



FIRST UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION OF ANN ARBOR

Monthly Newsletter | June 2022

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Worship

NOTE: Summer Worship -- One Service at 10:30am



June Worship

Summer worship schedule shifts to one service at 10:30am ET for those attending in person or livestreaming, and as always, archived services are available on demand.

June begins with our congregational meeting preceded by a short recorded service celebrating our Vision 20/50 year. Note there is NO IN PERSON option on June 5. The service begins at 10:30am ET.

uuaa.org/service

The rest of the month will include our annual bridging service as we celebrate our graduating youth; a service exploring the holiday of Juneteenth; and we end the month coming together to experience the livestreamed worship service from General Assembly in Portland OR. Check the weekly news later for details about timing for those who want to gather in person to watch as a community.

June Sharing the Collection

Sunday, June 12

On June 12, the Sunday collection connects the UUA to the [Student Advocacy Center of Michigan](#), which works collaboratively with underserved students and their families to stay in school, realize their rights to a quality public education, and grow and experience success.

You may drop your check in the Sunday collection basket or mail your check to UUA (4001 Ann Arbor Saline Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48103) with

Sharing the Collection/Student Advocacy Center in the memo. You can also contribute to Sharing the Collection online by [clicking here and scrolling](#) to Sharing the Collection—Student Advocacy Center.

Please contact sharecollection@uuaa.org with any questions or suggestions.

After the Sunday Service

Because of the rising number of Covid cases in Washtenaw County, we are serving grab-and-go donuts and ask that you remain masked at all times in the building; this includes the Social Hall.

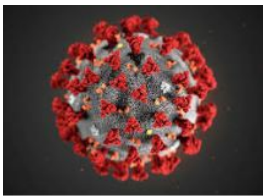
There will be a limited number of group display tables. [Please note the latest communication from our COVID Advisory Team.](#)

Give to UUA



[A Note from your Congregational Chaplain, rev. theresa.](#)

Highlighted News & Events



FROM UUA's COVID ADVISORY TEAM: UPDATE TO COVID 'GENERAL NOTIFICATION' PROCEDURES

The UUA COVID Advisory Team met this week and has decided to move to a once-a-week Dashboard system for General Notifications of COVID cases within our community. This Dashboard will be included in UUA's weekly e-news, and will indicate the number of positive COVID reports within our community over the course of the preceding week, including "0" cases, if there are none.

UUA will continue to act immediately on any Close Contact Notifications that may be needed, notifying any potentially exposed close contacts right away. This change impacts only how UUA will be handling General Notifications, for those who are not close contacts, and mirrors recent changes in COVID General Notification procedures by local institutions such as the Ann Arbor Public Schools.

Any questions or feedback about this change may be directed to the COVID Advisory Team at covidteam@uuaa.org. The members of UUA's COVID-

19 Advisory Team are Jim Lee, Jim Marks, Tom Reischl, Laura Bauman, Cassandra Hartley, Carter Smith, and Manish Mishra-Marzetti.

Weekly COVID Dashboard

May 17 - May 26

Total Positive Cases: 1



Annual Congregational Meeting Via Zoom

Sunday, June 5, 10:30am - 12:45pm

The 2022 Annual Congregation Meeting will be held virtually on Sunday, June 5. (Note: The building will not be open that day.)

There will be a Service of Celebration beginning at 10:30am, followed by the meeting at 11:00am. The meeting will include a vote on proposed Bylaw changes related to the membership of the Leadership Development Team. Absentee voting will be available. Please see the website, uuaa.org, for the meeting packet, which includes printable ballots, along with the agenda, previous minutes, and relevant content.



Annual Reports Due

Due by June 5 Congregational Meeting

This congregation continues to experience its first pandemic in over a century. We don't know what happened in our congregation then, but this is your opportunity to leave a record of what we did this time. You can view the Annual Report page on the website [2021-22 Annual Meeting and Report](#), but so far it is mostly dead links. If one of those dead links is your activity, please submit a report using the following criteria:

- Aim for a word count of 300 words; submissions significantly beyond this will be returned for further editing. When appropriate, use bulleted lists to encourage others to read what you've shared. UUA staff will not edit.
- Basic elements to include:
 - The recognized team's name
 - The author(s) of the team's report
 - A brief description of the team or ministry
 - Highlights from May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022
- Focus on major themes or a few key accomplishments. Your report need not include every detail — just enough to give others the flavor of your group's ministry and, if applicable, a brief description of anything your group has done related to COVID-19

- Additional elements you may want to include:
 - Names of active participants in the ministry
 - A description of how UUAA core values were met by the team
 - Future ideas, plans, and goals to support the Vision 20/50 process

Submit each annual report as a Word file to annualreport2022@uuaa.org. If you have questions, please contact ed@uuaa.org.



Upholding Our Values Capital Campaign

The Capital Campaign drive continues! This will fund major changes, most importantly, paying off our mortgage as well as working toward one of our Vision 20/50 Foundational Areas—Financial Stability. [Find more information here.](#)

Thank you to the following most recent donors for your generous commitment: Joan & Charley Burleigh, Tom Chettleburgh & Kathy Sargeant, Carol & Tom Cramer, Janet & Allen Duncan, Jim Gallas & Dixie Hibner, Bruce & Sara Gibb, Anne Hagiwara, Becky Hoort, Connie McGuire & Tim Richards, Ruth Mohr & David Owens, Cathy & Mike Muha, Katie Pelz-Davis, Betsy Price, Larry & Sue Schweinhart, Tom & Elinor Sommerfeld, Becky Swank, Arthur Verhoogt & Henrike Florusbosch, Joan Wells

News from UUAA Groups



Green Corner: Why are Americans So Devoted to Lawns?
[Learn about how you can become more eco-friendly.](#)



Habitat for Humanity Summer Build Season Begins June 4. [Here is how you can take part.](#)



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UAAA's Vision 20/50 project is entering a new phase, and we have a new invitation! [Click here to learn what's next.](#)

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Restorative Justice reports on a forum held in May entitled *What Is "Trauma" and How Can We Support Those Who Have Experienced It?* [Click here to see what was learned.](#)



Thanks to the brilliant work of fiber artist and community member Betsy Price (in collaboration with Cynthia Dunitz), we have three new tapestries on our chancel. Want to learn more? [Click here.](#)

Upcoming Events



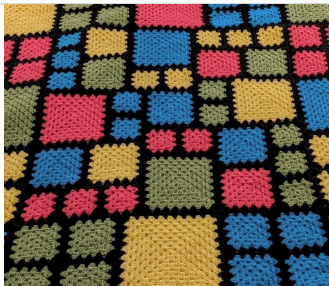
Memory Loss Caregivers



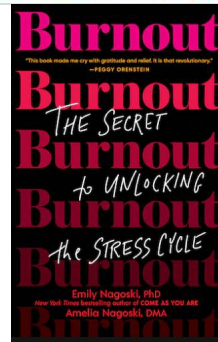
SPOTANO (Supportive Parents of Trans and/or

Support Group invites you to their upcoming meeting on June 1.

Non-binary Offspring) is having our first Zoom gathering. Learn more here.



Come knit, crochet, embroider, or engage in some form of fiber arts with the UAA Fiber Arts Group. Learn about upcoming meetings here.



UAA's Rev. Manish, in partnership with the Church of the Larger Fellowship (CLF), invites you to join us for a single-session seminar "Living in a Time of Stress, Trauma, and Burnout" on June 8. Click here to learn more.



Do you want to learn more about UU, this congregation and what it means to become a member? Introduction to Our Faith is for you. Click here to learn more and register.



Partner Church Transylvania would love to share information about our far away partners in Kezdivasarhely and Szentivanlaborfalva



Newcomers, mark your calendar for June 18 Newcomer Chalice Circle: Seven UU Principles. [Click here to register.](#)



TrUU Hope, a UUAA group for LGBTQIA+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual, and similarly identified) youth, has a [wonderful lineup of events planned for the summer and fall.](#)



Community of Writers invites you to their June 26 meeting to share our creative writings and receive appreciative comments. To get the link and topic for the month, [click here.](#)



Save the date, Saturday, October 1, for the UUA Men's Retreat. [Click here to learn more.](#)

Communications

Submitting to UUA Communications

All recognized UUA groups may publicize UUA events and news through UUA communications channels.

Please submit your announcements for the *Weekly News* through [this form](#) by Tuesday at 5pm ET. The *Weekly News* is distributed

each week on Thursday.

Please make any submissions to the *July Newsletter* through [this form](#) by Tuesday, June 21 at 5pm ET.

[Watch this video](#) for more information on how to submit to the *Weekly News* and *Monthly Newsletter*.

[You can learn more about our communications policies here.](#)

Web postings and updates can be submitted at any time to webtech@uuaa.org.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Communications Ministry Specialist Hannah Hotchkiss at communications@uuaa.org.

UUA Links

[UUA Website](#) | [Social Justice at UUA](#)
[Make Your Pledge](#) | [UUA Events Calendar](#) | [Realm](#) |
[Request a Room](#)



More Connections...

[UUA.org](#) | [MidAmericaUUA.org](#)
[Side With Love](#) | [UUCSJ](#) | [DRUUMM](#) | [BLUU](#)

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