

### The Weekly Bulletin – Sunday, October 13, 2019

### First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor, Michigan

### Worship October 13 | 9:30am & 11:30am Augenblick

What does belonging look like? When does it happen? How would you know? What does it matter? Honoring the gift of belonging, the longing to be, and the journey between.

On the Chancel | Rev. Cassandra Hartley, Rev. theresa rohlck, Rev. Lindasusan Ulrich



### Roots and Wings Annual Budget Campaign Begins Today. Thank You for Your Generosity!

There are two ways to make your Roots & Wings commitment:

- Deliver your pledge form to the table in the UUAA main entrance foyer on Sundays.
- Go to the <u>online form on our website uuaa.org</u>. Questions? Email <u>annualcampaign@uuaa.org</u>.

#### **Social Justice Sunday**

### **Today, Social Hall, During Both Social Hours**

The UUAA Social Justice community is hosting an open house in the Social Hall during today's Social Hours. UUAA has over 20 Social Justice Groups; the open house will be a chance to meet folks and learn more about their work. We are excited to be sharing the work of this congregation!

# Farewell Festivities for Debra Jean Golden Today, Social Hall, During Both Social Hours

Debra Jean Golden is transitioning roles in our community, retiring from her role as SGD Program Assistant. Come celebrate her years of faithful service and show our appreciation. If you would like to contribute a card and/or financial gift in appreciation, card-making materials and envelopes will be available during Social Hours today. And be sure to join us for the farewell celebration with cake during both Social Hours.

### Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) Today, Social Hour, Sharing the Collection Table

This week's collection will go to UUSC. The UUSC is a nonsectarian organization that advances human rights and social justice in the United States and around the world. Through a combination of advocacy, education, and partnerships with grassroots organizations, UUSC promotes economic rights, advances environmental justice, defends civil liberties, and preserves the rights of people in times of humanitarian crisis.

### Grocery/Scrip

### **Today, Social Hour, Grocery Scrip Table**

Visit our table to purchase gift cards and scrip. Each purchase earns money for UUAA at no extra cost to you. Please note, we will be closed Sunday, October 20.

## Israel/Palestine Listening Circles Today, Social Hour, Listening Circles Table

Listening Circles are designed for congregants to share stories, beliefs, hopes, and fears on the topic of Palestine and Israel. Stop by our table to learn more or register online <a href="here">here</a>.

# Sponsor-a-Student in the Khasi Hills Today, Social Hour, Khasi Hills Table

If you would like to participate in sponsoring a student, visit our table. Current and continuing sponsors, be sure to stop by and pick up the letter from your student. Questions? Email Cathy at <a href="mailto:mysarina@aol.com">mysarina@aol.com</a>.

#### **UUSC Coffee Project**

#### Today, Social Hour, Fair Trade Coffee Table

We plan to be open after second service soon! New volunteers are needed to make this happen. Make friends and have fun selling chocolate! Support small farm cooperatives globally while helping to raise funds for UUSC social justice programs and this congregation. Visit our table during Social Hour following first service to choose from fair trade chocolates, coffee, teas, nuts, and olive oils. Questions? Contact Ilene Beninson at ilene.beninson@gmail.com.

# Vision 20/50 Signup for Discussions and Volunteering Today, Social Hour, Vision 20/50 Table

The Vision 20/50 Leadership Team is looking for volunteers. Could you contribute an hour or two to input data into an online form? Or, do you want to become an ambassador for small group Visioning Sessions? Email <a href="mailto:vision@uuaa.org">vision@uuaa.org</a> or stop by the Social Hall Vision 20/50 Table. And remember to <a href="mailto:sign up">sign up</a> to participate in a Visioning Session.

### **UU** Bridge

### Today, Kemnitz Room, 12:40pm-3:45pm

Join us for a bridge lesson at 12:40pm and play bridge from 1:00pm to 3:45pm. Intermediate players are welcome. Questions? Email <a href="mailto:Kbourdon1@comcast.net">Kbourdon1@comcast.net</a>.

### Mindful Eating (ME) Field Trip to Tilian Farm Today, Carpool Meetup and Map at ME Table, 1:30pm

Mindful Eating will host a trip to Tillian Farm Development Center (4400 Pontiac Trail, Ann Arbor). Tillian is an incubator farm managed by the Michigan Food and Farming System, providing beginning farmers a chance to learn with minimum risk and with guidance from experienced farmers. It educates on marketing, farming practices, and farming systems. Hannah Rose Weber, a Tilian farmer, will give the tour. Questions? Contact Ruth Vail at <a href="mailto:ruthvail43@gmail.com">ruthvail43@gmail.com</a>.

# 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's Wednesday, October 16, 3:00pm-4:00pm

Join us in the Fahs Chapel at UUAA for a presentation of "10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's," sponsored by the UUAA Memory Loss Caregiver Support Group and the Alzheimer's Association. Please register by calling 1-800-272-3900. Questions? Call Meredith Ley at 734-717-0213.

### Social & Spiritual Connections Sunday Sunday, October 20, During Both Social Hours

Join us for Spiritual and Social Connection Sunday. Have you ever wanted to learn more about the spiritual and social groups of UUAA (e.g., Meditation Group, Wednesday Morning Readers, Chalice Circles)? Groups will be sharing their work and the ways they cultivate community. Join us in the Social Hall after each service. Questions? Email Quiana@uuaa.org.

### Community of Writers Sunday, October 20, 1:15pm-2:45pm

UUAA Community of Writers meets the third week of each month in the Kemnitz Room. This lower-level room is accessible by elevator or stairway. Our October 20 session will be led by Charlie Pekarek, a writer of prose and poetry in rhyme and free verse, reflecting on family, compassion, and social injustice. He will enlighten and engage us in these diverse writing forms. Whatever your writing interest, come to participate. Questions? Contact Mary Lund at <a href="mailto:mlund@mi.rr.com">mlund@mi.rr.com</a>.

### Worship Theme Discussion Sunday, October 20, 1:00pm-3:00pm

October's worship theme is belonging. To whom do you belong? Where do you belong? How do you know you belong? How do we help others feel as though they belong? Join Maryn Lewallen and cristy cardinal for activities and discussion about belonging. RSVP here: <a href="mailto:tinyurl.com/UUAA-Belonging">tinyurl.com/UUAA-Belonging</a>. Questions? Email cristy at cristycardinal@gmail.com.

# Wednesday Morning Readers Wednesday, October 23, 10:00am-noon

All are welcome to a discussion of the book *Educated* by Tara Westover. Questions? Contact Liz Hartley at <a href="mailto:lizzyt48176@gmail.com">lizzyt48176@gmail.com</a>.

# Unity Group C3 Forum | Multicultural Ministries Sunday, October 27, 1:00pm–2:30pm

The Unity Group C3 Series (Curiosity, Conversation, Covenant) features Quiana Perkins, UUAA's Social Justice & Pastoral Care Coordinator, with an update on <u>BLUU</u> (Black Lives of UU), <u>DRUUMM</u> (Diverse & Revolutionary UU Multicultural Ministries), and other projects you may be curious about. The presentation is cosponsored by the Challenging Racism Group. Questions? Contact Sandy Simon at <u>sandy@triltech.com</u>.

# One-Time Chalice Circle Registration Sunday, October 27, 1:15pm-3:00pm

Register now for the upcoming One-Time Chalice Circle. Consistent with this month's worship theme, we will be exploring the topic of "Belonging." To learn more or to register, email <a href="mailto:ChaliceCircles@uuaa.org">ChaliceCircles@uuaa.org</a>.

# Migration & Memories Opening Reception Friday, November 1, 7:00pm—9:00pm

Join members of UUAA's Immigration Action Coalition for an exhibit of paintings by Mexican journalist, Emilio Guiterrez Soto at International House (921 Church St., Ann Arbor). For those forced to leave their homelands, retaining memories is central to survival. Since fleeing Mexico in 2008 under death threats related to his reporting, Gutierrez has been seeking asylum. His landscapes portray the places he has called home -- Chihuahua, New Mexico, and Ann Arbor. Questions? Email <a href="mailto:cherylnatzmervalentine@gmail.com">cherylnatzmervalentine@gmail.com</a>.

### Next Week's Worship Mutual Obligations

What does a sense of belonging need to survive? What can we expect from our kindred? What will we owe ourselves?

## Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice (ICPJ) Tuesday, November 12, 5:00pm

You are invited to support and learn about the work of the ICPJ. ICPJ is hosting their annual fall fundraiser at Cobblestone Farm (2781 Packard St., Ann Arbor). The reception begins at 5:00pm with dinner and the program shortly after. To learn the different ways you might contribute to this event, stop by the Social Justice Council Table or find details online here: <a href="https://www.icpj.org/blog/2019/icpj-harvest-">https://www.icpj.org/blog/2019/icpj-harvest-</a>

here: <a href="https://www.icpj.org/blog/2019/icpj-harvest-dinner/">https://www.icpj.org/blog/2019/icpj-harvest-dinner/</a>. RSVP by October 25. Questions? Email Lora Girata, ICPJ liaison and Social Justice Council member, at <a href="mailto:loragiratayoga@gmail.com">loragiratayoga@gmail.com</a>.

### Spiritual Storytelling Seminars November–May

Registration is now open for a series of seven monthly storytelling seminars featuring the UUAA Worship Team and Satori Shakoor, from "The Moth," Ann Arbor. Have you ever wanted to explore what personal experiences you might share with others, bringing alive the unique ethical, moral, and/or spiritual wisdom that you personally embody? To learn more or register for this seminar series, click here, or go to our website www.uuaa.org.

### **Men's Council Nominations**

Nominations are now open for positions on the 2020 Men's Council. If you are a member of the congregation in good standing and a participant in Men's Fellowship activities, please submit your nomination to <a href="mailto:men@uuaa.org">men@uuaa.org</a>, along with a brief statement as to why the person you are nominating should be considered. Feel free to nominate yourself if interested. Questions? Email <a href="mailto:men@uuaa.org">men@uuaa.org</a>.

### **UUAA Humanist Study Groups**

You are invited to join the Humanist Groups, who will be gathering on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays and 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of the month to discuss topics relating to humanist philosophy. All are welcome, regardless of theology or philosophy. At the next Monday evening meeting, we will discuss chapter 1 of Tim Crane's *Meaning of Belief.* The next meetings are Monday, October 14, 7:00pm - 8:30pm (email hal@breidenbach.net) and Thursday October 17, 2:00pm - 4:00pm (contact Bruce Gibb at blgibb@aol.com).

### **Sharing the Collection 2020**

In October the Sharing the Collection committee will be reviewing applications to find organizations which could benefit from the sharing of our resources in 2020. If you know an organization that serves the disadvantaged in Washtenaw County, please have them visit <a href="mailto:uuaa.org/sharingthecollection">uuaa.org/sharingthecollection</a> for more information and to input their contact information. Questions? Email Bob Dinan at <a href="mailto:bdinan83@gmail.com">bdinan83@gmail.com</a>.

# Weekly Bulletin Deadline Wednesdays at 5:00pm

Submissions of 90 words or fewer should sent to bulletin@uuaa.org.