



First Unitarian Universalist CONGREGATION OF ANN ARBOR

UUAA E-News | June 7, 2020

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Worship
Sunday, June 7, 2020, 11:30am

Join us as we gather virtually in community for inspiration and reflection. Use this link for Sunday Worship:

www.uuaa.org/service.

To view or listen to past Sunday Services, [click here](#).



If you would like to contribute to the Weekly Offering, [click here](#).

Please Note: To view the entire E-News, you may need to scroll to the bottom and click on "view entire message."



UUAA Healing Space
Friday, June 5, 2020, 7:00pm-8:00pm (EST)

This event is open to the whole UUAA Community.

Given the intensity of events in the last week in New York City, Washtenaw County, and Minneapolis, UUAA's Pastoral Care and the Challenging Racism Group will be hosting an open healing space event for the UUAA community.

We will be gathering on ZOOM Friday, June, 5 2020, at 7:00-8:00 pm ET.

ZOOM link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81748160420>

Dial the number +1 312 626 6799 Meeting ID: 817 4816 0420

Questions? Email Quiana at Quiana@uuuaa.org or Rev. Cassi at Cassandra@uuuaa.org.



**We Need Your
Pet Pics!**

Our annual Animal Blessing service is coming up on June 14. If you'd like to share a picture of your pet(s), please email them to: SGD@uuuaa.org by June 8.

We will also honor beloved pets who have passed, so please let us know if you'd like your pet's picture included in that section.



Preparing for Goodbye

First, thank you to everyone who has sent cards and emails sharing a few words about what my ministry has meant to you. I may not be able to respond to each one, but please know that your words have meant the world to me. I'm humbled and grateful.

I also wanted to let you know about some important ways that our relationship will be changing as I prepare to transition out of my current role and take up my place with the congregation in Connecticut. These are rooted in my commitment to the Unitarian

Universalist Ministers Association covenant and the healthy boundaries that undergird it.

- I've been honored by the trust that so many of you have placed in me when we've discussed something you were wrestling with. To remain worthy of such trust, I will redirect you to Rev. Manish, Rev. Cassi, and the UUAA Pastoral Care Team to help you with future struggles and explorations.
- There are few things more meaningful to me as a minister than officiating at memorial services and weddings. Going forward, I will need to grieve losses and celebrate new beginnings from afar.
- I love the way that social media keeps me connected with friends all over the world. As your outgoing minister, I will maintain an appropriate distance virtually as well as geographically.

Does this mean that you shouldn't even say hello if we run into each other at General Assembly or some other event? Actually, I'd love for you to say hi. People from this congregation will always hold a place in my heart. By releasing each other from the way things have been, though, we all make room for our next chapters to unfold — me in New Haven, you here in Ann Arbor — held always by a love that will not let us go.

Warmly,
Rev. Lindasusan

PS — My farewell sermon at UUAA will take place on Sunday, June 21. I hope you can make it.



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Unfinished Business: A Study of DuBois' Reconstruction in America to
Now

4 Wednesdays: June 10, June 17, July 1 and July 8

The UUA is offering a national 4-part seminar/adult ed opportunity

on the post-Reconstruction history of Institutional Racism in the United States. A worthwhile opportunity, geared toward supporting communal action.

The political education group will begin each Wednesday at 5 pm PT/8 pm ET and you can join an hour earlier (4 pm PT/7 pm ET) to watch the film together, or you can watch on your own any time ahead of the discussion group. Sign up to participate as an individual, or with a group.

To read more and get the link for the documentary, [click on this link](#).

To register, use this [link](#).



Pastoral Care Call

Monday, June 8, 11:00am-12:00pm

Wednesday, June 10, 6:00pm-7:00pm

Pastoral Care Call is hosted twice a week: This space can be used for community and connection for those in need of support.

Monday link: <https://zoom.us/j/202591201>

Wednesday link: <https://zoom.us/j/292922216>

Questions? Email Quiana Perkins at Quiana@uuuaa.org.



Multicultural Outreach

Black Congregants at UU + POC Gathering

Zoom Meetup

Thursdays, June 11 & 25

NEW TIME: 6:00pm

This inclusive BIPOC event will include a chalice lighting, reading, and space to dialogue. Families are encouraged to attend.

You must request the zoom link via email Quiana@uuuaa.org.



Friday Fun Night Zoom Talent Show

Friday, June 12, 7:00pm

UUs got talent! Show us what you've got! All ages are welcome to perform an act of **up to 4 minutes**--show us a magic trick, sing a song, play a piece, dance, perform a skit.... Please note that adult supervision of Zoom management is requested. We have space for 12 acts. There will be a space to sign up as an alternate if the first 12 spots are filled. [Signup here](#). Zoom link to participate and attend will be posted closer to the event time.

Questions Email FridayFunNight@uuaa.org.



UUA Men's Zoom Gathering Saturday, June 13, 7:00pm

Are you missing meaningful discussions with other UU men? Join us for a free online gathering via Zoom. We will meet as a large group and then breakout into moderated topical discussion groups of your choosing. Connect with your computer or telephone.

Register to choose your discussion topic (see list below) and to provide your contact details. We will send you instructions by email a few days before the event.

Register here: <https://forms.gle/PDKTLhRVtpib7VQK9>
Questions? Email MensCouncil@uuaa.org.

Discussion topics areas:

- How has the pandemic impacted your well being and plans for the future?
- What are the public policy and social justice lessons we are learning from our current experience?
- What parenting challenges have you encountered and how can we support each other through it all?
- What unexpected joys or discoveries have you made in the last few months?



Memory Loss Caregiver Support Group Wednesday, June 17, 3:00pm-4:30pm

The Memory Loss Caregiver Support Group, sponsored by the UUA Pastoral Care Team in partnership with the Alzheimer's Association, meets regularly the first and third Wednesday of each month. If you are caring for a loved one and looking for support as you navigate the world of Alzheimer's or dementia, please call Meredith Ley at 734-717-0213 or email Meredith at meredithl888@gmail.com to get the Zoom link.



Farewell Car Parade for Rev. Lindasusan Saturday, June 20, 11:00am

Join us Saturday, June 20, at 11:00am for a special "car parade" at UUA in honor of Rev. Lindasusan! She and her family will be standing a safe distance away near the main entrance. Please enter the parking lot from Ellsworth Road and drive slowly up the main driveway, honking, waving, cheering as you

pass. Feel free to make signs and/or decorate your car too! There will be a bucket for you to drop any cards into as you pass by if you'd like to leave them a card. Then please exit onto Ann Arbor-Saline Road. This will be a safe and meaningful way to wish her and her family the best as they move to Connecticut.



Habitat for Humanity Build has a NEW Plan

The 2020 Habitat for Humanity Good News House Build has a NEW plan... and perhaps another new plan after that...

Due to safety issues related to COVID-19, this year's build is quite different from what you may be used to:

- All June build dates have been cancelled.
- Our July 25 build date is still on, but the number of volunteers is limited.
- Habitat is behind schedule on spring projects, so we will use our July work day to help them catch up.
- Habitat has identified a "NEW" Good News house and we will start work on that in August.
- Watch for additional changes! This good work will proceed. In these unprecedented times, flexibility is key.

Updated information will be available on <http://uuaa.org/h4h>. And yes, we still **need to raise at least \$7000** to help pay for renovations. You don't need to wait to help with that! Checks can be made out to UUA (with "Habitat" in the memo line) and mailed to the church at 4001 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd, Ann Arbor 48103-8739. Or you can make a credit card donation from the link at <http://uuaa.org/h4h>. (Be sure to check the "Habitat for Humanity" box.)



UUA Online

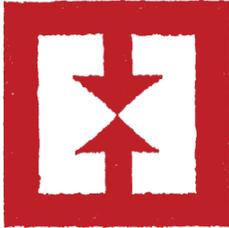
Trying to stay in touch with UUA while the building is closed?

- Links to online services, Zoom Social Hour, Weekly Wednesday Meditation, and information about virtual events can always be found on our website www.uuaa.org.
- If you are on Facebook, you might join our private community page, Our UUA Community.
- If you use Instagram, follow [uuaa_community](https://www.instagram.com/uuaa_community).
- Take a look at the website's Online Community page:

<http://www.uaaa.org/index.php/finding-community/finding-community-uaaa/finding-community-online>. For more information and also for some inspiration! Scroll down the page for links to stories, music, dance and more.

"See" you in virtual church!

--UAAA Web Team



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 UAAA) or delivered to your home. Place your order online by emailing

uuaaequalexchangeorder@gmail.com or by calling Cathy Whitaker at 419-283-3430 or Ilene Beninson at 248-376-7031. All sales benefit the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee and this congregation.



Sharing the Collection Your Contributions Make a Difference!

On the first Sunday of each month, the First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor donates our collection to nonprofit community service organizations in the furtherance of their important work.

Mark your calendar for these upcoming collections:

- June 7, to benefit [**Our House Website
From the Director of Our House**](#)
- July 5, to benefit [**Michigan UU Social Justice Network
\(MUUSJN\)**](#)

While we gather on Sunday virtually, please mail your check to UAAA with Sharing the Collection and the organization's name on the memo line. You can also contribute to [**Sharing the Collection Online**](#).

For more information about what we do on the Sharing the Collection committee, please check our page at [**uuaa.org/sharingthecollection**](http://uuaa.org/sharingthecollection) to see a list of all of our upcoming 2020 recipients.

Please contact [**sharecollection@uuaa.org**](mailto:sharecollection@uuaa.org) with any questions or suggestions.

The Sharing the Collection Committee: Jan Duncan, Casey Jackson, Glenn Kime, Fran Lyman, Jim Marks, Mary Phelps, Kate Warner.



Programming for Children & Youth

To learn about programming for children and youth, email SGD@uuaa.org.



Getting Started with Zoom

Use this [link for a quick tutorial to get started with Zoom.](#)

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](#) (formerly Standing on the Side of Love)

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