

## GREAT LAKES UNITY REGIONAL CONFERENCE

The Great Lakes Unity Regional Conference is held in autumn each year. Note: If you are a minister or spiritual leader who is new to our region, GLURC will cover the registration fee for your first regional conference. Indicate on your conference registration form that you are attending your first Great Lakes conference and the registration fee will be waived.

### 2011 Conference

October 17-20, 2011

Sheraton Louisville Riverside Hotel  
Louisville, Kentucky

### 2012 Conference

September 10-13, 2012

Potawatomi Inn  
Angola, Indiana

### CONTACT US

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### GLURC Prosperity Statement

Our Great Lakes Unity Region prospers abundantly! Each church in our region prospers and freely gives a portion of their tithes to the region each month. We give thanks that we have more than enough funding to meet our goals, fulfill our intentions, and bring forth our joint vision of a world that works for all. Thank you, God.

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

All Board members serve our region as volunteers and are elected by the conference body. A list of current Board members' names, positions and contact information is included on our Great Lakes Unity website ([www.greatlakesunity.com](http://www.greatlakesunity.com)).

### LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

#### SCHOLARSHIPS

The Leadership Development Ministry Team focuses on enhancing the ministerial skills of Unity ministry leaders in order to contribute active regional service on the Board of Trustees, Peacemaking Team or Ministry Teams. Scholarships for courses are offered to Unity leaders who meet the requirements to qualify for service to the region. SEE classes, Peacemaking Skills Institute and Mediation Skills Training are some of the courses that have been recognized as providing the strongest and most essential foundation for taking the next step in serving the region.

### MATCHING FUNDS GRANT PROGRAM

Ministers/Ministries may request Matching Funds Grant applications from Unity Worldwide Ministries. Application guidelines and forms are available on [www.unity.org](http://www.unity.org) (click on "Ministries & Leaders," then "Start A Ministry," and then "Information for Matching Funds Grants"). Be sure to check the application requirements and due dates. Our regional Matching Funds Grant Ministry Team evaluates the applications and makes recommendations to the Executive Ministry Team for approval and submission to Unity World Wide Ministries.

## GREAT LAKES UNITY REGION



*Promoting healthy churches and their leaders through education, consulting and programs.*

The Great Lakes Unity Region is a dynamic, vibrant organization consisting of 110 churches and alternative ministries throughout eight states. Our goal is to serve Unity ministries and their leaders through education, consulting, programs, publications and conferences. The Great Lakes Unity Region is supported entirely by tithes and offerings from our regional churches and individuals and provides the following services:

- Youth Ministry Consulting
- Transition and Peacemaking Consulting
- Regional Website and Newsletter
- Annual Conferences
- Licensed Unity Teacher Workshops
- "Friends In Faith" Welcome Program for ministers new to the region
- Earth Care Projects
- Matching Funds Grant Program
- Leadership Development Scholarships

## SERVING OUR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

### YOUTH MINISTRY CONSULTING SERVICES

Our Youth Ministry Consultants create excellent curriculum, inspiring retreats and joyful rallies for children and youth of all ages. They provide training for Youth Ministry Teachers and provide workshops on how to transform your youth program.

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (Newborn–10 years old)

Diane Venzera, Minister  
Spirit's Light Foundation  
(708) 785-7566  
glrkids@comcast.net  
www.dianevenzera.com



### UNITEENS (11-13 years old)

Eileen Patra, LUT  
Spiritual Leader, Unity of the Lakes  
West Branch, Michigan  
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### YOUTH OF UNITY (YOU) (14-18 years old)

Jo Horn, CPE  
(586) 206-8166 jhorn56@sbcglobal.net  
www.glryou.org

### NEXT GENERATION UNITY (NGU) (18-35)

Dave DeAngelis  
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## PROMOTING HEALTHY CHURCHES AND LEADERS

### PEACEMAKING AND TRANSITION CONSULTING SERVICES



Great Lakes Unity provides a team of support in the arena of Peacemaking and Transition Consulting. **Martha Creek** presents a variety of dynamic workshops designed to guide and support ministries through times of transition. With certification from the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center; Healthy Congregations; The Institute for The Work (of Byron Katie); Emerson Theological Institute; and training from the Peacemaking Skills Institute of Unity Worldwide Ministries. Martha brings a holistic approach to her consulting services. Contact her at (502) 905-0783, marthacreek@yahoo.com, or www.marthacreek.net for workshops/training in:

- Board Leadership Development
- Healthy Congregations
- Healthy Relationships Workshops/ Individual Coaching
- Free Teleclasses for “A New Earth,” “Loving What Is” and “Thriving Self”
- Thriving Ministries Workshops
- Peacemaking/Conflict Resolution/ Mediation Skills

**Reverend Judy Grimes**, GLURC Judiciary Representative, has 35 years of extensive Unity ministry experience that includes Chair of Ministry Studies (the administrative functions for leadership and church management) for Unity Worldwide Ministries and has served as pastor to four Unity ministries. She is certified by Unity Worldwide Ministries Peacemaking Skills Institute and is available to facilitate Board training and development, including the Unity Peacemaking process. Contact Reverend Judy at (231) 582-2908 or judygrimes@aol.com.

## SUPPORTING OUR REGION WITH PROGRAMS

### MINISTRY TEAMS

EARTH CARE MINISTRY TEAM

CONFERENCE MINISTRY TEAM

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY TEAM

LICENSED UNITY TEACHERS MINISTRY TEAM

MATCHING FUNDS GRANT MINISTRY TEAM

NOMINATING MINISTRY TEAM



### PUBLICATIONS

GLURC E-NEWSLETTER

GREAT LAKES UNITY WEBSITE

(www.greatlakesunity.com)

### LICENSED UNITY TEACHERS (LUTs)

An annual workshop is held for Licensed Unity Teachers and Candidates for continuing education and credit. At the Great Lakes Unity Regional Conference a special LUT luncheon is hosted each year by the Licensed Unity Teacher Representative. See the GLURC website for details on the next workshop and contact information for the current Licensed Unity Teacher Representative (www.greatlakesunity.com).