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REV. JEANNE M. PUPKE WHEN MOTHER NATURE SPEAKS

It was a week that shook. First the earthquake, next the ill-behaved Irene.

It was a heck of a re-entry for me!

I don't mind the preparations for the storm nor the quick review of what to do in an earthquake (experience made me shout "get to a doorway"). What I do mind is the aftermath, consisting of the "meanings" of those events.

True as a clock chime, our Virginia conservative religious TV commentators went to work on the meaning of what we had just experienced. In one week, they deciphered for us the true meaning of events. Some may sit for a séance to understand, others may throw runes to discern larger patterns, but the big cats of religious broadcasting somehow hear loud and clear what it all means without such tools.

Translating the importance of a once-a-century earthquake and then interpreting a Category 1 hurricane is quite a feat.

Clearly I have been underselling my authority. I was assuming that hurricanes were Mother Nature's way of telling me the Earth is too hot. The rain/storm/hurricane sequence was the Earth's way of cooling off, keeping the fish alive, exhausting

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SUNDAY WORSHIP & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

10:00am and 11:30am

9/4, Rev. Jeanne Pupke "The Work That Sustains Us" *Water Communion* The dignity of the work that sustains our community is celebrated as we mingle the waters of our summer.

9/11, Rev. Jeanne Pupke "Ever After" The 10th Anniversary bids us to ask whether and how we are changed by the post 9/11 world.

9/18, Rev. Jeanne Pupke "The Habit of Trust" In a culture where skepticism and doubt are valued and often useful, is there still a place for trust in the life well lived? We will welcome our new intern Aija Simpson with a service of vestiture in celebration of her time with us.

9/25, Rev. Jeanne Pupke "Hope Like a Bird-man" The story of one who found a meaningful life in the practice of healing.

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some of the pent-up energy of our earthly greenhouse. I thought earthquakes were the product of the shift of plates, the geological equivalent of heat and motion resolved.

And now I understand that when these things happen, religious leaders ought to head right for the broadcast booth, the radio station, or at very least, the blogosphere to blab. Going for a ten-share of the airwaves should clearly be my call.

Sorry to have failed you. Instead of planning our church response, or mopping up the eternal leaks in the church roof, or checking on the neighbors, I promise to spend the next natural catastrophe looking for the random meanings to be shared with the flock. (A certain Virginia minister's analysis wound up on the front of the Washington Post...really?)

Ginning up the word is clearly what needs doing, presumably because all of you are just sitting around, waiting to be told what to think. This is news to me, so I might need some help making the change to a full-fledged post-apocalyptic meaning-maker. So if you find any stray meanings laying about in your yard debris, give me a call.

Maybe I can make Style Magazine?

VESPERS

Vespers is a shorter, contemplative service held every Wednesday at 5:30pm

September 7, Rev. Jeanne Pupke, "Once Begun"

September 14, Rev. Jeanne Pupke, "Returning to School"

September 21, Rev. Aija Simpson's, TBA (First Vespers!)

September 28, Rev. Jeanne Pupke, "Season's Turning"

SHARING & CARING: CARE COMMITTEE NEWS

Ned Haley is recovering beautifully from his surgery!

Powell Pecks wife, Nazlee suffered quite a fall and is now mending, cards and notes of encouragement would be appreciated. Rides to and from physical therapy may also be helpful.

Ruth McDonough is in our thoughts as she is now hospice care. Notes and cards would be a wonderful way to reach out to her.

Joe Saunders passed away on Sunday August 28th. Our thoughts are with Rollene Wells.

To all of the people out of work who are worried and discouraged, our thoughts are with you. Let us know how we can help out. Adele Maclean's Right Livelihood group is a fantastic resource for Networking and support.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

January may be the beginning of the calendar year, and July may be the beginning of the church fiscal year, but we all know that the real beginning of the year is September. Vacations have been taken, school supplies have been bought, the lazy, crazy, hazy days of summer are coming to an end, and the church year begins in earnest.

It should be a busy and exciting year. We are back to two services at new times, 10:00 and 11:30 a.m. We will be welcoming Aija, our new intern minister, searching for a Director of Religious Education, and beginning our Capital Campaign.



Gallery will be a month earlier, which will help kickoff the year in grand style. I hope everyone will volunteer for this important and fun event.

First UU Presents Reader's Theatre will have their first production on October 8 & 9, Simple Supper will be back on Wednesday evenings and the Singers will be rehearsing again in the Great Hall.

The start of the school year at Greene Elementary will mean renewed volunteer opportunities where we can really make a difference in these children's lives.

All our committees will be picking up speed and, hopefully, new members.

I have mentioned but a few of the dozens of ways to become more fully involved in the life of our church. If you have not yet become engaged I recommend you check out the website richmondUU.org, read the newsletter and First News Weekly, talk to Pat Owen (Director of Membership), or simply come to a service. We have so many activities and programs of different types and commitment levels that I know you can find your niche.

As George Carlin said, "what you get out of church depends on what you put into it." Well, he didn't say "church" but the analogy still works.

The excitement of the first day of a new school year, greeting friends not seen all summer, and making some new friends is not unique to the school experience. That excitement exists at First UU as well, as we reconnect with old friends and discover new ones. On Sunday the lobby is bursting with smiling faces and happy talk.

So welcome back. We are so glad to see you and hope this year will be full of great experiences as we **Grow, Care, and Act** together.

In Friendship,

Fricka Raycroft, President

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Thoughts for the Journey

As I stepped out on my deck one recent morning, I noted that a few, small leaves had fallen just overnight. Curled, upturned, they were the early ones-the kind that give notice. Fall is coming. Though memories of summer adventures are lingering, we look ahead to chart new territory. The religious education programming for a new church year is in place. There is much to get excited about and take part in! To whet your appetite, here are some of your choices:



Look for The Fall Programming Catalog –soon available on-line and in hard copy.

Classes begin in late September and early October. All will have access to current classes and small group ministry choices. The mission statement *We grow in search of wisdom, We care in support of community, We act in service of justice*, is carried out in programming that attends to our minds, bodies, and spirit, helping us define who we are as Unitarian Universalists.

Religious Education classes for Grades Pre-K through 7 begin Sept. 11. Due to accommodations for Gallery, students will meet together to prepare for our Multigenerational service of Sept. 25. All grade levels will begin classes in their respective classrooms October 2. Please note: Classes for Grades Pre-K through 5 will be held at 10:00 and 11:30. Grades 6-12 will meet at 11:30 only.

Curriculum focus for Pre-K and Gr. 1-3 will be the continued use of the Montessori Model of education with Spirit Play stories. These stories feature Unitarian Universalist principles, values and sources. Gr. 4-5 and 6-7 will have a fall focus on Social Justice, using the Unitarian Universalist curriculum *In Our Hands*.

Our Whole Lives, Human Sexuality class will be taught for grades 8-9 this year. If you want your student involved in this class and have not received notification, please contact me immediately. All parents are encouraged to enroll their students in this valuable curriculum. A team of certified, dedicated and experienced instructors are poised to guide students through this meaningful year. Class will be held Sundays, 11:15-12:45, beginning Oct. 2. A mandatory Parent Orientation session will be held Sept. 11.

High School students (Gr. 10-12) will appreciate the Tapestry of Faith curriculum, created by the UUA, using the Small Group Ministry model. Topics include *Unitarian Universalist Identity* and *Finding Your Path*. The Youth Team is co-chaired by Walter Clark and Ame Hull. Students will be engaged in lock-ins, social justice work, a Youth Service, and fund-raisers to reach the goal of a large attendance at General Assembly 2012. Help support our Youth by volunteering when you are called!

This is not a church year to sit still and “see what happens”. Select your choices, make your commitment, and get involved early! Religious Education happens because of your willingness to make it so.

See you Sunday!

In hope,

Rhonda Wingfield, Acting Director of Religious Education

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My Little Corner of the World

Boy, it's good to be back! After being "out of commission" for the summer, I'm happy to be back home at First UU. My summer term at the Virginia Commonwealth University Medical College of Virginia Chaplaincy intern program was intense and rewarding. Many of you offered support and for that I am very grateful!



I'm also grateful that this program is required for my graduation from seminary. Although it was difficult on many levels, I'm so glad to have gone through the experience.

As one of eleven total interns, I was in the religious minority. I found everyone curious, respectful and open to other belief systems, and think there may be a couple of my classmates who are on the path to discover they are Unitarian Universalists! I've assured them it is a relatively painless progression, and have offered pastoral care as needed. And these folks were supportive of me when I found myself in situations that leaned more towards "conventional" religious thought.

When we find ourselves outside our comfort zone we have a couple choices. We can clam up, find a corner and hide. This is, by far, the safest and most comfortable way to handle our differences. Of course, we also have the option of anger. Lashing out when we find ourselves outnumbered for any reason is another choice – check out the sports news of late. People who are fans of different teams apparently feel it's acceptable to beat each other up...REALLY??

Another choice we have is to ask ourselves, "Why do I feel uncomfortable?" It may very well be an outside influence, but we may be putting ourselves in that place – yea, you heard me right. We may be sitting right in the middle of a fabulous learning experience!

As Unitarian Universalists, we oftentimes are fluent in talking about what we don't believe – that's the easy part. Now tell me what you DO believe! I think that is a much more demanding, fulfilling and freeing dialogue in which we may engage.

As we head into a new year of programming at First UU, I'm thrilled to teach Articulating Your UU Faith three times! I offered it last year for the first time, and we had a great time getting to know one another, getting to know ourselves, and working on how we may articulate our faith in a positive way for the whole world to hear.

The programming catalog is on its way to publication. Don't clam up in a corner. Don't be a fussy britches. Embrace a learning experience in the coming year at First UU!

Peace, y'all...

Pat

Director of Membership

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OUR NEW INTERN MINISTER

INTRODUCING: AIJA SIMPSON

Hello Everyone!

I'm Aija, and I am so excited to have been chosen as your intern minister. I thought you might want to know a little bit more about me, beyond how to pronounce my odd name (eye-uh). I'm 29 and I have just completed my third year at Starr King School for the Ministry, which is conveniently located in one of my two hometowns, Berkeley, CA. I am a Berkeley-ite at heart, so I'll ask your patience as I make the transition to Richmond living. While a good piece of my development took place in the San Francisco Bay Area, the rest of it has been shaped by New Orleans: the city in which I was born and where I clarified my desire to enter the ministry. I know that First UU of Richmond went on a mission trip to the gulf coast after Katrina, which is just one more thing for me to love about my new congregation--not that I have to hunt very hard.

As a life long history lover, I know that this church is going to be a source of endless fascination. I look forward to hunting around in your archives and hearing all of your stories about this amazing church. Every single person that I have met from the Richmond church has been warm and welcoming, and I feel so grateful to be coming to such a loving community. I will be arriving at First UU of Richmond on September 6th and look forward to getting to know all of you in person in the upcoming year. In the meantime, I now have a First UU of Richmond e-mail address, so if you have any questions for me, want to know more about what an intern minister does, or just want to say hi, drop me a line at aija.simpson@richmondUU.org

Otherwise, I'll see you in September!

Aija Simpson

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EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOOD JUSTICE

First, a huge thanks to Chris Arnold for organizing the summer food drive and to all who participated. Together we collected more than 650 pounds of food. The August tally for Share the Plate wasn't available as of press time, but more than \$1600 was collected for FeedMore in July. Summer is a vulnerable time for children when it comes to food. Ironic isn't it, because it is the time we have so much bounty coming from our own gardens. Ah, the perfect segue into our gardening activities at Greene Elementary.

Growing Greene is the school and community garden program at Greene Elementary School. This school year you will find a table set up in the lobby displaying Sub-Irrigation Planters (SIPs). SIPs are small individual gardens contained in an 18 gallon plastic tote with a water and air chamber on the bottom and a soilless growing medium on top. Every student, regardless of age can manage a SIP on their own. This year students at Greene will build, plant, and harvest their SIP in the fall, again in the spring, and finally at the end of the school year, will plant it with summer veggies and take it home to provide fresh produce for their families during summer vacation.

Each SIP can produce more than \$300 worth of produce a year for several years before needing an overhaul. Consider, if you will, sponsoring a SIP for a student at Greene. For \$25, one student can produce fresh food 9-10 months of the year (year round with practice), and have the knowledge for a lifetime.

Consider, as well, participating in a SIP workshop. Saturday, September 10th from 2-4pm at Greene Elementary there is a SIP building workshop for those interested in helping the students at Greene build their SIP. We will provide the materials and the workshop is free, however if you wish to take a SIP home, there is a \$25 fee.

At the Growing Greene table is the current garden wish list, which changes all the time. Check it out and see if you might have something hang about that you might be willing to donate to the students of Greene. Many items are things that you would normally throw away.

WE CARE IN SUPPORT OF COMMUNITY

Are you looking to be more intentional about offering compassion to others? We are going to add to the program for the first time in two years. Come meet some of the Lay Pastoral Care Associates on Sun. October 9 after the second service. Find out about how we extend the care and concern of our congregation to those who are going through a challenging time. Save the date for the training the evening of Fri. October 28 and during the day Sat. October 29. Call Carol Wayne 356-8450 or email her at cwwayne5@verizon.net for more details.

A LAND TWICE PROMISED: A PERFORMANCE OF PALESTINIAN AND ISRAELI WOMEN'S STORIES

Storyteller Noa Baum, an Israeli who began a dialogue with a Palestinian woman while living in the United States, weaves together their memories and their mothers' stories. She creates a moving testimony illuminating the complex and contradictory history and emotions that surround Jerusalem for Israelis and Palestinians alike.

Ages 12 and up welcome, free and open to the public

Monday, September 26, 2011

7pm at the International Commons, Carole Weinstein International Center, University of Richmond

The performance will run 75 minutes long. Following the performance, Noa will answer questions and facilitate a community discussion (not a debate!) among university students, faculty, and staff as well as local groups that have been engaged in dialogue around Israeli-Palestinian relations. Please join us.

For additional information, contact Shari Motro at smotro@richmond.edu

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GALLERY INFO!

Gallery 46 is a month earlier this year; it opens to all at 5 PM on Wednesday, September 21, and continues through September 25. Buyer pickup is September 26, and artist checkout is September 27. This year promises another exciting show, with many new artists, and many more returning artists. There will be a wide variety of great arts and crafts to enjoy and available for purchase, but many of the most desirable items may be gone in the early hours of Gallery. Items with red dots have already been purchased and are no longer available. So, shop Gallery 46 early and often!



And, in case you have procrastinated in signing up to help, we still have some wonderful opportunities for you. You can bring your design skills to help us set up the show or use your muscles to assist with moving the furniture. If you have a knack for greeting, a desire to cashier, can work on a computer inputting data, or want to write up orders for buyers, we have a place for you. Just sign up at the Gallery table in the church lobby on Sunday (**bring your calendar!**), send an email from the Gallery portion of the church

website (richmond.uu.org/grow/gallery/) or to Howard Fabry at hfabry@verizon.net.

Take it from us, working in Gallery is a fun and rewarding opportunity and a great way to meet other members, so come share your talents with us. No experience necessary, we can train you. And—don't forget to look around and buy some beautiful gifts!

--The Gallery 46 Team

SHADY GROVE COFFEE HOUSE SEASON BEGINS!

On Saturday, September 10, the Shady Grove Coffeehouse begins its eleventh season Sparky and Rhonda Rucker, singers and storytellers in the American folk tradition. Pete Seeger has said that Sparky and Rhonda "are unique and will make you glad to be alive and struggling." Sparky Rucker has been performing over forty years and is internationally recognized as a leading folklorist, musician, historian, storyteller, and author. He accompanies himself with finger style picking and bottleneck blues guitar, banjo, and spoons. Rhonda Rucker is an accomplished harmonica, piano, banjo, and bones player, and also adds vocal harmonies to their songs.

The concert starts at 8:00 PM; doors open at 7:30 PM. Tickets are \$12 in advance; \$15 at the door. Children 12 and under are admitted free of charge; teens 13-18 are admitted at half price. Net proceeds benefit UUCC. For advance tickets, or more information, call (804) 323-4288, visit the Shady Grove web site at www.shadygrovecoffeehouse.com, or send e-mail to info@shadygrovecoffeehouse.com.



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ZEN MEDITATION GROUP

The First UU Church Buddhist Zen Meditation group is a community, supporting each other in meditative practices. We are peer-led: We are all each others' teachers. All are welcome to sit with us; our group practices are Buddhist, yet we respect all meditative practices and celebrate the diversity of practice among us.

We meet at 1UUC on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30, usually in the basement. We begin with the lighting of the chalice, twenty minutes of silent meditation, followed by a fifteen-minute walking meditation and fifteen minutes of silent meditation; we usually have a talk or readings, followed by discussion.

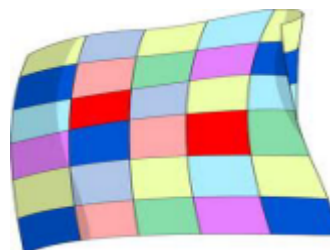
We may be reached by email at uubuddhistgroup@richmondUU.org. We would be pleased to add you to our email list which we use only for program announcements and room changes.

HAVE YOU BORROWED BOOKS?

There are several books missing from the Religious Education Library. If you have borrowed a book, please return it as soon as possible, preferably by Sept. 11. You can recognize an RE book by a small white label on the cover with the name of the church and an RE accession number on it. Return it to the front desk.

QUILTERS RAFFLE

Beginning September 4, a beautiful, intricate, king/queen-sized quilt will grace the lobby of First



UU---the QUUIlters' raffle quilt! Tickets will be on sale in the lobby and from any members of the QUUIlters--look for a quilt block on the name tag. Tickets are \$2 each or

three for \$5. Proceeds will be donated to the church. Drawing will be December 4. You need not be present to win, but you can't win without a ticket! Stop by the table and give yourself a chance to own a wonderful quilt.

DAYTIMERS (ALL WELCOME!)

The September meeting of the Daytimers will take place at 11 AM on Wednesday September 14 in the Douglasdale studio of 1st UU. Members will present details of their spring and summer trips. A potluck will follow the talk. Please bring some food to share. If you cannot bring food a small donation can be left to cover expenses. If you want to talk about your trips bring pictures to share with the group.

SOUND BOOTH VOLUNTEERS

You've heard it before—we really need a few volunteers to run the sound booth during the Sunday morning worship services. But that's pretty vague—you want to know what you'd be getting yourself into, right? So here goes:

- o Come early, turn sound system on, set up mics, adjust sound levels for speakers and musicians. Ready at 9:30
- o Record the service
- o Put equipment away after second service
- o Power off equipment and finalize recordings



You'll receive training for all this and have checklists to follow to guide you along the way. It's easiest to do both services, but two people can share the duties on a Sunday (during the summer, there will be one service at 10:00am). Many hands make light work, so the more volunteers... you get the idea.

This is one of those "behind the scenes" jobs that is absolutely essential so folks in the congregation can hear and for us to minister to those who can't regularly attend. Pay is typical for a job of this nature—our endless gratitude and knowing that what you do matters. Now just let us know when you can start! Any staff will get your info to me, or contact me directly at dwdropin@aol.com or call the church (355-0777) with your contact info and I'll be in touch. And thanks!

--Diane Woodruff, Music Director

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DAY OF MINDFULNESS

Sat. Oct. 22, 9:15 AM to 4:30 PM, the Mindfulness Practice Group of Annapolis, a spirituality group of the UU Church of Annapolis, will offer the first ever anywhere melding of mindfulness practices in the arts with the Day of Mindfulness model for a one day meditative arts retreat with a choice of performing, visual, and writing arts in both of two workshop periods. We are asking for registration by Oct. 1 because of the supplies required, but payment is on scene Oct. 22. (Suggested donation \$40; \$20 student/underemployed; no one turned away—talk to us.) Profits to UUCA Capital Campaign.

This will be even more gentle and introductory than our usual Days of Mindfulness, because sitting meditation periods will be even shorter, and there will be walking meditation often, formally outdoors and indoors, as well as self-guided between events, plus an explicit, initial half hour long introduction to the mindfulness practices. Both morning and afternoon arts sessions offer a choice among visual, performing, and written arts, so that attendees may specialize over the Day or do two different arts. The performing arts center the practitioner in full awareness of breathing and the body in the present moment; the visual arts provide rigorous practice in 360 degree observation of the present moment; the writing arts require observation of one's mental reactions to experience and bringing them fully into mindful consciousness. The morning's choice is among haiku, watercolor, and dance. The afternoon presents digital pinhole photography plus the ability to print haiku on either photos or watercolors, vocal arts as singing and chanting, and mindful prose including memoir.

We are proud to offer you the depth of meditative experience and talent available at UUCA: such as Eva Gholson, Professor Emerita of Dance at Temple and choreographer in Athens, Berlin, Munich, Hong Kong, and Taiwan; she has done a self-designed retreat with Bikkhuni Sobhana of the Forest Monk tradition; and Jan Gary, winner of the Christine White Award, the Ames Award, and a featured writer in 2006 Emerging Voices, who often retreats at Zen Mountain Monastery. Two MPG Facilitators will lead workshops, Bob Ertman and Lou Coronos. Lou, a singer, will coordinate with local jazz vocalist Theresa Sise, Julie Roehm, and meditative drummer Jeff Wentworth in the voice workshop. Lou and Bob both practice with the Order of Interbeing at UU Fairfax, Lou also in Manhattan at Riverside Sangha; Bob has additionally received transmission of the precepts from Boundless Way Zen and has been accepted at selective haiku retreats at Zen Mountain Monastery as well as continuing his publication of haiku, which he is now integrating with his photography. Deb Boudra is a retired art teacher and ever more active crafts master.



The Mindfulness Practice Group of Annapolis is a Unitarian Universalist Buddhist Fellowship affiliate, proud to stand for the Seven Principles and for the Safe Congregation Covenant of UUCA, on which its own Covenant is modeled. For more information including a detailed schedule of the Day of Mindfulness in the Arts contact Phyllis Culham at JaiHawk@live.com.

DIDJA KNOW?

“Richmond’s First African Baptist Church”

The First Baptist Church of Richmond (1780) was among the many churches that emerged from the aftermath of the Great Awakening's religious movement. The thing that made this church different from the other Richmond churches was its message stressing the importance of individual efforts to achieve rebirth and conversion for its multiracial congregation. In an effort to resolve growing tensions within the congregation, the black members bought the church building, on “H” Street (14th and Broad St.) from the white members.

In 1841, it was renamed the First African Baptist Church of Richmond and Robert Ryland, D.D. resigned his presidency at the newly chartered Richmond College, to serve as its minister (1841-1865). Dr. Ryland owned slaves and held a common belief of the time, that “slavery was the best way to convert Africans to Christianity.” He used his administrative and teaching skills to provide his black membership, enslaved and free, with unusual opportunities during the antebellum era.

Although Virginia state law did not permit slaves to marry, Dr. Ryland held wedding ceremonies for the members and allowed slaves to divorce and remarry if their spouse were sold out of state. The church became a communication center between its people and friends or family in other locations. To get around the state law against educating blacks, he developed a catechism for members which allowed them to learn to read. In defense of this highly controversial practice, Dr. Ryland cited the fact that it was his responsibility to provide instruction that emphasized submission to authority.

Although it was illegal for them to preach from the pulpit, Dr. Ryland encouraged members that displayed leadership skills to become deacons. It was here that they learned to lead opening prayers and conduct funeral services. It was here that Lott Cary and John Jasper gained experience and honed their skills for their years of dedicated service. It was here they learned reading, writing, arithmetic and to study the Bible under the tutelage of a minister that knew how to stretch the rules of a system for the good of his people. Unfortunately these activities were banned following the Nat Turner rebellion, in spite of Dr. Ryland’s outspoken defense of the conservatism of his congregation against those who feared slave rebellions. In 1867, the original building was torn down and a new church was dedicated, on the corner of College St. and East Broad St. Rev. James Holmes, a long time deacon and born a slave, would serve as their first black senior minister until his death in 1900.

In 1955, the First African Baptist Church congregation moved again, this time to the north side where it continues to serve its community in Richmond. The Old First African Baptist Church was sold to MCV and has become a part of Richmond’s rich historical heritage.

Note: In October’s “Did Ya Know,” read about Richmond’s Universalist minister, Rev. Alden Bosserman and B.W. Wardwell observing the proceedings and taking notes at a Planter’s meeting at the African Church, in 1862.
Pat Vaughn 09/2011

Pat Vaughn
September 2011

SEPTEMBER

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