

First Unitarian Universalist CONGREGATION OF ANN ARBOR

UUAA E-News & Pastoral News | May 24, 2020

Support UUAA

Sunday Morning Worship May 24, 2020 at 11:30am

This week's Sunday Worship can be viewed using this link.

We honor our graduating seniors and add our blessings, our hopes for them in this new chapter of their life. Of course, the crossings of life don't stop at high school's edge. Our whole lives flow on from bridge to bridge. Come celebrate, honor, and explore the sacred gift of moving on, again and again.



Sunday Social Time
Sunday, May 24, Immediately After the Service
Join fellow congregants for a virtual Social Time via
Zoom. Participants will be broken into small chat
rooms. So grab a cup of coffee and click on this Social
Time Zoom link.

To view or listen to past Sunday Services, click here.



If you would like to contribute to the Weekly Offering, <u>click here</u>.



"We Cannot Escape One Another"
Listen to Rev. Manish's brief reflection
on coming of age in the era of AIDS and
how that intersects with these COVID
times is now available as a 'video

reading.' If you would like to access it, please click here.

Meditation with Rev. Manish Wednesday, May 27, 4:00pm-5:00pm Attendees of Rev. Manish's Wednesday





meditation are reflecting on Buddhist teachings drawn from the following books, both of which are recommended resources: "Shambhala: The Sacred Path of the Warrior," by Chogyam Trungpa (1984) and "Welcoming the Unwelcome: Wholehearted Living in a Brokenhearted World," by Pema Chodron (2019).

Use this link: 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. <u>Use this link</u>. (Posted 4/9)



Pastoral Care Call Wednesday, May 27, 6:00pm-7:00pm

Pastoral Care Call is hosted twice a week: This space can be used for community and connection for those in need of support. Please note that there will be no

Pastoral Care Call on Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day.

Wednesday link:

https://zoom.us/j/292922216

Questions? Email Quiana Perkins at Quiana@uuaa.org.



Black Congregants at UU + POC Gathering Zoom Meetup Thursday, May 28, 6,20pm

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We are creating community space to be heard, heal, and help each other. This inclusive

BIPOC event will include a chalice lighting, reading, and space to dialogue. Families are encouraged to attend!
You must request the zoom link by emailing Quiana@uuaa.org.



Annual Congregational Meeting via Zoom Sunday, May 31, 11:30am

Save the date to attend the UUAA Annual Meeting when we vote for new Board and Leadership Development team members, review the past year, and plan for the year ahead. To learn about the slate

of candidates, view the agenda, and read Annual Reports and minutes from the last meeting **click here**. Information pertaining to the meeting will be added to our website as it becomes available.





Multicultural Outreach
Black Congregants at UU + POC Gathering
Zoom Meetup
Thursdays, June 11 & 25
NEW TIME 6:00pm

This inclusive BIPOC event will include a chalice lighting, reading, space to dialogue.

You must request the zoom link via email Quiana@uuaa.org.



Friday Fun Night Zoom Talent Show Friday, June 12, 7:00pm

UUs Got Talent! Show us what you've got! All ages are welcome to perform an act of **up to 4 minutes**-show us a magic trick, sing a song, play a piece,

dance, perform a skit.... Please note that adult supervision of Zoom management is requested. We have space for 12 acts. There will be a space to sign up as an alternate if the first 12 spots are filled. **Signup here**. Zoom link to participate and attend will be posted closer to the event time.

QuestionsEmail FridayFunNight@uuaa.org.



UUAA Men's Zoom Gathering Saturday, June 13, 7:00pm

Are you missing meaningful discussions with other UU men? Join us for a free online gathering via Zoom. We will meet as a large group and then breakout into moderated

topical discussion groups of your choosing. Connect with your computer or telephone.

Register to choose your discussion topic (see list below) and to provide your contact details. We will send you instructions by email a few days before the event.

Register here: https://forms.gle/PDKTLhRVtpib7VQK9 Questions? Email MensCouncil@uuaa.org.

Discussion topics areas:

- How has the pandemic impacted your well being and plans for the future?
- What are the public policy and social justice lessons we are learning from our current experience?
- What parenting challenges have you encountered and how can we support each other through it all?
- What unexpected joys or discoveries have you made in the last few months?





Habitat for Humanity Build is ON!

The 2020 Habitat for Humanity Good News House Build is happening.

Our two houses are ready to be renovated and we are anxious to get started! Good News House work days are on Fridays and Saturdays 8:30am-3:30pm. This year our work days are:

- Friday June 19 (6 volunteers)
- Saturday, July 25 (8 volunteers)
- Saturday, Aug 8 (4 volunteers)
- Saturday, Aug 29 (8 volunteers)
- Friday, Sept 18 (8 volunteers)

Note that 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 to. If you need help getting a mask or gloves, email habitat@uuaa.org

And yes, we still **need to raise at least \$7000** to help pay for renovations. You don't need to wait to help with that! Checks can be made out to UUAA (with "Habitat" in the memo line) and mailed to the church at 4001 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd, Ann Arbor 48103-8739. Or you can make a credit card donation from the link at uuaa.org/h4h and click on the "Donate" button. (Be sure to check the "Habitat for Humanity" box.)



UUAA Online

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

- Links to online services, Zoom Social Hour, Rev. Manish's Weekly Meditation, and information about virtual events can always be found on our website www.uuaa.org.
- If you are on Facebook, you might join our private community page, Our UUAA Community.
- If you use Instagram, follow uuaa_community.
- 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!

- -UUAA Web Team



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. Place your order online by emailing

<u>uuaaequalexchangeorder@gmail.com</u> or by calling Cathy Whitaker at 419-283-3430 or Ilene Beninson at 248-376-7031. All sales benefit the Unitarian Universalist Service Committe and this congregation.



Mindful Eating

In these uncertain times, Mindful Eating would like to help out. We know you want to support our local farmers, restaurants, food producers and suppliers. Find restaurants that are open for pick-up or delivery, and where can you get local

produce. For those struggling with food insecurity, we link you to where you can find food pantries and more -- all in our <u>Food</u> <u>Access News</u>.

Questions? Email Cathy at cathymuha@sbcglobal.net.



Scrip Program

The Scrip Program is **changing**. Names used for ScripNow, ReloadNow, and PrestoPay will be pler descriptions: eGift cards, reloading gift cards

replaced with simpler descriptions: eGift cards, reloading gift cards instantly or overnight, and paying online with a bank account or credit card. Many of the 750+ retailers offer instant eGift cards for immediate purchase that can be used personally or sent as gifts by email. It will now be even easier to differentiate online between instant reloads and overnight reloads. A reload products list shows the difference. Questions? Contact shopwithscrip.com or Carolyn Barber at cmbarber@umich.edu.





We honor our members
who honor the
community with 40+
years of presence and
relationship. Such
commitment and wisdom
are sources of our hope
and pride. Your lived
example invigorates our
work for justice and roots
us in abiding love.
We salute you, dear ones.
We love you. And we
thank you.

1954 PHILIP C
1957 WILLIAM L
1958 MARGARET K
1962 ROBERT R
JANE F
1963 ELVERA S
RAY K
1964 MARILYN C
STERLING C
ETHEL L
1965 IRWIN G
RUTH P

RUTH P
1967 JEAN C
KEN C
1968 JOHN H
WALT P
DAN G
MARY G
RUTH L

1969 ERIC E 1976
JOAN O
THOMAS O
1970 MARION H
CONSTANCE D 1975
SANDY F
RAYMOND G
BETTY W
1971 SARA G 1978

NEAL F 1978 DAVID K MARY K LYNN R 1979 LAURIE M
BRUCE G
MARGARET P
1980 DAVID F
KATHY F
GRETCHEN J
JOHN J
SCOTT S
SARA M

OUR LIVING ROOTS



UUAA Covid-19 Advisory Team Request

In support of and in compliance with Gov. Whitmer's extended stay-at-home order through May 28 and recognizing that many of our congregants fall into the at-risk category, our building will remain closed to in-person

gatherings. We ask that for the duration of the Governor's order that you refrain from visiting the UUAA property.

To view the entire message from the UUAA Covid-19 Advisory Team, <u>click here</u>.



Programming for Children & Youth

To learn about programming for children and youth, email **SGD@uuaa**.org.



Getting Started with Zoom

Use this <u>link for a quick tutorial to get started with Zoom.</u>



Suspicious Emails

Please note that there have been a lot of email scams recently. If you receive a request for money or gift cards from a UUAA staff member or receive a request through a UUAA group email address, do not respond. Always

check directly with a staff member using the contact information available in the UUAA Directory or listed on the UUAA website

