

### Sunday 7:00 am - 7:30 am

Worship: Renaissance Grand Pershing/Lindell

#### #5001 Spiritual Practices

A less formal worship experience offered by the chaplains every morning. This is a small group experience which will reflect the early morning preferences of the chaplain. If a quiet meditation is in progress, late arrivees will be directed to the meditation room.

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### Sunday 9:30 am - 11:00 am

Worship: America's Center Hall 3

#### #5002 Sunday Worship

"We Who Believe in Freedom Cannot Rest"

Our universe is expanding. Our faith tradition encourages us to growth and discernment of new truth. In all this motion, do we just spin? Or shall we spiral deeper, arc outward, and continue to bring the salvific message of Unitarian Universalism out beyond the confines of our own self-interests?

In its third year, Sunday Morning Worship is becoming a tradition at General Assembly. This year we welcome members from the sponsoring city, St Louis, to join us as we gather for worship as a liberal religious community. This year Rev. Gail R. Geisenhainer, minister at the UU Fellowship of Vero Beach FL, will be preaching the sermon. She will be joined by Rev. William Sinkford, Rev. Jane Rzepka, Elizabeth Norton, and Matt Meyer. Please join us and bring a friend to celebrate the Good News of Unitarian Universalism through music, ritual, and inspirational word.

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### Sunday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Workshop: America's Center Room AB

#### #5003 Dismantling Chaos Session #4: Anti-Racism/Anti-Oppression Workshop

Participants will also have a chance to experience basic Anti-Racism and Anti-Oppression Analysis building, a simple first step on the lifelong journey of Anti-Racism and Anti-Oppression work. Participants will also have a chance to learn about Anti-Racism and Anti-Oppression work happening within the UU youth community. This session is in a track of four workshops, held at around the same time throughout the week.

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### Sunday 11:30 am - 5:30 pm

Banner Pick-Up: America's Center Room E

#### #5004 Banner Pick-Up

Banners must be picked up at this location during these hours. Please bring your banner registration form and I.D. with you.

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### Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm

Annual Meeting: America's Center 267

#### #5005 Deepening Our UU Commitment to Earth

How do you understand your relationship to Earth? How does this connect with your religious values? What gives you hope? What causes you despair? What do you need to deepen your personal and congregational ministry for Earth? Join UU Ministry for Earth leaders in small group conversations following annual meeting.

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### Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm

Featured Presentation: America's Center Ferrara Theater

#### #5006 Multiracial Families - A Growing Experience

: Living at the crossroads of race helps to make Matt Kelley's message inspiring to all. His informative and entertaining style combines personal anecdotes with his extensive knowledge of the multiracial movement to create

a presentation that is thoughtful and moving, as well as inspirational and inclusive.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Annual Meeting: America's Center Room AB

**#5007 Sunday FUN TIMES**

FUNTIMES: Folks Unanimously Networking To Image, Manage, and Execute Sessions. These are the Youth Caucus business meetings!!! We call 'em FUN TIMES BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT THEY ARE! And you don't even have to be a delegate to attend. All are invited to come to our business meetings

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 230

**#5008 UU Youth Ministry: Youth and Adult Sermon Awards**

Come hear the winners of the Youth Ministry Sermon Awards speak about the value and importance of our Unitarian Universalist ministry with youth. There will be a youth speaker and an adult speaker.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Hearing: America's Center 229

**#5009 Hearing on the Newly-Selected Study/Action Issue**

After a brief overview of the next steps in the process, and some general tips on implementation, audience members will be invited to share their ideas on how best to study and act on the newly-selected SAI. A preliminary study/action resource guide will be distributed.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Hearing: America's Center 220

**#5010 The Double Bottom Line: Investing Our Values**

If you have the Q's we'll do our best to have the A's at this open house workshop. Please join our smorgasbord of UU representatives who have knowledge and interest in socially responsible investing, shareholder advocacy, the UUA General Investment Fund, and the UU Service Committee in a free-for-all dialogue.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 265

**#5011 Creating Great Content for Church Websites**

You don't need a huge budget or technical wizardry to create a great church website. What you need is great content. Learn how to create rich content to attract guests and to help existing UUs deepen their faith. From case studies and presentation get practical, immediately useful ideas and techniques.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 226

**#5012 Breakthrough Congregation: First Unitarian Society of Madison, WI**

Hear from the leaders of the First Unitarian Society of Madison, Wisconsin, a large congregation designated as a "Breakthrough Congregation" by the UUAs Growth Team.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 231

**#5013 Conducting Services in the Religious Humanist Tradition**

A look at how humanists can engage constructively with

other religious traditions and help build a common "language of reverence" for Unitarian Universalists. Facilitators will discuss a year-long organization of inclusive worship services as created at Third Unitarian Church in Chicago.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: Renaissance Grand Landmark Ballroom 5 & 6

**#5014 Young Adult Caucus #5**

Gathering for all young adults (ages 18-35) for education, advocacy, networking and creating a common voice. YA Caucus meetings happen every day at General Assembly

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 241

**#5015 Leaders Wanted - Apply Within!**

Leaders are needed for committees, commissions and task groups of the UUA. The Nominating Committee will be reviewing applications this year for elected committees, commissions and task groups. Come learn about leadership opportunities at the national level, meet the Nominating Committee, and get your questions answered. See you there!

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 261

**#5016 Making the Offer They Can't Refuse**

When honored with the opportunity to live your faith fully by sharing your unique gifts and talents, how could you refuse? Leadership in our congregations is a sacred trust. Approaching leadership development in this way can create a sea change in our congregations. Come to explore the possibilities for yours.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center Hall 3

**#5017 GA Choir Rehearsal V**

Join the GA Choir! The choir rehearses every day for 75 minutes and will sing at the Closing Celebration. \$10 music fee. This year's director is Mimi Bornstein from the First Universalist Church in Rockland, ME. The accompanist is Susan Peck from Corvallis, OR.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 266

**#5018 GA Feedback Session**

It's your turn! Please tell the GA Planning Committee what you liked and disliked about this year's General Assembly. We want you to help make next year's GA even better. Your participation in this interactive session is encouraged.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 280

**#5019 Queer Language/Alphabet Soup**

Come learn about Queer Language as Interweave Continental presents a brief overview on a wide range of sexualities, sexual orientations, gender identities and related topics. Discussion will cover the hows and whys related to how each group prefers to refer to themselves & be referred to by others.

Come out & get up to date on the latest terms, or simply test your knowledge on the hottest slang.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 225

**#5020 Building Right Relations Using Healthy Congregations Team Approach**

Learn how one congregation is guarding against conflict by supporting a Healthy Congregations Team. Members of the

Fox Valley UU Fellowship in Appleton, WI will describe their approach & Principles for a Healthy Congregation, and will lead exercises to raise your awareness about "right relations" within any organization.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 275

**#5021 Women's Reproductive Health: The Global Picture**

In the US, we know that reproductive choice is a central issue for religious fundamentalists. How does this play out internationally, within the United Nations, in terms of foreign policy, religiously and politically? Frances Kissling, founding director of Catholics for Free Choice, shares provocative, engaging, and brilliant thoughts about these matters.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 260

**#5022 Bringing a World of Unitarian Universalism into Your Congregation**

As a people we are generous, highly skilled, and eager to be of service. ICUU is linking ministers, educators, and musicians with congregations around the world. Find out about global U-UU-U needs, the game-plan for bringing resources to bear, and how you can be part of this exciting work.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 227

**#5023 The Caring Congregation Program**

People with mental disorders and their loved ones fill our pews, our streets and our jails. Because of the stigma against mental illness, many are reluctant to acknowledge their problem and seek help for it. Many cases, the families of those with mental problems are also suffering in major ways. This program offers a way to bring mental issues into the light, a way to deal with them, a way for every person to realize their own inherent worth and dignity regardless of their mental health.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 224

**#5024 The Path to Membership**

As a minister from one of last year's breakthrough congregations, Rev. Daniel Kanter will share the Path to Membership created at the First Unitarian Church of Dallas. This congregation has grown significantly in the last few years. Many factors have contributed to that growth and you can learn from their process. This model has already been adapted with success in smaller congregations. you will hear about these successes as well. Your congregation can also create a Path to Membership for your visitors and friends.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 242

**#5025 Seasons for Survival: Rituals for Breast Cancer Survivors**

This joint project of the Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics and Ritual and Rev. Ginger Luke, River Road Unitarian Church, Bethesda, MD, weaves together rituals, blessings, and prayers marking some of the common experiences of this cancer journey. Experience an experiential sampling of this UUWF Margaret Fuller Award winning liturgy.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 263

**#5026 All Together Now: Social Action for All Ages**

same tree. Throughout our congregations, people of every age, and all ages are acting religiously and growing spiritually by making the world a better place. Catch the excitement of their stories and learn about new resources for peace and justice making.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 264

**#5027 Ministerial Transition--Making the Most of It**

Congregations seeking to make the most of a time of ministerial transition will be goal directed. What these goals may be and what additional goals may develop during the year will be the focus of the discussion. Panel members include Accredited Interim Ministers- lay leader pairs from large, mid-size, and small congregations and the Rev. John Weston, UUA Settlement Director.

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**Sunday 12:00 pm - 1:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center 262

**#5028 Youth Advisor Gathering**

A gathering of advisors to share stories, advice, and ideas for congregational and district/regional youth programming. Learn about opportunities from the UUA Youth Office!

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**Sunday 1:15 pm - 1:45 pm**

Workshop: America's Center Room AB

**#5029 Sunday Youth Delegate Strategy Session**

Youth delegates will be briefed on the issues in front of the GA Plenary. If the Youth Caucus has decided to take action on an item at FUN TIMES, youth delegates will use this time to review and finalize the statement and develop a strategy for mobilizing.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 6:00 pm**

Plenary: America's Center Hall 3

**#5030 Plenary VII**

Moderator Gini Courterpresides over the daily plenary sessions in which the business of the Association is being conducted. Please refer to the Agenda book for details on the specific items which will be addressed.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 242

**#5031 Congregational Finances: A Powerful Tool for Social Justice**

Community Investing, Shareholder Activism, Investment Screens. Each offers a powerful addition to congregational social justice strategies. But which one? How much money is needed? What committee structure is effective for launching each one? What's step one? You'll leave with an action plan to get your congregation's finances bending toward justice. This program is also offered on Sunday at 1:45 p.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 276

**#5032 Notorious: Darwin and the Development of Liberal Religion**

His father died an unbeliever. He married a "traditional" Unitarian who feared for her husband's soul. Agonizing over his young daughter's death and his scientific work's impact upon religious belief, Charles Darwin slowly evolved a new confidence in the guidance of his own human feelings. A dramatic presentation. This program is also offered on Friday at 2:15 p.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 274

## **#5033 Sing for Faith, Restoration, & Justice - Cymbal Sings**

Cymbal's music evokes power, joy, sorrow, outrage, and unity, bringing restoration to a broken spirit. As hope is restored, we work for right relationship in a hurting world. Cymbal is a vocal quartet of Midwestern UU women. Our music highlights UU composers, affirming faith in us all. This program is also offered on Friday at 4:00 p.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 280

## **#5034 Youth Making Poverty History**

Youth are an integral part of making poverty history, and support for UN Millennium Development Goals. Action Plans from the 2005 World Youth Congress and 2006 UU-UNO Intergenerational Spring Seminar will be combined with discussion with St. Louis area social justice panel participants. Youth participation and networking is encouraged! This program is also offered on Saturday at a 11:00 a.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 267

## **#5035 Elder Cohousing -- A Natural Fit for UUs 55 and Over**

Participants will learn specific steps to support the development of close-knit Elder Cohousing neighborhoods. These active, environmentally-conscious and socially-sustainable communities are created with resident input and naturally foster UU principles for a dignified, democratic and interdependent lifestyle, and encourage engaged spirituality as members "age in community" with supportive friends and neighbors. This program is also offered on Friday at 2:15 p.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 260

## **#5036 Christian Voices in Unitarian Universalism**

What is the Jesus path within Unitarian Universalism, and how do UUs relate to Christian tradition? Presentations by and about authors of recent Skinner House books. This program is also offered on Friday at 4:00 p.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 227

## **#5037 Holistic Approaches to Adult Faith Development**

How do Adult Programs fit with your congregation's other offerings for adults and families? Adult workshops and forums help create a vibrant "whole" that ministers to the "whole" adult. We'll highlight holistic adult programs in small, mid-size, and large congregations, identifying strategies for growth of membership and growth of souls. This program is also offered on Thursday at 9:45 a.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 220

## **#5038 Passion & Presence: A Lay Ministry of Generosity**

Obtaining financial support for your congregation is a ministry. Listening pastorally and sharing your congregation's mission passionately open doors to generosity unimagined. Shifting your focus from asking for gifts to a focus of "donor advocacy" can unlock not only your "inner fundraiser" but also hidden abundance. You can do this satisfying work and help others fulfill their dreams to make a difference by giving to what really matters. This program is also offered on Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 231

**#5039 Small is Beautiful**

Small, mid-size or large, your congregation can be strong and healthy. There are special challenges -- and gifts -- for the small congregation. Come find out how your small congregation (less than 150 members) can face those challenges, and celebrate those gifts, with style. This program is also offered on Saturday at 2:15 p.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 263

**#5040 How to Create an Earth-Honoring Ritual**

Explore our profoundly spiritual connection to the natural world. Get started on creating rituals that provide a formal way of celebrating the earth's cyclical events. Patricia Montley, Ph.D., author of *In Nature's Honor: Myths and Rituals Celebrating the Earth* (Skinner House), co-chairs the Worship Committee at First U. of Baltimore. This program is also offered on Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 224

**#5041 How Much Can We Afford to Keep?**

A new perspective is offered for congregations planning their next annual budget drive. Wayne explores the difference between fundraising and stewardship. He probes the concept of giving as an act of worship and his belief that receiving precedes giving. Implications for your next annual budget drive will be discussed. This program is also offered on Friday at 4:00 p.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 266

**#5042 Governance and Transformational Leadership**

We will address the needs of both governance and organization within our congregations from the perspective of transformational leadership. We will discuss power, authority and decision making models; recognizing that size does not matter as much as a congregations mission/vision. This program is also offered on Friday at 11:00 a.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 226

**#5043 Cops Oppose "War on Drugs": Find Out Why!**

Jack Cole fought on the front lines of the "War on Drugs" as an undercover narcotics officer. Now he runs Law Enforcement Against Prohibition, organizing other cops calling for an exit strategy. After Cole's powerful presentation, watch a brief heart-wrenching videotape of a mother serving 27 years in prison. This program is also offered on Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Repeat Programming: America's Center 261

**#5044 Divestment, Other Strategies: What Your Congregation Can Do**

The workshop examines different strategies—divestment, morally responsible investment, etc. — of the growing international movement for peace and justice through economic leverage in Israel and Palestine. We will provide tools to challenge ill-gotten corporate profits, and give examples of corporations, e.g. Caterpillar, which profit from human rights abuses. This program is also offered on Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

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**Sunday 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm**

Workshop: America's Center Room AB

**#5045 Introduction to the Anti-Racism Trainer/Organizer Program**

Learn about ARTOP, an anti-racism program that equips participants with tools to effect social change and build anti-racist, multicultural communities.

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**Sunday 6:00 pm - 7:15 pm**

Workshop: America's Center Room AB

**#5046 Youth Covenanting Groups Based on Identity**

ID Groups are a place where people can talk about racial identity and racism. YRUU is setting up ID groups for youth, organized by race, so that everyone will have a safe place to grow and be challenged as we continue to work towards ending racism inherent in our society.

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**Sunday 7:15 pm - 7:30 pm**

Workshop: America's Center Room AB

**#5047 Sunday HUUPLA**

Hardcore UU People's Large Assembly: GA's greatest event! Come here to learn about the next day's youth programming, meet cool people, find your sponsor or your youth, and have fun with the amazingly awesome HUUUPER, Bart Frost!!!!"

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**Sunday 8:00 pm - 9:30 pm**

Worship: America's Center Hall 3

**#5048 Closing Ceremony**

A service of celebration and parting. The GA Community comes into being for one week each year and then comes to an end. The closing Ceremony will focus on the past week as we look to our shared future.

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**Sunday 10:00 pm - 12:00 am**

Evening Entertainment: Renaissance Grand Landmark Ballroom 1234

**#5049 Sunday Entertainment**

Dance your cares away, worries for another day. Let the music play! That's how UU's Rock! Join your GA friends at our closing night dance, with a surprise musical guest!

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**Sunday 10:00 pm - 10:30 pm**

Worship: America's Center 200

**#5050 Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

A gathering centered around reflection on the day's experiences and sharing of joys and concerns around these experiences, led by the chaplain and a member of the Planning Committee.

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**Sunday 10:00 pm - 11:00 pm**

Worship: Renaissance Grand Landmark Ballroom 5 & 6

**#5051 Young Adult Worship #5**

We wish to extend an invitation to the closing worship of the Young Adult Caucus. We part in right relations and seek to carry our flame with us as we return to our homes.

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**Sunday 11:00 pm - 11:45 pm**

Worship: America's Center Room AB

**#5052 Sunday Night Youth Worship**

Youth come together in a community-based worship every night. All are welcome to the youth worship to explore spirituality in a welcoming and loving community. Remember that this is a sacred space, please be

respectful.

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