



# First Unitarian Universalist CONGREGATION OF ANN ARBOR

**This Week at UUAA | October 15 - 21, 2020**

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To learn about the pastoral news of this community, [subscribe to our email list](#), or email [pastoralcare@uuaa.org](mailto:pastoralcare@uuaa.org).



**Join us this week for worship!**

*Sunday, October 18th, 11:30 Eastern*

Let your friends know you'll be attending by RSVPing to the [Facebook event at this link](#).

Then join us on Sunday at [www.uuaa.org/service](http://www.uuaa.org/service).



**Virtual Social Hour**

Join us for a Zoom social hour immediately after the service, where we can check in as a community and further discuss the service. Use this link to take part: [www.uuaa.org/socialhour](http://www.uuaa.org/socialhour).

**Need more worship in your life? Watch past services, songs, and stories [in our website archive](#).**



**Wednesday Meditation**

*4-5pm*

All are welcome to practice a form of Buddhist meditation with fellow congregants.

[www.uuaa.org/meditation](http://www.uuaa.org/meditation)

Are you interested in learning more about meditation?  
[Watch "Intro to Meditation"](#) produced in April by Rev. Manish on our UUAA YouTube Channel.



## Pumpkins and Pledges

*Saturday, October 24*

**Enter the First Annual UUAA Pumpkin Carving Contest!**

There are four prize categories:

Ages 11 and under: \$50 gift card to Target

Ages 12-18: \$50 gift card to Target

Ages 18+: \$50 gift certificate to the UUA InSpirit Bookstore

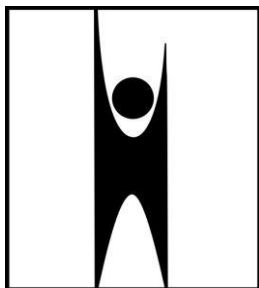
Most UU (All ages): \$50 gift certificate to the UUA InSpirit Bookstore

[Sign up here to enter your jack-o-lantern.](#) All entries need to be pre-registered and dropped off in the UUAA parking lot on Saturday, October 24 between noon and 4:30pm.

Return that evening (6pm - 8pm) to drive through our jack-o-lantern festival and vote for your favorites! From the comfort of your car, you can view the jack-o-lanterns, vote online, pick up a fall treat of donuts or popcorn, and drop off your UUAA annual pledge if you haven't already.

To help volunteer for this event, [sign up using this link.](#)

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



## BIPOC-Focused Humanism: Adult SGD

**Updated** First Class: *Saturday, October 17, 2-3pm*

This class consists of five independent sessions. In each session we will center a cultural expression of humanism by Black, Indigenous, and People of Color or the work of a single

BIPOC humanist. All are welcome to join one, a few, or all of the sessions as they choose or are able. Only a few spots left!

Please use [this link to register or learn more.](#)

**UUAA Men's Fellowship:  
Nominations for the Men's Council**



Nominations are now open for positions on the 2021 Men's Council. If you are a member of the congregation in good standing and a participant in Men's Fellowship activities, please send Glenn Kime ([glenn@thekimes.com](mailto:glenn@thekimes.com)) any nomination including name, email, and phone number (please feel free to nominate yourself, if interested). This is for a three-year term.



### **Community of Writers Zoom**

*Sunday, October 18, 1-3pm*

The Community of Writers is enjoying the Zoom format to read our own writings aloud and listen to others read theirs. We raise hands or speak to give comments of appreciation and encouragement. A popular feature is screen sharing, which displays a copy of the writing to accompany our five-minute readings. Are you interested in sharing your creative writing? Contact Mary Lund at [mlund@mi.rr.com](mailto:mlund@mi.rr.com).

For a link to join the October 18 Zoom meeting, email Sandra Kunkle at [sandykunkle@gmail.com](mailto:sandykunkle@gmail.com).



### **Welcome UU Back Week Revisited**

*Wednesdays, 6pm*

Join Quiana Perkins, our Coordinator of Congregational Life, and revisit our most popular Welcome UU Back Week sessions on Wednesdays at 6pm.

October 21: Communications  
October 28: ENGAGE! Groups at UUAA

Questions or need the Zoom link?  
Email Quiana Perkins at [quiana@uuaa.org](mailto:quiana@uuaa.org).



### **UUCivs: Vote Your Values**

The online portal for [voter registration](#) closes on **October 19**. This is the recommended last day to [apply for an absentee ballot online](#), or mail in your completed absentee ballot.

**After October 19**, deliver your absentee ballot to your [clerk's](#)

[office or drop box](#). You can also apply for an absentee ballot or register in person at your clerk's office (bring ID and proof of residency). Vote while you're there!

### Want to help?

Volunteer for phone and text outreach with [UU The Vote](#). This is also the last week to sign up to work the polls or help protect the polls from intimidation.

Questions? [votinghelpline@gmail.com](mailto:votinghelpline@gmail.com)



### Sharing our Collection

*Sunday, October 18*

This Sunday, we will share our collection with [Liberty Club](#), a program for adults with disabilities in Washtenaw County. Liberty Club's main goal is to develop skills for living safely and more independently, but its biggest passion is to reach out and support the community. Robert Graham and Rachel Hartley, members of our congregation, are participants of Liberty Club. Their smiles and their stories affirm how Liberty Club embodies our first principle - the inherent worth and dignity of every person.

Give online at [uuaa.org/giving](https://uuaa.org/giving) and select "Liberty Club - Shared Collection."



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### Room Reservations at UUA for 2020-2021 Accepting Reservations Now

With the uncertainty brought on by Covid-19, we ask UUA groups to plan with Zoom in mind for the fall. We encourage all recognized groups to submit their [Zoom room reservations](#) now. When the building opens again physically, we can easily convert your Zoom room to an actual room. One bonus of this is that as long as we are meeting virtually, Zoom rooms are available on Fridays and Saturdays.

Questions? Email Debita Graham at [room@uuaa.org](mailto:room@uuaa.org).



### UUSC Coffee Project

Equal Exchange coffee and chocolates are for sale again! This will be a curbside-pickup or delivery-with-no-contact program. Orders may be picked up in Ann Arbor (not at UUA) or delivered to your home. To see what we have in stock, [click here](#).

Email [uuaaequalexchangeorder@gmail.com](mailto:uuaaequalexchangeorder@gmail.com) to place your order online, or call Cathy Whitaker at 419-283-3430 or Ilene Beninson at 248-376-7031. All sales benefit the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee and this congregation.

Please send any submissions for the weekly news to our Communications Ministry Specialist, Kari Gottfried, at [communications@uuaa.org](mailto:communications@uuaa.org) by **Tuesday at 5pm Eastern**. The weekly news is distributed each week on Thursdays.

## Quick Links:

[UUA Website](#) | [Social Justice at UUA](#) | [Find us on Facebook](#)  
[Make your pledge](#) | [UUA Events Calendar](#)

## Other Links:

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

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