life (text of talk) <http://www.wordpress.peakmoment.tv/journal/?p=418>
- Honoring Our Pain in the World <http://bit.ly/15EH7HE>
- Four Steps to a Better World, In These Times, Interview <http://bit.ly/17gtQDc>
- How to Face the Mess We're in without Going Crazy, Amazon Book <http://amzn.to/11Ktpfh>
- Ecclesiastes 1:4, "... the earth remains forever ..." <http://bible.cc/ecclesiastes/1-4.htm>

The Wisdom of Imperfection, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Mar 24 2013 sermon

- Video <http://vimeo.com/63119120>
- The Spirituality of Imperfection: Storytelling and the Search for Meaning, Ernest Kurtz and Katherine Ketcham <http://amzn.to/X12zTa>
- Wabi Sabi: the acceptance of transience and imperfection. <http://bit.ly/13ovYuf> and (wiki) <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wabi-sabi>
- Story: Two Brothers <http://bit.ly/14hiq2W>
- Listening to Shame: Brené Brown (TED Talk) <http://bit.ly/16b8BC2>
- The Power of Vulnerability: Brené Brown (TED Talk) <http://bit.ly/11AiSsz>
- Inward/Outward, the writings of Jean Pierre de Caussade <http://bit.ly/105V9u1>
- The 12-Steps <http://www.12step.org/steps/the-12-steps.html>

Celebrating the Miracle, Rev Kathleen Owens, Mar 31 2013 Easter sermon

- Video <http://vimeo.com/63122425>
- Opening: "In The Tomb of The Soul", Rolling Away the Stone, Sara Moores Campbell <http://www.gloucesteruu.org/206-2/>
- John 14:12-13 <http://bg4.me/XCK3Rt>
- Why Ask My Name, Adele Reinhartz (podcast interview) <http://bit.ly/14ANGtZ>
- Benediction: When You Were Born, Kabir Dohas <http://bit.ly/Yrtd7l>

The Week After, Rev Kathleen Owens, Apr 7 2013 sermon

Hide, come out, service: What about you? Are you stuck? What can you give? Find the water.

- Video <http://vimeo.com/63529204/>
- Centering Thought: "Action springs ...", Dietrich Bonhoeffer <http://bit.ly/11GWwU9>
- Reading: Road to Emmaus, Sandra R. Duguid (poem) <http://americamagazine.org/issue/431/poem/road-emmaus>
- John 20:19-31: "... the doors were locked...", <http://bg4.me/Y7nVii>
- "Now What?", John Buchanan, Christian Century (article) <http://www.christiancentury.org/article/2013-03/now-what>
- Luke 24:13-35, On the road to Emmaus <http://bg4.me/10G7PJE>
- Books of Acts, summary and analysis <http://bit.ly/12yKVVd>
- Closing Words: "If you have found freedom ...", Lauralyn Bellamy, Singing the Living Tradition #692 (scroll down to "closing words") <http://bit.ly/14Q1Qri> and for mixed chorus and piano (YouTube) <http://bit.ly/ZgPVef>

Coffee Conversation with Arvid, The Perennial Philosophy: World Mysticism – What is the Perennial Philosophy?, Apr 10 class

- Are you a UU Mystic?, Fewkes <http://www.firstparishnorwell.org/sermons/mystic.htm>
- Welcome to UU Mystics in Community (web site) <http://uumystics.org/>
- Unitarian Universalist Theologies: Mysticism, Anderson <http://www.uucckington.org/Sermons/mysticism0307.html>
- Mysticism (defined), Webster <http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/mysticism>
- Mysticism, Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy <http://plato.stanford.edu/entries/mysticism/>
- Ultimate Reality (defined), Webster <http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/ultimate%20reality>
- Ultimate Reality (philosophy) <http://www.allaboutphilosophy.org/ultimate-reality-faq.htm>

2013 Sermon and Class Links

- “The Perennial Philosophy”, Aldus Huxley (book, complete, online) <http://archive.org/stream/perennialphilosp035505mbp#page/n5/mode/2up>
- “The Perennial Philosophy”, Aldus Huxley (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Perennial_Philosophy
- “The Doors of Perception”, Aldus Huxley (book, complete, online) http://www.erowid.org/psychoactives/writings/huxley_doors.shtml
- Peak Experiences and Maslow <http://www.timebon.com/PeakExperiences.html>
- What was Maslow’s Views of Peak Experiences, Psychology Today <http://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/the-peak-experience/201109/what-was-maslows-view-peak-experiences>
- The Return of The Perennial Philosophy: The Supreme Vision of Western Esotericism, Holman http://www.sacredweb.com/online_articles/sw25_sotillos.pdf
- Perennial Philosophy (about Leibniz) <http://mythosandlogos.com/perennial.html>
- American Transcendentalism, Finseth <http://thoreau.eserver.org/amertran.html>
- Mysticism: A Study in Nature and Development of Spiritual Consciousness, Evelyn Underhill (complete, online) <http://www.ccel.org/ccel/underhill/mysticism.toc.html>
- Giordano Bruno: The Forgotten Philosopher http://www.infidels.org/library/historical/john_kessler/giordano_bruno.html
- On Emerson’s Oversoul <http://www.hi-des-website.com/oversoul/oversoull.htm>
- On Buddha Nature http://www.rigpawiki.org/index.php?title=Buddha_nature
- On The Táo <http://www.sacred-texts.com/tao/sbe39/sbe39063.htm>
- On Thomas Aquinas’ Big Pile of Straw <http://www.patheos.com/blogs/scriptorium/2010/12/thomas-aquinas-big-pile-of-straw/>
- Listen to the secret sound, Kabir <http://www.goodreads.com/quotes/54657-listen-to-the-secret-sound-the-real-sound-which-is>
- Ram Dass, On Psychedelics (an interview) http://www.mindspring.com/~bobby2/recent/ram_dass_on psychedelics.htm
- The Realms of Human Consciousness, Stanislav Grof <http://www.psychedelic-library.org/grof3.htm>
- The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test, Tom Wolfe (complete, pdf) <http://www.jellojello.com/temp/The%20Electric%20Kool-Aid%20Acid%20Test.pdf>
- I Am The Walrus, Beatles
 - (lyrics) http://www.lyricsfreak.com/b/beatles/i+am+the+walrus_10026521.html
 - (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/I_Am_the_Walrus,
 - (meaning) <http://www.shmoop.com/i-am-the-walrus/meaning.html>
 - (youtube) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u-Mz714xemU>
- Care of Mind/Care of Spirit: A Psychiatrist Explores Spiritual Direction, May <http://www.amazon.com/Care-Mind-Spirit-Psychiatrist-Spiritual/dp/0060655674>

Not Your Grandmother’s God: Beyond Misconceptions about the Ground of Being, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Apr 14 2013 sermon

How do you define your ultimate reality?

- Video <https://vimeo.com/64025284>
- Centering Thought: “... \$3 worth of God ...”, Wilbur Rees <http://faith-forward.org/three-dollars--worth-of-god.htm>
- Reading, excerpts from Emerson’s “Oversoul” <http://www2.fiu.edu/~harveyb/EmersonOversoul.htm>
- Hymn, “Bring Many Names” (full text, author bio) http://www.hymnary.org/text/bring_many_names_beautiful_and_good
- Story: “The Lump of Coal”, from Long Ago, And Many Lands <http://bit.ly/ZuRNQB>
- The Four Horsemen of the New Atheists (interview with Richard Dawkins, Sam Harris, Daniel Dennett and Christopher Hitchens) (YouTube videos)
 - (Hour 1) <http://bit.ly/YGzygk>
 - (Hour 2) <http://bit.ly/158EIUZ>

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- Stages of Faith Development, James Fowler <http://faculty.plts.edu/gpence/html/fowler.htm>
- “ ... I don't believe in that God either ...” and “God is not God's name.”, from Born Again Unitarian Universalism, sermon, Forrest Church <http://bit.ly/10VH9ok>
- An Essay on Agnosticism and Christianity, Thomas Henry Huxley <http://www.readbookonline.net/readOnline/30257/>
- Bumper Sticker: Militant Agnostic <http://bit.ly/158Gl5d>
- Great Mystery, Native Tribes <http://bit.ly/17aiX3O>
- On Tillich: God: The Ground of All Being http://www.godsci.com/gsi/doxa/god/args/00_Ground_Being.html
- About Tillich's use of “being” in systematic theology <http://bit.ly/14nW9lr>
- Paul Tillich (bio, works, analysis) <http://people.bu.edu/wwildman/bce/tillich.htm>
- “... we are children of one great love ...”, Waldemar Argow (pdf, scroll down to Litany) <http://bit.ly/XAXmAu>
- Blessing: “Stream of Life”, Tagore <http://www.poemhunter.com/poem/stream-of-life/>

Coffee Conversation with Arvid, The Perennial Philosophy: World Mysticism – The Mystical Experience, Apr 17 class

- Ken Wilber (website) <http://www.kenwilber.com/home/landing/index.html>
- Ken Wilber's Integral Theory <http://integrallife.com/contributors/ken-wilber>
- A Brief History of Everything, Ken Wilber <http://www.amazon.com/Brief-History-Everything-Ken-Wilber/dp/1570627401>
- “ ... if there is an I ...”, One Taste, Ken Wilber <http://blog.gaiam.com/quotes/authors/ken-wilber/51655>
- The Varieties of Religious Experience, William James (full text, on line) <http://etext.lib.virginia.edu/toc/modeng/public/JamVari.html>
- Saving Paradise, Brock and Parker <http://savingparadise.net/>
- Ken Wilber, On Peak Experiences (audio) <http://diydharm.org/peak-experiences-ken-wilber-0>
- Mysticism as defined by Rudolf Otto http://www.bodysoulandspirit.net/mystical_experiences/learn/experts_define/otto.shtml
- “*Mysterium tremendum et fascinans*” (fearful and fascinating mystery), The Idea of the Holy, Rudolf Otto <http://www.bytrentsacred.co.uk/index.php/rudolf-otto/the-idea-of-the-holy-1-summary>
- Transpersonal Psychology, <http://psychcentral.com/blog/archives/2011/11/03/6-facts-about-transpersonal-psychology/>
- The Doors of Perception, Aldous Huxley (complete, on line) <http://www.psychedelicalibrary.org/doors.htm>

Retirement Statement, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Apr 21 2013

- Video http://youtu.be/p_7GQ7CnUiE
- Reading: The Invitation (poem), Oriah Mountain Dreamer <http://www.oriah.org/>
- Closing: The Task of the Religious Community, Mark Morrison-Reed <http://www.uuworld.org/spirit/articles/151762.shtml>

Coffee Conversation with Arvid, The Perennial Philosophy: World Mysticism – Self-Knowledge, Apr 24 class

- Rational Mysticism, John Horgan (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/17vL2o6>
- “Infinity in Your Hand”, William Houff (The 5 Delusory Ps, pg 123) <http://bit.ly/Qc6JA6>
- The Three Poisons of the Mind, Buddha <http://www.noble-buddhism-beliefs.com/three-poisons.html>
- The Heart Sutra and Key Concepts, Buddhism (The Six Senses) <http://webdharma.com/ctzg/heartsutra1.html>
- “ ... filthy reptiles ...”, The Spiritual Letters of Archbishop Fénelon: Letters to Women, Francois Fenelon <http://bit.ly/12ie4D2>
- Five Assumptions of Spiritual Practice, Shinzen Young (YouTube) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s1QWEk9c0D4>

2013 Sermon and Class Links

- Buddha's Brain: The New Neuroscience and the Path of Awakening, Hanson and Mendius (pdf) <http://www.wisebrain.org/BuddhasBrainArticle.pdf>
- Who Am I?, Sri Ramana Maharshi <http://davidgodman.org/rteach/whoami1.shtml>

Leaning into the Question, Rev Kathleen Owens, Apr 28 2013 sermon

What do you need to lean into?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/65010760>
- Music
 - SWARMISU (webpage) <http://swarmius.com/>
 - SWARMIUS (video samples, scroll to bottom of page) <http://swarmius.com/video.html>
 - SWARMIUS (audio, full pieces) <http://www.myspace.com/swarmius/music>
 - Hausmann Quartet (webpage) <http://www.hausmannquartet.com/>
 - Hausmann Quartet (video) <http://www.youtube.com/user/hausmann4>
- Centering Thought: "Continuity give us roots ...", Pauline Kezer <http://bit.ly/11PKrdw>
- Wisdom Story: "I'm building a cathedral ..." <http://bit.ly/13GMfa8>
- Lean In: Women, Work, and the Will to Lead, Sandberg (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/168iqDs>
- Lean In, Sandberg (Introduction Audio Book) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NnfpMudTYml>
- leanin.org <http://leanin.org/>
- The Growing Church: Keys to Congregational Vitality, Belote (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/Zcrfoh>
- Innovation, Christine Robinson <http://bit.ly/12EQjrr>
- Benediction: "Because of those who came before ..." (original, full version) <http://sideoflovmn.org/because-of-those-who-came-before/>

Coffee Conversation with Arvid, The Perennial Philosophy: World Mysticism – Good, Evil, and Suffering, May 1 class

- The Story of the Taoist Farmer http://www.noogenesis.com/pineapple/Taoist_Farmer.html
- As a Man Thinketh, James Allen (complete, online) <http://jamesallen.wwwhubs.com/think.htm>
- Cognitive Theory (Piaget) <http://www.simplypsychology.org/piaget.html> Cognitive -Behavioral Therapy <http://www.nacbt.org/whatiscbt.htm>
- The Illustrated Dhammapada, Treasury of Truth (complete, online) <http://www.buddhanet.net/dhammapada/>
- Buddha Nature http://www.rigpawiki.org/index.php?title=Buddha_nature
- Moral Conscience: Hearing the Inner Voice (UUA Curriculum) <http://www.uua.org/re/tapestry/children/tales/session2/sessionplan/activities/123145.shtml>
- Meister Eckhart <http://www.eckhartsociety.org/eckhart/introducing-eckhart>
- Tao Te Ching, Chpt 2, Not Doing <http://academic.brooklyn.cuny.edu/core9/phalsall/texts/taote-v3.html#2>
- The Shalem Institute for Spiritual Formation (website) <http://www.shalem.org/>
- Hamlet Act 2, scene 2, 239–251, Shakespeare, " ... nothing either good or bad ..."
<http://www.enotes.com/shakespeare-quotes/nothing-either-good-bad-but-thinking-makes>
- " ... our hearts are restless ...", Confessions, St Augustine of Hippo
http://www.piercedhearts.org/theology_heart/teaching_saints/hearts_restless_st_augustine.htm
- A Return to Love: Reflections on the Principles of a Course in Miracles: Marianne Williamson
http://www.peace.ca/a_return_to_love.htm
- Manichean (defined) (with Emerson sidebar quote)
<http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/manichean>
- Process Theology and Charles Hartshorne
<http://www.ctr4process.org/about/process/Hartshorne.shtml>
- The Ultimate Canvas (from UU World, 2003, on Charles Hartshorne)
<http://www.uuworld.org/2003/04/feature3.html>
- When Bad Things Happen, Rabbi Harold Kushner (Amazon Book)
<http://www.amazon.com/When-Things-Happen-Good-People/dp/1400034728>
- Suffering is meaningless, unless you decide otherwise (excerpt from When Bad Things Happen), Harold Kushner <http://bit.ly/15iRzFz>

2013 Sermon and Class Links

- Dukkha (defined) (Buddhism) <http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/173322/dukkha>
- Dukkha (elaboration on) <http://www.accesstoinight.org/ptf/dhamma/sacca/sacca1/dukkha.html>
- Man's Search for Meaning, Viktor E. Frankl (Book Summary and Review) <http://yhoo.it/13X859m>

Awakening From the American Nightmare: Consumerism and Hungry Ghosts, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, May 5 2013 sermon

What is your life about? How does your “stuff” define who you are?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/65609339>
- Centering Thought: from Natural Capitalism, Paul Hawken <http://www.d.umn.edu/~bmork/1101/hawkenmojo.html>
- Opening Reading (from) the Mangala Sutta (complete), “Avoiding those of foolish ways ...” <http://bit.ly/18PwO06>
- Preta-Gati; in the Realm of Hungry Ghosts <http://bit.ly/12MG9ma>
- American Hungry Ghosts, TNH (scroll to 2nd blog) <http://bit.ly/10f0Aqh>
- Sacred Brands: Consumerism as Religion, Rossano (HuffPost) <http://huff.to/ZCuhCw>
- Consumer Addiction (AlterNet) <http://bit.ly/18qsN4T>
- The Three Poisons of the Mind, Buddha <http://www.noble-buddhism-beliefs.com/three-poisons.html>
- “... beauty, elegance, dignity ...” Rita Gross <http://bit.ly/ZCw6PT>
- Benediction: “.. content with small means ...”, from My Symphony, William Henry Channing <http://www.appleseeds.org/my-symph.htm>

Coffee Conversation with Arvid, The Perennial Philosophy: World Mysticism – Salvation, Deliverance and Enlightenment, May 8 class

- The Four Stages of Enlightenment, Buddhism http://www.tamqui.com/buddhaworld/Four_stages_of_enlightenment
- The Arhant and the Bodhisattva, Genpo Roshi <http://bigmind.org/blog/arhat-and-bodhisattva>
- The Chain of Causation, Buddha <http://www.sacred-texts.com/bud/busc/busc08.htm>
- “Not Always So”, text of two dharma talks by Shunryu Suzuki Roshi. “Letters from Emptiness” and (scroll down) “Wherever You Are, Enlightenment is There”.
- The Five Ways: A Contemporary Toolkit for Classical Enlightenment, Shinzen Young (video and text) <http://www.pragmaticdharma.com/the-five-ways/>
- Five Ways to Know Yourself: An Introduction to Basic Mindfulness, Shinzen Young (pdf, 9mb) <http://www.shinzen.org/Retreat%20Reading/FiveWays.pdf>
- On Enlightenment, and Interview with Shinzen Young <http://bit.ly/13u8527>
- The Power of Now: A Guide to Spiritual Enlightenment, Eckhart Tolle (pdf, complete, online) http://peace-school.org/uploads/2/9/2/4/2924682/the_power_of_now.pdf
- St. Teresa of Avila - Doctor of the Church (Catholic Online) http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=208 and (The New Advent) <http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/14515b.htm>
- Interior Castle, St. Teresa of Avila <http://amzn.to/127cwwG>
- God is constantly creating, Jewish teaching <http://bit.ly/12vKT00>
- Essential Spirituality: The 7 Central Practices to Awaken Heart and Mind, Roger Walsh <http://amzn.to/16vLdCn>
- States and Stages of Consciousness, Roger Walsh (pdf) <http://bit.ly/ZW9Q30>
- Roger Walsh (website) <http://bit.ly/ZWaq11>
- A Technology of Transcendence, Roger Walsh (video and text) <http://www.drrogerwalsh.com/>
- Unconditional peace and happiness beyond good conditions of life and worldly knowledge, Meng Foon (blog) <http://bit.ly/12vLOhQ>
- Visit our First Church Pinterest Board on Meditation <http://pinterest.com/firstusandiego/>

2013 Sermon and Class Links

Holy Mothers, Emily Webb, Intern Minister, Mother's Day, May 12 2013 sermon

Today we honor and hold up the powerful people in our families and histories - mother, fathers, women, men, people who teach us that sometimes life requires difficult decisions and much compassion. We celebrate not perfection or purity, but courageous love and deep self-acceptance. What makes someone holy?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/66025265>
- Bridge Over Troubled Water, Simon and Garfunkel
 - Central Park Concert (YouTube) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C-PNun-Pfb4>
 - About (wiki) [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bridge_over_Troubled_Water_\(song\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bridge_over_Troubled_Water_(song))
 - Lyrics <http://bit.ly/10ksg1a>
- Saving Paradise, Brock and Parker <http://savingparadise.net/>
- "We must use what we have to invent what we desire," Adrienne Rich <http://www.lambdaliterary.org/features/03/29/adrienne-rich-send-something-back/>
- Credo of a Passionate Skeptic, Adrienne Rich http://www.english.illinois.edu/maps/poets/m_r/rich/onlineessays.htm

Coffee Conversation with Arvid, The Perennial Philosophy: World Mysticism – Practice, May 15 class

- A Brief History of Everything, Ken Wilber <http://www.amazon.com/Brief-History-Everything-Ken-Wilber/dp/1570627401>
- On Integral Spiritual, Ken Wilber <http://bit.ly/113wNkA>
- Integral Spirituality in Real Life, Ken Wilber <http://bit.ly/10M86tR>
- The need for Integral Spirituality, Ken Wilber (YouTube video) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NfJbDmhZXE0>
- Essential Spirituality: The 7 Central Practices to Awaken Heart and Mind, Roger Walsh (Amazon Book) <http://amzn.to/W9qa2s>
- Roger Walsh, various links to audio interviews and topic <http://www.drrogerwalsh.com/topics/meditation/>
- Seven Essential Spiritual Practices, Ken Walsh (list of, scroll down) <http://www.drrogerwalsh.com/books/essential-spirituality/>
- What is Bhavan (development): the Buddha on generosity, morality, and wisdom? (doc download) <http://bit.ly/14BE6nQ>
- Karma Yoga <http://bit.ly/12Cld30>
- Mahatma Gandhi and Karma Yoga <http://www.yogamaq.net/archives/1980/knov80/gan.shtml>
- The Bhagavad Gita (complete, online) <http://www.sacred-texts.com/hin/gita/>
- The Bhagavad Gita, Animated (complete summary, 16 min) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qTZFoIAfels>
- Stages of Moral Development, Kohlberg <http://faculty.plts.edu/gpence/html/kohlberg.htm>
- Atticus Finch (character analysis), To Kill a Mockingbird, Harper Lee <http://www.shmoop.com/to-kill-a-mockingbird/atticus-finch.html>
- Mindfulness to Cope with Difficult Emotions (RAIN) <http://bit.ly/10Z9Rc8>
- Break Through Difficult Emotions, Shinzen Young (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/13CRBod>
- Elements of Buddhist Philosophy in Cognitive Therapy <http://bit.ly/15WpVhX>

Coffee Conversation with Arvid, The Perennial Philosophy: World Mysticism – Action, May 22 class

- Martin Luther King, the philosophy of <http://www.thekingcenter.org/king-philosophy>
- An Integral Theory of Consciousness, Ken Wilber <http://www.imprint.co.uk/Wilber.htm>
- Applications of Mindfulness Meditation in the Study of Human Consciousness, Shinzen Young <http://www.shinzen.org/Articles/artAbstract.pdf>
- Establishing a Mysticism of Social Justice: Dorothy Day and the Liturgy
 - Part 1 <http://bit.ly/13ZlpKW>
 - Part 2 <http://bit.ly/18A1pR4>
 - Part 3 <http://bit.ly/11AwK5Y>

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- Part 4 <http://bit.ly/11cz9C7>
- Helen Mary Caldicott (bio) (anti-nuclear activist) <http://bit.ly/13k8GRW>
- The Soul of Man Under Socialism, Oscar Wilde <http://bit.ly/1aBwNhb>
- The Ten Perfections: Qualities of the Fully Enlightened Individual as Described in Buddhist Psychology, Roger Walsh <http://bit.ly/10BdSSN>
- Karma Yoga <http://bit.ly/12Cld30>
- Gandhi's Views on Truth <http://bit.ly/ZuzBgx>
- Gandhi: An Autobiography or The story of my experiments with truth (complete, pdf) <http://bit.ly/15bOweP>
- The Theosophical Society <http://www.theosociety.org/>
- Kurt Vonnegut, RIP (sermon on) <http://www.uunashua.org/sermons/vonnegut.shtml>
- John Lewis on the Art and Discipline of Non-Violence (transcript, On Being interview) <http://www.onbeing.org/program/transcript/5156>
- Self-Liberation: A Guide to Strategic Planning for Action to End a Dictatorship or Other Oppression, Gene Sharp (complete, pdf) <http://www.aeinstein.org/selflib/SelfLiberation.pdf>

The Real Stuff: Beyond Materialism, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, June 2 2013 sermon

What would it be like if we had a world view where we saw beyond the material?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/67992128>
- Centering Thought: "... a grain of sand ...", from Auguries of Innocence, William Blake <http://www.artofeurope.com/blake/bla3.htm>
- Awakening From the American Nightmare: Consumerism and Hungry Ghosts, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, May 5 2013 sermon video <http://vimeo.com/65609339>
- The Answers, Wieseltier, a New Republic book review of Rosenberg's The Atheists Guide to Reality, Enjoying Life Without Illusions <http://on.tnr.com/14comsH>
- Infinity in Your Hand: A Guide for the Spiritually Curious, William H. Houff (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/QTxfhh>
- Infinity in Your Hand, Houff (14 pg summary by author, pdf) <http://wjshaffer.org/PDFs/Infinity.pdf>
- "... universe like a great thought ..." James Jeans, quoted in <http://bit.ly/10UH43V>
- The Universe of Mathematical Design, Hans Krause (quoting extensively J Jeans) http://www.hanskrause.de/HKHPE/hkhpe_04_04.htm
- "... the stuff of the universe is mind stuff...", Eddington, quoted in The Subatomic Viewpoint <http://www.ourplanet.org/science.html>
- Astrophysics and Mysticism: the life of Arthur Stanley Eddington <http://silas.psf.mit.edu/eddington/>
- The Illusion of Reality ~ consciousness & quantum theory (YouTube Video) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CRkDicwjRQs&feature=related> and (transcript) <http://noetic.org/discussions/open/305/>
- The Matrix of All Matter, Max Planck <http://bit.ly/13Bx3L8>
- The Holographic Mind, Karl Pribram (pdf) <http://bit.ly/11nStfF> and (YouTube) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vHpTYs6GJhQ>
- The Holographic Universe, Does Objective Reality Exist? <http://rense.com/general69/holoff.htm>
- "It's turtles all the way down", http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Turtles_all_the_way_down
- "... I contain multitudes ...", from Song of Myself, Walt Whitman <http://bit.ly/12cwF8E>
- "All things of immortal power ...", from The Mistress of Vision, Francis Thompson <http://www.bartleby.com/236/240.html>
- Benediction: The Stream of Life, Tagore <http://bit.ly/ZCJo27>

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Coffee Conversation with Emily Webb, Intern, Will Robots Attend Church: The Future of UUism and Religion, June 5 class

- Congregations and Beyond: A White Paper, Rev Peter Morales, UUA President <http://bit.ly/18OMrKI>
- Congregations and Beyond Facebook group <http://www.facebook.com/groups/334403263248852/?fref=ts>
- Christianity After Religion : The End of Church and the Birth of a New Spiritual Awakening, Diane Butler Bass (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/1bOwlHK>
- Christianity After Religion Study Guide <http://bit.ly/1aiVW2V>
- Diana Butler Bass talking about her work regarding Christianity and the future <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L5DoQMGyjC0>
- Beloved Café website www.belovedcafe.org
- Lucy Stone Cooperative <https://sites.google.com/a/lucystonecoop.org/lsc/>
- Church of the Larger Fellowship (CLF) <http://www.clfuu.org>
- Amazing Grace: A Vocabulary of Faith, Kathleen Norris (Amazon book) <http://www.amazon.com/dp/1573227218>
- Quotes, Kathleen Norris http://www.goodreads.com/author/quotes/60394.Kathleen_Norris
- "Religion...ultimate ideal...hopeless quest...", Alfred North Whitehead <http://bit.ly/11UM5Nh>
- The Way It Is, William Stafford (poem) <http://bit.ly/127mSuQ>

Oh! The Places You'll Go! Emily Webb, Intern, June 9 2013 farewell sermon

Where am I being called to say "yes" and "no" in my life?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/68266944>
- Oh! The Places You'll Go", Dr Seuss (complete text on line, pdf) <http://bit.ly/12GZ48v>
- Oh! The Places You'll Go", Dr Seuss (youtube, audio book w/ pictures, read by John Litgow) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IQRWeZy-S8Q>
- "San Diego is Calling You" <http://bit.ly/17HYHLK>
- "My Spiritual Destination", Google Maps (suggestions), <http://bit.ly/103iWky>
- "Don't ask what the world needs ...", Howard Thurman <http://bit.ly/10d8l6C>
- Let Your Life Speak, Parker Palmer (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/11wBmUZ>
- Let Your Life Speak, Parker Palmer (pdf, quotes and reflection questions) <http://marshill.org/pdf/hc/books/letYourLifeSpeak.pdf>
- All the way down, depression and the spiritual journey, Parker Palmer <http://www.wmeades.com/id220.htm>
- Chicken Bus (images) <http://bit.ly/173Jzce>
- Guatemalan Chicken Buses: the beautiful afterlives <http://guatemalanchickenbuses.com/>
- Parashat Mishpatim: Step Up, Step Back <http://bit.ly/11ghYwt>
- Serving with Grace" Lay Leadership as a Spiritual Practice, Erik Wikstrom <http://amzn.to/173KMAk>
- Pareto Principle (80–20 rule) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pareto_principle

It Takes a Village to Grow a Soul, Rev Kathleen Owens, June 16 2013 sermon

How can you help another to grow?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/68573633>
- South Bay Welcome Video <http://vimeo.com/66266855>
- It Takes a Village (African proverb, or not) <http://bit.ly/19Kxskn>
- Bond of Union <http://bit.ly/11UQUX1>
- A House for Hope: The Promise of Progressive Religion for the Twenty-first Century, John Buehrens and Rebecca Ann Parker (Amazon Book) <http://amzn.to/15dMBnp>
- A Hidden Wholeness: The Journey Toward an Undivided Life, Parker Palmer (Amazon book) <http://www.amazon.com/dp/0470453761>
- Parker Palmer, key themes in writings <http://www.uua.org/re/teachers/inspiration/15408.shtml>
- A Season of Civility: Religion and Public Life, Parker Palmer (HuffPost) <http://huff.to/13VADzm>

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- "...the organization of power and the power of organization...", James Luther Adams and the Transformation of Liberalism <http://www.meadville.edu/uploads/files/111.pdf>
- Shoulders, Naomi Shihab Nye (poem) <http://bit.ly/11kaZGz>
- Benediction, "Go out into the world in peace ... " <http://bit.ly/13ON3KS>

Wake Up, Rev Dr Tom Owen-Towle, Guest Pulpit, Minister Emeritus, June 23 2013 sermon

How do you keep your heart, mind, and soul alive?"

- Video <http://vimeo.com/68966630>
- Tom's website: http://www.tomo-t.com/tomOwenTowle_store.html
- "I am awake", Dona Sutta, Buddha <http://bit.ly/12XM9xW>
- "... how much music we can still make ...", Pearlman <http://bit.ly/11XrIMg>
- Benediction, excerpt from The Guest, Kabir <http://www.osholeela.com/poetry/kabir3.html>

Bless Those Who Serve: A Peacenik Salutes the Military, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, June 30 2013 sermon

- Video <http://vimeo.com/69569145>
- Centering Thought: "Courage encompass all things" from Plotinian Ethics: A philosophical guide to navigating the environmental and ethical challenges of the meta-human age <http://www.pressjohn.com/BookStuff/WebPlotinian.htm>
- Opening Words: "The line between good and evil ...", (2nd quote) from It Was On Fire When I Lay Down On It, Robert Fulgham <http://bit.ly/160q3H7>
- Robert Gould Shaw, Liberal Religious Patriot <http://bit.ly/17PSQFg>
- Unitarian Universalist Military Handbook, Bless All Who Serve <http://www.uua.org/giving/funds/142432.shtml>
- Bless All Who Serve: Sources of Hope, Courage and Faith for Military Personnel and Their Families, editors: Tittle and Tittle (UUA Bookstore), <http://www.uuabookstore.org/productdetails.cfm?PC=1263>
- UU CLF (Church of the Larger Fellowship), Military Ministry <http://clfmilitary.uuugl.com/moodle3/>
- UU CLF, Quest for Meaning, Military Ministry <http://bit.ly/14KZkyX>
- UU Military Bridgebuilder Kit <http://bit.ly/11VFFy5>
- UUniforms, First Church Pinterest Page <http://pinterest.com/firstuusandiego/uuniforms/>
- The Theology of Peacemaking, The Reverend William Schulz and Professor Sharon Welch, UUA GA 2007 (video) <http://www.uua.org/ga/past/2007/choicesthat/31313.shtml>
- Benediction from The Good Book: A Humanist Bible (Songs:90), A.C. Grayling (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/11YOMji>
- An Interview with AC Grayling, about The Good Book (Carnegie Council for Ethics in International Development) <http://bit.ly/18tFLB0>

Rational Mystics and Reverent Agnostics, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, July 7 2013 sermon

- Video <http://vimeo.com/69931043>
- Centering Thought: "Agnosticism simply means that ...", Thomas Huxley <http://bit.ly/11wWJfv>
- Agnosticism, Prof Thomas H Huxley <http://bit.ly/158N9vX>
- Embracing Uncertainty: Exploring the Power of Agnosticism, Willingham (pdf, UU Sermon) <http://bit.ly/13xC38k>
- The Liberating Embrace of Uncertainty, NPR <http://n.pr/16kUoQV>
- "Fix reason firmly in her seat, ...", from Letter to Peter Carr, Thomas Jefferson http://www.stephenjaygould.org/ctrl/jefferson_carr.html
- On "You didn't give us enough evidence...", Russell, Mystery and Evidence, NYT Opinion <http://nyti.ms/12Tb3bT>
- Rational Mysticism: Spirituality Meets Science, John Horgan (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/17vL2o6>
- John Horgan articles in Slate http://www.slate.com/authors/john_horgan.html
- Rational Mysticism: Dispatches from the Border Between Science and Spirituality by John Horgan, full review <http://bit.ly/12zB0yt>

2013 Sermon and Class Links

- Militant Agnostic bumper sticker <http://www.northernsun.com/5320.html>
- Benediction: Be Ours a Religion, Theodore Parker <http://bit.ly/183Qyz5>

Got Milk? Harvey Milk and Coalitions, Rev Kathleen Owens, July 14 2013 Pride sermon

Who is missing from our table?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/70359808>
- Centering Thought: "Respect your fellow human being ...", Bill Bradley <http://bit.ly/12QTIHm>
- Reading: Litany of Restoration, Marjorie Bowens-Wheatley <http://bit.ly/15gnT7q>
- "My name is Harvey Milk, and I'm here to recruit you ..." (movie video clip) <http://www.guardian.co.uk/film/video/2009/jan/21/milk-clip>
- The Hope Speech, Harvey Milk (text) http://www.danaroc.com/guests_harveymilk_122208.html
- The Mayor of Castro Street: The Life and Times of Harvey Milk, Randy Shilts (Amazon book) <http://www.amazon.com/books/dp/0312019009>
- Milk (movie info, imdb) <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1013753/>
- Channeling Harvey Milk: It's Coalition Building, Stupid!, Torie Osborn, (HuffPost) <http://huff.to/1bhs0X8>
- Learning from Harvey Milk: Building Support and Coalitions for Change (pdf) <http://bit.ly/13L36xg>
- Community Guide on Coalition Building <http://1.usa.gov/10WQKxV>
- First Church Strategic Plan 2013-2018 <http://bit.ly/16fhQBH>
- Benediction: "Change is incremental ..." Rev Lindi Ramsden <http://bit.ly/12EnnNm>

Happiness 101, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, July 20 2013 class

- Video excerpts <http://vimeo.com/71783542>
 - Gratitude 00:00, Happiness 20:15; Unhappiness and Loving Kindness Meditation, 33:05; RAIN, 1:00:25; Habits, 1:07:25
- Gratefulness.org <http://www.gratefulness.org/index.htm>
- David Steinhil-Rast <http://www.gratefulness.org/brotherdavid/>
- World's Happiest Man: Matthieu Ricard <http://dailym.ai/1eorbce>
- Matthieu Ricard: The Habits of Happiness (TED Talk) <http://bit.ly/1b7HASr>
- Matthieu Ricard: The Art of Meditation (YouTube) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iZwnXj0Ck1k>
- Matthieu Ricard: Happiness: A Guide to Developing Life's Most Important Skill (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/12VXOhy>
- Addiction and Grace, Gerald May (book except) <http://bit.ly/17ut1Eu>
- Science of Happiness: 7 Habits of Happy People <http://bit.ly/13lulT0>
- Authentic Happiness, Martin Seligman (Univ of Penn) <http://bit.ly/15IPVKt>
- Seven Questions for David Burns "Feeling Good" (Psychology Today) <http://bit.ly/19Jm6NQ>
- Afflictive Emotions, Dalai Lama Foundation <http://bit.ly/11ICF7D>
- The Ethics of Altruism, A 15-Part Online Course, Dalai Lama Foundation <http://bit.ly/1b7KZAF>
- Loving Kindness Meditation, Overview http://www.buddhanet.net/metta_in.htm
- Meditation on Loving Kindness, Jack Kornfield <http://bit.ly/1eouEr4>
- Lovingkindness: The Revolutionary Art of Happiness, Sharon Salzberg (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/1eoyjFj>
- Guided Loving Kindness (Metta) Meditation, Sharon Salzberg <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W3uLqt69Vyl>
- Working With Difficulties: The Blessings of RAIN, Tara Brach <http://bit.ly/195MaDB>
- Depression Symptoms (Mayo Clinic) <http://mayoclinic.in/14eQZ8Q>
- Being Present in the Darkness: Using Depression as a Tool for Self-Discovery, Cheri Huber <http://amzn.to/19JtDMN>
- Suicide, Depression and Zen Meditation, an Audio Interview with Cheri Huber <http://bit.ly/16ZuDy6>
- Spontaneous Happiness: A New Path to Emotional Well-Being, Andrew Weil (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/16ZtaRm>
- Andrew Weil's Spontaneous Happiness: Our Nature-Deficit Disorder <http://thebea.st/16qf4bJ>

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- The Ornish Spectrum <http://www.ornishspectrum.com/proven-program/>
- Beginner's Grace: Bringing Prayer to Life, Kate Braestrup (excerpt) <http://bit.ly/12W9hO2>

The Spirituality of Pleasure, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, July 21 2013 sermon

Is your life a gift, or a project?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/71134488>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service: <http://bit.ly/13H9L4f>
- Opening Words: Look to This Day, Kalidasa (poem) <http://bit.ly/17EzGOK>
- The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism , Max Weber (pdf, complete online) <http://bit.ly/11eTImY>
- The Original Puritan Work Ethic, Christianity Today <http://bit.ly/12kqr7H>
- Anxiety Culture: The Puritan Work Ethic <http://www.anxietyculture.com/puritan.htm>
- Puritanism and Its Impact on American Values (pdf) <http://bit.ly/13c5CFy>
- In Defense of Food: An Eater's Manifesto, Michael Pollen (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/1e0Zd69>
- Michael Pollen: Amazon Books <http://www.amazon.com/Michael-Pollan/e/B000AQ74HQ>
- Michael Pollen: NYT articles on or about <http://nyti.ms/1bsnF4v>
- Michael Pollen (website) <http://michaelpollan.com/>
- Orthorexia (home page) <http://www.orthorexia.com/>
- Health Food Junkie, Steven Bratman <http://bit.ly/13MrVpM>
- Why We Resist Sexual Pleasure, Stella Resnick <http://bit.ly/13jxyYU>
- Core Pleasures in Ecstatic Relating: Stella Resnick (podcast) <http://bit.ly/13j3vQj>
- Blessing: To Live Content With Small Means: My Symphony, William Henry Channing <http://bit.ly/estjcE>

The Spirituality of Aging, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, July 28 2013 sermon

What is the beauty in your old age?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/71217300>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/13jeWaA>
- Opening Words: Look to This Day, Kalidasa (poem) <http://bit.ly/17EzGOK>
- Excerpt from "Plan B", Anne Lamont (Salon) http://www.salon.com/2005/03/04/diamond_heart/
- Anne Lamont Shares Personal Wisdom in "Plan B", NPR Podcast <http://n.pr/179OzX0>
- Plan B, Further Thoughts on Faith, Anne Lamont (Amazon Books) <http://amzn.to/15Xil2c>
- Healthy at 100, John Robbins (video) <http://www.johnrobbins.info/videos/healthy-at-100/>
- Healthy at 100, John Robbins (interview with, Parts I <http://bit.ly/12vJzQu> and II <http://bit.ly/1e4z7zc>)
- Healthy at 100, John Robbins (Amazon Books) <http://amzn.to/13ppNjk>
- Football Season is Over, the last words of Hunter S Thompson <http://bit.ly/19rkqBK>
- The Ladakh Project, Helen Norberg-Hodge <http://www.localfutures.org/ladakh-project>
- Ancient Futures, Learning from Ladakh, Helen Norberg-Hodge (youtube documentary) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMD8J3W9MjU>
- "Whatever you hand finds to do ...", Ecclesiastes:9-10 <http://biblehub.com/ecclesiastes/9-10.htm>
- Younger Next Year: Live Strong, Fit, and Sexy - Until You're 80 and Beyond, Crowley and Lodge (Amazon Book) <http://www.amazon.com/dp/076114773X>
- Seven Simple Rules, from Younger Next Year <http://bit.ly/1e4B12G>
- The Ornish Spectrum <http://www.ornishspectrum.com/proven-program/>
- Old Age is a Crown Instead of a Curse in Helen Luke's Beautiful Hands, Jung Society of Atlanta (pdf) <http://www.jungatlanta.com/articles/fall06-old-age.pdf>
- Text of Hymn 191, Now I Recall My Childhood, from Tagore's Crossing, Poem LXXI, <http://bit.ly/14pS1La>
- Benediction: "... do not squander your life ...", from Zen Night Chant <http://bit.ly/179RZJd>

2013 Sermon and Class Links

Martin's Dream, Trayvon's Nightmare; Rev Kathleen Owens, Aug 4 2013 sermon on the 50th Anniversary of "I Have a Dream"

Where shall we be 50 years from now?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/71763879>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/15B1zXN>
- Opening Words, River Call, Manish K. Mishra-Marzetti <http://bit.ly/1eLVkG>
- River Call, above, from Voices from the Margins: An Anthology of Meditations, James and Morrison-Reed <http://bit.ly/1eLVkG>
- Music: One Voice (lyrics and audio) <http://www.azlyrics.com/lyrics/wailinjennys/onevoice.html>
- MLK, I Have A Dream (YouTube Video) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=smEqnklfYs>
- Bearing the Cross: Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, David Garrow <http://amzn.to/19GAPZV>
- Bearing the Cross, Summary and Study Guide <http://amzn.to/16tjz7l>
- Bearing the Cross, Lesson Plans <http://amzn.to/15FPr7l>
- The Talk: How parents raising black boys try to keep their sons safe, Jeanne Amber (Time Mag), <http://ti.me/19GEFT3>
- Trayvon Martin and Implicit Bias, Paterson, Equal Justice Society <http://huff.to/13l1A9d>
- Zimmerman Verdict Illustrates Need to Speak Out About Racial Bias, Richard Cohen, SPLC <http://bit.ly/16Vb3w2>
- "What if ..." and "I Tremble ..." Blogs, Rev Josh Pawelek <http://revjoshpawelek.org/>
- Grieving for Trayvon All Over, Tequina Boston, SSL Blog <http://bit.ly/16mliZf>
- The New Jim Crow: The Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness, Michelle Alexander <http://bit.ly/1cBsEOM>
- "Zimmerman mind set ...", Michelle Alexander <http://on.fb.me/18X5Q9k>
- Strategic Plan, First Church <http://bit.ly/16fhQBH>
- Hymn 149, Lift Every Voice and Sing (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lift_Every_Voice_and_Sing

Creating a Spiritual Practice, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Aug 10 class

- Video excerpts <http://vimeo.com/73078173>
 - 0:00:00 Pt I: Introduction
 - 0:05:33 Pt II: Meditation
 - 0:12:39 Pt III: Prayer
 - 0:40:31 Pt IV: Lovingkindness Meditation
 - 1:01:35 Pt V: Maintaining a Spiritual Practice
- "I, Robot", Anton Wilson <http://www.rawilsonfans.com/articles/IRobot.html>
- "Any desire ...", from Addiction and Grace, Gerald May (book excerpt) <http://bit.ly/17ut1Eu>
- Meister Eckhart <http://www.eckhartsociety.org/eckhart/introducing-eckhart>
- Exploring the Forms of Prayer, Benson, Baylor Univ <http://bit.ly/19Koipp>
- UU Friendly Prayer (Class Handout) <http://bit.ly/14kCfWT>
- On Death and Dying, Dr. Elisabeth Kübler-Ross and The Five Stages of Grief <http://www.ekrfoundation.org/five-stages-of-grief/>
- "Beware of practicing your piety...", Matthew 6:1-18 <http://www.rc.net/wcc/readings/matt6v1.htm>
- Beginner's Grace: Bringing Prayer to Life, Kate Braestrup (excerpt) <http://bit.ly/12W9hO2>
- Here If You Need Me: A True Story, Kate Braestrup (Amazon Book) <http://amzn.to/13H7dKq>
- The Cloud of Unknowing, anonymous English monk, (Amazon Book) <http://amzn.to/1dufN0T>
- Find Grace at the Center: The Beginning of Centering Prayer, Pennington and Keating (Amazon Book) <http://amzn.to/19KwVjN>
- Desert Father's Contemplative Prayer <http://bit.ly/1d6jDyx>
- A Closer Look at Center Prayer, as taught by Basil Pennington and Thomas Keating (Catholic Culture) <http://bit.ly/184EZVS> and <http://bit.ly/16eMDLN>
- Teaching of Shikantaza (just sitting), Suzuki Roshi <http://bit.ly/1f3wT3p> and <http://www.mro.org/mr/archive/18-4/articles/suzuki.htm>
- Loving Kindness Meditation, Overview http://www.buddhanet.net/metta_in.htm

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- Meditation on Loving Kindness, Jack Kornfield <http://bit.ly/1eouEr4>
- Lovingkindness: The Revolutionary Art of Happiness, Sharon Salzberg (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/1eoyjFj>
- Guided Loving Kindness (Metta) Meditation, Sharon Salzberg <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W3uLqt69Vyl>
- Gratefulness.org <http://www.gratefulness.org/index.htm>
- David Steinhilber-Rast <http://www.gratefulness.org/brotherdavid/>
- The Ornish Spectrum <http://www.ornishspectrum.com/proven-program/>
- Bowling Alone: America's Declining Social Capital, Robert D. Putnam (pdf) <http://bit.ly/13l63Ed>
- Spiritual Maintenance Schedule (Class Handout) <http://bit.ly/14XR25k>

Happiness 101, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Aug 11 2013 sermon

Where do you find your deepest happiness?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/72382652>
- Centering Thought and Orders of Service <http://bit.ly/15Vbg3b>
- Happiness Studies, HuffPost, misc articles on <http://huff.to/19tL70t>
- World Database of Happiness <http://worlddatabaseofhappiness.eur.nl/>
- World's Happiest Man: Matthieu Ricard <http://dailym.ai/1eorbce>
- Matthieu Ricard: The Habits of Happiness (TED Talk) <http://bit.ly/1b7HASr>
- Matthieu Ricard: The Art of Meditation (YouTube) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iZwnXj0Ck1k>
- Matthieu Ricard: Happiness: A Guide to Developing Life's Most Important Skill (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/12VXOhy>
- The Spirituality of Pleasure, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, July 21 2013 sermon video <http://vimeo.com/71134488>
- Unpacking positive emotions: Investigating the seeds of human flourishing; Frederickson, Journal of Positive Psychology (pdf) <http://bit.ly/19tM6h7>
- Bowling Alone: America's Declining Social Capital, Robert D. Putnam (pdf) <http://bit.ly/13l63Ed>
- Dating, Mating & Gender Roles in the Loneliest City on Planet Earth (LA) (HuffPost) <http://huff.to/16chLPh>
- The Myths of Happiness, Lyubomirsky <http://lyubomirsky.socialpsychology.org/>
 - (video) Part I <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ltyKdHilMDM>
 - (video) Part II http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0AOYPak_Dnw
- Bad World Syndrome, Ricard <http://bit.ly/1a5U1As>
- The Man Who Counts The Killings, George Gerbner (Mean World Syndrome) <http://bit.ly/19iJ4Jc>
- When All You've Ever Wanted Isn't Enough, Kushner (excerpts) <http://bit.ly/14MgkY4>
- If you pursue happiness, you may find loneliness, Kendrick (Psychology Today) <http://bit.ly/18vH8f6>
- Benediction: Go In Peace, Mark Belletini <http://bit.ly/18vHrqz>
- Happiness 101 class, Jul 20 2013, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, video excerpts and reference links <http://vimeo.com/71783542>

The Business of Your Life, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Aug 18 2013 sermon

What is the main business of your life?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/72613178>
- Centering Thought and Orders of Service <http://bit.ly/1bES5NB>
- "A person will worship something...", Emerson <http://bit.ly/1cREyGr>
- If Your Life Were a Business, Would You Invest In It?: Eckblad and Kiel <http://amzn.to/17WKCFx>
- "... foolish consistency ...", Emerson, from Self-Reliance <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Self-Reliance>
- The Bodhisattva Vows <http://www.bodhicitta.net/BODHISATTVAVOWS.htm>
- Blessing: To Live Content With Small Means: My Symphony, William Henry Channing <http://bit.ly/estjcE>

2013 Sermon and Class Links

Wrestling With Tradition, Elizabeth Bukey, Intern Minister, Aug 25 2013 sermon

With what traditions do you wrestle?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/73096118>
- Centering Thought and Orders of Service <http://bit.ly/16DPLnT>
- Genesis 32: 22-32, Wrestling with God <http://bit.ly/179OBzy>
- "...be perfect as our Father in heaven is perfect...", from Likeness to God, William Ellery Channing <http://www.americanunitarian.org/likeness.htm>
- Dead Sea Scrolls, Discovery and Publication <http://bit.ly/19Tecmd>

You Could Be Next: Why Labor Justice Matters, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Sep 1 2013 Labor Day sermon

"[The Lord] has shown strength with his arm, he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts, he has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent empty away." — Luke 1: 51-53 RSV

- Video <http://vimeo.com/73740936>
- Centering Thought and Orders of Service <http://bit.ly/12Uu9D6>
- Ve'hashev Cohanim והשב כהנים רבי - קרליבך שלמה רבי - Return Again (hymn #1011, Rabbi Shlomo Carlebach) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QBZ9UYhKTCc>
- Soul Doctor (Broadway Musical, see Carlebach, above) <http://souldoctorbroadway.com/about.php>
- Minimum Wage – A Moral Imperative (UJSC Statement, Peter Morales and William Schulz) <http://bit.ly/14Wzyul>
- In Class Warfare, Guess Which Class Is Winning? (NYT) <http://nyti.ms/17y3cqO>
- CBS News: Hard Times Generation: Families living in cars (containing Warren Buffett original comment) <http://www.cbsnews.com/video/watch/?id=7389750n>
- Warren Buffett On Class Warfare: 'If This Is A War, My Side Has The Nuclear Bomb' <http://bit.ly/17y3zBv>
- Workers of America Are Getting Screwed (and other blogs), Robert Reich <http://read.bi/176Dmt0>
- United Farm Workers Songs and Stories (De Dolores) <http://bit.ly/14hCQKG>

Coffee Conversations: A UU View of The Bible, Pt I - How To Read The Bible, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Sep 4 class

- Video excerpts <http://vimeo.com/73984974>
- Understanding the Bible: An Introduction for Skeptics, Seekers, and Religious Liberals, John Buehrens (Amazon Books) <http://amzn.to/14ywlhr>
- Understanding the Bible, Beacon Press Discussion Guide http://www.beacon.org/client/pdfs/1053_dg.pdf
- Understanding the Bible, Buehrens at 2003 UUA GA (video) <http://www.uua.org/ga/past/2003/ga2003/169476.shtml>
- Why Liberals Should Read the Bible, Buehrens <http://bit.ly/14rCdOK>
- Why We Must Reclaim the Bible, John Shelby Spong (HuffPost) <http://huff.to/166LdY1>
- The Apocrypha <http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/01601a.htm>
- The Intertestamental Period <http://www.angelfire.com/nt/theology/15-400sy.html>, detailed timeline <http://www.preceden.com/timelines/29189-intertestamental-period>
- Chronological Order of Bible Books <http://ichthys.com/mail-Bible%20chrono.htm>
- Bible Timeline <http://bit.ly/15Km54V>
- Tattoos and Piercing in Jewish Law <http://bit.ly/17FbRYy>
- There is A Balm in Gilead (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/There_Is_a_Balm_in_Gilead
- The Impact of *HEILSGESCHICHTE* on the Understanding of the Biblical Doctrine of Creation <http://bit.ly/17LybOa>
- Genesis (New Revised Standard Version - NRSV) <http://bible.oremus.org/?passage=Genesis+1>
- About "The NRSV" <http://www.nccusa.org/newbtu/aboutnrs.html>
- About "The Living Bible" <http://www.bible-researcher.com/lbp.html>
- Bible Research <http://www.bible-researcher.com/index.html>
- The Gnostic World View <http://gnosis.org/gnintro.htm>

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- The Nag Hammadi Scriptures <http://gnosis.org/naghamm/nhl.html>
- The Gospel of Thomas <http://to.pbs.org/15KoPiN>
- Torah, Talmud, Mishna, and Gemara <http://youall.com/refresh/definitorahtalmud.html>
- Adam, Eve, and The Serpant: Sex and Politics in Early Christianity, Elaine Pagels (Amazon Book) <http://amzn.to/QblCSw>
- Elaine Pagels on What We Can Learn From the Story of Adam and Eve, Bill Moyers (video and transcript) <http://billmoyers.com/content/elaine-pagels-part-1/>

Go Ahead and Forgive Them: You Deserve It, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Sep 8 2013 sermon

What do you need to forgive? For what do you need to be forgiven?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/74071388>
- Centering Thought and Orders of Service <http://bit.ly/15FfnnN>
- Asking Forgiveness – The Jewish High Holidays <http://bit.ly/1etFjnJ>
- Forgiveness and Reconciliation in World Scripture <http://www.unification.net/ws/theme142.htm>
- Matthew 18:21-23, “... seventy times seven ...” <http://bit.ly/17NmPXU>
- “... I’m keeping a chart.”, Hillary Clinton <http://bit.ly/15KdTJ1>
- “... sacrifice others / ourselves ...”, Eric Hoffer <http://bit.ly/15KdTJ1>
- Best Forgiveness Quotes <http://bit.ly/18GRN6p>
- “The Sun Never Says”, Hafiz of Persia, online collection of poems, see pg 27 <http://bit.ly/1e6lrcm>
- The story behind the Hafiz poem <http://bit.ly/17j6Wvn>
- “Jesus is not hyperbole...”, from The Gospel According to Jesus, Steven Mitchell <http://bit.ly/17PRKoE>
- Forgiveness Meditation, Jack Kornfield <http://thetaoofrecovery.com/2012/06/28/forgiveness-meditation/>
- Reinhold Niebuhr on Hope, Love, and Forgiveness <http://bit.ly/182Os5j>
- There is A Balm in Gilead (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/There_Is_a_Balm_in_Gilead

Coffee Conversations: A UU View of The Bible, Pt II – Creation: Genesis, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Sep 11 class

- Video <http://vimeo.com/74587506>
- Genesis (New Revised Standard Version - NRSV) <http://bible.oremus.org/?passage=Genesis+1>
- Babylonian Captivity <http://bit.ly/17Z2OIk>
- Hebrew Bible Study Guide <http://novaonline.nvcc.edu/eli/eng251/HebrewBible.htm>
- The Four Source Theory of the Torah <http://www.billnourse.com/4SOURCE.HTM>
- Documentary Hypothesis of the Bible <http://www.cs.umd.edu/~mvz/bible/doc-hyp.pdf>
- Priestly (P) Source http://www.angelfire.com/journal2/pbsot/The_Priestly_Source.htm
- Yahwist (J) Source <http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/651208/Yahwist-source>
- Elohist (E) Source <http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/185253/Elohist-source>
- Deuteronomist (D) Source <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Deuteronomist>
- Adamah <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Adamah>
- Eve <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Adamah>
- Lilith <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lilith>
- Elaine Pagels on What We Can Learn From the Story of Adam and Eve, Bill Moyers (video and transcript) <http://billmoyers.com/content/elaine-pagels-part-1/>
- The Patriarchs and the Origin of Judaism <http://www.jewfaq.org/origins.htm>
- In Memory of Her: A Feminist Theological Reconstruction of Christian Origins, Elisabeth Fiorenza <http://amzn.to/185vhnB>
- The Myth of Matriarchal Prehistory: Why an Invented Past Won't Give Women a Future, Cynthia Eller <http://amzn.to/1aCQCHp>
- Woody Allen on Abraham and Knowing the Voice of the Lord <http://bit.ly/1dgNdyW>

2013 Sermon and Class Links

Synagogues: A Tour and Some History, Pt I – Eastern Europe, Rev Kathleen Owens, Sep 12 class

- Video <http://vimeo.com/74540786>

Foolish Things Smart People Do, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Sep 15 2013 sermon

What are the foolish things that I do?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/74583419>
- Centering Thought and Orders of Service <http://bit.ly/1eacNbl>
- Reading: A Word on Statistics, Wislawa Szymborska (poem) <http://bit.ly/19V7Jml>
- Matthew 7:3-5, "... speck of sawdust ...", <http://bg4.me/WMDbvJ>
- Buddha: Right Speech <http://bit.ly/19VeDZ7>
- Expectations are Premeditated Resentments <http://bit.ly/146iC4m>
- The Four Horsemen of Divorce <http://bit.ly/14TnJYb>
- On Forrest Church's Sermon, "Want What You Have", <https://www.uua.org/worship/words/sermons/184358.shtml>
- Benediction: Book of Philippians 4:8, "Whatsoever things are true ..."
<http://www.kjvbible.org/kjvbible/B50C004.htm>

Synagogues: A Tour and Some History, Pt II – Turkey, Greece, Italy; Rev Kathleen Owens, Sep 19 class

- Video <http://vimeo.com/76583201>

Living on the Side of Love, Elizabeth Bukey, Intern Minister, Sep 22 2013 sermon

- Video <http://vimeo.com/76776598>
- "The Great Family of The Universal Parent", from W E Channing's The Father's Love for Persons
<http://bit.ly/17mp3hZ>
- We Should be More Countercultural, Ana Levy-Lynos (UUWorld) <http://bit.ly/1615bpm>
- First Church Covenant of Good Relations <http://www.firstuusandiego.org/covenant-of-good-relations>
- A Wind in The Door, Madeleine L'Engle http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/A_Wind_in_the_Door
- Puente Movement and Carlos Garcia <http://www.puenteaz.org/>
- Standing on the Side of Love <http://www.standingonthesideoflove.org/>

In the Midst of a Supreme and Noble Effort, Rev Kathleen Owens, Sep 29 2013 Lead Minister Candidating sermon

- Video <http://vimeo.com/76778686>
- A Tale for The Time Being, Ruth Ozeki (a conversation with) <http://bit.ly/19GYV0Z>, (review)
<http://lat.ms/1ayALZ2>
- First Church Mission <http://www.firstuusandiego.org/>
- First Church Strategic Plan 2013-18 <http://bit.ly/GLFWfg>

Coffee Conversations: A UU View of The Bible, Pt III – Liberation: Exodus, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Oct 2 class

- Video <http://vimeo.com/76358182>
- Book of Exodus, Full Standard Edition <http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/ancient/exodus-rsv.asp>
- Book of Exodus, Summary <http://www.sparknotes.com/lit/oldtestament/section4.rhtml>
- Haripu People <http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/254690/Haripu>
- The name Israel <http://www.behindthename.com/name/israel>
- The Golden Calf <http://bit.ly/1ck3rcN>
- Who was Moses? <http://bit.ly/18Hovpl>
- The Code of Hammurabi <http://www.commonlaw.com/Hammurabi.html>
- The Law <http://www.riversidepres.org/jaknotes/TheOldTestamentofLaw.pdf>
- The Exodus Story and Western Conceptions of Progress, Movement, Revolution (from Michael Waltzer) <http://bit.ly/1fSikAK>
- Passover <http://www.jewfaq.org/holidaya.htm>

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- 'To release the oppressed', reclaiming a biblical theology of liberation <http://bit.ly/1bAMFqk>
- The Northern and Southern Kingdoms <http://www.theologyinsneakers.com/2182>
- Where are the ten lost tribes? (NOVA) <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/israel/losttribes.html>

Whenever it Listeth ... Covenant and Transforming Democracy, Rev Dr Susan Ritchie, Seminary For a Day Keynote, Oct 5

- Video <http://vimeo.com/76469714/>
- Susan Ritchie, faculty page <http://www.sksm.edu/faculty/susan-ritchie.php>

A Mixing Gesture, Rev Dr Susan Ritchie, Guest Minister, Oct 6 sermon

If we want a religion that merges out of mixing gestures, what might that look like? What would Miss Trinity do?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/76287092>
- Susan Ritchie, faculty page <http://www.sksm.edu/faculty/susan-ritchie.php>
- Order of Service and Opening Words <http://bit.ly/17CT1Bz>
- Conference of the Birds, Attar (poem) (summary) <http://www.poemhunter.com/poem/conference-of-the-birds/>, (excerpts)
- Jewish Renewal (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jewish_Renewal
- Rabbi Zalman Schachter-Shalomi on the Jewish Renewal Movement (video) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f01CHD_3f4k
- Edict of Torda (Tolerance) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edict_of_Torda
- Edict of Torda (sermon on) <http://www.firstparish.org/cms/worship/sermons/909-edict-of-torda>
- Children of the Same God: Unitarianism in Kinship with Judaism and Islam, Rev. Dr. Susan Ritchie
 - Lecture 1 (pdf) <http://www.minnslectures.org/archive/Ritchie/RitchieLecture1.pdf>
 - Lecture 2 (pdf) <http://www.minnslectures.org/archive/Ritchie/RitchieLecture2.pdf>
- Lake Bezid, submerged town (photos) <http://bit.ly/16N08K4>

Coffee Conversations: A UU View of The Bible, Pt IV – Exultation: Psalms, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Oct 9 class

- Video <http://vimeo.com/76790742>
- Psalms 1-41 (NIV) <http://bit.ly/19H1mRa>
- Blues of the Sky, David Rosenberg (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/1garpKc>
- Types of Psalms (see pg 17) <http://users.ox.ac.uk/~sben0056/psalms/>
- An Introduction to The Book of Psalms [*sefer tehillim* (Book of Praises)] <http://loveintruth.com/psalms/1-introduction>
- The Anglican Book of Common Prayer http://justus.anglican.org/resources/bcp/1549/BCP_1549.htm
- Chanting the Psalms (how to) <http://bit.ly/17mAxIm>
- St. Hildegard of Bingen <http://www.hildegard.org/>
 - Benedictine Abbey of St. Hildegard near Rüdesheim http://www.abtei-st-hildegard.de/?page_id=1581
- Psalms: A Liturgical Year <http://www.musicforliturgy.org/psalmsyeara.html>
- Daily Devotions Through Psalms <http://www.devotions-online-psalms.org/>
- Patterns for Life: Structure, Genre, and Theology in Psalms <http://www.cresourcei.org/psalmgenre.html>
- By The Rivers of Babylon, Boney M (song, youtube) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fGyfxOCYvtM>
- Praise Music (Contemporary Worship Music) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Contemporary_worship_music
- "Oh tell me poet," from Praise, Rainer Maria Rilke <http://bit.ly/1galiEp>
- Jesus, Mother Hen's, and God's Wings <http://bit.ly/16EzVuS>
- Rudolf Otto's The Idea of the Holy <http://bit.ly/1ceCmW0>
- Buddha: Owning Our Actions <http://bit.ly/15xwB3X>

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- Sheol (“land of the dead”, loosely) <http://www.jewishencyclopedia.com/articles/13563-sheol#anchor4>
- Psalm 23: “forever”/“length of days” (scroll down to “Literary Commentary”) <http://www.jewishpub.org/pdf/psalm23.pdf>

The Messiness of Creation, Rev Kathleen Owens, Oct 13 2013 sermon

What mess are you making?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/76823352>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/15tZU7i>
- Creation Stories from Around the World (sermon references #s, in order: 14, 15, 2 and 6) <http://www.gly.uga.edu/railsback/CS/CSIndex.html>
- “Acts of creation ...”, Aldo Leopold <http://bit.ly/1hOuzyP>
- Qualities of a Great Artist <http://artschools.com/resources/top-10-qualities-of-a-great-artist>
- “Every act of creation ...”, Pablo Picasso <http://bit.ly/1qC9ERG>

Coffee Conversations: A UU View of The Bible, Pt V – Frustration: Wisdom Literature and Job, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Oct 16 class

- Video <http://vimeo.com/77143176>
- Homework readings for Bible V:
 - Proverbs 1-2 (NIV) <http://bit.ly/1ft5yMS>
 - Ecclesiastes 1-3 (NIV) <http://bit.ly/GUiMnD>
 - Job 38–42 (NIV) <http://bit.ly/19H1aS9>
- Instructions of Amenhotep
 - Complete <http://www.maat.sofiatopia.org/ptahhotep.htm>
 - Compared to the Hebrew Bible <http://www.specialtyinterests.net/proverbs.html>
- Sophia <http://www.northernway.org/sophia.html>
- Vanity <http://www.etymonline.com/index.php?term=vanity>
- In Search of Kohelet <http://www.maqom.com/journal/paper9.pdf>
- Ecclesiastes, Fleeting and Timeless (Taoist) http://bjq.jewishbible.org/assets/Uploads/364/364_dorshav1.pdf
- Reading the Bible Again For the First Time: Taking the Bible Seriously But Not Literally, Marcus Borg <http://amzn.to/19XoDEC>
- Turn, Turn, Turn
 - Pete Seeger Lyrics <http://bit.ly/GUBXwO>
 - The Byrds (video) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W4ga_M5Zdn4
- The Poem of the Righteous Sufferer (Ludlul bēl nēmeqi) (basis for Job) <http://bit.ly/H6sm6X>
- When Bad Things Happen to Good People, Harold S. Kushner <http://bit.ly/xFkA8K>
- The Book of Job and J.B. (play) <http://www.liberator.net/articles/SloanGary/BookofJob.html>
- The Book of Job, Stephen Mitchell <http://amzn.to/1cE3AWE>
- Arjuna’s Dilemma <http://bit.ly/1i32zaK>
- Black Elk Speaks, John Neihardt (excerpts) <http://www.welcomehome.org/rainbow/prophecy/BlackElk.html>
- Process Theology on Suffering, Soderstrand <http://soderstrand.com/SacredTexts/Lecture2.pdf>
- Understanding the Bible, An Introduction for Skeptics, Seekers, and Religious Liberals (UUA discussion guide), John Buehrens http://www.beacon.org/client/pdfs/1053_dg.pdf

How to Not Be a Zombie: Being Alive in a Deadening World, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Oct 20 2013 sermon

What parts of yourself are asleep?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/77353654>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/19Yz6Od>
- Reading: The Invitation, Oriah Mountain Dreamer <http://www.oriahmountaindreamer.com/>
- Walking Dead (official site) <http://www.amctv.com/shows/the-walking-dead>, (wiki) [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Walking_Dead_\(TV_series\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Walking_Dead_(TV_series))

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- The Night of the Living Dead, George Romero (film) (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Night_of_the_Living_Dead
- Zombie Apocalypse (HuffPost) <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/news/zombie-apocalypse/>
- Zombie Fads Peak When People Are Unhappy <http://huff.to/1eR4ol4>
- Of Nerds and Zombies, Sarah Lauro <http://huff.to/17jW2XP>
- Work that Reconnects, interview with Joanna Macy <http://aurora.icaap.org/index.php/aurora/article/view/88/107>
- The Zombification of America, Annabel Park <http://huff.to/1dtRfXu>
- Restoring the Body: Bessel van der Kolk on Yoga, EMDR, and Treating Trauma (On Being) <http://bit.ly/1c5bbfq>
- The Power of Vulnerability, Brené Brown (TED Talk) http://www.ted.com/talks/brene_brown_on_vulnerability.html
- Deuteronomy 30:15-20, "I set before you today life ..." <http://bit.ly/1c5c3kn>
- Blessing: Look To This Day, Kalidasa (poem) <http://bit.ly/1arVhfZ>

Coffee Conversations: A UU View of The Bible, Pt VI – Redemption: The Prophets, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Oct 23 class

- Video <http://vimeo.com/77700416>
- Homework readings for Bible VI:
 - Jonah <http://bit.ly/GUzAKA>
 - Micah 6, The Lord's Case Against Israel <http://bit.ly/18u9hVR>
 - Amos 3-7 <http://bit.ly/H2fwpQ>
 - Isaiah 6 <http://bit.ly/H8PD7b> and 40-66 <http://bit.ly/1cDX2qt>
- Reading the Bible Again For the First Time: Taking the Bible Seriously But Not Literally, Marcus Borg <http://amzn.to/19XoDEC>
- Understanding the Bible: An Introduction for Skeptics, Seekers, and Religious Liberals, John Buehrens (Amazon Books) <http://amzn.to/14ywlhr>
- Understanding the Bible, Beacon Press Discussion Guide http://www.beacon.org/client/pdfs/1053_dg.pdf
- Understanding the Bible, Buehrens at 2003 UUA GA (video) <http://www.uua.org/ga/past/2003/ga2003/169476.shtml>
- The United Monarchy of Israel (David, Saul, Solomon) <http://web.campbell.edu/faculty/vandergriffk/INTMonarchy.html>
- King Solomon's Temple http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Judaism/The_Temple.html
- Kinds of Prophets <http://exm.nr/17jT5Xs>
- The Major Prophets (analysis) <https://bible.org/seriespage/major-prophets>
- A Divided Nation: The Northern and Southern Kingdoms of Israel http://www.simpletoremember.com/articles/a/a_divided_nation/
- The Exile <http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/History/Exile.html>
- After The Exile and the Second Temple <http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/History/Exile1.html>
- The Maccabees: History and Overview <http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/History/Maccabees.html>
- Handel's Messiah, Libretto <http://opera.stanford.edu/iu/libretti/messiah.htm>
- Holy, Holy, Holy (hymn) http://www.hymnary.org/text/holy_holy_holy_lord_god_almighty_early
- Literary Structure of the Bible, scroll down to "The Prophetic Books", themes and purposes <http://bit.ly/19FkeUh>
- Abraham Joshua Heschel, on The Prophets (pdf) <http://www.gatherthepeople.org/Downloads/PROPHETS.pdf>
- The Prophetic Imagination of Walter Brueggemann (On Being) <http://bit.ly/1iiUgHV>

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The Dead Come to Life, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Oct 27 2013 sermon

In what way does your relationship with beloved people who have died continue?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/77923787>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/H7ItBC>
- Reading: Samhain, Annie Finch <http://www.poetryfoundation.org/poem/238080>
- The Day of the Dead Ofrenda: A Heartfelt Work of Art <http://www.inside-mexico.com/ofrenda.htm>
- The Day of the Dead http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_the_Dead
- La Calavera Catrina http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/La_Calavera_Catrina
- Day of the Dead history: Indigenous people wouldn't let 'Day of the Dead' die <http://bit.ly/HpFqnh>
- Oaxaca - Day of the Dead <http://oaxacadayofthedead.com/>
- Oaxaca - Day of the Dead (images) <http://bit.ly/18rQyX2>
- Sacred Copal Incense <http://teomatisacredcopal.wordpress.com/copals-history/>
- Samhain (celebrating) <http://bit.ly/19KOSep>, (history) <http://abt.cm/1a8QwUz>
- Graveyard vs. Cemetery <http://bit.ly/1g5e2Kr>
- HowStuffWorks: What makes graveyards scary? <http://bit.ly/HkETUf>
- America's First Cemetery: Unitarian-style <http://www.uuworld.org/ideas/articles/14061.shtml>
- The Cemetery Movement <http://bit.ly/17pTyr7>
- Funeral Service vs. Memorial Service <http://bit.ly/1imWRkc>
- San Diego Memorial Society <http://sdmsonline.com/>

Coffee Conversations: A UU View of The Bible, Pt VII – Incarnation: The Gospels, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Oct 30 class

- Video <http://vimeo.com/78263883>
- Homework readings for Bible VII (one of the four Gospels):
 - Overview of the four Gospels (PBS Frontline) <http://to.pbs.org/H7ijxH>
 - The Gospel According to Matthew
 - (introduction) <http://www.usccb.org/bible/scripture.cfm?bk=Matthew&ch>
 - (text) <http://www.usccb.org/bible/matthew/1>
 - The Gospel According to Mark
 - (introduction) <http://www.usccb.org/bible/scripture.cfm?bk=Mark&ch>
 - (text) <http://www.usccb.org/bible/mark/1>
 - The Gospel According to Luke
 - (introduction) <http://www.usccb.org/bible/scripture.cfm?bk=Luke&ch>
 - (text) <http://www.usccb.org/bible/luke/1>
 - The Gospel According to John
 - (introduction) <http://www.usccb.org/bible/scripture.cfm?bk=John&ch>
 - (text) <http://www.usccb.org/bible/john/1>
- The Five Gospels: What Did Jesus Really Say? The Search for the Authentic Words of Jesus, Funk, Hoover, and The Jesus Seminar <http://amzn.to/18Lj0Dh>
- The Lost Books of the Bible <http://www.sacred-texts.com/bib/lbob/index.htm>
- The Gospel of Thomas <http://gnosis.org/naghamm/gosthom.html>
- The First Epistle of Clement to the Corinthians <http://www.sacred-texts.com/bib/lbob/lbob15.htm>
- The Second Epistle of Clement to the Corinthians <http://www.sacred-texts.com/bib/lbob/lbob16.htm>
- The Lost Saying of Gospel Q <http://www.earlychristianwritings.com/q.html>
- Herods, the family that ruled Palestine in the time of Jesus <http://www.thorcrownjournal.com/timeofchrist/herod.html>
- Temple Sacrifices http://www.templeinstitute.org/sacrificial_service.htm
- Apocalypticism <http://www.pre-trib.org/data/pdf/Woods-Apocalypticism.pdf>
- Pharisees, Sadducees & Essenes <http://bit.ly/HwW59n>
- Pharisees, Sadducees, Essenes, Zealots <http://bit.ly/19kB4Zq>
- John the Baptist (Frontline) <http://to.pbs.org/1bKSJln>
- The Kingdom of God is Within You <http://bit.ly/19kBw9Y>
- Hebrew Idioms in the Gospel of Matthew <http://healing2thenations.net/papers/hebrewmt.htm>

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- Matthew 28:16-20, The Great Commission <http://bit.ly/1f9aROL>
- Samaritans <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Samaritans>

Power to the People, Rev Kathleen Owens, Nov 3 2013 sermon

What is one thing you can do to advance your education and our democracy?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/78487603>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/HzfoxUJ>
- The Idea of Democracy, Lincoln <http://bit.ly/1aOJFBZ>
- Power to the People
 - John Lennon, youtube <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wos-dDxpJIQ>
 - Slogan, wiki [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Power_to_the_people_\(slogan\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Power_to_the_people_(slogan))
 - Empowerment Through Electricity, 501c3 <http://www.powertothepeople.org/>
- Our Unitarian Universalist principles <http://www.uua.org/beliefs/principles/>
- The Seven Principles in Word and Worship (UUA, Skinner House) <http://www.uuabookstore.org/productdetails.cfm?PC=674>
- Building a New Way, Rev Parisa Parsa (sermon at 34m:32s) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Bd8EaKyf-M>
- Democracy and Social Justice in Unitarian Universalism http://www.uuhs.org/sources/DemocracyAndSocialJustice_Bumbaugh.pdf
- The Democratic Process (Rev Parks sermon) <http://www.tpuuf.org/2008/08/03/the-democratic-process/>
- Political Speech and Non-Profits (ACLJ) <http://bit.ly/16yaUkI>
- Church Political Activity Guidelines <http://store.churchlawtodaystore.com/chpoacgu.html>
- "... every generation needs a new revolution..." Jefferson (full, correct quote) <http://bit.ly/HDz83x>
- Clean Elections: Changing the Face of Democracy, Bill Moyers (youtube) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BtwC67DCfPg>
- The Human Right to Water, AB 685 (UUSC) <http://bit.ly/170eAxW>
- AB 685 (text) <http://bit.ly/170eRku>, (analysis) <http://bit.ly/HAAyN5>
- San Diego Water Control Board <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwgcb9/>
- UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities <http://www.un.org/disabilities/convention/conventionfull.shtml>
- Pala Tribe: Environment: Gregory Landfill (scroll down) <http://www.palatribe.com/programs/environment-1>
- Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) <http://www.uusc.org/index.shtml>
- Unitarian Universalist Legislative Ministry (UULM) <http://www.uulmca.org/main.html>

Coffee Conversations: A UU View of The Bible, Pt VIII – Salvation: The Epistles, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Nov 6 class

Tell three people that Paul was not bad.

- Video <http://vimeo.com/78827645>
- Homework readings for Bible VIII: Romans
 - Analysis <http://www.biblica.com/niv/study-bible/romans/>
 - Paul's Letter to Romans <http://ebible.org/web/Romans.htm>
- Timeline of the Apostle Paul <http://www.blueletterbible.org/study/paul/timeline.cfm>
- About Paul and his Journeys <http://www.aboutbibleprophecy.com/p57.htm>
- The Quest for the Historical Paul <http://bit.ly/17JDyCu>
- Mystery Cults of the Greco-Roman World <http://bit.ly/1awzLCP>
- The Council of Jerusalem <http://bit.ly/19Ms6nN>
- Chronology of Apostle Paul's Journeys and Epistles <http://www.matthewmcgee.org/paultime.html>
- The Judaizers <http://www.astudyofdenominations.com/history/judaizers/>
- The Corinthians <http://www.blueletterbible.org/study/intros/corinthi.cfm>
- Atonement of Jesus, theories of <http://bit.ly/16Oezed>
- Paul for a New Day, Robin Scroggs (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/HMekI1>
- The Fruits of The Spirit: the Nine Virtues <http://bit.ly/1adzHeD>

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- Love's Body, Norman O Brown
 - (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Love's_Body,
 - (Amazon) <http://amzn.to/19MuNWs>,
 - (excerpts) <http://bit.ly/1hsilRp>
- Deutero-Pauline and Pastoral Epistles <http://gbgm-umc.org/umw/corinthians/deutero.stm>
- The Gospel of Thomas
 - (pbs) <http://to.pbs.org/15KoPiN>
 - (text) <http://gnosis.org/naghamm/gosthom.html>
- Resources on Gnosticism and Gnostic Tradition <http://gnosis.org/welcome.html>
- Apostolic Succession (Princeton) <http://bit.ly/HMfMdm>
- Apostolic Authority and Succession http://scripturecatholic.com/apostolic_succession.html

The Beginning of Love, Rev Jan Christian, Guest Minister, Nov 10 2013 Veterans Day sermon

Do you want to be right, or in community?

If you don't transform your pain, you will always transmit your pain. How's yours?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/79054035>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/195V7GL>
- Leave No Brother Behind: A Sister's War Memoir, Jan Christian
 - Amazon Book <http://amzn.to/1bfPmYy>
 - Website <http://www.sistersmemoir.com/>
 - Sister (Jan Christian) writes book about brother killed in Vietnam (article) <http://bit.ly/1gwWneP>
- The Moments of My High Resolve, from For The Inward Journey, Howard Thurman <http://www.michaelpowers.com/wisdom/resolve2.html>
- No Man Is an Island, Thomas Merton (Prologue and Chapter 1, pdf) <http://bit.ly/HHPFUq>
- Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall: The Virtual Wall <http://www.virtualwall.org/>
- Do you want to be right, or married? <http://bit.ly/1br5uYJ>
- Love: The Mad Farmer Liberation Front, Wendell Berry <http://ag.arizona.edu/~steidl/Liberation.html>
- The Unitarian Universalist Military Handbook, Bless All Who Serve <http://www.uua.org/giving/funds/142432.shtml>
- The Peace Prayer of St Francis of Assisi <http://bit.ly/1azek46>
- Life's Pain: Transform It or Transmit it, on Richard Rohr <http://bit.ly/17pbSSS>

Coffee Conversations: A UU View of The Bible, Pt IX – Completion: Revelations, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Nov 13 class

- Video <http://vimeo.com/79376433>
- Homework readings for Bible IX: The Book of Revelations <http://bit.ly/18eE7OX>
- Elaine Pagels on The Book of Revelations (New Yorker) <http://nyr.kr/HGF6RA>
- Revelations: Vision, Prophecy, and Politics (NPR) <http://n.pr/19MqrPI>
- Apocalypticism Explained (Frontline) <http://to.pbs.org/17dXHLd>
- The Books of Revelations (Frontline) <http://to.pbs.org/17Tb5rR>
- Four Views of Revelation: Idealist, Preterist, Historicist, Futurist <http://www.probe.org/site/c.fdKEIMNsEoG/b.5110361/>
- City Upon a Hill, John Winthrop, 1630 <https://www.mtholyoke.edu/acad/intrel/winthrop.htm>
- How the 'Battle Hymn of the Republic' Changed America (Slate) <http://slate.me/14Qu7MR>
- The Millerites and The End of The World <http://utc.iath.virginia.edu/christn/chmillhp.html>
- Beast Number (666)
 - from Wiki http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Number_of_the_beast
 - from MathWorld <http://mathworld.wolfram.com/BeastNumber.html>
- Black Elk Speaks, John Neihardt (excerpts) <http://www.welcomehome.org/rainbow/prophecy/BlackElk.html>
- Julian of Norwich (mystic)
 - From Wiki http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Julian_of_Norwich

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- From Luminarium <http://www.luminarium.org/medlit/julian.htm>
- Mythos and metaphor in the Apocalypse Northrop Frye's literary criticism applied to the Book of Revelation (pdf) <http://bit.ly/18HilhQ>
- The Great Code, Northrop Frye (Amazon book) <http://amzn.to/19xrRJI>
- Jung's Archetypes <http://bit.ly/1gWTDYc>

Kindness in the Age of Meanness, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Nov 17 2013 sermon

What is a random act of kindness you can do this afternoon?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/79632229>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/17wCwEh>
- Opening Words, On Religion, Vincent B Silliman
<http://www.stumbleupon.com/content/1np5lK/comments>
- 22 Random Acts of Kindness <http://www.boredpanda.com/random-acts-of-kindness/>
- Aldus Huxley
 - "... try to be a little kinder ..." <http://bit.ly/1820eOu>
 - On the UCSB Lectures <http://bit.ly/1azOd0e>
 - "The Perennial Philosophy" (book, complete, online)
<http://archive.org/stream/perennialphilosp035505mbp#page/n5/mode/2up>
- Compassion and the Individual, Dalai Lama <http://www.dalailama.com/messages/compassion>
- The Anti-Child Revolt (Salon opinion against) http://www.salon.com/2000/07/31/anti_child/
- The Golden Rule in World religions <http://www.teachingvalues.com/goldenrule.html>
- How Your Personality Affects Your Health (quoting Redford Williams, "being nice pays")
<http://bit.ly/1aLWScJ>
- The Act of Kindness and Its Positive Health Benefits <http://bit.ly/1d8vai8>
- Kindness Research (various articles) <http://www.randomactsofkindness.org/kindness-research>
- Ma'am, Your Burger Has Been Paid For <http://nyti.ms/1d8w9yN>
- Closing: "... let tomorrow come tomorrow ..." , from Healing, in What are people For? Wendell Berry <http://burrow.wordpress.com/anachronist/fellow-travellers/healing/>

Coffee Conversations: A UU View of The Bible, Pt X – Controversies, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Nov 20 class

- Video <http://vimeo.com/80803141>
- Higher Biblical Criticism <http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/04491c.htm>
- The History of Social Gospel (PBS) <http://www.pbs.org/now/society/socialgospel.html>
- Social Gospel and the Progressive Era <http://bit.ly/1bebWjz>
- Maher: If Palin thinks the Pope is too liberal ... <http://bit.ly/1bc0W9V>
- "Shall the Fundamentalists Win?" Harry Emerson Fosdick sermon
<http://historymatters.gmu.edu/d/5070/>
- Walter Rauschenbusch <http://people.bu.edu/wwildman/bce/rauschenbusch.htm>
- People & Ideas: Walter Rauschenbusch (God in America, Frontline) <http://to.pbs.org/18cH7yT>
- Walter Rauschenbusch: The Social Gospel, 1908 <http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/rausch-socialgospel.asp>
- The Fundamentalist-Modernist Controversy (including the Battle for Princeton Theological Seminary) (wiki) <http://bit.ly/1cVKdXB>
- The Five Fundamentals of Faith (pdf)
<http://www.lighthouse trailsresearch.com/fivefundamentals.pdf>
- Atonement in Christianity (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Atonement_in_Christianity
- Sam Harris discusses the bible and scripture (youtube)
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=arbL22CqAyo>
- The Battle for God, Karen Armstrong (pdf, complete) <http://bit.ly/1cifqWS>
- Does Jesus Death Have Meaning? The two approaches: Satisfaction or mercy "all the way down"
<http://bit.ly/1cPxk1C>
- Saving Paradise, Brock and Parker <http://savingparadise.net/>
- Anselm of Canterbury (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anselm_of_Canterbury

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- The Gero Cross (wiki) http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gero_Cross
- Sins of Scriptural Song: Exposing the Bible's Texts of Hate to Reveal the God of Love, John Shelby Spong <http://bit.ly/1eJu7Sn>

If Your Only Prayer is “Thank You” ..., Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Nov 24 2013 sermon

Does thankfulness come with your life's ticket?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/80216475>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/19RbVSj>
- Gratitude and Well-being, Robert Emmons (UC Davis research summary) <http://bit.ly/1bNlqTV>
- Love & Death, Forrest Church <http://www.pinterest.com/pin/327707310355083713/>
- On Forrest Church and Want What You Have
<https://www.uua.org/worship/words/sermons/184358.shtml>
- May I Suggest, Red Molly
 - song lyrics <http://www.lyrics.com/may-i-suggest-lyrics-red-molly.html>
 - in concert (youtube) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4E_tho7E0WQ
- Do Not Squander Your Life, Dojin Roku <http://bit.ly/19UjTKs>

The God We Don't Believe In, Elizabeth Bukey, Intern, Dec 1 2013 sermon

How would you describe a “god” in which you might believe?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/80749085>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/18foBme>
- UU Kids Say “God is ...” <http://bit.ly/1DSbk8>
- “If God is male, ...” Mary Daly <http://bit.ly/1eNkQcC>
- Forrest Church quotes <http://bit.ly/1cKW2js>
- Born Again UUism, Forrest Church sermon delivered at GA 2003 <http://bit.ly/10VH9ok>
- A Cathedral of the World, Forrest Church
 - Book (amazon) <http://bit.ly/lygzP0>
 - UU World article <http://www.uuworld.org/ideas/articles/151706.shtml>
 - Sermon <http://bit.ly/1zrjMz>
- Religion and Dogma, Alfred North Whitehead http://www.mountainman.com.au/whiteh_2.htm
- The Thunder: Perfect Mind <http://to.pbs.org/1cL4ejP>

The Mother of Us All: Celebrating the Feminine Divine, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Dec 8 2013 sermon

Have you seen her?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/81343351>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/1WrfOy>
- Octavio Paz: Guadalupe and Lottery <http://sukanyarahman.com/tag/octavio-paz/>
- A Brief History of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Guadalupe <http://bit.ly/18A8FLN>
- When Worlds Collide: Our Lady of Guadalupe (PBS) <http://to.pbs.org/1bvIFUY>
- Our Lady of Guadalupe: Basilicas (images) <http://bit.ly/1fhOLKl>
- UUA 1977 GA, Women and Religion Resolution
<http://www.uua.org/statements/statements/20280.shtml>
- UUA World: Thirty Years of Feminist Transformation
<http://www.uuworld.org/ideas/articles/23905.shtml>
- Cakes for the Queen of Heaven
 - web site <http://www.cakesforthequeenofheaven.org/>
 - UUWR curriculum <http://www.uuwr.org/new-store/curricula/164>
- The Cult of the Virgin Mary in the Middle Ages
http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/virg/hd_virg.htm
- *An Die Freude* (Ode to Joy) with lyrics
 - (youtube) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4pbMUEHvoAo>
 - (text) <http://bit.ly/1buv0u1>
- Goddess Devi (Hinduism) http://www.philhine.org.uk/writings/tt_emergdevi.html
- Goddess Ishtar (Babylon) <http://www.goddess.ws/ishtar.html>

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- Goddess Mary <http://www.womanthouartgod.com/traditionofmary.php>
- Goddess Artemis (Greek) <http://www.womanthouartgod.com/traditionofmary.php>
- Our Lady of Vladimir <http://www.pravoslavie.ru/english/7424.htm>
- The Over-Soul, Emerson <http://www.emersoncentral.com/oversoul.htm>

The Annual Service of Music, Dec 15 2013

- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/1jYb8Hy>

The Weaving of Shadow and Light, Rev Kathleen Owens and ECSC, Dec 22 2013 sermon

What is waiting to open within you?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/83814640>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/1fJXmWm>

Ring Out The False, Ring In The True, Rev Dr Arvid Straube, Dec 29 2013 sermon

What are your scars?

- Video <http://vimeo.com/83728472>
- Centering Thought and Order of Service <http://bit.ly/1agEiyd>

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