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Beyond Partisan Division – Reaching Out and In

**Friday June 27 2014
10:15 am – 11:30 am
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Presenters:

Rev. Anya Sammler-Michael, Minister, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Sterling

Rev Scott Sammler-Michael, Minister Accotink UUs

Rev Nancy McDonald Ladd, Minister River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation

Paul Roche, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Sterling

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If my congregation became a place where people across the political spectrum were welcome, I would no longer feel welcome.



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Be quick to hear and slow to speak

Respect the privacy of those who confide

Speak your truth in love

*Absolutely no analogies that rely on Nazis, Fascists, or
Stalinist Russia! :)*

Call others, and be willing to be called, back into covenant.

"Out beyond the concepts of
wrong-doing and right-doing,
there is a field. I'll meet you there."

- Rumi

Love Reaches Out and In - Beyond Partisan Division

Love Reaches Out and In ...

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**“Two Monologues from
Anonymous Unitarian
Universalists.”**

With Gratitude to our Actors:

Rev. David Keys

Rev. Lynn Strauss

#576 A Litany of Restoration

by Marjorie Bowens-Wheatley

If, recognizing the interdependence of all life, we strive to build
community, the strength we gather will be our salvation. If you are

black and I am white,

It will not matter.

If you are female and I am male,

It will not matter.

If you are older and I am younger,

It will not matter.

If you are progressive and I am conservative,

It will not matter.

If you are straight and I am gay,

It will not matter.

If you are Christian and I am Jewish,

It will not matter.

If we join spirits as brothers and sisters, the pain of our aloneness
will be lessened, and that does matter.

(Together) *In this spirit, we build community*

And move toward restoration.

Rev Scott Reflection info



“How Being Intentionally Welcoming to non-Liberals Can Save Unitarian Universalism”

Paul Roche
Unitarian Universalist
Congregation of Sterling VA



Reflection - Rev. Nancy McDonald Ladd





Questions and Discussion

