

The Weekly Bulletin - Sunday, May 19, 2019

First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Worship May 19 | 9:30am and 11:30am

Together, in Loving Community

Love is a central component building a caring, interconnected community. Join us this Sunday as we explore how we bring alive the spirit of love individually and in our communal lives at UUAA.

On the Chancel | Rev. Manish Mishra-Marzetti, Rev. Lindasusan Ulrich

Days for Girls (DFG) Today, Social Hour, DFG Table

Days for Girls is an international non-profit organization providing reusable menstrual health management supplies to those in need. DFG also provides a health education program for women and men. All reusable kits are made and distributed by volunteers. You don't have to sew! There are numerous other ways to be involved. Please join us during Social Hour to find out more about DFG and how you can become involved. Questions? Email Betty Fox at bettyfoxdfg@gmail.com or Diane Downer at dsdowner@att.net.

Habitat for Humanity

Today, Social Hour, Sharing the Collection Table

You can volunteer to work on the house or provide lunch for the workers. Future work days are June 8 and June 14. We haven't reached our \$7,500 pledge yet for our share of the building costs. To donate, please make a check out to UUAA with "Habitat" in the memo line. Questions? Visit during the Social Hour, go to www.uuaa.org/h4h, or email habitat@uuaa.org.

Grocery/Scrip

Today, Social Hour, Scrip Table

Now's the time to start planning for the end of school year gifts to teachers, daycare, baby sitters, etc. We carry numerous \$10 cards such as Panera, Starbucks, Target, Amazon, and more. We can also order from many more retailers. Stop by the Scrip Table to make a purchase, place an order, or get more information. Questions? Email Carolyn Barber at cmbponyclub@sbcglobal.net.

Mindful Eating

Today, Social Hour, Mindful Eating Table

We will be doing a seed/seedling exchange during the month of May. Stop by to pick up and drop off extra seeds/seedlings. You are not required to provide the seeds/seedlings to take some. Questions? Contact Sheila Sanders at sheilasanders@comcast.net.

UUSC Coffee Project

Today, Social Hour, Fair Trade Coffee Table

Support small farm cooperatives globally while helping to fundraise for UUSC social justice programs and this congregation. Stop by during Social Hour following the first service to choose from fair trade chocolates, fruit and nut bars, coffee, teas, nuts, dried fruits, and Palestinian olive oils. Questions? Contact Ilene Beninson at ilene.beninson@gmail.com.

Womyn's Retreat Registration Opens May 19! Today, Social Hall, Womyn's Community Table

Attend this fabulous community-building event September 27-29 at Camp Copneconic, about 45 minutes north of Ann Arbor. The theme is "Storyteller Within...." You'll enjoy nearly a dozen workshops, outdoor activities, delicious food, music, Women's Wares sale, and more. If you want a fun and easy way to get to know other women at UUAA, don't miss this retreat. Reduced fee for ages 15-25! Visit the Womyn's Community Table today. Questions? Email Roen Montalva at womensretreat@uuaa.org or call Judi Lintott at 734-352-7285.

Outdoors Women Dog-Friendly Walk Today, South Lillie Park, 1:15pm

Join Outdoors Women for a walk at South Lillie Park in Ann Arbor. Meet at the park at 1:15pm or carpool from the church entrance at 1:00pm. Partners and children are welcome. Questions? Contact Sandy at sandy.eyl@gmail.com or 313-213-5559.

LGBTQIA+ Youth meeting

Today, Emerson Room, 1:00pm-2:00pm

All lesbian, gay, bi+, trans*, non-binary, queer, intersex, asexual, and similarly identified youth are invited to a pilot meeting to assess the need and desire for an ongoing LGBTQIA+ youth group at UUAA. We'd love your input about what your community would like in/from such a potential group. If you are interested in participating in the future but can't make this meeting, we'd love your input. Email hollyferrise@gmail.com.

Community of Writers

Today, Young Room, 1:15pm-2:45pm

Do you have a new poem, story, essay or other writing on which you would like to hear first responses? Or a work in progress for which you'd like encouragement? Or a writing you've submitted for publishing, and about which you seek additional viewpoints? Join our group in the Young Room. Everyone is invited to read approximately 5 minutes and receive appreciative comments. All are welcome to come and get acquainted. Questions? Contact Mary Lund, mlund@mi.rr.com.

Black Lives of UU (BLUU) Online Worship Watch Event Today, Brown Room, 3:45pm

Join us for BLUU's final online worship service of the year. This is Black sacred space in its entirety, by and for Black people, with the words and voices of Black folks across the diaspora. We invite Black UU and Black UU adjacent folks to attend. Please respect this event as a Black safe space. Questions? Contact Quiana at quiana@uuaa.org.

Victimization and Demonization: A Review of the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict Today, Sanctuary, 2:00pm—3:30pm

Professor Victor B. Lieberman, Raoul Wallenberg
Professor of History and Professor of Asian and
Comparative History at the University of Michigan, will
provide an historical and contemporary overview of the
Palestinian-Israeli conflict. Based on a course he teaches
at the University of Michigan, his talk will consider
origins of the conflict, self-images and grievances held
by the two sides, and barriers to resolution. The talk will
be followed by a Q&A. Questions? Contact Brandy at
altotenor@comcast.net.

Wednesday Morning Readers Wednesday, May 22, 10:00am-noon

Diary of a Bookseller by Shaun Bythell will be Wednesday Morning Readers' book discussion this month. Join us in Fahs Chapel to discuss this story of the author's life inside Scotland's largest second-hand bookshop. Questions? Email Liz at lizzyt48176@gmail.com.

Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday, June 2, 11:45am-1:30pm

All are welcome to attend and take part in discussions. Only full members of UUAA can cast votes. The meeting documents, including the biographies of candidates running for elected positions, the agenda and the 2018-19 Annual Report are available following this link. Note that we will be voting on bylaw changes at the meeting. Please be sure to read the information about changing our bylaws to permit proxy and/or absentee voting. Note that only a limited number of copies of the documents will be available at the door. Questions? Email bot@uuaa.org.

Mothers and Others - A Group for Caregivers of Young Children

Saturday, June 8, 10:00am

Mothers and Others connects parents, guardians, and other caregivers of young children for support and fellowship! We have paused our bimonthly playgroups for the summer, but will be gathering for monthly playground picnics instead. Join us for our first summer picnic at Gallup Park in Ann Arbor. For details and to RSVP, join our Facebook group or email list. Search for UUAA Mothers and Others on Facebook or email Arika Lycan at arika.grace@gmail.com for more information!

Introduction to Our Faith Saturday, June 8, 10:00am-2:30pm

This class is an introduction to Unitarian Universalism for newcomers and a prerequisite for congregants ready to sign the membership book. Join Rev. Lindasusan to learn about UU history, how to get involved, finding your calling, and the responsibilities of membership. Register online or by filling out a form found on the Involvement Table during Social Hour. The registration deadline is Sunday, June 2. If you need childcare, please register by Sunday, May 26. Questions? Contact Hannah Hotchkiss at hannah@uuaa.org.

Next Week's Worship

Learning, Growth, and Evolution

How might our human curiosity fuel our individual and communal learning and growth? Join us this Sunday as we honor the themes of Memorial Day weekend and explore the role of learning and growth in our lives.

New Womyn's Circle Looking to Grow Saturday, June 8, 6:00pm-8:00pm

We have a new circle of four and are looking to grow by four to eight new members. Our next meeting is at Concordia on the river, with an outdoor concert from the A2 Symphony Orchestra to follow. Future meetings will be on the second Saturday of each month from 1:00pm-3:00 pm. Contact Liz Pierce at elizabeth.pierce1@gmail.com if you are interested in joining our circle or coming to our next meeting to get a sense of the group dynamic.

Babies and Bailouts

On Behalf of BLUU, we want to thank the entire UUAA Community. On a local level, we collected 200 items and \$500.00 for the Metro Detroit Diaper Bank. On a national scale, one fund drive yielded \$5000.00, all of which went directly to bailing out Mamas for Mother's Day. Mother's Day Bailout donations are still be accepted at National Bail Out #freeblackmamas. Thank you again for your generosity!

Sharing the Collection Habitat for Humanity of Huron Valley

Thank you for your generosity on Sunday, May 5. We collectively contributed \$2,987 to Habitat for Humanity of Huron Valley (H4H). UUAA has a long history supporting H4H and your contribution strengthens those ties! To learn about ways to contribute, visit them online at http://www.h4h.org/. Questions? Contact Casey Jackson: caseystuartjackson@gmail.com.

Sunday Welcome Team Opportunities

We still have openings for 2019-2020 Sunday Welcome Teams. Summer is a great time to try out ushering, greeting, hosting a Newcomer Welcome Session, or assisting with Social Hour. See if it is the right fit for you! Typically, Sunday Welcome Team members sign up to help one service a month. If you are interested in learning more, contact Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss at hannah@uuaa.org.

Weekly Bulletin Deadline Wednesdays at 5:00pm

Submissions of 90 words or fewer should be submitted in Word format and sent to bulletin@uuaa.org.

Questions? Contact Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss at hannah@uuaa.org.

June Newsletter Deadline Tuesday, May 21, 9:00am

All submissions of 300 words or fewer should be submitted in Word format and sent to newsletter@uuaa.org.

We ask that congregants refrain from bringing food or drink into the Sanctuary. Thank you.