



# The Weekly Bulletin | January 19, 2020

First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor, Michigan

**Worship Services | 9:30am & 11:30am**

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**Adventure Boldly and Explore**

Exploring, Reflecting, Pondering, Learning, Longing, Growing Together

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

## **Stone Soup Campaign Luncheon**

**Today, Social Hall, 12:45pm**

You're invited to join your fellow UUAA friends and family in a "Stone Soup" luncheon as part of our Stone Soup Stewardship campaign. The "Stone Soup" story highlights the way a village comes together, with each person doing their part in a way that winds up nourishing the entire community. We'll provide the delicious soup and bread—and you'll help us raise the money needed to keep our exceptionally talented and precious staff team intact. This is an opportunity to increase or submit your pledge to help us meet our budget goal for 2020! Please note there is no 10:45am Social Hour. This luncheon is in place of the 12:45pm Social Hour. You can [use this link](#) for a one-time Stone Soup contribution or make your [pledge with this link](#).

## **Alpha House Host Week Signup**

**Today, Main Doors, Alpha House Table**

Our next Alpha House Host Week is Monday-Sunday, February 3-9. Alpha House is a shelter for families experiencing homelessness. UUAA needs 100 volunteers for our service week and up to \$400 to cover supplies. Sign up on line at <http://tinyurl.com/AHFeb20> or sign up and/or donate money at our table during Social Hour. If you are new to UUAA or have questions, feel free to email us at [alphahouse@uuaa.org](mailto:alphahouse@uuaa.org).

## **Immigration Action Coalition (IAC) Hosts**

**Samaritas Refugee Youth Services**

**Today, Outside the Sanctuary, IAC Table**

During the Social Justice segment of today's service, Jordan Pizzo, Community Outreach Coordinator for Samaritas Refugee Youth Services, will share how this group serves worldwide refugee youth. After the service visit the Immigration Action Coalition Table in the hall outside the Sanctuary to learn more about the Samaritas foster care program and other ways you can help.

## **Grocery/Scrip**

No Social Hour and need Scrip? No worries! Send Carolyn an email or check out [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com). If you haven't already done so, now's the perfect time to look at the 700+ retailers available. You can pay by credit card with a small service charge or link your bank/checking account to shopwithscrip. Many retailers offer ScripNow that are available to you within minutes of receiving payment. Questions? Contact Carolyn at [cmbponyclub@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cmbponyclub@sbcglobal.net).

## **Auction Planning Meeting**

**Today, Sunderland Library, 10:45am–11:15am**

Oh là là mes amis! The congregation's annual auction is just two months away. The event will be right here at UUAA on March 21 from 4:00-7:00 pm, and the theme this year is "A Night in Paris". Soon we'll have a table in the Social Hall. Even sooner— today in fact—we're meeting after first service to plan the event. All are welcome, so join us s'il vous plait. Questions? Email [auction@uuaa.org](mailto:auction@uuaa.org).

## **UUs for Justice in the Middle East**

**Today, Kemnitz Room, 10:45am–11:30am**

Today is the last day to sign a petition to get the business resolution "Embodiment of Human Rights in Our Investment Decisions" on the agenda for 2020 UUA General Assembly. Join us for Q&A about the proposed resolution and discussion about Congressional initiatives opposing the [demolition of Palestinian homes](#) in the West Bank and [protecting Palestinian children](#) from coerced confessions, torture and imprisonment by the Israeli military. Questions? Contact Mark Jagner at [mjagner@yahoo.com](mailto:mjagner@yahoo.com).

## **TrUU Hope Game Day & Pizza**

**Today, Jackson Chapel, 1:00pm–3:00pm**

TrUU Hope, invites LGBTQIA+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual, and similarly identified) youth and their siblings to a game day after classes. Pizza will be provided. Please RSVP for the purpose of ordering pizza. Questions? Contact Holly Ferrise at [hollyferrise@gmail.com](mailto:hollyferrise@gmail.com) or 734-754-1782.

## **One-Time Chalice Circle**

**Today, January 19, 1:15pm–3:00pm**

There are still two openings for this one-time Chalice Circle offered on Sunday, January 19 from 1:15pm to 3:00pm. Chalice Circles are small discussion groups where participants practice deep listening and make connections through sharing experiences, thoughts, and feelings. We will be exploring the topic of "Integrity." To register or learn more register e-mail [chalicecircles@uuaa.org](mailto:chalicecircles@uuaa.org).

## **Community of Writers**

**Today, Kemnitz Room, 1:00pm–2:30pm**

Come and share your writing goals for the New Year, what you plan to write, forms to explore, and writing to complete! Bruce Lund, leader of the meeting, also asks us to consider how our group activities might be expanded to meet our shared goals. We will discuss those activities, for example, a group theme suggested, a professional speaker invited, etc. Following this discussion, everyone is invited to read the writings they have prepared for this meeting. Questions? Contact Mary Lund at [mlund@mi.rr.com](mailto:mlund@mi.rr.com).

### **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Events**

#### **Monday, January 20, 10:00am**

Honor MLK's life, achievements, ideas, and inspiration by attending the University of Michigan's Keynote Speech at Hill Auditorium (825 North University Ave., Ann Arbor). The speaker will be Dr. Angela Davis. Doors at Hill open at 9:30am. No tickets are required. After the event, join other UUs and Challenging Racism Group on the lower level of Panera's, across from Hill, on North University. Grab your lunch and come downstairs (there is an elevator) for a lively discussion. Questions? Contact Margaret at [mdawsonpekarek@gmail.com](mailto:mdawsonpekarek@gmail.com).

#### **Wednesday Morning Readers**

##### **Wednesday, January 22, 10:00am–noon**

We will be discussing Toni Morrison's Pulitzer Prize winning book, *Beloved*. Join us in the Fahs Chapel. All are welcome. Questions? Contact Liz Hartley at [lizzyt48176@gmail.com](mailto:lizzyt48176@gmail.com).

#### **Mothers and Others**

##### **Saturday, January 25, 10:15am–noon**

Join our group of caregivers of young children for fellowship, support, and friendship! Mothers, fathers, grandparents, foster parents, and others are all welcome to join! We typically meet for playgroup in the UUAA nursery 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).

#### **Introduction to Our Faith**

##### **Saturday, January 25, 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. 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 or in the Newcomer Welcome Room during Social Hour. Registration deadline is today, January 19. Questions? Email [hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:hannah@uuaa.org).

#### **Sunderland Library Open House**

##### **Sunday, January 26, 10:30am**

Come check out what's new in your UUAA library! Meet our new computer; learn about our online catalogs for adult, youth and children's collections; and take a book from our "free books" shelf! Questions? Email [library@uuaa.org](mailto:library@uuaa.org).

#### **Annual Congregational Meeting & Lunch**

##### **Sunday, January 26, 11:30am**

A very special Congregational Meeting will be held at 11:30am January 26<sup>th</sup> in place of the second service. Our Vision 20/50 consultant, Elandria Williams, will facilitate an interactive, hands-on, all-congregation workshop. We will discuss data collected and set the course for UUAA. Kindergarten and up will participate. Childcare provided for infants and toddlers. Note: There are no second service SGD classes for kindergarten and up. Lunch will be provided. Also, a very special vote will take place—to become the sponsoring congregation for the ordination of our own theresa rohlck. Please be present for this important event in the life of UUAA. Questions? Email [BOT@uuaa.org](mailto:BOT@uuaa.org).

#### **Plant-Powered Family Potluck**

##### **Saturday, February 1, noon–2:00pm**

Join us for our vegan potluck in the Social Hall. Bring a plant-based vegan dish without meat, fish, eggs, dairy, honey, or other animal products. Enjoy the company of fellow mindful eaters, share information, and eat delicious food! Bring your own table service and serving tools. Questions? Email [sheilasanders@comcast.net](mailto:sheilasanders@comcast.net).

#### **Trans Inclusion in Congregations 3-Session Workshop**

##### **February, 15, 29, & March 28, 10:00am–1:30pm**

Welcome Ministries and Interweave invite you to a three-session workshop designed by the [Transforming Hearts Collective](#). This workshop features online presentations followed by discussion, focusing on gender roles and the experiences of transgender people. If you interested in digging deep and expanding welcoming practices in UU congregations, [register here](#) or email [hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:hannah@uuaa.org).

#### **Join a New Womyn's Circle – Meet Up**

##### **Saturday, February 15, 11:00am–1:00pm**

All UUAA Womyn interested in joining/forming a new Womyn's Circle are invited to a Meet & Greet at UUAA. Womyn throughout history have gathered in circles to empower each other and share wisdom and support. Some Womyn's Circles at UUAA have been together for more than 20 years! This gathering will provide information about Circles and offer help in starting a new group. Questions? Contact Pat Kuessner at [pkuessner07@comcast.net](mailto:pkuessner07@comcast.net).

#### **Womyn's Sisterhood Social**

##### **Friday, February 21, 6:00-9:00pm**

If you've never been to a Sisterhood Social, this is the perfect time to give it a try! Sisterhood Socials are casual events on the third Friday of each month that provide a warm and welcoming opportunity to get to know more women at UUAA. Please bring food to share for potluck dinner! This social will be held at 1149 Lester Ave., Ypsilanti. RSVP to Hostess Lorrie Carbone at 734-883-0072 or [lorrie.carbone@gmail.com](mailto:lorrie.carbone@gmail.com).

#### **Sharing the Collection on January 5, Growing Hope**

Thank you for your generosity on January 5. We collectively contributed \$2,793.44 toward the good work of Growing Hope. To learn about other ways to contribute to Growing Hope, visit them online at [www.growinghope.net](http://www.growinghope.net) Questions? Contact Jan Duncan at [janetdunc@gmail.com](mailto:janetdunc@gmail.com)

#### **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).

#### **February Newsletter Deadline**

##### **Tuesday, January 21, 9:00am**

Submissions of 300 words or fewer should be sent to [newsletter@uuaa.org](mailto:newsletter@uuaa.org). Questions? Email Hannah Hotchkiss at [Hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:Hannah@uuaa.org).

#### **Monday, January 20 | Building Closed**

In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, UUAA will be closed Monday, January 20.