

In this series we will examine the winds of democracy that spread across the world this past year from the distant lands of Egypt and Bahrain to our own state of Wisconsin. We will look at the causation, the struggle, the tyranny being overthrown (the global economy, world financial institutions, corporate control and power, trade agreements, political funding, dictators, totalitarian and corrupt regimes.) We hope to gain understanding that will empower us to continue to strive for and create the democracy of justice and equity we yearn for both here at home and throughout the world. The massive demonstrations we witnessed touched our hearts, and imaginations, as a community of faith we now need to go to work!

Ruth Conniff

Ruth is the Political Editor of *The Progressive* magazine, and has covered politics and social issues for them since 1992. As their Washington editor, she appeared frequently on CNN and Fox News from 1997 to 2000. She has written articles for *The Nation* and the *New York Times*, as well as providing regular columns for *The Progressive* and *Isthmus* in Madison.

Bishop Linda Lee

Linda Lee is the United Methodist Bishop for the Wisconsin Conference. She is a graduate of United Theological Seminary, and made history in 2000 when she was the first African American woman to be elected bishop in the North Central Jurisdiction. Bishop Lee was elected on July 14, 2000. She plans to retire from the episcopacy in September 2012 and will join Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary as Bishop-in-Residence starting March 2013.

Mike McCabe

Mike is the Executive Director of the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign, a non-partisan watchdog group that tracks the money in state politics, fights government corruption and works for reforms that make people matter more than money in politics. He is a graduate of UW-Madison in Journalism and Political Science.

Rob Ricigliano

Rob is the Director of the Institute of World Affairs at UW-Milwaukee where he teaches International Mediation and Negotiation. He has served as Executive Director of the Conflict Management Group, and has worked around the world in mediation and negotiation. Rob has a JD from Harvard Law School.

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Rob Ricigliano, Director of the Institute of World Affairs at UWM

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March 27, 2012– ***‘Responding to Democracy’s Challenges: Spirituality, Hope and Action for People of Faith,’*** *Rev. Linda Lee, United Methodist Bishop of the Wisconsin Conference*

Before each speaker begins, a centering reflection to open our minds and hearts will be offered

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