



The Weekly Bulletin – Sunday, March 17, 2019

First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Worship March 17 | 9:30am and 11:30am

The Journey of Nurturing Others

In many ways, we are called to help nurture and guide others, as parents, as mentors, as friends. What does the journey of nurturing others look and feel like? How can we step into it in a grounded way?

On the Chancel | Rev. Cassandra Hartley, Rev. Manish Mishra-Marzetti

Annual Auction Information

Today, Social Hour, Annual Auction Table

Our Michigan-themed annual auction is also our major fundraiser. It's a time to have fun, see friends — old and new — and, by bidding on fun and useful things, to help the ministries and programs of UUAA. Stop by the table today and buy a ticket (\$35 covers a buffet, a drink, and entertainment). The auction is Saturday, April 13 from 4:00pm-7:00pm at UUAA. Questions? Email auction@uuaa.org.

Mindful Eating (ME)

Today, Social Hour, Mindful Eating Table

This month ME features Community Supported Agriculture (CSA), a partnership between farmers and consumers. Stop by our table to learn about CSAs and meet Karlene Goetz from Goetz Family Farm. Question? Contact Guala Lauzzana at w yana@comcast.net.

One-Time Chalice Circle Signup

Today, Social Hour, Chalice Circle Table

Sign up for a One-Time Chalice Circle offered on Sunday, March 24 from 1:15pm–3:00pm. Chalice Circles are small discussion groups where participants practice deep listening and make connections through sharing experiences, thoughts, and feelings. We will be exploring the topic of “Journey.” Stop by during Social Hour to learn more and register, or register via e-mail at chalicecircles@uuaa.org.

Grocery/Scrip

Today, Social Hour, Scrip Table

Purchasing scrip can be an easy way to make your everyday purchases and earn money for UUAA. By planning ahead (can only purchase with cash or check, or online with checking account) the average family can earn at least \$11 per week. That modest number adds up quickly. It's easy for a family to earn \$500 to \$1,000 in a year. The more families that participate, the bigger the earnings for UUAA! Questions? Email Carolyn Barber at cbarber@umich.edu.

Restorative Justice Series

Sundays, March 17 & 31, & April 14, 1:00pm–3:00pm

Learn about Restorative Justice and how it can change our justice system and interrupt the prison pipeline that afflicts our People of Color. This three-session series is based on the film “Healing Justice” by Shakti Butler, Ph.D., World Trust. Each session will include viewing a section of the film followed by discussion. Sessions will be in the Fahs Chapel. Register at the Social Justice Table or just come! Questions? Call Margaret Pekarek at 734-395-7133.

Black Lives of Unitarian Universalism (BLUU)

Online Worship Watch Event

Today, Brown Room, 3:45pm

BLUU's online worship service is Black sacred space in its entirety -- by and for Black people, with the words and voices of Black folks across the diaspora. We invite Black UU and Black UU adjacent folks to attend. Please respect this event as a Black safe space. Questions? Contact Quiana at quiana@uuaa.org.

Mothers and Others- For Caregivers of Young Children

Saturday March 23, 10:15am–11:15am

This new group connects parents, guardians, and other caregivers of young children for support and fellowship! Join us for playdates in the nursery on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month in the Potter Nursery. Join our Facebook group UUAA Mothers and Others, and join our email list to learn more. Questions? Email Arika Lycaon at arika.grace@gmail.com.

Outdoors-Women Walk

Saturday March 23, 11:30 am

Meet at Gallup Park in Ann Arbor, near the canoe livery for a 45 minute walk (paved options are there if needed). Partners and children are welcome. Email Ingrid at igunder@umich.edu to RSVP. We will contact you to cancel in case of rain.

Palestinian Solidarity Panel Discussion

Sunday, March 24, 1:00pm–3:00pm

Join UUs for Justice in the Middle East and members of the International Solidarity Movement for Palestinian Rights and Jewish Voice for Peace for a discussion about finding our common humanity and coming together across religious, national, and racial boundaries to work for freedom and justice for all people in Israel/Palestine. Questions? Email mjagner@yahoo.com.

The Pastoral Care Network Caregiver Conversations

Tuesday, March 26, 3:00pm–4:30pm

The Pastoral Care Network is hosting its first monthly meeting of Caregiver Conversations with Jewish Family Services. This informal group, meeting in the Social Hall, is for caregivers 60+; it's a mix of support, education, and community. The event is free, however, we kindly ask that you RSVP with Roberta at 734-769-0209.

QUUest Bookstore recommends *Windfall: How the New Energy Abundance Upends Global Politics and Strengthens America's Powers* by Meghan L. Sullivan. “A trusty guide to all the ways in which energy (especially oil and gas) impacts international relations, for good and for bad...a refreshing and illuminating examination....” *Foreign Policy*

Wednesday Morning Readers

Wednesday, March 27, 10:00am–noon

Join us for a discussion of *Our Woman in Havana: Reporting Castro's Cuba* by Sarah Rainsford. All are welcome. Questions? Contact Liz Hartley at lizzyt48176@gmail.com.

Environmental Justice Practitioners Network

Wednesday, March 27, 7:30–9:00pm

Join Climate Action in the Jackson Chapel for an online webinar with Sharon Lavigne, founder of RISE St. James, a grassroots, faith-based environmental justice organization in St. James Parish, LA. When Sharon, a civil rights leader's daughter, was a child in St James Parish, the air was clean, the land productive. Today, "Cancer Alley" is used to describe this Mississippi River stretch. Aly Tharp, (UUME) met Sharon at a Moral Revival that RISE St. James and the New Poor Peoples Campaign hosted and invites us to learn from Sharon's hard-fought wisdom. Questions? Contact RMohr@Pasty.net.

Conscious Aging

Wednesdays, March 27–May 15, 1:30–3:30pm

Death and loss are inevitable as we age, but how we approach our later years is up to us. The conscious aging program involves participants in activities that help us shift from thinking in terms of limitation, regret, and fear towards expansiveness, connection, and compassion. Certified facilitator: Theresa Reid, Ph.D. will lead this eight-week class at UUA. To register visit www.uuaa.org/sgd/adults.

Interweave Dinner and Concert

Saturday, April 6, 5:00pm

We invite LGBTQIA people, their families, and allies to join us for dinner at Everest Sherpa Restaurant at 5:00pm (2803 Oak Valley Dr., Ann Arbor, MI). Dinner will be followed by a Tret Fure Concert honoring the Installation of our new Senior Minister Manish Mishra-Marzetti at UUA. If you are interested in attending the dinner, please contact Ronda Hemingway at hemingwayronda@gmail.com.

Small Womyn's Circles

Saturday, March 30, noon–2:00pm

If you are interested in joining a Womyn's Circle, join us in the Jackson Chapel at UUA to learn which circle is best for you. There are weekday, weekend, and evening options. Question? Email Pat Kuessner at pkuessner07@comcast.net.

Alpha House

Our shelter for families experiencing homelessness is looking for large, clear storage totes with lids to organize our clothing storage. If you have totes to donate, please drop them off at Alpha House (4290 Jackson Rd, Ann Arbor).

Aspiring to Be Fragrance Free

In order to extend our welcoming, we ask congregants, to the best of their abilities, to refrain from using perfumed soaps, moisturizers, colognes, and other fragrances. Our aspiration is to be as accommodating to fragrance sensitivities as possible.

Next Week's Worship

Shamanic Journeys

Shamanism is the oldest human spiritual practice and has been found in cultures all over the world. Join us as we explore this way of knowing and experiencing the world.

Becoming a Member

If you have completed the Introduction to Our Faith class and are ready to officially join as a member, please contact Welcome Ministries Hannah Hotchkiss at hannah@uuaa.org to learn about upcoming signing dates.

Examining Whiteness Class: Registration Open

In a supportive space, the Examining Whiteness class fosters deeper understanding of issues that are essential to developing a white anti-racist identity. This six-week session will meet on Tuesdays from 6:30pm-8:30 pm. Dates are: April 2, 16, 30, May 7, 21, and June 4. Registration is required. For more information and to register visit the [Adult SGD](#) page on the UUA website or email maryn.lewallen@gmail.com.

Message from the Board of Trustees

On an annual basis, the Board of Trustees develops a work plan to help drive our activities. Please follow this [link to our website](#) to see our current work plan. Questions? Email Board President Erik Stalhandske at president@uuaa.org.

Please Return Borrowed Books from the UUA Library

The Sunderland Library will be undergoing an inventory of the Adult Collection on Saturday, March 23. Please return all books by Sunday, March 17. If you are not done with a book, please email library@uuaa.org with the title and author so we know you still have it and are using it. We promise – no late fees at this library!

Annual Report Deadline

Monday, April 15, 5:00pm

Share your recognized congregational team's events and news in our 2018-2019 Annual Report. The submission deadline is Monday, April 15 at 5:00pm. Reports will be published online as a link on the 2018-2019 Annual Report page. Each group will provide their own editing, so please be sure to proof your group's text before submitting it. Submissions beyond a word count of 300 words will be returned for further editing. Send each report as a Word file to annualreport@uuaa.org.

Weekly Bulletin Deadline

Wednesdays at 5:00pm

Submissions of 90 words or fewer should be submitted in Word format and sent to bulletin@uuaa.org. Questions? Contact Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss at hannah@uuaa.org.

April Newsletter Deadline

Thursday, March 21, 9:00am

All submissions of 300 words or fewer should be submitted in Word format and sent to newsletter@uuaa.org. Questions? Contact Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss at hannah@uuaa.org.