

Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene



December: Transformation

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UUCE Weekly Church Calendar, Dec. 3 – Dec. 10, 2017

Sunday, 12/3

- 9:15-9:30am **Membership Book Signing**, MO. Erin Troberg, 541-870-2054.
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-12:30pm **UU Refugee Sanctuary Project**, Rm 7. Connie Newman.
6:00-8:30pm **Advent Garden (open)**, S. Shane Nelson, 541-704-5508.

Monday, 12/4

- 5:00-5:45pm **Monday Meditation**, Chapel. Kimberly Wootan.
6:45-8:45pm **Choir Childcare**, Rm 3. Katy Siepert, 541-686-2775x2.
7:00-8:30pm **Chalice Choir Rehearsal**, S. Brad Schultz, 541-686-2775x4.

Tuesday, 12/5

- 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.
3:00-6:00pm **Earth EqUUnity Food Project Produce Plus**, EE. Berry B.
5:30-7:30pm **Touchstone Tuesday Potluck**, SH, K. Lizzy U., 858-204-3938.
7:00-9:00pm **Health Care for All Oregon**, off-site. Pat Bitner, 541-485-3971.

Wednesday, 12/6

- 12:30-2:00pm **Tears We Cannot Stop Book Group (open)**, Rm 2. Katy Siepert.
5:00-7:00pm **Choir Childcare**, Rooms 1 and 3. 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 **Men's Group (open)**, Room 7. Jim Kayser, 541-484-1840.

Thursday, 12/7 No open UUCE events listed.

Friday, 12/8

- 9:00-10:30am **Earth EqUUnity Food Project Community Court**, K. Berry B.
10:00-11:30am **Mindful Parenting Group**, Rm 1, 2. Kelsey K., 541-505-1193.

Saturday, 12/9

- 9:30am-12:30pm **Choir Rehearsal**, S. Brad Schultz, 541-686-2775x4.
1:00-3:00pm **Making Angels for the Architecture**, Room 7. Katy Siepert.

Sunday, 12/10

- 9:45-11:15am **Childcare (infants, toddlers, preschool)**, Rooms 3 and 4.
10:00-11:00am **Church Service**, Sanctuary, Social Hall.
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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

“Origin Myths”

Ministerial Intern: Sarah Skochko

December 3, 2017

Gathering Music	<i>Prayer</i>	René Vierne
Hymn Sing		
Interlude	<i>Kinderszenen, from Foreign Lands and People</i>	Robert Schumann, Op. 15
Welcome		
Prelude	<i>Weave</i>	Rosemary Crow
Call to Worship & Lighting of the Chalice		
Opening Hymn	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy</i>	26
Story for All Ages		
SpiritJam Recessional		
Reading		
Anthem	<i>Sure on this Shining Night</i>	Samuel Barber
Reading		
Responsive Hymn	<i>For the Beauty of the Earth (verses 1 & 3)</i>	21
Sermon		
Offertory	<i>Watchman, Tell Us of the Night</i>	arr. Mark Hayes
Closing Words & Extinguishing the Chalice		
Closing Hymn	<i>Morning Has Broken</i>	38
Benediction		
Postlude	<i>Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus</i>	arr. Phil Perkins

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

Congregational Life Facilitator: Kimberly Wootan

Worship Associate: August Sabini

Choir: Sanctuary Choir

Music Director: Brad Schultz

Pianist: Susanne Giordano

Director of Lifespan Religious Education: 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.

MEMBERSHIP BOOK SIGNING – Are you ready to become a member of UUCE? Opportunities to sign the membership book are now available on the 1st Sunday of each month. If you are ready to sign, please meet today, December 3 at 9:15am in Rev. Sydney's office. Membership Chair Erin Troberg, memb-chair@uueugene.org, 541-870-2054.

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@gmail.com, 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 Lunch Sack Jam and Paint Pot Jam. Katy Siepert, uucedre@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x2.

INFORMATION AND FUNDRAISING TABLES – Earth EqUuity Food Project, Fair Trade Coffee Cart, First Place Family Center Interfaith Night Shelter Program at UUCE, Justice Network, Kindness Team Greeting Card Project, 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 have missed. Please join us! Today's topic is: "Social Action and Community Service." Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris, minister@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x1.

HAPPENING TODAY (cont.)

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 today's session is "Spiritual Practices 2 – Finding Your Spiritual Practice." Rev. Dr. Sydney Morris, minister@uueugene.org, 541-686-2775x1.

PICK UP PREORDERED HOLIDAY WREATHS – Pick up your preordered holiday wreath made by the Woodburn farmworker women (MLP) before or after church today, December 3. Please check in with Joyce Thomas at either the covered walkway area near the Kitchen entrance or at the Justice Network table before removing your wreath. Joyce Thomas, ajt@efn.org, 541-729-1496.

ADVENT GARDEN LABYRINTH WALK – Join us for our annual Advent Garden Labyrinth Walk today, December 3, from 6-8:30pm in the Sanctuary. Shane Nelson, shnelson@nwcu.edu, 541-704-5508.

CONNECTING: LIFESPAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

MAKING ANGELS FOR THE ARCHITECTURE – Join Katy, Susan, Cynthius and friends in making large scale angels representing a wide and beautiful variety of people, cultures, lifestyles, and beliefs to reflect our UU values. These angels will grace our architecture during December. The church will provide basic supplies, and you are welcome to bring collage materials. We will meet each Saturday, Dec. 2 through Dec. 23, from 1-3pm in the Chapel (except in Room 7 on December 9). Katy Siepert, uucedre@gmail.com, 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 NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 – "Passing the Peace." Guest speaker Carter Hawley will address assisted death from her personal and spiritual perspective. She works in law enforcement and serves her Episcopal Church.

JOIN US FOR SPIRITJAM NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 – The session topics will be: Basket Weaving Jam, Spider Plant Jam, Quilting Jam, and Middle School Meet-up.

OUTREACH



EARTH EQUITY FOOD PROJECT PRODUCE PLUS –This Food for Lane County program provides fresh produce and bread to income-eligible individuals and families. Produce Plus is open on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month from 3-6pm in the East Entrance of church. The next session is December 5. For more information or to volunteer, visit the Earth EqUuity table after the Sunday service or contact Berry Broadbent, EEFood@uueugene.org, 541-344-9037.

HEALTH CARE FOR ALL OREGON (HCAO) – HCAO's monthly meeting will be at First United Methodist Church, 1376 Olive St., Eugene, on Tuesday, December 5 from 7-9pm. HCAO is a UUCE Justice Network sponsored volunteer organization. All are welcome. Pat Bitner, healthcare@uueugene.org, 541-485-3971.

EARTH EQUITY FOOD PROJECT COMMUNITY COURT JUSTICE PROGRAM – We meet on the second Friday each month to assemble sack lunches. We then deliver them to the downtown Eugene Public Library, where the Community Court Justice Program is held. Our next session is Friday, December 8 from 9-10:30am in the Kitchen. For questions or to volunteer, contact Berry B. in the lobby after the Sunday service, or EEFood@uueugene.org, 541-344-9037 (call or text).

FAIR TRADE HOLIDAY SHOPPING – Why not buy some Fair Trade coffee, tea, chocolate, or fruit bars? You'll find a good selection for sale at the Fair Trade Coffee Cart every Sunday after the service. It's the perfect gift—all items are organic, they support third world farmers, and a part of each sale goes to support UUCE. Find us near the South Entry. Laramie Palmer, coffeecart@uueugene.org, 541-343-6536.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR FIRST PLACE FAMILY CENTER INTERFAITH NIGHT SHELTER PROGRAM AT UUCE – Working in conjunction with St. Vincent de Paul, our First Place Family Shelter week is coming up soon. We will be serving breakfast and dinner, and providing a place for homeless families to sleep for the week of January 8-15, 2018. We need cooks, van drivers, dinner and breakfast servers, friendly hospitality folks, other helpers, and lots of food items. Signups start in the Lobby after the service on Sunday, November 19, and continue through Sunday, January 7. You can also sign up online, <http://signup.com/go/LpZgUtP>. Sponsored by Justice Network. For more information, see the November newsletter, or contact Barb Prentice, barbprentice1@gmail.com, 541-302-8151, or Sue Craig, sueacraig@gmail.com, 541-607-0204.

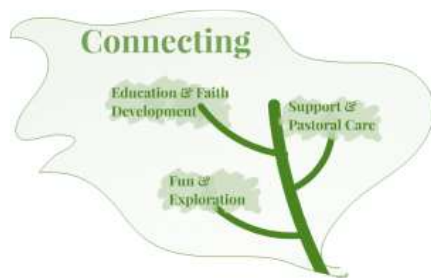
OCCUPY MEDICAL AND FIRST PLACE FAMILY CENTER – Please place donations in the bin near the kitchen. Warm clothes for adults and children are especially appreciated. Thank you. Ruth D., ruthduemler@gmail.com, 541-484-6145; John Roy Wilson, jrw45@comcast.net, 541-687-6728.

OUTREACH (cont.)

UU REFUGEE SANCTUARY PROJECT SCHOOL SUPPLIES REQUEST – You can help Syrian children in refugee camps by donating school supplies. Pick up a school supply shopping list at our table in the Lobby after the Sunday service, and bring donations there up through December 31. Our team is sewing cloth bags, and children in the Religious Education classes will assemble the kits. More info about this joint Mennonite project is at mcc.org/get-involved/kits/school. Connie Newman, refugees@uueugene.org, 541-543-1685.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE – This food drive barrel will be at UUCE until mid-December. Specific food requests for the holiday food boxes include broth and gravy, canned olives, canned yams/sweet potatoes, canned pumpkin, and sweet treats. Please place donations in the labelled barrel near the Kitchen. Thank you. Berry B., Justice Network, 541-344-9037.

CONNECTING



TOUCHSTONE TUESDAY POTLUCK – On the first Tuesday of each month, you are invited to bring a kid or a dish to a church-wide potluck in the Social Hall. The next potluck is December 5, 5:30-7:30 pm, with Grace offered at 6pm. Lizzy Utterback, tuesdaypotluck@uueugene.org, 858-204-3938.

UUCE CHRISTMAS CONCERT, “LIGHT IN DEEPEST NIGHT” –

Come hear the Chamber Singers, Sanctuary Choir, and Chalice Choir, directed by Brad Schultz. Suggested donation \$10. Saturday, December 16 from 7-8:30pm in the Sanctuary. Brad Schultz, uueugenemusic@gmail.com, 541-686-2775x4.

COMMUNITY ART GALLERY – The relief printmaking of Diane Sandall is featured in December. Scott Hovis, gallery@uueugene.org, 541-731-3412.

COMMUNITY ART GALLERY CALL FOR YOUTH ART – March is national Youth Art Month. It's not too early to save art work for our 4th annual youth art show, featuring work of kids age 17 and younger, whether members or not. Scott Hovis, gallery@uueugene.org, 541-731-3412.

LAY PASTORAL ASSOCIATES – Lay Pastoral Associates (LPA) are available to visit people who would benefit from a caring presence to listen to concerns, or from a friendly visit due to being housebound. If you or someone you know would benefit from this service, please talk to a Lay Pastoral Associate any Sunday at church; they'll be wearing name tags with green ribbons. Or visit the LPA webpage at uueugene.org (click CONNECT > Support Groups > Lay Pastoral Programs) and fill out and submit a request form. Contact: Kimberly Wootan, laypastoralassociates@uueugene.org.

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REQUEST TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE 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:
