



# The Weekly Bulletin – Sunday, October 20, 2019

## First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Worship October 20 | 9:30am & 11:30am

### Mutual Obligations

What does a sense of belonging need to survive? What can we expect from our kindred? What will we owe ourselves?

On the Chancel | Rev. Cassandra Hartley, Dr. Glen Thomas Rideout, Rev. Lindasusan Ulrich



### Roots and Wings Annual Budget Campaign -- Thank You for Your Generosity!

There are two ways to make your Roots & Wings commitment:

- Deliver your pledge form to the table in the UUAA main entrance foyer on Sundays.
- Go to the [online form on our website uuaa.org](https://www.uuaa.org/online-form).

Questions? Email [annualcampaign@uuaa.org](mailto:annualcampaign@uuaa.org).

### Social & Spiritual Connections Sunday

Today, Social Hour, During Both Social Hours

Join us for Spiritual and Social Connection Sunday. Have you ever wanted to learn more about the spiritual and social groups of UUAA (e.g., Meditation Group, Wednesday Morning Readers, Chalice Circles)? These groups will be sharing their work and the ways they cultivate community. Join us in the Social Hall after each service. Questions? Email [Quiana@uuaa.org](mailto:Quiana@uuaa.org).

### Israel/Palestine Listening Circles

Today, Social Hour, Listening Circles Table

Listening Circles are designed for congregants to share stories, beliefs, hopes, and fears on the topic of Palestine and Israel. Stop by our table to learn more or register online [here](#).

### Sign Up Today for a Vision 20/50 Small Group Session

Today, Social Hour, Vision 20/50 Table

UUAA needs your voice as we enter the "Gathering Wisdom" phase of UUAA Vision 20/50. Ambassadors are trained /ready to lead small group, deep-dive discussions centering around eight critical questions. Input from all congregants will be evaluated to determine how best to direct UUAA's resources in order to make the difference in the world we want to see. Sign up in the Social Hall at Vision 20/50 Table, or go [online](#) and pick a session time convenient for you!

### Community of Writers

Today, Kemnitz Room, 1:15pm–2:45pm

UUAA Community of Writers meets the third week of each month in the Kemnitz Room. This lower-level room is accessible by elevator or stairway. Our October 20 session will be led by Charlie Pekarek, a writer of prose and poetry in rhyme and free verse, reflecting on family, compassion, and social injustice. He will enlighten and engage us in these diverse writing forms. Whatever your writing interest, come to participate. Questions? Contact Mary Lund at [mlund@mi.rr.com](mailto:mlund@mi.rr.com).



All are invited to the Social Hall after each service for refreshments and snacks. We ask that congregants refrain from bringing food or drink into the Sanctuary. Thank you.

### Worship Theme Discussion

Today, Jackson Chapel, 1:00pm–3:00pm

October's worship theme is belonging. To whom do you belong? Where do you belong? How do you know you belong? How do we help others feel as though they belong? Join Maryn Lewallen and cristy cardinal for activities and discussion about belonging. RSVP here: [tinyurl.com/UUAA-Belonging](https://tinyurl.com/UUAA-Belonging). Questions? Email cristy at [cristycardinal@gmail.com](mailto:cristycardinal@gmail.com).

### Black Lives of UU (BLUU) Worship Watch Party

Today, Brown Room, 4:00pm–6:00pm

Join us for a BLUU Worship Watch Party to view a 90-minute, live-stream service. Doors open at 3:45pm. We will have light refreshments and fellowship afterward. Please note that BLUU worship is closed/ Black-only space. All those who identify as Black are invited to attend. Questions? Email [Quiana@uuaa.org](mailto:Quiana@uuaa.org).

### Wednesday Morning Readers

Wednesday, October 23, 10:00am–noon

All are welcome to a discussion of the book *Educated* by Tara Westover. Questions? Contact Liz Hartley at [lizzyt48176@gmail.com](mailto:lizzyt48176@gmail.com).

### Mothers and Others | For Caregivers of Young Children

Saturday, October 26, 10:15am–noon

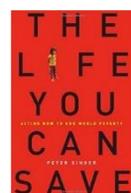
Join our group of caregivers of young children for fellowship, support and friendship! Mothers, fathers, grandparents, foster parents and others are all welcome to join. We meet for playgroups in the UUAA nursery on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month. For details, join our email list by emailing Charlene Mangi at [Charlene.Mangi@gmail.com](mailto:Charlene.Mangi@gmail.com).

### Mindful Eating Food Drive

Sunday, October 27, During Both Social Hours

In the spirit of Halloween, join us for some reverse Trick-or-Treating for Hope Clinic! Instead of asking for treats, you bring the treats to us. Hope Clinic's food pantry is low and they've requested help refilling the shelves with cereal, canned soup, canned vegetables, granola bars, peanut butter, tuna fish, and personal care items. We are unable to accept items past their expiration dates. Drop off your treats at the Mindful Eating Table in the Social Hall before and after services. Questions? Contact Colleen [ccrawley59@gmail.com](mailto:ccrawley59@gmail.com).

### QUest Bookstore, open between services, has an



interesting book by Peter Singer, *The Life You Can Save*. "Peter Singer challenges every one of us to do more, to be smarter about the ways we go about giving, and shows us that, working together, we can make a profound difference in the lives of the world's poorest." Bill and Melinda Gates

### **Multicultural Outreach Projects Presentation**

**Sunday, October 27, 1:00pm–2:30pm**

All are welcome to the Unity Group presentation in the C3 Series (Curiosity, Conversation, & Covenant Series) in the Fahs Chapel to hear Quiana Perkins provide an update on the [Multicultural Outreach Projects](#) in progress at UUAA. Learn more about our local participation in [BLUU](#) (Black Lives of UU), DRUUMM (Diverse & Revolutionary UU Multicultural Ministries) and the UUAA's POC (People of Color) gatherings. Cosponsors Unity Group and Challenging Racism Group. Questions? Contact Laura at [johnstonecommunications@gmail.com](mailto:johnstonecommunications@gmail.com).

### **One-Time Chalice Circle Registration**

**Sunday, October 27, 1:15pm–3:00pm**

Register now for the upcoming One-Time Chalice Circle. Consistent with this month's worship theme, we will be exploring the topic of "Belonging." To learn more or to register, email [ChaliceCircles@uuaa.org](mailto:ChaliceCircles@uuaa.org).

### **UUAA Humanist Study Groups**

**Monday, October 28, 7:00p–8:30pm**

**Thursday, November 7, 2:00pm–4:00pm**

Gather with UU Humanists to discuss topics relating to humanist philosophy, theology, morals, ethics, reasoning, and science. All are welcome, regardless of theology or philosophy. At Monday's meeting, we will discuss chapter two of Tim Crane's *Meaning of Belief*. Questions? Email [blgibb@aol.com](mailto:blgibb@aol.com) or [hal@breidenbach.net](mailto:hal@breidenbach.net).

### **Migration & Memories Opening Reception**

**Friday, November 1, 7:00pm–9:00pm**

Join members of UUAA's Immigration Action Coalition for an exhibit of paintings by Mexican journalist Emilio Gutierrez Soto at International House (921 Church St., Ann Arbor). For those forced to leave their homelands, retaining memories is central to survival. Since fleeing Mexico in 2008 under death threats related to his reporting, Gutierrez has been seeking asylum. His landscapes portray the places he has called home -- Chihuahua, New Mexico, and Ann Arbor. Questions? Email [cherylmatzmervalentine@gmail.com](mailto:cherylmatzmervalentine@gmail.com).

### **BLUU Symposium Livestream Watch Party**

**Saturday, November 2, 10:45am–12:30pm**

BLUU (National) is hosting The [Harper Jordan Memorial Symposium](#); a four-day gathering centering Black Unitarian Universalists. The livestream watch party is a way to bring the symposium to all and share the work of BLUU with the larger UU community. All are welcome to attend this one-time open worship event in the Jackson Chapel. Co-sponsored by BC@UUAA and [Challenging Racism Group](#).

### **Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice (ICPJ)**

**Tuesday, November 12, 5:00pm**

Support and learn about the work of the ICPJ. ICPJ is hosting their annual fall fundraiser at Cobblestone Farm (2781 Packard St., Ann Arbor). The reception begins at 5:00pm with dinner and the program shortly after. To learn about ways you can contribute to this event, stop by the Social Justice Council Table or find details online here: <https://www.icpj.org/blog/2019/icpj-harvest-dinner/>. RSVP by October 25. Questions? Email Lora Girata, ICPJ liaison and Social Justice Council member, at [loragiratayoga@gmail.com](mailto:loragiratayoga@gmail.com).

### **Next Week's Worship**

**You Betta Make It Werq, Classic Man. That's all.**

Even refusing to care about the clothes you wear shows up in the clothes you wear. How else do the ideas to which we belong whisper or shout from our daily donning? What does it mean that where I stand lays on my back. Who are *you* wearing?<sup>5</sup>

**Halloween Sunday:** We invite adults and kids to join us in "young kid-friendly" Halloween costumes for our morning worship and Spiritual Growth and Development Programs! "Young kid-friendly" means nothing that might frighten a toddler! No gory or overly scary costumes, and no "weapons" please.

### **Grocery/Scrip Sales**

Arbor Farms shoppers, do you remember to say "I support First UU" during checkout? That's all you need to do to have Arbor Farms donate 2% of your purchase to UUAA. Until recently, Arbor Farms has been our largest source of funds from local grocery retailers, donating over \$150 per month. In other news, the Scrip Table will be "closed" this Sunday, October 20, but you may contact Carolyn Barber at [cbarber@umich.edu](mailto:cbarber@umich.edu) if you need to place an order or if you have any questions.

### **Sharing the Collection**

Thank you for your generosity September 8. We contributed \$2,437 to the good work of [Washtenaw Literacy](#). And thank you for your donations on October 13 when we raised \$2,885.00 toward the good work of the [Unitarian Universalist Service Committee \(UUSC\)](#). Questions? Contact Glenn Kime [glenn@thekimes.com](mailto:glenn@thekimes.com).

### **Men's Council Nominations**

Nominations are now open for positions on the 2020 Men's Council. If you are a member of the congregation in good standing and a participant in Men's Fellowship activities, please submit your nomination to [men@uuaa.org](mailto:men@uuaa.org), along with a brief statement as to why the person you are nominating should be considered. Feel free to nominate yourself if interested. Questions? Email [men@uuaa.org](mailto:men@uuaa.org).

### **Sharing the Collection 2020**

In October the Sharing the Collection committee will be reviewing applications to find organizations which could benefit from the sharing of our resources in 2020. If you know an organization that serves the disadvantaged in Washtenaw County, please have them visit [uuaa.org/sharingthecollection](http://uuaa.org/sharingthecollection) for more information and to input their contact information. Questions? Email Bob Dinan at [bdinan83@gmail.com](mailto:bdinan83@gmail.com).

### **October Newsletter Deadline**

**Monday, October 21, 9:00am**

Submissions of 300 words or fewer should be sent to [newsletter@uuaa.org](mailto:newsletter@uuaa.org). Questions? Email Hannah Hotchkiss at [Hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:Hannah@uuaa.org).

### **Two-Service Season Building Hours**

**Sunday | 8:30am-4:00pm**

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

**1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday | 5:00pm-9:00pm**

**Other Fridays | Closed**

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

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