



# The Weekly Bulletin – Sunday, September 8, 2019

First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor, Michigan

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**Worship September 8 | 9:30am & 11:30am**

**The Tide Is Rising. So Are We.**

**Ingathering for All Ages & Annual Water Communion**

On this first Sunday of the two-service season, we gather, we sing, we recommit ourselves to our shared spiritual journey. We invite you to bring a small container of water from a source with meaning to you, or, to draw on the water we will have on hand. We will combine these waters in a ritual to honor the life-giving power of beloved community.

**On the Chancel |** Rev. Cassandra Hartley, Rev. Manish Mishra-Marzetti, Dr. Glen Thomas Rideout, Rev. Lindasusan Ulrich

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## **Washtenaw Literacy**

**Today, Social Hour, Sharing the Collection Table**

For 40 years, Washtenaw Literacy has helped 20,000+ adults learn to read, or improve their reading and numeracy skills in one-on-one sessions with the aim of helping learners get and maintain jobs. An exciting new program helps parents work with their pre-school children.

## **Advocacy Postcard Campaign**

**Today, Social Hour, Social Justice Table**

Driving without a license to get to work, school, or medical appointments is the number one reason that our immigrant community members are detained and deported. Michigan law doesn't provide a way for the differently documented to get a license. Participate in a postcard campaign to advocate for drivers' licenses for all qualified Michigan residents at the Social Justice Table or the Immigration Action Coalition meeting, Saturday, September 14. Questions? Contact Cheryl at [cheryl.natzmervallentine@gmail.com](mailto:cheryl.natzmervallentine@gmail.com).

## **Chalice Circle Registration**

**Today, Social Hour, Chalice Circle Table**

Chalice Circles offers an opportunity for spiritual discussion and small group connection. Learn more about the program, this year's schedule, and topics. Registration is open for the 2019-2020 program year, including the 20s/30s drop-in circle that starts September 15. Childcare is available. Stop by the Chalice Circle Table in the Social Hall to learn more and register. Find additional information on [UUA.org](http://UUA.org) at [Worship/Chalice Circles](#) or by emailing [chalicecircles@uuaa.org](mailto:chalicecircles@uuaa.org).

## **Grocery/Scrip Card**

**Today, Social Hour, Scrip Table**

While the "back to school" specials may be over at [ShopwithScrip.com](http://ShopwithScrip.com), now is a great time to stock up on scrip cards as many stores are just ramping up their sales. Meijer (3%) is always good for groceries, clothing, and automotive. What's not to like? There are over 600 more retailers to choose from such as TJMaxx (7%), HomeGoods, Marshalls, and Sierra Trading Post! Stop by the Scrip Table for more information or to place an order. Questions? Contact Carolyn at [cbarber@umich.edu](mailto:cbarber@umich.edu).

## **Men's Retreat Registration**

**Today, Social Hour, Men's Retreat Table**

Join us for the 20th anniversary retreat, Friday-Sunday, September 20-22, at the Judson-Collins Center in the Irish Hills. Our theme is "Resilience." Enjoy friendship, fun, intellectual and spiritual discourse, humor, and physical activities. We offer half-price rates for first-

time attendees, and scholarships are available. Register at the Men's Retreat Table during Social Hour or online at [uuaa.org/mensretreat](http://uuaa.org/mensretreat). Questions? Email [mensretreat@uuaa.org](mailto:mensretreat@uuaa.org) or call Bob at 734-674-7452.

## **Womyn's Retreat Registration | The Storyteller Within Today, Social Hour, Womyn's Council Table**

The Womyn's Retreat will be Friday-Sunday, September 27-29. Register by September 15 and a beautiful t-shirt designed by Debra Golden is included with your registration. Stop by the Womyn's Council Table to select your shirt color and size. If you're unable to attend the retreat, you can still order a shirt. Stop by during Social Hour to place your order. Questions? Contact Judi Lintott at 734-352-7285.

## **Mindful Eating**

**Today, Social Hour, Mindful Eating Table**

Produce exchange continues during Social Hour. Gardeners, bring any extra produce you have to share. All are invited to come and take home what's on the table. Stop by to learn what we're about and what programs we have scheduled. Questions? Contact Merrill at [crockettmerrill@aol.com](mailto:crockettmerrill@aol.com).

## **UUSC Coffee Project**

**Today, UUSC Coffee Table, Second Social Hour**

Support small farm cooperatives globally while helping to fundraise for UUSC social justice programs, and this congregation. Come to our table during Social Hour following the second service to choose from fair trade chocolates, coffee, teas, nuts, dried fruits, and Palestinian olive oils. Questions? Contact Ilene Beninson at [ilene.beninson@gmail.com](mailto:ilene.beninson@gmail.com).

## **UUA Humanist Study Groups**

**Monday, September 9, 7:00pm–8:30pm**

Humanism has a long history at UUA, and a lively group of humanists has been meeting for about 20 years to discuss topics relating to humanist philosophy, theology, morals, ethics, reasoning, and science. Contact Hal Breidenbach at [hal@breidenbach.net](mailto:hal@breidenbach.net) about the Monday group or Bruce Gibb at [blgibb@aol.com](mailto:blgibb@aol.com) about the Thursday group.

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**QUUest Bookstore** is glad to direct your attention to the new book *The Spirit That Moves: Readings and Rituals for Times of Change and Transition* edited by Barbara Child. The key word here is "change," a fact of congregational life. "This book is wildly useful. I predict that my own copy will



become as thumbed and well-worn as my favorite cookbooks and poetry book." Meg Riley, Senior Minister, Church of the Larger Fellowship

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## North AAUU

**Tuesday, September 10, 7:00pm**

All are welcome to join the North AAUU Group at Bob Reed's in the Meadows, Glacier Hills, (4001 Glacier Hills Dr., Ann Arbor). We will talk about what we are learning at this stage of our lives. Questions? Email Al LaRose at [albertlarose@att.net](mailto:albertlarose@att.net).

## Mothers and Others

**Saturdays, September 14 & 28, 10:15–noon**

Join our group of caregivers of young children for fellowship, support, and friendship! Mothers, fathers, grandparents, foster parents – all are welcome to join! We will resume our bimonthly playgroups in the UUAA nursery in September on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month. For details, join our email list by emailing Charlene Mangi at [charlene.mangi@gmail.com](mailto:charlene.mangi@gmail.com).

## Newcomer Chalice Circle | UU Principles

**Sunday, September 15, 1:00pm–3:00pm**

If you are new to UUAA in the past year, this Chalice Circle is for you. The topic of this facilitated spiritual discussion group is UU Principles. Get to know others new to UU, share your voice, and deepen your knowledge of what binds UUs in community. Register by Sunday, September 8 [using this link](#), at the Chalice Circle Table during Social Hour, or email [Hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:Hannah@uuaa.org).

## Community of Writers

**Sunday, September 15, 1:15pm–2:45pm**

UUAA Community of Writers changed its schedule to the third Sunday of the month meeting in the Kemnitz Room, downstairs SGD Wing. At our upcoming meeting, we will read a five-minute original writing—a poem, short story, memoir segment, essay, etc., and invite comments as desired. Newcomers are welcome to read or listen. Bring your coffee or other beverage and sign in to read and give appreciative comments. Questions? Contact Mary Lund, at [mlund@mi.rr.com](mailto:mlund@mi.rr.com).

## BLUU 2019

**Sunday, September 15, 4:00pm**

UUAA is excited to be hosting a BLUU Worship Watch Party. The doors will open at 3:45pm; service begins at 4:00 and will run for 90 minutes. We will have light refreshments and fellowship afterward. Please note that BLUU worship is closed/ Black only space. All those who identify as Black are invited to attend. Questions? Email [Quiana@uuaa.org](mailto:Quiana@uuaa.org).

## Washtenaw County Global Climate Strike

**Friday, September 20, 11:00am–3:00pm**

Climate Crisis Action Team of UUAA is a sponsor for the upcoming Washtenaw County Global Climate Strike being held at Ingalls Mall at UM. The event will be one of the largest climate mobilizations in US history, calling on people of all ages to engage in the intergenerational and intersectional climate justice movement.

Questions? Email Jeannine LaPrad at [jlaprad@umich.edu](mailto:jlaprad@umich.edu).

## Wednesday Morning Readers

**Wednesday, September 25, 10:00am–noon**

Please join us to discuss the book *Lost Children Archive* by Valeria Luiselli. We will be meeting in the Fahs Chapel for the book discussion and then heading to California Pizza Kitchen at Briarwood Mall for lunch. Questions? Contact Liz Hartley at [lizyt48176@gmail.com](mailto:lizyt48176@gmail.com).

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## Next Week's Worship

### Sweet Spot

How do we find balance in our expectations of others? Is there a sustainable course to meet all our neighbors expect of us?

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## Forums Advancement Ministry Seeks New Members

UUAA Forums Advancement Ministry (FAM) provides a series of forums that seek to expand our understanding of the world around us. A forum generally includes topical content (could be presentation, panel discussion, or film) followed by moderated Q&A and discussion. Several forums are scheduled this Fall. If you are interested in producing such forums, please send your name and preferred email address to [forums\\_dev@uuaa.org](mailto:forums_dev@uuaa.org), or speak with Laura Johnstone. To receive email notices of future forums, email [forums@uuaa.org](mailto:forums@uuaa.org).

## Social Justice Council Recruiting New Members

Join the Social Justice Council and help oversee 20+ social justice groups at UUAA. Requirements are a willingness to serve, participating in monthly meetings, working at the SJC Table after services, and interacting with social justice groups. To learn more contact SJC Chair Sally Preston at [sally@pctraining.net](mailto:sally@pctraining.net) or Social Justice Coordinator Quiana Perkins at [quiana@uuaa.org](mailto:quiana@uuaa.org).

## Now Taking Room Reservation Requests!

Room reservations can now be submitted by recognized congregational groups for events occurring now through September 12, 2020. Make sure that your group has submitted their room reservation request! To submit a room reservation request, click on the Request-a-Room link on the bottom of the UUAA website. This link will take you to the room reservation request form which will guide you through making a room reservation. Questions? Contact UUAA Room Team debita graham and Jim McCargar at [room@uuaa.org](mailto:room@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](mailto:bulletin@uuaa.org). Questions? Contact Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss at [hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:hannah@uuaa.org).

## October Newsletter Deadline

**Saturday, September 21 at 9:00am**

Submissions of 300 words or fewer should be submitted as an attachment in Word format and sent to [newsletter@uuaa.org](mailto:newsletter@uuaa.org). Questions? Contact Welcome Ministries at [hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:hannah@uuaa.org).

## Fall Building Hours Begin Sunday, September 8

**Sunday | 8:30am-4:00pm**

**Monday-Thursday | 9:00am-9:00pm**

**1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday | 5:00pm-9:00pm**

**Other Fridays | Closed**

**Saturday | 9:00am-4:00pm**

**Office: Monday-Thursday | 9:00am-5:00pm**



All are invited to Social Hour after each service. We ask that congregants refrain from bringing food or drink into the Sanctuary. Thank you.