

Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene



October: Covenant

Mindful of truth ever exceeding our knowledge and community ever exceeding our practice, reverently we covenant together, beginning with ourselves as we are, to share the strength of integrity and the heritage of the spirit in unending quest for wisdom and love.

Rev. Walter Royal Jones, Jr.

The central task of the religious community is to unveil the bonds that bind each to all. There is a connectedness, a relationship discovered amid the particulars of our own lives and the lives of others.

Once felt, it inspires us to act for justice.

Rev. Dr. Mark Morrison-Reed

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UUCE Weekly Church Calendar, October 22 - 29, 2017

Sunday, 10/22

- 9:45-11:15am **Childcare (infants, toddlers, preschool)**, Rooms 3 and 4.
10:00-11:00am **Church Service.** Sanctuary, Social Hall.
10:00-11:15am **SpiritJam: Children's RE**, Rms 1, 2, 5, 6, 7. Katy Siepert.
11:00am-noon **Information and Fundraising Tables**, Lo, SE.
11:00am-1:00pm **Sunday Social**, Social Hall.
11:15am-12:15pm **Faith Forward: Inquirers**, Chapel. Rev. Morris.
11:15am-12:15pm **Faith Forward: Beyond Inquirers**, MO. Rev. Morris.
11:30am-1:00pm **Ministerial Transition Discussion**, S. Barbara Kellogg.
12:00-2:00pm **Fused Beauty, Rev. Bushbaum (open)**, Rm 6. Katy Siepert.

Monday, 10/23

- 5:00-5:45pm **Monday Meditation**, Chapel. Kimberly Wootan.
6:45-8:45pm **Choir Childcare**, Rm 1. Katy Siepert, 541-686-2775x2.
7:00-8:30pm **Chalice Choir Rehearsal**, C. Brad Schultz, 541-686-2775x4.

Tuesday, 10/24

- 8:00-10:00am **UU Birders**, off-site. Mike Berg, 541-357-3145.
9:00am-noon **Open Church Building Work Party.** Eric Swegles, 414-339-8156.
9:00am-noon **Landscaping Gathering**, outside. Saro H., text 541-731-3366.

Wednesday, 10/25

- 5:00-7:00pm **Choir Childcare**, Room 1. Katy Siepert, 541-686-2775x2.
5:15-6:45pm **Chamber Singers Rehearsal**, S. Brad Schultz, 541-686-2775x4.
7:00-8:30pm **Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal**, S. Brad Schultz, 541-686-2775x4.
7:00-9:00pm **Open Men's Group**, Room 7. Bob Coleman, 541-972-0370.

Thursday, 10/26

- 2:00-4:00pm **Quilting for a Cause**, Room 6. Barbara Flitcroft, 503-704-4105.
6:30-8:30pm **Food for Lane Co. Volunteer**, (off-site). Berry B., 541-344-9037.

Friday, 10/27

- 10:00-11:30am **Mindful Parenting Group**, Rms 1 and 2. Kelsey K., 541-505-1193.
5:30-9:00pm **Halloween Party (open)**, SH, C, K, Rm 2, Hallways. Katy Siepert.

Saturday, 10/28

- 4:30-7:30pm **I Am Not Your Negro, Film/Discussion**, S. Katy Siepert.

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Legend: C=Chapel; Cmte=Committee; EE=East Entrance; JN=Justice Network; K=Kitchen; Lo=Lobby; MO=Minister's Office; P=Playground; RE=Religious Education; Rm=Room; S=Sanctuary; SE=South Entry; SH=Social Hall.

ORDER OF SERVICE

October 22, 2017

Gathering Music	<i>Oh, To See the Dawn</i>	Getty & Townend
Hymn Sing		
Interlude	<i>Elegy</i>	Chris Craker
Welcome		
Prelude	<i>Be Ye Lamps Unto Yourselves</i>	
Call to Worship	<i>Wild Geese</i>	Wendell Berry
Lighting of the Chalice		
Opening Hymn	<i>When Our Heart Is In A Holy Place</i>	1008
Story for All Ages		
<i>Recessional for SpiritJam</i>		
<i>May your mind be open to new learning; may your lips bring truth into the world</i>		
<i>May your heart know love and your hands do the work of justice,</i>		
<i>As you go your way in peace, as you go your way in peace</i>		
Meditation		John O'Donahue
Reading	<i>The Miracle of Mindfulness</i>	Thich Nhat Hanh
Responsive Reading	<i>Choose to Bless the World</i>	Rebecca Parker
Anthem	<i>One Voice</i>	Ruth Moody
Sermon	<i>Infinite Sacraments & Priceless Works of Art</i>	Rev. Laurie Bushbaum
Offertory	<i>Still, My Soul, Be Still</i>	Getty & Townend
Closing Hymn	<i>Just As Long As I Have Breath</i>	6
Extinguishing of the Chalice & Closing Words		
Postlude	<i>There Is A Fountain</i>	arr. Mark Hayes

Developmental Minister: The Rev. Dr. Sydney A. Morris

Student Minister: Sarah Skochko

Congregational Life: Kimberly Wootan

Worship Associate: Robin Schantz-Mulford

Music Director: Brad Schultz

Choir: Chalice Choir

Pianist: Susanne Giordano

Lifespan Religious Education Director: Katy Siefert

HAPPENING TODAY



WELCOME TO WORSHIP – Every Sunday in the Sanctuary, you will find a table where you are invited to share your blessings, prayers, sorrows, and joys by lighting a candle, dropping a pebble in the water, or writing in a book.

INFANTS, TODDLERS, AND PRESCHOOLERS – Childcare is provided each Sunday for our youngest congregants. Babies and preschoolers are welcome to stay with their parents in the Sanctuary during the service, or they can learn and play in Room 4 (babies) with Teachers Emily and Mattie, or in Room 3 (preschoolers) with Teachers Bridgett and Bryan. All of our youngest congregants are

served a small nutritious snack during childcare unless otherwise directed by parents.

Katy Siepert, uucedre@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x2.

SPIRITJAM – These sessions are open to people of all ages. Attendees start in the Sanctuary for the first part of the church service, then go to the classrooms when the children are sung out at about 10:15am. The sessions last until 11:15am. Today's SpiritJam sessions are: My Agreements Jam, Choir Jam, and Middle School Meet-up. Katy Siepert, uucedre@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x2.

INFORMATION AND FUNDRAISING TABLES – Earth EqUuity Food Project, Fair Trade Coffee Cart, Justice Network, Kindness Team Greeting Card Project, Small Group Ministry Registration, UU Refugee Sanctuary Project. 11am-noon, Lobby and South Entry.

SUNDAY SOCIAL – Join us today from 11am-1pm in the Social Hall for refreshments and visiting with old and new friends.

FAITH FORWARD: INQUIRERS – Each Sunday, from 11:15am-12:15pm in the Chapel, we host a session designed for visitors, new church members, and inquirers, as part of an 8-week series of introductory classes about our church that will be repeated throughout the year. You can drop in at any time, and later on pick up classes you miss. Please join us! Today's topic is: "Membership 101." Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris, minister@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x1.

FAITH FORWARD: BEYOND INQUIRERS – This series takes place on a recurring basis each Sunday from 11:15am-12:15pm in the Minister's Office. These classes empower new and long term UUs to explore answers to the question: "What Is Unitarian Universalism?" Subjects covered include history, spiritual practices, and theology. The topic of the session today is: "UU History 101: A Question of Love." Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris, minister@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x1.

HAPPENING TODAY (cont.)

MINISTERIAL SEARCH PROCESS – This Fall, we begin the search for our new minister. We have been blessed to have Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris with us since 2013 as our Developmental Minister. She came with the agreement to be here for 3 to 5 years, with the option to be called as a settled minister. Her 5th and final year will end June 30, 2018, as she is not available to be considered as our settled minister. Your Board of Trustees, in conjunction with our congregation and the Unitarian Universalist Association, is beginning the process to find a new minister.

Here are the next steps for the congregation:

-There will be a Ministerial Transition discussion each Sunday from 11:30am-1:00pm from October 1 through November 5 in the Sanctuary. Come learn about the plans and timeline, and ask questions. Snacks provided.

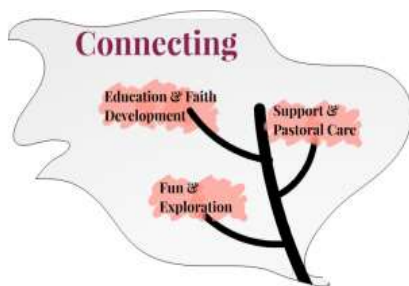
-Fill out the Ministerial Transition Survey at church or online to let the Board know your opinions about what we are doing well as a congregation, our strengths, and where we need further growth and development. If you have submitted your survey, thank you so much! If you have not yet submitted your survey, the deadline is coming soon. We ask that written surveys be submitted by Sunday, October 29 (to allow time for data entry), and online surveys be completed by Sunday, November 5.

Barbara Kellogg, president@ueeugene.org, 541-510-9795.

FUSED BEAUTY WITH REV. LAURIE BUSHBAUM – Create one-of-a-kind cards, suitable for framing or giving, using angelina fiber and an iron. Layer and fuse these magical, colored fiber strands with bits of paper and yarn to create little masterpieces. Youth and adult participants only, due to the use of irons. Sunday, October 22, noon-2pm in Room 6. Katy Siepert,

uucedre@ueeugene.org,
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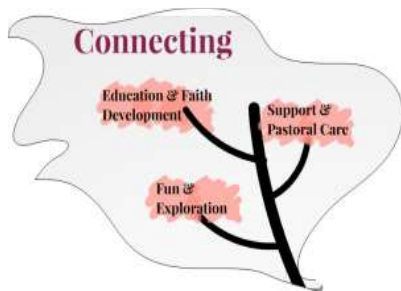
CONNECTING



HALLOWEEN PARTY – Join us for a howling good time here at church! Come in costume for the costume parade. Bring a ghoulish dish to share and enter in the spooky food contest. Do the monster mash at the cake walk. Play ghost and goblin bowling. Get your fortune told. Pin the tail on a zombie donkey. And more! Friday, October 27, 5:30-9:00pm. Katy Siepert, uucedre@ueeugene.org, 541-686-2775x2.

COMMUNITY ART GALLERY – The artwork of Kira Wilson, age 15, is featured in October. Contact Scott Hovis if you would like to volunteer to help support the activities of the Art Gallery. scotthovisfineart@gmail.com, 541-731-3412.

CONNECTING: LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



I AM NOT YOUR NEGRO, FILM AND FACILITATED DISCUSSION – This film, by master filmmaker Raoul Peck, is a journey into black history that connects the past of the Civil Rights movement to the present of #BlackLivesMatter. Saturday, October 28, 4:30-7:30pm in the Sanctuary. Katy Siepert, uucedre@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x2.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY (SGM) 10-SESSION SERIES STARTS IN JANUARY 2018 –The SGM groups are a place to build deeper

connections and explore personal and spiritual topics through listening and sharing. Each group has a trained facilitator, a structured format, and guidelines for respectful interactions. Each group also does a service project. The overall theme for this series is: “The Web of Life.” Each session will have a different topic inspired by one of our monthly church worship themes. A commitment to attend each session is requested, and a voluntary one-time donation of \$20-\$40 is suggested. The groups will meet for 2 hours twice a month from January through May 2018. More information can be found in the October 2017 Newsletter, the SGM web page, and the SGM pamphlet. Register in the Lobby after the Sunday service Oct. 22 through Nov. 12, 2017. Dick Loescher, info-sgm@uueugene.org, 541-485-1157.

COMING OF AGE PROGRAM FOR 8TH AND 9TH GRADE YOUTH – This program is designed to provide young people a supportive, nurturing, challenging, and fun environment that will grow and deepen their capacities for responsibility, autonomy, and spirituality. Here are important events and dates: parent orientation with optional attendance by youth (bring own lunch, if needed), Sunday, October 29, after church; Ropes Course, Sunday, November 5; deadline to register, Sunday, November 19; mentor applications due, Sunday, December 3. Youth will participate in multiple activities January through June 2018, including interacting with an adult mentor. Additional information is on the UUCE website, www.uueugene.org, CONNECT > Learning > Youth > Coming of Age. Katy Siepert, uucedre@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x2.

WORSHIP



MONDAY MEDITATION – Join us each Monday in the Chapel from 5-5:45pm for a meditative practice. This is a place to come in contemplation with others and share in the transformational power of sitting together. People of all faiths and secular/spiritual paths are welcome. Kimberly Wootan, meditation@uueugene.org.

JOIN US FOR SPIRITJAM NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 – The sessions will be: The Veil Jam, where we will learn about Halloween type celebrations around the world, and Spooky Planet Jam, where we will examine our covenant of caring for our wonderful, and sometimes spooky, planet.

JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 – “The One-Way Street” Is it possible to have a one-sided covenant? Are we still bound by our promises when others have broken theirs? Ministerial Intern Sarah Skochko considers how we should respond when others fail to live their promises.

ADMINISTRY

STUDENT MINISTER OFFICE HOURS – Student Minister Sarah Skochko has office hours on Fridays from 2-5pm in the library, and on Saturdays by appointment. Feel free to stop by for a chat, or just to introduce yourself. For more information, contact Sarah Skochko, intern@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x5.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR COMMUNICATIONS ACTIVITIES AT UUCE – We are seeking volunteers who enjoy working cooperatively and have skills and interests in the following areas: supporting website matters; editing, writing, and proofreading with attention to detail and timelines for our publications; video recording and editing; working with social media; and publicizing UUCE activities to the larger community. If you are interested, please contact Dick Loescher, Communications Task Force chair, communications@uueugene.org, 541-485-1157. Thank you.

UUCE SEEKING DONATION OF TWO COMPUTERS – for the following purposes:

1. One desktop with a monitor for general use by the congregation in Room 7.
2. One laptop for live streaming of services in the Chapel.

Desired features:

- fairly recent model, preferably no more than 6 years old
- operating system Windows 7, 8, or 10, or a MAC with OSX version 10.6 or later (version 10.10 or later preferred)
- 4GB of memory or more, 64 GB of storage or more
- 1280 x 800 or higher resolution monitor
- 2GHz processor or faster

If you would like to donate a computer, please contact Business Manager Wayne Parker, bizmanager@uueugene.org. Thank you.

Empowered by love,
we transform ourselves and serve our world.



OUTREACH



FOOD FOR LANE COUNTY VOLUNTEER NIGHT – We meet on the 4th Thursday each month to repackage food donated for those in our community who are experiencing food insecurity. Wear a hat or ponytail and closed toe shoes. Volunteers must be at least 14 years old, or 12-13 years old and accompanied by an adult. Thursday, October 26, 6:30-8:30pm, 770 Bailey Hill Road, Eugene. Contact Berry Broadbent, Justice Network, hunger@uueugene.org, 541-344-9037. Or just show up!

QUILTING FOR A CAUSE – This group is open to everyone. Quilting experience is not required, just enthusiasm and willingness to be put to work. For our initial project, we'll be assembling quilts for the St. Vincent de Paul Homeless Teens Project. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month in Room 6 from 2-4pm. The next date is October 26. Barbara Flitcroft, barwood13@earthlink.net, 503-704-4105. (texting is best)

REQUEST TO SUBSCRIBE TO UUCE WEEKLY eBULLETIN AND MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
Please tear off this form and deposit it in the wood request box near the Welcome Table in the Lobby.

Today's Date: _____

Name (s): _____

Email address (s): _____

Street address: _____