



# First Unitarian Universalist CONGREGATION OF ANN ARBOR

UUAA E-News | July 19, 2020

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### **Sunday Worship Service** **Sunday, July 19, 11:30**

This week's worship is entitled "Prophetic Voices." Use this Link to join us virtually: [www.uuaa.org/service](http://www.uuaa.org/service).



### **Virtual Social Hour** **Immediately Following Service**

Join UUAA congregants for a Zoom Social Hour immediately after the service. Use this link to take part: [www.uuaa.org/socialhour](http://www.uuaa.org/socialhour).

To view or listen to past Sunday Services, [click here](#).



If you would like to contribute to the Weekly Offering, [click here](#).



**MUUSJN**

Michigan Unitarian Universalist Social Justice Network

**Sharing the Collection**  
**Sunday, July 19**

**July's Sharing the Collection**  
**goes to [Michigan UU Social Justice Network \(MUUSJN\)](#)**

On the first Sunday of each month, the First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor donates our collection to nonprofit community service organizations in the furtherance of their

important work.

- [Michigan UU Social Justice Network](#) (MUUSJN)

While we gather on Sunday virtually, please mail your check to UUAA with Sharing the Collection and the recipient organization in the memo. You can also contribute to Sharing the Collection [Online](#).

For more information about what we do on the Sharing the Collection committee, please check our web page at [uuaa.org/sharingthecollection](http://uuaa.org/sharingthecollection) to see a list of all of our upcoming 2020 recipients.

Please contact [sharecollection@uuaa.org](mailto:sharecollection@uuaa.org) with any questions or suggestions.

The Sharing the Collection committee: Jan Duncan, Casey Jackson, Glenn Kime, Fran Lyman, Jim Marks, Mary Phelps, Kate Warner



### Help Us Welcome The Church of the River!

The Church of the River in Memphis, Tennessee, will once again be participating in a worship service "swap" with us in July and August. To return the warm welcome they gave us back in May, we're asking for your help. Please take a picture of yourself holding a sign saying "Welcome to UUAA," "Welcome Church of the River," or any other welcoming message. If you can do it in front of your favorite landmark in the region, that would also give them a chance to see our beautiful area! Please email pictures to: [sgd@uuaa.org](mailto:sgd@uuaa.org) by July 19.



### UUCivs: Vote Your Values

Action Items This Week:

-- **Absentee Ballot**-- [Apply online](#) by this Friday, July 17, so you receive your ballot in time to get it to your county clerk by primary day--Aug 4.

- **Support Voting Kits.** These kits help eliminate voting barriers by providing registration and ballot materials--even postage! Help us raise \$1000 to distribute 500 kits. [Use this link](#) and select "UUCivs" on the donation page. Need a kit? Email [UUCivs@uuaa.org](mailto:UUCivs@uuaa.org).

- **Watch This Week's Candidate Forums.** Local issues are decided by local officials, so learn how the candidates stand on issues like criminal justice and police reform. Judicial forums [live-streamed tonight](#), July 16. Watch previous forums on county, state and national races [here](#).

Questions? Email [UUCivs@uuaa.org](mailto:UUCivs@uuaa.org).



**Pastoral Care Call**  
**Monday, July 20, 11:00am-12:00pm**

Pastoral Care Call is hosted twice a week: This space can be used for community and connection for those in need of support.

Note that in July and August there will be Monday Pastoral Care Calls only.

Monday link: <https://zoom.us/j/202591201>

Questions? Email Quiana Perkins at [Quiana@uuaa.org](mailto:Quiana@uuaa.org).

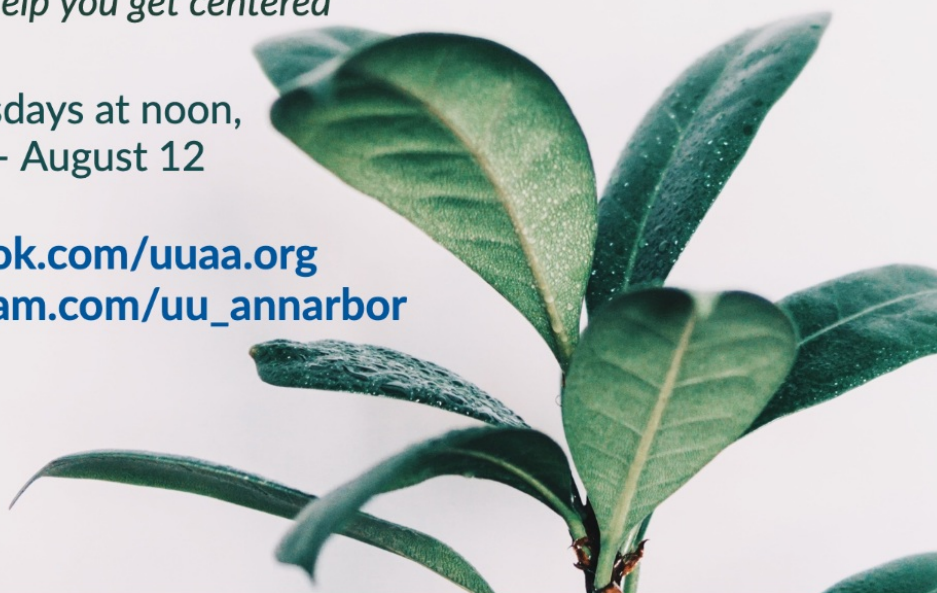
# CENTERING WITH KARI



*weekly spiritual practice  
time to help you get centered*

Wednesdays at noon,  
July 15 - August 12

[facebook.com/uuaa.org](https://facebook.com/uuaa.org)  
[instagram.com/uu\\_annarbor](https://instagram.com/uu_annarbor)



For more information contact [kari@uuaa.org](mailto:kari@uuaa.org)



## **Wednesday Meditation** **Wednesdays, 4:00pm-5:00pm**

All are welcome to practice a form of Buddhist meditation with fellow congregants.

**Use this link:** [www.uuaa.org/meditation](http://www.uuaa.org/meditation)

## **Are you interested in learning more about meditation?**

- Watch Introduction to Meditation produced by Rev. Manish on our UUAA YouTube Channel. [Use this link.](#) (Posted 4/9)



## **Multicultural Outreach** **Black Congregants at UU + POC Gathering** **Zoom Meetup** **Thursday, July 23, 6:00pm (ET)**

Those who identify as Black, Indigenous, or a person of color are welcome to attend the BIPOC Gatherings.

Request the zoom link by emailing [Quiana@uuaa.org](mailto:Quiana@uuaa.org).

Please note we will be taking August off but we will return in the Fall.



## **Habitat for Humanity NEW PLAN, NEW HOUSES, NEW DATES**

Habitat has regrouped to figure out how best to catch up on the homes that are behind schedule and how to integrate into that measures to keep volunteers as safe as possible.

- Crew sizes have changed. There will be fewer workers on site to help assure social distancing.
- In August and September, we will have two houses to work on:
  - The Good News House: 2754 Appleridge St., Ypsilanti
  - The Thrivent House: 1622 Wiard Rd., Ypsilanti
- The revised schedule for UUAA is the following:
  - Saturday, July 25 (3 volunteers)
  - Saturday, August 15 (4 volunteers)
  - Saturday, August 29 (4 volunteers)
  - Saturday, September 19 (10 volunteers)

More details and updated information is available on <http://uuaa.org/h4h>.

*As part of the safety guidelines we will not be providing lunches to volunteers this year. Volunteers need to bring their own work gloves, mask (you must wear a mask on site), lunch and water. You are welcome to bring your own tools if you would like. If you need help getting a mask or gloves, email [habitat@uuaa.org](mailto:habitat@uuaa.org).*

Thanks to all of you who have donated, and a very generous donation from the estate of Guala Lauzzana, we have met our pledge to Habitat Good News Group this year. If you want to donate in advance for next year, or for a special project, checks can be made out to UUAA (with "Habitat" in the memo line) and mailed to the church, or you can make a credit card donation from the link at <http://uuaa.org/h4h>. (Be sure to check the "Habitat for Humanity" box.)

## **Outdoor Use Policy July/ Aug, 2020**

The UUAA staff is happy to announce that UUAA is officially open for business again in a very limited way-- outdoors in designated areas of UUAA property Saturdays and Sundays only from 8 am -



10 pm.

Recognized congregational groups and UUAA members may request to reserve outdoor space by first **reading the full outdoor space use policy** and then filling out the **Outdoor Space Request Form**. We want to keep everyone in our community safe, so please make sure that everyone in your group wears a mask and adheres to the policies carefully created by our Covid19 advisory team.

Enjoy the outdoor space, and please note that the building and the playground remain closed, so take into account that bathrooms are not available and there is no shelter for inclement weather. **Read the full list of requirements in the policy document.**



### **Our Land Needs You!**

The congregation took a break from the land, but unfortunately the weeds did not! Now that our land is open again, we would love your help - even if it's just a couple of hours. If you're willing to help with weeding flower beds, trimming and pruning trails, repairing

trail markers and sign posts, or any other gardening tasks, please contact our Building Manager, Don Hackney, at [don@uuaa.org](mailto:don@uuaa.org)



### **Signup for Friday Fun Communications**

Be the first to receive signup links for Friday Fun activities and news. Sign up for the Friday Fun mailer. **Use this link.**



### **UUAA Book Worms**

Do you love to read but haven't had the time to join a book club? A new book club is kicking off on Thursday, September 17 at 7:00pm via Zoom. UUAA Book Worms will be restricted to eight new members who haven't had the ability to join Wednesday Morning Readers due to work or family circumstances or are new to the congregation. Our September book selection is *The Bean Trees* by Barbara Kingsolver. If you have questions or are a committed reader and would like to give it a try, email Liz Hartley at [lizzyt48176@gmail.com](mailto:lizzyt48176@gmail.com).



### **UUAA Online**

Trying to stay in touch with UUAA while the building is closed?

- Links to online services, Zoom Social Hour, Weekly Wednesday Meditation, and information about virtual events can always be found on our website [www.uuaa.org](http://www.uuaa.org).
- If you are on Facebook, join our private community page, Our UUAA Community.
- Follow us on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#) @ uu\_annarbor.
- Take a look at the website's Online Community page: <http://www.uuaa.org/index.php/finding-community/finding-community-uuaa/finding-community-online>. For more information and also for some inspiration! Scroll down the page for links to stories, music, dance and more.

"See" you in virtual church!

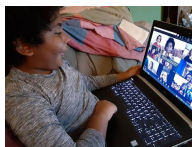
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### **UUSC Coffee Project**

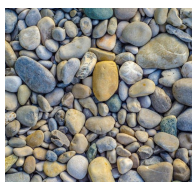
Equal Exchange coffee and chocolates are for sale again! This will be a curbside pickup or delivery with no contact program. Orders may be picked up in Ann Arbor (not at UUAA) or delivered to your home. See what we have in stock, [click here](#).

Email [uuaaequalexchangeorder@gmail.com](mailto:uuaaequalexchangeorder@gmail.com) to place your order online, or call Cathy Whitaker at 419-283-3430 or Ilene Beninson at 248-376-7031. All sales benefit the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee and this congregation.



### **Programming for Children & Youth**

To learn about programming for children and youth, email [SGD@uuaa.org](mailto:SGD@uuaa.org).



### **Submitting to the *Weekly E-News/Bulletin & Monthly Newsletter***

All recognized UUAA groups may publicize UUAA events in the news in the *Weekly E-News/Bulletin* and *Monthly Newsletter*.

### ***Weekly E-News/Bulletin* Deadline Wednesdays at 5:00pm**

Send submissions of 90 words or fewer to [Bulletin@uuaa.org](mailto:Bulletin@uuaa.org). If

your group is advertising an event, please be sure to include the name of the event, date, time, and contact information to field questions. We also ask that you make your room reservation or Zoom room reservation before advertising an event. Note that during the stay-at-home order, we are not strictly limited to the 90 word limit; however we do ask that you stay in close range of that.

***Monthly Newsletter Deadline***  
**The 21st of the Month at 9:00am**

Send submissions of 300 words or fewer to [Newsletter@uuaa.org](mailto:Newsletter@uuaa.org).

If you have any questions about the *Weekly E-News/Bulletin* or *Monthly Newsletter*, contact Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss at [Hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:Hannah@uuaa.org).

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**Quick Links:**

[UUA Website](#) | [Social Justice at UUA](#) | [Find us on Facebook](#)  
[Make Your Pledge](#) | [UUA Events Calendar](#)

**Other Links:**

[UUA.org](#) | [MidAmericaUUA.org](#)  
[Side With Love](#) (formerly Standing on the Side of Love)

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