



# The Weekly Bulletin – Sunday, September 15, 2019

## First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Worship September 15 | 9:30am & 11:30am

### Sweet Spot

How do we find balance in our expectations of others? Is there a sustainable course to meet all our neighbors expect of us?

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

### Chalice Circle Registration

#### Today, Social Hour, Chalice Circle Table

Registration is open for the 2019-2020 program year, including the 20s/30s drop-in circle. Childcare is available. Stop by the Chalice Circle table in the Social Hall to learn more about these facilitated, spiritual discussion groups and register. Additional info on UUAA.org at [Worship/Chalice Circles](http://Worship/ChaliceCircles) or by emailing [chalicecircles@uuaa.org](mailto:chalicecircles@uuaa.org).

### Grocery/Scrip Card

#### Today, Social Hour, Scrip Table

What is Scrip? It is another way to pay for everyday purchases using gift cards. UUAA purchases the cards at a reduced price, you pay (and receive) the face value while UUAA earns money. With more than 700 retailers available, isn't there one or two you can use? Stop by the Scrip Table for more info or to make a purchase. Questions? Contact Carolyn at [cmbarber@umich.edu](mailto:cmbarber@umich.edu).

### Last Chance to Register for the Men's Retreat

#### Today, Social Hour, Men's Retreat Table

The 20th anniversary Men's Retreat is next weekend! Join us Friday-Sunday, September 20-22, at the Judson-Collins Center in the Irish Hills (a 30-minute drive from Ann Arbor). Enjoy friendship, fun, intellectual and spiritual discourse, humor, and physical activities. Half-price rates for first-time attendees. Today is the last day to register in person in the Social Hall or online at [uuaa.org/mensretreat](http://uuaa.org/mensretreat). Questions? Email [mensretreat@uuaa.org](mailto:mensretreat@uuaa.org) or call Bob Dinan at 734-674-7452.

### Womyn's Retreat Registration | The Storyteller Within

#### Today, Social Hour, Womyn's Council Table

The Womyn's Retreat will be Friday-Sunday, September 27-29. Register by September 15 and a beautiful t-shirt designed by Debra Golden is included with your registration. Stop by the Womyn's Council Table to select your shirt color and size. If you're unable to attend the retreat, you can still order a shirt. Stop by during Social Hour to place your order. Questions? Contact Judi Lintott at 734-352-7285.

### UUs for Justice in the Middle East (UUJME)

#### Today, Social Hour, UUJME Table

The September issue of *Washington Report on Middle East Affairs* has stories about Trump's "Deal of the Century," the anti-Semitic theology of Christian Zionism, and Elbit Systems bringing Israeli apartheid to the U.S. Mexican Border. Pick up a free copy. Working for justice, freedom, and equality for all people in Israel-Palestine. Questions? Contact Mark Jagner at [mjagner@yahoo.com](mailto:mjagner@yahoo.com).

### UUSC Coffee Project

#### Today, UUSC Coffee Table, Second Social Hour

Support small farm cooperatives globally while helping to fundraise for UUSC social justice programs and this congregation. Come to our table during Social Hour following the second service to choose from fair trade chocolates, coffee, teas, nuts, dried fruits, and Palestinian olive oils. Questions? Contact Ilene Beninson at [ilene.beninson@gmail.com](mailto:ilene.beninson@gmail.com).

### Newcomer Chalice Circle | UU Principles

#### Today, Brown Room, 1:00pm–3:00pm

If you are new to UUAA in the past year, this Chalice Circle is for you. The topic of this facilitated spiritual discussion group is UU Principles. Get to know others new to UU, share your voice, and deepen your knowledge of what binds UUs in community. There is one opening remaining. Register [using this link](#), at the Chalice Circle Table during Social Hour, or email [Hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:Hannah@uuaa.org).

### Community of Writers

#### Today, Kemnitz Room, 1:15pm–2:45pm

UUAA Community of Writers changed its schedule to the third Sunday of the month meeting in the Kemnitz Room, downstairs SGD Wing. At our upcoming meeting, we will read a five-minute original writing—a poem, short story, memoir segment, essay, etc., and invite comments as desired. Newcomers are welcome to read or listen. Bring your coffee or other beverage and sign in to read and give appreciative comments. Questions? Contact Mary Lund, at [mlund@mi.rr.com](mailto:mlund@mi.rr.com).

### BLUU 2019

#### Today, Brown Room, 4:00pm

The BLUU Worship Watch Party is today. Doors will open at 3:45pm; service begins at 4:00. There will be light refreshments and fellowship afterward. 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).

### QUUest Bookstore is glad to direct your attention to

the new book *The Spirit That Moves: Readings and Rituals for Times of Change and Transition* edited by Barbara Child. The key word here is "change," a fact of congregational life. "This book is wildly useful. I predict that my own copy will become as thumbed and well-worn as my favorite cookbooks and poetry book." Meg Riley, Senior Minister, Church of the Larger Fellowship



## Washtenaw County Global Climate Strike

**Friday, September 20, 11:00am–3:00pm**

Climate Crisis Action Team of UUAA is sponsoring the upcoming Washtenaw County Global Climate Strike being held at Ingalls Mall-UM. The event will be one of the largest climate mobilizations in US history. We are asking UUs who plan to attend to wear yellow. Walk out begins at 11:00am, and speakers and music begin at noon. We are meeting at 11:15am near the bike racks in front of Rackham Auditorium. All are welcome!

Questions? Email Jeannine LaPrad at [jlaprad@umich.edu](mailto:jlaprad@umich.edu).

## UUAA People of Color (POC)

**Sunday, September 22, 1:00pm–2:00pm**

The UUAA POC group will hold its first gathering of the year. All those who identify as people of color are invited to attend. The gatherings will be a mix of fellowship and visioning for the future. We look forward to building community! Questions? Email [Quiana@uuaa.org](mailto:Quiana@uuaa.org).

## Managing Conflict: Talking Across the Divide

**Sunday, September 22, 12:45pm–2:30**

Conflict can be hard, and right now, it feels like there is a lot of it! As we all struggle to learn how to deal with conflict, please join a presentation/workshop led by Reese Havlatka, UM Office of Student Conflict Management. This workshop offers opportunities to explore some of the roots of division and polarization. Co-sponsored by UUAA's Unity Group and the Shared Ministries Team. [Learn more...](#)

## Wednesday Morning Readers

**Wednesday, September 25, 10:00am–noon**

Please join us to discuss the book *Lost Children Archive* by Valeria Luiselli. We will be meeting in the Fahs Chapel for the book discussion and then heading to California Pizza Kitchen at Briarwood Mall for lunch. Questions? Contact Liz Hartley at [lizzyt48176@gmail.com](mailto:lizzyt48176@gmail.com).

## Mothers and Others

**Saturday, September 28, 10:15–noon**

Join our group of caregivers of young children for fellowship, support, and friendship! Mothers, fathers, grandparents, foster parents – all are welcome to join! We will resume our bimonthly playgroups in the UUAA nursery in September on the 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).

## UUAA Sustainable Energy | Solar Panel Fundraiser

You're invited to use the Sustainable UUAA Brochure/Donation Form to join those who've already donated a solar panel to UUAA. We have 82 panels now, plus 12 to be added this Fall. Any who wish to add to the 12 going up this year will need to contribute by Wednesday, October 16. With a donation of \$500, you will be contributing to the addition of a new solar panel, and an inscribed tile in recognition of your contribution will be added to the Energy Plaza. Questions? Email [energy@uuaa.org](mailto:energy@uuaa.org).

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## Next Week's Worship

### Adjustment

When what we expect isn't what comes, when heartbreak and disappointment follow, can we learn to adjust ourselves and our approaches to new chapters of truth? Can we resist our own rigidities when our perspectives change and our circles grow?

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## Forums Advancement Ministry Seeks New Members

UUAA Forums Advancement Ministry (FAM) provides a series of forums that seek to expand our understanding of the world around us. A forum generally includes topical content (could be presentation, panel discussion, or film) followed by moderated Q&A and discussion. Several forums are scheduled this Fall. If you are interested in producing such forums, please send your name and preferred email address to [forums\\_dev@uuaa.org](mailto:forums_dev@uuaa.org). To receive email notices of future forums, email [forums@uuaa.org](mailto:forums@uuaa.org).

## Social Justice Council Recruiting New Members

If you are passionate about UUAA social justice programs, join the Social Justice Council and help oversee the 20+ social justice groups of UUAA. New members can anticipate attending monthly meetings, working at the SJC Table after services, and interacting with social justice groups. Questions? Email Sally Preston at [sally@pctraining.net](mailto:sally@pctraining.net) or Quiana Perkins at [quiana@uuaa.org](mailto:quiana@uuaa.org).

## Now Taking Room Reservation Requests!

Room reservations can now be submitted by recognized congregational groups for events occurring now through September 12, 2020. Make sure that your group has submitted their room reservation request! To submit a room reservation request, click on the Request-a-Room link on the bottom of the UUAA website. This link will take you to the room reservation request form which will guide you through making a room reservation. Questions? Contact UUAA Room Team debita graham and Jim McCargar at [room@uuaa.org](mailto:room@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](mailto:bulletin@uuaa.org). Questions? Contact Welcome Ministries Coordinator Hannah Hotchkiss at [hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:hannah@uuaa.org).

## October Newsletter Deadline

**Saturday, September 21 at 9:00am**

Submissions of 300 words or fewer should be submitted as an attachment in Word format and sent to [newsletter@uuaa.org](mailto:newsletter@uuaa.org). Questions? Contact Welcome Ministries at [hannah@uuaa.org](mailto:hannah@uuaa.org).

## Fall Building Hours Begin Sunday, September 8

**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**