



First Unitarian Universalist CONGREGATION OF ANN ARBOR

This Week at UUA | September 17 - 23, 2020

E-News Update: Starting next week, we will be sending out the e-news on Wednesdays. Please send any submissions to communications@uuaa.org by **Tuesday at 5pm Eastern**.

Support UUA

To view the entire E-News, you may need to scroll to the bottom and click on "view entire message."



Worship Service: Revive Sunday, September 20, 11:30am

RSVP to the [Facebook event at this link](#).
Join us on Sunday at www.uuaa.org/service.



Virtual Social Hour

Join us for a Zoom Social Hour immediately after the service, where we can check in as a community and further discuss the service. Use this link to take part: www.uuaa.org/socialhour.

Need more UUA in your life? Watch past services, songs, and stories [here](#).



Welcome UU Back Week

September 10 - 23

It's the final week of Welcome UU Back Week activities! This year will be unique as we move to online formats for much of our programming. Join us this week as we explore what it means to be a community in these virtual times. For the schedule and

registration, use this link:

[Welcome UU Back Week Registration Link](#)

Questions? quiiana@uuuaa.org.



Congregational Input Needed: Worship Themes

As we look towards the fall, we want your input on our worship themes for the upcoming months!

Please fill out [this survey](#) to share your thoughts on the November 2020 theme of grace. Be a part of co-creating inspiring Sunday services.



Welcome Rev. Amber

Rev. Amber Beland is a third-year doctoral student at William James College, in the field of leadership psychology, who will be with our UUAA community as an intern-practitioner during the 2020-2021 congregational year.

[Learn more about her here!](#) She can be contacted directly by email at: amber@uuuaa.org.



Wednesday Meditation

4:00pm-5:00pm

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

www.uuuaa.org/meditation

Are you interested in learning more about meditation?

Watch Introduction to Meditation produced in April by Rev. Manish on our UUAA YouTube Channel. [Use this link.](#)



BIPOC Focused Humanism: Adult SGD

First Class Saturday, October 10, 2:00pm-3:00pm

Click on the link below for future sessions.

This class consists of five independent sessions. In each session we will center a cultural expression of humanism by black, indigenous and people of color or the work of a single BIPOC humanist. Folks can join one, a few, or all the sessions as they choose or are able. Please use [this link to register or learn more.](#)

Introduction to Our Faith



Saturdays, October 17 & 24, 10:00am-Noon

This two-session class launches you on your way toward membership or just a deeper understanding of this congregation and faith. We will share our spiritual journeys, explore the history of Unitarian Universalism and this congregation, give you the chance to contemplate your calling, discuss how to get involved, and the meaning and responsibilities of membership. This class is a prerequisite to membership.

Register by Monday, October 12 using [this link](#) or email Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss at hannah@uuaa.org.



2020-2021 Chalice Circle Registration Open

Are you looking for a way to connect with fellow congregants at UUAA? Are you seeking opportunities to share your truths in a safe/brave space?

Register online [here](#) for Chalice Circles forming now and beginning in October (Bi-monthly for seven months or weekly for six weeks). For more information, please attend the Welcome UU Back Drop-in Chalice Circle [Information Session](#) on September 19 from 12:00pm–1:00pm, or email ChaliceCircles@uuaa.org. All circles will be held on Zoom.



UUAA Men's Fellowship

The Men's Fellowship at UUAA provides a variety of opportunities for men to connect, build community, and have fun. [Check out our website](#) to learn more about activities such as Men's Circles, the Men's Dinner and the Men's Retreat. Please consider joining our email list by sending your message to menscouncil@uuaa.org with the subject line "Add me to the list."



UUAA SGD

Register for 2020-2021 SGD Classes

This year's Spiritual Growth & Development classes for children and youth are starting soon! Check out the course offerings and register for the year at uuaa.org/sgd.

Questions? Contact sgd@uuaa.org.



Our SGD Program Needs Teachers!

Our Spiritual Growth & Development program is a vital part of our ministries at UUAA. This year, we are drastically restructuring our program to meet the needs of our community of children and

families. Our SGD program will offer smaller classes that run for a maximum of 6 weeks, on a variety of topics chosen by individual teachers.

This is the perfect opportunity to get involved. If you have a skill, passion, or expertise, this is a chance to share it with the children of the congregation.

- For more details, [check out this document](#).
- To sign up to teach, [use this form](#).



Caregivers and Kiddos: The Reboot

Caregivers and Kiddos is a fellowship group for parents of young children to connect with each other, and foster relationships between families. We're working hard to reboot for this Fall and Winter with options such as small, in-person playdates, a virtual game night for

parents, virtual playdates and more. To stay in the loop and find out more, email charlene.mangi@gmail.com.



UUCivs: Vote Your Values

People at our voting events tell us they are confused -- it's understandable. There are no certainties in voting this year. Folks are especially worried about navigating the online application process for an absentee ballot and getting their ballot to a drop box.

You can help them, and we can help you.

Take a look at our [Voting Deadlines chart](#) and make your **voting plan**. Then, check-in with **siblings, parents, grandparents, and first-time voters** to help them with their plan. Make sure they have a blue or black pen, and watch for postage requirements. Tell them to ignore the USPS postcard they received, it's misleading.

Questions? Email votinghelpline@gmail.com or call 1-855-868-3311.



UUAU Scrip Program

It's Fall, and time for reminders. Many retailers participate in scrip programs that will benefit nonprofits (like UUAU), donating percentages of the purchase to the organization.

There are over 750 retailers available through Shop with Scrip. Arbor Farms gives us 3% just for saying "I support UUAU" when checking out. People's Food Coop and Fresh Thyme offer scrip cards that return 5% to UUAU. Kroger and Busch's have community reward programs.

You can also generate donations for UUAU by shopping at smile.amazon.com/ch/38-1684000. Need more info? Contact Carolyn Barber at cmbarber@umich.edu.



Room Reservations at UUAU for 2020-2021 Accepting Reservations Now

With the uncertainty brought on by Covid-19, we ask UUAU groups to plan with Zoom in mind for the fall.

We encourage all recognized groups to submit their [Zoom room reservations](#) now. When the building opens again physically, we can easily convert your Zoom room to an actual room. One bonus of this is while we are meeting virtually, Zoom rooms are available on Fridays and Saturdays.

Questions? Email Debita Graham at room@uuau.org.



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 UUAU) or delivered to your home. See what we have in stock, [click here](#).

Email uuauexchangeorder@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.

Quick Links:

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

Other Links:

UUA.org | MidAmericaUUA.org
[Side With Love](#)

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