



First Unitarian Universalist CONGREGATION OF ANN ARBOR

This Week at UUAA August 5 - 11, 2021

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The *Weekly News* is distributed each Thursday. Deadlines for submissions are Tuesdays at 5:00pm.

The deadline for the *Weekly News* August 12 - 18 is Tuesday, August 10 at 5:00pm Eastern [through this form](#).

Questions? [Watch this video](#) on how to submit to the *Weekly News*, or email Communications Ministry Specialist Amber Beland at communications@uuaa.org.

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Join Us on Sunday

Sunday, August 8, 11:30am

Join us this Sunday at uuaa.org/service. We will gather on YouTube to worship together.

We will share the collection with [Friends In Deed](#). [Read more from the Sharing the Collection Committee here.](#)

After the live services, [head over to our Zoom social hour](#) to discuss the service and socialize with the community.

Need more worship in your life? Watch past services, music, and stories in [our website archive](#).

Upcoming Events

For a full list of events, [visit the UUA Calendar.](#)



Welcome Back, SGD! Survey

As we work toward a safe reopening in September, the SGD Program would like to learn more about your family's plans and/or preferences for return to in-person classes so that we can provide the best possible experience for all participating youth. Please complete the [survey here](#).

Even if you are not planning to enroll in SGD, your responses will help us plan for the future. For the purposes of this survey, please answer based on the assumption that vaccines for children under age 12 will not be available for the foreseeable future and that ALL PARTICIPANTS IN SGD PROGRAMMING WILL BE REQUIRED TO WEAR MASKS INDOORS, REGARDLESS OF VACCINE STATUS, UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Questions? Contact Stella at stella@uuaa.org.



SGDisc Golf

Sunday, August 8, at 2:00pm - 2:50pm and 3:00pm - 3:50pm

Come play disc golf at UUA! As a soft-start to the SGD Program, teachers KT Dowd and Eric Kramp will be teaching how to play disc golf on a temporary beginner three-hole course on the UUA grounds on Sunday, August 8. There will be two start times, at 2:00pm and 3:00pm, but show up as you can between 2:00pm and 4:00pm! Discs will be available for the program. Sensible shoes are strongly recommended.

Email Eric at eckramp@gmail.com with questions.



Reconnect * Reimagine Picnic

Saturday, August 14, 3:00pm - 6:00pm

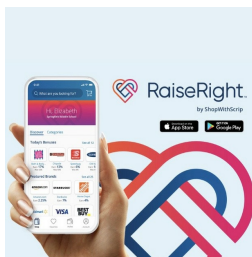
All ages are invited to celebrate UUA in community. Enjoy outdoor games, crafts, popup vendors, and water play. Reconnect and get to know new congregants. Relish in the beauty of our land and see the

upgrades to the playground and outdoor space.

- Wear bathing suits and bring towels for fun under the sprinkler and on the Slip and Slide
- Bring your own picnic and blanket and we will supply ice cream, snacks, and drinks
- Come with cash, checkbook, or a credit card to shop with our popup vendors
- Be prepared to be awed and amazed by Alexander the Great (4:00pm - 5:00pm)
- Fuel your imagination for crafts
- And be ready to get your game on!

If you would like to work with the fun crew hosting this event, [sign up here](#) to help with games, crafts, or cleanup.

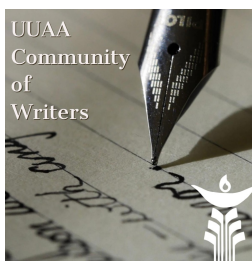
Questions? Contact Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss at Hannah@uuaa.org.



Scrip Table Returns

Saturday, August 14, 3:00pm - 6:00pm (In person!)

We will be on-site for the Reconnect * Reimagine Picnic. Remember to bring cash or a check to purchase cards for places where you already shop. Until then, many gift cards are eligible to be shipped directly to you when purchased on the mobile app RaiseRight. [Get help at scrip@uuaa.org](mailto:scrip@uuaa.org).



Community of Writers

Sunday, August 15, 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Quincy Northrup, who will facilitate the readings and the afterwords at the August meeting, suggests members write on the topic, "The Road Not Taken," taking inspiration from the Robert Burns poem. Everyone is also invited to read a poem that he or she has found supremely suited for reading aloud. As always, total reading time is limited to 5 minutes.

For more information and/or to request the Zoom link, contact Kathy Friedrichs at kamf@umich.edu or Sandy Kunkle at sandykunkle@gmail.com.

Humanist Study Group

Thursday, August 19, 2:00pm

Monday evening meetings will be suspended until September.



Topics will include "Can Silicon Valley Find God?" (*NY Times*) and "How evangelicals abandoned Christianity — and became 'conservatives' instead" (*Salon*).

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 (though not in August) 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 mailing list, get the log-in information, or ask any other questions, send a query to humanistgroupinfo@uuuaa.org.

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**



Calling Memorial Reception Volunteers

Have you attended a memorial service at UUAA and noticed the thoughtful work done by volunteers during the reception after the service? You can be part of that loving team of helpers if you can occasionally share just two to four hours of your time.

Memorial services and receptions are held at UUAA throughout the year for congregants who have passed away. The Memorial Reception Team helps families in this difficult time by managing the setup, serving, and cleanup for each reception.

Our Memorial Reception Team needs additional volunteers. To join the team, email Betsy Price at cottonbets@gmail.com.



Outdoor Movie Night

Friday, September 24, 7:30pm - 9:30pm

Do you like movies? Then join the Friday Fun Night Team and your UUAA community for a movie under the stars on Friday, September 24 at 7:30pm. Bring your blankets, lawn chairs, and a picnic if you so choose. Popcorn and beverages will be provided.

What would you like to see? How about a classic like the Wizard of Oz? Maybe animation is your thing. Sci-Fi? Rom-com? Musicals? The possibilities are endless. Make movie suggestions by clicking [here](#) and then selecting as many of the choices as you want. You can select "Other" and then fill in your favorite movie title, which will automatically be added to the list.

In a few weeks, the Friday Fun Night Team will send out another survey with the top five choices. The one receiving the most votes will be shown on the grounds of the UUAA congregation as part of Friday Fun Night on September 24 at 7:30 pm.

Links

[Reserve a Zoom room](#) | [View past services](#)
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