

This Week at UUAA June 3 - June 9, 2021

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The *Weekly News* is distributed each Thursday. Deadlines for submissions are Tuesdays at 5pm.

The deadline for the *Weekly News June 10 - 16* is Tuesday, June 8 at 5pm Eastern <u>through this form</u>.

Questions? <u>Watch this video</u> on how to submit to the *Weekly News*, or email Communications Ministry Specialist Karishma Gottfried at <u>communications@uuaa.org</u>.

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UUAA Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 6, 11:30am (Zoom Waiting Room Opens at 11:00am)

All UUAA congregants are invited to attend this year's Annual Meeting on Sunday, June 6 on Zoom. It has been a different but very eventful year to look back on.

The meeting materials include biographies of this year's candidates for the Board of Trustees and the Leadership Development Team. Members in good standing of UUAA will vote on these offices.

Members will also vote on the proposed bylaw changes detailed in the

meeting materials. There are changes to:

- add quorum and percentage requirements for passing and rescinding congregational resolutions;
- consolidate existing bylaws information on quorum requirements;
- more clearly state the congregation's areas of authority;
- specify how a decision would be made to dissolve the congregation.

Please read the meeting materials ahead of time so that you can be prepared to vote.

Use this link to see the meeting materials and read the 2020-2021 Annual Report.

Please register ahead of the meeting using this Zoom registration link



Sharing the Collection

Sunday, June 6, 11:30am

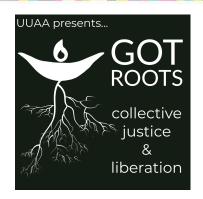
This month, we will share our collection with <u>Michigan UU Social Justice Network</u> MUUSJN is a UU action organization whose vision is "Michigan faith communities connected and empowered to create a more just and caring world."

You can give at <u>uuaa.org/giving</u>.

Questions? Email Jan Duncan at janetdunc@gmail.com.

Need more worship in your life? Watch past services, music, and stories in <u>our website archive</u>.

Upcoming Events For a full list of events, <u>visit the UUAA Calendar</u>.



Got Roots Garden Walk and Learning Tour

Events June 4 - 15

Got Roots is a project led by Mindful Eating, Racial Justice Arc, Climate Crisis Action, and the Social Justice Council. The goal is to serve and amplify the voices and work of marginalized people as related to food access and economic justice. Sign up below to participate in a garden

tour and work event at one of the local community gardens. Learn how

gardens can be a tool for liberation. This is an opportunity to get involved with members of the larger Washtenaw County community.

Learn more and sign up here.



Humanist Discussions

Thursday, June 3, 2:00pm Monday, June 14, 7:00pm

Humanism has a long history in our congregation, and a lively group of Humanists has been meeting for over 20 years, gathering on the second and

fourth Monday evenings and/or first and third Thursday afternoons to discuss topics relating to Humanist philosophy, theology, morals, ethics, reasoning, science -- the list is long and varied. All are welcome, regardless of theology or philosophy.

All meetings are still virtual. To get on our mail list, get the log-in information, or get answers to questions, send a query to <u>humanistgroupinfo@uuaa.org</u>.



SGD Listening Sessions Sunday, June 6, 3:00pm - 4:30pm Monday, June 7, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Our Spiritual Growth and Development program wants to hear from you! As we consider what our Fall program might look like, we wanted to have discussions with our families about what will work for them in the new program year.

If we end up with more interested people than spots, we can open up additional sessions.

Use this link to sign up.



Special Event on Disinformation *Tuesday, June 8, 7:00pm - 8:30pm*

Disinformation got you down? Join UUCivs for a Zoom seminar on how disinformation is created and spread, and strategies for countering it.

We'll draw on video content from the University of Michigan's 2020 teachout on "Disinformation, Misinformation, and Fake News" so we can learn from some of the country's top experts. At the end of the session, we'll link you to more resources to go deeper and share with others.

Click here to RSVP.



Community of Writers Congregational Reading

Sunday, June 13, 12:30pm

The congregation is invited to readings of original writings by the UUAA Community of Writers on June 13 following the service. Details about the Reading can be found in future issues of the *Weekly News*. A link to this

Zoom event will be provided to anyone who would like to attend. Guests will have time to pose questions and make comments, interacting with the Writers and each other. Contact Kathy Friedrichs at <u>kamf@umich.edu</u> or Sandy Kunkle at <u>sandykunkle@gmail.com</u>.



Newcomer Chalice Circle

Saturday, June 19, 1:00pm - 3:00pm Registration deadline: Monday, June 14

If you are new to UUAA and would like to explore the tenets of Unitarian Universalism, join us for a Chalice Circle discussion of the UU Seven Principles. What do they mean to you? How do they inspire you? You

will receive the Principles and reflection questions in advance, and we will practice a deep listening format during the discussion. Because these sessions depend on having a certain number of participants, we ask that you commit to attending and strive to arrive on time. We begin each session explaining how Chalice Circles work and the expectation of confidentiality.

Register by June 14 using this link.

Questions? Email Hannah@uuaa.org.



Halfway Home: Book Discussion

Wednesday, June 16, 10:00am - 11:30am Restorative Justice is pleased to present a discussion of Reuben Miller's new book Halfway Home: Race, Punishment, and the Afterlife of Mass Incarceration.

Rueben Miller, an assistant professor at the University of Chicago in the School of Social Service Administration, is a frequent speaker for Restorative Justice. According to Paul Butler of the *Washington Post*, the book is a "guide to the legal and social cruelties piled on Americans who have felony convictions." Please join us as Susan Ashmore leads us in discussion of this important account of life for returning citizens.

RSVP for the event here.



GREEN SANCTUARY Green Sanctuary 2030: A Faithful Response to the Climate Crisis Wednesday, June 16, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Please join us for an interactive discussion with Rev. Karen Brammer, Green Sanctuary Manager at UUA, to learn about what other congregations are doing through their Green Sanctuary programs to reduce their carbon footprints and center climate/environmental justice. Email <u>climate@uuaa.org</u> to obtain the Zoom link if you plan to attend.

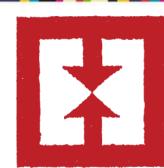


June Alpha House Host Week June 21 - 27

Alpha House is a shelter for families experiencing homelessness in Washtenaw County, founded by UUAA and other congregations as a community response to family homelessness.

Our June host week is coming up! You can help by donating funds, dropping-off a dish or supervising children's activities (outdoors or indoors if you are comfortable). Find more information and sign up online at <u>http://uuaa.org/AlphaSignup</u>. For questions, email <u>alphahouse@uuaa.org</u>.

Announcements



Equal Exchange Sales Support the UUAA, UUSC, and Small Farmers

Fair Trade coffee, tea, and chocolate are available through the UUAA from Equal Exchange. Sales benefit UUAA and the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) and help small farmers around the world who have been hit hard by the pandemic. Order for pick up or delivery at <u>uuaaequalexchangeorder@gmail.com</u>.



Partner Church Participation in June Service

Sunday, June 20, 11:30am

The Partner Church program is participating in the Sunday service on June 20 through music, children's story, and video of our Partner Church's social justice programs.

Links

<u>Reserve a Zoom room</u> | <u>View past services</u> <u>Log in to Realm</u> | <u>Make your pledge</u>



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