



EARTH HEALER



THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF GAIA COMMUNITY

AN EARTH-BASED, PAGAN, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION IN KANSAS CITY
CARING FOR THE EARTH AND EACH OTHER BECAUSE OUR LIVES DEPEND ON IT

Join us Sundays at Gaia!

4 PM at Heart of the Dove

4327 Troost Ave. Kansas City, MO

April 29: High Holiday: Beltane

Facilitated by Susi

Join us to dance the Maypole and be crafty in the Spirit of Spring! We'll have a potluck after ritual.

May 6: Class: Spirits of Nature

Facilitated by Erin

Join us to learn about the spirits around us in nature: nymphs and dryads, and all of those we glimpse out of the corner of our eye.

May 13: Ritual: Gaia, Great Mother

Facilitated by Barbara & Kitty

Our ritual this Sunday will be in honor of our Patroness, Gaia.

May 20: Bardic Circle

Facilitated by Erin & Kitty

Bring a story, poem, song, or other performance. The suggested theme is Animals. Don't wish to perform? Please come to listen!

May 27: Ritual: Sharing Our Spirits

Facilitated by Jamie

At Sharing Our Spirits rituals, the people who attend plan and put on the ritual. Bring yourself, some ideas, some ritual tools, or a friend!

June 3: Forum: Mythmaking

Facilitated by Kimberly & Kitty

Can we create modern myths? How might we adapt old myths for our times? Join us for a lively discussion!

June 10: Class: Cultural Appropriation & Appropriate Practice

Facilitated by Erin

We'll explore the complicated but important issues surrounding the use of practices and traditions from other cultures, especially those still practiced today.

June 17: High Holiday: Summer Solstice

Facilitated by David & Kimberly

Turn the Wheel of the Year to the height of the Sun's power.

COME TO SOULFUL SECOND SATURDAYS AT HEART OF THE DOVE!

Vendors, music, and more!

ANNUAL PLEDGE DRIVE: Our pledge drive is underway! If you are an active member, and would like to continue to be active, please remember to get a pledge card and fill it out. Return it to Kimberly. We also appreciate pledges from Friends of Gaia. Please contact Kimberly for more information about a contribution. Pledges pay our rent, our KidSpace teacher, our church insurance, and more. An annual budget will be presented for discussion at the May Ritual for Business. Feedback will be integrated into a budget to be approved at the June meeting.

PENNY AUCTION: Penny auction concludes after potluck on Beltane! The powers in the running are Artemis, Athena, Eris, Freya, Freyr, Frigga, Ganesha, Grendal, Hecate, Neith, Odin, Prometheus, Rhiannon, Sif,

Taliesin, and Thor. You can contribute to your favored power(s) every Sunday through Beltane by adding any American coinage to the power's jar. The top three powers will move on to God Auction in July.

ANNUAL ELECTIONS: We held our annual elections for the Board of Trustees and Nominating Committee on April 21. The results are as follows:

President: Susi

Vice President: Erin

Secretary: David

Treasurer: Devin

Trustee At Large: Jan

Trustee At Large: Katie

Trustee At Large: Kitty

Nominating Committee: Jamie, Jan, Matt

MORE TO KNOW:

T-SHIRT SALE! Head to <http://gaiuuu.spreadshirt.com/> and pick your favorite design for a Gaia Community logo shirt. A variety of styles, sizes, and colors are available.

GAMES NIGHT: Join us May 18 and June 15, at 7 PM for Games Night. Bring along some games, some friends, and some snacks (if you like), and play with us.

RITUAL FOR BUSINESS MINUTES: You can read minutes from our RfB meetings at <https://gaiacommunity.org/about/rfb-minutes/> If you miss a meeting, it's a great way to catch up on our committees and other community business!

GAIA COMMITTEES AND BUSINESS MEETINGS

May 1 & June 6: Ritual Teams	7 PM at Heart of the Dove
May 9 & June 13: Social Justice	7 PM at Heart of the Dove
May 19 & June 16: Ritual for Business	10 AM at Heart of the Dove



BLESSINGS TO YOU AT BELTANE!

CONTACT EARTH HEALER

Send letters, articles, poetry, borrowed wisdom, comments, and suggestions to eh@gaiacommunity.org no later than June 8, 2018. -- *JAMIE, EDITOR*

Three great ways to stay up to date with Gaia Community (and use no paper):

Website: <http://gaiacommunity.org>

Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/GaiaCommunity/>

Gaia Mailing List: gaiuuu@yahogroups.com