



LESSONS FROM WAR & PEACE:  
STORIES OF HOPE, FAITH  
AND COURAGE

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As Unitarian Universalists, we can agree that we all want peace and we all need to support our troops and their families. But we may feel very differently about war itself. Is war ever justified? What can we learn from those who have experienced it? Can we wage peace instead? Let us consider the seven UU principles and how they can guide us to peace.

We invite you to join us for a deeper exploration of the costs of war, how to heal from it, and how we, as people of faith, can become instruments of peace in our everyday lives.

*"Veterans have experience that makes them the light at the tip of the candle, illuminating the roots of war and the way to peace."*

*~Thich Nhat Hanh*

# PRAIRIE STAR DISTRICT 2012

## Annual Conference

Hosted by White Bear Unitarian Universalist Church  
in the Twin Cities Area

April 13 - 15, 2012

**Doubletree Hilton**

1-494 and Hwy. 100 (Normandale Blvd.)  
Bloomington, MN 55439



### Welcome!

The PSD Annual Conference is a weekend of lectures, workshops, worship, net-working, and fellowship. The conference begins Friday evening (following some pre-conference meetings), and concludes by noon on Sunday.

### More Information Coming

Information about the conference schedule, registration and workshops will be up-dated on the PSD website as it becomes available, starting in Fall 2011. Applications to present a workshop will be available online mid-summer, and will be accepted until Monday, September 26.

[www.psd.uaa.org/drupal/AnnualConference2012](http://www.psd.uaa.org/drupal/AnnualConference2012)

### Friday, April 13, 2012

#### Rev. Jim Eller - Presents the Keynote Address

Jim Eller served as minister to All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church in Kansas City, MO. from 1999 to 2009. He will speak about his work on issues of reconciliation, and his current work with Faith Voices, an organization addressing issues of "moral injury" experienced by our troops when they are asked to do things against their conscience.

### Saturday, April 14, 2012

#### Thomas Weiner - Presents the Judy Memorial Lecture *The Toll War Takes on All Who Are Called to Serve*

Thomas Weiner is a Unitarian Universalist in MA who has just completed a powerful book *Called to Serve: Stories of the Men and Women Confronted by the Vietnam War Draft*. It is a collection of dozens of first person accounts from men who served in Vietnam, men who resisted or left the country, and conscientious objectors, as well as several women who supported men in these various choices.