APRIL 2019 CALENDER Timberland Unitarian Universalist Fellowship 1510 North Timberland Drive, Lufkin Texas

April 7

4:00 pm Forum Led by Layne Thompson. Continuing discussion on obstacles to clear thinking. Includes a TED talk on bias from the standpoint of social psychology.

5:30pm Service. Faith Defined by Radical Compassion, a video sermon by Dr. Roger Ray

April 14

5:30pm Service *The Language Jesus Spoke* by Rev. Michael Thompson. Jesus did not speak the language of the King James Bible; his native tongue was Aramaic. Becoming acquainted with some of its idioms, as well as the traditions of people who still speak it today, can give us a clearer understanding of his teachings.

6:30 Potluck Dinner.

April 21

Forum & Service: Dr. Robert Sterken, Professor of Political Science, UT Tyler

4:00 pm Forum. Discussion of <u>Teaching Barefoot in Burma</u>, Dr. Sterken's book on just that topic.

5:30 pm Service Optimism, Rebirth, & Spring: Song of Solomon 2:10-13. Focus on the power of optimism and renewal in global, national, and personal growth.

April 28.

Service 5:30pm: ATHEISM 2.0 TED Talk by Alain de Botton

What aspects of religion should atheists (respectfully) adopt? Alain de Botton suggests a "religion for atheists" -- call it Atheism 2.0 -- that incorporates religious forms and traditions to satisfy our human need for connection, ritual and transcendence.

Alain de Botton, Philosopher: Through his witty and literate books and his new School of Life, Alain de Botton helps others find fulfillment in the everyday. Moderated by Glenn Donnahoe