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### UUAA August 2019 Newsletter

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## Weaving Worship

Dr. Glen Thomas Rideout, Director of Worship & Music

### August 2019 | Principles

#### UUAA's Worship Planning Team

Dr. Glen Thomas Rideout, Director of Worship & Music  
Rev. Cassandra Hartley, Assistant Minister for Spiritual Growth & Development  
Rev. Lindasusan V. Ulrich, Assistant Minister  
Allison Halerz, Pianist-in-Residence  
Rev. Manish Mishra-Marzetti, Senior Minister

In any year, the summer months present interesting challenges for the worship planning team. During the church year, we engage the gymnastic, telescopic mission of deciding a thematic direction for the coming month while honing a message for the coming week. Summer is the time when finalizing plans for the coming year comes calling to the conversation. Nascent ideas need honing, musical ensembles need scheduling, preaching/leading schedules need deciding...and all mere weeks before Water Communion and Christmas Eve planning get underway!

In September, this column will return to a more familiar form (a weekly forecast for our spiritual work in worship). Until then, I focus on helping the worship planning team navigate these months of deep transition and fresh possibility.

In August, our weekly themes will look at the Seven Principles of Unitarian Universalism.

As we look to the future, our weekly gathering of spiritual community is more helpful than ever. Now it is particularly important to remember how much our calling toward

abiding love and unmitigated justice must remain, must persist, must find room to grow again. I look forward to helping lead the effort of this people to notice the worth of love and community as the new year dawns.



Dr. Glen Thomas Rideout  
Director of Worship and Music  
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## Vision 20/50 Ambassadors Needed

### Vision 20/50

Are you interested in helping with Vision 20/50? We need ambassadors to help facilitate discussions with our UUAA community around a set of visioning questions -- the next step in our visioning process. There will be many venues for these discussions -- Sundays after service, home events, committee and group meetings, Family Fun Nights, and more.

Our goal is to engage a large percentage of the UUAA community so we can explore the kind of congregation we hope to be in the near and long term. Each ambassador will facilitate two to four sessions between September and December. Training will be provided. Please consider helping with this important work!

Questions? Email Beth Hospadaruk at [beth.hospadaruk@gmail.com](mailto:beth.hospadaruk@gmail.com).



## Sneak Peek at 2019-2020 Congregational Year

### Sneak Peek at the 2019-2020 Congregational Year

by Rev. Manish Mishra-Marzetti

In the spirit of joy and anticipation, the staff team offers our community a sneak peek at things to come in the 2019-2020 congregational year ahead. Among the wonderful opportunities we have to look forward to are:

- Grades K-3 OWL -- Our Whole Lives, lifespan sexuality education (Fall 2019)
- Adult OWL (Fall 2019)
- "The Art of Sacred Storytelling," six-session participatory seminar featuring *The Moth's* Satori Shakoor and the UUAA Worship Team (first class session: 11/2/2019)
- Movie Night with Rev. Manish watching and discussing Jordan Peele's *Us* (10/4/2019)
- Halloween celebrations at Friday Fun Night (10/25/2019) and in our services (10/27/2019)
- Building an All Souls Altar honoring our beloveds who have died (11/3/2019)

- Our second UUAA Delegation to the US-Mexico border (11/10/2019 - 11/14/2019)
- Special guest musician Melanie DeMore joins us for our BIG sing weekend (3/14/2020 & 3/15/2020)
- Honoring the Humanist Manifesto's 87th anniversary (May 2020)
- Honoring our congregation's 155th anniversary (May 2020)
- And so, so much more...!

Stay tuned for more information and event details forthcoming in the months ahead!



## For Your Calendar

### Outdoors Women Hike and Potluck \* Saturdays, August 3 & 24

Outdoors Women is a group of nature-loving UUs who enjoy walking, hiking, bicycling, kayaking, picnics, and more! We organize events twice per month, usually first and third Saturdays unless otherwise noted (\*). We also have an email list so group members can coordinate informal activities.

Partners, children, and friends are welcome at the August & September events listed below. Contact Sandy Eyl at [sandy.eyl@gmail.com](mailto:sandy.eyl@gmail.com) or 313-213-5559 for more information, to join our email list, or RSVP for an event.

**Saturday, August 3, 10:30am** | Dog-friendly walk at South Lillie Park in Ann Arbor followed by an optional lunch at Ahmo's Gyros and Deli on Stone School Rd.



**Saturday, August 24, 11:00am** | Shaded picnic and beach day at Kent Lake Beach (Island Lake Picnic Grounds / Kent Lake Beach Rd., Brighton, MI -- a 30- to 40-minute drive from Ann Arbor) each with option for paddle or hike.

**Saturday, September 7, Time TBD** | Tentative "doggie dip" at Rolling Hills County Park with option for dog-friendly walk before or after.

**Saturday, September 21, 10am** | 1.5-hour downriver kayak trip, meeting at Gallup Park Livery in Ann Arbor, followed by optional picnic lunch.



### BLUU \* Sunday, August 4

Join us this summer for BLUU Community Connections on Sunday, August 4, 12:00pm - 1:30pm. Please note that these Community Connections will be closed/black-only space. All those who identify as black are welcome to attend. If you are a non-black person and have a desire to connect with BLUU, here are some other ways to engage, connect, and learn:

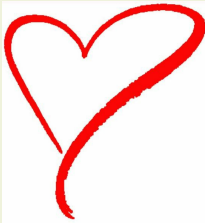
1. The website: <https://www.blacklivesuu.com/>
2. YouTube Black Lives UU channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaX1WEmwOjOfGG3yBYwCqbg>

We look forward to seeing you over the summer.

Questions? Email Quiana at [quiana@uuua.org](mailto:quiana@uuua.org).



## Memory Loss Caregiver Support \* Wednesday, August 7



The Memory Loss Caregiver Support Group, sponsored by the UUAA Pastoral Care Team in partnership with the Alzheimer's Association, meets regularly the first Wednesday of each month from 3:00pm to 4:30pm in the David Room. It is a drop-in group, open to both members of the congregation and the larger community. We encourage congregants who may know a person giving care to someone with memory loss, to let them know that they are welcome to join the support group.

A support group offers caregivers, family members, and friends of people with memory loss the opportunity to ask questions, share stories, give and receive comfort, and gain practical knowledge. A confidential, positive setting for sharing experiences is known to be an important factor in how well one copes with caregiver stress.

**Save the dates:** The Memory Loss Caregiver Support Group and the Alzheimer's Association are co-sponsoring two one-hour workshops at UUAA in the Fall. These workshops are open to everyone.

**Wednesday, October 16, 2019**  
10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's

**Wednesday, November 20, 2019**  
Living with Alzheimers | for Middle Stage Caregivers

Flyers are on the Pastoral Care Table in the Social Hall and posted on the Pastoral Care bulletin board outside the Social Hall.

Questions? Contact Joan Burleigh at [joburleigh@aol.com](mailto:joburleigh@aol.com), Sandy Kunkle at [sandykunkle@gmail.com](mailto:sandykunkle@gmail.com), or Meredith Ley at [meredithl888@gmail.com](mailto:meredithl888@gmail.com).



## Senior Dinner Out \* Wednesday, August 7



The UUAA Senior Dinner Out will be at 6:00pm at Hot Pot Chen (2255 West Stadium Blvd., Ann Arbor) No reservations are required. Just come and enjoy good food and conversations. Questions? Contact Marie Duke at 734-769-0467 or [omaduke7@gmail.com](mailto:omaduke7@gmail.com).



## People of Color (POC) Brown Bag Lunch \* Sunday, August 11

### POC Brown Bag Lunch Gatherings

We are excited to be hosting the second People of Color (POC) Brown Bag Lunch gathering of the Summer. We hope you will be able to join us: Sunday August 11, 12:00pm - 1:30pm. Please bring a brown bag lunch! The time will be focused on conversation and building



community. This space is being held for those who identify as people of color.

Questions? Email Quiana at [quiana@uuuaa.org](mailto:quiana@uuuaa.org).



## Introduction to OUUr Faith \* Saturday, August 24



Join Rev. Lindasusan Ulrich and Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss for this engaging workshop on Saturday, August 24, 10:00am - 2:30pm. Explore the history and theology of Unitarian Universalism. What does it mean to be a covenant religion? How has UU been at the forefront of social change? What are the rights and responsibilities of membership? How can you connect here? Share your spiritual journey with fellow congregants.

Whether you are ready to sign the membership book or are just starting to explore Unitarian Universalism, you are welcome to take part. [Register online](#) or by filling out an Introduction to OUUr Faith registration form found on the Involvement Table during Social Hour. The registration deadline is Sunday, August 18. If you need childcare, please register by Sunday, August 11. Questions? Contact Hannah Hotchkiss at [hannah@uuuaa.org](mailto:hannah@uuuaa.org).



## Dialog Across the Divide: Refusing to Be Enemies \* Sunday, August 25

### Unity Group Rekindled

#### First Series:

**Documentary | *Dialogue Across the Divide: Refusing to Be Enemies***

**Sunday, August 25, Fahs Chapel, 11:45am**

**Co-sponsored by the Unity Group & UUs for Justice in the Middle East**

The Unity Group is not a new concept for the UUAA. Its origins reach way back to the 19th century, when the "Unity Club" was a thriving community platform to foster interfaith dialog in Ann Arbor.

A number of UUAA congregants recently revitalized the group and are programming its first series, scheduled for the fourth Sunday of each month beginning in August.

With rhetoric for the upcoming 2020 elections already heating up, and many opportunities for discussion on the horizon from social networks to family dinners, this initial series will focus on how to dialog about disagreements and remain in right relationship with each other.

The documentary *Refusing to Be Enemies* features a group of six Arab and six Jewish women who formed the group Zeitouna over a decade ago. The film does not attempt to answer questions of right and wrong, or how to solve the Middle East



conflict. Instead, it offers living proof of how the journey of personal transformation may pave the way to socio-political transformation and peace.

Zeitouna often works with the greater community, including the University of Michigan, Eastern Michigan University, and with groups across Michigan, the country, and internationally. Zeitouna members will attend and introduce the 58-minute film. A brief Q&A about the making of the film will follow.

The mission of the Unity Group is to offer intellectual and cultural programs that represent a range of religious perspectives reflecting our UU principle of respecting the inherent worth and dignity of every person. The goal is to expand interfaith and intercultural understanding. Of special interest is presenting under-represented voices at UUAA. Events might include intercultural music or dance, speakers, and more.

To join, share ideas, or offer to present, please contact [unitygroup@uuaa.org](mailto:unitygroup@uuaa.org).



## News and Announcements

### Alpha House | Summer 2019 Meals Needed



Alpha House is a shelter for families experiencing homelessness in Washtenaw County. Four times per year, UUAA volunteers host a service week at Alpha House, and our next host week is over Thanksgiving (Wednesday, November 27 through Sunday, December 1).

In summertime, there are some days that no congregation is signed up to host. Alpha House staff has requested individual volunteers (or families) to help provide meals for some open slots in August. Find the open slots here:

<https://tinyurl.com/AHSummer19>

Families like: spaghetti pie, taco bar, baked or fried chicken, sweet potatoes, watermelon slices, party subs, or pizza and salad.

Alpha House asks that you plan to provide a meal for 25 people because leftovers are always used. You can find the number of adults and kids, any dietary concerns, and a list of favorite meals here: <https://tinyurl.com/AHResidents>. You can see the meals served recently here: <https://tinyurl.com/AHPastMeals>. You can also call to check whether they have dressing, sauces, cheese, etc. that can be used or to ask anything else about the dietary concerns or meal planning.

Questions? Call the Alpha House staff at 734-822-0220.



### Habitat for Humanity



### **Good News Group**

UUAA is part of the Good News Group, an interfaith project which includes 16 congregations that have been working together since 1997 and have helped 33 families with over 65 children move into affordable, very energy efficient housing. We help families, neighborhoods, and the environment -- and we laugh and have fun doing it.

### **This Year You Helped Build a House**

UUAA took part in on-site construction and rehabilitation of our 34th house on May 18, June 8, June 14, and July 27. Thank you to all who helped with construction and who provided our much-anticipated lunches.

### **This Year You Can Help with a Community Event**

To supplement working on the houses, we are excited to offer a "new" community outreach volunteer opportunity, helping support the 3rd annual Sugar Brook Neighborhood Youth Day. Sugar Brook Park is in Ypsilanti Township near a group of Habitat-renovated homes and is supported in part by Habitat for Humanity Huron Valley.

Whole families can volunteer. There will be fun, food, and games in the park for about 200 neighbors! Help set up, clean up, or oversee games and activities on Saturday, August 17. Stop by the Habitat Table in the Social Hall during Social Hour for details, or you can Sign up to help online.

### **You Can Help with Construction Costs**

We still need help with construction costs. UUAA has pledged \$7500 as our share. This will be added to the contributions from the other 16 congregations to help pay for the materials and contracted work on the houses.

### **Learn More**

Stop by the Habitat Table in the Social Hall during Sunday Social Hour to learn more about any of the above or to join our committee.

Questions? Visit our website [uuaa.org/h4h](http://uuaa.org/h4h), email [habitat@uuaa.org](mailto:habitat@uuaa.org), or call Mike Muha at 734-717-4627.



## **Humanist Groups**

### **Are You a Humanist?**

Do you believe that we must decide for ourselves what the meaning of our lives is? Do you believe that humans, rather than a supreme being, define morality and ethics? Do you believe that God is created in humans' image? If you answer yes to any of these questions, or if you are unsure of



the answers, then consider joining this group which is searching for answers to these questions. Humanism has a long history in our congregation, and a lively group of humanists has been meeting for about 20 years, with the current group of about 20 members gathering to discuss topics relating to humanist philosophy, theology, morals, ethics, reasoning, science, and more.

There are two Humanist discussion groups. The Afternoon Humanists Group and Evening Humanists Group discuss the same issues, with some of the same participants, and sometimes with the same discussion leaders. Both groups provide varied, lively discussion opportunities.

All are welcome at either or both of these meetings.

Thursdays, August 1 and 15 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm  
Mondays, August 12 and 26 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm (note that the evening group has moved to a new day)

For more information about the Thursday afternoon group, contact Bruce Gibb at [bgibb@aol.com](mailto:bgibb@aol.com).

For more information about the Monday evening group, contact Hal Breidenbach at [hal@breidenbach.net](mailto:hal@breidenbach.net).



## Memorials & Tribute Gifts to UUAA

Thank you to the following people who donated to UUAA with Memorial and Tribute gifts in the second quarter of 2019.

In Honor of the Marriage of Karen and Leigh Robertson  
Marian Horowitz

To Habitat for Humanity, in Memory of Dan Horal  
Kathleen Reus

In Memory of Camille Hospadaruk  
Steve and Mary Ann Camron

In Memory of Eleanor Hoag, Maureen Salazar, Joan Doman, Donna Roe, and Ann Bonvallet  
Carolyn and Dick Barber



## Sharing the Collection



### Your Contributions Make a Difference!

The Sharing the Collection Committee is happy to share the good news; on July 7, we raised \$1,617 for Community Action Network, [www.canwashtenaw.org](http://www.canwashtenaw.org).

So far in 2019, we have raised over \$18,000 to benefit non-



profit organizations in Washtenaw County who are serving the needy and the disadvantaged. Mark your calendar for these upcoming collections:

- On August 4, to benefit [Religious Action for Affordable Housing](#).
- On September 8, to benefit [Washtenaw Literacy](#).

Do you know a community-service organization in Washtenaw County that would like to apply to be one of our recipients in 2020? Have them fill out the form located on our webpage: [bit.ly/sharingthecollection](http://bit.ly/sharingthecollection).

Are you not able to attend services on the Sunday of Sharing the Collection? You can mail a check to UUAA, noting "Sharing the Collection" in the memo line.

The Sharing the Collection Committee: Bob Dinan, Jan Duncan, Casey Jackson, Glenn Kime, and Fran Lyman.

Questions? Email Bob Dinan at [bdinan83@gmail.com](mailto:bdinan83@gmail.com).



## Sunday Welcome Teams



We have openings for 2019-2020 Sunday Welcome Teams. Summer is a great time to try out ushering, greeting, hosting a Newcomer Welcome Session, or assisting with Social Hour. See if it is the right fit for you! Typically, Sunday Welcome Team members sign up to help one service a month. If you are interested in learning more, contact Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss at [hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:hannah@uuaa.org).



## Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC)



### UUSC at General Assembly 2019

UUSC was well represented at General Assembly (GA) 2019 with two workshops.

The first, "Criminalization of Solidarity, a Global Challenge" was an update on legal struggles of people around the world who are in solidarity with refugees and their plight. There was a report on "No More Deaths" advocate Dr. Scott Watson, on trial for providing humanitarian relief to people crossing the border. His latest trial ended in a hung jury, which will necessitate a new trial. Also, Parker Dieghan, UUSC Abuse Documentation Coordinator, was charged with a misdemeanor for aiding immigrants.

In the second workshop, picking up on "The Power of We" theme for GA, UUSC underlined its major focus of "Succeeding through Partnership." Partner organizations in the South Pacific in general, Fiji in particular, and Alaska seaside communities are being severely affected by rising temperatures and water levels. They are in desperate need of guidance on how to manage their situation. "Are You Syrious" is a new partner in Croatia that is helping to educate refugee children and find gainful employment for their parents. These are only three of the UUSC partners working around the world with grass-roots organizations that are doing all they can in their own communities.

How fortunate we are to have an organization like UUSC, bringing our assistance to a struggling world in the name of Unitarian Universalists. [Please join](#) and support this work financially.

Questions? Email Quincy at [qnorthrup@gmail.com](mailto:qnorthrup@gmail.com).



## On the Horizon

### Womyn's Retreat 2019 | Register Now



Join us at the 2019 UUA Womyn's Retreat, September 27-29 at beautiful YMCA Camp Copneconic (45 minutes north of Ann Arbor in Fenton). This retreat is a venue to meet other women in the congregation, enjoy interesting workshops, relax, and renew. It is a wonderful opportunity to reflect, laugh, and connect in a warm and safe circle of women of all ages. Teens over age 14 are encouraged to attend with an adult sponsor.

Nearly a dozen workshops are planned, along with many fun activities. In our "Women's Wares" sale, attendees will be able to view and purchase art, crafts, music, and books handcrafted by other attendees. In addition, we invite women who are licensed massage therapists to bring their table or chair and offer short massages. Or, if you're experienced at tarot or astrology readings, bring your talents to share. These services may be offered for a nominal fee.

Our lodges offer a variety of sleeping arrangements. A separate building has been reserved for our teen attendees, and there's a separate apartment for our nursing moms and their infants!

The registration fee is \$170 (\$125 for ages 14-25). This fee includes lodging, meals, retreat t-shirt (if registered before 9/10/19), workshops, and most activities. Attendees may choose to pay \$10 extra for each of the following: high ropes course, zip line, and climbing wall. Scholarships are available – we ask that you pay what you are able and request our help with the rest. Please try to request assistance before September 10, 2019.

Pick up a registration form at the Womyn's Community Table in the Social Hall or register online at [www.uuaa.org](http://www.uuaa.org). Contact Roen Montalva, Womyn's Retreat Chair at [womensretreat@uuaa.org](mailto:womensretreat@uuaa.org) or Judi Lintott at 734-352-7285.



### 20th Annual Men's Retreat | Save the Date



Please join us for the 20th Annual UUA Men's Retreat to be held September 21-23 at Judson Collins Retreat Center (45 minutes west of Ann Arbor). This year's theme will be "Resilience." We are looking for group leaders and workshop leaders. Scholarships are available. Registration begins in August. Questions? Email Jim Schaefer at [jim@jvscontrols.com](mailto:jim@jvscontrols.com).



## Did You Know...?



### UUA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General Assembly will convene June 19-23, 2019 in Spokane, Washington.

Did you know that General Assembly gathers an average yearly attendance of 4,100 Unitarian Universalists from across the globe? This year's gathering (June 19-23) took place in Spokane, WA. This year's topic was "The Power of We." To hear the GA events such as the Ware Lecture, given by poet Richard Blanco, the GA Sunday Worship Service, or the Theme Program Conversations, [click here](#).



## Welcome to Our Newest Members

### Tisha & Joshua Berg



#### Tisha

I am a wife, mom of two beautiful teenage daughters, and a graduate student in clinical psychology. I am a recent transplant to Michigan from California, where I lived and raised my kids for 12 years. My family and I attended UU churches in Pasadena and Santa Monica, and we really enjoy and appreciate the diversity of cultures, beliefs, and religions within the UU congregations.

#### Joshua

I am the proud husband of Tisha Berg and proud father of Sosie and Sage. I am also a humanist celebrant and chaplain certified by The Humanist Society, of which I am now a board member. Over the past few years, I have officiated numerous marriages and celebration of life memorials. Having completed a unit of chaplaincy training at Beaumont Hospital in Michigan, I began a Masters of Divinity program at Meadville Lombard last year to continue chaplaincy studies. I will be an intern this year at the Northwest UU Congregation in Southfield Michigan and am working toward fellowship in the UUA. I have published essays in the *Humanist* magazine and on [TheHumanist.com](http://TheHumanist.com) among many other publications. Tisha and I are starting a business, HMS Enrichment, to offer continuing education, counseling, and other training and enrichment opportunities. I am honored and excited to become a member of UUA!



### Kim Borger & Kerene Moore

#### Kerene

I am a native Detroitter who resides in Ann Arbor with my wife and three children. I practice public interest law and volunteer on multiple nonprofit boards and local commissions. I was first acquainted with UUA through its support for the Jim Toy Community Center. I was drawn to the church after participating on a panel for a 7th grade SGD class and realized that I wanted that type of spiritual guidance for my son. In the process, I'm grateful to have found a group of welcoming like-minded spirits.



### **Kim**

I live in Ann Arbor with my wife and three children. I enjoy photography, arts and crafts, and family-friendly activities. On any given day, I can be found hanging out at the local library, grilling, or throwing together a last-minute family bonfire. We're glad to find a church that is welcoming and supportive.



## Andrea Grieb



Full-time mother and full-time creative writing PhD, Andrea moved back to Ann Arbor in January from Amsterdam with her now seven-month-old son. Andrea and Elio are hugely appreciative of being back home with family and connecting with the UUAA community because of its emphasis on crucial issues, such as social justice and white privilege, and it takes a whole village to raise our children.



## Rebecca & Todd Helm



### **Rebecca**

Rebecca was raised in Livonia and spent her time as a young adult studying dance and theater. She now lives in Ypsilanti with her husband, Todd, and their wonderfully energetic, three-year-old son, Henry. She is currently working at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital as a pharmacy technician and indigent care coordinator. At home she spends her spare time baking, trying new recipes, and reading. She also enjoys camping and exploring new places with her family.

### **Todd**

Todd was born and raised in Ann Arbor. He moved to Ypsilanti 13 years ago shortly before meeting Rebecca. Todd has been working for the Kroger Company for the last 24 years. He is a union man who likes watching baseball, going to concerts, and is on a never-ending search for the best ice cream sundae.



## Julie Tanguay

Born in Connecticut, raised in Livonia, Julie went on to receive a B.A. from College of Creative Studies in Detroit. She worked as a graphic designer from 1977 to 2016.





Julie has one son, Matthew. She is a beekeeper and singer.



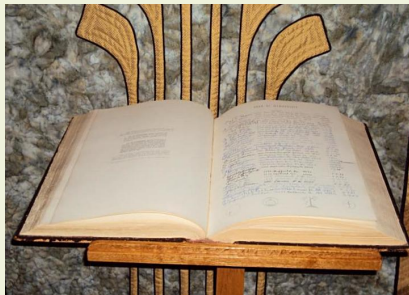
## Megan Utke



I live in Dexter with my significant other, John, and my two children, Maeryn and Dresden. I've intermittently attended UUAA for the past decade, and I'm excited to finally join the church as an official member. I work at the University of Michigan in the Office of Financial Aid. My hobbies include juggling work and home as well as reading, biking, and hiking. My family looks forward to building stronger connections with the church moving forward. Please say hello and introduce yourself!



## Becoming a Member



To start your path to membership, we ask that you attend an Introduction to OUUr Faith workshop, which covers Unitarian and Universalist history, governance of congregations, and the rights and responsibilities of membership. It is also a wonderful space to share your spiritual journey and get to know the journeys of fellow congregants.

The next offering of Introduction to OUUr Faith is Saturday, August 24 from 10:00am to 2:30pm. If interested, register by Sunday, August 18. If you would like childcare for this workshop, please register by Sunday, August 11. You can [register online](#), pick up a paper registration form from the Involvement Table during Social Hour, or email the Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss directly at [hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:hannah@uuaa.org). Childcare will be provided.

If you have completed the Introduction to OUUr Faith class and are ready to officially join UUAA as a member and sign the Membership Book, email Hannah at [hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:hannah@uuaa.org) to arrange a signing.



## Office and Building News



## Publication Deadlines

### **Weekly Bulletin Deadline: Wednesdays at 5:00pm**

Submissions should be sent as an attachment in Word format and limited to 90 words or fewer. Send submissions to [bulletin@uuaa.org](mailto:bulletin@uuaa.org).

### **September Newsletter Deadline: Wednesday, August 21 at 9:00am**

All submissions should be sent as an attachment in Word format and limited to 300 words or fewer. Send submissions to [newsletter@uuaa.org](mailto:newsletter@uuaa.org).

Questions? Contact Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss at [hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:hannah@uuaa.org).



## Reserving a Room at UUAA

### **Summer Room Reservations**

We began accepting all room reservations for the Summer Program Session on May 1.

As a reminder, the UUAA room reservation calendar system is divided into two sessions:

#### **Summer Program Session**

(Sunday, May 26, 2019 - Saturday, Sept 7, 2019)

##### **Building Hours**

Sunday | 9:00am - 4:00pm

2nd and 4th Monday | 9:00am - 9:00pm

Monday - Wednesday | 9:00am - 5:00pm

Thursday | 9:00am - 9:00pm

Friday | Closed

Saturday | 9:00am - 12:00pm

#### **Congregational Program Session**

(Sunday, Sept 8, 2019 - Saturday, May 23, 2020)

##### **Building Hours**

Sunday | 8:30am to 4:00pm

Monday - Thursday | 9:00am to 9:00pm

1st and 3rd Fridays | 5:00pm to 9:00pm

Other Fridays | Closed

Saturday | 9:00am to 4:00pm

To submit a room request use the [Request a Room](#) link found at [www.uuuaa.org](http://www.uuuaa.org) on the lower right corner of the home page. Completing this form allows us to accommodate accessibility needs, room setup, audio/visual equipment, and special arrangements for large groups.

Starting July 1, 2019, we will begin accepting room requests for large events expecting over 50 attendees for the Congregational Program Session. All other room requests for the Congregational Program Session will be accepted starting August 1, 2019.

### **Consider these when planning your event:**

- Recurring events are scheduled within each session. If a recurring event

flows into the next program session, a new room reservation request will need to be submitted.

- For events expecting 50 or more attendees, allow extra processing time, as it will need to be approved by staff prior to being placed on the calendar.
- Room reservation requests during Sunday Service hours are restricted to those that:
  - anticipate 15 or fewer participants and
  - are timed to allow those participants to attend one full Sunday service.
- The Sanctuary room may be available for scheduled use one hour before and/or one hour after any other scheduled event in this space.
- Check the UUAA calendar as a guide, since other requests may affect your approved times.

Questions? Contact the Room Team at [room@uuaa.org](mailto:room@uuaa.org).



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**Sunday** | 9:00am - 4:00pm

**2nd and 4th Monday** | 9:00am - 9:00pm

**Monday - Wednesday** | 9:00am - 5:00pm

**Thursday** | 9:00am - 9:00pm

**Friday** | Closed

**Saturday** | 9:00am - 12:00pm

**Office: Monday - Thursday** | 9:00am - 5:00pm



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