

## **"Our Chosen Faith": Reflections and Dialogue on UUism**

Led by Rev. Jamestone on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, this ongoing class is open to all: members, friends, newcomers, and all who are curious, accepting, open, and in love with the idea of a never ending spiritual journey worthy of our best. Come once, or come to all 16 gatherings! Feel free to drop in and try it out. Our class time will be an interactive dialogue with thoughtful and soul stirring exercises, based on your own questions and reactions to the authors' perspectives in the book "*A Chosen Faith*". This book is available for purchase. (see below\*)

You can count on every session, all year long, being uniquely rewarding because people in the room will actually be the "content" as we bring our serious and silly selves into connection. Your life could be changed by the heart and faith connections you'll have an opportunity to make, should you choose to attend "Our Chosen Faith" reflections.

A study guide to the specific sessions is listed below.

**Time: 7:00 PM**

**Dates: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays (2010 - 2011):**

Sept. 22	Jan 12, 26
Oct 13, 27	Feb 9, 23
Nov 10	Mar 9, 23
Dec 8, 22	Apr 13, 27
	May 11, 25

June 8: Potluck gathering

\* *A Chosen Faith*, by John A. Buehrens and Forrest Church, (\$16) is available downstairs during coffee hour: it can be purchased at the Book Cart next the Programs Table or call Janice Newton (860 - 677-1121). You will also find a copy at the Visitors' Table, which you are invited to look through.

## **Guide to "Our Chosen Faith" Sessions**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday evenings, 7:00 pm at USH Meeting House  
Led by Rev. BJ

**(Note: We will NOT meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday in November!)**

Visitors are welcome to drop in and try out a session. If you have the book, please try to read the chapters in advance of the class.

### **Session 1: (09/22/10, 01/12/11, 04/13/11)**

Introduction and chapters 1 and 2  
*Awakenings and experiences*

### **Session 2: (10/13/10, 01/26/11, 04/27/11)**

Chapters 3 and 4  
*Confronting structures of evil, including the sin of "sophisticated resignation"*

### **Session 3: (10/27/10, 02/09/11, 05/11/11)**

Chapters 5 and 6  
*Allowing ourselves to be changed by dialogue*

### **Session 4: (11/10/10, 02/23/11, 05/25/11)**

Chapters 7 and 8  
*Naming our unwelcome neighbors, and other expectations which limit us*

### **Session 5: (12/08/10 and 03/09/11)**

Chapters 9 and 10  
*Virtuous idolatries, where science and religion clash*

### **Session 6: (12/22/10 and 03/23/11)**

Chapters 11 and 12  
*Returning to the springs of faith, with nature as our guide*